

Clearing up all winter goods at one-half and less. Special sales in every department. Agents for the Butterick Patterns. Selling cheap because we are selling more.

Clothing....

We POSITIVELY assert that we can save you from \$2.00 to \$5.00 on any of our men's Suits and Overcoats during the balance of our January Clearing Sale.

Over 50 different lines of Suits—the best selling patterns of the season—have been cut at \$5.00 a suit.

In many of these lots we still have a good line of sizes.

Over five hundred \$7.50 men's Overcoats and Ulsters marked down to \$1.50.

Two hundred \$12.50 Irish Frieze Ulsters and Overcoats cut to 7.50.

Over a dozen different lines of \$15.00 and \$18.00 men's Ulsters and Overcoats—BROKEN SIZES—cut to \$10.00.

These Are the Best Bargains Ever Offered to the Omaha Buyers.

Never in the history of Omaha was there such bargains offered in MEN'S PANTS. 2,500 pairs of All Wool Pants—\$2.50 value—at \$1.25. 1,500 pairs of \$3.00 Pants go in this sale at \$1.75. Over 1,000 pairs of \$3.50 and \$4.00 Pants at \$1.95.

We are making a general clearing up on all BOYS' CAPE OVERCOATS, BOYS' REEFER COATS, BOYS' LONG PANTS SUITS AND BOYS' ULSTERS.

None of these shall be carried over. All of THESE MUST BE SOLD. So the price on each of these articles has been made to correspond with our wish.

P. S.—See our Sixteenth street window for sample lines of Pants.

Special Hat Sale.

Saturday we put on sale 100 dozen men's soft, stylish hats, worth \$1.00, for 50c.

Men's soft stylish Fedora, either brown or black, for 75c; actually sold before for \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Men's soft and stiff hats for \$1.00; any style or color, we have been selling them at \$2.50.

This special sale is a genuine reduction sale and now is the time to get a good stylish hat cheap.

Notice these gigantic cuts in winter caps for men and boys:

Men's Caps, formerly 75c, now 50c.

Men's Caps, formerly 50c and 60c, now 25c.

Men's Caps, formerly 50c, now 10c.

Boys' 7 1/2 Caps reduced one-half.

Boys' 5 1/2 Caps reduced one-half.

Boys' 4 1/2 Caps reduced to 10c and 15c.

Caps for Men and Boys, 5c.

Men's Furnishing Sale.

1,000 doz. men's sample shirts in checked, madras and percale, with laundered collars and cuffs, in all the latest patterns, worth 75c and 80c, at 40c.

1,000 doz. boys' shirts in madras, chevvy and percale, with laundered collars and cuffs, made up to sell at 75c, at 30c.

1,000 doz. men's colored bosom shirts, samples, in all the latest patterns, worth \$1.00, at 50c.

15 cases men's shirts and drawers in fine all wool camel's hair and wool fleece lined, worth \$1.00 and \$1.25, at 50c.

1,000 doz. men's undershirts, the 50c and 75c quality, slightly soiled, at 25c.

1,000 doz. men's suspenders with kid, silk and wool, worth 50c, at 25c.

15 cases men's fine muslin cotton socks, tans, black, mottled and fancy stripes, worth 50c and 60c, at 25c.

500 doz. men's working gloves, worth 50c, at 25c.

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Saturday Linen and Muslin Sale.

50 pcs. heavy bleached table damask, 28-in. wide, at 25c.

18 pcs. bleached table linen, extra damask, 60-in. wide, beautiful designs, napkins to match, worth \$1.00, at 50c.

Red and blue checked glass toweling, 18 in. wide, at 25c.

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Jackets, Capes AND Skirts

We give you Saturday the bargains of the century. All new, up-to-date garments. The bottom is out. The limit is reached. Descriptions not necessary.

Children's Eiderdown Cloaks, worth \$1.00—	35c
Children's Empire Jackets, plain and fancy mixtures, ages 4 to 12, worth \$2.00 and \$2.50, at.....	1.90
Misses' Jackets, in an elegant assortment of styles and materials, plain and rough goods, many silk lined throughout, worth \$8.00, at.....	2.98
Misses' Long Cloaks, in fancy mixtures and plain colors, worth \$7.50, at.....	2.98
Ladies' Beaver Coats, with velvet collars, worth \$8.00, at.....	2.48
Ladies' Kersey Box Coats.....	3.98
Ladies' Boule Coats.....	4.98
Ladies' Caterpillar Coats.....	6.98
Ladies' Imported W. A. Strakhan Coats.....	1.98
Ladies' Imported Cheviot Coats.....	3.48
Ladies' Imported Price Coats.....	4.98
Ladies' Fine Tailor Made Coats.....	6.98
Ladies' Fur Trimmed Coats.....	1.98
Ladies' Fine Embroidered Coats.....	3.48
20 Ladies' Double Capes, worth \$5.00, at.....	4.98
Ladies' Kersey Capes, Empire plaits in back, trimmed with jet and braid, at.....	1.49
Ladies' Silk Plush Capes, lined throughout, 39 inches long, edged with fur, at.....	5.98
Ladies' Separate Dress Skirts of figured moiré, well lined and made, at.....	49c
Ladies' Dress Skirts, in plain satin and gros grain silk, latest cut, at.....	
Ladies' Dark Calico Wrappers, at.....	

Special Saturday Evening

Silk Sale—27-inch black Moire Velour, worth \$1.00 and \$1.25—from 8 to 9 o'clock Saturday evening at 49c. Quantity limited.

Furniture Sale—

Big shipments of new furniture just received. Prices lower than ever. Hotel's furnished complete at a saving of 25 per cent.

Grand Clearing Sale—

To make room for spring stock. Goods for the fair coming every day.

RIBBONS.
5 yards all silk Baby Ribbons, only 3c.
Nos. 4 and 5 All Silk Ribbons, 5c.
Nos. 7 and 9 All Silk Ribbons, 5c.
Nos. 12 to 30 Silk Ribbons, 10c.
50c Fancy Ribbons, only 15c.

NEW CHIFFONS.
Liberty Silks and Mousselin de Soie, regular 50c quality, on sale, only 45c yard.

NEW RUCHINGS.
On sale. 25c quality only 19c; 50c quality only 35c.

Pianos

Why pay almost as much for an inferior piano when you can get the very best for a little more money? 75 YEARS OF UNINTERRUPTED SUCCESS is the exalted record of the grand old house of CHICKERING. These famous pianos are the pride of world renowned pianists and the envy of rival manufacturers.

YOUR ANCESTORS PREFERRED AND USED THEM. The Chickering is grander and better today than ever before.

A fine selected stock of STEINWAY and FISCHER and other high grade makes.

A Few Specials—

One upright sample piano.....\$128.00
One upright sample piano, walnut case.....\$155.00
One upright Emerson, fancy case.....\$190.00
One upright Emerson, fancy case.....\$205.00
Vico & Sons' uprights.....\$185.00
Ivers & Pond grand and upright pianos at correspondingly low prices.

The above are all new pianos—manufacturers guarantee with every one. We desire to close them out quickly to make room for other stock now enroute from the factories.

NEW PIANOS FOR RENT.

Get Your Sunday Dinner at the Great Transmississippi Headquarters.

A fine lot of Fresh Dressed Chickens, only, pound.....	6 1/2c
Country Roll Butter.....	10c and 12 1/2c
Sugar cured Bacon.....	8 1/2c
Salt Pork.....	3 1/2c
Cranberries.....	7 1/2c
Solid Meat Oysters.....	30c
Full Cream Cheese.....	10c

A lot of nice Celery on hand.

Saturday's Prices

We will sell the finest whole fruit Preserves—plum, peach or cherry, worth 15c pound, for.....	5c
Home made Apple Butter, pound.....	3c
Raspberry or Strawberry Jam, pound.....	5c
Large Raisins, per pound.....	3 1/2c
Large Prunes, per pound.....	3 1/2c
Oil Sardines, per can.....	3c
Mustard Sardines, per can.....	5c
10 Bars White Russian Soap.....	25c
29 lbs N. O. Clarified Sugar.....	\$1.00
Large Pails Jelly.....	29c
2 lb Package Oatmeal, only.....	5c
2 lb. Package Pancake Flour only.....	5c
New Nectarines per pound.....	5c
3 lb cans Table Peaches, extra quality.....	12 1/2c
Best Flour on earth, Pure Food Brand.....	\$1.35
Minnesota Best XXXX Superlative.....	\$1.25

COMPROMISE DOES NOT GO

Government Will Present the Homestead Mining Company.

THEIR OFFER TO SETTLE IS REJECTED

Conduct of the Case Will Be as Vigorous as Have Those Against Private Individuals for Trespassing.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—It is said at the Department of Justice today that the government proposes to proceed vigorously against the Homestead Mining company of the Black Hills, and now that the offer to compromise the suit has been definitely rejected as much vigor will be lent to the prosecution of the case. The resolution reported by the finance committee would be further considered today, but several senators opposed to the resolution have said to me that their personal conduct of the case is as strong as it could well be against the concern, and the offer will undoubtedly have weight with the jury as evidence in itself that the company has admitted the justice of the claim.

ALLEN DEMANDS INVESTIGATION.

Makes a Few Remarks on the Case of Mrs. Roberts.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—At the opening of the senate today Mr. Quay (Pa.) said he had noticed in the morning newspapers that he had yesterday voted for the consideration of the Teller resolution before the senate. This, Mr. Quay said, was not true in any sense, as he had not conferred with the Missouri senator about it. He had voted as he had because the present condition of the resolution would benefit the country and the republican party.

The resolution of Mr. Allen of Nebraska, asking the secretary of the interior for papers concerning the discovery of the position office of Mrs. M. E. Roberts, was laid before the senate. Mr. Gallinger moved to refer the resolution to the committee on civil service and retirement. Pending the vote on that motion Mr. Allen said he desired to speak briefly upon the matter. Mrs. Roberts, he had learned, was a friend of former Secretary Carlisle, from Covington, Ky. She was for years a member of the family of James E. Beck, once senator from Kentucky, and her appointment was made through Senator Beck's influence.

"I want to say," said Mr. Allen, "that no self-respecting gentleman would treat a woman as this woman has been treated by the secretary of the interior. If this administration is willing to injure itself in this way I am willing. If it desires to hurry itself out of power it is desirous of hastening its exit, but I do not think Mr. President that it is not an inherent right of the secretary of the interior or the commissioner of pensions to be brutal in their treatment of clerical life. If the commissioner desired the place of Mrs. Roberts for some hanger-on, why did he aim a poisoned dart at her? He must be a pettifogger and coward, indeed, who will make a covert charge against a woman and refuse then to state the charges."

Mr. Allen referred to the position taken by Mr. Gallinger, to which the New Hampshire senator replied:

"If the senator from Nebraska means seriously to impute to me such motives as his language indicates, he is using unparliamentary and unwarrantable language." Mr. Gallinger said he had learned something about the Roberts case and was satisfied that the senate was not the place for the discussion of the details of this case. In the privacy of the committee room the statements of Mrs. Roberts, the secretary of the interior, the commissioner of pensions and others could be heard upon the case. Then the

case could be properly discussed and investigated. Such cases as this have no place in the senate chamber, and it may be possible that it may be the part of gallantry to consider this case in private and in the privacy of the committee room. Mrs. Roberts would thank him for the position he had taken in the matter.

Mr. Allen contended that there was a hint of something vitally wrong in the moral character of Mrs. Roberts. He reviewed the case again and discussed at some length its application to the present agitation of the civil service question.

Assurance was given by Mr. Pritchard of North Carolina, chairman of the committee on civil service and retirement, that the committee would carefully investigate the charges referred to his committee. Mr. Allen agreed to such a reference. The resolution was then so referred.

Mr. Allen (Mass.), somewhat to the surprise of the people in the galleries, who were expecting a discussion of the Teller resolution, moved that the senate go into executive session. The resolution was then so referred.

Before the motion is put, Mr. President," said Mr. Vest (Mo.), "I desire to make a brief statement. I gave notice yesterday that the resolution reported by the finance committee would be further considered today, but several senators opposed to the resolution have said to me that their personal conduct of the case is as strong as it could well be against the concern, and the offer will undoubtedly have weight with the jury as evidence in itself that the company has admitted the justice of the claim."

Mr. Stewart (Nev.) said he would like to make some remarks on the pending resolution, and would do so tomorrow if the senate were in session.

Mr. Turpie (Ind.) proposed that instead of taking the final vote on Wednesday, it be taken on Thursday before adjournment, and that the senate adjourn on Wednesday.

Mr. Perkins (Cal.) announced that at the conclusion of morning business on Monday he would call up the pension appropriation bill.

Upon Mr. Lodge's motion, the senate then, at 1:05 p. m., went into executive session, and at 4:45 adjourned.

HOUSE HAS A QUIET DAY AGAIN.

Urgent Deficiency Bill Displaces Private Measures.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The stormy scenes of the last few days in the house were followed by comparative quiet today. At the opening of the session a bill was passed to grant the commissioner of Daley county, Alabama, the right to construct two bridges across the Choctawhatchee river.

Under the rules this was private bill day, but Mr. Cannon, chairman of the committee on appropriations, antagonized it with a motion for the consideration of the senate amendments to the urgent deficiency appropriation bill. His motion was carried, 125 to 31.

The senate amendment, The following republicans joined with the democrats and populists: Bartholdt (Mo.), Beach (O.), Broderick (Kan.), Hager (Ia.), Joy (Neb.), Lester (Neb.), Lusk (Neb.), McCall (Neb.), Morris (Neb.), Olmstead (Pa.), Pearce (Mo.), Pearson (Neb.), Shannon (Neb.), W. A. Smith (Mich.), and Spaulding (Mich.).

Mr. Lacey called up the bill to extend the public land laws to the territory of Alaska and to grant a general right of way to railroads, which was passed.

The house then went into committee of the whole, where the pending question was a point of order raised against the motion of Mr. Cooper (Tex.) to substitute for the senate bill to refer the claim of the Methodist Episcopal church, south to the court of claims, the house bill to adjust the whole claim by the payment of \$25,000.

Mr. Payne (Neb.), who was in the chair, sustained the point of order.

Mr. Grosvenor (Iowa) said he desired to go on record as totally dissenting from the ruling of the majority.

After a parliamentary struggle by the opponents of the measure to delay action the house bill appropriating \$25,000 was taken up on Mr. Cooper's motion.

Mr. Cooper immediately moved to lay it aside with a favorable recommendation.

Mr. Dalzell denounced the bill as an attempt to loot the treasury. Twenty-two years ago, he said, this claim was presented to the house and in a careful, exhaustive and learned report by the present secretary of agriculture (then Wilson, a distinguished member of the house, and a distinguished democrat (W. R. Morrison), the claim was thrown out as unworthy of the attention of the patriotic representatives sent here, not to loot, but to guard the treasury.

Mr. Dalzell considered parliamentary sparring and finally, at 4:55 p. m., the house adjourned without action on the bill.

SILVER MEN REQUEST A HEARING.

Address a Communication to House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Chairman Towne of the silver republican committee and A. J. Warner of the bimetallic league have sent a reply to the banking and currency committee relative to the application of Messrs. Warner and Towne for a hearing before the committee. The committee said it would hear the silver men on Wednesday, and for which they might assume the authorship and responsibility. The reply says:

We think it proper to advise you and the committee of the circumstances under which the application was made on our behalf for a hearing. At a meeting of the executive committee of the American bimetallic union held in this city on the 18th inst., some informal discussion was had respecting certain propositions of currency legislation now pending before your committee, viz: That of the administration, commonly referred to as the Gold Standard bill, and that of the so-called monetary commission constituted by the Indianapolis session money convention of July 24 last. The opinion prevailed that the wide adoption of an expedient position of free measures by their supporters, such as results from the policy governing the hearings thus far, was a serious and a wrong impression and from our standpoint to harm by giving general circulation to views on currency and money matters, which are in theory and in fact, in operation. Therefore a resolution was passed providing that an application be made to your honorable committee for a hearing in behalf of the American bimetallic union, and that we were designated as such representatives.

There was some talk over the prospects of the Hawaiian annexation question and the reception to be given President Dole.

Several of the pending appointments were also considered. A successor to the late Commissioner of Patents Dwight D. Davis, it is said, will be named in a few days. It is believed that the place will be given to a New England man. There are two active candidates for the position, A. F. Greeley, at present the assistant commissioner, who has been acting commissioner during the illness of Mr. Butterworth, and Nathaniel T. Frothingham of Massachusetts, who was assistant commissioner under Mr. Greeley.

News for the Army.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—First Lieutenant Ormand Lusk, Ordnance department, will make four visits to Fitchburg, Mass., for inspection of steel horse collars. Major John B. Fox, Ordnance department, has been ordered to Fort Preble, Maine, on business pertaining to work on mortar carriages.

Sergeant John G. Garlin, light battery F, Third artillery, now at the Presidio of San Francisco, is transferred to light battery K, First artillery, Fort San Antonio. Corporal John W. McNee, company E, Fourteenth infantry, Fort Whipple barracks, is transferred to Hospital corps as private. First Lieutenant Charles H. McKinstry, engineers,

has been ordered from Newport, R. I., to New York to receive Lieutenant Colonel William H. Benayard, in charge of the fortification at Key West and the improvement of Key West harbor.

First Lieutenant Charles W. Penrose, Eleventh infantry, now on leave, has been ordered to Washington barracks for temporary duty of sixty days. Sergeant James Flynn, company C, Eighth infantry, will be discharged.

Leaves of absence: Captain Henry C. Fleher, assistant surgeon, three months and two days; First Lieutenant Albert B. Scott, Thirteenth infantry, seven days.

DOLE IS TO BE MET AT CHICAGO.

Government Reception Committee Will Leave for That City.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The representatives of the president and of the United States government who will receive President Dole, Assistant Secretary Crider, Major Heistand and Lieutenant Commander Phelps, left Washington at 7:45 o'clock this evening for Chicago. They were accompanied by Mr. Fleher, the Hawaiian minister. The details for the reception of President Dole in Washington are under arrangement. It has been settled that the dinner to be given by the Hawaiian minister in honor of his visitor shall take place Tuesday, February 1, which happens to be the first open date on the president's calendar after the arrival of President Dole next Wednesday.

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—Numerous reception committees will extend greeting to President Dole of the Hawaiian islands. Various bodies of citizens and individuals moved today with the one object in view of making President Dole's stay in Chicago as pleasant as possible on short notice.

The first meeting to make arrangements was called at the United League club by President Thomas E. Bryan. Private citizens and federal officials agreed that an official reception committee, representing the city, state and federal governments, and Consul General Job, should meet President Dole at the railway station and escort him to the Hotel Auditorium Annex.

Major General Brooke will invite the president to accompany him and a staff of army officers early Monday morning in a special train to Fort Sheridan to inspect the garrison and witness a review of the troops stationed there.

At the Union league meeting it was also decided to have two reception committees to do the honors at a reception to be tendered to the distinguished guest at the club from 3 to 5 o'clock Monday afternoon. The official receiving party will consist of Judge and Mrs. P. S. Grosscup, Judge Showalter, Mayor and Mrs. Carter H. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Bryan, Major General and Mrs. Brooke, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Job, a general reception committee was also selected.

THESE NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

Presidential Appointees Secure in Their Right to Hold Office.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The senate today confirmed these nominations: Joseph McKenna of California, to be associate justice of the supreme court of the United States.

To be consuls: C. B. Towle of New Hampshire, at Saltillo, Mex.; J. S. Bergh of North Dakota, at Gothenburg, Sweden; M. R. Sillzer of Indiana, at Liege, Belgium; B. Nussbaum of Pennsylvania, at Munich, Bavaria.

To be consuls: P. S. Anderson, at Kamenetsburg; M. A. McCord, at Newton, Kansas; E. Lowe, Fort Scott, Missouri; L. W. Brandon, Princeton; W. T. Clements, Platt City, Mo.; J. E. White, at J. George, Hiramsville; J. H. Hand, King City; C. E. Morris, Trenton; G. A. Purdy, Pierce City; L. P. Robinson, Breckenridge; F. L. Sweet, Lebanon; T. J. Glen, Dexter; H. P. Underwood, Greenfield; S. H. Elkins, Columbia.

New Railroad Line in Africa.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—According to a report from United States Consul Maisteron, at Aden, Arabia, published in the daily consular reports, the French have finally begun the construction of a railroad to connect their East African possessions, the Somali protectorate, with Abyssinia. The road is expected to drain one of the most productive sections. The line is to run from Djibouti to Harrar, in Abyssinia, distant about 150 miles. The surveys have been completed and work has commenced at several points on the line.

DELAYS REPORT ON CORBETT CASE.

May Be Favorable to His Claim After Revenue Cutoff for Yukon.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—A letter received from Senator Turley of Tennessee has had the effect of causing the senate committee on privileges and elections to delay its report in opposition to the seating of Hon. H. W. Corbett of Oregon as senator from that state on the appointment of the governor. Senator Turley was absent when the vote on what was considered sufficient grounds for the seating of Mr. Corbett was taken in the committee and he was paired in opposition to Mr. Corbett with Senator Spooner. This was done on the strength of what was considered sufficient grounds for the seating of Mr. Corbett. It now appears that a letter has been received from Mr. Turley in which he said that he was in the dark as to what position to take in the Corbett case. The committee held a meeting today and on the strength of this letter decided not to present its report until Mr. Turley could be heard. Mr. Turley's letter was sent him, asking for direct instructions. If he should favor Mr. Corbett's claims the change of his pair would transfer the unfavorable issue to a favorable report next Wednesday.

HOLD UP BUSHNELL NOMINATION.

Protestants to Be Given an Opportunity to Be Heard.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The nomination of H. M. Bushnell to be postmaster at Lincoln has been held up in committee to give the protestants a chance to be heard.

Revenue Cutoff for Yukon.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—A favorable report has been made by the house interstate and foreign commerce committee on the bill for the purchase or construction of a revenue cutter for service on the Yukon river in Alaska. The vessel to be made necessary by the great increase in population and for the proper supervision of customs and revenue officers there.

GARY EXPLAINS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The senator-general, in his reply to the senate resolution requesting information relative to the reason assigned for curtailing letter carriers, states that the number of letter carriers in the United States exceeds the limit appropriated for by congress. In this list are included Omaha (five) and South Omaha (two).

BILL BY PETTIGREW.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Pettigrew today introduced a bill conferring jurisdiction upon the circuit and district courts of South Dakota to proceedings in which persons are charged with murder and other crimes committed within the limits of the Indian reservations of that state.

Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Postmasters were appointed today as follows: Nebraska—Benjamin F. Bradbury, Hannibal; Red Willow county, vice Hibberd E. Vaughn, removed; James S. Francis, at Merne, Custer county, vice J. Kelley, removed. Iowa—Alva T. Broderick, Arthur, Iowa county.

Bills by Nebraskaans.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Allen introduced a bill for the relief of Thomas P. O'Reilly. Senator Thurston introduced a bill for the relief of Benjamin F. Trapp.

Postoffice Removed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—An order was issued at the Postoffice department today removing the postoffice at Hull, Ia., from its present quarters to N. G. O. Cord's building at 139 a year.

Appointed Cook.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Minnie May was today appointed cook on the Lower Brule reservation in South Dakota at \$40 per annum.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$239,569,168; gold reserve, \$123,292,822.

New Bank for Lake Mills.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The application of B. H. Thomas, O. V. Eckert, L. P. Nott, J. C. Williams, G. S. Gilbertson and C. J. Thompson to organize a national bank at Lake Mills, Ia., was today approved by the comptroller of the currency. An order was issued at the Postoffice department allowing postoffice at Walnut, Ia., \$150 for rent and \$14 for fuel and lights from January 1.

Pension Examining Surgeons.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—It is understood that Dr. J. E. Grebe and Warren Perry will be appointed a board of examiners at Fairbury, vice Drs. S. W. Dodge and T. J. Andrews