CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Mayor Broatch's Message Treats of Promises and Performances.

BINGHAM ELECTED PRESIDENT

Veto of the Asphalt Repair Bill Resolution Sustained, Allison Jail Contract Signed and Birkhauser's Bond Approved.

The annual organization of the city council brought out a lobby of tremendous proportions last night. The battle was a bloodless one, for W. W. Bingham was made president of the new council on the first ballot, and with no concerted opposition. The selection of the sergeant-at-arms and the appointment of standing committees were postponed.

Every effort to break into Bingham's line proved futile, and he was elected by the votes of seventeen of the eighteen mem-The last expiring struggle of the minority took the form of an effort to induce Burkley to be its candidate. It was thought

of the office by the officers of the company.

The plumbing inspector's department cost the city \$1.002.55, as against \$2,856.95 for 1895, a net saving of \$1.254.40.

The city clerk's office shows a reduction of \$1.250 over 1895 on account of reduced salaries. The cost of supplies was about the same as in 1896.

The building inspector's department reports the condemnation of eighty old buildings, sixty of which were removed, and twenty the time for removal extended until April, 1897. During the year 356 building permits were granted with a total cost for new buildings and improvements of \$250,153. The expenses for this department were \$2,794.65 and receipts \$712.50. The report is neatly executed.

TO CURE NERVOUS DYSPEPSIA.

To Gain Flesh, to Sleep Well, to Know What Appetite and Good Digestion Mean, Make a Test of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Interesting Experience of an Indianapolis Gentleman.

No trouble is more common or more misunderstood than nervous dyspepsia. People having it think that their nerves are to blame and are surprised that they are not cured by nerve medicine and spring remedies; the real seat of the mischief is lost sight of; the stomach is the organ to be looked after.

Nervous dyspeptics do not have any pain whatever in the stomach, nor perhaps any of the usual symptoms of stomach weakness. Nervous dyspepsia shows itself not in the stomach so much as in nearly every other organ; in some cases the heart palpitates and is irregular; in others the bowels are constipated, with headaches; still others are troubled with loss of flesh and appetite, with accumulation of gas, sour risings and heart-

Mr. A. W. Sharper of No. 61, Prospect st., Indianapolis, Ind., writes as follows: "A motive of pure gratitude prompts me to write these few lines regarding the new and valuable medicine, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I have been a sufferer from nervous dyspepsia for the last four years; have used various patent medicines and other remedies without any favorable result. They sometimes gave temporary relief until the effects oof the medicine wore off. I attributed this to my sedentary habits, being a bookkeeper. with little physical exercise, but I am glad to state that the tablets have overcome all these obstacles, and am better in every way.

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The above is written not for notoriety, but is
based on actual fact. Respectfully yours,
A. W. SHARPER,
61 Prospect St., Indianapolis, Ind.
It is safe to say that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure any stomach weakness or disease except cancer of stomach. They cure sour stomach, gas, loss of flesh and appetite, sleeplessness, palpitation, heartburn constipation and headache

Send for valuable book on atomach dissee by addresseing Stuart Co., Marshall,

All druggists sell full sized packages at 50

The results of the work in the boiler inspector's department have been very satisfactory. One hundred and eighty-nine boilers have been inspected, if its five more than in 1955. The total receipts are \$2.231, and expenses \$1.79.55, leaving a net gain to the city of \$451.74.

The expenses for the city electrician's department were \$1.855.50, as against \$1.922.44 for 1895. The care of the fire and police alarm was assigned to this department with the understanding that a proportionate part of the expenses should be borne by the Fire and Police Board. Had this been done the expense would have been less.

The office of superintendent of markets was created for a period of six months, and afterward extended for one month. Eleven thousand nine hundred and ninety-five market wagons occupied stalls at 15 cents per day each, the total receipts amounting to \$2.112.55. The expenditures were \$15.55, leaving a balance to the credit of the city of \$1.595.60. Attention is directed to the report of Superintendent A. J. Anderson for valuable suggestions which it contains.

The reports of the Board of Health for The reports of the Board of Health for 1856 show a very gratifying condition. The total expenditures were \$2.252.52, while for 1895 they were \$12.915.07. There is, therefore a reduction of \$2.902.65. The charges on account of hospitals and of the disposition of dead animals are reduced nearly one-half. The milk inspector's report to the Board of Health shows the collection of \$2.208.16, with an expenditure against this account of \$803.35, giving a net balance to the city's credit of \$1.394.81. The department of vital statistics gives a total of births for the year of 1.841 and of deaths \$13. The death rate is 0.6.66 per cent, the lowest rate for many years.

DISCUSSES THE JAIL SITUATION.

Burkley to be its candidate. It was thought that if Burkley would accept Flynn could also be annexed and Bingham's election prevented. But Burkley promptly refused to break his agreement to vote for Bingham. This settled it, and when the roll was called every member except Crocker voted for Bingham. Crocker refused to desert his colors and cast his vote for Bechel.

City Clerk Higby, who acted as president pro tem pending the organization, appointed Benawa and Bechel as a committee to conduct the newly elected president to the chair.

Mr. Bingham accepted his new honor by very briefly thanking the council, and expressing the hope that all would work together for the best satereats of the city.

On motion of Chrisite the rules of 1805 were adopted to govern the new council. Benawa and Mount were designated as a committee to inform the mayor that the council was ready to hear his annual measage.

While the committee was absent Chrisite moved that the selection of a sergeani-at-grams be deferred until the next regular meeting.

Whoseler urged the adoption of the motion on the ground that fine services of that official could be very well dispensed with, and he would bring in an ordinance at the next meeting providing for the abolition of the office. The motion prevailed.

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"KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Dear Sir: Replying to your inquiries of December 22: First: Our water is obtained from the Missouri river at a point five miles above all sewerage, We settle our water in basins having a capacity of 60,000,000 gallons; using about 12,000,000 per day allows the water four days' passage through the basins before taking out. Our pumping capacity is nominally 21,000,000, actual 18,000,000 to 20,000,000. We have 130 miles of mains. The city paid \$3,000,000 for the plant, which is a number of hundred thousand dollars greater than the appraisers' estimate. This increase was made by the United States court in the decree of settlement between the city and the National Water Works company. Yours truly,

"D. W. LONGWELL, Superintendent."

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One of the results of the controversy arising from the discussion of the water question was an attack upon the character of City Engineer Howell. I have known Mr. Howell for some years. I know him to be a gentleman with a high sense of honor, who has solely the public interest at heart. When I first went into office I anticipated that the time would come when the water works company would ask for an extension of its franchise. Feeling, as I have always felt, that public policy demanded municipal ownership of the water works, I asked Mr. Howell, at the commencement of my administration, to estimate the cost of a plant similar to that of the Omaha water works. The question came before me sooner than I had expected and I at once called Mr. Howell in and advised with him as to the best means for obtaining the information which would enable me to Judge of its merits. I am indebted to Mr. Howell for very valuable ald, Mr. Howell may have been guilty of a slight indiscretion in talking with supposed friends; but that is all that can be charged against him. It is absurd to charge that he was guilty of attempting to barter his influence to the water company for a pairty favor to a friend. In all his official acts Mr. Howell has sought to serve the public interest. This zeal for the public good has brought him lind conflict with the water works. Company and its friends. Hence the attack upon his character; hence the attack upon his character; hence the attack upon his character; hence the attack upon his character. His real offense has been a too zealous guardians of the public interest, and if this be a crime then is the mayor willing to share the responsibility and to look to public opinion for his and Mr. Howell's vindication.

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I take this occasion to express my thanks to the various elective and judicial officers of the city government for their cordial co-operation. I have profited greatly by their advice. Their legal support, their good judgment, their carnestness and their zeni in the public interest deserve the commendation of all citizens.

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To the members of the city council I am also grateful, for they too, deserve great praise for services to the city during a time of unusual difficulty. In a period of financial disturbance and political excitement they have assisted to make the public administration economical and sound. Without such assistance it is difficult for the executive officers of the city government to successfully perform their functions. It has been loyally rendered and is gratefully acknowledged. The city of Omaha is to be congratulated that its councilmen during the year 18% have proved so worthy of dealing with the important questions committed to their charge. It is to be hoped that the new council, which comes into power with the opening of the present year, will equal

On motion the mayor was presented with a vote of thanks, and 2,000 copies of the message were ordered printed for distribu-

MEMBERS SELECT THEIR SEATS. The annual lottery of seats was conducted In the usual manner by writing the names of the members on slips of the members of slips of the were drawn from a hat. Flynn, bechel, Benawa, Karr and Lunt drew the five seats immediately in front of the clerk's desk. The four desks on the right were chosen by Christie, Crocker, Mount and Mercer; while Allan, Axford, O'Malley and Burkley drew those on the left. The four rear seats will be occupied by Duncan, Burmester, Stuht and Wheeler.

The mayor's veto of the resolution au thorizing the city attorney to confess Judg-ment in favor of the Barber Asphalt company was sustained. The mayor stated that he had at one time decided that the bill was just, but since some portion of the 1891 bill was disputed, and because the com-pary had now taken the matter into court. had decided to veto it. Wheeler was te only member who voted to pass the resolution over the veto.

MAYOR'S KEEN DISCRIMINATION. The mayer approved the ordinance inreasing the salary of his private secretary but vetoed the resolution by which a similar favor was conferred on the employes of the city clerk's office. The veto was laid over in order to give the new members an opportunity to inform themselves on the

Commissioners was approved. It is signed by the American Surety company of New The mayor's approval of the contract and

bond of Irving Allison for the erection of a city jail was placed on file.
The council adjourced to next Tuesday

WORK ON POSTOFFICE STOPPED. City Sewer Must Be Lowered to Per-

mit Satisfactory Drainage. It is possible the next important delay in the work on the new government building may be chargeable to the city. The plumbing contract has not been completed, yet work has been discontinued for an indefinite period because of inability to make sewer connections. This delay will apply also to the interior finish work, contract for which was awarded in Washington yesterday. All the sewerage of the building will be passed out under the floor of the basement, and the city sewers are not low enough to permit

To obviate this obstruction to the progress of the work, it is said the Capitol avenue sower must be lowered from five to six feet, and possibly enlarged to three feet from Twelfth to Fourteenth streets, and to two feet from Fourteenth to Sixteenth This enlargement, it is asserted, will not only enable the government build ing to be connected in a sanitary manner but will make the sewer answer for storm purposes if enlarged, and furnish a much needed outlet for the storm sewer on Six

The plumbing and interior finish contracts might be completed, but that would only necessitate the tearing out of the work when sewer connections were sought to be made entailing an extra expense the supervising architect's office is not willing to incur Further, the building could not be occupied unless it were put in a proper sanitary con dition, though it were otherwise completed.

The Rage for Italian Chocolates, Italian chocolates are the very latest. In Chicago and other eastern cities these chocolates have become, not a fad, nor exactly a fashion-but a rage, and a rage of the wildest kind. Some Omaha people have been est kind. Some Omana people have been tästing these chocolates and they pronounce them par excellence, the best. Our own Balduff makes these delicious con-fections; these gobs and chunks and hunks of awaetnesses, makes them almost to the of the ordinary as soon as it becomes lates, and that these celebrated Italys can known s able to produce them fresh every day.

Miss Ballantyne will lead the Young Woman's Christian association gospel meeting next Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

A Perplexing Problem. Whether to take "Northwestern Line" No. 2 at 4:45 p. m. or No. 6 at 6:30 p. m., Chicagoward. "No. 2" arrives at Chicago at 7:45 a.m. and "No. 6" at 9:30 a.m. Both traine are models of modern art, skill and luxury NO EXTRA CHARGE ON EITHER ONE at the City Office, 1401 Farnam street and talk it over.

J. A. KUHN, General Agent. G. F. WEST, C. P. T. A.

New Sleepers on the "Flyer"... the Burlington's "Vestibuled Flyer." As beautifully luxurious and luxuriously beautiful as any in the country. Leaves Omaha at 5:00 p. m. Arrives at Chicago at 8:20 a. m. Tickets and berths at 1502 Farnam street.

Six-Thirty P. M. Train. of the CHICAGO,

MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL RY. Best service ELECTRIC LIGHTS, Dining car. City office: 1504 Farnam

Half Rates to Lincoln Via the Burlington Route January account inauguration state officers and silver convention Trains for Lincoln leave at 8:35 a. m. 2:55 p. m., 4:35 p. m., 7:05 p. m. Tickets at depot and 1502 Farnam street.

Personally Conducted Excursions Leave Omaha every Friday via the Union acidic. No change of cars to Ogden, San ancisco or Los Angeles. Tourist sleepers Special attention paid to ladies traveling alone.

A. C. DUNN. daily to San Francisco. A. C. DUNN, City Pass. and Tkt. Agent.

1302 Farnam St. ENTERED INTO LIFE.

PALMER—Melancthon S., Tuesday, January 5, in the 43d year of his age, Funeral services will be held at the residence, 2638 Dodge street, Thursday, January 7, at 1:30 p. m. Interment at Forest Laws company. est Lawn cemetery.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Ed Rushart, North Platte, is a Barker guest. R. F. Bacon and son, Deadwood, are in Fred W. Gray, Minneapolis, came to Omaha yesterday. E. C. Howe, manager of the beet sugar fac-

tory at Norfolk, is in the city. L. G. Hurd, an attorney at Harvard, arrived in the city last evening. M. A. McDonald, with the Frederick Wards company, is stopping at the Barker. S. C. Woodson and Leland Cross, St. Jo seph. Mo., are registered at the Barker.

Mrs. J. B. Palmer and C. H. Webster are Chicago arrivals stopping at the Barker. John Arnold, United States marshal for the norther, district of Illinois, is in

George M. Forbes, a member of a large wholesale firm at Trinidad, Colo., is in Omaha. P. B. Shelby, ex-superintendent of the

Northern railroad at Seattle, is in Omaha Fred Root, Lusk, Wyo., is in the city paving brought a shipment of cattle to the

South Omaha market. Frank R. Roberson, New York City, son of W. H. Roberson, manager of Dun's agency in this city, is visiting in Omaha. Dr. W. C. Davis, Denver, a cousin of W S. Strawn of this city, and Dr. Charles B. Lyman, also of Denver, went to Chicago yesterday, after a short visit in Omaha. Nebraskans at the hotels: J. P. Johnson

Kearney; H. M. Childs, Sterling; J. C. Shee-ley, Harlan; H. Paul and wife, Plattsmouth; Mrs. Charles O. Norton, Kearney; L. C. Lloyd! Gothenburg; C. J. Anderson, Neligh M. F. Cassady, O'Neill; F. J. Hale, Battle Creek; T. G. Wishart, Chadron; C. E. Tibbeit, Beatrice; H. B. Treat, Fremont; W. P. Hall, Holdrege; R. C. Talbot, Cedar

Plan to Fay Off Some of the More Needy Depesitors.

AFFAIRS OF THE OMAHA SAVINGS BANK

Stockholders and Directors Prefer to Take Charge of the Assets and Realize on Them Without the Appointment of a Receiver.

There was a meeting of a number of stockholders and directors of the Omaha Savings bank yesterday morning. It was decided to have no receivership. was thought that much of the expense such a polley could be saved by such action. As soon as the necessary arrangements can be made a bond of the stockholders for the payment of all debts of the bank will be prepared. The stockholders will then take charge of the bank and close up its affairs. Just how long it will be before this transaction takes place cannot now be stated, but it will be within the next two or three days, so the bank efficers

The bond of Peter W. Birkhauser as a The stockholders and especially the officers number of the Board of Fire and Police of the bank, hold that the bond plan is far The stockholders and especially the officers preferable to the appointment of a receiver. Vice President L. M. Bennett expressed this sentiment in an interview with a representative of The Bee, He said:

"In the first place it seems to us that we can more expeditiously wind up the affairs of the bank. This would be a great con-venience for our depositors. There is no doubt that there are many in sore need of money and we desire to help these out firsa. When we realize upon our securities we intend to pay off these needy depositors first. That could not be done by a receiver, who is compelled by the law to pay off every depositor in proportion to the amount of his deposit when anything is realized on securities.

Then again many of our depositors, who are not in need of money, are willing to receive in exchange for their deposits some of the securities we hold. For instance, I have been approached by men who said that they desired to take a mortgage for their deposits. All of our loans are first-class and are worth their face value. Thus the mortgages that would be taken would be better investments than a certificate of deposit. This plan could not be followed by a receiver, who cannot cancel deposits with security, as the securities must be sold for the benefit of all the depositors.

"Thus, if the officers remain in possession of the bank, those in need of money can be accommodated and, by exchanging securities for deposits, the bank affairs can be wound up more quickly than if a receiver was in By this latter plan, also, we could dispose of some of the securities certainly at their face value, and we believe further that we can get rid of the others more ad-vantageously than any receiver could. We think that in view of this, and because of the fact that we have on hand about \$200,000 more in secorities than the amount of the deposits and a surplus of \$35,000, we can pay off all the depositors in full. It is doubtfu whether a receiver could do as much, forced as he necessarily would be to dispose of some of the securities at least at a great

"Finally, the expense of thus winding up the affairs of our bank would be much less than under a receivership. The officers would serve without compensation and we would be required to employ only two or three clerks anr an attorney. Altogether we believe that by our plan we can wind up the bank's affairs in the most honest, expedi-tious and economical manner."

Mr. Bennett said that be, with the other

officers of the bank, felt that they could not be held responsible for the failure, although they were greatly worried and troubled over the financial embarassment it be had here, the express companies' receipts will fall off materially. So great especially those of the poorer class. He has become the demand that Mr. Balduff tated that he had been much encouraged by the remarks of merchants and bankers. who had told him that there was not a hint of mismanagement or dishonesty prevathe closing.

He said that the loans the bank had made were all first class. He himself had passed are made some notations in luk. finally upon all the loans on real estate that were made, and was so conservative that he was called frequently a "fogy." He said that but few of them were made upon the valuation of past prosperous years, when the city was on a boom, the majority being on existing valuations.

"I have been told by many," Mr. Bennett "that it was not the bank officials, but the depositors who caused the failure." Others have found health, vigor and

vitality in Hood's Sarsapariila, and it surely

has power to help you also. Why not try it

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CANADA SANTANA SANTANA

The pupils of Mr. Frank Lea Short's school of dramatic art, who have been seen here tofore in that capacity, appeared last night at the Creighton theater as "The Players," an organization lately effected for the purpose of dramatic representations in Omaha and elsewhere. Two plays were presented, a bright little one-act comedy, called "M'lle Loti," serving as a curtain-raiser to the familiar adaptation of Erckmann-Chatrain's terrible story, which is known to the stage as "The Bells."

'M'lle Loti' shows the clever stratagem of danseuse who aspires to emotional roles. She recommends a friend for the part which she wishes to assume herself, and then, impersonating the friend, does in that char-acter a scene from "Camille" which reduces the obdurate managers to tears and secures her a lucrative engagement in the capacity which she desires. The piece is the cred itable work of Mr. Guy B. Short, and served last night to introduce Miss Nina Marshall as an actress to the Omaha public, which has hitherto known her chiefly as a singer with a very sweet voice. It will be seen that the part of the dansuese calls for a high degree of versatility. Her first entrance is made in a burst of hilarity, and her song is delivered in a most unconventional attitude, with one foot in a chair and the other on top of the desk. Her second is accomplished in a disguise so complete as to deceive the nanagers, and is followed by a piece of emotional acting vivid enough to melt them as aforesaid. Such a role would tax the powers of a far more experienced actress than Miss Marshall, who, however, gave it an interpre tation of which many pleasant things might be said. To have accomplished so much with a first attempt at a most difficult task is an achievement of which Miss Marshall, her instructor and her friends, may well be proud. Mr. Short has been seen before in "The Bells," supported by a company not differing substantially from that of last night. His Mathias has many elements of strength, and its shortcomings are for the most part those for which a voice and temperament better suited to lighter roles are accountable. The other characters are so far subordinated in importance as not to require large qualifica-tions on the part of those sustaining them. Quite adequate support was rendered by Miss Kimball, as Catherine, Miss Pond, as Annette, and Mr. McKeon, as Hans.

A large and very enthusiastic audience seemed to refute the assertion often made, that performances by home talent are not appreciat d in Omaha. Theater-goess are fond of plays depict ing American life, plays in which reat people tell a consistent story, plays in which the

audience can see a resemblance in the characterizations to people whom they know in real life, and love or dislike as the case in real life, and love or dislike as the case may be; such a play as this is Mark Twain's "Puddn'head Wilson," which will be presented at the Creighton for three nights commencing Thursday, January 7, with a matine. Saturday. The story, which is well known, is sweetly simple, and the characterizations are most life-like. The folks from Dawson's Landing, Missouri, reach right out and take hold of the hearts of the audience and take hold of the hearts of the audience and hold them firmly in a loving grip from the rise until the fall of the curtain, and when the people leave the theater to go home it is with grateful remembrances of

MAY BE ITS OWN EXECUTOR the quaint humor and pathetic pathos of the story by which they have been moved to laughter as well as tears.

The anouncement that the original Fisk Jubilee singers are soon to be heard again n Omaha will be welcome news to lovers of music, who cherish most agricable memories of this organization from former years. While it is not claimed that all or even most of the singers who compose the company when it first started on its phenomenal twenty-five years ago have been re it is asserted that the new materia which has been added from time to time has notably increased the strength of this notably increased originally remarkable body of colored vocal

The concert is announced for Monday even ing, January 11, at Y. M. C. A. hall. The sale of seats opens Friday moon at the Y. M. C. A. office.

The Cinematographe, which is exhibited at Boyd's every night this week, with the teresting views, such a minary maneuvers waterfalls and realistic scenes from every day life. It is a very pleasing entertainment. At the "bargain day" matines today and tonight "The Clemenceau Case" will preceded by the one act curtain-raise

Fredirick Warde will play a two-night enragement at the Creighton next week, in the course of which he will be seen in a opertory of legitimate plays. This season new Shakespearean production in 'King Lear," which will be the hill Monday night, and critics agree in the assertion that it is the greatest achievement of his career his performance of Lear, it is said, is the nost thoroughly artistic interpretation he ias ever given and charms his audience be yond expression. A notable feature in con-nection with the play, it is said, is the ex-cellent way in which it is staged. The storm scens has aroused the admiration of is spoken of as a remarkably realistic stage

"Henry VIII" will be presented as the bill at the special bargain matinee, which will be given Tuesday. "Henry IV" will be offered Tuesday night.

It is six years since "Alabama" was produced at the Madison Square theater, New York, and since that time it has been a continuous success. The author, Mr. Augustus Thomas, at that time was entirely unknown. except to newspaper men as a brilliant de-scription writer. In one night he became famous, and since then has produced several successful plays. But the success of "Alabama" is not entirely due to the ex-quisite beauty of the play; it is also due to the fact that a high standard for the company has always been sought. When the olay is produced at Boyd's theater Sunday, January 10, and each evening for the week following, together with Sunday, Wednesday and Saturday matinces, the following well known and clever people will be seen: Clement Bainbridge, Fred Mower, Harry M. Allen, L. P. Hicks, W. M. Wadsworth, W. F. Moliter, F. W. Kensil, Francis Nelson and the Misses Ethel Irving, Helen Weathersby, Florence Crosby and Kate Dooling.

The second night of Prof. Reynold's en gagement was marked by a largely increased patronage, the audience expressing unqualified approval of the novel entertainment pro vided. Owing to the popular prices and merit of Mr. Reynold's performance, large attendance should be the rule at Creighton hall during the remainder of the week.

Clay Clement and his supporting company, which remains substantially the same as when last seen here, will be the attraction at the Creighton during the latter part of the coming week. "The New Dominion' and "The Bells" will be presented during the

SMALL FORTUNE IN AN OLD BIBLE.

Book Dealer Drives a Good Bargain with a Tramp. A local book dealer, who is in business on North Sixteenth street, made a little fortune in a business transaction yesterday afternoon. It was in the purchase of an old bible, which was brought to the store by a tramp, who said that he was from Portland Ore. He said that he found the old book on the road between that city and Omaha. The old bible bears the date of 1600. Some lent in business circles in connection with parts of it, however, were probably printed before that time, as some of the pages bear even earlier dates. Upon one of the flyleafs These purport to be dated at Plymouth, Mass. 1659. The book is printed in old-fashioned type. The leaves are old and yellow, but are in remarkably good condition. None are

missing, although a few are loose. The covers have been almost torn off from lack The book dealer has learned that the bible is listed as being worth \$225. He has al-ready been offered \$175, but he refuses to

part with it for that sum. SCOFIELD MAKES AN ASSIGNMENT.

Sheriff Holding the Stock for the Benefit of Creditors. For the benefit of his creditors, O. K. Scoffeld, a dealer in cloaks and ladies' furnishing goods, located in the Paxton block, yesterday assigned to the sheriff who at once took possession of the stock For six years Mr. Scofield was employed in the Chicago store of Marshall & Co., after which he went to St. Joseph and entered the employment of McKiney & Bailey, where he remained for six years at the end of which time he engaged in business on his own account. For eight years prior to 1894 he was manager of the cloak department of the Morse Dry Goods company and buyer for the concern. Two

years ago last June he opened a store and since that time has been doing business for himself.

DIED. WELCH-James McMahon, at 5 o'clock January 5, 1897, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Welch, aged 3 months. Funeral at 3 o'clock this (Wednesday) afternoon from the family residence, 932 North Twenty-seventh street to Holy Sepulchre. M'DILL-Mrs. R., wife of Rev. Edgar McDill, pastor of Park Avenue Presbyterian church, died at 6 p. m. Tuesday. Funeral from Park avenue church, corner Park avenue and Jackson streets, Taursday afternoon. afternoon.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Julius Peycke has announced his engagenent to marry Miss Anna Pomy. Hamilton Bros. have been granted permit for the erection of a frame dwelling at Thirtieth and Jackson streets. Up to date the city treasurer has received \$182,000 from 1897 liquor licenses. Of this

amount only \$5,000 was paid in cash, the remainder being paid by checks. Parties who wish to take part in the civil service examination next month for clerks and carriers in the Omaha postoffice must file their applications with the clerk of the civil

service board by January 13. Albert McIntosh, Charles McCampbell and Frink Werd, three boys each about 13 years of age, were found asleep Monday night in one of the big office buildings of the city and were arrested. They were charged with vagrancy.

Jennie A. Graves applied for a divorce rom George H. Graves on the grounds of ruelty, non-support and drunkenness. She informs the court that she was married to Graves in Springfield, Mo., May 18, 1892. She asks that her maiden name, Warner, be restored to her. George H. Haymes, druggist at Sixteenth

and Webster streets, has given chattel mortgages on his stock of goods to the following parties, and for the amounts named: Richardson Drug company, \$529.62 Msw Becht, \$189.20; Oliver Martin, \$170; W M. Haymes of Chicago, \$200.

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