THE OMAHA DAILY BEE.

Facts About the Collection Preserved in the Museum in Washington.

SOME OF THE INTERESTING SOUVENIRS

The Idea of a Boy Developed by the Man Into a Beautiful Memorial to the Martyr President.

The United States government bas recently become the custodian of a collection of Lincoln souvenirs, relates the New York Sun. The Lincoln Memorial museum is the embodiment of the idea of a boy, for Osborn H. Oldroyd was a youth when, in his admiration for Lincoln, he began to make this interesting collection. Mr. Oldroyd then lived at Mount Vernon, O., and the nucleus of the collection was a campaign badge of 1860. bearing the names of Lincoln and Hamlin. After the fateful April 11, 1865, it took the form of a memorial, and to it has been added every appropriate object that time and

money could procure. Mr. Oldroyd has made this collection his life work, and it now numbers more than 3.500 articles. These are arranged in the four rooms of the first floor of the old Petersen residence, whi n became world-famous in a single night. It stands on Tenth street, directly opposite the building still known as "Ford's Theater." It bears on its front elevation a placard setting forth the fact that Lincoln died within its walls. On its stoop a sign of larger proportions announces

American flag is always floating.

Mr. Oldroyd's correspondence in connection with this display has been a work of stupendous magnitude; he has traveled many miles, in all seasons, and has accepted no contribution without irreproachable authentication as to its genuineness. He was for ten years the occupant of the Lincoln homestead in Springfield, Ill., and most its present proportions. Five years ago, just after the disaster by which twenty-two men lost their lives in Ford's theater Columbia, brought his collection to this city building had then been for many years, an unpretentious boat and house, with a printing office in its basement. The Memorial association-composed of eighteen residents of Washington, with Chief Justice Fuller at president-pledged itself to pay the exorbitant rent demanded by the owner of the house, and it was decided to charge visitors a small admittance fee. At the end of the first year the Memorial association withdrew its support; but a few months ago, acting for the United States government, it purchased the house for \$30,000, thus making the Lincoln Memorial museum a permanent institution. Mr. Oldroyd has lived in this house and personally cared for the collection ever since taking up his residence in Wash-Historie Quarters.

The entrance hall and rear rooms are lined with portraits of Lincoln, to the number of over 200, affording likenesses of him from boyhood to the close of his career. The room in which he died is at the rear of the entrance hall. Its dimensions are only twelve by twenty feet, but twenty-six persons found standing room within its walls on the night of the tragedy. The death scene is portrayed in numerous engravings of various sizes, hanging upon its walls. One, the largest and finest, occupies the wall space just above where Lincoln died. This with in the world's affairs. engraving is a masterpiece, the figures beevery feature and object brought out with distinctness. The corner in which stood the deathbed is usually occupied by the crimson damask theater chair in which Linoln was seated when struck by the assas sin's bullet. The dark spots on its back are stains of his blood.

Prominent in the collection are eighty biographies, 252 funeral sermons and orations, sixty-seven musical selectionspatriotic songs, dirges, funeral marches, etc. of which duplicates cannot be obtainedand a library of 1,000 volumes relating to Lincoln, slavery and the war. There is, in addition, a case containing 197 coins and medals, from all parts of the world, stamped

with the likeness of Lincoln. The museum contains thirteen pleces of furniture used by the Lincoln family in their Springfield home. Among them are Lincoln's favorite hair-cloth rocker and the two sofes which adorned the cozy parlor, and the cook stove used just prior to th departure of the family for Washington and the White House in 1861. With these articles may also be seen the dining room chairs used in the Springfield home, as well as the wooden settee which, by order of Lincoln, was made extra length, that he might stretch his tall figure comfortably upon it on his front plazza. Among these homely objects, the one to which clings the greatest share of pathetic interest is the big walnut cradle in which the Lincoln children

were rocked. Another very interesting object, so small that it might be easily overlooked, is a scrap of a tablecloth purchased from the Spanish minister to the United States in 1824, by Ninian Edwards, third governor of Illinois. The Edwards family spread upon it the wedding supper of their kinswoman, Mary Todd, when in 1842 she became the wife of Lincoln. Another notable object is a writing desk made from the logs of the Rutledge house, New Salem, Ill., in which Lincoln boarded from 1832 to 1836. The top of the desk is rough, slate colored marble, on which is carved an appropriate stanza from Whittier. In front of the desk stands the chair used by Lincoln in his law office. It was contributed by W. H. Herndon, one of

his partners. While an inmate of the Rutledge house A Hit of Romance. Lincoln's first and perhaps greatest love affair was blighted by death. He became engaged to Ann Rutledge, the fair daughter of the house. She died in 1835. On the night of January 1, 1841, Mary Todd, in edding array, awaited a bridegroom who delayed his coming until nearly two years later. Lincoln's defection has always been attributed to the melancholy cast over him by the death of Miss Rutledge.

A rail split by him in his early years occu pies a conspicuous place in the collection It was carried to Springfield in 1860 by John Hanks, uncle of the already idolized "man of the people." The rail was proudly borne aloft in the political processions of that It now hangs side by side with a torch which rendered service in the same and several succeeding campaigns. Over the mantelpiece, in the largest and brightest room of the museum, hange the draped faded, but still beautiful flag, which draped the proscenium box of Ford's theater the

night of Lincoln's assassination. "mute avenger of the nation's chief" was added to the Oldroyd collection less than three months ago. Its history is as follows: In 1862, when it was feared that ments for the treasury of the United States might be at Mount Lowe. It will be used at night to pillaged by the confederate forces, such of sweep the bay and the golden gate. This the employes of the department as were able searchlight was at the time of its construcar arms were provided with them, and tion the largest in the world. It was used drilled, in order that they might be able at the World's fair at Chicago.

RELICS OF LINCOLN'S LIFE to defend the building should occasion arise. COURT GRIND MOVES SLOWLY WILD CLOSE IN WHEAT PIT BOTH SURPRISE AND REGRET ages, from veteran officials and clerks to very youthful messengers, numbered nearly Soo. It was known as "The Treasury Guard." At drill and on parade, over the heads of this regiment floated a flag of the Been Light. finest bunting, purchased for it by the women employed in the Treasury department -then scarcely more than 100 in number.

Tragic Decorations. On the night of April 12, 1865, the Treasury Guard gave a ball at Ford's theater, which was elaborately decorated for the occasion. Much of the work had been done by a professional decorator, who bestowed special efforts in the disposal of the flag urchased for the guard by the women. On the morning of April 14 the decoration committee of the guard went to the theater to remove the flag. On the stage stood Mr. Ford, admiring its tasteful arrangement. He said:

"The president and his party will be here tonight. If you will allow the flag to remain up to this date they have not succeeded in where it is I will put them in that hav " finding enough cases to occupy their time. where it is I will put them in that box." Consent was given, with results known to all the world. The flag, in a frame with a glass covering, hung for many years in the little room at the left of the east entrance of the Treasury department. The fifteeninch rent torn by Booth's spur may be seen plainly. But for this flag, in all probability

he would never have been captured. From this flag the story of the assassination may be traced by an object lesson, for beside it hangs the identical spur by which it was torn. The spur was obtained only after many years of continuous search and painstaking effort. Close by it hangs a framed copy of the official proclamation offering \$50,000 for the capture of Booth. On the other side hangs the key of the in modest terms the display within. From which the conspirators were hanged, and in old penitentiary (long since demolished) in one of its second-story windows a large another frame are labelled sections of each of the ropes used on that occasion.

Among the numerous busts, casts and masks of Lincoln in this collection are the life mask and the casts of his hands, made by Leonard W. Volk. Every square inch of space remaining is occupied by framed engravings, prints and cartoons, most of them dated between 1860 and 1865. In these within its walls the collection reached alsatire are, sometimes crudely but always effectively, set forth. Aside from their import, they are eminently worthy of study, if building, Mr. Oldroyd, at the request of the Memorial Association of the District of pictures are interspersed by seemingly and placed it in the Petersen house. This every token of patriotic enthusiasm and every emblem of mourning that human ingenuity can devise.

But for its admirable arrangement the collection could not be crowded into the space that it now occupies. Even the visitor who has never met Mr. Oldroyd must be constrained to admit that it was no ordinary youth who chose such a method of enshrining an ideal, nor would any ordinary man have found delight in carrying on, for almost forty years, a work so arduous. Mr. Oldroyd's appearance and bearing alike attest his refined and scholarly tastes. He is justly proud of this institution-distinctively American-in that its thousands of objects, most of them intrinsically of little value, are, through the sacredness of association, of greater worth than the regalia of an empire.

DEWEY'S SUCCESS DISPLEASES

Continental Europe Thinks "Unexpected Victory" Will Give Danger-ous Power to United States.

LONDON, May 5.-There can be no doubt that the unexpected success of the United States at Manila gives little pleasure to continental politicians, who recognize that America is certain to become a first class naval power, and will have to be reckoned

The fact that the American papers are looking kindly upon the possibiliti British protectorate in the Philippines gives from her husband, Smith Parker, to whom additional umbrage, as indicating a convergence of America and England toward an

Lord Salisbury's speech before the Primrose league appeared today to show that he had a presentiment of the change now working in his vague prophetic foreboding

The premier spoke of the "living and dying countries of the world," and of how the former were gradually enroaching upon the latter. He spoke also of the "corruption of dying countries, a corruption so deep seated as to give the smallest hope to reform," and he referred to the partition of these countries as likely to lead nations

"Dying countries," said Lord Salisbury. 'are mostly unchristian, but, I regret to say, not exclusively so."

ELKS CARE FOR THEIR BROTHERS. Families of Those Who Enlist to Be Provided For.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 5.-Mead D. Detweller, grand exalted ruler of the B. P. O. E., issued an official order to subordinate lodges today with reference to the stand to be taken by members of that order during the present war with Spain. The resolution and suggestions of the grand exalted ruler

That all members of subordinate lodges. who, at their country's call, have enlisted in the services of the United States gov-ernment at the sacrifice of their business and private interests, shall be protected during the term of the service: (1) That all dues incurred during the period of their enlistment shall be remitted and not charged against them; (2) That during their absence a special committee of three be appointed to ascertain the circum-stances of those dependent upon them for a livelihood and to provide them with such livelihood, if necessary, during the term of the enlistment of our brothers.

WEBB HAYES GOES WITH CAVALRY. Son of Ex-President a Major in Ohio

Volunteers.
CLEVELAND, O., May 5.—Troops A. B and C, First Ohio volunteer cavalry, Lieutenant Colonel W. M. Day commanding, departed for Columbus today over the Big Four line. Sousa's famous band led the column in its march through the streets to the railway station, and notwithstanding a drizzling rainfall immense throngs o people gathered along the line of march and wildly cheered the departing cavalrymen. The Chamber of Commerce presented the troopers with a handsome stand of colors just before their departure. Among the officers of the cavalry troops is Webb C. Hayes, son of the late president, who is an

Spanish Ships Reported Off Barbadoes KEY WEST, May 5 .- Four Spanish war ships are reported to be off Barbadoes prepared to intercept the battleship Oregon. A

naval battle is expected. The prize court today is sitting on the case of the Panama. Testimony has been concluded on the Buena Ventura and Catalina. District Attorney Stripling says that there is no doubt about the Catalina and Panama being condemned

Borrows a Big Searchlight. PASADENA, Cal., May 5.—The United States government has completed arrangeborrowing the electric searchlight

LAWYERS INCLINED TO HOLD BACK CASES

Most of the Causes Passed Because the Attorneys Do Not Care to Try Them Until After the Exposition.

Although nearly one week of the May erm of the district court has passed, the udges or at least a majority of them have not been able to find enough to do to keep them ousy. Judges Fawcett, Dickinson and Powell have been over their respective calls, but Judge Keysor is out of the city and will not return for several days. Judge Scott finds work to keep him busy a portion of the time, but so far he has not put in a full day on the bench since the opening of the term. Several cases have been called in the criminal court, but none of them have consumed Judge Baker has just returned from one of the outside countles of the district and has in about the same condition as that of the other judges.

The delay in the work of the district court at this term is attributed largely to the attorneys, few of whom have their cases ready for trial. Many of the cases on the calls of the judges go over the term, while that can be put over.

O'Neil Will Contest. Baker and a jury. Isabella O'Neil died in property of the value of \$3,100, which was

deceased. Isabella O'Neil, she and her husband, duty on grain. this money that is now the bone of contention in the courts.

Seeking Divorce.

that restrains him from visiting her premises, 2926 Leavenworth street. She asks point this week. for alimony and the custody of a child. The plaintiff alleges drunkeness and cruelty. that he be divorced from his wife. Tillie way in the next two months McGovern, to whom he was married in Nothe case has shown too great a fondness

Katherine Parker has sued for a divorce South Dakota Stockmen Tire of Raisshe says she was married several years ago In her petition the plaintiff asks for alimony and the custody of the children. The plaintiff says she has always been a true, devoted and dutiful wife and for a cause of action she alleges that last summer her husband eloped with a Mrs. Ward, a resident of Eddyville, Ia., and that for a long time the two lived together as husband and

Settle a Saloon Case.

The damage case of John Bosen against the Omaha Brewing association has gone

Sues the Brewing Association. J. C. Dorrell has sued the Omaha Brewing association in an action to recover the sum of \$5,000, alleging damages on account of personal injuries sustained. The plaintiff alleges that one day last month he was passing in front of a building owned by the defendant and situated in South Omaha; that he fell into an open areaway and received injuries that will result in his being crippled for a long time, and possibly for

Life Insurance Company Wins. case of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance company against the Creighton Theater Building company has been filed in the office of the clerk of the district court. The order of sale has not been issued, but it will go out within the next two or three days. The mandate bars a number of claims and makes first lien against the property.

Johnson Pleads Guilty. Charles Johnson, arraigned in criminal court, pleaded guilty to the commission of the crime of petit larceny and was sentenced to a term of twenty-five days in the county jail.

Loyal Legion Elects Officers. At the annual meeting of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, Nebraska commandery, held at the order's rooms in the Ramge block, the folofficers were elected for the ensuing Commander, General Charles F. Manderson; senior vice commander, Lieu-tonant J. B. Dinsmore of Sutton; junior tonant J. B. Dinsmore of Sutton; junior vice commander, Captain A. L. Lee; recorder, Lieutenant Frank B. Branch.

A resolution was adopted to hold monthly meetings during the exposition and keep open house for the entertainment of friends who visit the city. who visit the city.

A 'very unique gift, in the shape of a volume of photographs, was yesterday pre-sented to the Commercial club by Warren Rogers. The work contains views of O between the years of 1865 and 1875 shows the advancement of the city in the last twenty years. A notable feature in the volume is the view of Julius Myer's place with the crowds of Indians with their trophies of the hunt, waiting to trade for merchandise.

April Stamp Sales. The sales of stamps for the month of April were exceedingly-large, amounting to over \$28,000. It is an increase of \$7,000 over the April sales of 1897. The authorities are very proud and think the new building has something to do with it.

May Option Sells at \$130, the Highest Point Since 1888 July Over the Dollar Mark.

CHICAGO, May 5.—May wheat rose 20 cents on the Board of Trade today. It closed at \$1.50 per bushel, the highest point since 1888. The excitement in the wheat pit during the closing hour was intense. The market fluctuated violently all morning, but gave no evidence of the pyrotechnics to come. Joseph Leiter's brokers were quietly at work, and during the first hour bought 2,000,000 bushels of July wheat, principally short sales. July opened only 7-8 cents above yesterday's close, or at 93% cents. For a moment it got over the dollar mark, and then dropped back to 98 5-8 cents. Pit traders sold short and soon found themselves in deep water. The Liverpool market keep up its sensational advance, closing 1%@5% pence higher than the day before. Bread riots were reported in Spain, Italy and France. The French government same action. Great as was the wheat famine abroad, that article was found to be taken up his docket. He has succeeded in to a French syndicate at \$1.47 per bushel. tion for a state exhibit. finding one case that is likely to occupy the Pit traders were stampeded. July rushed tween trades to \$1.50, and closed there. July fell back to \$1.02%, closing at that, a net gain of 35-8 cents, compared with a net gain of 20 cents in May, NEW YORK, May 5.-Wheat bulls were

others are passed for from one to two weeks. French demand for our wheat, now that tial interest in the exposition and are prewant to try cases until after the exposition cited air of short interests they opened May appropriation available-\$2,000—the commisand that they will not force any of the suits all the way from \$1.32 to \$1,39, representing about 9 cents to 16 cents advance over Tuesday's close. The July option, being less The hearing in the Isabella O'Neil estate subject to manipulation, opened with a 4 case is occupying the attention of Judge cents rise, an advance of 3-8@1/2 cent over the curb price of yesterday, and of 4 cents this city on September 12, 1896, leaving buying attended this bulge, and there was since Tuesday. Heavy local and foreign property of the value of \$3,100, which was comparatively little setback all the morn-bequeathed to the Benson orphanage and ing. July, in fact, sold up to \$1.08\forall soon bequeathed to the Benson orphanage and other Catholic institutions in the city. The husband contested the will, alleging that to secure the disposition of property, undue influence was exercised. He asks that the fluence was exercised. He asks that the will be set aside. The probate court held vances. It is said that France will require that the will was valid and that the husband not less than 36,000,000 bushels of wheat had no interest in the property left by the from the United States in the next two months. There is also talk of other Euro Several years prior to the death of pean countries removing or reducing their

Eugene O'Neil separated, she securing a NEW YORK, May 5.—The sensational feadivorce and an order for some \$7,000 of ture in wheat this afternoon was furnished alimony. Subsequent to this there was a by the May option. In steady bounds of 3 compromise upon the subject of alimony and and 4 cents at a clip, it bounded along until \$3,000 was paid in full of all claims. It is it stopped at \$1.45 at the closing, the highest price since the days of "Old Hutch." On this basis cash No. 2 red would be nom inally worth \$1.47 in this market.

The July option kept strong all afternoon Minnie Lowdell has asked the aid of the and closed at \$1.09 3-4, after sales at \$1.10%. district court in securing a separation from representing advances of 5 3-8c over Tuesher husband, George Lowdell, and at the day's close, and 23-4c above yesterday's same time she has secured an injunction curb price. May closed at 22 cents higher than Tuesday, and 27 cents above the low

It was simply a gigantic squeeze of shorts made possible by the duty removals in Phil McGovern has gone into the courts France, Italy and Spain, which is expected and has filed a petition wherein he asks to swing an enormous export business this

vember, 1895. He avers that the wife in GRADING UP THEIR CATTLE

ments to Ranges.

PIERRE, S. D., May 5 .- (Special.) -The Sloux Stock Journal, of Fort Pierre, the official paper of the stock association, sums up the situation on the Missouri river range at the opening of the season as follows: This season has undoubtedly seen more

graded stock shipped to this country than in all the past years put together. The whole range country seems to have sud-denly awakened to the fact that they have been fooling away their time breeding and raising scrub stock. It is their one aim now to import the best available by and make the business as profitable out of the courts, the defendant scoring a complete victory. The plaintiff alleged that by the acts of the defendant he had been damaged in the sum of \$2,500. He said that he rented a saloon building, bought a stock of liquors and then was closed up by the defendant. On the trial and before the plaintiff had completed the introduction of his testimony he moved for a dismissal and the order was made without prejudice to the defendant. portation of good grade bulls, and the beef shipped to the market from the Sioux range in the years to come will be of the best quality. Last year's output was over 25,000 head, and by the last of May there will have been that many head shipped in. These new cattle, with the natural increase of the cattle already on the range, will place more cattle on the range than ever. The total number of cattle put into The total number of cattle put into state this spring will reach 75,000 ever.

While range cattle came through the winter in fine shape and the calf crop is the fact is beyond that of any other cattle state, the stockmen are yet asking for one more The mandate of the supreme court in the thing to make their condition just what they could ask for. That is a rushing, pouring rain. They have had enough drizzling rain to start the grass all right, and give them feed in plenty, but such rains do not fill the water holes and give an abandance of water all over the prairie. As it is now, many of the cattle have trouble in finding water, and the mortgage of the plaintiff for \$105,000 a one dashing rain would put them in shape to get the water and feed at any point on the range and save trips to the water holes.

BRINGS SUIT FOR MILLION

Young Man Now Thinks He Was Bun coed Out of His Share of His Father's Estate.

SAN FRANCISCO, May L.-George Whittell, one of San Francisco's leading business men and capitalists, has been sued in the superior court for more than \$1,000,-000. The plaintiff is Oscar Luning, a son of the late Nicholas Luning, and a brother-inlaw of Whittell. Nicholas Luning died in 1890, leaving an estate which was subequently appraised at more than \$7,000,-000. By his will he bequeathed the millions which he owned to his five children, share and share alike. No distribution of the estate has ever been made. Under the will George Whittell and M. B. Langhorne were named executors. On Whittell's advice the children united their interests in a corporation known as the Luning company of which Whittell was made the president and Langhorne the secretary. The original interest of Oscar T. Luning in the corporation was worth in the neighborhood of \$1,-500,000. This is held by Whittell under two trusts which Luning now asserts he was induced to execute through fraud and misrepresentacitn at a time when he was incapable of transacting business on account of his overindulgence in liquor. The case takes the form of a suit in equity. Andrew D. Parker, a prominent member of the New arrive shortly afterwards. These will be

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eration.

man who ever attempted that delicate op

Blowing Up of the Maine.

Vigorous preparations are being made for

pushing work on the electric theater on the

West Midway and this concession promises

vana harbor and the preliminary "sketch"

The approach of daylight will show the bat-

All of these effects will be produced by elec-

tricity and the preparations are being made

Architect Crane Here.

city for the purpose of passing on the build-

few days and will go over the building care-

Mr. Crane has received a great many high

beauty of the Government building. Those

who have seen the buildings erected by the

government at previous expositions un-

by far the handsomest and most artistic

structure that has ever been erected by the

survey of the building Mr. Crane expressed

n which the building had been constructed

Pennsylvania Club Meeting.

coms in the Board of Trade building Sat-

urday evening of this week at 8 o'clock

Every native of Pennsylvania in this part

Executive Committee Meeting.

Exposition Notes.

made laces and embroideries and laces in

City of Mexico for the sale of Mexican cu

termined by a Coroner's Jury

Yesterday Afternoon.

cide. After being out for a few minutes

the tury brought in a verdict of death

caused by alcoholism and paralysis of the

vital organs. For several years Coy was

partialy paralyzed in one side and his re-

cent dissipation is supposed to have ag

The Knights of Pythias lodge at Sutton,

Neb., of which Coy was a member, sur-

rendered its charter a short time ago and is

not in position to care for him, so the local

Knights of Pythias have, together with the

actors of the city, expressed a willingness to

bear the funeral expenses in case relatives

MOVE IN THE WOODMEN CASE

Judge Munger Strikes Out Plaintiff's Reply and Counsel Ask for

One of the most important cases before

Judge Munger has been partially decided

in the United States court. In the case of

the Modern Woodmen against the Union

National Bank of Grand Island, Judge

Munger sustained the motion to strike out

part of the plaintiff's reply. The counsel

n the case want time to secure testimony,

which will probably not be ready before the

1st of June. The case will then be tried by

The case of John Schmidt and Martin

Hellerman, proprietors of the Aetna house,

charged with selling the Indians whisky,

was dismissed yesterday by Commis-

sioner Gustave Anderson. The Indians, Lit

le Bird, Jim Smith, George Thunder, Ar-

Hill, John Logan, Green Crow and Tom Mc-

the proprietor or his bartender.

Cauley were held to appear before the grand

hur Mitchell, Henry French, George Rice

More Time.

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inquest was held yesterday afternoon

the International building, and a co

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nesitatingly pronounce the Omaha building

on an elaborate scale.

Ohio Commissioners' Emotions on Visiting the Exposition Grounds.

BUCKEYE LEGISLATORS MAKE A MISTAKE fry from a given amount of spawn than any

Neglect in Not Providing for Ample Representation at the Great Fair May Be Partially Compensated by Hard Work.

The Ohio Exposition commission visited the entire amusement section. The concesthe exposition grounds in a body yesterday sion for this amusement was let to H. Rolunder the escort of Major Clarkson. The tair a few days ago and active construction commissioners had been prepared in a meashas been commenced on the building. F. C. ure for what would be shown them, the afternoon of yesterday having been spent with some of the exposition officials in discussing what had been done and the general removed its import duty and Spain situation, but when they reached the grounds and Italy were said to be equtemplating the they were astounded as the substantial evidence on every hand of what the people of Nebraska and Omaha have done to provide equally as scarce in the Chicago pit when a home for the exposition of the resources the bears tried to cover. May, which opened of the great west. They expressed them-7 cents higher at \$1.37, had declined to selves in terms of warmest enthusiasm remuch time and consequently Judge Slabaugh \$1.31. At 12 o'clock it had crept back to garding the enterprise and energy shown by has had plenty of leisure upon his hands. \$1.37. July was hanging about the dollar the preparations under way and regretted mark. Leiter announced that he had just that the legislature of which all are memsold 2,000,000 bushels of No. 2 red wheat bers had not made a substantial appropria-The members of the commission said they

time during the next couple of days, but up to \$1.03, after selling down to 985-8 would determine upon some course of action when that is disposed of his work will be cents. May jumped 1, 2 and 3 cents be- before leaving Omaha. They will remain until 5:10 p. m. Friday and the intervening time will be spent by them in becoming thoroughly familiar with the full details and deciding upon what shall be done for and by their state. In discussing this matter again at work this morning, in an effort to the commissioners stated that the manufacforce prices still higher on the strength of turers of Ohio have already taken a substan-Some of the attorneys say that they do not the duty has been removed. With the ex- paring to make exhibits. With the small sioners doubted if any attempt would be made at a state exhibit, but would determine that point finally before leaving for home. Oklahomans Still at Work.

Messrs. Post and Points, the Oklahoms commissioners, are still considering the matter of Oklahoma's exhibit at the exposition and are negotiating with the Depart-ment of Exhibits for space.

Chairman Post left at exposition headquarters a few samples of what the youngest territory in the union may be expected to do in an agricultural and horticultural line. These samples included a bunch of alfalfa, roots and all, pulled out of a field near Kingfisher, belonging to President Low of the Rock Island railway. The alfalfa was fresh and green and had reached a height of thirteen inches. Numerous samples from the farm of W. F. Bort, a big land owner near Kingfisher, in cluded red turkey wheat twenty-six inches in height, with the heads beginning to ripen; branches cut from cherry and peach trees laden with young fruit, the cherries as large as good sized peas and the peaches half an inch long and three-eighths of an inch in diameter. Strawberries nearly ripe enough to eat, apples in the stage so dear to the heart of the small boy were among the lot and the quantity of fruit on the branches in each case indicated an enormous crop of all the varieties named. Mr. Post said he had gathered these specimens as he was about to take the train and that they were only moderate illustrations of the showing the young territory would make when the exposition opens.

SETTING UP THE NAVAL EXHIBIT. Uncle Sam's Great Floating Fortresses

to De Shown in Mininture. Three cars containing material for the exhibit of the Navy departs ernment building have arrived and are being unloaded at the exposition grounds. Two more cars will arrive within the next few days with the balance of the material. The Navy department exhibit will occupy the northeast corner of the Government building opposite the exhibit of the Fish commission, and it promises to be one of the most interesting of the many interesting displays to be made by all of the federal departments. First Lieutenant S. J. Logan of the United States Marine corps, a brother of Lieutenant Commander L. C. Logan, the representative of the Navy department, will have charge of the installation of the exhibit and will probably remain in charge of it during the exposition. He has arrived in the city and has taken up the work of getting the material in place. E. H. Behnke of the Navy department, an expert in exposition work, is the foreman in charge of the handling of the materials constituting the exhibit.

A prominent feature of the exhibit of the Navy department, and one which promises to attract great attention, in view of the overwhelming interest in everything pertaining to naval matters, is the display of the models of battleships and naval vessels of all classes. There will be twenty-four of these models, representing nearly every class of modern war vessels. They are from six to twelve feet in length, according to the size of the ship itself, and each is complete in the most minute details. The full list of the models which will comprise this section largest ever known on this range, and in of the Navy department display includes the following vessels: Maine, Iowa, Illinois, the old Kearsarge, Baltimore, Charleston, New York, Massachusetts Columbia, Kathadin, Vesuvius, Newark, Miantonomoh, Nashville, Petrel, Texas, Atlanta, Wheeling, Yorktown, Monterey, two gunboats, Nos. 8 and 9 respectively, and the Bancroft, the training ship of the Annapolis

In connection with this exhibit of ships models will be shown a model of a dry dock This dock will be erected in a large tank containing water and the Illinois, one of the battleships, will be "docked" in regulation style two or three times each day, showing the exact operation of this very interesting

Two things in the Navy exhibit which will be of peculiar interest to the people of this section are the ship's bell and the figurehead of the good old ship Omaha. These have been secured especially for this exhibit and will probably attract a great deal of attention.

A huge anchor, such as are used on the largest battleships, will also be in the display and there will be guns of all sizes and kinds, including the latest pattern of quickfiring guns.

BIG AQUARIUM READY TO SHOW Tanks Test Perfectly and Fish and

The tanks for the display of the live fish which will constitute one of the most attractive portions of the exhibit of the Figh commission in the Government building are now ready for the reception of their finny guests. The tanks have been kept filled with water for the last week and all are perfectly tight and in first class shape. The 18,000 gallons of sea water which will be used for the tanks in which the ocean fish are to be displayed is on the way to Omaha and will arrive here about May 15. inst., and will be at once introduced to their new home. The fresh water fish will brought from the government hatcheries at

Leadville, Col.; Quincy, Ill., and Manches-STREETS STAND RAIN WELL

W. P. Sauerhoff, the expert in the fish culture section, and W. E. Morgan, an assistant in the department, have arrived. Mr. Very Few Washouts Follow the Deluge of Sauerhoff will have charge of the hatchery portion of the fish exhibit and will have it Last Five Days. in full operation. He is credited with being able to extract a greater number of

IMPROVED DRAINAGE SAVES SURFACE

Ground Sonked, but Ditches Carry Of the Water and the Damage Will Hardly Exceed Fifty Dollars All Told.

to be one of the most attractive novelties in The almost continual rain of the last week has resulted in less damage to the streets than any similar storm of recent years. As a rule it has cost the city sev-Peynaud, an artist of experience in such eral thousand dollars every spring to rematters, has arrived in the city to install pair the washouts caused by the rains and the scenery and apparatus which will conon one or two occasions it has been necesstitute the attraction. It has been decided sary to make emergency appropriations in to show the wrecking of the Maine in Haaddition to the regular fund for this sort of work. Last year the street work was has already been made by Mr. Peynaud. As done more elaborately than usual the conshown by this sketch, the spectators in the tention of City Engineer Rosewater being theater will, in their imagination, stand on that it was a waste of money to simply re-pair the washouts every spring and that an elevated point at Regla with the picuresque harbor of Havana spread out beit would be economy in the end to spend a fore them. The city of Havana, the hills little more money at once and improve the and forts all about will be shown and the drainage of the streets so the recurrence shipping in the horbor will be in motion, of the trouble would be prevented. The manner in which the streets are standing the Maine lying at anchor in full view. Day will come and go with its attendant activity, the action of the water this spring seems to bear out this theory. So far very few the people moving about the streets of the distant city and the surrounding towns. washouts have occurred and none of these Darkness will come on and at the proper are serious. The drainage facilities that were constructed last year are carrying off the hour the explosion of the Maine will take place and the excitement following that ocbulk of the rainfall without damage, and currence will be depicted with faithfulness. the entire cost of repairing washouts has not exceeded \$50. leship as it appeared after the explosion.

What little damage has been done this spring has been largely on account of the sewers. The sewer trenches have caved in at several points, causing breaks in the streets, but these troubles cannot be avoided. The most serious break is at Twentieth and E. A. Crane, the architect who designed Harney streets, where the sewer trench the Government building, has arrived in the has gone down, making quite a hole in the street. There is a smaller cave-in at Seventeenth and Farnam streets, between the ing before its final acceptance from the contractors. He will remain in the city a street car tracks, and a short section of the trench will have to be dug up and repaired. The sewers have also dropped at Thirtyfully with a view of determining whether first and Farnam streets, and in the alley the construction complies with his ideas. between Twenty-first and Twenty-second and Cuming and Izard streets. Unless there compliments since his arrival on the great should be a heavy additional fall of rain before repairs can be made these breaks can be fixed up at a moderate expense.

PENAL POWER OF THE PARK BOARD

Council Neglects to Pass Ordinance Asked and Commissioners Will Try. government for this purpose. After a casual The council has taken no action on the request of the Board of Park Commissioners nimself as greatly pleased with the manner that an ordinance should be passed embodying the rules and regulations recently passed by the board and fixing penalties to secure their enforcement. The board is somewhat The Pennsylvania club of Nebraska will embarrassed by the delay of the council, as old a reception at the Commercial club continual reports are brought in of depredations in the parks, for which Judge Gordon refuses to convict the perpetrators on the excuse that there is no ordinance which of the universe is invited to be present and provides a punishment for such offenses. the attendance of the women is especially During the last few days two parties have urged, as it is proposed to discuss the matter of forming a ladies' auxiliary at that been caught coming out of Hanseom park with strings of fish which they had caught in the lake and the board is very anxious to make an example of some of these

The executive committee of the Transmarauders. mississippi Educational convention held a Some action is also desirable in view of brief meeting to receive the reports of subthe fact that the board now has seven dozen committees. These reports showed that squirrels in the cages at Riverview park and arangements for the convention are progresit is now proposed to release the animals sing in the most satisfactory manner and and let them run at large in the resort. The rules of the that the enthusiasm over the event is inboard prescribe that any boy who tries to injure one of the animals with a sling shot Mosers Post and Points of the Oklahoma and the board proposes to make a test commission reserved 1,144 feet of space in the Agriculture building yesterday for the case if any such incident occurs. The members contend that when the law vested the ma exhibit and returned home to authority in the board to make rules and C. S. Penfield of Houston, Tex., chair-man of the Texas Exposition commission regulations to govern the parks the inference was that the board was also invested closed up his arrangements for space for the Texas exhibit yesterday and left for home. He reserved 3,600 feet in the galwith the power to provide penalties to enforce its rules. In the event that there is any attempt to interfere with the squirrels the offender will be arrested at ouce The executive committee yesterday awarded a concession to A. Schleiter of Stockholm, Sweden, for the sale of handyesterday Schleiter of and the board will test its power to enforce the fine without the ordinance.

> SETTLES MASON STREET GRADE City Council Reaches a Compromise

rios, silver filigree work, opals, orryx, pot-tery, canes and the exclusive right to sell with the Objectors. The city council held a special session late vesterday afternoon to take up and lispose of the Mason street grade matter, PARALYSIS AND NOT SUICIDE. the case wherein S. I. Jetter and others secured an injunction restraining the city Cause of Actor Frank Coy's Death Defrom grading Mason street from Eleventh to Thirteenth street. The attorney for the property owners along the street proposed settlement that was accepted. terms of the settlement the plaintiffs are over the body of Frank Coy, the actor who to dismiss their suit and pay all costs. They was found dead in a Farnam street lodging are to quit claim to the city all right, title house. Officer Connell, Mrs. M. H. Lewis, and interest in the street which they have W. Emory, E. F. Brailey and Detective by reason of a continued occupancy of sev-Savage were witnesses in the case, but oral years' duration. In return for these nothing new was brought out in the case concessions the city is to put the lots down It was shown that Coy went to Mrs. Lewis to four feet above grade and remove the odging house at 10 o'clock Tuesday night buildings and move them back after the was given a bed on the floor in a room by grading is completed. The work of grading himself and was found dead at 8 o'clock the will begin at once. The improvement of following morning. The body showed no the street will open a thoroughfare from signs of violence and there was nothing to Eleventh to Thirteenth street. indicate that the man had committed sui-

The superintendent of the city hall was authorized to expend the sum of \$20 in preparing and placing a directory of city officers. The directory when completed will be placed on one of the walls of the ro-

Mortality Statistics. The following births and deaths were 16ported at the health office during the twenty-four hours ending at noon yesterday: Births-Henry J. Vavra, 1218 South Fourteenth, boy; Andrew Newman, 3711 Jones, girl; Charles N. Harris, 2353 South Twenty-ninth, boy; Ruel Alford, 2563 Woolworth avenue, boy; Morris Brodkey, 1315 Douglas, girl; John Schroeder, Thirteenth and Jackson, boy; Elliott Brewster, 2721 Hamilton, girl; Emil Peterson, 511 South Thirty-third, girl.

Deaths-Martin Brennan, 58, Tenth and Castellar, dropsy, St. Mary's cemetery; P. J. O'Neill, 55, 3212 Seward, rheumatism of heart, Holy Sepulcher; John Hollinger, 10, 1427 North Seventeenth, typhold fever, no cemetery designated.

Building Permits Increase. The records of the building inspector's office show that more than twice as many building permits were granted during the month as during the corresponding month of 1897. The value of the buildings con-

templated is increased in nearly the same proportion, and the total value of the improvements of the month is nearly as much as those of the two preceding Aprils combinded. A comparison of the value of the improvements for which permits were issued in April during the past five years indicates a flattering increase. Here are the 1894, \$79,151; 1895, \$35,488; 1896, \$69,081; 1897, \$109,275; 1898, \$158,740.

Foreign Exhibits Entered.

jury tomorrow. The case will be thor oughly investigated and if possible the There were ten entries made yesterday in the office of the custom collector for the guilty parties will be brought to trial. exposition. There were seven paintings, two from Spain, two from Scotland and three from Paris. There was also a quantity of Chinese and Japanese ware entered. The consignment is valued at \$12,006. Everything in the evidence points to the saloon in connection with the Aetna house, but the Indians could not identify either