WHEN OMAHA WAS A VILLAGE

Little Eimilarity Between Business Houses and Firms Then and Now.

SOME OF THE OLD TIME STOREKEEPERS

Tenth Street the Brondway of Twenty-Five Years Ago-Trade Moves Westward and Pioneer Tradesmen Disappear.

If a former inhabitant of Omaha, one who had touched foot on this soil in the latter part of the '50s, the '60s, or even the '70s and had then disappeared to come again, like a Rp Van back he would have been compelled to rub his eyes not once or twice, but many times before he would be willing to believe his eyesight. Today he would stare at the tall buildings, hear the paved streets ringing with the hoofs of horses, wonder at the network of wiring and the busy crowds and demand of some one what had come across the face of the earth. And if he had been one who sat about the earlier suitler's jovial fire on a long winter's night, or done business of those days, he would find nimself lost, when he looked about to see a familiar face which be could recall as that of a former merchant prince.

The business changes which clarse in t

quarter of a century in a large town are not less remarkable than the changes in the out ward aspect of the streets and buildings. A constant stream of newcomers pours into city of Omaha's size and seems to sweep away the older merchants, until the r name merely are remembered and treasured up in the minds of the old settlers. Old buildings are torn down, new ones, more pretentloubusiness slowly but surely moves from point to point, until the man who fifteen years ago predicted that "no business will ever be done in Omaha west of Fifteenth street on Farnam street" is forgotten. Such a state-ment seems so abourd nowadays that nobody could be made to believe it was uttered were not numerous old settlers of good repute to be found who can give the parties' names. Among the earliest of those who sought Among the earliest of those who sought a fortune in Omaha and pinned their faith to its destiny, before there was a store in the place at which to buy goods, was S. E. Rogers, vice president of the Merchants' National bank. Mr. Rogers came to Omaha in 1857, when the town lay between two creeks, known in that time as Otoe creek and Omaha By the succeeding winter the town claimed a number of pretentious structures one being "a sort of sod sharty," according to Mr. Rogers' best recollection of it now occupied by A. J. Poppleton. General Estabrook lived in a structure made by piling hav about two sticks stuck in the ground and allogether there were n the winter of 1854-55 sixty "emokes" in the future city as

Tootle & Jackson were at that time Council Bluffs merchants. They saw a future destiny beyond the Missouri river and started a branch house here, said to be the first mercantile house in Omaha. They located in the neighborhood of Ninth and Farnan streets. For many years the stores of the place clustered about that neighborhood, and, in fact, it was nearly a quarter of a cenhave left lower Farnam street and traveled westward-!!ke the rest of the city.

In 1856 Mr. Rogers says that Meyer Hellman started a hat store in a wooden house which stood on the corner of Thirteentl and Farnam streets. Hellman afterward moved across the street and was located on the corner, still known as the Hellman block, until the time of his death. Milton Rogers was another early merchant who began selling stoves in that early day, finally locating at the corner of Fourteenth and Farnam streets at a point opposite the post-office, but so far beyond the recognized limits of trade as to be criticised for rashness. This old house has decided to retire, and this will take away another old firm. THE PIONEER MERCHANTS.

"I could mention any rumber of old merchants," observed Mr. Rogers. "Many of them have gone out of business or died. For yeare Byron Reed was a prominent real estate dealer. He died a few years ago. General Lowe, who was prominent in the early days, is still living. William Sexaur, who ran a saloon next to Hellman's, is still alive. John Horbach for years ran a lumher husiness on Thirteenth and Harney streets. Huberman used 'o run a jewelry businces in a wooden building in 1857 and 1858, or thereabouts, on Farnam, between Thirteenth and Fourteeuth streets. I re member Isaacs was our first Omaha tailor opening shop in 1866. In 1873 I bought a 'reversible' overcoat of him, trading ar panic year and we did everything by trading. The Merchants' National bank bought its location of Henry Poudt, who for years ran a grocery business. We agreed not to did. In 1858 George Clayes was an Omaha dry goods man. He went to Canada, and there died. The first wholesale house of the United States bank site,

"Speaking about paved streets, I remem-ber that the winter of 1877 was a mild winter and wagons used to frequently stuck in the mud on Farnam and Tenth

oming down to the years 1874 and 1875 and picking out a few of the names still familiar in one form or another, it is found that among banks the First National was then located on its present site, but run ning in a two-story brick structure, ver narrow, and the second floor occupied by the Burlington road for headquarters. The Omaha National bank was located in the Caldwell block, and just after the panic took care to announce the fact that it had \$30,000 on hand, as a proof of conservative manage ment. John Green used to run a flour mil located somewhere near the present site of the Union Pacific depot. He is in land of the living. Just a year or two be-fore this Peyeke Bros, bought out Wirth and were running a restaurant at 207 Far-nam street. The "Donovan" house then posed as one of the big hotels of the city and claimed to be able to accommodate 150 guests. Steele & Johnson had just moved actors from Council Bluffs and were lo-cated in the old postoffice building at 536 Fourteenth street. D. M. Steele of this firm died but a short time since. A. J. Simpson, the carriage man, is a fifty-eighter. The firm of Ramge & Stein once did a good business on Farnam, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets. Ramge is dead. George A. Hoagland has been a lumber merchant for many years, and Samuel Burns has long sold crockery. In 1866 the tter was running in partnership with

Ketchum.

It is interesting to look over the official registers for the year 1865. One learns that the Board of Trade was started in that year and was pushing the subject of immigration by sending broadcast circulars favorable to Nebraska. At that time Alvin Saunders was governor and G. W. Paddock secretary of the territory. The latter is dead. Even in that early day Omaha had a Pacific hook and ladder company, which had been "lately organized," according to the original historian. The city engine house stood on Twelfth street, between Douglas and Farnam streets. The city was Douglas and Farnam streets. The city was considering the purchase of a steam fire

AMBROSE REMEMBERS MANY.

Judge Ambrose, who first saw Omaha in 1867, gives the opinion that within the last fifteen years almost the entire wholesale and retail world of Omaha has been reorganized, young blood coming in to largely supplant the older stock. Running over a list of names prominent in the 70's, he gave nome he could think of: J. J. Brown & Bros. general merchandise, at Fourteenth and Farnam streets, Mr. Brown being now with the Omaha Loan and Trust company: Randall Brown, located on Douglas near Four-teenth street, since retired; Peter Goos, who kept a hotel where the Merchants' hotel stands, prior to the erection of the Goos hotel; John McCormick & Co., on Farnam street, near Thirteenth street who ran a big general merchandise business three brothers being now dead; George M. Mills, who was a leading retail clothing dealer on Farnam and Douglas, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets; M. W. Kennard & Co., who for many years ran a

store where Fleming has been for twenty years, on Douglas street; P. E. lier & Co., who for many years carried on a wholesale whisky trade prior to their distillery business; Dr. Ish, a leading druggist, located next to Milton Rogers, on Farnam street, now dead; C. S. Goodrich & Son, who are both dead, and who carried on a general merchandise business on Farnam, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets.

Stevens & Wilcox had a large retail trade.

Stevens & Wilcox had a large retail trade, especially with the Indians and military reservations, in dry goods. Stevens is dead. Clark & Worden kept a large livery stable where Kelly & Stiger now are.

C. W. Morton of Morton & Sons, is one of the later arrivals though he, too, saw Omaha in the days before it became a city. When he came here in 1878, like other eastern men, he would not have been surprised to see a herd of buffalo grazing in the streets. Omaha he says, was then a typical western town, and one of the prominent places at that time in the west. Sixteenth street was then out in the wilderness. At Tenth and Farnam streets was the business center. The Mevers carried on their business then as they had for years. The big stores were all down that The Bee was then located on Farnam street, between Ninth and Tenth streets The Burlington road had just completed The Burlington road Burlington From the lits new headquarters. Cruickshank & Co., were running a business at the "Falconer" as it was afterward called. Falcorner, as it was afterward called. Fal-coner was the "Co," and later became the

Ex-Mayor Bemis, who had business interests in the city as early as 1863, and who came here in 1868, permanently, has many recollections of early days. Where the now vacant Morse building stands he saw John I. Redick, with his peculiar constructive faculty, erect an opera house, incorporating within its unstable limits a church, all under one roof. Mr. Bemis has a valuable photograph of Omaha taken about 1865, probably the only piece of its kind extant. The town was then a mere village.

INSURANCE NOTES.

The St. Boniface Catholic Life insurance ompany of Indiana has been dissolved. The new Jersey legislature has passed bill allowing non-residents to operate Lloyds. Half a dozen or more fraternal insurance orders have applied for admission to Connecticut.

The local agents of Lincoln are all, so, desirous of a new local board

The Farmers' Mutual has begun mandamus proceedings to compel the auditor to grant another license. Abraham Altman has been sentenced to the Connecticut state prison for ten years, for the crime of arson.

Kansas City has increased its fire fighting facilities with enlarged water mains and an increased number of hydrants. The policy holders of the Massachusetts Benefit Life insurance association at Haver-hill, Mass., are kicking about extra assess-

The reorganized German Fire of Indian apolls has been licensed to do business. The kickers appear to have confined their efforts

Nobody seems to want the business o the deceased Omaha fire. It is probable that the Firemen's and Merchants' of Lincoln will get the most of the expirations.

The Missouri insurance department wants a constitutional opinion upon the standard policy of that state, and a suit will be bro gat before the supreme court for that purpose. Parker and Vaughan, convicted of arson a Buffalo, have been sentenced to the penitentlary for four years and ten months, and four years and nine months, respectively. The bill passed by the New Jersey legis lature, repealing the law requiring insurance brokers to hold a license from the insurance

The Brooklyn Standard Union says that one of the men charged with dealing in ogue Lloyds charters served fifteen months in prison some ten years ago for forgery of

department, has been vetoed by the gov-

The Iowa Life Insurance company has madthe following new appointments: James Miller, district agent, St. Joseph, Mo.; Fontaine Meriweather, special agent, Sedalia, Mo.; A. J. Bauer, district agent, Jefferson City, Mo.

The Life Underwriters' association of Philadelphia elected the following officers: President, Frank Reed; vice presidents, Richard Fisher, William M. Scott and Wil-liam G. Carroll; treasurer, Amos Wakelin; secretary, F. E. Hammer

An interesting suit was tried in Baltimore the other day. A quantity of Passover bread and Passayer flour was insured to the amount of \$2,000. A fire occurred and the compan took the option of replacing the damage articles; but before they were replaced the Passover season was gone. The assured se cured a verdict for \$328.

Several assessment life insurance con panice have joined in applying for an in-junction restraining the Missouri insurance department for levying a 2 per cent tax upon their business, as provided in tions 58 and 59, in the laws of 1895. claim to be exempted from the provisions of the statute in question.

Nothing so distressing as a backing cough Nothing so feelish as to suffer from it. Nothing so dangerous if allowed to continue. One Minute Cough Cure gives immediate relief.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Archie Boyd, New York, is a Barker guest. Charles Waite of Deadwood is in the city. S. M. Bloss left for Chicago last even-

E. J. DeBell of the Rosebud Indian agency is in the city. F. C. Goodson went to St. Louis yester-

day, to be gone a week. Mr. and Mrs. John T. Kelly of New York are at one of the hotels. Miss Caroline Franklin is registered at the

Barker from Philadelphia. Gould Dietz left for Sheridan, Wyo., yesterday, to be gone several days. John Iller, stock agent for the Burlington,

went to Rapid City yesterday. Twenty-four members of the "Shore Acres" company are quartered at the Barker. J. Francis, accompanied by his wife and child, left for an eastern trip yesterday. John McClusky and H. A. French of Glen-

wood, Ia., are among the hotel guests. Nebraskans at the hotels are: G. W. Harris, Hastings; A. G. Williams, Fremont. A. B. Alexander, United States fieh commissioner, is registered at one of the hotels.

Mrs. Thurston, wife of Senator Thurston left for the east yesterday, to be gone several days. Mrs. Gardner, wife of Dean Gardner, left

for the east on a short visit with friends, last Twenty-three members of "The Twentieth Century Girl" company are domiciled at the

Max Fried and a party of friends left for Cripple Creek last night, where Fried expects to locate.

H. W. Kent and wife have gone to Cedar where they will visit friends for a fortnight.

Mrs. Hannah Hodgson has gone to Streator, where she will visit relatives for a

Mrs. Hardy and child, and Mrs. C. Harve and children are registered at the Barker Marion W. Spence, general agent for the Consolidated Milling company, Minneapolis,

is in the city. Mrs. Sila B. Seavey left for Denver last

evening and will join her husband later on at Cripple Creek. Charles Thompson returned from a hunting trip along the Platte river last evening, after an absence of a week.

H. W. Whitney and wife, who have just returned from a western trip, left for Chicago and the east last night. Sam S. Smith and Henry Mann of Colorad-Springs and George T. Henry and N. Under-

hill of Denver are in the city. Miss Helen Hoagland returned home last evening from a trip to the coast, which consumed two months. She visited friends at Coronado and San Francisco

David Kilpatrick of Beatrice, who was visiting friends in the city for a few days, left for Lincoln last night, where he will continue his studies at the State university. At the Murray: Joe Loeb, Chicago; J. O. Stelson, M. A. Stelson, Detroit; H. S. Schneckenberg, William Strauss, New York; George A. Taylor, Utics, N. Y.; G. W. Dierly, Cincinnsti, O.; W. H. Murray, D. W. Haynes, city; H. Murray, Wymore, Neb.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS

At Saturday night's meeting of the Municipal league arrangements for a permanent organization were perfected. The officers will remain as they now are, and the next meeting will be held Tuesday even-

The committee appointed to investigate into alleged irregularities in the Fourth ward on election day reported that there was ample evidence that gross irregularities Several witnesses were examined, and the evidence taken. A com-mittee composed of B. S. Adams, D. S. Bar-rett and E. J. Seykora was appointed to acexamined, and the evidence taken. company Paul McAuley on a visit to County Attorney Baldrige and take the necessary steps for commencing criminal action against Mayor Johnston. Another committee will call upon As-

sessor Cress to urge him to assess equitably all property in the city.
It is the intention of the lesgue to take It is the intention of the lengue to take hold of the high insurance rates and see if something cannot be done toward reducing the premiums now paid. The league will

also do what it can toward having the Transmissicatepi exposition grounds located as near South Omaha as possible. When Mayor Jonnston was told yesterday of the intention of the league to commence oriminal action against him for alleged in-erference with voters at the Fourth ward poils he appeared to be rather amused at what he termed a lot of silly talk about nothing. He positively stated that he did nothing at the polis on election day that was a violation of any law, and he was not at all frightened by the talk of criminal

Mrs. Driscoll's Claim Settled. About two years ago Mrs. Catherine Dris-

coll stepped on a loose board in a sidewalk and was permanently injured. She brought suit against the city for \$5,000, and the would have come up for trial shortly a settlement not been reached. Members of the city council and the attorneys interested got together and settled the claim for \$2,500, and at the meeting of the council this evening the city attorney will be instructed to confess judgment for that amount. Attorneys for Mrs. Driscoll cuy that they had a splendid case against the city, as they were prepared to prove that

notice was served upon the city council that the sidewalk where Mrs. Driscoll fell was in had shape. In spite of this notice no action was taken, and the walk was not Mrs. Driscoll is about 62 years of age, and has not been able to use her legs since the

accident. A part of her body is paralyzed. Plans for Organizing the Council. It has been agreed between the democratic and republican factions of the council that W. P. Mullaly, democratic member from the

Fourth ward, shall be president. The republicans have made up a committee slate, as have also the democrats. Both elect Ensor, who is now at work fixing up slate of his own. He hopes to be able to satisfy both factions in the committee ap-pointments. Naturally, the holdover members want the chairmanships of the best committees, and the new members object to being frozen out, and taking what is left. The council will meet with Dr. Ensor today o consider the matter.

The old city council meets this evening to cattle up its business. Mayor Johnston will read his message, and then swear in the new mayor and councilmen. The official canvass of the votce will also be made.

Magie City Gossip. Miss Jeesle Bedouin of Waco is the guest of Miss Hattle Enbody, Twenty-third and H streets. George Pauley is wanted by the police for

breaking a window in Beleit's galoon, Twentyfourth and K streets. W N. Babcock, general manager, and A H. Lee, traveling representative of the Union Stock Yards company, left yesterday for Rapid City to attend the cattle growers' con-vention, which convenes Tuesday.

The heavy rain Saturday night and yesterday did considerable damage to the sewers and the unpaved streets. Washouts are reported from all over the city, and the street commissioners' gang will be busy this week repairing the damage. Sewers at I wentleth and O streets, Twenty-second and streets, Twenty-second and L streets Twenty-second and H streets and Twenty seventh and N streets burst and flooded the otreets near by.

SUGGESTIONS FOR ARBOR DAY.

Pamphlet for Teachers Issued by the State Superintendent. State Superintendent Corbett has issued complete and suggestive pamphlet upon Arbor day, for the use of the teachers throughout the state. Aside from the first page of greeting this little leaflet contains, first, 'Practical Directions," by Prof. T. W. Tayor, ecretary of the Nebraska State Horticul tural society. These directions deal with why to plant; what to plant, and how to plant. Then come exercises for Arbor day adapted for pupils of various ages. One of adapted for pupils of various ages. One of the suggested exercises makes use of apt quotations from Whittier, Irving, Holmes, Lowell, Addison, George W. Curtis, Don G. Mitchell and George Eliot.

The final suggestion is the use of Ne braska's new title, "Tree Planters' State," and teaching the pupils how it came to receive that application.

Prizes Offered by Humane Society. The Humane society of Nebraska has received permission from the city school board to offer prizes to the pupils of the fifth sixth, seventh and eighth grades for es-says written upon any one of the six sub-mitted subjects. The first prize is a gold each of the contesting grades, making ten The essays must be handed in by the 11th

of May. All work is to be voluntary on the part of both pupils and teachers. Below is he list of subjects submitted for selection: 1. The best method for the prevention of to animals in Omaha. 2. Reasons why we should not cause pain

to animals, but should try to make them noon and his latest success, "Ambition," happy, and show in what way this would at night. "Ambition" is particularly timely, tend to our own happiness and the formation dealing as it does with the Cuban question 3. State objections against bird-nesting, de-

stroying parent birds, throwing stones at birds, frogs and other animals, or shooting them with air guns, etc., and show their good services to mankind and why man could hardly exist without them.
4. State special claims which domestic ani

nale have upon man and the supplies they furnish him, and picture our condition with out horses, cows or poultry.

5. Kindness to dumb animals and to every

living creature. 6. State reasons why the practice of vivisection in the public schools should be pro-

Among County and City Schools. Superintendent W. H. Skinner of Nebraska City will speak before the Douglas Coupty Teachers' appociation at the assembly room, on the fifth floor of city hall at 2:30 p. m. Saturday, April 18. Subject, "The Art of Reading and How to Acquire It." The lecture is free to all and those who are interested in Superintendent Skinner and theme will be heartily welcomed by nty Superintendent Bodwell.

The High school sophomores held their preliminary declamatory contest on Friday Miss Bessie Hazlitt, who recited "The Boy," was awarded the prize The Woman's Christian association is serv ing lunch daily in the basement of the High school to the entire satisfaction of all par-It takes ten women daily to serve the hungry horde.

General Educational Notes Miss Alice Luce, a graduate of Weilesley, has just obtained the degree of doctor of philosophy, multa cum laude, from the Uni-versity of Gottingen, after two years' of philological studies at Leipsic, and a semester at Gottingen. She is the fourth woman to receive the doctor's degree at that university. The commission appointed by the Wiscon ain legislature to extend the free library system in that state has done excellent work. Prior to the appointment of the com-mission there were only thirty-three free libraries in Wisconsin, but new interest has been awakened in a large number of cities

and towns, and the commission hopes to see

before it is ten years old, the establishment

of 250 new libraries and many traveling libraries (an idea berrowed from New York), with a total of 1,500,000 books.

Prof. Sylvester, F. R. S. of Oxford, the mathematician, who earlier held professor-ships at the University of Virginia and at Johns Hopkins, has been elected a foreign member of the Turin Royal Academy of

President Thwing has been investigating the number of graduates of American col-leges from the beginning. The number seems to him to be about 300,000, a number somewhat larger than is usually represented of whom about 150,000 are supposed to be now living.

The founding of a chair of music is the latest gift to Columbia university; for this purpose Mrs. Elizabeth Mary Ludlow has given to the trustees the estate of the late Robert Center, her son, valued at about \$150,900. At the meeting where Mrs. Ludlow's offering was made, some modest un-known friend sent in \$10,000 to buy books for the library.

The college for women of the Western Reserve university, which is considered by many as the most successful college for women as a part of the university, represent-ing what is called the co-ordinate method in education, will graduate a class of thirtyforthcoming commencement. address at the commencement of the college for women will be by Dr. M. Carey Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr college.

The Western Reserve university is considering the question of the equipment of a pedagogical museum. It is hoped to have it partially equipped by the opening of the centennial anniversary of the city of Cleve-land in the summer. The hundredth anniversary of the foundation of Cleveland is also the seventleth anniversary of the foundng of the old Western Reserve college Hudson, which was removed to Cleveland in 1882. The university announces certain lectures, which will commemorate the double relationship, in connection with its commencement, which occurs June 14 to Mr. Samuel Mather, who built the magnificent physical laboratory of the university s also equipping it. A certain sum of money is given by him for the purpose each year for the next three years.

AMUSEMENTS.

\$0000000000000000000000000000 A strong company, headed by Archie Boyd opened an engagement last night at Boyd's in "Shore Acres."

It is hard to assign the beautiful idyl to its proper place among plays by employing the ordinary means of classification. What Mr. Horne has constructed is not properly play at all, but a picture, so true to the life which it represents that when it is adequately exhibited audiences go away from the sight of it feeling that their eyes have beheld something more than a work of art. And the chances are that, whatever their age, sex or station, they have seen what was before them with a vision very often olurred with the tears which flow in sympathy for heroic deeds, whether done in he prosaic routine of life or amid more spec acular surroundings. So much has been written about "Shore Acres" since its first production several seasons ago, that it is difficult to find fresh words to eet forth its manifold beauties. It has been called a triumph of naturalness, the apotheosis o ealism. It is all this, in the best sense the naturalness appeals to all; and the real sm is not the ism is not the pessimistic article of Mr. Hamlin Garland and his imitators, local and otherwise, which predicts the imminent fina cataclyem as the result of the obduracy of eastern money-lenders, but that truer realism which shows life as it is in general. mixture of good and evil, with good well

in the front. The company, as hinted above, is a strong one. If it has a serious fault, it is in the matter of speech, Maine farmer folk, nor people generally who hall from that rugged state do not roll the r and sound the flat as these people do, from the least to the greatest. This is a detail which would not call for censure except for the excellence of the performance in every other reposit s one of the most powerful pieces of work shown here this season, and James Lackaye, as his sordid, obstinate brother, is in no wise wanting. Every name in the cast Mise King, as the motherly New England housewife, deserves a great deal of it. There are somo clever children, and the scener elaborate and good. furnishes in all respects & delightful enter tainment, and is worth anybody's while to go and see-I say, to go and see.

Molly Fuller is a graceful little woman whether she is attired in modern bloomers or the modest skirt, and in the title role "The Twentieth Century Girl" she de lighted two large crowds at the Creighton yesterday. The production comes to Omaha with a most successful season to its credit is a clever burlesque, full of catchy airs, interesting situations and entertaining sketches, many fresh from the Paris stage The story treats of the "Twentieth Century Girl." a delightful creature who wears skirt or bloomers with the same naturalness, though preferring the latter. She is a candidate for office and delights in playing tricks on her friends, who have unbounded confidence in her. With the young woma who affects masculine ways there are large number of pretty girls with graceful figures and sweet voices, who appear in a variety of handsome costumes. While the production is not staged so gorgeously as some others, everything is arranged with nicety of detail and the novelties are so numerous that the absence of magnificent costumes is easily excused. Miss Fuller is not the only genuine star in the aggregation the cast being made up of such excellent material as John Kelly, Gus Williams, Wil-liam Cameron, Catherine Linyard, Georgia Hawley, Harry Kelly, Thomas Lewis, Ar-thur Pell, Anna St. Tel, Emma Levey, Jesse Williams, Harry Standish, the three lawthorne sisters, Maud Dalton and Har-

It has been many years since there ha been such a desire to see Nat C. Goodwin as has been evidenced since the announcenent that he would present "A Gilde Fool" at Boyd's theater Wednesday after and the efforts of the United States sen ator to secure the recognition of the insurgents as belligerents. The sale of seat for the Goodwin engagement will open at 9 o'clock temorrow morning.

Stuart Robson and his excellent company will produce Charles, Burnard's adaptation of the French comedy "Madam Mongodin," at Boyd's theater, on Friday night and Saturday The American title is "Mrs. Ponderbury's

We are to have Nellie McHenry and he empany at Boyd's theater for three nights, commencing Sunday evening next, in her latest cyclo-comedy success, "The Blcycl

Robert Mantell and his company will open four-night engagement at the Creighton, Sunday matines, April 26, presenting a repertory of the successes which have placed im in the front rank of America's representative players. Mr. (Mantell's coming appearance will be a welcome one, being the first

"The Old Lime Kiln," presented by Katie Putnam and an adequate support, will be the attraction at the Creighton for four nights, commencing Sunday matinee, April 19. This production is the latest success of C. T. Dazey, author of "In Old Kentucky," and is said to be in every way equal to his greatest effort in general interest and origi nality of conception.

It's just as easy to try One Minute Cough Cure as anything else. It's easier to cure a severe cough or cold with it. Let your next purchase for a cough be One Minute Cough Cure. Better medicine; better results; bet-

An Hour Apart. The flying Northwestern Line trains to hicago.
"No. 2." "The Overland." Omaha 4:45 p. m., Cheiago 7:45 a. m. The "OMAHA-CHICAGO SPECIAL"-

Omaha, 5:45 p. m., Chicago 8:45 a. m. Modern art had to stop a while after these trains were built. City ticket office, 1401 Farnam street,

Pat Quinlan Stands Off Invaders with an Axe and Revolver.

REPELS AN ASSAULT BY THE BARNESES

Squatters in the Missouri Bottoms Above Blair Go to War with Disastrous Results to the Aggressors.

BLAIR, Neb., April 12 .- (Special Telegram.)-A family by the name of Barnes, that lives up in the new-made land on the Missouri river, has given the Burt and Washington county officers more trouble than all others put together. Today the old man and one of his sons got into a dispute over some land with Pat Quinlin and son. The Barneses attempted to tear down a shanty built by the Quinlins. The result was that the older Barnes had his shoulder broken by an axe in the hands of one of the Quinlins and the younger Barnes was shot through the arm. No arrests have been made

EXAMINER COWDERY IN CHARGE.

Chadron Banking Company Affairs in the States Hands. CHADRON, Neb., April 12.—(Special Tolegram.)-Ben F. Cowdery, state bank examiner, arrived here this morning and at once took charge of the Chadron Banking company. The failure caused but little excitement and no run was made on any of the other banks. No definite information can as vet be obtained regarding the assets.

Celebrated Lee's Surrender. EXETER, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.)-The Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief corps celebrated the anniversary of Lee's surrender last Thursday evening with a very appropriate program, followed by one of the r famous suppers. The attendance was quite large and the evening was well

Next Saturday evening the Weslevan Uni versity quartet, composed of Frank W. Farmer, Charles Reid, Robert Ellinwood and H. M. Brown, will be in Exeter and deliver one of its noted concerts at the Methodist church. The two former young men are Exeter boye.

Nebraska News Notes. town of Brock is sinking an arte

sian well for public use. The Missouri river has risen six feet at Auburn and ie still rising. Work on the improvements on the Kear ney canal will be recommenced today. The citizens of Geneva raised \$25 by popular subscription for the purchase of a barome

The number of section hands on the St. Francis branch of the B. & M. has been materially reduced.

The Northwest Nebraska Sheep Breeders' approclation will hold its annual meeting at Atkinson on April 21. Nellie Lashbrock, a prominent young woman of Fairmont, was thrown from a horse and her broken leg is now doing nicely.

Frank Martin of Fillmore county, who has een under arrest on the charge of assault with intent to kill, has been acquitted. The town marchal of Johnson was severely commeled by four tramps, who resisted ar-He succeeded in landing them in

Commencing this week the B. & M. bal-lasting trains on the Black Hills line will run in and out of Ravenna, instead of Aurora, as heretofore. John Skeen shot and slightly wounded

fellow citizen at Nemaha. The fellow citizen was helping himself to Skeen's coal pile and escaped in the darkness. A prairie fire burned down the telephone lines near Rogers, thus cutting off all com-nunication with surrounding towns, and

breaking the entire circuit. William Falkner's horse ran away at Falls an old German farmer, was internally in

jured. He will hardly recover. The old B. & M. roundhouse at Brownville one of the landmarks, was recently levele by a frisky cyclone. It had been a free lodg ng house for tramps many years. A 10-year-old son of George Simson in Druel county trailed a wolf two miles, cor-

nered it and killed it with a club. measured 5 feet, 10 inches, from nose to A sister of Mrs. Stremk, at Bratton, was nearly burned to death recently, but the doctors saved her life. Since then they Since then they have grafted 350 pieces of skin upon body, but the new skin has all come off. Mail Carrier Shaw of Murray is under an est for the destruction of an unaddressed letter. Not knowing anything else to with it, he threw it into the stove.

he federal government proposes to teach him better. ian, 19 years old, was almost instantly killed by the collapse of a sod house. The heavy weight of the sod roof crushed the life out of him, and he breathed but a few moments fter being extricated.

The Union Pacific has closed its telegraph station at Rogers, and the citizens are making a vigorous protest. The grievance w probably be lodged with the State Board of Transportation. During the month of February sixty-eight cars of grain and live stock were shipped from that point.

Two years ago the O'Nelll city council raised the salary of the mayor from \$25 to \$50 per annum, and of the councilmen from \$12.50 per annum to \$25. The aldermen neglected to repeal the old ordinance. Now suit has been commenced to recover from the c'ty officials the salary paid in excess of the

Promotion of Youngfelt Emil Youngfelt, who has been appointed ssistant secretary of the State Board of Irrigation, has been a resident of Omaha for a number of years. When J. E. House was elected county surveyor a number of years ago Youngfelt was appointed a deputy in the office, serving under both House and "Doc" Smith. When City Engineer Howell was appointed by Mayor Broatch the employment of Youngfelt, who had assisted the mayor in his political campaign, was made one of the conditions. A place in engineer's office was therefore made for Mr Youngfelt by the dismissal of one of the old employes and now he has been promoted to

umably through the same political influence. There is No Change

position under the State Irrigation Board

recently occupied by Secretary Akers, pre-

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The car of the State Fish commis returned yesterday from a distributing trip along the line of the Union Pacific. It went as far west as Kimball. Trout to the number of 200,000 were put in the streams, and 1,000 breeding catfish. Pike will be distributed in about a month.

Court Calls for Today. Judge Scott -48-153, 49-214, 52-115, 42-386, 43-344, 50-358, 50-393, 51-6, 51-11, 51-18, 51-36, 51-122, 51-166, 51-179, 61-228, 51-286, 51-324, 52-6, 52-50, 52-32, 52-151, 52-325, 52-336, 52-356, 52-391, 53-2, 52-163, 53-277, 53-342. ""Me too"

everlastingly go through the world on the "me too" way of doing things? They don't seem to have do sense enough, or sand enough, or gumption enough to start out and do things their own way, but are always waiting for somebody to start a procession and then they fall in line and follow the band wagon as and holler: "me too." Same way in politics, same way in society, same way with stores. Some stores are always waiting to see what "The Nebraska" is going to do. When some alleged clothing buyers & find out that "The Nebraska" is selling a suit at retail for three or four dollars less than they paid for the same suit at wholesale, they immediately get see scared of losing their jobs and they send their brothers and their cousins, and their friends, around to "The Ac Nebraska" to buy a handful of the suits and then they mark 'em the same price or less, and start around and tell the boss about it and holler: "me too." It wouldn't surprise us a bit if some of the Worsted Suits we sold Friday and Saturday for five dollars were found in other stores this week marked \$4.98. It wouldn't surprise us a bit if they were found in some of the small country stores and some of the "large" city stores marked \$9.63. It wouldn't surprise us a bit if some of the eight or nine hundred people who bought these suits from us were clerks in some of the dry goods stores where things are marked one price to-day and another to-morrow and still another price next week. "The Nebraska" prices are right to begin with, and they are never changed after that. There is no marking up, no marking down. We have a few of these special Worsted Suits still left, and while they last the price will be the same.

Have you ever noticed how some people seem to

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"IT IS IGNORANCE THAT WASTES

OBJECTS TO BEING ABSORBED. HARRISBURG, Neb., April 12 .- To the Editor of The Bae: The ridiculous reports

being furnished the daily press of Nebraska by correspondents in the vicinity of the North Platte river calls for a reply. One of these knights of the quill has it that Banner county is not only willing, but anxious to be divided up, a slice to be accepted by Scotts Bluff county and another by Kimball county and thus end all our troubles and escape

taxes (?) and it is presumed the fell de-

stroyer, death, at the same time. We put forward the assertion that Eanner county is in better condition financially than our neighbor on the river. Hay at \$1 per ton and oats under 15 cents per bushel don't make things hum along farming lines. Fat steers (3-year-old), at \$30 per head, and others in proportion is a great deal more satisfactory and profitable, considering that two-thirds o

As to the financial standing of this county it is certainly on a par with our neighbor on the north. A year or so ago one of our citizens filed a claim here, and at the same time one in Scotts Bluff county. sold for 95 cents on the dollar months before O. K.'d script was received from the north, for which he was compelled to accept 65 cents When the Bay State Live Stock company pays its taxes-which it will no doubt do in the end-we will be in better condition than

any county in this part of the state, unless it is Kimball county.

The bedrock feets in the case are that Scotts Bluff or Kimball countles have no high grade pasturage lands, where stock fattens the year around, as they do in this county. The thousands of head of cattle and horses raised and sold from these slopes and plains would be a grand addition

One-half of Banner county added to Scotts

Buff would also aid materially in assisting to pay for some of her projected ditches under the district eystem, and would be a magnificent illustration of taxation without any benefit to be derived from it. As a taxpayer of this county, I would greatly prefer the stock business in Banner county to raising grain in any irrigated district, with the controlling market 1,000 miles This county is all right, and two thirds of the time can raise all the grain and "roughness" needed; the balance of the time can be purchased for less than the cost of We can furnish our neighbors with all the stock needed, but not a dollar's worth of property for taxation.

All are eagerly looking forward to the seating of William McKinley in the presidential chair, and a return to a wholesome

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