MAY HANG ANY OLD PICTURE

Governor Holcomb's Reply to Phil Kearney Post's Complaint.

MILFORD COMMANDANT MAY SUIT HIMSELF

Not an Appointee of the Governor, Has the President's Picture on the Wall and is a Law Unto Himself.

LINCOLN, Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Phil Kearney post, No. 2, Grand Army of the Republic, of South Omaha recently passed resolutions condemning Superintendent Fowler of the Soldiers' Home at Milford for refusing to allow a picture of President McKinley to hang in the office room of the home and for discharging Ira W. Burroughs from the institution in connection with the picture incident. The resolutions hold Governor Holcomb responsible for the acts of his appointee, and calls upon him to dismiss Superintendent Fowler because of his insult to the president of the United States. A copy of the resolutions were received by the governor yesterday and an answer was mailed.

Governor Holcomb in his letter says:

The ground for the attack is very poorly taken. While I have no doubt as to his competency as an officer, I beg to advise the post that Commandant Fowler is not an appointee of mine. Since an effort has been made to attach blame to me for the action of Commandant Fowler, I might add that I investigated the matter by request some time ago and was advised that the commandant not only did not refuse to permit President McKinley's picture to be hung in the institution, but contributed to a fund to buy a picture of that distinguished gentlemen which now occupies, so I am informed, a conspicuous place on the walls of the institution. His refusal to place a picture of the president, or any other person, on the walls of his private office is, in my judgment, a matter entirely of his personal concern.

The Young Woman's Christian association met last night and effected a new organization, under supervision and rules of the national organization. The international board will be asked to send a new secretary as soon as possible. Miss Rose Boulton was elected president, Miss Margaret Palmer recording secretary and Miss Flora Burns treasurer.

Scott's attorney in the Flower-Scott damage suit, just finished, is preparing a motion for a new trial in district court. Various causes for a new trial will be brought out, the main one being that the sum allowed Miss Flowers in the verdict is excessive. The jury was instructed to give but compensatory damages and the defense considers $2,500 altogether too much.

Health Officer Rohde today filed a complaint against Dr. M. H. Everett of the Sanitarium, charging him with violating the quarantine ordinance. Dr. Everett has been attending some scarlet fever patients and failed to report the cases to the health officer as required by a city ordinance. The case has been set for hearing tomorrow morning.

The damage suit of Mrs. Moss against the State Journal was given to the jury this afternoon. The court instructed that if the jury found for the plaintiff only actual damages should be allowed. In arriving at the amount the jury should consider the effect upon her mind and health, her means of earning a livelihood and her social standing, but should also allow for all circumstances connected with the publication that might mitigate the damages.

Two robbers entered a Chinese laundry this evening and tried to make the proprietor give up his money. They had him down on the floor choking him when some people were attracted by the noise. A chase on the streets after the robbers ensued. A barber named Scott caught one of them, but was knocked down with a brick and had his head badly cut. The robbers escaped. Holdups have been numerous the past month.

The supreme court today issued the following order:

On reading the relation of the George R. Dickinson company and Louis D. Holmes, from which it has been made to appear to the court that the honorable Cunningham R. Scott, one of the judges of the Fourth judicial district, has wilfully refused and still refuses to carry out or enforce the mandate lately issued by this court to the district court of Douglas county in the cause wherein Emil C. Ackerman et al are plaintiffs and Gus A. Ackerman et al are defendants, it is ordered that Cunningham R. Scott show cause on or before the 7th day of December, 1897, whether, and if so, why, he has so refused and refuses to carry out and enforce said mandate.

INTERRUPTS HIS BUTCHERING.

Secretary of State Porter was arrested this evening charged with violating the city health ordinance by butchering hogs within the city limits. He was released on his own recognizance and will have his hearing in police court tomorrow. Secretary Porter followed agricultural pursuits before being elected to his present position and raised his own supply of pork on his Merrick county farm. He saw no reason to discontinue this practice since coming to Lincoln, and today with General Kelsey, the Omaha commonwealth employe in his office, had nearly finished the work of slaughtering four hogs at his home, when City Health Officer Rohde appeared and ordered a discontinuance. Later a warrant was sworn out and served. Secretary Porter, it is asserted, was unaware of the existence of a law against butchering hogs in the city.

District Judge Cunningham R. Scott of Omaha was this evening cited by the supreme court to appear before that tribunal December 7 and plead to a charge of contempt. The contempt charge is the alleged refusal of Judge Scott to enforce a mandate issued by the supreme court last January in Omahan receivership case.

Omaha people at the hotels: At the Lindell—G. W. Covell, J. H. Hirst, R. W. Pollard, F. A. Tidd, John W. Parrish. At the Lincoln—V. G. Langtry, G. J. Wegener, A. H. Comstock.

ATTEMPTS TO MURDER HIS WIFE.

Failing in This John Holoubek Succeeds in Killing Himself.

SCHUYLER, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Details of a double tragedy have just been brought in from the home of John Holoubek, a Bohemian farmer in Midland precinct, eleven miles northwest. Mr. and Mrs. Holoubek were in Schuyler yesterday and nothing was the matter with them then. He is a member of a family with hereditary tendency to insanity. During the night he arose and began drinking of potions largely made up of alcohol, which got him into such increasing bad frame of mind that by 4 o'clock this morning he became frenzied with madness and attacked his wife with a large butcher knife, stabbing her once in the region of the heart and once in the left side, after which she wrenched the knife from his grasp and ran to a neighbor's to spread the alarm.

Holoubek then went up stairs and with a shotgun and a revolver began ending his own life, shooting one hole near his heart with the revolver, a second near the same place with the shotgun and a third from under his chin to the top of his head, the charge taking off the top of his head and besmearing the ceiling of the room with his brains.

Mrs. Holoubek is still alive, but is in a precarious condition, the wound in the left side having entered the smaller intestines.

Holoubek was well-to-do and was the father of nine children, one of whom he wounded in the hand as she tried to protect her mother. Had not the knife been secured by Mrs. Holoubek it is presumed the whole family would have been killed.

Two Cannon for Kearney.

KEARNEY, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—The two Grand Army of the Republic posts of this city have received a cannon each from the government and expect to have them mounted in the near future. The guns are six feet long and weigh nearly a ton each. They are twenty-four-pounders and were one time used on a man-of-war, but had been condemned and were left in the navy yard at San Francisco.

Kearney is becoming quite a feeding point. There are three feed yards here and at present about 70,000 sheep and 2,000 head of cattle are being fed. New consignments of sheep are being received nearly every day and there will probably be 70,000 fed here before spring. Hay and feed have advanced and farmers are expecting good prices for their produce.

MORE STOCK THAN EVER BEFORE.

Edward Cudahy Says Nebraska Will Break the Record.

LINCOLN, Nov. 18.—In an interview Edward Cudahy of the Cudahy Packing company of Omaha asserted that there are more cattle and hogs being fed in Nebraska at the present time than ever before. He says that next year more fine cattle and hogs will be sent out of Nebraska to the Chicago and Omaha markets than the cattle men of the west ever dreamed of, and he makes his calculations from figures which he has received from every precinct in the state of Nebraska during the last two months.

Mr. Cudahy expects a greater increase in the sheep market of this season than in cattle and hogs. He estimates that 5,000,000 sheep are being fed in Nebraska right now. That is 2,000,000 above the average. Most of these sheep are in large bunches and are being well taken care of. They are sent into Nebraska because the winters are milder and the loss consequently lighter.

HITCHCOCK COUNTY ALL RIGHT.

Very Large Amount of Small Grain is Sown.

TRENTON, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Your correspondent made an extended trip over this county recently and was very much surprised at the amount of small grain that has been sown. The acreage so far is the greatest ever put in in the county and teams may still be seen in every direction hurrying to get in more while the weather is suitable. A great deal of the wheat and rye is up and growing nicely.

This county has had a big loss of cattle, owing to the early pasturing of stalk fields, smut or some other cause. The butcher at Trenton has purchased about thirty hides of cattle so killed, which represents a value of more than $600. If the same proportion has been lost over the county the loss will foot up $4,000 or $5,000.

Shelton Celebrates.

SHELTON, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—The completion of Hansen & Bernhard's fine new double store room and also that of three large store rooms of George Meisner's was celebrated here last night by a grand free ball in the former's store building, also in Meisner's opera house. Music for the occasion was furnished by an orchestra from Grand Island. Visitors were here from Kearney, Gibbon, Hastings, Grand Island and Woodbine. The following well known railway officials were banqueted at the Commercial hotel: R. R. Sutherland, superintendent; C. J. Lane, general freight agent; A. T. Traynor, general baggage agent; John Barron, traveling freight agent; Mr. Reynolds, traveling soliciting agent, and Attorney Leavitt, all of the Union Pacific, and J. A. Kuhn, general agent of the Chicago & Northwestern, and E. E. Benjamin, traveling freight agent of the Chicago & Northwestern. Editors Cass of the Ravenna News and Wheeldon of the Kearney Democrat attended. Shelton is one of the largest, if not the largest, feeding station along the line of the Union Pacific railway.

Chancellor Ellinwood of the Wesleyan university of Lincoln addressed a crowded house at the Methodist Episcopal church last evening. His themes was "Education."

Old Settler Laid to Rest.

ELKHORN, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—The late George W. Gelston was buried on Wednesday in the Elk City cemetery. Funeral services were conducted at the Elk City Methodist Episcopal church by Rev. Mr. Elliott of Elkhorn and Rev. Mr. Eggleston of Valley. One of the largest funeral cortages ever seen here followed the dfer to the cemetery. Mr. Gelston had been a resident of Douglas county during the last forty years. During the greater part of that time he resided until his death on his farm near Elk City. In the early days he drove stage out of Omaha for the Western Stage company and subsequently he had charge of one of the state company's relay stations. In 1862 he was married to Miss Mary Wilkinson of Fonsanelle, Washington county. He leaves a widow and nine children, seven sons and two daughters, all of whom were present at the obsequies, except one daughter, Mrs. Anna Clapp of Gordon, this state, who was unable to attend on account of ill health.

Wants a Divorce.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Mary B. Seimroth of Platte Center has filed a petition in the district court praying for an absolute decree of divorce from her husband, Wilhelm Seimroth, on the ground of desertion. She also asks for the care and custody of their minor child and that she may assume her maiden name.

Charles Donaldson, who had been adjudged insane by the commissioners some time ago and who was denied admission to the Norfolk hospital because that institution is in a crowded condition, was this morning sent to the poor house on an order of the supervisors. Who Donaldson is or where he came from no one seems to know. He first appeared here some time last April and has hung around town ever since. The county has paid his board at the Grand Pacific hotel for a number of months.

County Clerk Pohl is making out and mailing the certificates of election to the successful candidates in the recent campaign.

Buried at Fullerton.

FULLERTON, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—John Henry Clark, one of Nance county's oldest and most respected citizens, was today followed to his last resting place by a large concourse of his fellow townspeople. Mr. Clark was born in the state of New York in 1815, came to Nance county in 1880 and notwithstanding his age, he seemed to enjoy good health up to the very time he received the injuries from which he died. Last Thursday, while attending to his chores, he was attacked by a western steer which had just made its escape from the pen in which he had just been dehorned. Mr. Clark was knocked down by the infuriated animal and so badly injured that death ensued within five days.

Court Adjourns.

WEST POINT, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—District court adjourned last evening. A number of important equity cases were disposed of.

Two tramps were arrested and jailed today by the sheriff for purloining overcoats, overshoes and other loose property from farmers' wagons. Serious complaint has been made of late of depredations committed of this character, and it is the intention of the authorities to make an example of the culprits.

District Ministerial Association.

SHELTON, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Kearney District Ministerial association, Methodist Episcopal church, convened here yesterday and will continue for three days. The first meeting of yesterday was that of the district stewards at 2 p. m., and at 7:30 p. m. a sermon was preached by Rev. B. W. Marsh of Kearney. About thirty-five ministers and laymen are in attendance.

Welcome Visitors at Osceola.

OSCEOLA, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Two former old pastors, Rev. P. C. Johnson, D. D., and Rev. P. S. Mather, preached here this week. Mr. Mather has a large landed estate near Indianola in this state. He had been out to look over the land and stopped here on his way back. He was the first pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church that was allowed to stay for three years. He now lives in Wisconsin.

Revival Closes.

EMERSON, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—The series of meetings conducted by Evangelist Petran of Minnesota, which have been held at the Presbyterian church, closed last evening. There were over forty conversions.

Man Seriously Injured.

NEBRASKA CITY, Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—George Camden, an employe of the government on the river work near here, was found lying on the Missouri Pacific track near Paul station this morning in a terribly cut and bruised condition. He says that he boarded a Missouri Pacific freight train at this city last night and tendered his fare, whereupon one of the trainmen struck him on the head with a blunt instrument and knocked him off the train, which was moving at a very rapid rate. He was brought to this city and his wounds were dressed by the company's surgeon. His injuries are serious.

Postoffice Contest.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—A new phase of the affair is presented today in the postoffice contest in this city. A letter purporting to have come from Congressman Strode was received by H. P. Marble, editor of the Standard-Leader, in which it is stated that Mr. Strode has decided to name for the position O. L. Bantz, late republican candidate for county treasurer. Some of the claimants for the office doubt the authenticity of the letter, as it bore no pen and ink signature, but was signed with Strode's stamp.

To Raise a Church Debt.

HASTINGS, Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Next Sunday a special Thanksgiving service will be held at the Presbyterian church for the purpose of having the subscribers pay on their subscription to the church debt fund. Thirteen thousand of the debt has already been paid and it is expected that over half of the remaining subscriptions will be paid in next Sunday as a Thanksgiving offering.

Postoffice Election.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Considerable dissatisfaction is manifested here over the calling of a postoffice election. Only four candidates entered the race and there are two or three others who oppose the idea and claim Congressman Strode will not recognize a movement of this kind. The outcome is a matter of speculation.

New Elevator for Clay Center.

CLAY CENTER, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—A representative of the Kansas City and Omaha Railroad company was here yesterday and staked out the site on the right of way for a new grain elevator. As two elevators are now in operation it is hoped the third one will be sufficient to handle the large amount of grain brought here.

Caught in the Act.

NEBRASKA CITY, Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Six men, whose names could not be learned, were arrested this morning by Deputy Fish Commissioner Corabee of Iowa while in the act of seining in the slough across the river from this city. They were taken to Sidney for trial.

Distributing Fish.

SIDNEY, Neb., Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Nebraska fish car was here today and distributed bass, carp, croppies, catfish and perch. Commissioner Oberfelder superintended the work.

Nebraska News Notes.

An effort is being made to start a creamery at Decatur.

A number of cattle have died in the vicinity of Battle Creek from the corcstalk disease.

Reports from all over the state are to the effect that farmers have either completed or are very near through corn husking.

Hovelock people are negotiating with eastern capitalists with a view of securing a twine factory, to be operated in connection with the hemp tow mill now in operation.

Not an idle man in town today, says the Superior Journal, unless idle from choice. Three farmers were in town between 7 and 8 o'clock inquiring for hands. Among them they wanted six hands, and could find but one.

Another invoice of several thousand head of sheep was received at Norfolk this week and driven to a farm about ten miles northeast of the city, where they will be fed during the winter.

The continued wet weather of a week or so ago destroyed several hundred bushels of alfalfa seed in stack in the valley west of North Platte. As the seed is selling for $2.75 per bushel, the loss falls quite heavily on the farmers.

William Adair, who has been a mail messenger on the Omaha main for about fourteen years, has missed but one week in all of that time. He was always at his post of duty and today, after traveling over 286,000 miles during that time, he is apparently in as good health as when he first started in.

The sheep recently stolen from C. W. Burkland near Sutherland, of which there were 196, were shipped to the eastern market from Ogallala. It is not known who stole the sheep, but it is known that two men from the Birdwood country settled with Mr. Burkland for the animals, paying him about $800.

John Brown of Liberty township, Webster county, was recently confronted by the cashier of the First National bank of Blue Hill with a note for $250, with Brown's signature to it. Brown had been the dupe of a scoundrel who was canvassing for aid to help his family out of Oklahoma, where he had lost everything by a cyclone.

Ell Surber of Emerson has commenced an action against his step-daughter, Elsie Surber, who graduated with honors from the Dakota City High school in June, 1896, for about $300, claiming this amount for money advanced for her schooling and board for the last two years of her school work, and that she was of age during that time and her own boss.

A $1,000,000 Cat Story.

There is a room with four corners in it. There is a cat in each corner. There is a cat opposite each cat. There is a cat on each cat's tail. How many cats are there in this room? The Cremoline Soap company will give $20 each to the first 10 correct answers to this problem, $15 each to the second 10 correct answers received and a magnificent silver tea service, value $10, to each one of the next 25 correct answers and a special prize worth $1 to every other correct answer received. The Cremoline Soap company is taking this way to advertise Cremoline, the finest medicated toilet soap ever made. To compete send with your answer 25 cents silver for a box of Cremoline. Persons winning capital prizes are expected to purchase one dozen Cremoline soap. Try it; you may win $20. Address all replies to Cremoline Soap company, St. Louis, Mo.

TURN CONVICT LABOR TO A PROFIT.

Supplies for State Institutions Manufactured in Prison.

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 18.—The problem of how state convicts shall be kept at work without competing with free labor has seemingly been solved by the law which went into effect on January 1 of this year. This law provided that all state institutions, departments and political divisions should purchase all their supplies and articles of equipment from the prison if such could be manufactured there. Since the law went into operation requisitions have been received for over $750,000 worth of goods which guarantees the continuous employment of convicts. As it costs but $500,000 annually to maintain the prisons they are now made self-sustaining under the new system. Speaking of the matter today, General Austin Lathrop, superintendent of state prisons, said:

"None of the methods of employing convicts during my administration of ten years have been self-supporting, with the exception of the new one. An enormous amount of money will be saved to the state. Nearly $900,000 worth of goods have been ordered from the prisons this year. Next year's trade will amount to $1,000,000. We sell at a price below that of the markets, so that the books of the institution themselves show a net profit in making purchases from us.

Disfigurement for life by burns or scalds may be avoided by using De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and for all kinds of sores and skin troubles.

Two Tramps Killed in a Wreck.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 18.—At Armstrong Creek, Wis., a train on the Soo road broke loose while going down a grade. The second section collided with the fore part of the train and two tramps were killed.

Hatchford Wins from Gardner.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 18.—Billy Hatchford of Chicago won from Oscar Gardner, the Omaha Kid, in twenty rounds before the Olympic Athletic club tonight. The boys boxed at 129 pounds.

TO CURE COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

UPHOLD BRIDGE ARBITRARY

Decision of the Famous Case Goes Against Omaha.

MINORITY OPINION GIVEN BY MORRISON

Clements Sides with Him in Affirming that He Believes the Contention of Commercial Club is Just and Equitable.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Interstate Commerce commission, by a vote of three to two, decided today the bridge arbitrary case in favor of Council Bluffs. Morrison and Clement dissent in a lengthy opinion, Commissioner Knapp reporting the case for the majority.

Commissioner Knapp, after reviewing at considerable length the contentions of the Commercial club of Omaha in the Omaha bridge case, railroad companies and intervenors, discusses the question from three separate points:

First—Whether Council Bluffs has the same in-rates from all directions as Omaha.

Second—Whether Council Bluffs has the same out-rates to Nebraska.

Third—Whether Omaha pays bridge tolls in addition to Council Bluffs rates on shipments from the south to Omaha and Council Bluffs over several systems of roads, some of which reach those points from Nebraska and some from the Iowa side of the Missouri river.

Carriers in consequence he holds, are not responsible for existing conditions and says that if the conditions were reversed the result would be the same to either community. He lays down the proposition under this head, that if any one is responsible for the apparent discrimination it is the Union Pacific, which has its eastern terminus at Council Bluffs. The second proposition he passes over with the merest reference, but upon the third his greatest argument is made, stating in contradiction to the assertion of complainants that "group" rates are made in a number of cases much farther apart than Council Bluffs and Omaha. Shipments to Nebraska City require greater service for carriers than is performed for Council Bluffs merchants, for they are hauled a greater distance. "Not every inequality of rates constitutes a violation of law," says Commissioner Knapp, and "again discrimination is forbidden only when it is unjust."

Mr. Prouty, the new member of the commission, also writes a concurring opinion advancing the idea that as the railroads have to pay $45,000 a year for the use of the bridge, they must charge higher rates, and to remove the bridge tolls on shipments east from Omaha would be of itself a discrimination against Council Bluffs. He thinks all traffic which crosses the bridge either way ought to pay toll for every time it crosses.

The dissenting opinion of Commissioners Morrison and Clements is conceded to be an exceedingly able presentation even by the majority commissioners. Colonel Morrison, who prepared the opinion, says the contract was entered into years ago by the railroads to equalize rates and in fact the agreement went into effect to all points east and west except in Iowa, which he says is not fair dealing. He combats the proposition of Knapp that Omaha has not been injured and says that two wrongs never made a right. He shows that Omaha, when the last census was taken, had a yearly output of $42,000,000, as against Council Bluffs $2,000,000, and that Omaha should be put on an equality the same as the defendant. The companies should grant to all Missouri points, including Atchison, Leavenworth and Kansas City, equal rates, which these places, like Omaha, are on the west bank of the Missouri river. He says that permitting the several merchants, manufacturers and traders of Council Bluffs to intervene clouded and obscured the issue, which he greatly regrets, as he believed the contention of the Commercial club is just and equitable.

REPORT OF SECRETARY BLISS.

Head of the Interior Department Prepares His Recommendations.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Secretary of Interior Bliss, in his annual report, made public today, submits estimates aggregating $156,532,419 for appropriations by congress for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899.

Discussing pensions, he says 200,000 pension claims are awaiting adjudication, and it is estimated that 40 or 50 per cent of these will be finally admitted. If they are rapidly adjudicated they will swell the pension roll from $5,000,000 to $7,000,000. When, however, these claims are adjudicated and the first payments made thereon the amount of the pension roll will decrease very rapidly, possibly to $125,000,000 or $130,000,000 the first year.

The total Indian population of the United States, exclusive of the New York Indians and the five civilized tribes, approximates 177,178, located on 177 reservations, which contain approximately 33,104,837 acres. Of these 4,535 have accepted allotments of land, which aggregate about 844,147 acres.

Secretary Bliss says while the opening of the Wichita reservation in Oklahoma to white settlement would greatly promote the development of the country, yet, in view of the unsettled conditions of the questions affecting their rights, he does not see how it can be done without causing great injury and distress. To guard against this recommendation is made that the Dawes' commission be authorized to investigate questions as to their rights and claims and report recommendations for speedy and just settlement.

Referring to the work of the Dawes commission, it is announced that the investigation of the rights of applicants for citizenship in the Five Nations has been practically completed and the commission has been preparing the rolls of citizenship of the several tribes and has negotiated three agreements. That with both the Choctaws and Chickasaws of April 23, 1897, is before congress and has been ratified by those tribes. That made with the Creeks September 27 last was rejected almost unanimously by the Creek council, and there is little prospect of any agreement with them. The Cherokees have refused to make an agreement and negotiations with them have been abandoned for the time.

Such agreements as have been concluded vary so in their conditions that in view of the fact that eventually a uniform plan of government must be provided for the Indian territory, it is questionable, the report says, whether any further agreements should be ratified by congress until the desired and necessary uniformity can be secured.

The secretary says the five tribes have undoubtedly violated in many ways the spirit of their agreements with the United States under which the territory is now held and governed and while he does not recommend any harsh action, the secretary calls the attention of the president and congress to the chaotic conditions growing out of the several tribes' methods of legislation.

Indians have absorbed great tracts to the exclusion of the common people and government by an Indian aristocracy has been practically established to the detriment of the people. From 200,000 to 250,000 whites, by permission of the Indian government, have settled in the territory, but are merely tenants by sufferance.

No government for the Indian territory will be satisfactory until congress shall provide for the establishment of a single uniform system for the entire Indian territory that shall place all its inhabitants in possession of the rights of American citizens.

Recommendation is made that the period for the allotment of lands to the Uncompahgre Indians be extended such time beyond April 1, 1898, as congress shall deem best. Reference is made to the contentions of the Uncompahgres as to the allotments requirements, and it is stated that the proceeds of the Colorado lands, when received over and above the cost of the removal of the Indians ($429,587) and the trust fund of $1,250,000, is to be applied so far as requisite to the reimbursement of the Utinahs, whose lands are to be taken.

The Uncompahgres, contrary to their ideas, do not in fact pay for the allotments, except as a matter of exchange. If the sales of the Colorado lands cannot immediately yield sufficient for reimbursement of the Utinahs the government is urged to advance the necessary sum to await the sales of the lands for its own reimbursement. The sum of $1,226,886 is now in the treasury to the credit of the Utes' fund, resulting from the sale of Colorado lands, and in addition there must proceed from sales over $500,000 to reimburse the government for the removal, and the $1,250,000 set aside from the public moneys as a trust fund. Such legislation as will enable the people of the United States to reap the benefit of the valuable mineral deposits is recommended.

Speedy action in securing proper legislation for the coming twelfth census is urged, lack of sufficient time in the last two or three enumerations is complained of, and the necessity of many reforms in the way of lessening the bulk of reports and the elimination of several branches of inquiries from the twelfth census, either by postponement or transfer to bureaus already in existence, is urged.

It is anticipated that before the close of the field season the geological survey will have gathered sufficient data as to the settled areas of the reserves embraced in the executive forestry orders to enable the department to form an opinion as to population and improvements, included within the reserves, and distribution of the forest and agricultural lands.

Recommendations are submitted for separate appropriations for the civil service commission to be expended under its own supervision; that Indian agents be held responsible on their official bonds for all funds in their custody, the law to apply to army officers, as well as civilians, and that when desired, the United States provide such bonds for army officers acting as Indian agents. Appropriations for the needs of troops stationed in Yellowstone park, and the repair of roads and bridges there, are recommended.

BISHOP KEANE REMOVED HIS NAME.

It Was Not Taken from the List by the Pope.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—In denying the cablegrams published in a number of newspapers from Rome regarding the striking off of Archbishop Keane's name from the list of candidates for the archbishopric of New Orleans, Dr. Rooker, secretary of the papal delegation, said today that the reports doubtless originated with Mr. Keane's enemies at Rome. Contrary to the circulated reports, Dr. Rooker said, when the names were seen by Archbishop Keane he declined to allow the use of his and himself struck it off the list. "The choice for the post," said Dr. Rooker, "lies between Bishop Maes of Covington, Ky., and Bishop Heslin of Natchez, Miss. Unless there is a special meeting at Rome between now and the last of the month, and no information of an intention of holding one has been received in this country, the chances are that the vacant see will not be filled before the middle of December."

REPORT MAY BE READY THIS WEEK.

Monetary Commission Hurriedly Forming Its Plans.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—It was announced today that the monetary commission hoped to have its report well advanced toward completion by the last of the present week. A number of the members will have to be absent next week and an effort is making to get the entire plan formulated and ready for approval by Saturday evening. Any changes which may be thought necessary will be made later, when the entire commission probably will come together for final revision and signature. The report is not likely to be made public before December 1.

Pertaining to Postoffices.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A postoffice has been established at Klondike, Lyon county, Ia., with Hans O. Knudtson as postmaster.

Postmasters commissioned today: Nebraska—William G. Webster, Reynolds; Frank A. Henderson, Verdel; Peter Lakeman, West Union.

Iowa—Zophar B. Landon, Burr Oak; Martin J. Flanagan, Farmersburg; Albert A. Whitman, Spaulding.

South Dakota—Alton E. Steele, Goodwin.

Wyoming—William A. Collins, Collins.

The following Iowa postmasters were appointed today: Conesville, Muscatine county, James McKee; Highland Center, Wapello county, J. M. Elder; Ira, Jasper county, H. A. Jeffries; Monteith, Guthrie county, Leslie Knap; Orchard, Mitchell county, W. R. Flint; Oxford, Johnson county, George W. Slee; Rising Sun, Polk county, J. W. Frerichs; Ute, Monona county, J. A. Patrick.

Mercer and the Supply Depot.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Congressman Mercer had an interview with Secretary Bliss today in relation to the supply depot at Omaha. The secretary informed Mr. Mercer that the Interior department was ready to go ahead just as soon as the people of Omaha had complied with their part of the contract.

Assistant Secretary Spalding of the Treasury department informed Mr. Mercer today that he would push work on blue prints and specifications for the South Omaha postoffice building, and hoped to be able to advertise for bids by Christmas. Spalding said he would do everything in his power to have the building completed by June 1.

Germany's Exhibit at Paris.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Consul Monaghan at Chemnitz has sent to the State department a report of the plans made by Germany for its exhibition at Paris in 1900. Dr. Richter, who took a prominent part in the World's fair at Chicago, has returned to Germany from Paris well satisfied with the space allotted for the exhibition of German industries and manufactures. Mr. Monaghan says that the Germans will make every effort to have a splendid showing and are completing arrangements for that purpose as fast as possible. Germany will have an industrial palace 700 meters square on the banks of the Seine, near the Quai d'Orsay.

Peaceful Election in Costa Rica.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—According to official information received at the legation of Costa Rica at Washington the primary presidential election for the next period, 1898-1902, was held on November 14, 15 and 16 amid order and tranquillity. There were two parties, the civilist and the republican. The vote was the largest one ever taken in Costa Rica, and the civilists, with President Iglesias as a candidate for re-election, obtained a majority of over 23,000 votes.

Bliss Reverses a Decision.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Secretary Bliss today reversed a land office decision in the case of Thomas L. Grandfaden against James Hamilton, from the Mitchell district, South Dakota. Grandfaden will be allowed to file proof and if regular Hamilton's entry will be cancelled.

Leroy G. Phillips of Crete, Neb., and G. Foster Garlock of Owen, Wyo., have been appointed clerks in the railway mail service.

New German Ambassador Arrives.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Dr. von Holleben, the new German ambassador, who arrived here last night, spent the day at the German embassy and later left for New York, where he will remain for some time, pending the arrival of his credentials from Berlin, and the completion of improvements at the German embassy. The date of his presentation to the president has not yet been fixed.

Pardon for Competitor Prisoners.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Minister Woodford has telegraphed the State department that the Spanish cabinet has notified him that the queen has pardoned the Competitor prisoners.

The State department now announces that the Competitor prisoners were turned over to Consul General Lee last Monday and will be sent by him direct to New York today.

Clerks Must Pay Their Debts.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The secretary of the treasury has issued a circular to employes to the effect that clerks receiving a stated salary who neglect to pay their debts contracted for the necessary support of themselves and their families, without presenting satisfactory reasons therefor, will not be retained in office.

Cadets to West Point.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The following cadets have appointed to the Military academy at West Point: Walter M. Davis, alternate, Kingfisher, Okl.; Leo Shelberg, alternate, Suhlity, Ore.; Olin C. Alshire, La Harpe, Ill.; Robert C. Davis, alternate, Rushville, Ill.

South Omaha News.

How to keep the wooden sidewalks in repair is a question that is worrying the city officials a great deal at the present time. Reports are constantly being received about the dangerous condition of sidewalks in all parts of the city and on account of other work the street commissioner is unable to attend to all of the complaints.

It has been suggested that a sidewalk repair contract be let to some man who will devote all of his time to going about the city replacing broken and missing planks in walks. It is thought that such a scheme might be more economical than to have the work done under the supervision of the street department. Payment for this work could be made by the city and the cost taxed up against the property benefitted. This plan, however, has its drawbacks and no decision has been reached in the matter. Should the contract be let it would be necessary to keep some sort of a check on the contractor to ascertain how much lumber had been used and an inspector would have to be appointed to look after this part of the work. An inspector's salary would amount to about $60 a month, and for this reason the plan is not being looked upon with favor in some circles. Another suggestion is that the city employ a man with a wagon whose duty it will be to drive up one side of a street and down the other and repair walks. In cases where the repairs cost more than 75 cents the amount will be taxed up against the property. If it is less the city will bear the expense. More than likely the latter plan will be adopted, as something must be done before long to place the walks in a better condition.

Injunction a Two-Edged Weapon.

Judge Scott has refused to modify his original order in relation to the gas company trenches on N street, although attorneys for the plaintiffs in the injunction appeared in court and made the request. An appeal from the decision of Judge Scott in the case has been taken to the supreme court, and the city council is to be requested to pass a resolution instructing the city attorney to join with George E. Pritchett, attorney for the gas company, in an appeal to the supreme court to advance the case on the docket.

By the decision of Judge Scott the gas company is prevented from filling the trenches and officers of the company are becoming anxious for fear that an accident may happen and a damage suit be the result. Officers of the electric light company who procured the injunction are also anxious about the matter, for they fear that if the gas company is called upon to pay any damages by reason of an accident that suit will be brought against them to recover the amount, they being the cause of the delay in the work.

It appears to be the desire of all parties interested to hasten a decision in the matter and it is thought that the case can be helped along if the council passes a resolution instructing the city attorney to do all he can in the matter of having the case advanced on the supreme court docket. A resolution instructing the attorney in this matter will be passed at the next session of the council, which will be held Monday night.

Council's Action a Surprise.

A great many people appear to be surprised at the action of the city council in turning down Councilman Barrett's proposition in relation to the Driscoll claim. Barrett offered a resolution to the effect that Messrs. Lane & Murdock be employed as special counsel to assist City Attorney Montgomery in fighting the judgment. In case the judgment was set aside and the taxpayers saved the amount involved these special attorneys were to receive $200, but in case the decision was against the city the attorneys were to receive nothing. Those interested in preventing the payment of this judgment seem to think that the proposition was reasonable and should have been accepted. In connection with this matter the city attorney says that he did not object to having assistance, but asserts that there is nothing to do in the matter at this time. He says that in order to get the judgment set aside some taxpayer would have to come forward and commence proceedings. Mr. Barrett says this is just what he intended should be done and either Lane or Murdock were to take the taxpayer's position and also assist in defending the city's rights. The mayor holds that there is nothing to be done at this time and the resolution was declared out of order. It is understood that another effort will be made to have the proposition accepted.

Cudahy's New Stable.

Yesterday afternoon George Parks took out a permit for a two-story brick stable for the Cudahy Packing company. This stable will be erected on Thirty-third street, just west of the stand pipe. It will be 150x80 feet and will cost in the neighborhood of $20,000. Stalls for forty-five horses will be built, besides a large room for wagons, carts, etc. The plans also call for large grain rooms and living rooms for the barn foreman and some of the help. This new building is made necessary by the removal of the old stables from the site where additions to the packing house are to be erected. Work on the new stables will commence in a day or two.

Fight Ends in Stabs.

Edward B. Willets walked into the police station yesterday afternoon and gave himself up, stating that he had stabbed Frank Shack. He lives at Twenty-sixth and O streets, and is employed in the beef-boning room at Swift's. Shack is a much larger man working in the canning room. They had a quarrel and Willetts says that Shack knocked him down two or three times, and that in self-defense he stabbed Shack in the side. The injured man was taken to the hospital, where it was found that the knife blade had entered one of his lungs.

Work at the Armour Plant.

Rocheford & Gould, the contractors who are erecting the Armour buildings, have ordered a telephone placed in their office on the grounds. Material is arriving daily and it is thought that work on the cement floor of the hog cooler house will commence Saturday. Bricklayers commenced the erection of the north wall of the hog house yesterday afternoon.

Civil Service Examination.

Ten applications have been filed with the secretary of the local civil service commission for the examination which will be held December 4 for the positions of clerks and carriers in the postal service. No more applications will be received, the time allowed having expired last night. This is double the number of applications generally received prior to an examination.

New Weighman.

N. W. Wilson of Kansas City, an employe of the Western Weighing association, has been transferred to this point to take the place of E. C. Sanborn, who has been promoted and transferred to a point where his services are more in demand.

Magic City Gossip.

A. R. Sylvester of Scribner spent yesterday in the city with friends.

Two dozen fine chickens were stolen from Charles Smith of Albright Thursday.

The Kings Daughters meet this afternoon with Mrs. Jennie Ash, Seventeenth and Missouri avenue.

George Smith, Twenty-fourth and L streets, broke one of his legs yesterday while jumping from a wagon.

Contractor George Dare put a couple of dozen men to work on the Twenty-fifth street sewer yesterday.

Dr. Glasgow has announced that the scheme for building a big hotel at Twenty-third and M streets is off.

At the First Methodist church last night the Woman's Relief corps gave a musical entertainment which was well patronized.

A count is being kept of the number of connections made daily at the local telephone exchange. With 200 telephones in service the average number of calls daily is 2,285. This is a large increase over the average a year ago and shows that