Debate Over Reducing the Member ship Dues Takes Precedence of All Other Business-Closed Senson for Fish Considered.

The twenty-seventh annual session of the American Fisheries society opened at the Millard hotel yesterday morning, with the following members present: George F. Peabody, Appleton, Wis.; Seymour Bower, Detroit, Mich.; J. J. Stranahan, Put-in-Bay, O.; J. E. Gunckel, Toledo, O.; F. N. Clark, Northville, Mich.; James Nevin and Prof. E. A. Birge, Madison, Wis.; C. Splensley, Mineral Point, Wis.; President Lew May, Omaha; Secretary Herschel Whitaker, Detroit, Mich., and J. A. Dale, York, Pa. The attendance is not so large as was expected, but more of the members will be dropping in as the meeting progresses.

President W. L. May called the meeting to order, and in the absence of Mayor Moores, who was to deliver the address of welcome, but who is shut up at home as a It was not so much what was done, or what result of indisposition, his secretary, J. Q. was said, but rather the happy way in which everything moved or floated along, Adams, performed that ceremony. He extended all of Omaha and part of Council that contributed most to the evening's en-Bluffs to the scientific fishermen, and at the joyment. Nearly 150 cricket players and close gave into the keeping of the president of the society the golden keys of the city.

Senator Spensley of Wisconsin was called on to reply, which he did in a felicitous of honor, at which were seated the presimanner, saying that as it was one of the traits of a fisherman to divide what he had posing the association, at the front of the with a friend, it was also one of his charac- room extending across the ends of the other teristics to accept anything offered him. He tables. The room was liberally and attherefore, on behalf of the society, accepted tractively decorated with the stars and the keys to the city, and the cordial wel- stripes. President Lawrie of the Omaha come extended by the mayor's representa- Cricket club acted as toastmaster, and pretive, and promised that the delegates would sented the speakers in very acceptable and enjoy themselves while here to the full

Secretary Whitaker made his annual report, which included the names of a number of fishermen applying for membership in the society. These names were referred to a proper committee, were afterward reported upon favorably and elected.

The report of the treasurer showed a balance on hand of \$401.26, with all bills paid up to June 10 last, a condition of stability which seemed to surprise most of the delegates, and at once precipitated a proposition to reduce the annual dues from \$3 to \$2. The finance committee was instructed to consider this proposition in its regular

Reducing the Duca.

The discussion of the dues question developed a wide range of ideas, but showed that the opinion was generally unanimous in favor of lower figures. The result was that upon the reassembling of the convention in the afternoon the committee submitted two reports, one signed by two of the members and the other by the third member of the committee. The majority report favored making the dues \$2, while the minority report was in favor of \$1. An attempt was made to bring the matter to a vote at once, but the subject was finally laid over for the present tournament had done more for the present, but will be settled at this session of the society.

The society was invited to be the guest of the Vermont Fish and Game league at its grow in popularity immensely from this annual outing the early part of next month. which invitation was properly acknowledged. The French section of the International Fisheries society sent a request that this society appoint some persons to act with representatives from other countries as a committee to prevent a conflict in meetings of national societies during the year 1900. The purpose of this was to arrange for an uninterrupted session at the Paris exposition. F. N. Clark, Prof. Birge and Herschel manner, and to show that he was versati

Whitaker were appointed as the representa-

tives of the American society, each of these

appointees expecting to attend that expost-James Nevin, superintendent of the state hatcheries of Wisconsin, read a paper on "Artificial Propagation Against a Closed Season on the Great Lakes:" F. B. Nickerson, fish commissioner of Michigan, had a paper read on "The Protection of Fish and a Closed Season;" and Seymour Bower, superintendent of the fish hatcheries of Michigan, read a paper on "Natural Against As sisted Reproduction of Certain Kinds of

All of these papers were on the same gen eral line that a closed season does not furnish the protection to fish that the public is inclined to believe. The matter was treated from a scientific standpoint in each case by men who have devoted years to the study of fish and their habits and each one held that the open season, with certain re strictions, was better for the fish and their rapid reproduction.

Effects of a Closed Season.

Mr. Nevin clted that in the province of Ontario, Canada, where they have had closed seasons for twenty-five years and where the law is much more rigidly enforced than in the states, the decrease in the catch from 1889 to 1896, according to official reports was 78 per cent, while in the state of Michi gan for the same time, where there has not been a closed season except for this year, the catch has decreased only 35 per He said that what is needed is pro tection for the small fish and artificial propagation will keep the lakes and streams well supplied with desirable food fish.

Mr. Dickerson held that with no restric tions and no hatcheries a closed season is better than none, but he favored an open season with certain restrictions on the catch, limiting the size of the fish to those matured and making it an offense for any one to be caught with smaller fish in their possession. Mr. Bower said there were vultures in the water as well as upon the land and that

the closed season creates a feast for them. He thought the damage done by these destroyers would be minimized by an open season, but he urged the catching of the immature fish during the spawning season and the caring for them until after hatching.

Secretary Whitaker then read a paper by Livingston Stone giving the history of the early organization of the fisheries society. The early part of the history of the society was not on the records, and this Mr. Stone endeavored to supply. He showed that the first call for a meeting was issued November 1, 1870, and that the first annual convention was held in 1872. He also gave an outline of the proceedings of the meeting with the election of officers and other data and the local product will not be ready to society. For all of this information the soclety unanimously and promptly voted a the year. resolution of thanks.

President May here announced that any of the members who wished to go out to the to day. Prices are stable with little shortexposition, either last night or at any time age in any of the products. Last week there today, should call at his desk and he would was a scarcity of California peaches, but furnish them a pass, the society having been | now the supply is equal to the demand. Onefavored with these tickets by the Depart- half of the peaches used here this year will ment of Exhibits. The members evidently come from Texas. The apple crop, according all intended to go, judging by the rush to to the farmer customers of the firm, will be communicate with the president, and shortly very poor. All other crops will be heavier thereafter the meeting adjourned for the than they have for years. ahead of what it was at this time last year.

Just a Little Fing Incident.

Among the passengers who were going to the exposition on a Sherman avenue car was a party of English people, half a dozen women and as many men. to see the exposition for the first time and as the car approached the grounds looked ing a good price. Sweet corn and all the very intently at the buildings. The Horti- vegetables are very plentiful. lture building could be seen more plainly than any of the others and brought forth many complimentary remarks from the prepaid for two weeks each and get three strangers. Suddenly one of the Englishmen of The Bee's photogravures of the exposidoffed his hat and gleefully exclaimed: "Aw, tion.

Players,

There have been innumerable reunions

The cricket smoker of 1898 will be

cricket enthusiasts assembled about the

board. This was spread out in the form

of three very long tables, with the table

dents and the captains of the teams com-

After the guests had been formally wel-

comed by President Lawrie, the Denver

club was called on to offer a few remarks.

President English and Captain Runnion

both replied in terms of highest praise for

congratulated the local club on the success

of the tournament up to date. Chicago

followed suit. President Cohen and Cap-

tain Joe Davis said the meeting was the

best ever held; called attention to the

position cities of the country, and predicted

The pride of the Twin Cities, the Minne

sota Cricket club, was ably represented by

Dr. Taylor, president, and Captain Saulez,

who made a few appropriate remarks,

pledging the health of the association and

The Dominion of Canada sent its greet-

ngs through President W. R. Baker and

Captain Pile of the Manitoba club of Win-

nipeg. John Francis, captain of the Omaha

Cricket club, quite captivated all with his

interest in the game of cricket hereabouts

within the last few years. He said that the

good of the game than anything that had

The program of impromptu addresses was

pleasantly interspersed with music, and re-

freshments and cigars were served during

both programs. Vice-Captain Nash of the

Minnesota club led the singing in a manner

that suggested considerable experience in

that line, and his solos were warmly re-ceived. "America," The "Star Spangled

Banner," "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save

the Queen" were given in a most hearty

Leader Nash rendered "Get Your Money's

Worth" in most effective fashion. At the

hands and singing "Auld Lang Syne," Presi-

dent Lawrie made the following announce-

There will be a business meeting of the

Northwestern Cricket association at the

the match games free of charge.

to the Clifford theater.

have been for years.

and of inferior quality.

vears.

base ball park this morning at 10:30 o'clock,

Hereafter all women will be admitted to

On Thursday evening the Denver Cricket

club will entertain cricketers at the Del-

On Friday evening the cricketers will mee

at the Dellone hotel and proceed in a body

Bring in two bona fide new subscribers,

The Bee's photogravures of the exposi-

prepaid for two weeks each and get three

IN FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

Local Commission Merchants Repor

Trade Good and the Ontlook

Very Encouraging.

Local commission merchants say that bus-

iness is now better than it has been for

creased their country trade and the expo-

sition their city trade. All of them report

good crops throughout the country with the

single exception of apples. Corn, all the

small grains and vegetables will have a

braska farmers say, if no drawback occurs

the crops will be heavier this fall than they

Peaches, cantaloupes and watermelons are

low the staple products for sale. The peach

crop is enormous, watermelons plentiful and

sweet corn and all the vegetables very

bundant. The trouble with the apple crop

thickly together that they crowd one another

on the twigs and consequently are smaller

Branch & Co. report a fine trade. "During

the exposition and partly to the good times

which are coming to all classes of people,

spend 50 cents or \$1 without breaking them-

selves, where only recently they hung onto

other states. Missouri, Texas, California

and Georgia will furnish the greater part of

Williams & Co. say trade and crops are

good. "In Nebraska the crops are especially

Ridell & Co. say that trade is now way

J. R. Snyder says the trade with him is

now double what it was last year. California

grapes will be on the market next week.

Those now on sale are from Georgia. On ac-

count of the hot weather lemons are bring-

The general good times have in-

conclusion of the meeting, with all holding

belief that cricket would

brilliant future for the local club and

growth of cricket in the two great ex-

for the Northwestern association.

wishing its continued success.

expressed the

time on.

humorous introductions.

brotherly manner.

ENTERTAIN THE CRICKETERS Puts Two Operators of the Game on the Stand and Elicits Some of Club Gives a Smoker in Honor of the Visiting the Details of the Gang's Business.

The gambling case in which William Syach, alleging assault and battery. and follifications in connection with the Dwyer, Jacob Kirschbaum and J. W. Byrne many conventions that have been held in Omaha this season, but none has been more County Judge Baxter yesterday afternoon. felicitous throughout, or more productive The state put some witnesses on the stand of the kindlier spirits, than the smoker given to the visitors, representing the Northwestern Cricket association, by the Omaha Cricket club at the Commercial club last evening. It was a success in its every been identified with the men at bar in particular, and guests and hosts, Britons the gambling place at 314 North Sixteenth lowing his father. and Americans, found a common level and street, a blacksmith shop formerly occupledged each others' health in a most pled by Ed Burt. There, at the time of the arrest of the three men, a so-called "pin memorable one for all who attended. It game" was in progress. Phillips and Hanwas the best ever given by the cricketers sen were arrested at Smith's race track of this section of the country, and has not game, conducted at 215 South Sixteenth

been excelled by any other organization. street. Deputy County Attorney Winter condefended the men. The evidence of Philline and Hansen was of such a character that Mr. Kelkenney asked the court for

until this morning. The first witness against them was Deputy License Collector George L. Hurst, He identified the three men and the gaming apparatus. He said he was at their place on June 3 and several times previous. The played with eight pins, each with six numbers running from one to six on its sides, and a cloth upon which squares vere arranged containing the forty-one numbers from eight to forty-eight inclu- accessories used by hunters. A pretty effect sive, to indicate whether the player won he pins and then adding up the numbers which had turned uppermost. All the easy the entertainment afforded by Omaha, and totals were on the side of the "house" and the difficult ones favored the player all the way from \$1 to \$25. A "chance" at the game cost 50 cents. At the time the arrest was made there were a large number of patrons present.

Business Details of the Game.

Phillips and Hansen followed and gave some interesting evidence. Phillips said he had known the three men last summer at Nashville and he went to work for them here after June 1. A player got a cigar if he did not win any money, he informed the court. Phillips testified that he furnished the pins and the cloth himself, according to an agreement with Dwyer. Kirschbaum and Byrne, and that Jack Norton, a saloon keeper, supplied the "roll." He was paid sometimes in the blacksmith shop and sometimes in a room over Jack brief address upon the wonderful revival of Norton's saloon. All three men, he stated, were in control of the place but Norton one time when the money was being ever before happened in this territory, and counted, Burnett, a South Omaha saloon man, was present.

Mr. Kelkenney was allowed to defer the cross-examination of Phillips, and Hansen was then interrogated by Mr. Winter, the court sometimes putting a question to him to get things clear. Hansen said he had been employed by Phillips, not by the three men on trial. He recalled having seen then all at Jack Norton's place in the presence of Phillips, the day before Nebraska day. "I understood that Phillips was to go to work for the three men," explained this witness, "and that Jack Norton was to secure them in case they were arrested. This answer Mr. Kelkenney got stricken out, but the court permitted the witness to relate the substance of the conversation without giving his own conclusions. Hansen then said: "These men wanted to know f they would go to work and Norton said they would. They did not go to work just then, but they did later on." Hansen had seen Phillips turn over the money to Kirschbaum, but Phillips had turned over the money, for that matter, to either of the three men who happened to be there.

In the cross-examination of Hansen Mr Kelkenney asked him if he had had any onversation with the county attorney or Mr. Winter previous to the trial relative to going on the stand and giving state's evidence. "I didn't know that I was to give testimony," the witness answered, "until I got on the stand." Mr. Kelkenney's interrogatories on this point were more or ess reiterative. He questioned Hansen as to whether Mr. Winter had promised him imif he turned state's evidence. Hansen's replies angered Mr. Kelkenney. They were: "I don't know that he did;" "I didn't unlerstand that he did." Mr. Winter objected to Mr. Kelkenney's cross-examination and Mr. Kelkenney asked Judge Baxter to "compel the prosecuting attorney to keep from interfering." Mr. Winter kept quiet and Hansen then answered directly that he "had not been promised immunity-never knew he was to go on the stand-was not induced in any way-had not been told to come by heavy harvest this year and, so the Ne- Mr. Winter-happened to be present because the case against him and Philips was

set for that particular time, too." Other State's Evidence.

The other witnesses for the state were License Inspector J. F. McVittie and Deputy Sheriffs Lewis and Mitchell, all whom had been instrumental in making the is the thick growth. Apples are growing so arrest. Mr. McVittie said he knew Dwyer and Byrne. When they tried to get a new license from him he thought it was for "the same old game." Dwyer had said to him: "I have nothing to do with the place the last month," said Mr. Branch, "trade and if you say so I'll go and tell those as he is familiarly known, had been working across the river, but the others inter-People are now beginning to think they can ested in the place had sent for him to come over and go to work. McVittle had pointed out Dwyer when the place was pulled. 10 cents with a deathlike grip. The local Deputies Lewis and Mitchell told product in berries is only fair. They are not transpired when the sheriff and themselves position in the establishment seemed to be. It was then that Mr. Kelkenney admitted

in a statement to the court that the character of the witnesses presented by the state had been a surprise to him and asked heavy. Watermelons come from the south for a continuance. This morning the landord of the black-

of interest to the present members of the put on the market for a month yet. Farmers smith shop, said to be H. D. Allen, is exare much encouraged over the prospects for pected by the prosecution to take the stand and tell who paid him the rent. An effort Streight & Howes report that trade is will be made to implicate others in the good and strong with little change from day | pecuniary transactions incidental to the running of the game.

Bring in two bona fide new subscribers prepaid for two weeks each and get three The Bee's photogravures of the exposi-

Recruits for the Cavalry.

Lieutenant Day of the Eleventh cavalry, who is conducting a recruiting station at the Park hotel and came to Omaha under orders to recruit for the Seventh cavalry, has also been ordered to recruit for his own regiment, the Eleventh cavalry, Since Lieutenant Day opened the station in the city he has recruited seventy-three men. Of this number fourteen were sent to Fort remainder per cent of the men who have made application have been rejected. The cavalry requires light, active men, and so many men for admission that the officers will not take any men who are not well adapted to the needs of the service.

whom he was fighting. The brick struck the child in the left jaw, shattering it and knocking its teeth out. The lower part of the child's nose was also injured. The woman was arrested on a warrant sworn out by the boy's father vesterday afternoon before Judge Gordon The woman in turn swore out warrants for

The trouble was over the trespass o are being tried jointly, came up before Syach's property of a number of geese belonging to the Miscelviths. Yesterday he undertook to warn the owner of the geese that the attorney for the defense admitted to keep them at home under penalty of he had not anticipated. These were James having them shot and became involved in Phillips and John Hansen, who are made a quarrel with the woman, who threw bricks joint defendants in another case. They had at him. It was one of these wildly thrown missiles that hit the child, who was fol-

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are three large rooms. The one that is ucted the prosecution and J. B. Kelkenney entered first is a reception room, large and airy, with plenty of easy chairs scattered here and there, while upon the floors are numerous soft and rich rugs. To the more time and a continuance was granted right is the parlor, a large room, filled with couches, easy chairs and the other necessaries that lend comfort and enjoyment.

The feature of the building, however, is the men's room on the north of the reception room. It is fitted and furnished to illustrate life in a logging camp and is in 'pin game" he described as having been striking contrast with the companion rooms on the main floor. On the north wall there is a large fireplace constructed of Mankato stone, while above and around it hang guns, powder horns and all of the is produced by the numerous flags that or lost and, if he won, how much. The are draped in an artistic manner about the are skins, furs and hides of animals of heads, moose, elk and antelope, with one buffalo. From these are suspended knives, guns and flasks. Instead of easy chairs, there are pine benches, while in a cupboard on the wall there are the dishes that the lumberman would naturally use in serving a bachelor meal.

The main staircase leads to the second admired by all. It is according to the style Miss Graves of Minneapolis. The central plece is an Indian, dressed in bright colors. He appears to be resting from the fatigues out over the surrounding country, watching the encroachments of the white man. ing a representation of the state seal and ing the stairs turn to the right and left and ascend to the main floor of the second story. handled the money. What money was left | On this floor are the rooms of the officers over after settling up went to Norton. At in charge of the building, with a large sized reception room just at the head of the stairs. On this floor, as on the main floor, there are an abundance of sofas, easy chairs and rugs, while around the veranda are some fifty porch chairs for the exclusive use of the visitors.

> The interior of the building is handsomely decorated, the style and color of each room Bright colors, however, being different. prevail, giving the whole a rich and home-

> DIRECTORS CLAIM SOME RIGHTS. Allege that Executive Committee is

Not the Whole Thing. The adjourned meeting of the board of twenty-four members, or two less than a quorum. After waiting until after 6 o'clock for the remaining votes the board adjourned o 4 o'clock today, when an effort will be made to secure a quorum and pass on a number of matters that have been hanging fire all the week.

During the informal discussion with which the members whiled away the time various measures were suggested to induce directors to attend the meetings and a motion was finally adopted which expressed the sense of the members present that hereafter any member who was absent from two consecutive meetings without a sufficient excuse should be deprived of his

In the course of the discussion C. S. Montgomery infused some activity into the proceedings by remarking that it did not matter particularly whether the board met at all or not as the management of the exmunity in the case against him and Phillips position was largely in the hands of the executive committee. This brought up John C. Wharton for the purpose of a vigorous speech, in which he declared that the directors had to bear the responsibility and they should have something to say about the manner in which the business should be conducted. This led to a reference to the rule promul-

gated by the Department of Concessions by which all concessionists were directed to recognize the gold badges of members of the executive committee, but did not provide for the free admission of the directors who wore silver badges. Several members declared that an employe of the department had gone so far as to specifically instruct the concessionists to pay no attention to directors' badges and this they regarded as entirely unnecessary.

NOVEL MUSIC PROGRAM TONIGHT.

It is Expected to Prove an Attraction of Great Merit.

Tonight's musical program embraces as element of novelty that promises to bring out a large local crowd. This is the first of a has been very heavy. This is due partly to people to close up." Byrne, or Jack Burns series of grand court concerts in which the exposition chorus and Phinney's band will introduce a new effect in chorus work. The chorus will be stationed at the head of the lagoon, while the band will play in front of the Liberal Arts building. In the cho ruses the band will play the theme alone. and then remain silent while the chorus so large or good as those shipped in from arrested the men and what their relative sings the same melody without accompaniment. It is believed that the effect will b exceptionally pleasing and an enjoyable innovation. Tonight the chorus will sing "Adeste Fideles," "Steal Away," the Sicilian hymn, and "Abide with Me," and the band will render a program that embraces such popular selections as the overture from "Semiramide," by Rossini, the Pilgrims chorus from "Tannhauser" and the ballet music from "Faust."

Concert patrons who wish to register their wishes for the Friday night "request" concerts will hand their coupons to the program boys instead of sending them to Superintendent Kelly.

Negotiations are in progress for the en gagement of the famous Mexican band, which proved a popular attraction at the World's fair, to follow Phinney's band at the exposition. The engagement of the present band terminates August 3 and it is proposed to play the Mexican organization for six weeks.

Last Night on the Midway.

The Midway did a good business last night, and all of the concessions played to Sill, twenty-eight to Fort Apache and the packed houses. The crowd was orderly and About 50 put in its time enjoying itself. The only unpleasant feature of the evening was the arrest of Harry O'Brien, manager of the Streets of Cairo. Shortly after 9.0'clock World's Fair. It is better than the Nashone of the guards walked up to O'Brien's office in the streets and placed him under

FISH CULTIVATORS' MEETING
The hats of the campab of the building."
Twenty-Seventh Annual Session of the National Fisheries Society.

TREASURY FILLS UP TOO RAPIDLY

The hat is is! On the campab of the building.

The hat is is! On the campab of the building.

TRANK GAMBLERS' TRIAL

SMASHES IN A BABY'S FACE

In an instant and they all gazed at the Enterope of the building.

An old countryman who sat behind none of the concessional stand out allow any of their "spielers" to stand out boom the attendance."

Some Sensational Testimony.

Three-year-old Louis Svach of Gibson became the mark for a brick that was thrown at his father, Louis Svach, yesterday by the find the high staff on the central dome he said "That's it, away up above the other the police station on the grounds and there informed that he had stated to the weather gets such yesterday. The order provides that he had allow any of their "spielers" to stand out boom the attendance."

Some Sensational Testimony.

Three-year-old Louis Svach of Gibson became the mark for a brick that was thrown at his father, Louis Svach, yesterday by the find the contral dome he said "That's it, away up above the other contral dome he said "That's it, away up above the other contral dome he said "That's it, away up above the other contral dome he said "That's it, away up above the other contral dome he said "That's it, away up above the other contral dome he said "That's it, away up ab

camels to pass outside and make a short tour of the street in front of the building. When arrested, O'Brien stated that he knew nothing of the new order, but was following a custom that has been in vogue since the opening day of the exposition. At the station he gave bonds for his appearance in police court to answer the harge of violating the exposition rules.

INCREASE GOVERNMENT EXHIBIT. Ministure Dry Dock Will Be Sent

Here from Washington. Lieutenant Commander E. M. Stedman, who is in charge of the exhibit of the Navy department in the Government building, will leave for Washington tonight to arrange for the transportation of a number of new and interesting features that will be added to the exhibit early in August. Of these the most important is a miniature dry dock, which will illustrate to exposition visitors the most modern construction of this essential feature of the navy or-The model has just been finished ganism. at the Washington navy yard, where it has been in course of construction since last winter. It is designed to give the people an idea of what a dry dock is, and how it is manipulated, and it is an exact reproduction of the Simpson timber dry docks that will be built at the Portsmouth, Philadelphia and Mare Island navy yards to accommodate the urgent necessity for additional docking facilities that has been emphasized since the war broke out. These docks will be 700 feet long on the

coping head to the outer sill gate, and thirty-eight feet deep to the working floor. The general width will be seventy-one feet on the bottom and 162 feet 6 inches at the top, except at the entrance. which seventy-five feet wide at the bottom and 120 feet wide at the top. The model which will he shown at the exposition is on a scale of one-quarter inch to the foot, or one-forty method of playing was by knocking over chimney of the fireplace. Upon the wall eighth of the full size. It is consequently about fifteen feet long and four feet wide Minnesota. There are a number of deer It is a complete working model, and it will be accompanied by a model of the new battleship Illinois, which will docked and undocked exactly as the actual battleship will be handled in one of the new docks when they are completed. A large basin will be constructed just outside of the entrance to the dock in which the mode ship will be floated just as a ship would floor from the reception room and at the float in the ocean in front of a genuine first landing there is a work of art that is dry dock. This will be filled by a connection with the city water system, and at cerof a memorial window, the handiwork of tain hours every day the process of docking will be exhibited by an expert employed of the Navy department, who will explain the method of operation. When it is deof the chase, and, as he stands, he looks sired to dock the vessel the valves in the caisson will be opened to let the water flow in and fill the dock to the level of Smaller windows are on either side, bear- the basin. Then the caisson will swing outward while the ship is towed inside. the coat of arms of the state. At this land- When the ship is exactly over the keel blocks the caisson will be closed again, and the dock drained of water, leaving the ship high and dry on the blocks. In undocking the same process is reversed, and the process will be repeated every day during he remainder of the exposition.

The model of the Illinois will give the public its first accurate idea of the new type of battleships that are in process of construction. These consist of the Illinois, Alabama and Wisconsin, which are being built at Newport News, Cramps' shipyard in Philadelphia and the Union Iron Works n San Francisco respectively.

Few of the people who admire the various models of war ships that are displayed in the navy exhibit are aware that they are expensive ornaments. Each represents a different type of fighting ship, and it directors yesterday afternoon brought out struct them. The model of the Illinois cost the same amount, and it cost \$2,000 addi tional to build the model of the dry dock so that this single addition to the exhibit will cost the government \$8,000, aside from the expense of transportation and installa-

tion. In addition to this Lieutenant Stedman will secure a 4-inch rapid firing gun for his exhibit. This will be much larger than any piece of ordnance that has been shown on the grounds. It is thirteen feet long and is a type of the fighting apparatus that has wreaked such havoc with the Spanish ships. A Whitehead torpedo will be another new feature, and also a binnacle compass, which will be a curiosity to most of the exposition visitors.

NEW TENANTS IN FISH TANKS.

quarium at the Government Building Growing in Importance. The aquariums in the fish exhibit in the Government building are constantly acquir ing new tenants and nearly every day ther is an arrival of fish from some of the gov ernment stations to give variety to the show. Commissioner Conway has just received a large quantity of fish which includes both salt and fresh water varietie and these have been installed in the tanks The sait water collection was shipped from Woods Hole, Massachusetts, and includes an excellent collection of lobsters, sea anemones, blue crabs, king crabs, sea bass, skates summer flounder and swell fish. The latter is a very curious specimen owing to its exposition. Unless there is a change in ability to inflate itself like a balloon.

A large shipment of fresh water fish has just arrived from Lake Michigan. This includes lake and brook trout, five months old, adult rainbow and brook trout, yellow perch, saugers and small mouthed black bass. A lot of trout from Colorado was also received this morning. These were brought in by Superintendent E. A. Dean of Colorado and include black spotted, rain-

bow, brook and Lochlevin trout. Last night Commissioner Lew May shipped in a collection of native Nebraska varieties and four of the aquariums have been turned over to this feature of the exhibit. The varieties include buffalo, cats, bass, gars, pickerel, quill backs, white perch and eels, besides a collection of large snapping turtles. A shipment of 7,000 black spotted trout eggs from Leadville is on the road.

A tank of young grayling trout is now attracting a good deal of attention. It is extremely difficult to raise this variety, but in the present instance the fish are a month old and in exceptionally good condition. The most striking feature of the species is its remarkably slow growth. The graylings now on exhibition were hatched in the middle of June, but they are still so small that it requires close observation to distinguish them. They are scarcely an inch long and in the tank they resemble a lot of very young polywogs.

The surplus specimens that accumulate as new fish arrive are disposed of by dumping them into the lagoon, which already literally alive with small fish. Several thousand gold fish have been liberated in this way besides the odds and ends of the various other varieties.

Ward the grandfather of the whole state; these people speak of him as one of the family. One farmer said: "Why, I buy all my farm machillers, buggles, wagons—

Minnesota Crowd is Pleased. The members of the Minnesota party in the city had an enjoyable time last night. portion of them visited the Midway, while another large party, escorted by Colonel Shaw of the Department of Promotion, visited the theater.

Speaking of the exposition W. J. Mc. Murchy, assistant city editor of the St. Paul Globe, said: "It is the greatest show yet held. In many respects it is ahead of the ville or the Atlanta expositions." Governor Clough, after visiting the main ists.

commission held The Kansas state ceting yesterday and devoted several hours working on the program that will be carried into effect on Kansas day, Septembe All of the members of the commission ex-Governor Glick, John E. Frost, A. H. freef, A. W. Smith and A. C. Lamb, were

attendance. The morning session of the Kansas comnission was cut short by reason of the nembers desiring to attend the dedication of the Minnesota building. At the afteroon session it was decided to make an effort to secure a reduced rate for Kansas day and all possible pressure will be brought to bear upon the railroads to bring in the people from the Sunflower state on special trains and at low rates.

A letter was read from Governor Leedy, n which he stated that he was in sympa thy with the work of the commission and would do all in his power to assist in pushing Kansas to the front and advertising the exposition to the world.

The fruit that Kansas is showing in the Horticultural building is something that is the talk of the exposition, both on account of the variety and the quality. Regarding his exhibit the members of the commission say that they have made arrangements by which the display will not only be kept up to the present standard but that there will be improvements made almost daily.

Fireworks in the Evening. The observance of Minnesota day closed ith the display of fireworks in the evenng. The grandstand was packed with people, while several hundred lined up along the fence on the outside of the enclosure. A reserved section of the grandstand was

occupied by Governor Clough and the Minnesota party. The display opened with a prismatic IIumination of the entire surroundings This, in turn, was followed by a set piece, ntitled "Welcome Minnesota," Then there was a flight of shells within shells, aquatic fireworks, including snakes, diving fish, perpoises, water mines and silver founains, together with a flight of hundreds of magnesium shells. The next to attract attention was a boy and a girl riding a eesaw, after which came the set piece that was the feature of the display. It was a portrait of Governor Clough in colors. It burned brightly for five minutes, and was cheered and cheered. The next thing n order was an aerial device, representing girl acrobat walking on a ball that revolved for 600 feet in midair. After this here was a flight of Due's shells, containing 10,000 stars, a flock of swans on the lake, a monster flery phoenix, the display closing with a grand bombardment of shells, rockets and colored lights.

Asks for Low Rate. KEARNEY, Neb., July 19 .- (Special.) To the Editor of the Bee: So far the great najority of the visitors to the exposition have been from the towns and country im mediately adjoining Omaha and unless there is a very material difference made in the rate by the roads you can expect but few where the rate of one and a third fare is held to any distance out. I have talked with many farmers and very few will go but if a rate of say one cent a mile or no over one and a half cents per mile for the round trip was made, say once each week and good for three or five days, the whole country would go, children and all. It seems strange that the roads cannot se this. More, they should make such a rate and placard the country and the outpouring would be immense. The papers of Omaha should keep this matter up continually until some such arrangement is made if they ex-

pect the rank and file to turn out. OBSERVER

Woman's Board is Anxious. There has been considerable talk in in terested circles of friction between the Women's Board of Managers and the management in regard to matters connected with the congresses. It is officially stated in behalf of the women that there is animus in the matter, but they wish to have a thorough understanding in the matter before proceeding further. A letter is being prepared and signed by all the members of the executive committee of the wo men's board in which the matter is fully discussed. This will be presented to the exposition management as soon as all the signatures are secured. The women state that there has been some misunderstanding in regard to a number of matters relating to the congresses and they want to know just how much support they will receive for the congresses that are scheduled for Sep-

tember and October. Missouri Coming in Force. Secretary Nelson, in charge of the Mis souri exhibit in the Horticultural building. says the state which he represents pro poses to come up in full force on Missouri day, which has been set for August 30. He estimates that 10,000 Missourians will be here. They will come on special trains and will bring along several bands of music. In addition to the regular exercises there will be a distribution of melons and peaches. It is the intention to make this a day that will mark an epoch in the history of the the present plans 10,000 watermelons and

It is practically decided that the difficulty n regard to the location of the mast in the mirror will be remedied by moving it nearer the center

,000 boxes of peaches will be given away

of the lagoon in preference to putting up bulkhead against the colonnade. This will be quite a task, but it is thought that the life-saving exhibitions will be decidedly more interesting if the spar is placed so the shot can fall in the water. The change will probably delay the exhibitions for several days and by that time Captain Knowles expects the new boat will be ready for use, Day for the Fishermen.

The exposition has decided to set Friday aside as Fishermans' day in honor of the lelegates who are attending the meeting of the American Fisheries society. No special program or demonstration will be made; but an exhibit of especial interest to persons interested in fish will be prepared by the Nebraska Fish commission and the men who have charge of the government fish exhibit. Exposition Notes

A Kansas visitor fell in a fit in the Gov ernment building yesterday morning. He was taken to the hospital, where he soon recovered.

Minnesota people filled the building of Montgomery Ward & Co. yesterday to its utmost capacity and a regular reunion it was, too. One would think Montgomery everything from him. Save money by it' Well, I guess I do," said he. "Save the price of a hired man every year.

The condition of the sewers near the Twenty-fourth street entrance demands at tention. The trouble has cisely located, but the exhalation of sewer is carried to the manholes near the entrance and there thrown out, to the dis comfort of the public. Inspector Holt of the municipal sewer department was calle out to investigate the matter yesterday and decided that the difficulty was somewhere inside the grounds. As the exposition au thorities refused to admit him to make the necessary examination the nuisance still ex-

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