ECHOES OF THE ANTE ROOM

Sovereign Clerk Yates of the Woodmen of the World has just completed his report for last year. This statement not only shows that the order has advanced greatly during the last twelve months, but also that it ranks among the leading business institutions of the city.

During the year the total receipts, which all passed through the clearing house of the city, amounted to $934,319.96. Of this amount $810,336.65 was received in the beneficiary fund. There was a balance of $1,125.13 on hand January 1, 1897, $784,370.97 was received in the beneficiary fund proper and $24,840.55 in the emergency fund. The disbursements from this fund amounted to $807,631.39. Death claims numbering 413 and amounting to $748,858 were paid; 309 monuments were erected, of the value of $36,900; assessments amounting to $1,201 were refunded; a deposit of $2,000 was made in the banks of Savannah, Mo., in the course of a legal case; bonds and premiums to the value of $24,662.50 were bought out of the emergency fund. There was a balance of $2,705.35 on hand on January 1 of this year.

On January 1, 1896, there was a balance of $3,620.69 on hand in the general fund and the receipts amounted to $120,362.62. The disbursements from this fund amounted to $116,040.39, leaving a balance on hand on January 1 of this year of $7,942.92. Most of this money was spent in Omaha.

The membership shows a big increase. During the year 28,126 new certificates were issued, bringing the total membership to 67,590. The net gain for the year was 17,489. Some 500 new camps were added during the twelve months, bringing the total number to 2,300. The total amount of insurance now in force is $126,048,500. The membership in this city and South Omaha is about the same as it was a year ago. That there was no increase is accounted for by the trouble which stirred up the order during the first of the year. The membership in Omaha and South Omaha is about 2,650 and is divided between fourteen camps.

During the year the offices of the sovereign camp in the Sheely block were enlarged by four rooms. A big vault was built and a considerable amount of new furniture was put in. The improvements amounted to several thousands of dollars. The clerical force was increased from twenty to twenty-eight. The pay roll of this force now amounts to $25,000 a year.

Some important features were added during the year. The emergency fund, an equivalent of the reserve fund of other orders, was begun in July and now contains $24,840.55. It is made up of the first two assessments levied against new members. The proceeds are invested in registered United States bonds, which are deposited in safety vaults in this city. Three persons, composing the emergency fund committee, have keys to this vault, which, however, cannot be opened except in the presence of all three members of the committee. The bonds are counted twice each year in the presence of the board of managers.

Recently all the bankers and clerks of subordinate camps, numbering about 4,500, were bonded in a guaranty bond company. Most of these bonds were in the sum of $500, although a few ranged higher. The total value of the bonds was in the neighborhood of $2,600,000.

The officers of the order are proud of the record since the Woodmen of the World has completed only its seventh year.

Order of Scottish Clans.

Clan Gordon will celebrate the 139th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns at Patterson hall on next Tuesday evening. A very excellent program has been arranged for the occasion. Following it, refreshments will be served and a dance will conclude the affair. The program is as follows:

Song—Selected ..... Jules Lumbard
Dance—Irish Jig.....Master Douglas Bowie
Song—Jessie's Dream.....Mrs. S. D. Lees
Duet—When You Gang Awa, Jamie.....
.....Miss Crawford and Adam Jamieson
Quartet—Annie Laurie.....Knox Quartet
Comic Song—Selected.....Sam Morris
Song—My Heather Hills.....Adam Jamieson
Instrumental Quartet—Selected.....
I. Innes, W. Innes, Mr. Hoffman, Miss Jeffries.
Song—Selected.....Harry Griffith
Song—Auld Lang Syne.....
.....Led by Jules Lumbard
Chief's Address.....Clansman Macadam
Song—We're a' Scottish Here.....Mr. Grigor
Song—Mary of Argyll.....Mrs. H. W. Pitt
Instrumental Quartet—Blue Bells of Scotland .....
A. Innes, W. Innes, Mr. Hoffman and Miss G. Jeffries.
Address—Memory of Burns.....
.....Rev. S. Wright Butler
Song—Auld Robin Gray.....
.....Miss Grace Crawford
Comic Song—Selected.....Sam Morris
Dance ..... Maggie McKenzie
Song—Selected ..... Harry Griffiths

Sons of Veterans.

The local Sons of Veterans are probably the busiest among the secret societies just now. Up to January 1 there were two camps in Omaha, Crook camp No. 1 and Moores camp No. 21. However, in view of the national encampment, it was thought best for the good of the order to consolidate, and as a result Moores camp No. 21 united with Crook camp No. 1. As a result, the reorganized camp starts out under the most favorable auspices. In addition to the national encampment, the local members will, during February, have to entertain the state encampment, and at their meeting last Monday committees from South Omaha joined with the local representatives in formulating a program for the entertainment of the state delegates. In view of the exposition and national encampment, it has also been decided to organize a rifle company, composed of sons of veterans. Recruiting committees are now out with lists. The military company will be an adjunct to Crook post No. 1, and will be named after a prominent resident of Omaha. All sons of veterans likely to be interested in such an organization are invited to communicate with the officers of Crook post No. 1. Meetings of the organization are regularly held every Monday evening in the Sons of Veterans hall, located above the Postal Telegraph union office on Farnam, near Fourteenth street.

Ancient Order of United Workmen.

The entertainment given Tuesday evening by lodge No. 18 to its members and friends was a most enjoyable affair. The audience completely filled the hall and was generous with its applause. Mr. Huston and Prof. Roe rendered piano music in a very effective manner and W. J. C. P. Cramer sang three fine solos. Mr. Wise recited the "Death of Benedict Arnold" in a very nice manner and afterward sang a solo, "In the Shadow of the Pine." Mrs. Caldwell favored the audience with two excellent recitations. Miss Hattie Rubenstein sang in such a charming way that she was loudly encored. "Freight by Telephone," a short, but amusing number, rendered by Messrs. West, Searl and Royer, was a unique attraction, and the stereopticon views of an imaginary initiation were enjoyed by all. Dancing was indulged in after the close of the literary and musical program.

Daughters of American Revolution.

The Omaha chapter held its regular meeting on Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. C. W. Lyman. When the routine business had been disposed of the leader for the month, Mrs. T. A. Creigh, took the chair. The program included a musical number by Mrs. Robert Dempster and papers read by Miss Mary Doyle, Mrs. Creigh, Miss Anna Adams and Miss Louise Harris.

The loan exhibit, which is to be held February 14 by the Omaha chapter, promises to be of extraordinary interest. A large number of old relics of the days of the revolution belonging to families in and around the city have been promised the committee having the matter in charge. Mrs. John M. Thurston, vice president of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, has offered to lend her collection of old china for the occasion.

Union Veteran Legion.

At the regular assembly of encampment No. 121 in Myrtle hall annex, Saturday, January 15, the following named officers were installed: Colonel, T. H. Leslie; lieutenant colonel, L. K. Hutton; major, Alfred Bugh; chaplain, G. D. Cornell; surgeon, Joseph Neville; officer of the day, Ed A. Shaw; adjutant, R. Phoenix; officer of the guard, W. H. Coleman; sergeant major, N. Swenson; quartermaster sergeant, George C. Bonner; color bearer, Reuben Forbes; color guards, P. Matteson, George Ellett; sentinel, David Williams; bugler, David Williams; aide-de-camp on the national staff, John Billings. Colonel R. Phoenix acted as installing officer. A few invited guests witnessed the impressive ceremonies, at the conclusion of which refreshments were served and a general good time had.

Fraternal Union.

The banner offered as a prize last year by the supreme lodge was won by Banner lodge, No. 11, of this city. This lodge will give a public entertainment and social next Thursday evening in its hall, corner Fifteenth and Douglas. A musical and literary program has been arranged for and refreshments will be served.

Mondamin lodge will give a public dance in its hall in the Patterson block, Monday evening, the 24th. This lodge meets every Monday evening, and is well attended by its members.

Council Bluffs lodge installed officers Thursday evening. J. D. McChesney is fraternal master and Mrs. S. Wellar is secretary.

Modern Woodmen of America.

Last year was a prosperous one for the order. During the twelve months the membership increased 53,048, being 259,584 on December 31, 1897. The number of new camps organized was 751. The per capita tax was materially decreased from preceding years. Death claims to the number of 961 were paid, aggregating $1,905,250. The mortality rate was 4.35 per cent. The average age of the deceased was 39 to 49 years and the average length of membership was four years, two months and two days. On December 31 there was a cash balance of $245,725.50 in the benefit fund and $247,452.67 in the general fund, a total of $493,179.19.

Royal Arcanum.

One of the most enjoyable affairs given by Union Pacific Council No. 1069 in its series of winter entertainments occurred last Tuesday evening. The entertainment comprised a card party and a dance, both of which were thoroughly delightful. The attendance was unusually large. The council is preparing to give another function next month. The committee which has the entertainments in charge consists of the following: W. E. Palmatier, W. A. Wilcox, J. E. Tetard, B. H. Smith, C. E. Black, Alfred Connor, F. J. Sackett, C. R. Sherman, Fred Schneider, O. P. Judd, H. S. Weller, F. L. Gregory.

Knights of the Maccabees.

Eureka Tent No. 44 of Ceresco last Wednesday installed the following officers: J. Malmgren, P. C.; A. P. Bruce, C.; J. Blodgett, L. C.; E. A. Sprague, R. K.; C. A. Larson, F. K.; H. Lowell, C.; Dr. R. D. Bush, P.; D. H. Kelly, S.; J. H. Simm, M. at A.; Cha. Goold, F. M. G.; J. F. Hunter, S. M. G.; C. Morrison, S.; C. J. Gibbs, P. W. W. Hubbard was installing officer. At the conclusion of the ceremony a banquet was enjoyed.

Royal Oaks.

Live Oak grove, No. 1, Royal Oaks, held a very interesting and enjoyable meeting at their hall, No. 1, Labor Temple building, Friday evening, January 21.

WEEKLY STOCK MARKET REVIEW.

Conflicting Advices Cause Feverish Fluctuations in Many Shares.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Compared with last Saturday's prices, when there was apprehension of the possibility of complications arising at Havana, slight concessions this week were recorded in the prices of standard shares and marked changes either way in the leading specialities. Metropolitan Street railway scored a gain of nine points, Consolidated Gas ranked next with a rise of 6½. The first four days of alternating advances and declines gave the market a professional appearance. There were evidences of manipulation of stocks in the interest of underwriting syndicates seeking to make the bonds acquired during reorganization. The Klondike roads, those expecting to benefit by that traffic, and local transportation shares were features of interest, both appreciating in value materially. Conflicting advices regarding the likelihood of Hawaiian annexation kept Sugar fluctuating feverishly, with a resulting net advance of over a point. The revival of Cuban and currency discussion at Washington had a dampening effect on London's revived interest in Americans, the continent, however, absorbing London's sales. It was considered reassuring that the administration in developing its Cuban policy was not likely to be interfered with by the action of the house of representatives at present. Among the favorable factors in the situation were the large exports and traffic returns, Mobile & Ohio and Lead's resumptions of dividends and good foreign and domestic demand for bonds. There were concessions in the discounting of commercial paper and the rates for call and time money were lower; in fact it was the extreme ease of the money market alone that prevented exports of gold to liquidate foreign indebtedness approximating $40,000,0000.

WEEKLY WHEAT MARKET REVIEW.

Interest Shifted from May to the July Option.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—The course of the wheat market for the last week has been almost uninterruptedly upward, July especially developing great strength and showing a net advance of 3⅝ cents to 4 cents. Speculation in the latter future became quite prominent, and during the latter part of the week there was as much and at times more trading in it than in May. There was a marked disposition to close out lines of May, probably on account of the uncertainty regarding the final disposition of the Leiter holdings, and that future in consequence showed but 1⅝@1⅞ cents advance for the week. The strength which developed at Liverpool had a great influence on prices here. A general buying movement started on Saturday and was continued until Tuesday. A sharp advance at Liverpool, a large visible decrease and less favorable reports from India caused a large short interest which had formed the week before to cover. Realizing checked the advance in May on Wednesday, but July continued to climb, and on Thursday a good advance took place in both options. Heavy rains in Argentina greatly reducing estimates of the exportable surplus of that country started buying again on that day, and the market continued to advance until late on Friday, when the large weekly shipments from Argentina started heavy selling and the market yielded. The range of May was between 92⅞ and 90⅜ cents, while July ranged between 84⅝ and 80⅜ cents.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventative of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds.

Mrs. Uhl Will Accept Presidency.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Mrs. Edwin F. Uhl, wife of the ex-ambassador to Germany, has signified by cable her willingness to accept the nomination for president of the projected federation of amateur musical clubs. The decision was made known by Mrs. Uhl in response to direct inquiry made by members of various amateur musical clubs. Mrs. Uhl it was who first started the idea of organization upon a plan similar to that accomplished by the women's clubs.

THE PARSON'S FOOT

Atlanta Constitution.

(From a verbatim report of a negro field hand's song.)

De parson wear a number twelve,
(Shout, mo'ners, shout!)
En when the devil git him
He'll stomp de fire out!

Oh, dat fire!
Hot ez hot kin be;
Parson, when you gits dar,
Stomp it out fer me!

De parson wear a number twelve,
(Sinner, what yo' doom?)
De devil say: "You go away,
You take up too much room!"

Oh, dat fire!
Hot ez hot kin be;
Parson, when you gits dar,
Stomp it out fer me!

Just think what a calamity if your Stove is "stoved" in

No cook can cook well—

You are liable to go hungry—

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Omaha Stove Repair Works,
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We've taken $1.00 from our regular price.

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THE PLUMBERS,
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To Klondike—before you start better let us fit you out with a good **Tent, Mackintosh** and a **Waterproof Sleeping Bag**—We are fitting out a number of parties now. We can fit you out for at least 50 per cent less than you can buy the same goods farther west. We manufacture tents—any style or size you may wish, and guarantee every one. Don't make a move till you get our catalogue and prices.

Omaha Tent and Rubber Co.,
1311 Farnam St.

Good Advice Go to a friend for advice—go to a woman for pity. Go to strangers for charity—but for

A GOOD CIGAR

Come to us—because that's the only kind we sell—the only kind we buy—and we sell them at a price you can afford to smoke.

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7 Old Cabinets, Yellow Kids, Mountain Monarchs, Pearl Crowns — FOR 25c

We carry the most complete line of Pipes—Meerschaum and Briar—in the city and sell them lower than anybody else.

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Clearance Sale
Barney & Berry Skates

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We must clear up for the season.

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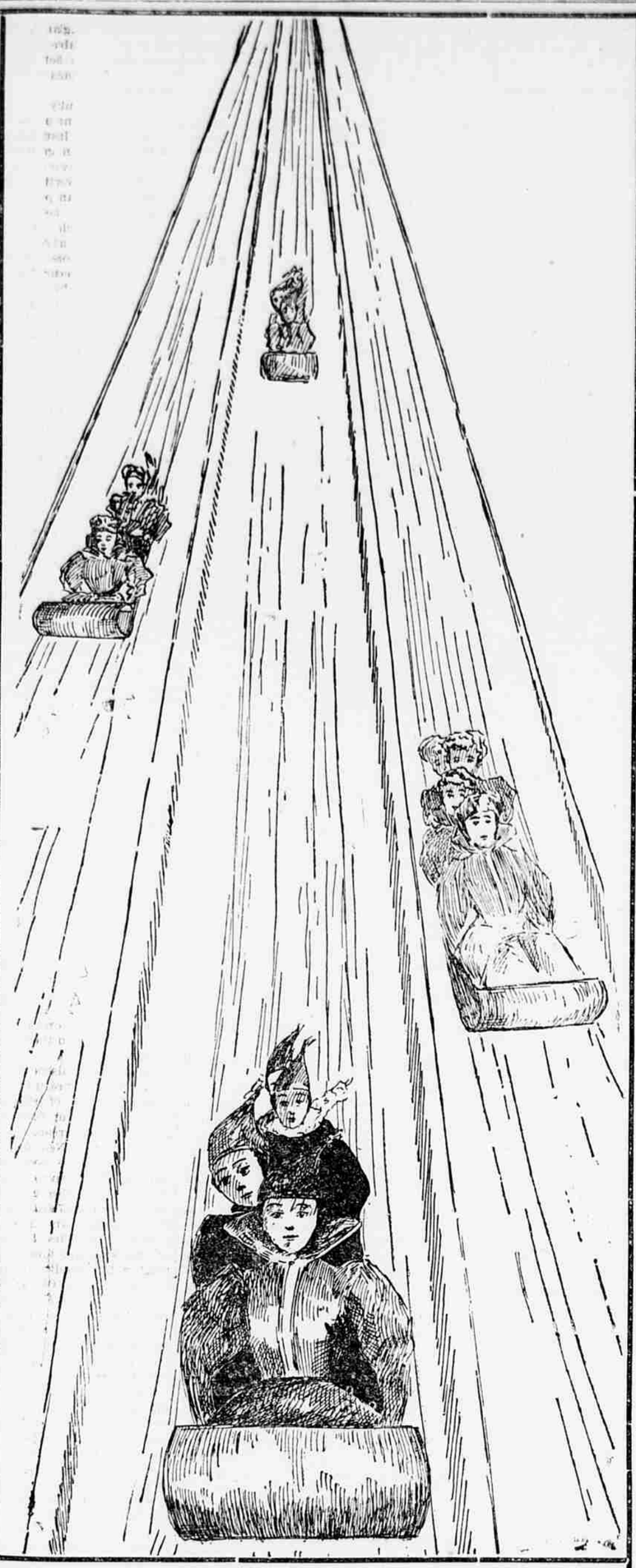

DO WE CUT PRICES? LOOK—

25c Ballentine's Remedies, cut price	9c	50c Pond's Extract, cut price	34c
$1.00 Listerine, cut price	59c	$1.00 Hood's Sarsaparilla, cut price	65c
50c Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, cut price	32c	25c Cuticura Soap, cut price	15c
35c Castoria, cut price	19c	25c Imported Hunyadi Water, cut price	15c
50c Syrup of Figs, cut price	33c	50c Pyramid Pile Cure, cut price	34c
$1.00 Pierce's Favorite Prescription, cut price	62c	$1.00 Paine's Celery Compound, cut price	65c
		25c Humphrey's Specifics, cut price	15c
		25c Munyon's Remedies, cut price	15c

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J. A. FULLER & CO., 14th and Douglas Sts.

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For sure the—

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You can come to Balduff's and have served one of the nicest after theater lunches you ever dreamed of—

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Diamonds—

Brighter than stars—the diamonds we have for sale are pure, brilliant blazes of white—so much for the goods—The prices exactly represent their worth—Nothing more and nothing less—Every dollar your pay us for a diamond is represented by a quivering rainbow of beauty—Prices might be higher—are in many places.

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LEASE MEXICAN STATE RAILROAD.

Government Guarantees Six Per Cent on Investment.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 22.—A special to the Globe-Democrat from the City of Mexico says the National Tehuantepec Isthmus railroad has been leased to Sir Westman Pearson & Son for a period of fifty years. They assume control on April 1. The contractors will build the two harbors at Salina Cruz and Coatzacoalcos and rebuild and rehabilitate the isthmus railroad itself, the government guaranteeing 6 per cent on whatever investment is made in the railroad. The road is in poor condition and needs rebuilding.

Before getting the lease the Pearsons had to satisfy a mortgage for $175,000 held by the Seligmans against the road. The various estimates have been furnished to the government for the harbor works at Coatzacoalcos. The work includes dredging and other protective work in the mouth of the Coatzacoalcos river, and this it is estimated, will cost from $1,500,000 to $2,000,000. At Salina Cruz, on the Pacific, it is open to the sea and works like the Southampton breakwater would be necessary. These would cost from $8,000,000 to $10,000,000.

PENSIONS FOR WESTERN VETERANS.

Survivors of the Late War Remembered by the General Government.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Pensions have been issued as follows:

Issue of January 6:

Nebraska: Original—Josiah H. Thompson, Norfolk, $8; Vacances Franklin, McCook, $6. Increase—Thomas Campbell, Tekamah, $6 to $12; William H. Comstock, Wescott, $12 to $17. Original widow, etc.—Special January 10, Susana Linn, mother, Paxton, $12.

Iowa: Original—Charles W. Sedgley Anita, $6; John Flint, Griswold, $6; Aaron F. French, Denison, $8; Harper W. Wilson, Audubon, $6. Reissue and increase—James A. Walter, Des Moines, $6 to $8. Increase—Church Fortner, Waverly, $6 to $8; James Phillips, Rose Hill, $6 to $12. Original widows, etc—Matilda C. Brown, Marshalltown, $8.

Colorado: Original—Charles R. Collins, Denver, $12. Increase—John F. Keran, Elizabeth, $16 to $17.

South Dakota: Daniel H. Lambert, Baltic, $6.

Heavy Snowfall at Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 22.—The heaviest snowstorm of the season is in progress today. It began snowing last night and continued throughout the night, and is still coming down, with no immediate prospect of stopping. The snow is general throughout Kansas and western Missouri and will be of much benefit to farmers.

SUPPLANTS THE BOOK LIST

Card Catalogue a Feature of the Public Library.

PLAN ADOPTED BY MANY BUSINESS HOUSES

So Simple that One Employe Can Do the Work that Formerly Required Several Expert Accountants.

One of the most important time-saving productions brought into use by busy Americans is the card catalogue, an appliance which is crowding out printed book lists in all well equipped libraries and is even displacing ledgers in business houses. The card catalogue, as is generally understood, is composed of a cabinet supplied with drawers for the reception of annotated cards. The merit which is giving the appliance an ever increasing importance is the fact that there is no dead wood in connection with it; unlike printed catalogues, additions and subtractions can be constantly made to it without inconvenience.

At the Omaha Public library, which introduced the system into this city, the old cabinet has been outgrown and an order has been sent for a more complete one. The new cabinet will be a valuable addition to the library's furnishing. It will have a capacity for the reception of 200,000 cards representing that number of indexed references. The titles of books or articles are written on separate cards which are set edgeways in alphabetical order in the drawers. The drawers in the new cabinet are so arranged that they may be removed and taken to a table for reference, an improvement upon the present method of kneeling or standing before the case. A rod passing through the lower portion of the cards, however, prevents their removal or disarrangement. The case is quite a valuable article of furniture, being worth without its supply of cards $250.

When the cabinet arrives on February 1 it will be stocked with the indexed slips now on hand, numbering 80,000, the capacity of the present case. The subjects embrace not alone books, of which there are but 47,000 in the library, but include different sections of works. For instance, in a book of biographies, the name of each person described within will appear in the card catalogue and in the same way with a work covering several subjects. No magazine references are given as that field is left to Poole's Index and similar publications.

CARD CATALOGUE SAVES LABOR.

The present card catalogue has been a fixture at the library since 1887 and the references have gradually accumulated during that time. The amount of labor involved in its preparation is not easy to appreciate, but an idea can be formed from an estimate of the librarian, who figured that the re-arrangement and re-cataloguing of the whole of the present library would consume the time of one person for ten years and that the card cataloguing would represent a considerable portion of that work. It is necessary to index each piece with the title, the author's name, date of publication and often a short note as to the nature of the contents. The old cabinet, which has outlived its usefulness, will be used as a receptacle for pamphlets.

Although the idea of a card catalogue in libraries is an old one and the result of an evolution in library methods which began with the time of Hipparchus, the Greek astronomer, who kept a varying account of 1,000 stars in a somewhat similar manner, its application to business life, so far as is known, is original in Omaha. About eleven years ago, shortly after the introduction of the system into the library, its utility was seen by William Wallace, cashier of the Omaha National bank, and a successful experiment was tried with it in business methods. A case was secured supplied with slips of suitable size for signatures and the signature books, which had a habit of falling to pieces when they became most valuable, were done away with. An advantage was found in the fact that the names could be easily removed when the desirability for them ceased without leaving any dead matter behind as in the case of the volumes previously used. The Boatmen's bank of St. Louis shortly afterward adopted the system and now it has become the recognized method in all large banking institutions. The system has increased in popularity from the first experiment until it has touched many other departments of the business. At the bank mentioned the records of the cashier's stubs, the country bills and the country checks, the latter never representing less than $200,000, are all kept in this fashion.

CATALOGUING OTHER BUSINESS.

In the business office of The Bee a card catalogue is used to keep the records of country subscriptions and agents. The case contains 10,000 cards so arranged that the record of any country subscriber to the daily can be located in a moment. A color scheme is also adopted to designate the different classes of subscribers. For instance, the white indicates morning and Sunday; salmon, morning and no Sunday; yellow, evening and Sunday, and so on through a gamut of eight shades.

A still different use of the system is made by the mercantile house of Lininger & Metcalf. Here the catalogue is used for a credit record of customers. On each slip is a man's name, address, supposed liabilities and general business character. Whenever the subject gives any cause for a changed estimate a corresponding note is made upon his card. The cabinet now contains the names and records of about 500 customers.

Another exponent of the card system in business methods is the Midland Life Insurance company, with which the use of a card case has almost entirely absorbed the province of ledgers and cash accounts. The cards contain the records of over 1,000 names with attending circumstances, kept in duplicate. One set contains the names of policy holders, with occupation, age, beneficiary, amount of insurance, etc. The other collection is a substitute for a cash book and contains the record of the amounts paid on the policies. F. H. Chatfield, a member of the company, remarked upon the great satisfaction given by the card cabinet. "It is invaluable to us in the saving of time and labor," said Mr. Chatfield. "The plan is so simple and convenient that one girl does the work that formerly required the services of several accountants. Another good feature is the fact that it is always up to date. When we used ledgers for our records the pages were continually disfigured by dead accounts of delinquent policy holders which could not be removed, but the card lists are contemporary to the very day and hour."

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From the Lexington (Ill.) Unit.

This is the time of the year when coughs and colds are frequent and when the slightest trouble in this respect is apt to drift into pneumonia or consumption. In speaking of this matter to Mr. E. W. Edwards, a veteran of the late war, and a gentleman of unquestioned truth and veracity, he said that dangers from this source were easily avoided if the proper medicine was employed. He stated that he had raised a family of several children and always kept Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at hand and administered it at the slightest symptoms of coughs or colds. Mr. Edwards thinks there is nothing like it to dispel dangerous disease of this character.

Convicted of Killing His Mother.

GALVESTON, Tex., Jan. 22.—The jury in the case of Virgil Gallaher, charged with killing his mother last August, returned a verdict today of guilty and assessed the death penalty. The defense filed a motion for a new trial. Gallaher is a medical student, 20 years old.

Launch a Japanese Cruiser.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—The Japanese cruiser Chitose was successfully launched from the Union Iron Works yard at 12 o'clock today. The ceremony of christening the Chitose, the first Japanese war ship ever launched on this coast, was performed by Miss May L. Budd, niece of Governor Budd, but instead of breaking a bottle of wine liberated a dove as the new ship left the ways.