# LITERATURE OF WAR

Timely Books Pealing with War or the Incidents of War Times.

OF A LIFE IN THE NAVY TALES

Story of the Franco-Prussian War-Napoleon and His Court\_Novel Dealing with the First Napoleon Newest Novels.

There are no stories more fascinating than the sea tales. The ocean is so wide, so snares set by man, that adventures of the seas are among the most varied and wonderful of all. The old sailors lived lives more romantic than the sailors of the present time, whether they were merely sailing for adventure, or for commerce, or engaged in warfare. This is a good time to brush the dust off some of the old volumes filled recorded the adventures of great paval captains and of daring privateers and of men before the mast with courage and kind hearts. But there are a number of new books, the reading of which will refresh the recollection of the reader in regard to life on the sea. One of the latest and best is a volume of sea take under the title of "Spun Yarn," by Morgan Robertson, son of a Captake Robertson, who was a gallant seaman. Mr. Robertson's stories of the sea are fresh and clean and they have the action of reality. The first of the stories in the k reads like it might have been written in anticipation of the incidents that are now crowding fast upon two great nations.
a story of "The Slumber of a Soul," soul being that of a Jack Dorsey, who was mate of a blockade runner during the war between the states, who was struck on the a belaying pin just before the ner was captured, as a result of which injury his mind was made a blank. When he left the hospital he became a harmless wanderer, finally becoming a cook on a versel, which proved to be the same vessel on which he had been mate, and another accident while the vessel was engaged as a filibuster for the Cuban insurgents in the year 1895 restored his reason. There is an abundance of ship talk in the story—talk of the taffrail, the rigging, the forecastle, the log and rig ging—and the daring manner in which the mate, whose soul had slumbered more than thirty years, dashed past the revenue cut-ter and out to sea, is enough to fire the zeal of the reader to enthusiasm for a life on the sea. Other sea tales in the book are equally spirited. It is a timely production. Illustrated. Harper & Bro., New York.

avidity at this time is eigentially a book of war. It tells the story of the end of the last French empire and the downfall of the Napoleonic dynasty. One of the great generals, whose name is often met with in the history of the Franco-Prussian war, wa General Auguste Margueritte, a soldier by profession, but a gentleman who did got love war for its own eake. In the campaigns leading up to the fatal meeting at Sedan General Margueritte had shown great activity and it was therefore natural that as the opposing forces were gathering for the final contest he should have a leading position. His division of the French army that joined Macmahon's before the battle had begun and early in the morning he had appeared on the field at the head of the First and Second regiments of African Chausseurs. In the made a desperate fight. The outcome of Sedan is well known, but before it was de-termined General Margueritte lay on his dying couch. His two sons lived to attain eminence in a literary way under the re-public, and the story of the Franco-Prussian war, which they have collaborated, has been translated and published under the name of "The Disaster." It is a spleadid story of war. The authors have not followed his torical incidents so closely as to beclout the stirring parrative of their country's shame. They have given a story that shows war in all its hideousness and yet depicts the patriotic soldier as he would prefer to depicted. "The Disaster" is a book to read by everyone who loves his country and believes that national honor is price. D. Appleton & Co., New York.

Closely allied to the literature of war

Another new book that can be read with

that of the court in times when nations are that of the court in times when cations are troubled, a book in which the reader may find much food for reflection at this time is the story of "Napoleon III and his Court" by Imbert de St. Amand. A large part of this volume treats of incidents that led up to one of the most interesting many-sided international complications of the century—the Crimcan war Beginning with the cetablishment of the second empire the author opens to public view the new court founded by the hero of the coup d'etat of December 2, shows hou he commenced with many professions of friendship between himself and Emperor friendship continued even after a Russia minister had been sent to Constantinopi to demand of the porte a revision of the or ders relating to the holy places in Palestine how gradually England and France were forced into an allitruce and defense of Turkey against Russia, and how preparations for war were made in a nation that had been well trained for battles as well as for intrigues There is no more fascinating story than this no story of national life or preparation for pational defeat more thrilling. Saint Amand is especially well equipped for writing the story. He witnessed the ovation given the emperor after the first attempt to assessinate him, started his diplomatic career under the renowned Droun de Lhuys, the minister of foreign affairs, and witnessed the reviews of the returning troops after the Crimean had been fought to an uncertain finish But he does not give a catalogue of details cumber his work with incidents celating to himself. The story of the court of Na-poleon III is well told and it is a page of history that cannot very well be passed over lightly. The translation is by Elizabeth Gilbert Martin, and is well done. There a fine portraits of Napoleon III, Nicholas the Empress Eugenie and Marshal Pelisier Charles Scribner's Sons, New York. \$1.50.

There is much history woven into "The Love of a Bedouin Maid," by Le Voleur. It is the romantic story of Halima, a girl of the Egyptian desert, who had attracted the love of St. Just and had come in contact with Napoleon Bonaparte. The historical in cidents relate entirely to the interesting period in the world's history made great by the deeds of Napoleon, but the author has gone far from history to present a pretty picture in words. Between Napoleon, St. Just and the fair girl there are intrigues and incidents in great numbers, but best of all the book gives a good account of the life and times of the conqueror of the world. The story follows along to the Battle of Waterloo and includes glimpses of the court and of the field. The best part of the book is that which reveals to the reader the characof the Bedouin maid, Halima is a new though not altogether lovable character. Half French and half Arabian, beautiful lliant and self-possessed, cunning to degree, by inference a woman of unre-strained passions and monstrous unchas-tity, she is consistent only in her hatred of tity, she is consistent only in her had loved Napoleon and love of the saint. She loved St. Just in a coarse way and loved him to the end, but her hatred of Napoleon was consthing the could not explain. It is a something the could not explain. It is a fresh and vigorous novel. Rand, McNally

H. G. Wells, in his search for the myste-

It is a story of an alleged war engaged in by the inhabitants of two worlds. Of course the instruments of war are all new and unknown and the conflict presents a great variety of weird sapects. The Martians at-tack the people of the earth on land and sea, and the battles are fought in England, in London and on the ocean where great war ships defend the honor of the old earth. The conception gives a fine opportunity for description and word painting and Mr. Wells has not missed the opportunity. The story recently ran through one of the popular magazines and attracted much attention. Harper & Bro., New York: \$1.59.

It was after the battle of Shiloh that Mary A. Hickerdyke was found one day by one of the surgeons wrapped in the gray overcoal of a confederate officer, for the had disposed much the same everywhere, so free from of her shawl to some poor fellow who needed mares of its own, yet holding so many it. She was wearing a soft, slouch hat, having lost her usual Shaker bonnet. Her ket-tles had been set up, the fire kindled underneath, and she was dispensing hot soup, tea crackers and other refreshments to the ship ering, fainting men. The surgeon demanded to know of her where she got the articler, but she did not hear, and went on about her work. Watching her with admiration for her skill, administrative ability and intellithe dust off some of the old volumes filled gence, for she not only fed the wounded with tales of the sea-books in which are men, but dressed their wounds in many cases, the doctor approached her again "Madam, you seem to combine in yourself a sick diet kitchen and a medical staff. May I inquire under whose authority you are working?" Without pausing in her work she blurted out, "I have received my authority from the Lord Gol Almighty; have you anything that ranks higher than that?" This incident in the career of the good "Mother Bickerdyke," known and loved by all the soldier boys of the war times, is but one of many heroic incidents related in a volume of "Heroic Personalities," by Dr. Louis A. Banks. It is filled with stories of persons who have achieved success in life through persistence and heroism. Eaton & Mains, Cincinnati: \$1.

> Now that translations from the Polish are popular, made so by the wonderful ruccess of Sienkiewicz, a new crop of Polish stories is due. One of the first to appear is "Meir Ezofovitch," by Eliza Orzeszko, who is described as a Polish author born in 1842. who began to write early in life and whose works are familiar to all readers of Polish literature, "Meir Ezefovitch" is a story of Jowish life in Poland, and although the author is not a Jewess, she has displayed in this work a profound knowledge of the re-ligious principles, forms, habits, character and thoughts of the people whom she de-scribes. Her word pictures are realistic and poetical, and this story of social and re-ligious life among an oppressed people in an extinct nation is as stirring and entrancing as the works of better known Polish authors. "Meir Ezofovitch" has been dramatized and performed in this country, but not before has there been any translation of the story as such. The translation is by Iza Young, who was the translator of Sienkiewicz's 'Without Dogma' and many other works. The book is finely illustrated. W. L. Allison & Co., New York. \$1.50.

> A new series of school readers by Dr. James Baldwin, author of Harper's Readers and many other school books, recently publieded, has an advantage over other series that will readily commend itself to every-one, namely, that the series is divided into a large number of parts, each of which is small. This gives the students readers for every grade separate from the others. The selections are choice and thoroughly modern and the mechanical work admirable. American Book Co, New York.

bears the name "Victor Serenus," and as the scene is laid in that very dramatic period afternoon he was struck by a builet, which of the world's history it deals through try continually to supervise examinations. almost dying he remounted his howse and led the charge. His soldiers were impired by vengeance as well as patriotism and they made a desperate fight. The outcome of dillions avoiding an overdessing and supervised and led the charge. The charge of the scene is laid in that very dramatic period examination, one of the six special examiners who are traveling about the country continually to supervise examinations. The examinations will be held in the world's history it deals through try continually to supervise examinations. The examinations will be held in the world was supervised by the country of the six special examiners who are traveling about the country continually to supervise examinations. The examinations will be held in the world's history it deals through try continually to supervise examinations. ditions, avoiding an overdrawn and debasing realism, so often employed for the sake of exaggerated contrasts. The historic framework is carefully preserved, but there is wide range of the fancy and imagination i the movement and a wealth of mental. physical and wierd phenomena, deftly woven into the fabric of the story. Love, adventure, romance, idealism and magic are handles in action to combine entertainment and in-struction. The purpose of the book is well sustained and the author deserves credit having accomplished so well what he had se out to do. The introduction of St. Paul into the book is done in the most graceful and natural manner and there is nothing about it to offend anyone. Historical nar-ratives are not disturbed that art may be subserved, but all are blended together s a substantial addition to current literature. Lee & Shepard, Boston. \$1.50.

> Two purely literary papers in the April number of the Forum are of exceptional in-terest. Charles U. Clark's essay on "The Kalevala" is a concisely written, brief analysis of the Finnish national epic, and Prof. W. P. Trent, in "Recent Histories of Literature," contributes an able and exhaustive review of the principle works of the kind, awarding the palm to Ferdinand Brunetiere. A paper on "Central America; Its Resources and Commerce," by W. E. Curtis, is the econd of a series of articles which The Fo rum is publishing on the countries of Centra and South America. Mr. Curtis writes of Guatemala and Salvador in the current number; leaving Nicaragua, Honduras and Costa Rica to be dealt with next month. He indicates that a wide field for industry and commercial development lies uncultivated in Sentral America. Music lovers will be much interested in Prof. Schrader's article on "The Handel Revival in Germany." Mr. Schrader. who was the last pupil of the Abbe one of the leaders of the Handel movement in Germany; and he writes con amore

The art work of Leonardi da Vinci is given great prominence in the April number of the Art Amateur. A fine portrait of Leonardi is given, a copy of his famous "The Last Supper," a copy of his "Madonna of the Rocks, a copy of "The Head of the Redeemer" and two of his other drawings, one a profile face and the other a man. The accompanying article gives an account of most of hi work and his career. Some useful ideas in house decoration for the summer season are to be found in the same number.

The Newspaper Magazine, which has jus made its bow to the public, is fairly well de scribed by its name. It is a magazine made up out of the newspapers, and certainly a magutine editor might go to a less prolific gather the material for his monthly feast. It is a large magazine, filled to the brin with good reading—all kinds of articles from many different sources, and all of general interest to the public. It beats a newspaper scrap book, because it obvintes he necessity for clipping and pasting, and nore important, it makes it unnecessary for the collector to read several thousand papers to get the best out of all of them. It is published in New York.

Laird & Lee announce the immediate especially compiled from the works of the famous lexicographers, Don Vincente Salva and Noah Webster. The first copies issued from the press have been presented to the commanding officers of the United States navy. This book of about 400 pages contains besides the dictionary proper a com-pact geographical and biographical cyclopedia of all Spanish-speaking countries, with maps from official sources and list of con-sulates. Altogether, a work of the greatest value and international importance.

"A Voyage of Consolation," by Sara Jean ette Duncan, is a story in which "Mrs. Everard Cotes" returns to the field which she developed with such success in "A Soshe developed with such cuccess in "A So-cial Departure" and "An American Girl in London." Some characters which delighted thousands of readers reappear in this new book and their entertaining experiences on

so vague and strange that there is nothing about it to inspire the warrior or the patriot.

In "The Strange Story of My Life" that entertaining producer of fiction, John Strange Winter, has wrought a story teat is longer than required by good literary OM TO BE A GREAT GRAIN MARKET usage, but altogether strange and interesting. It is a story in which the reader is expected to follow the author all round the world into all manner of pleasing adven-

"Book News" for April is a thing of beauty. None of the magazines have put out a daintier Easter number. The cover shows a handsome bunch of Easter lilles—their beauty enhanced by emborsing. The short story by Anna Robeson Brown is good—and that is something to say of a short story; for whoever gets the plot of a short story is apt to weave it into a long one. In the 'Aims and Autographs of Authors" William T. Stead and quite a galaxy of writers explain their underlying purposes in writing books. This series is doing a new work in really introducing authors to readers. Book News is published by John Wanamaker.

Literary Notes. Poultney Bigelow is supposed to be some where in Spain on a cycling tour. Frack Putman of Chicago, fins written and published a "Battle Call for Cuba." Edward W. Bok, editor of the Ladies' Home ournal, is going to enter the lecture field. Henry James will have a series of articles

first installment has just appeared. A portrait of W. J. Bryan graces the Arena for April, and the chief article is his discussion of "Foreign Influences in American

on American literature in Literature. The

Field and Stream has been removed from St. Paul to New York City, where it will be published in the future. It is a bright maga-

ine of outdoor life and sport. Speaker Reed appears in the April Cosmopolitan in a sensible article on "The Con-quest of Fear." In the same number the editor of the Cosmopolitan discusses the power of the speaker of the house.

The New York Herald's first prize of \$1,000 for the best Sunday sermon contributed to ts columns has been awarded to Rev. Richard G. Woodbridge of Middleboro, Mass. The second prize of \$500 was awarded to Rev. W. S. Perkins, D. D., of Meriden, Coan.

## CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.

Board Will Meet Two Days This Week for Applicants' Trinls. Wednesday and Thursday will be held in this city the most extensive of the epring governmental civil service examinations On account of their extent the local civil A story of the Pauline era by Henry Wood service board will be asksted by L. C. Conwell of Washington, one of the six special

fifteen different positions in the departmental service of the government. About sixty applications have been made for the examinations. Thursday's examinations will cover only the railroad mail service and about sixty people will take them. Miss Coffin, secretary of the local civil gervice board, has received notice of a spe-cial and technical examication to be held

pril 25. The positions of Assistant surgeon in the April are: rine hospital service, aid in the coast and geodetic survey, assistant in the Department of Agriculture, assistant ex aminer in the patent office, hospital steward in the marine hospital service, inspectors and assistant inspectors of hulls and boilers in the steamboat inspection service, marine engineer in the marine hospital service, meat inspector in the Department of Agriculture sanitary inspector in the marine hospita service and weather observer in the Depart ment of Agriculture.

The government seems to be hard up i the matter of filling these positions, since, owing to the fact that there are not enough eligibles for these higher grade positions to meet the demands of the service, the commission will waive its usual requirement that applications must be filed in complete form ten days before the examination. All reputable citizens with the necessary qualilications are urged to take the examinations

# BRYAN REFUSES TO TALK FOR ONCE

No Desire to Add to the Embarrass ments of the President.

DETROIT, April 5.-William Jennings Bryan arrived in Detroit today. He will tonight be the guest of honor at the Mohawk Democratic Silver club's annual banquet, for which nearly a thousand tickets have been sold. Mr. Bryan declined at this juncture to talk about the administration's attitude

"I favored recognition of the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents some months ago.
I do not wish to say anything in criticism in any way whatever that might tend to add to the president's embarrassments." Mr. Bryan was tendered a reception this afternoon which was attended by representative citizens of both his own and other po-

on the war question. He said:

Texas Sails in the Morning. NEW YORK, April 5 .- The battleship Texas will sail for Hampton Roads at 7:30 a. m. tomorrow. The new powder hoisting provements were found to be highly satisfacthe guns can now be fired three times in the same time it formerly took to fire them once. The Texas would have sailed today but its commander decided that it would be inadvisable to depart in the prevailing heavy weather.

Paeumonia Follows Asphyxiation. John Miller, a farmer from Thurman, Ia., died at the State hotel on Douglas Monday afternoon. Last Friday night the gas in his room was turned on accidentally an he was almost asphyxiated when the escaping gas was discovered. His lungs were so badly affected by the gas that pneumonia set in and caused his death. J. W. Holloway of McPaul, Ia., removed the remains of Miller to Thurman for interment.

W. S. Greer, who sails under about as many allases as he has years, es in jail in Richmond, Va. He is wanted in Omaha for swindling merchants on forged checks and drafts. Among his Omaha victims are rae Boston store and Thomas Kilpatrick & Co. Geer worked here during the holi-

Gold Engaged for Import NEW YORK, April 5.-Kuhn, Loeb & Co. have \$750,000 in gold engaged for import. The British Bank of North America has ordered \$500,000 more in gold for import; J. B. W. Seligman, \$1,250,000; Heidelback, Ickelheimer & Co., \$300,000, and Muller, Schall & Co., \$50,000.

tean travel. The voyage is a delightful one in reality and goot even when taken in a novel. D. Appleton & Co., New York. \$1.50. What the North and South Line Means to

Nebraska People.

Shipping from Here to the Marts

loaded at Port Arthur by means of lighters.
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jections to the work on the Port Arthur conal, and it will be carried through to a speedy completion. So far all the chips which have loaded at Port Arthur tave been bound for Liverpool, London and Amster-dam, but the Port Artour route has now secured control of its own line of steamers and will ship all over the world as soon as its facilities are such as to enable it to load direct from the railroad. Rates can be made so much cheaper by this route than by the long, roundabout way goods have formerly gone that it is only a matter of a little while till no western products will be sent to New York by rail and exported from thece. There has been much opposition to this southern route, and many attempts have been made Short stories in the April number of The Kiote are by Lucy Garrison Green, A. S. Johnson and George K. Bartlett. The Kiote is bright and interesting.

from the canal daily.

The Kansas City line feels that the Commercial club of Omaha has done more to further its interests than any similar or-ganization along its route and Mr. Scott assured the members that the road intended to do handsomely by Omaha in return for the many favors shown.

CHANGES IN CLUB QUARTERS. During the last week the Commercial club has received a number of communications from New York jobbers and manufacturers. stating that they are greatly interested in the Transmississippi Exposition and will do all in their power to secure an appropria-tion from New York state. The Commercial club will repaper, repaint,

recarpet and otherwise improve its rooms at once, so as to be in good trim for the summer do the work and will begin the improvements at once.
For some time the Retailers' association

of the club has been ingettee and has ac-complished little. About eighty-five retail-ers are members of the club and they have determined to co-operate and turn their attention to matters of interest to retailers The merchants' bureau was formerly com-posed of C. C. Belden, R. S. Wilcox, G. W. Kelly and T. P. Cartwright and has now been increased to thirteen members, the foinett., A. Hospe, C. M. Wilhelm, H. Hardy, N. A. Kuhn, H. J. Penfold, J. H. Dumont, Clement Chase and C. D. Thompson. In view of the fact that many easters manufacturers and tapitalists will be Omatia during the summer the executive committee decided to appoint a special committee whose mission it shall be to interes capitalists in the city and induce them to locate here. The following committee was named: Utt, Baum, Martin, McHugh, White A letter from Stull Brothers was read

uggesting that all Omaha people strive to attention to the low rates which e offeced this summer to Ocnaha and all Many people have property interests in the west who do not think of coming to the ex-position, but if their attention is called to the low rates they will come west in the interest of their business and incidentally pay a visit to the exposition.

## ONLY ONE MAIL IN A YEAR Unfortunate Condition of Affairs in the Interior of Alaska.

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- Secretary Alger has received some interesting reports from Captain P. H. Ray of the Eighth infactry. who was sent to Alaska to keep the War department informed as to the condition of affairs there resulting from the large immigration into that territory as a result of the gold excitement. The latest of these re-ports is dated Fort Yukon, December 20, a little more then a month later than those previously received. In one of his communications the captain calls attention to n Alaska. The regular contractor brought out one mail (October 20), as far as Circle City, this year, and had sent none out. There s no provision, he says, for the forwarding nail west of Circle City in the winter. The postmaster for Circle City is somewhere i the etates, his assistant has been put out department has failed to provide the post office with any postage stamps, and the mail that comes in by steamer by St. Michaels is without any proper supervision.

There are no route agents, and the officers of the companies handling the small pay little or no attention to it. The present mail contractor is frozen in somewhere about the of the (Tananah, and it is to be re gretted, the captain says, that contracts are to be awarded to men who do not understand the conditions existing in the territory. They

seem to be financially and mentally incapa ble of fulfilling their obligations. In another report the captain says that the migration of people from Northwest Territory has about ceased. From parties direct from Dawson he learned that those who are without provisions to last them until the opening of navigation are going out by the way of Juneau. From his knowledge of the conditions existing at Fort Yukon and reliable information from Dawson City, he does not believe there will be any loss or starvation among the whites. The Indians along the Porcupine and Juan de Leur are starving. Advance couriers have come in begging that food be sent out, as the women and children are dying along the trail. The captain had sent out food and said he would do all he could to keep them from perishing. There are about 140 all told in two bands. They report that all told in two bands. They report that the Carlbou migration did not come their way, and that the fish catch last fall was almost an entire failure. Nearly all their dogs have perished from the want of food. leaving them helpless. The captain says the civil authorities are not furnishing any protection to life and property from the boundary to the sea and are powerless to do so with the meager machinery at their command. There is a dangerous element gathered at Fort Yukon that was forced out of Dawson who show some disposition to be troublescene, but the captain says he flopes to be able to keep them under con-trol. Should the army be given any power to act until next spring, he suggests that a small detachment of troops under a discreet officer be sent up the river by the first boat. It can be used to guard the first

captain adds it is possible he may be in need of assistance.

Parties coming up the river report three steamers wintering at the mouth of the Tananath with over 100 people on board and with 400 people at Rampart Cut. There had not been any discoveries of gold reported either in Alaska or the Northwest Territory. The captain says that he has not received have gone for naught. The two separated The captain says that he has not received any communication from the War depart-ment since he left the United States.

## WORD FROM ICEBOUND WHALERS. Are Suffering Untold Hardships in the

of a remarkable life and even if long can be read without fatigue. Rand, McNally & Traste.

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direct line to the gulf, and in Mr. Scott's well to his comrades, commenced his long Judge Scott said that he would continue the opinion will in a few years be the greatest grain market in the United States. Grain from all Nebraska, Iowa, the Dakotas, Mco-and his guides to await a southbound vessel. from all Nebraska, Iowa, the Dakotas, Mon-tana, Wyoming and other grain producing He was intercepted north of Sitka by the states will be handled by Omaha.

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Albion and was transferred to it and by month thereafter until the final disposition Secretary Alger has withdrawn all his obrescue steamer Bear, which is at Dutch Harbor, has not, as yet, been of any as-sistance to the ill-fated whalers who have been imprisoned since October 10, when the Yukon ice formed.

No deaths had occurred among the whalers when Tilton started south. Speaking of the prospects of the whalers, he said that beyond a doubt the vessels will be total wrecks. As soon as the ice breaks the vessels will on account of the negligence of the defendbe ground into matchwood and nothing of ant, them will ever be seen again. The long No suffering whalers do not know that any com efforts are being made to relieve them. There is a possibility that aid may be rushed over-land by the route Tilton followed.

### BRINGS ADVICES FROM ANDREE. Former Alaskan Mail Carrier Said to

Be the Bearer. VICTORIA, B. C., April 5 .- Jack Carr, former United States mail carrier, has arrived at Departure Bay from St. Michaels injured.

## DISCUSSING THE BARBER CASE. City Councilmen Consult with the

Assistant City Attorney. A number of the members of the city council held a session with Assistant City Attorney Scott this morning in regard to the suit of the Barber Acphalt company against the city for the amount of its bills for street repairs. The advice of Mr. Scatt was sought on account of the fact that City Attorney Connell has declined to have any-thing further to do with the case, since the council decided not to follow his recommenda-tion to settle the case. The question of further defense of the case has not been entirely settled, an there is still a difference of opinion among the councilmen in regard to the advisability of accepting the proposition of settlement that the Barber company offered some time ago. Some contend that the proposition is a very favorable one for ing of the sewer were illegal and void. The the city, while others assert that under the plaintiff says that the work of construction charter provision the city has no right to was not well done, compromise the claim until it has been adjudicated by the courts.

The impending crisis in the Cuban affair perated to prevent the sale of the \$300,000 harness, the property of Samuel Friedman. per cent refunding bonds of the city of Omaha today. Only three bids were received one of these were in conformance with the requirements of the advertisement. None of the bidders had inclosed the required cerified check, and the prices offered ridiculously low compared with the figures at which Omaha bonds have been previously sold. The bidders explained that they will be gled to make better prices as feel warranted in offering anything better under the existing circumstances. At the suggestion of City Attorney Connell the reasurer will simply submit the bids to he council without recommendation. council will probably decide to reject the bids, as none of them are in proper form, and hold the bonds until the war crisis is

# School Musical Festival.

While the plans for the musical festival which is to be given by the public schools in June have not been fully matured, a somewhat pretentious affair is contemplated. of June, and the principal feature will be the chorus work by the pupils of the schools. It is intended to organize a pupils' chorus of about 4,000 voices, and the promoters of the enterprise assert that the work of the chorus will be a revelation to people who are not fully aware of the proficiency which the pupils have acquired.

### City Hall Notes. City Clerk Higby has issued 1,500 dog tags

to date. Ex-Councilman Robert H. Holmes has returned from Colorado with his family. John Lemly, who was formerly a member of the city council and who has been making Omaha ,his headquarters for come weeks left today for St. Paul.

The office of License Inspector McVittle has been moved to committee B room on e second floor of the city hall. The coun cil will hereafter occupy committee room C for its committee meetings. Street Superintendent Beverly put a force

of men at work cleaning up the downtown streets this morning. It will now be the policy of the Board of Public Works to keep the downtown thoroughfares in good condition and do as much work on the cuburbar streets as the funds provided by the council

## DR. BRIGGS AN EPISCOPALIAN Confirmed by Bishop Potter in Grace \ Church.

NEW YORK, April 5 .- Dr. Briggs is reported as saying: "I have conferred at some length with the authorities of the Protestant Episcopal church. I have been confirmed in the communion of that church. I was confirmed in Grace church by Bishop Potter within a short time. I do not care to be more exact as to the time. I have applied for holy orders. No action has as yet been taken on that application so far as I know. discuss at the present time my reason for taking this step.

Concerning Prof. Briggs' future relations to the Union Seminary, a member of the Presbytery said: "An Episcopalian in the the law, illegal, for I am sure that the charter requires all members to be members of the Presbyterian church. I know that this question has been debated by the and is certain to afford matter for future

### Work of Thieves. A sneak thief robbed the eigar stand in the lower hall of the Chamber of Commerce

building, kept by Mrs. Jeffries. He pried building, kept by Mrs. Jeffries. He pried the lock off the stock case and rified it of about \$7 worth of cigars and cigarettes. There is no cine to the criminal. Burglars made a raid on the shoe shop at 2629 Lake street, kept by H. F. Braasch, and carried off about \$14 worth of shoes. Futrance was effected through a rear winboats coming down the river with treasure, will have an excellent moral effect, and the

three years ago and when the case was called before Judge Scott he intimated that it was possible that their family difficulties could be patched up. Heustis was willing to go into the patching business, but at that time Mrs. Heustis was not consulted. Later on

In Judge Powell's court the case of Jacob B. Nelson against the Omaha and Council Bluffs Railway & Bridge company is on for trial. The plaintiff seeks to recover the cum of \$2,000 damages on account of personal injuries alleged to have been received

Nelson Sues for Damages.

Nelson alleges that last November be coming over the bridge that spans the Missouri river between this city and Council Bluffs and when near the middle of the structure he saw a train approaching. ting out of his wagon he went to the heads of his horses and tried to hold them. In-ctead of stopping the train the motorman went past at a high rate of speed, frightening the horses and causing them to run away. Nelson avers that he was knocked down trampled upon by his horses and seriously

Reiter Case Under Advisement. The Reiter divorce case has been disposed will hand down an opinion at the next term

## Opposes a Sewer Tax.

The S. D. Mercer company has brought be declared void. The sewer was constructed some years ago at a cost of \$10,198. The plaintiff alleges that all of the proceedings of the city council leading up to the build-ing of the sewer were illegal and void. The was not well done, and that it was not ac-

Anton Bernecker is on trial in the crimanton Bernecker is on trial in the criminal court charged with stealing a lot of harness, the property of Samuel Friedman.

In the case of Assoud Sayour against thief had gone, without leaving anything to In the case of Assoud Sayour against Joseph Dahrooge the jury found plaintiff and assessed his damages at \$500. He sued, alleging malicious prosecution

Harry Minden, a witness in the criminal court, was fined \$5 and costs for not being present when his name was called. having the money with which to lie the fine, he was delivered into the custody of the sheriff.

plaintiff and has assessed his damages at \$400. He sued for \$3,000. Mursh was a tenant of the Ishs and had a lease of their building. One night they moved his furni-ture and fixtures into the street and he brought suit.

### SURPRISE FOR THE PENSIONERS. County Clerk Enforces Strictly in Regard to Vouchers.

Pensioners who went to the court house on Monday and Tuesday were treated to a surprise. It has been the custom of the and the women found that the only way they county clerks for years to extend all reasonable accommodation to the pensioners. they began to think about their old home.

Unless there has been some obvious evidence and finally decided to get back there some of uncertainty about the matter, the legal way. By taking in washing and doing all kinds of physical labor they managed to formalities have not been rigidly adhered to, save enough out of their meager earnings the form merely being observed in spirit. to bring them back. Without money, but So far as is known the government has not with railroad tickets through to their des-So far as is known the government has not suffered any and the pensioners have been tination, they arrived in Omaha and until greatly accommodated. It is different now. train-time Police Matron Ryan saw that all Every legal requirement must be carried out of their wants were supplied. to the letter in its fullest significance. Clerk Haverly will take no chances. Nor will Deputy Clerk Harris. They have adopted he rule that each pensioner must produce the two witnesses who are required, and that these witnesses must be sworn, etc. All this caused much inconvenience to the old soldiers and widows, who have long bec accustomed to the accommodation extended by former administrations. One man who has been going there with a soldier's widow for ten years says it was the first time he ever heard the oath administered to the wit-

Colonel Harris says as long as he is making out the papers these formulities will be gone through with strictly. He proposes to adhere to the letter of the law, applying it to everybody.

### SNEAK ROBS DOUGLAS' SALOON. Gets Away with the Contents of the

Cash Drawer Ensily. The cash drawer in the saloon of James W. Douglas at 203 North Sixteenth street, was robbed of its contents-\$30-by a sneak thief several nights ago. The police have made efforts to capture the thief on a description furnished by the proprietor of the

place, but without success.

According to the best information the theft occurred about midnight. Douglas was away from the place at the time, and the only person in charge was the bartender He had occasion to leave the bar for a few moments, and while he was gone the thief took possession, getting away with his gains before his identity was discovered. About the time the crime was committed several persons were standing on the sidewalk in front of the saloon, but none of them could give any clue to the thief. The cash drawer was rifled of every cent it contained.

### Under Suspended Sentence. Edward Jenkins and William Graves, ne groes, and John Lane, a white man, were before Judge Gordon in a bunch on charges

of vagrancy. They were all sentenced to the city jail for thir y days, the middle ten on bread and water; but sentences were suspended with the understanding that they hould leave the city within an hour. Fire in Hunt's House. Yesterday morning the fire department was called to the unoccupied dwelling at 2544 Harney street, owned by Andrew J. Hunt.

# SCHLITZ TO HAVE A THEATER

Milwaukee Company Increases Its Interests Greatly in Omaha.

WILL BUILD ONE ON NORTH SIXTEENTH

Osthoff Property and Adjoining Lote

at present, but it is understood that the plans will be ready in a short time.

## BEMIS BAG COMPANY'S BUILDING.

Contract Let for Its Construction to the Hamilton Brothers. Manager Peters of the Bemie Omaha Pog company has let the contract for the creetion of the new four-etery addition to the plant at Eleventh and Jackson streets to Hamilton Bros. Ground for the foundation will be broken immediately and the work of construction will be pushed as rapidly as possible. The building is expected to be possible. The building is expectfully completed in the early fall.

## HOW LEWIS LEARNED TO RIDE. Deputy Sheriff's Experience with &

Bleyelesand an Overcoat. Deputy Sheriff John Lewis is learning to ride a bicycle. He commenced the task last night and now he is \$20 poorer by reason of his experience.

About two months ago Lewis bought a of for the present. The testimony is all in \$20 overcoat and Monday he bought a whiel, and Judge Scott, before whom it was tried. At this time he has the wheel, but somebody else has the overcoat. Morday night of court. The four children will remain in Lewis conceived the idea of taking a spin the custody of the father until the decree on the asphalt pavement, just west of the is filed.

Herman Reiter sued Johanna Reiter for a divorce and charged unfaithfulness. In her answer, the wife entered a denial and set up similar charges against her husband, naming street intersection. Getting off his wheel the co-respondent and fixing times and he shed the coat and, placing, it upon the places. street intersection and started. From Farnam street north, there is something of an The S. D. Mercer company has brought incline, and it was down this Lewis turned cuit, asking that the tax levied to pay the cost of construction of the Walnut Hill sewer of speed that would have made a profesthe point where his coat had been de-lings posited, and noticed that some person was getting into it, but he could not stop. He cyled out, but the man kept right on getting into the coat, while Lewis kept right on spinning out toward the north. At Dodge street he struck the steep hill and his speed increased and kept increasing until he creesed Webster street, where the wheel indicate their whereabouts.

### WOMEN WORN OUT BY PRIVATION Police Matron Succors Three Famish-

ing Travelers from the West. Lack of rest during a long journey and worry over the condition of her 9-year-old daughter forced Mrs. Eurice Scott to aban-In the case of L. A. Marsh against James don her trip here and together with her aged and Martha Ish, the jury has found for the mother, Mrs. M. L. Harling, she sought a night's lodging in the matron's department at the city fail. On account of her exhausted ndition Mrs. Scott was violent most of the night and her condition required the constant attention of Matron Tiedeman. For a while it was thought that she was insane, but along towards morning she became quiet after a good rest which she was finally nduced to take.

party left yesterday for Adair, Ia., their former home. About three years ago they-went to Eugene, Ore., where Mrs. Scott's husband, who is a school teacher, had secured a position. But times were hard could live was to work for themselves train-time Police Matron Ryan saw that all

## STREET RAILWAY EXTENSIONS South Tenth Street Line and Lake

Street Improvement Being Pushed. The Street Railway company has started a force of men at work tearing up the pavement on South Tenth street preparatory to the extension of its line to Bancroft street. Superintendent Smith says it is proposed to work as many men as possible and push the extension to completion in the shortest possible time. The rails are now being made for the curves at Twentieth and Twenty-fourth street; on the Lake street line, and this connection will also be made at once. The extension of the Twenty-fourth street line to the ball grounds will be delayed somewhat by the necessity for rushing other work, but it is stated that the ine will connect with the ball grounds as

early in the season as possible. The company has received fifteen of its new summer cars and twenty-five more will be here within the next few weeks. Superntendent Smith says that the additions and improvements that the company is making this spring exceed in worth what the entire property was when the consolidation of the two companies took place. More additional power is being put in than the two com-panies had at that time, and the new rolling tock exceeds all that was then in operation

## ANDY HUNT RETURNS TO OMAHA. Comes Back with His Companion and

Visits the County Judge. Andrew J. Hunt, formerly clerk in the office of the Pacific Express company, returned to Omaha this morning, and, in company with his present companion, Mr. Chapin, went to the office of County Judge Baxter, where the two men remained for some time. While there Hunt recived a call from Euclid Martin and Attorney Gurley, who appeared in the capacity of friends of the Hunt family. Hunt said that he had not hired an attorney, and what was more he was not needing one.

Mr. Chapin said, in speaking of the trips that he has made with Hunt, said that he went with him as a traveling companion Hunt says he has no desire to give ball for his appearance at a future date for the reason that he does not consider that he is under arrest. Everything that he has done in the way of staying out nights with Chapia is of his free will. No person has tempted to intimidate or coerce him. While painters were at work an incipient blaze started, which was extinguished after causing a loss of about \$50.