Omaha, January 30, 1898.

Monday Morning, Jan. 31.

At 8 o'clock we start a grand Clearance Sale of all our colored imported novelty Dress Goods—This sale is for one day only. That day is Monday and the price is 50 cents a yard. This will be a grand sweeping closing out sale of choice novelties at one-third to one-half their original cost. No wrecked dress goods, no soiled or damaged dress goods, but our own clean stock.

NOVELTY DRESS GOODS—These handsome novelties have always been considered good value at $1, $1.25, $1.40 and $1.50 a yard. Monday morning your choice 50c a yard.

It would not take a political economist to tell you the reason why we are selling dress goods at less than cost. It is this: No goods enter our Dress Goods department for longer than one season. The new spring dress stuffs are coming; we must make room for them. You may expect to read their story any fine morning. Present lots must go—you'll never get this chance again. BE HERE EARLY or be disappointed. The entire line will go on sale at 8 o'clock.

Your choice, 50c a yard.

IN THE SILKS—While this is the last, we look upon it as quite the most favorable silk buying chance offered this season.

These Silks marked for Monday's selling MUST GO. Like all other departments, we need the room. All in all, Monday's assorment includes—

50c Foulard Silks, now 15c.

Ten pieces to select from—all good styles—this includes the balance of our entire stock—now 15c a yard.

50c satin finished Lining Silk—12½c.

Over 15 colors to choose from—satin face, cotton back—extraordinary value—all we have left now 12½c a yard.

50c colored Novelty Silks, 15c.

Five different colors left—not a poor one in the lot—to close, 15c a yard.

75c colored Novelty Silks, 25c.

Six pieces all told—no two alike—every color perfect—last of this line now 25c a yard.

Black Moire Velours.

All our $1.25 and $1.50 goods will go at 62½c and 75c a yard. Like everything else, these splendid goods must go—we need the room.

SWANSDOWN AND FLANNELETTE—Till all are gone are now selling at 7½c yard, reduced from 15c and 10c.

NOTIONS—Only trifles, but who could do without them?

Black Pins, 3c per box—2 for 5c.
Darning Cotton, 3c per ball—2 for 5c.
Hat Pins, 1c each.
Thimbles, 5c each.
Tape Measures, 5c each.
Needles, 5c per paper—best gold eyed.
Crochet Hooks, 5c each.
Stay Binding, 2c per roll

REMNANTS—Remnants of table linens and crashes.

In all lengths at very low prices Monday.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

Bear in mind that these daily talks of muslin underwear are simply a series of notices we owe to you.

Drudgery of home sewing is skipped. There is more daintiness about these carefully made garments than you would have had time for, in any event.

Costs to you are just about what the materials would have come to.

NIGHT GOWNS.

At 35c of muslin, Mother Hubbard style, sleeves and neck trimmed with ruffle of cambric, at 48c.

Mother Hubbard effect, one row of insertion, sleeves and collar finished with narrow ruffle.

At $1.00, of long cloth, Bishop effect, lace and embroidery trimmed.

DRAWERS.

At 15c, of extra quality muslin, regular 25c garment, only a few pairs left.

At 30c, muslin top hemstitched, ruffle, umbrella style.

At 50c, extra wide lawn umbrella, ruffle, finished with hem and tucks.

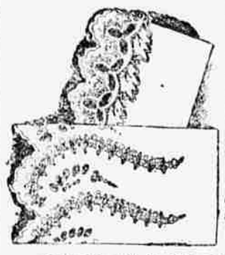
PETTICOATS.

At $1.00, of muslin, lace insertion and wide hem.

At $1.00, of muslin unbrella ruffle, finished with embroidery.

CORSET COVERS.

A few left at 8c each; at 10c of muslin high neck.



EMBROIDERIES—The new style with the gathering thread—Have you seen them? You cannot find them elsewhere as we have the exclusive sale in this city.

They cost you no more than the old style, and we are anxious that you should share our good fortune in securing them. Do not expect all widths and kinds for as yet we have only narrow and medium Nainsooks.

"A word to the wise" is sufficient, so we hope you will not overlook this opportunity of saving yourself much unnecessary labor.

Prices as follows: 9c, 10c, 12c, 12½c, 14c, 15c, 16c, 17c, 18c, 20c, 21c, 22c, 25c and 40c a yard.

FINEST FRENCH WASH FABRICS—best assortment of wash fabrics ever shown in the west.

FINEST FRENCH COTTON.

Finest quality French Organdies, in exclusive and beautiful flowered designs, most fashionable for afternoon and evening wear—price 35c.

SCOTCH SWISSES.

Scotch Swisses of the finest grade, in exclusive designs and exquisite colors. Handsome plaids and checks imported direct from the best manufacturers in Glasgow, Scotland—price 45c.

IRISH DIMITIES.

Printed Indian Dimity, best imported goods, exclusive designs in white and tinted grounds—price 25c.

COLORED GRENADINES.

Grenadine—this dainty fabric, light in texture and silky in finish, is very suitable for ladies' wear. Special patterns.

LINENS—Closing out small and odd lots, at reduced prices will be in order Monday—and until all are sold.

3 pieces 70-inch Full Bleached Satin Damask—the $1.50 kind—for 98C a yd.

4 pieces 68-inch full bleached Damask, the $1.25 kind for 89c yard.

6 pieces 62-inch Heavy Cream Table Damask—the 65C kind—for 50C a yd.

2 pieces 58-inch Turkey and Red Damask—the 50C kind—for 25C a yard.

2 pieces 18-inch Heavy Bleached Huck Toweling—the 30C kind—for 20C a yd.

30 pieces 18-inch Bleached All-Linen Crash—the 12½c kind for 10c a yard.

20 pieces Brown All-Linen Crash—10C kind—for 7c a yard.

25 odd Bleached Table Cloth, bordered all round 2½ yards long—the $2.50 kind—for $1.65 each.

10 Odd Bleached Table Cloth, border all round, 2½ yards long—the $1.85 kind—for $1.25 each.

100 dozen 5-8 Bleached Napkins—the $1.25 kind—for 90c a dozen.

LEATHER BELTS—We have just received some pretty new designs in leather belts.

Ladies' military design, in black and colors, at 25c and 50c each.

Real Seal Belt, with purse attached—they come in black, green and brown—$1.00 each.

And other styles in black and colors and 25c and 50c each.

LADIES' TIES—A new assortment of lace trimmed mull and net ties.

At 50c, 60c, 65c, 75c and 90c each.

HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR—The final round-up of this winter's hosiery, and knitted underwear stocks. Some of the lines are broken—that is we may not have all sizes—but perhaps you will find just what you want to carry you through this winter.

Women's 50c vests and pants, 25c each. These are white merino and extra value.

Women's 75c vests and pants, 50c each, in fine, soft camel hair.

Children's underwear, worth up to $1.10, now 40c each, in natural wool.

Women's and children's Stuttgarter underwear, worth up to $2.00 per garment, now $1.00 each.

Men's 85c underwear, now 50c each, in heavy ribbed balbriggan, finished seams.

Men's $1.50 underwear now $1.00 each, in fine worsted, fleeced.

Women's 65c black cashmere hose now 25c per pair.

Children's 15c black fleeced cotton hose now 10c per pair.

Men's 20c cashmere and merino half hose now 10c per pair.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS—Men's bow ties in black silk or satin. Also a large assortment of colors.

At 25c and 50c each.

Men's string ties, four-in-hands and tecks at 25c and 50c.

Shield bows for turndown collars, 25c each

Men's unlined Kid Gloves, $1.00 and $1.50 a pair.

Men's "Foster" Kid Gloves in black, brown and tans, $1.50 a pair.

Boys' unlined Kid Gloves at $1.00 a pair

Odd lines of men's Kid and Mocha Gloves at 75c a pair. Former price was $1.00 and $1.50.

Boys' domet flannel night shirts, only 35c each. Reduced from 50c.

Men's cotton union suits, in small sizes, only $1.00 each. Former price $1.25 and $1.50.

Men's white merino shirts and drawers, reduced from 50c to 25c a garment.

Washburn's patent adjustable cuff holders, 15c and 25c a pair.

Drawers supporters, 25c a pair.

Scarf fasteners, 5c each.

BLANKETS—You can buy blankets at the same low prices yet,

Don't know how long though.

THOMPSON, BELDEN & CO.

COMMON SENSE CURE.

PYRAMID PILE CURE CURES PILES PERMANENTLY BY CURING THE CAUSE.

Remarkable Remedy which is Bringing Comfort to Thousands of Sufferers.

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

Piles are simple in the beginning and easily cured. They can be cured even in the worst stages, without pain or loss of blood, quickly, surely and completely. There is only one remedy that will do it—Pyramid Pile Cure.

It allays the inflammation immediately, heals the irritated surface and continued treatment reduces the swelling and puts the membrane into good, sound, healthy condition. The cure is thorough and permanent.

Here is a voluntary and unsolicited testimonial we have lately received:

Mrs. M. C. Hinkly, 601 Mississippi St., Indianapolis, Ind., says: Have been a sufferer from the pain and annoyance of Piles for fifteen years, the Pyramid Pile Cure and Pyramid Pills gave me immediate relief and in a short time a complete cure.

Druggists sell Pyramid Pile Cure or will get it for you if you ask them to. It is but 50 cents per package and is put up only by the Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich.

and the process of preparing the dainty white decoration was viewed with great interest.

By the time the circuit of this part of the grounds was made the visitors were thoroughly impressed with the magnitude of the plan and the great extent of territory covered by this tract alone. They were loud in their praises of the beauty of the arrangement and the magnificent scale on which the whole was being carried out. The beauty of design of the buildings and the impressive ensemble were freely commented on and the most pessimistic were convinced by the magnitude of the undertaking and the advanced stage which had been reached.

TOUCHES THEIR PRIDE.

From the main court the party passed to the bluff tract, where the state buildings, the Horticulture building, the Power building and other smaller buildings were seen in course of construction. The imposing appearance of the Illinois and Nebraska buildings seemed to make quite an impression on the Iowans and when the site selected by the Iowa commission for the Iowa building was pointed out, in close juxtaposition to the Illinois and Nebraska buildings, the argument of the Iowa commissioners against a niggardly appropriation and a small state building seemed to strike home.

While the party was in this portion of the grounds a large delegation from Council Bluffs made its appearance and the members quickly distributed themselves among the legislators from their state and added their logical reasoning to the strong ocular evidence before the eyes of the solons.

After the grounds had been thoroughly inspected the party returned to the Millard hotel.

The spacious main dining room of the Millard was prepared for the large party in a manner appropriate to the importance of the occasion and the size of the gathering. Four long tables extended the full length of the room and at the west end a shorter table extended at right angles to these. The tables were prettily decorated with smilax and carnations and dainty festoons of smilax were suspended from the numerous chandeliers. Plates were laid for 225 guests and a delicious menu was served in faultless style.

Before the cigars were passed the women withdrew to the parlors, where the exposition formed the principal theme of conversation. Mrs. Harford, chairman of the executive committee of the Woman' Board of Managers, explained the projected Girls' and Boys' building to the visitors and also spoke of the paper to be issued in aid of the fund for the erection of the building. The Iowa women manifested considerable interest in the work being done by the Woman's board and promised their assistance in any way it could be rendered. Miss Billington of Des Moines entertained the company with recitations and music was contributed by several of the party.

DISCUSSING THE PROJECT.

After the cigars were lighted President Wattles extended to the visitors, on behalf of the exposition management, a hearty welcome to the city and to the exposition. "The exposition grounds are yours as well as ours," said the president; "this great enterprise was conceived by delegates from all the transmississippi states and territories assembled in the Transmississippi Commercial congress. One of the principal objects of the exposition is to advertise the resources of these western states and show to the world the limitless wealth within our borders. We are glad to have you here to review the work that has been done and see for yourselves just what we are doing and what kind of an exposition we are preparing in order to carry out the responsibility which was placed upon us by the progenitors of this great enterprise." The president then told briefly of what Omaha and Nebraska has done to put this project on its feet, the citizens of Omaha contributing $500,000, the city, through its Park Board, expending $20,000 on the exposition grounds, the county of Douglas voting $100,000 in aid of the exposition and the state of Nebraska appropriating $100,000 for the same purpose.

Governor Holcomb was called upon and made a brief speech of welcome to the visitors from Iowa. The governor was greeted with applause as he rose and he delivered a pleasing talk in a strain which met with warm approval from the visitors. In closing he expressed the hope that this occasion would be but the first of many similar interchanges of courtesy between the people of Iowa and Nebraska, and he predicted that the exposition will be a complete and glorious success in which he hoped the people of Iowa will participate.

Governor Shaw of Iowa responded on behalf of the visitors, expressing the appreciation of the Iowans for their courteous treatment and declaring that he is a small man who cannot overlook state lines and join in a grand movement for the benefit of the common interest.

JOHN N. BALDWIN'S SENTIMENT.

J. N. Baldwin of Council Bluffs responded to the sentiment, "The State of Iowa." He spoke of the conditions obtaining in the state regarding illiteracy and the magnitude of the products of the state in agriculture and kindred pursuits. Referring to the exposition, he declared that the state should either make a creditable showing or none at all. He said Iowa has more at stake in this matter than any other state and he asserted with great emphasis that the exposition is not an Omaha show, as it is too big for Omaha or Nebraska, but belongs to half of this great union. He insisted that Iowa should be in the lead and should do nothing of which its citizens might afterwards be ashamed.

After the male chorus had sung "The Song of Iowa" Senator F. O. Ellison of Anamosa told about "The Impressions of a Visitor." He spoke first of his surprise at the development of Omaha with its many works of internal improvement and handsome residences and said when he entered the exposition grounds he felt proud of Omaha and admired the grit and thrift which could get up such a magnificent showing in the face of the depression which had prevailed in the last few years. He predicted that hundreds of thousands of people will visit the exposition from all parts of the world, and he expressed his gratification at the display which is being made, closing with wishing the project abundant success.

C. S. Montgomery, one of the exposition directors, spoke of the common interests of Iowa and Nebraska, and Judge George H. Carr of Des Moines made a short talk in a witty vein, adopting the picturesque and flowery language of the Indian warrior, winning frequent applause.

Secretary of State George L. Dobson was called for and expressed his pride at the wonders which had been accomplished by the people of Omaha and Nebraska. He said the people of Iowa will always be found standing shoulder to shoulder with their brethren of Nebraska and assisting in the great enterprise now under way.

AS AN ADVERTISING MEDIUM.

Manager Rosewater of the Department of Publicity and Promotion was called upon by President Wattles to tell about the exposition as an advertising medium of the transmississippi states and territories. He asserted that the exposition is a much greater affair than any Iowa man believes it to be. There will be fully forty states represented when the gates are opened and twenty-two states now have commissions appointed and working, while others are preparing to follow their example.

"The task of promoting this exposition," said Mr. Rosewater, "has been much greater than the same work in connection with the World's fair. That exposition had over $20,000,000 back of it and every state in the union was straining every nerve to be represented at that show. We have to send agents to these other states and tell them what we are doing and urge them to come. Chicago didn't have to invite the governor and members of the legislature of Iowa to come and see what they had. Everybody in the states outside of Nebraska underrates this exposition. They think all they will see here will be hogs and cattle and great crowds of people. Instead of this we will have elaborate and extensive exhibits from the cotton states of the south, the Pacific coast states; the states of New England, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Alabama and several other states outside of the transmississippi region, in addition to nearly every state and territory west of the great Father of Waters.

IOWA'S DIRECT OPPORTUNITY.

"Nine-tenths of the people who will visit the exposition will cross Iowa. Those from the west will go further east after they reach Omaha and your state will derive great benefit from this great traffic across your fertile districts. There are millions of people in the east who have never been west of Chicago who will come to this exposition and the people of Iowa will have an opportunity for displaying to them the fertile fields and the millions of cattle and hogs grazing on their ranges, as well as the thriving cities and the great manufacturing industries which have sprung up all over the state. The exposition will turn the great tide of immigration to the west and the labor of making it a success will be of vast import for future generations. If I thought this was only a local show I would say 'don't vote a dollar,' but if you believe you will be promoting the progress of this country and of your own state, I believe you should vote what you think best."

J. L. Webster closed the program with a short talk in his usual finished and eloquent manner which pleased the visitors and sent them out of the banquet hall in the best of humor.

The special train of the delegation was held until 5:45 p. m., and the great majority of the party hastened to catch this. A few of them remained in the city and will spend Sunday here, returning to Des Moines tonight.

WHO THEY ARE.

Those making up the party are:

Governor L. M. Shaw and son Earl; Lieutenant Governor J. C. Milliman, Logan; Secretary of State George L. Dobson; Auditor of State C. G. McCarthy; Superintendent of Public Instruction R. C. Barrett; W. S. Richards, governor's clerk; G. D. Ellyson, treasurer State Agricultural society; George A. Newman, secretary of the senate; W. K. Boardman, dairy commissioner; Fletcher Howard, president State Board of Pharmacy; General John R. Prime, ex-adjutant general.

Senators G. S. Allyn, Mount Ayr; Thomas Bell, Fairfield; L. R. Bolter, Logan; T. A. Cheshire, Des Moines; George M. Craig, Allison; Samuel Druet, Marysville; F. O. Ellison, Anamosa; John Everall, Farmersburg; A. B. Funk, Spirit Lake; G. S. Gilbertson, Forest City; W. C. Hayward, Davenport; A. C. Hobart, Cherokee; A. C. Hotchkiss, Adel; L. M. Kilburn, Fontanelle; J. S. Lothrop, Sioux City; D. A. Lyons, Cresco; W. A. McIntyre, Ottumwa; F. E. Malloy, Dubuque; W. O. Mitchell, Corning; D. J. Palmer, Washington; E. G. Penrose, Tama; N. M. Pusey, Council Bluffs; J. H. Trewin, Lansing; J. Wallace, Eldora; D. A. Young, Manchester; J. L. Wilson, Almont.

Representatives E. F. Dailey, Ireton; James Barrett, Sioux City; L. W. Beal, Cherokee; J. W. Bird, Rockford; F. J. Blake, Fort Dodge; J. R. Boyd, Defiance; H. H. Brighton, Fairfield; George H. Carr, Des Moines; John Christie, Garner; James M. Clark, Prescott; J. B. Classen, Green Mountain; P. W. Conley, Elkport; W. T. Davis, Hamburg; John E. Dempster, Donahue; George W. Dickens, Hedrick; W. G. Dows, Cedar Rapids; W. L. Eaton, Osage; Thomas Emmett, Reinbeck; O. H. Frink, Bingham; G. L. Giesler, Wilton Junction; Anton Hansman, De Witt; W. O. Hanson, Forest City; D. K. Herbert, Shellsburg; J. M. Hathaway, Onawa; George W. Hinkle, Harvard; F. O. Hinkson Stuart; W. B. Hunt, Burlington; Albert E. Jackson, Tama; Lewis M. Jaeger, Burlington; J. T. Jay, Manning; C. F. Johnson, Sheffield; W. F. Jones, Denova; W. M. Klemme, Ridgeway; J. W. Krieger, New Hampton; J. F. Lavender, Rockwell City; K. R. Madden, Bridgewater; T. E. McCurdy, Hazleton; F. P. McGinn, Clinton; C. Miller, Elgin; Thomas B. Miller, Stanwood; J. Habstedt, Davenport; A. A. Nowers, Osceola; E. E. Overfield, Elma; John Parker, Silver City; J. A. Penick, Charlton; E. G. Perrott, Perry; L. F. Potter, Oakland; S. B. Powers, Kellogg; P. L. Prentiss, Delphos; G. M. Putnam, Carson; J. W. Reynolds, Beacon; E. J. Sauer, Dubuque; John Shambaugh, Booneville; W. B. Sheean, Anamosa; P. A. Smith, Scranton; C. E. Stallcap, Sac City; C. W. Stewart, Cline; G. H. Van Houten, Lenox; W. J. Veneman, Maxwell; C. R. Benedict, first assistant clerk house of representatives; James D. Gilmore, chief doorkeeper of house; George A. Newman, secretary of senate.

M. A. Campbell, Des Moines Register; J. W. Richards, Chicago Tribune; C. S. Wilson, Dubuque Telegraph; H. E. Fleming, Waterloo Reporter; E. A. Nye, Des Moines News; John Brier, Des Moines Capital; F. W. Bicknell, Marshalltown Times-Republican; T. J. Griggs, Cedar Rapids Gazette; J. C. Wellver, Des Moines Leader; R. B. Armstrong, Chicago Record; T. J. Wilcox, S. M. Greene and Thomas Cox, representing a number of Iowa state papers.

Members of Iowa Commission to Omaha Exposition—S. B. Packard, Marshalltown; F. N. Chase, Cedar Falls; R. H. Moore, Ottumwa; J. H. Walbank, Mt. Pleasant.

J. A. Stewart, district passenger agent Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad; W. M. Hobbs, superintendent Iowa lines Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad.

The women in the party were: Mrs. George Dickens, Hedrick; Mrs. W. A. McIntyre, Ottumwa; Miss Marie Chambers, Des Moines; Mrs. A. C. Hotchkiss, Adel; Mrs. John Wilson, Clinton; Mrs. C. L. Longley, Des Moines; Mrs. G. M. Craig, Allison; Mrs. L. M. Kilburn, Fontanelle; Mrs. I. C. Wood, Logan; Mrs. John Briar, Des Moines; Mrs. F. W. Bicknell, Mrs. Thomas A. Cheshire, Des Moines; Mrs. C. Hansman, De Witt; Mrs. W. O. Mitchell, Corning; Mrs. F. R. Conaway, Des Moines; Mrs. T. E. McCurdy, Hazleton; Mrs. D. A. Young, Keokuk; Mrs. J. Wallace, Eldora; Mrs. H. L. Cook, Des Moines; Mrs. J. W. Bird, Rockford; Mrs. W. F. Stolter, Essex; Mrs. G. O. Cogley, Shenandoah; Mrs. T. Emmett, Reinbeck; Mrs. F. T. Blake, Fort Dodge; Miss A. B. Billington, Des Moines; Miss Hattie Lathrop, Sioux City; Miss Mary McGann, Clinton.

Still Cold in New England

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—The cold wave continues today over the northern part of New England. At Bangor the temperature was 20 degrees below zero, at Lewiston 11 below and at Concord, N. H., 22.

GREEN HAS HIS ROUTE FIXED

Covers Several Southern and Central States Thoroughly.

LONG TRIP IN BEHALF OF EXPOSITION

Experts to Take a Party of Representative Nebraska Business Men Who Will Advance Local Interests in Many Ways.

Chairman W. H. Green of the Nebraska Business Men's delegation of the Transmississippi and International Exposition association completed the route yesterday afternoon of the second excursion of this organization in the interest of the fair. This trip gives promise of being on a broader scale than the former one, in that it will cover about 4,600 miles of railroad and consume fourteen days and about fifteen hours in the making.

The start will be made from Omaha at 4:30 o'clock on the afternoon of Sunday, February 13, via the Port Arthur Route to Pattonsburg, Mo., proceeding from that point over the Wabash to St. Louis. From the Missouri metropolis the route will be as follows: Baltimore & Ohio to Cincinnati, via Louisville; Big Four to Columbus, O., via Dayton and Springfield; Pennsylvania line to Indianapolis, via Richmond, Ind; Vandalia Route to East St. Louis, Ill., via Terre Haute, Ind; Mobile & Ohio to Mobile, Ala., doubling back over the same road to Meridian, Miss.; New Orleans & Northeastern to New Orleans, thence over the Illinois Central to Vicksburg, via Baton Rouge, La.; Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis to Kansas City, via Memphis; Burlington route from Kansas City to Omaha.

All of the railroad companies whose lines are mentioned in this route have been liberal in rendering the delegation assistance to make the tour productive of splendid results, the sole object of which is to present to the people of the country through which the promoters will travel the great benefits to be derived from liberally patronizing the exposition. Sixty business men of the state will make up the party. There will be some of the best speakers to be had with the party. Twenty-five members of the delegation will be selected from among Omaha's citizens and the other thirty-five will represent all outlying sections of Nebraska. Stops along the route will be numerous, ranging in time from five minutes to a day in the most important cities. At all places where stops of any consequence will be made the delegation will be entertained by organizations of commercial men, for which arrangements have been perfected. Literature descriptive of the exposition and its objects will be distributed all along the route. Chairman Green will issue a complete itinerary of the trip Tuesday and will give then a list of the men who will make up the delegation.

MONEY FOR THE JERSEY EXHIBIT.

Bill Appropriating $20,000 Introduced in the Legislature.

The following is the full text of the bill introduced in the senate of the New Jersey legislature on January 24 by Senator Skirm.

Be it enacted by the senate and general assembly of the state of New Jersey:

There is hereby appropriated $20,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of the erection, care and maintenance of a New Jersey state building on the grounds of the Transmississippi and International Exposition, which is to be held at Omaha, Neb., from June to November, 1898, and for the traveling and other expenses of the commission of this state heretofore appointed by the governor, and for the expenses of securing a proper exhibition of the manufacturing, agricultural and other industries and interests of this state at said exposition; said moneys shall be paid to and expended by the said commission, consisting of Robert Mitchell Floyd of Jersey City, E. C. Hazard of Shrewsbury, Elisha B. Gaddis of Newark, Eva Henry Williams of Jersey City, Jonathan H. Blackwell of Trenton, Walter S. Lenox of Trenton and John Edwards Barbour of Paterson, and shall be drawn from the treasury upon warrants of the comptroller approved by the governor.

It shall be the duty of said commissioners to bring to the attention of the people of this state by proper advertisements, circulars and otherwise, the facts concerning said proposed exposition, and to promote the co-operation of the people in making a worthy and creditable exhibit on behalf of this state; the commissioners shall serve without compensation.

The influential newspapers in all parts of the state are urging the legislature to make proper provision for the state commission in order that the diverse interests of the state may be well represented and the boards of trade in the leading cities are passing resolutions endorsing the movement, besides adding the personal influence of their prominent members. Those having the matter in charge report that there is little doubt about an appropriation being made.

ENLIGHTENS THE CALIFORNIANS.

John C. Wharton Spreads the Exposition Gospel in San Francisco.

John C. Wharton and bride returned Friday night from a tour of the Pacific coast, where they went a few weeks ago on their wedding trip.

While west Mr. Wharton devoted a portion of his time to talking exposition. In this he was aided by Vice President Parsons for California and Special Agent McAusland. Mr. Wharton said that while he was in San Francisco he was invited to a number of public meetings and on each occasion spoke at length, selecting the Transmississippi Exposition for a subject. He had several conferences with the publishers of the San Francisco papers and with one accord they promised to boom the exposition. Mr. Wharton met Editor De Young of the Chronicle and enlisted his enthusiasm and support.

During his sojourn in San Francisco Mr. Wharton conferred with Vice President Parsons and Special Agent McAusland, both of whom informed him that a sentiment favorable to the exposition was being worked up and that it was more than probable that California would have a creditable exhibit and possibly a state building. Mr. Wharton says that California has saved a great deal of the exhibit placed at the Mid-Winter fair and that if the state is represented here next year this exhibit will be brought.

At Los Angeles Mr. Wharton found the exposition sentiment almost as strong as here in Nebraska. There it is being worked up by Judge Groff, an ex-Omahan, who is devoting his time, energy and money to urging a southern California fruit exhibit.

Surprises One Missourian

The Southwest, a horticultural journal published at Springfield, Mo., by G. A. Atwood, a member of the Missouri Exposition commission and chairman of the horticulture committee of that body, contains on the editorial page of its last issue an account of the recent trip of the Missouri commission to Omaha. Regarding impressions, the editor says:

The state commissioners found that more has been accomplished at Omaha than they anticipated; they saw magnificent structures nearly completed, an admirable location, convenient to reach, and they found a city that is able to manage such a vast enterprise, Omaha is indeed a grand city. No other city of 150,000 population exceeds it in enterprise. The work of preparing for this exposition was inaugurated just as the hard times were at their worst, but every man took hold, $500,000 was contributed and undaunted courage animated all.

C. M. Mecker of Webb City, Mo., a member of the Missouri Exposition commission, in a letter to the Department of Publicity and Promotion says: "Missouri will have a fine display of minerals that will surprise the natives."

Traveling Men Preparing.

A meeting of the Transmississippi Traveling Men's club was held in the Commercial club rooms last night to lay out plan for the entertainment of commercial travelers' organizations this summer and to bring into closer affiliation the traveling men of Nebraska and the great west. As a beginning it has been decided to give an entertainment and ball on February 18 at the Commercial club rooms. A program was discussed and the details of the luncheon and ball were agreed upon. The affair will be tendered to the traveling men, wholesalers and jobbers of whatever sort in the city, as well as to the club's membership of 100. On February 12 a meeting of the club will be held, at which an election of officers will occur.

SUPPLIES FOR THE KLONDIKE.

Representative of the Alaska Exploration Company on the Subject.

Louis A. Phillips, general representative of the Alaska Exploration company, whose principal offices are at San Francisco, is in the city today conferring with the officials of the Union Pacific railroad company regarding passenger and freight business for the company's steamship lines. The Alaska Exploration company is the great new company which has the backing of the Rothschilds of Europe, under the management of the house of H. Liebes & Co., San Francisco, who are also the lessees of the sealing privileges of the United States at the Pribyloff islands, Alaska.

Mr. Phillips is on his way to Montreal to purchase from $300,000 to $500,000 of general merchandise for supply stations on the Canadian side. These goods go to San Francisco in bond and are shipped on their vessels direct to Dawson City, thus avoiding duty payments. The company will have four stations in Canadian territory and three on the American side. All supplies for the latter will be bought in the United States. Some large contracts for meats and lard have been let. The Lipton company of Chicago being lowest bidder on bacon received an order for eight carloads. Swift's of this city received a large portion of the contracts on lard and hams. Mr. Phillips will return to Chicago and Omaha to close further orders for provisions, one item being 10,000 cases of canned meats.

Mr. Phillips says that Omaha has superior advantages for supplying the greater portion of the immense quantities of food that will be required for the Alaska trade and expressed himself most favorably upon the activity of Omaha business men. "The excitement and movement toward Alaska are general all over the world. We are in receipt of cablegrams daily from London and Australia making passenger reservations and the number of people going will be fixed only by the facilities for transporting them. Our agents in Alaska send us reports which substantiate all that has been said relative to the richness of the diggings and indicating that the discoveries thus far are but the commencement of what the next year will develop.

"Our company is going into the business of transportation of passengers and freight, banking, merchandising, etc., on a large and substantial scale. The outlay for vessels, supplies, etc., will be in the neighborhood of $2,000,000 before any returns come back. We have investigated the conditions and capabilities of what can be done and feel sure the developments and business will be permanent and growing larger from year to year."

ARMSTRONG LOSES HIS PRESTIGE.

Frank Childs Renders Him Helpless in Two Rounds.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Bob Armstrong, the colored heavyweight who has been heralded by Parson Davies as a world beater, was completely smothered and knocked out tonight by Frank Childs, a colored pugilist of this city. The affair was a special bout in the regular biweekly contests in the gymnasium of the Chicago Athletic club. Both men were over the heavyweight limit.

In the first round but little was done by either man, Childs evidently being a little afraid of Armstrong, who was more than a head taller and considerably heavier. Toward the close of the round, however, Childs, seeing that Armstrong was not landing, recovered confidence and sailed in, in almost no time after the final signal began Childs sent a hot right to Armstrong's head which sent him to his knees with his head and shoulders through the ropes. He was up in two seconds, however, and held his own to the end of the round.

In the second round Childs went in for business. He landed almost at will upon Armstrong, hitting him in the face, on the jaw and in the wind. Armstrong did the best he could, but was not in it at any stage. After the round had lasted a minute and a half Childs landed his right square on the jaw and Armstrong went down in a heap. He was down nine seconds, and when he rose Childs tapped him lightly and Armstrong went down flat on his face. He staggered up again, wobbled across the ring and sat down helplessly in a corner. He was utterly unable to fight and Referee George Siler awarded the fight to Childs.

After the decision was given Armstrong went tottering around the ring and wound up in Childs' corner. Childs took him in his arms and let him gently down to the floor, where he remained. He was unable to leave the ring for several minutes.

In the other contests of the evening George Kerwin of Chicago, in the 135-pound class, knocked out McHale of Denver in one minute, Ritchie of St. Louis defeated Dwyer of Chicago, in the preliminaries of the 115-pound class, and Forbes of Chicago in the finals, "Shorty" O'Hearn and Jim Dowar, two local men, fought a six-round draw at 145 pounds.

EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS

Premier Stakes for Two-Year-Olds is a Feature of the Card.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 29.—The Premier stakes for 2-year-olds, at three furlongs, was the feature of today's card. May Beach, the daughter of the old sprinter, Bobby Beach, showed her quality, stood a hot drive and won out very cleverly by a half length. The day was cloudy and the track fair. Results:

First race, seven and a half furlongs: Elkin won, Tranby second, Eitholin third. Time: 1:39.

Second race, one mile and a quarter: Robert Bonner won, Lakeview Palace second, Lobengula third. Time: 2:12.

Third race, Premier stakes, three furlongs: May Beach won, Romany Rawney second, Russella Walden third. Time: 0:37¼.

Fourth race, handicap, six furlongs: Gath won, J. A. Gray second, Tabouret third. Time: 1:16¼.

Fifth race, seven and a half furlongs: Fred Barr won, Harry S second, Hot Stuff third. Time: 1:41.

Sixth race, seven and a half furlongs: Basquil won, Anger second, His Brother third. Time: 1:39½.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Weather cloudy, track fast, at Ingleside today. The original fifth race was declared off and one substituted. Results:

First race, selling, one mile: Sonito won, Claudiana second, Wawona third. Time: 1:43¾.

Second race, seven furlongs: George Lee won, Fortunate second, Cabrillo third. Time: 1:28½.

Third race, hurdle, purse, six jumps, one mile and a half: Veragua won, Monita second, J O C third. Time: 2:50½.

Fourth race, Lakeside stakes, one mile and a half: Collins won, Garland Bar second, Wheel of Fortune third. Time: 2:32½.

Fifth race, selling, six furlongs: Kamain won, Mainstay second, Calhuanna third. Time: 1:14½.

Sixth race, selling, one mile: Joe Terry won, Palamocita second, Fashion Plate third. Time: 1:41¼.

CANADA GETS THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Skater from Winnipeg Outclasses His Competitors.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Jan. 29.—The mile and five-mile amateur skating championships of North America go to Canada this year, the dominion's representative, J. K. McCulloch of Winnipeg, having won both of these honors in the first day's races of the Amateur Skating association. In today's events McCulloch, who held the world's championship for the last two years, plainly outclassed the whole field of competitors. Summaries:

One mile championship of America—First heat: Charles McClave, New York Athletic association, won; B. Bellefeuille, Rat Portage, Canada, second; Fred D. Gibb, Newburgh, third. Time: 3:11 2-5. Second heat: J. K. McCulloch, Winnipeg, won; H. S. Galbraith, Poughkeepsie, second; James Drury, Montreal, third. Time: 3:11 1-5. Final heat: J. K. McCulloch won, Bellefeuille second, Drury third. Time: 3:37 1-5.

Five-mile championship of America: J. K. McCulloch, Winnipeg, won; Herbert McPartlan, Verplanck, N. Y., second; F. D. Gibb, Newburg, N. Y., third. Time: 16:38.

Curling Honors Are Even.

The two games played by the opposing teams of the Omaha Curling club yesterday left the honors still evenly divided. On one day previously the side of P. L. Forgan has been victorious and on another that of George Anderson. Instead of the usual game of fifteen or twenty points yesterday a time limit was agreed upon of two and a half hours a game. The first game was won by Forgan's side, with the score of 18 to 13. The second game, with an expiring time limit at 6 p. m., resulted in the score of 21 to 5 in favor of Anderson's side. The result was contested, however, by Mr. Forgan on the ground that Mr. Anderson had declined to begin a new end at five minutes to 6 o'clock, in accordance with the rules of the game. Forgan's side was made up of P. L. Forgan, skip; J. Bowie, John Laugland and Mr. Agnew. Anderson's side was composed of George Anderson, S. D. Jolly, Thomas Meldrum and R. S. Melvin. Three new members were enrolled in the club yesterday, which brings the roll to about forty. Their names were Robert Patrick, James Muir and Sheriff John McDonald.

ELKES IS TOO SWIFT FOR WALLER.

Wins the Seventy-Two-Hour Race by Two Yards.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—The finish of the big seventy-two-hour bicycle race was exciting and was a desperate effort of the two leaders, Waller and Elkes, to carry off the big end of the purse. Elkes won by two yards, having gone 1,322 miles, six laps and sixty yards.

Five minutes before the finish all of the riders left the track, giving the two high men a clear way to fight for the honor and money. Elkes was in the lead, with Waller lapping his wheel. A lively pace was set up at once. Many times Waller put on all of his power to pass his young opponent, but each time Elkes' reserve force proved the better, and amid the wildest kind of enthusiasm kept the lead to the end.

The final score was: Elkes, 1,322 miles, 6 laps, 60 yards; Waller, 1,322 miles, 6 laps, 58 yards; Schinneer,