RATE CASES AGAIN GO OVER

Hearing on the Lincoln Complaint is Postponed Three Weeks.

STATE OFFICERS CANNOT ATTEND

Other Matters Will Engage Their Attention and Prevent Their Presence at Lincoln on Next Friday.

LINCOLN, June 13.—(Special.)—The hearing before the State Board of Transportation of the cases of the Omaha and Lincoln Commercial clubs against the Elkhorn and Union Pacific railroads, in which discrimination in rates is charged and in which the Omaha club appears as intervenor, has been postponed from June 19 to July 13. On June 19 it is impossible for a full board to be present, and some of the railway officials are expected to be also absent on that date.

The brief of plaintiff in the contempt case of William D. Beckett against Judge Cunningham R. Scott, now pending on appeal in the supreme court, was filed today. This is the case in which an alleged assault was made on Judge Scott, August 12, 1895, in the court room in the Douglas county district court.

A movement is on foot among Lincoln citizens, looking to the early erection of an auditorium to hold at least 7,000. Several meetings have lately been held regarding the project and Mayor Graham and the city council are largely interested in the enterprise. It is said that the Lincoln Light Infantry would be glad to transfer its quarters and assist in supporting the auditorium.

The funeral of David R. Lillibridge, president of the Lincoln Business college, who died late yesterday evening, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30, from the Episcopal church. Masons will meet at 1 o'clock p. m. to attend in a body. The Ancient Order of United Workmen will also meet at that hour for the same purpose.

A man giving the name of Smith was arrested this afternoon at the Burlington depot on the charge of cattle stealing. The arrest was made by officers from York. It is alleged that Smith stole two cows from a man in York, sold them in Seward and then came on to Lincoln.

Early, the Elkhorn man, who went insane while serving as a juryman in court, was today brought down and lodged in the asylum. He continually babbles of the large amounts of money he is amassing.

L. H. Jewett of Broken Bow, one of the republican candidates for the office of state treasurer, was in the city today and a visitor at the capitol.

Tomorrow evening Dr. Rowlands will preach the baccalaureate sermon before the graduates of the Nebraska College of Oratory at the First Baptist church. His subject will be "The Ideal Orator."

Omaha people in Lincoln: At the Lindell—H. C. Rountree, R. D. Fuchs. At the Capital—James Gilbert and wife. At the Lincoln—Joseph L. Shugart, Howard Kennedy.

PLATTSMOUTH SOCIETY BUSY.

Several Events of Interest Being Celebrated in that City.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Wednesday and Thursday Mrs. Fred Latham and her daughter, Mrs. Wellington, gave two kensingtons to their many friends. Thursday afternoon Mrs. Julius Pepperburg entertained her friends at progressive high five, and Thursday evening the Misses Tucker gave a delightful party in honor of Miss Lympus of Lemonis, Ia.

David B. Ebersole and Miss Mary Krohler were married by Rev. Mr. Youtzy at the residence of the bride's parents Thursday evening.

Saturday evening the beautiful home of Judge A. N. Sullivan was the scene of a brilliant collection of social lights, who were in attendance at the silver wedding celebration of the judge and his worthy spouse. Over 100 guests were present, and many handsome presents were left as mementoes of the happy event.

Remembered an Osceola Veteran.

OSCEOLA, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—J. H. Anderson has had a pension claim pending since soon after the war, and with all the different attorneys he has had they could not secure it, until now. He has just secured its allowance, to date from May 22, 1862, to December 16, 1891, at $4 per month, from then to April 22, 1896, at $12 per month and from April 22, 1896, at the rate of $17 per month. Mr. Anderson enlisted early in 1861 in the Second Wisconsin infantry, company F, was taken prisoner in the first battle of Bull Run and remained a prisoner for ten months, six months at Libby prison and the other four he was held as a hostege in jail at Columbia, S. C., under sentence to be shot in retaliation for some prisoners the union authorities were holding.

Governor Upham of Wisconsin, who was a prisoner at the same time with Anderson, wrote very nice letters and sent affidavits in relation to the whole affair.

Kearney Losing an Educator.

KEARNEY, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Rev. John Powers, who for the past three years has been pastor of the Congregational church in this city, and for the past year has been a special instructor in the High school, has resigned his pastorate, to take effect September 1. If he leaves here he will be greatly missed, as he has always taken an active part in all matters of an educational or religious nature and is a man of more than ordinary ability in literary matters.

Man and Wife Injured.

BURWELL, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Wednesday evening, as J. D. Laverty and wife of Ord were driving into town, their horse became frightened in crossing the irrigation ditch and ran away. Mr. Laverty was thrown out, but not seriously hurt. Mrs. Laverty was rendered unconscious by the fall and was taken to the home of Guy Laverty, where she was unconscious for over an hour. She is now reported out of danger.

Church Celebration at David City.

DAVID CITY, June 13.—(Special.)—Saint Luke's Methodist Episcopal church is holding a three day's commemorative service on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the church. Former pastors of the church have been invited and C. O. Crosthwaite, D. S. Davis, G. H. Moulton, H. T. Davis and J. Wehn are now present and others are expected.

Work of Cracksmen at Yutan.

YUTAN, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—The postoffice was broken into Thursday night. The cracksman pryed open the door to the building and knocked off the combination of the safe and finding they could not enter, began drilling and were probably scared away as they left all the tools, most of which they had taken from local shops.

D. H. Hartsell's Sudden Death.

BENNETT, Neb., June 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Daniel Henry Hartsell dropped dead today of heart disease. He was just going to work and fell in his yard. He had been to a picnic Friday and had conversed with his neighbors but a few minutes before he died. The deceased was about 50 years old. He leaves a wife and five children.

Berlin Social Events.

BERLIN, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Lewis Probst entertained a number of friends at his home Wednesday, the occasion being the sixth anniversary of the birth of his daughter Mable.

Forty friends of Herman Ehlers were entertained by that gentleman Sunday at his home.

Harvesting Wheat in Nebraska.

PAWNEE CITY, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—The farmers are harvesting their wheat. Oats will soon be ready to cut and rye has been cut. The indications for crops this year are good.

Gage County Teachers' Meet Closed.

BEATRICE, June 13.—(Special.)—The Gage county teachers closed a very successful week's normal institute this afternoon.

KEARNEY'S SECRET SOCIETY WEEK

Members of Various Orders Taking Part in Exercises.

KEARNEY, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—This has been society week and almost all of the secret societies have been represented one way or another. Sunday the Odd Fellows observed their memorial day by holding services in their hall and afterward going to the cemetery and decorating the graves of their dead brethren.

Wednesday morning about 100 Woodmen and their families went to Amherst to participate in the Woodmen's picnic held at that place and to enjoy a day's outing. Some of the supreme officers were there and a general good time was had. Wednesday evening Protection Hook and Ladder company gave an ice cream social and ball in the city hall, which were well patronized. Thursday evening Kearney tent No. 8, Knights of the Maccabees, gave an entertainment and social in commemoration of the fifteenth anniversary of their order. The evening was spent in listening to addresses, a history of the order in this city, recitations and vocal and instrumental music, after which refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed by all present.

Flower mission day was observed by the ladies of the Woman's Christian Temperance union on Tuesday, when a very interesting and appropriate program was rendered at the industrial school.

FAIRBURY, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Fairbury lodge No. 54, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Oasis lodge, Daughters of Rebekah, held memorial services at the cemetery Tuesday. Rev. A. A. Randall delivered an address and the graves of deceased members of the fraternities were decorated with flowers.

A camp of Woodmen of the World was organized here this week, with twenty-four charter members and the following officers installed: W. B. Smith, council commander; K. G. Tackley, adviser lieutenant; J. C. McLucas, banker; Adrain Yeager, clerk; I. E. Munger, escort; A. L. McLaurin, P. C. C.; A. A. Randall, chaplain; H. L. Clarke, physician; W. H. McLucas, J. M. McAdams and J. A. Westling, managers.

CLEANING UP AFTER THE FLOOD.

Effects of the Recent Storm at Loup City.

LOUP CITY, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—The effects of the storm of June 5 are gradually disappearing. The B. & M. and Union Pacific railways each sent out their regular trains this morning although a great amount of "cribbing" was necessary. It will take considerable time and labor to permanently fix their several roadbeds. The officers of the Irrigation company have carefully gone over and estimated the damage to their canal or ditch and find that about $500 will repair the same in first-class shape. The canal was bank full the entire distance from Arcadia to Loup City and only on account of the excellent engineering of the ditch was it possible to pull through such a flood with so small an amount of damage. The Roller Mill company has also began making repairs. The damage sustained is said to amount to $500. It is wonderful to note the growth of small grain in the hailed-out district. That which was pounded down entirely, so that only the root remained, is now about six inches in height and farmers are again beginning to feel greatly encouraged over the prospect of yet realizing a fine crop therefrom.

A splendid rain measuring .55 fell here Thursday morning and everything is brightening up. The hail only extended one and a half miles south of this point and crops never looked finer or promised better than they now do over three-quarters of Sheridan county.

New Phase of Old Litigation.

NEBRASKA CITY, June 13.—(Special.)—A new turn in the case of the City against the Water and Light company will be taken Tuesday. The attorney appointed by the city will appear in the federal court at Omaha at that time, and on the part of the city, move for a dismissal of the proceedings. A notice to that effect was served on the mayor, City Attorney Seymour and John C. Watson, attorney for the Water and Light company, today. The question which is agitating the minds of many is, whether or not the attorney has authority to dismiss the suit. Some interesting developments are looked for.

Cattle Thief Working in York County

YORK, Neb., June 13.—(Special Telegram.)—A few evenings ago some cattle belonging to F. A. Smith and John Dever of North York were stolen and sold to butchers at Tamora by unknown parties. It now develops that the same party stole several fine steers near Hampton and sold them to William Otto, a wealthy farmer residing near Charleston. For the latter he received $50 a head. A good description of the thief is in possession of the officers, who are now on the lookout for him.

Nebraska Fugitives Caught.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Sheriff Nelson received word Thursday that James Lillie, wanted here for burglary, was held at Hanover, Kan. While in Lincoln yesterday securing requisition papers, the sheriff received another message to the effect that Lillie had broken jail and fled.

A warrant was issued today for the apprehension of Homer Edwards of Wymore upon a charge of insanity.

Demand for Books at Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—That the Beatrice public library is a growing institution is shown by the report of the librarian for the quarter ending May 31, which, among other things, shows there were 13,312 visitors during the quarter, with a total of 5,399 books loaned, making a daily average of 145 visitors and seventy books loaned.

Malicious Work of Thieves.

NEBRASKA CITY, June 13.—(Special.)—Some buildings belonging to the Nebraska City Canning company were broken into last night by persons presumably intent upon robbery, but finding nothing they cared to take they proceeded to demolish a pair of scales and some other property. It will cost about $50 to repair the damage.

Will Celebrate Independence Day.

BEATRICE, June 13.—(Special.)—Beatrice will indulge in two distinct celebrations, one to be given up town by the fire department, the other at the chautauqua grounds, under the management of the Chautauqua association. Hon. J. J. Ingalls of Kansas will orate at the chautauqua grounds.

Kimball County Educators.

KIMBALL, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—The eighth annual session of the Kimball county teachers' institute is in session. Superintendent Busbee is conductor and D. L. Killen, W. P. Killen and Z. O. Davis the instructors employed. The attendance is good and increasing daily.

Big Crops Drive a Man to Death.

BEATRICE, June 13.—(Special.)—A man named Myers, living in Jefferson county, committed suicide Wednesday, taking a dose of paris green, and gave as one of his reasons for the act that he had a big crop of oats and wheat ready to harvest and could get no help to do the work.

Pawnee City Minister Goes to Lincoln

PAWNEE CITY, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Rev. Mr. Dunning of the First Presbyterian church has accepted a call to the Second Presbyterian church of Lincoln, for which place he expects to leave about August 1. The people here will be sorry to lose Rev. Mr. Dunning.

Some Presidential Appointments.

WASHINGTON, June 13.—The president has made the following appointments of persons whose nominations failed of confirmation during the last session of congress: Charles H. Wills of Maryland, to be United States consul at Managua, Nicaragua; J. C. Kelley of New York, to be collector of internal revenue for the First New York district; W. B. Chambers of New Mexico, to be United States attorney for the territory of New Mexico, and W. L. Marbury of Maryland, to be United States attorney for the district of Maryland.

Mr. Marbury was nominated for this office very early by Mr. Cleveland, but a hot fight made by Senator Gorman prevented confirmation.

The president also appointed the following postmasters: La Platta, Mo., Cryus C. Wood; Mount Joy, Pa., Henry Miller; Hudson, N. Y., Willard Peck; Danville, Ill., John Beard.

CLEVELAND IS INTERESTED

President Admits the Importance of the Omaha Exposition.

SEES ITS POSSIBILITY FOR GREAT GOOD

Tells Dave Mercer that He Knows the Whole West Will Be Benefited by the Show Projected by the Measure.

WASHINGTON, June 13.—(Special Telegram.)—President Cleveland, in an interview had with Congressman Mercer today, said as to the Transmississippi and International exposition: "Since the Chicago Exposition, I have been opposed to these expositions, but I believe the Omaha Exposition will be of great service to that great section of country lying west of the Mississippi river. That section has suffered greatly through drouth and the tide of emigration has been toward the south, rather than to the west. It will have a tendency to revive interest, not only in agriculture, but in mines as well, and I signed the bill, believing it would be of vast benefit to a wonderful section of our country."

To The Bee correspondent, who saw the president immediately after his reception this afternoon, and who asked him for an expression on the exposition, Mr. Cleveland said: "It seems to me that the signature of the bill is expression enough at this time, as to my interest in the exposition. When you need a stronger expression, then I shall be pleased to say something for the benefit of the great west."

Mr. Mercer today received from Private Secretary Thurber the pen with which the president signed the exposition bill. It is an old steel stub pen, with a wooden holder, cork tipped. With the pen is the following certificate:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, June 13, 1896.—I hereby certify that the pen and penholder hereto attached is the identical one used by the president of the United States in signing the Transmississippi and International exposition act.

HENRY T. THURBER,
Private Secretary.

With this certificate there will also be greetings from the president, vice president and speaker of the house. Mr. Mercer will carry this precious souvenir of a bitter fight to Omaha next week.

President Cleveland failed to sign Representative Hainer's joint resolution, as to the extension of time to the settlers on Indian lands, in which to pay their obligations to the Indians, Secretary Hoke Smith being unalterably opposed to the measure. Secretary Thurber stated today that this matter had been covered in Indian appropriations bills, but in modified form.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS

Another chapter in the Driscoll claim case was put on record yesterday when Mrs. Driscoll, through her attorneys, caused Mayor Ensor and the city clerk to be served with the following notice:

To the Mayor and City Council of South Omaha: You are hereby notified that some person or persons, without any authority from me, have caused to be filed in the office of the clerk of the district court of Douglas county, Nebraska, in the case of Catherine Driscoll against the city of South Omaha, a pretended assignment of the judgment recovered by me in the said cause against the city of South Omaha on the 11th of April, 1896, whereby said judgment purports to have been assigned by me to one Mary G. Madden.

You are further notified that said pretended assignment was never signed or executed by me, is wholly without authority and is false, forged and counterfeit.

You are further notified not to pay said judgment or to issue warrants therefor to any other person than the undersigned and I shall expect to hold the city of South Omaha for the full payment of said judgment to me. CATHERINE DRISCOLL.

Witness, Katie Driscoll.

One of the attorneys for Mrs. Driscoll was in the city yesterday and he said that he intended to protect his client in this matter and see that, if any money was paid by the city, it was paid to Mrs. Driscoll.

IRWIN IS WANTED IN ROCKFORD.

Said to Belong to a Gang of Bicycle Thieves.

Sheriff Robert Oliver of Winnebago county, Illinois, is in the city with requisition papers for Ed Irwin, alias Burdick, who was arrested here a few weeks ago on suspicion. The sheriff says that Irwin belongs to a gang of thieves and acted as western agent for the gang. He disposed of the property stolen and was a general gobetween. About a year ago Rockport, where Irwin lived, was overrun with bicycle thieves. Several of the gang were arrested and are now doing time at Joliet, but Irwin managed to get a tip and left the city before the officers could arrest him. Since that time the sheriff and his officers have been hunting all over the west for their man. The particular charge on which Irwin is to be taken back is the larceny of $200 worth of bicycles.

While in jail here Irwin made an unsuccessful attempt to escape. Chief Brennan heard a noise and slipped down stairs and watched him for quite a while. If the chief had not stopped him Irwin could have gained his liberty in a short time. He is considered a smooth customer by Sheriff Oliver, who is very glad that he has been captured at last. It was the finding of letters in the prisoner's pocket from that place which caused the local police to write to Rockford and ask if he was wanted there.

Larkin-Lafferty.

Last Wednesday morning at St. Bridget's church Miss Mary Rafferty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Rafferty, was married to Mr. Robert Larkin. It was one of the prettiest wedding held in the city for a long time. The little church was beautifully decorated with the choicest cut flowers and potted plants. Rev. Father English performed the ceremony and was assisted by Revs. McDevitt, Moriarty and Jeanette. High mass was celebrated, the choir consisting of Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Adams, Mr. Ryan and Mr. Connelly. As the wedding party entered the edifice Mendelssohn's wedding march was played by a select orchestra.

The bride was dressed in white organdie, silk tulle veil, which was caught at the throat by a handsome diamond pin, the gift of the groom. The maid of honor, Miss Celia Carlson of Omaha, wore a white organdie over light blue. The bridesmaids were Misses Theresa Farrell, Mamie Higgins, Agnes Riley, Nellie Tighe, Katherine Boyle and Annie Keenan. Mabel Melcher and Kittie Rafferty were the flower girls.

The groom was dressed in a handsome black suit and had for his best man his brother, Thomas Larkin.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's parents and a wedding breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Larkin have gone east to spend their honeymoon and upon their return will reside at Twenty-fourth and E streets.

The bride and groom received many handsome and valuable presents.

Fourth of July Celebration.

Plans for the Fourth of July celebration are developing rapidly. A considerable sum of money has been pledged, and some of the business men have instructed the committee to call again if they do not succeed in raising enough at other places. What was to be one of the principal features of the day, the competitive drill between civic societies, has been abandoned. It was found that the members of such societies did not want to participate in two parades during the day and then drill an hour or so in the hot sun. Other amusements, however, will be provided to take the place of the drills. Greased poles, with a gold coin at the top, will be scattered around, and a greased big will be loosed every hour. The person who succeeds in capturing the pig is to own it. Several good speakers will be present, and a good time is promised to all who visit the city on that day.

Commencing Work on the Ferry Boat

Work will commence Monday morning on the ferry boat which is to be built at Bellevue for the transfer company. The boat can be completed in five or six weeks, it is thought, and the work when once started will be pushed. Farmers on the Iowa side opposite Bellevue are taking a great deal of interest in the new ferry, and it is expected that South Omaha merchants will be greatly benefited by the new venture.

Keeping Watch on the Officials.

President Seykora of the Municipal league has appointed a committee, composed of E. C. Lane, Jacob Levy and F. J. Freeman, to attend each meeting of the city council for the purpose of protecting, as far as possible, the interests of the taxpayers. A committee will also meet with the city council when it sits as a board of equalization, for the purpose of requesting that the assessment be made what, in their opinion, it should be. It is the intention of the league to keep a close watch on the actions of the city officials, and ascertain, if possible, if there is any truth in the rumors of dishonesty.

Three members of the league will also attend all the meetings of the Board of Education to watch the proceedings and report to the league at its regular meetings.

Raise the Janitor's Salary.

It is understood that the present Board of Education, at one of its recent meetings, raised the salary of Paul McAuley, janitor at the High school, $10 a month. Several other employes of the board also expect a raise in salary. On the first Monday in July the new members of the board who were elected last April will take their seats, and it is reported that these new members do not approve the actions of the present board in raising the salaries, especially at this time, when the school district is in debt. In fact, several of the members-elect have stated that they intend to place McAuley's salary back where it was when they get into office, and oppose any increases in the salary list.

Rectifying a Blunder.

Monday evening the city council will set a time for the sitting of the board of equalization. The six days notice required by law will be given, and then the board will proceed to business, just as if it was complying with the law and sitting on the date provided for in the statutes. It is not expected that there will be any trouble about the assessment other than in cases where the assessment has been raised. Such cases are scarce, and the council will probably get out of the difficulty much easier than was at first expected.

Repairing Storm Damage.

Street Commissioner Ross has about finished repairing the damage done to the streets by the heavy rains. All of the big washouts have been filled, and the streets, except in a few instances, are passable again. There is a bad hole in J street between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets that the street gang has so far overlooked, but Mr. Ross says that will be attended to soon. Monday the street gang will go to work cutting weeds on Twenty-fourth street. The weeds have grown very rapidly this spring and need cutting badly.

Shot His Friend in the Foot.

Yesterday afternoon Charles Hulburt was shot through the right foot by William Bemis. Both are young men who drove to this city from Crete and went into camp out on West Q street. Bemis was fooling with a supposedly empty revolver and pulled the trigger when the muzzle was pointing at Hulburt's foot. The young man was brought to the city and attended by a physician. After the wound was dressed he was placed on a train and sent back to his folks at Crete.

Magic City Gossip.

Ed Long has returned from a trip to Gordon.

Mrs. H. J. Aberly, Twenty-fourth and M streets, is quite sick.

The interior of the telephone office is being papered and painted.

D. E. Austin of Springfield, Mo., is visiting A. E. Blank and family.

James M. Stephenson has returned from Clay Center, where he visited friends.

James Gallagher has gone to Canton, Ill., where it is expected he will be married.

Rev. D. C. Winship will preach this afternoon at Grace Methodist Episcopal church.

Fred M. Smith returned yesterday from Aurora, where he visited his sister for a week.

The Young Men's Hebrew Benevolent association will give a picnic at Sarpy Mills today.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCrary of Battle Creek, Mich., are here visiting Mrs. John Horst.

Colonel J. L. Martin returned last night from Cripple Creek and other Colorado points.

Gus Frenkle, who has been living in St. Louis for the past four years, is home visiting his parents.

City Treasurer Broadwell went to Hills City yesterday afternoon to spend a couple of days with friends.

Policeman John Riches has taken a ten days' vacation, and has gone to Oxford Junction to visit his parents.

Roy Davis, bookkeeper for the electric light company, left yesterday afternoon for a visit with his parents at Gibbon.

Jacob Klein returned last evening from Atlantic, Ia., where he went to attend the commencement exercises of the High school.

Upchurch lodge, No. 2, Degree of Honor, gave a very pleasant high five party Friday evening to a large number of members and their friends.

A meeting of Samuel Dennis post, Grand Army of the Republic, and the Woman's Relief corps, will be held Monday evening at Woodman hall.

The funeral of Thomas Crawford will be held from the residence of his brother, Twenty-sixth and N streets, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The assessors' books are now at the office of the city clerk, and any one wanting to look over them or file complaints can do so at any time.

Mrs. J. A. Martin, Twenty-sixth and H streets, wishes to thank the friends who were so kind to her during the illness and after the death of her husband.

The latest invention in dentistry is an apparatus to use electricity to take away the pain in filling teeth. Dr. F. W. Slabaugh of this city has one now in operation.

Thursday evening at the First Methodist Episcopal church there will be an illustrated lecture, "A Journey from Omaha Through Germany to Jerusalem," for the benefit of the German Methodist Episcopal church. Over 100 stereopticon views will be shown.

Children's day will be observed at the First Methodist Episcopal church this morning. The Sunday school will render an interesting program at 10:30 o'clock. This evening there will be a platform meeting, with several speakers. Special music is announced for both services.

VENEZUELAN COMMISSION MEETS.

Rumor of an Early Report Shown to Be Ridiculously Absurd.

WASHINGTON, June 13.—The Venezuelan boundary commission held its regular meeting, all the members being present. Its proceedings quite effectually disposed of recent reports of an early conclusion of the commission's labors. Important communications were considered, among them being a preliminary report from Prof. Burr, now at The Hague, engaged in making an examination of the Dutch archives, and a communication from the Department of State informing the commission that the British government had signified its intention of shortly forwarding a supplementary blue book, which would contain a large number of additional documents taken both from the Dutch and Spanish archives. Further information was laid before the commission as to the valuable and important documents in the archives of the propaganda at Rome with respect to the early Capuchina missions in the disputed territory.

A number of additional documents were presented on behalf of the Venezuelan government, but translations have not been completed of the three volumes of manuscript which are in the hands of the legation in this city.

Gold Reserve is Still Intact.

WASHINGTON, June 13.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $266,497,352; gold reserve, $106,374,405.

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The Bee's Anniversary Edition.

The Omaha Bee celebrates the 25th anniversary of its birth on

Friday, June 19, 1896.

On that day it will publish an edition in which will be graphically described its birth, its struggle for existence, and its gradual growth to the metropolitan newspaper it now is.

The Story of The Bee From Its Origin

will include the following subjects entertainingly written:

The Development of the Policy of The Bee.
Homes of The Bee (illustrated.)
The Mechanical Plant.
Character Sketch of Edward Rosewater (illustrated.)
Omaha Twenty-five Years Ago.
Principal Events of 1871.
A Number of Reminiscences, by old Bee Employes.

This edition will be printed on fine paper, secured especially for this purpose. A copy will be delivered to all regular subscribers and extra copies can be secured at The Bee office for 5 cents each.

Orders for extra copies should be sent in early, as only a limited number will be printed.

Copy for advertisements for this special edition should be handed in at the office no later than Wednesday afternoon.

Orders for papers and advertising space should be addressed to

THE BEE PUBLISHING CO., Omaha.

CLOSE OF MANY CLASS DAYS

Commencement Exercises at a Number of Nebraska Colleges.

WEST POINT CONTRIBUTING HER SHARE

Some Very Interesting Displays Being Made by the High School Students of that City.

WEST POINT, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—The commencement exercises of the West Point High school took place last night in the opera house. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity. After the salutatory address by Charles Beckenhauer on "The Dignity of Labor" and music, the Very Rev. Dean Joseph Ruesing delivered an address on "Moral Education." The speaker showed in his masterly manner the necessity of a moral education being given to a student as well as an intellectual education. His remarks were highly appreciated and elicited frequent applause. Chancellor MacLean in his forceful manner addressed the class and the audience. His address evinced a high degree of scholarship and profound thought. His address abounded in good advice and counsel to the young graduates. After remarks by Superintendent O'Connor, the members of the school board and others President Otto Baumann presented diplomas to the following graduates: Charles Beckenhauer, Newton J. Hill, Jerome F. Langer, George G. Clancy, James C. Crawford, Zue E. Briggs, Lillian A. High, Amelia Psota, Elizabeth A. Stuefer.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Hastings college commencement exercises were begun last evening with a general reception to the public tendered at Ladies' hall by the members of the faculty. There was a large attendance and the occasion was enlivened by some excellent music rendered by Prof. McClintock's string orchestra. The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered at the Presbyterian church tomorrow morning by Dr. W. F. Ringland.

OSCEOLA, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—The High school closed yesterday for the summer vacation. There was no graduating class this year on account of the hard times, but the school closed with a grand entertainment and exhibit of the progress that the scholars had made from the beginning to the end of the term.

WESTON, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—Commencement exercises of the Weston school were held last night at the Pythian hall. The program was over three hours long and was participated in by nearly 100 performers. County Superintendent Clark addressed the class after the presentation of diplomas by the president of the board. The following are the names of the graduates. Augusta Anderson, James Meackler, Charles Stevens, Edward Keay, Emil Anderson, LeRoy Carpenter, Charley Frohner, Otto Anderson, Fred March, Jerry Leffer, Frank Brick and Edwin Rockafellow.

PAWNEE CITY, Neb., June 13.—(Special.)—The commencement week exercises of the Pawnee academy will be begun at the First United Presbyterian church Sunday evening, June 14, with a baccalaureate sermon by Rev. R. T. Campbell. Wednesday evening the commencement exercises will be held in the opera house. The class numbers seven.

Unknown Grave.

A most beautiful and impressive service was held over the unknown grave in Forest Lawn cemetery on Decoration day by the women of Garfield Circle No. 11, Grand Army of the Republic. Beautiful floral emblems were placed on the grave by the children, trained by Mrs. Agnes Haze of Fort Omaha.

The exercises were conducted by the president, Mrs. Laura Johnson, assisted by Mrs. Annie Hines, Mrs. Agnes Haze, Mrs. Sophia Itawitzer, Mrs. Eliza Horrigan, Mrs. Sophia Shardy, Mrs. Eliza Metcalf, Mrs. Clara Elliott, Mrs. Annie Schanel, Davis, Althous, Gurner and many others. Twenty-one salutes were fired by the officers of Phil Kearney post, Fort Omaha. At the conclusion of the services taps were given by Comrade Peter Haze of Fort Omaha.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mrs. W. C. Allen, who was injured May 30, while riding a bicycle, is at St. Joseph's hospital, where she is slowly recovering.

The members of the First Methodist church will have an informal reception at the church parlors Tuesday evening. Refreshments will be served.

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MASONS IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Seventh Annual Meeting of the Craft Concluded.

INSTITUTED A NEW BRANCH OF THE ORDER

High Priesthood Degree Conferred Upon a Number of Candidates and the Territorial Charter Revived.

HURON, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—The seventh annual meeting of the grand chapter Royal Arch Masons, jurisdiction of South Dakota, closed here Thursday night. The report of George A. Pettigrew of Flandreau, grand secretary, indicated that but little work is being done by chapters within this jurisdiction. His report also shows the number of members exalted during the year to be 101; number admitted, thirteen; number reinstated, three; number dimitted, fifty-four; number suspended, fifty-seven; number died, seventeen. The amount of dues owing the several chapters is $4,171.46; cash on hand, $7,908.32, making the total assets $12,079.77, while the liabilities amount to $2,029.08. During the last year the secretary has been compiling an historical record of the members of each chapter. The list is completed with the exception of one chapter.

In the evening the Huron chapter exemplified the work by conferring the royal arch degree upon three candidates. The work was well done and highly complimented by all who witnessed it. Then came a banquet, of which over 100 Royal Arch Masons partook.

Thursday afternoon a chapter of the Order of High Priesthood was instituted, with the following officers: Henry S. Williams of Aberdeen, excellent president; Louis G. LaVoy of Webster, excellent vice president; Morris H. Kelley of Aberdeen, excellent treasurer; George A. Pettigrew of Flandreau, excellent recorder; Benjamin F. Ives of St. Lawrence, excellent chaplain; Harvey J. Rice of Huron, excellent master of ceremonies; George V. Ayres of Deadwood, excellent conductor; M. G. Carlysle of DeSmet, excellent herald; I. L. Naggle of Salem, excellent steward; S. J. Moore of Mitchell, excellent sentinel.

In 1887 an order of this character was instituted for the then territory of Dakota, with a large part of the officers residing in the northern district, and the membership so widely scattered that enough to constitute a quorum could not be gotten together; no meetings, therefore, were held after the organization. When the territory was divided and statehood accomplished it was found that nearly all the officers were in North Dakota as before, and no effort was made to hold meetings. Since then some have died and others have removed from the jurisdiction. On Thursday, therefore, the old organization was declared dissolved and a new one instituted for South Dakota. The first annual meeting will be held in Mitchell next June, in connection with the other Masonic bodies.

Rumors of Changes at Pine Ridge.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—Rumors of a change in the management of Pine Ridge Indian agency are in circulation here, and it is probable that a successor to Captain Clapp of the regular army, at present acting agent at that agency, will soon be named by the president. According to reliable information Ben C. Ash of Pierre will be the new agent. He has for some years been a deputy United States marshal, and has gained the reputation of being one of the most faithful and fearless officers in the west. He is an old-timer in the state, and will make an excellent agent. Pine Ridge is one of the largest and most important Indian agencies in the country, and has been managed by army officers since the Sioux outbreak in November, 1890. Other changes will be made in the near future at one or two other South Dakota Indian agencies.

Chamberlain's Latest Enterprise.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., June 13.—(Special.)—It is now an assured fact that Chamberlain will have a creamery. L. B. Beardsley of Mapleton, Minn., will inaugurate the enterprise. He has left here for the east to purchase the necessary machinery, and as soon as it arrives and can be placed in position the creamery will be ready to commence operations. It is believed that only thirty days will be required for this purpose. The Business Men's association has agreed to pay a bonus, and has pledged sufficient cows to make the venture a success from the beginning. Beardsley has had considerable experience in the creamery business. The plant will be located at the mammoth artesian well of the Chamberlain Electric Light company, and power will be furnished by the well.

Drew a Knife on the Officer.

George Shelby was arrested at the fair grounds last night for being drunk and disorderly. When taken into custody Shelby drew a long knife and attempted to use it. After a struggle it was wrested from him and he was taken to the station. Shelby attempted to effect a jail delivery in the county jail several weeks ago by sawing through the iron bars of a basement window.

THE REALTY MARKET.

INSTRUMENTS placed on record Saturday, June 13, 1896:

WARRANTY DEEDS.

W. H. Alexander and wife to C. M. Conoyer, undiv ½ of lots 11 and 12, First add to Lake View	$ 300
Same to same, undiv ½ same	550
Same to same, lot 3, same	400

DEEDS.

Sheriff to Charles Metzer, lots 38 and 39, Clark Place	1,500
Same to Omaha Loan and Trust company, n ½ s ½ of lot 3, block 9, Improvement Association add	490
Same to Omaha Loan and Trust Company Savings bank, e 44 feet of sublot 5, in lot 9, Capital add	5,425
Special master to L. B. Skinner, lot 1, block 2, Hamilton Square	2,100
Total amount of transfers	$10,765

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Often Causes No End of Suffering.

Probably half the people who see this article suffer from piles. It is one of the commonest diseases and one of the most obstinate. People have it for years and just because it is not immediately fatal they neglect it. Carelessness causes no end of suffering. Carelessness about so simple a thing as piles has often caused death. Hemorrhages occur from no apparent cause and loss of blood causes death. Hemorrhages occur during surgical treatment, often causing death.

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