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Evidence that Operation Does Not Quite Come Up to Theory in Result.

NEBRASKA'S REVENUE LAWS

SOME OF THE QUEER THINGS SHOWN Whole State Listed at Less Than Five

Times Omaha's City Valuation-Wide Variation in Figures in Different Countles.

LINCOLN, Nov. 30. - (Special.) - The question of a new system of state taxation and revenue is now agitating the public mind, and it is universally agreed that this is one of the most important matters to be considered by the coming legislature. On this account anything printed relating to the revenue system is readable at .his time, and there is a general demand for some accurate information before the legislature begins its labors.

The total valuation of taxable property in the state for the current year is \$167,810,764 and the levy is so adjusted that a sufficient amount of revenue is produced for the needs of the state. One great cause for complaint, however, is that the valuation is so low on all classes of property that Nebraska suffers in the eyes of the world when these figures are compared with those of other states. There is also complaint that under the present system the property in the farming communities, being all in sight, is therefore all assessed, while the people in the towns and cities are able to conceal their evidences of wealth and do not pay their fair share of the taxes. In the cities collusion between assessors and property owners is quite possible under the present system. In the country precincts every man knows what his neighbor owns and the assessor elected is not likely to be under political or financial obligations to any of his neighbors. There is, of course, a strife between the assessors to see which shall get the property in his precinct in on the lowest valuation, but there is little discrimination between individual property owners.

Valuation of Lands and Lots. The valuation on the lands of the state. as shown by the abstract for 1898, is as follows:

Average
 Improved lands
 S60,459,953
 \$ 3.40

 Unimproved lands
 18,058,885
 1.43

 Improved lots
 26,166,086
 131,28

 Unimproved lots
 6,883,796
 22,02
While it would be a long job for the state board to arrive at the real value of the lands in the different parts of the state the variance in the figures from the counties in the eastern part, where the soil, improvements, climatic conditions and nearness to market are about the same, indicates that some improvement in the system is imperative. The live stock of the state is shown

to be as follows: Val- Aver-Horses **************** While this abstract shows that the people in the various counties pay taxes on a valuation that is equal as among the residents of the same county on like classes of property, yet many of the counties pay a lower rate than others and there is no attempt on the part of the State Board of Equalization to remedy this. For instance, the horses in Douglas county are shown to be worth \$10.44 aplece, in Dodge county value that is regulated somewhat by the \$10, in Lancaster \$5.92, in Gage \$8.47 and condition of the markets, but after all varies in McPherson as low as \$1.72. The valuation in the other counties ranges along between the figures of Douglas and those of McPherson. The people of Lancaster county out the item of transportation to the wholewould regard it as an insult if the state-, sale market, and any assessor can tell the ment were made that the horses here were usual sale price of

low notch. Sheep in Cheyenne are assessed at \$1.50 per head, Douglas 51 cents and Lancaster 27 cents. In Deuel and Keith, counties adjoining Chevenne, the valuation is 25 cents per head, while in Thomas it is only 10 cents per head. The figures in the other countles are distributed between those of Cheyenne and Thomas Inasmuch as the net value of the wool clip on each sheep is fully 75 cents, some of these figures will appear to be ridiculous. Hogs range in value from \$1.93 in Loup county down to 22 cents in Deuel, with Douglas at \$1.18 and Lancaster at 95 cents. This would indicate to the resident of an eastern state that the hogs in Nebraska are of a very poor grade and the tax sheets, as used and approved by the State Board

of Equalization, would not have been good things to exhibit at the great Transmississippi Exposition.

Other Property Listed.

Some of the totals of other properties that go to raise the state taxes are shown

as follows: onds, stocks, etc. Shares of capital stock. Property of companies and corpora-tions 87,060 114,978 1.715,699 Household and office furniture..... 1,541,054 Saloons and eating houses..... Bridges, telephones, etc.... Investments, real estate and im-provements 69,757 425,815 Provements 742,650 Railroads, sleeping cars, etc. 25,175,237 Telegraph property 214,602 While these items seem to be large, nobody pretends to claim that they represent more than a small per cent of the real value of the property. Should the carriages and wagons of Douglas county be purchased at their real value the transaction would make a frightful inroad on the \$867,734. If it did not totally use it up. The items of gold and silverware, and the diamonds and jewelry are ridiculously small, while money and credit items make a very small showing in the face of the bank statements made last summer showing nearly \$50,000,000 on deposit in the state. The bonds, stocks, shares in companies and corporations are so small in-amount as to require no comment. In

fact, it is apparent that most of the invisible property and wealth that is represented by paper escapes taxation under the present system.

Another Feature of the Law. One complaint comes from the owners of real estate, who have mortgages against their property, but are still obliged to pay taxes the same as if there was no incumbrance. The man who owns a quarter section of land worth \$5,000 has against it a mortgage amounting to \$3,000. He pays taxes on the \$5,000 property, while the mortgage holder who has a \$3,000 interest usually pays no share of the tax. A case

like this has two sides, however. Should the land be taxed at its full value and the mortgage holder be taxed for the amount of the paper he held, then the same piece of land would be yielding a double revenue The present revenue law provides that property shall be taxed at its actual value. but there is no penalty to compel the assessor to perform this duty, and the tendency is to get lower and lower, each officer trying to favor his constituents. It is argued that it would be impossible to get at the fair value of property, but this certainly is not a good argument as regards live stock. Cattle, hogs and sheep have I

but little. An animal in fair condition and of an average weight is worth exactly the same in all parts of the state, counting SIDNEY, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-There is a great scramble after the register-

he had married Eliza Morris when he already was bound to Mabel Egbert of Omaha. The statement that he had a previous wife is untrue, as a divorce decree has been in-

troduced dated in Oregon in 1893. COUNTRY MERCHANTS VOTE NO Sentiment Against Continuance of

Exposition is Expressed. SILVER CREEK, Neb., Nov. 30.-(Special.)-At a meeting of business men of this vicinity the following open letter was formulated: To the Proprietors of Omaha Jobbing Houses: Recognizing a community of inter-ests between the city of Omaha and the various other sections of the state we, the undersigned citizens of Silver Creek, Neb.

being opposed to the continuance of the Transmississippi and International Exposi-tion at Omaha next year, ufgently solicit your co-operation in making formal protest against the same. We hope that we may receive your earnest, active support in

Standing up for Nebraska. Signed by the following: C. W. Bowlby, W. E. Kerr, H. H. Hudson, N. L. Sowidy, merchants; M. L. Rossiter, banker; Amos Gates, A. Roth, merchants; Lillian Hull, milliner; Sol. C. Towslee, Roth & Kula, merchants; M. H. Jeffrey, restauranteur; Thomas M. Pethick, druggist; J. H. Pope, grain dealer; F. C. Coulton, grain, coal and implement dealer; J. H. Pollard, coal dealer;

H. Slitt & Sons, butchers; D. B. Young, druggist; E. W. Jeffrey, barber; J. B. Gray, real estate dealer; Edith and Pauline Wooster, publishers. CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Spe cial.)-Since there has been talk of holding another exposition in Omaha next summer local merchants and business men have stated that they are unitedly opposed to the project. They assert that if Omaha business men persist in their course local merchants will give their business to St.

Joseph, Kansas City and Lincoln.

Contest at Alasworth. AINSWORTH, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special Telegram.)-A sensation was created this evening by the announcement that contest papers had been filed to oust J. C. Toliver from the county attorneyship. The incum-bent by the official count was declared elected by 1 majority, but the dissatisfied populists profess to believe that they can unseat the republican official by reason of illegal votes and the throwing out of a precinct and have filed papers to that effect The republicans are not alarmed, but ar determined now that the ball is opened to make it extremely hot for the populists, who will find themselves put on the de

fensive forthwith. Shoots His Foot Off.

KEARNEY, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-J. C. Knoll went out to his farm Sunday morn

ing and there met with an accident that has resulted in the loss of a foot. There being a light snow on the ground the opportunity was tempting for rabbit shooting. In some manner his foot slipped and his gun being cocked the contents were discharged, striking him in the ankle of the eft foot, shattering the bones and mutilating the foot very badly. It was found necessary to amputate the foot and it was taken off half way between the ankle and knee. He is now thought to be out of dan-

Big Sheep Purchase. NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Spe ia?.)-W. B. Ellis has returned from a trip to Las Vegas, New Mexico. While there he purchased 35,000 head of sheep. During the next two months he expects to dispose of all of them but 750 ewes. These he has rented out on shares for the next three years to Wisner & Parnell, who are on a ranch north of town. Mr. Ellis brought 4,000 head of sheep with him and took them to the market at South Omaha. The balance he will probably ship from Las Vegas by a southern

route to Chicago. Many Want the Same Office.

IDEALS IN CITY GOVERNMENT

Municipal League Gives the Subject Exhaustive Study.

COMMITTEE REPORTS A MODEL SYSTEM

Consideration Given to Rights Which Municipality Should Have in Its Own Affairs - Address by Samuel B. Capen.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 30 .- The sixth conference of the Municipal league began this afternoon in the assembly rooms of the Commercial club. This is the most important meeting since the organization has been formed. Its purpose is to discuss what it regards as the first essential of general municipal reform-an ideal or model system of government. The task of preparing such a system was undertaken by the organization at its meeting in Louisville, May, 1897. A committee of seven was appointed and

charged with the task without restriction as to time or instructions as to details. The committee was charged with the duty of preparing "essential principles" and a working plan or system, consistent with American industrial and political conditions. The

results of this work, which has been constant for eighteen months are a set of general state constitutional amendments and a municipal corporation act which the committee believes will accomplish all that is sought.

There were many arrivals of delegates. The organization is representative of many

municipal leagues, Christian government leagues and the like, all over the country. State organizations are also represented. Among the delegates attending the conference are many who are distinguished as students of political economy and who are known as advocates of new systems of municipal government. The organization is comprehensive of the various elements from the radical to the conservative. The conservative element is largely in control at present.

Charles Richardson, vice president of the league, presided today in the absence of President Carter of New York. The delegates were welcomed by Governor Mount and Mayor Taggart. A paper was read upon

United States," by Clinton Rogers Woodruff of Philadelphia.

R. Milthis; Ohio Municipal Code commission, D. F. Pugh, Edward Kibler; Municipal League of Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. George Burnham, jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richardson, Dr. L. S. Rowe, C. R. Woodruff Civic League of Dayton, O., Willard Barringer; London, England, John Martin; Civic federation, Chicago, Ralph M. Easley; Iowa college, Prof. George D. Herron; Richmond, Va., W. D. Foulke, J. C. Peterson: Boston Municipal league, S. B. Capen; City

club, New York, Dr. Albert Shaw, H. E. Deming, Prof. F. J. Goodnow; Cincinnati, Rt. Rev. B. O. Vincent; Washington, D. C.

A. R. Foote: Kansas City, Mo., C. S. Palmer; Boston, Mass., Josiah Quincy, mayor; University of Kansas, Dr. E. W. Bemis. Dr. L. S. Powell of Philadelphia submitted

the report of the committee on municipal program. Dr. L. S. Rowe, professor of municipal government in the University of Pennsylvania, presented the report of the committee on municipal program. It contained a proposed constitutional amendment treating of four distinct classes of subjects-the

relation of the municipality to the state, the powers of the municipality, the procedure in the exercise of municipal functions, the

visions of the proposed charter. He in- not think the people of the United States sisted that national politics should be totally are in the market to buy sovereignty or divorced from the conduct of local affairs. that the constitution has conferred on any-Because a man believed in expansion was no body the right to buy any such commodity. argument that he would take a wise position The constitution was framed upon the theory upon the question of a sewer system or the that sovereignty is not saiable. The people purchase of water works system. He of the United States have conferred upon rged the separation of the administrative nobody the power to make such purchases from the legislative in municipal government in their behalf. We have acquired territory. either vacant or so sparsely settled that and favored a single legislative body. He there were no people capable of governing favored the proposition to eliminate wards nd elect all councilmen from the entire it and no germ of a national life. We have

entific Scholarship.

Stillman of New York has given \$50,000 to

Harvard college to cover the cost of land

and buildings for a projected Harvard in-

firmary which will bear the name of the

donor. In addition Mr. Stillman will con-

A new scholarship has just been con-

ferred upon the scientific school of Har-

vard university by a gift of \$10,000 by J.

R. Jenkins, a graduate of the class of '77

and a mining engineer in the gold district

of South Africa. The interest of this sum

is to be given to a student of engineering.

HYMENEAL.

Wallace-White.

Brewery Deal Postponed.

CINCINNATI. Nov. 30 .- It was expected

that the deal whereby an eastern syndicate represented by Senator Foraker, W. E. Hut-

day. No action was taken and the options

TODAY'S WEATHER FORECAST

Generally Fair with Fresh West

Winds in lowa and Variable

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 .- Forecast for

For Missouri-Fair; variable winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Nov. 30.-Omaha record of tem-perature and rainfall compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

Winds in Nebraska.

were extended to February 1, 1899.

Thursday:

winds.

tribute \$2,500 annually for four years.

body of the city. Following the addresses the Woman's club received the delegates and their wives. One hundred and fifty guests were present. The with its millions of inhabitants." club had as their guests from Indianapolis: Benjamin and Mrs. Harrison, Governor and Mrs. James A. Mount, General and Mrs. Lew

Wallace and Mr. James Whitcomb Riley. supper was served at 11 o'clock.

MISUSE OF PENSION MONEY

Specific Charges of Inmates of Soldiers' Home of Erie County, Pennsylvania, Laid Before Governor.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 30 .- State Senator Perry A. Gibson of the Erle county district today met Governor Hastings at the Stratford hotel, this city, by appointment, and laid before him a lengthy petition which the senator had received from inmates of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Erie, Pa. The petition prayed the senator to take steps to recover for them pension money which they had received from the national government and which, they allege, has been illegally taken from them

by the trustees of the institution at Erie. The petition is signed by 100 inmates of TOBIAS, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-Miss the home, who allege that an aggregate of Bertha White was married at 6 p. m Sun-\$602 per month is taken from them and day to Frank R. Wallace of York, Neb. that the amount taken from inmates of the The ceremony was performed at the home home since 1885, in which year it was orof the bride's parents by Rev. Simpson of ganized, aggregates \$100,000 and is being the Methodist Episcopal church and was added to at the rate of \$10,000 per year. witnessed only by relatives. The bride has The method of taking this money from lived here for the last thirteen years. Mr. the old soldiers, the petition alleges, is a Wallace formerly lived here, but is now enrule adopted by the trustees of the institugaged in the grocery business at York. tion, which compels the inmates to turn over to the home all pension money re-

ceived in excess of \$4 per month, on penalty f discharge. The petitioners say they are informed

that this money is placed in the hands of Louis Farmer of Philadelphia, treasurer of the board of trustees of the home, and that it is used in extending relief to dependent relatives of pensioners in the home. The petitioners say they have no dependent relatives and that their money is taken without any apparent design of using it for any purpose, either for the benefit of the home, relatives or inmates themselves.

WINE Imperial

-Fair: variable winds. **MORE NEGROES REACH PANA** vinds, becoming variable.

Guard Disarms Them Before Allowing Them to Leave the Train-Bloom-

ington Troops Relieved.

PANA, Ill., Nov. 30 .- After fifty days' continuous night and day riot duty in Pana Troop B of Bloomington, First Illinois cavairy squadron, was relieved today by Company K, First regiment, of Delavan. Desultory shooting continues nightly, the provost guard having but little success in effecting captures. Another consignment of negroes arrived last night. They were met at the train by a squad of soldiers, who relieved them of arms before permitting them to march to Springfield mine barracks. The white miners are remaining steadfast for the scale and union recognition. They received \$1,600 vesterday from the state union. Next week Sheriff-elect Downey, an avowed friend of the miners, relieves

YOUR also, in one recent case, acquired a territory where the original germ of national life had perished. But neither of these precedents applies to the Philippine archipelago. LARGE GIFTS TO HARVARD Fifty Thousand for Projected Infirmary and Ten Thousand for Sel-CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Nov. 30 .- James

Warm Shampoos with



And light dressings with CUTI-CURA, purest of emollient skin cures, will clear the scalp and hair of crusts, scales and dandruff -soothe irritated and itching surfaces, stimulate the hair follicles. ten and Herman Goepper was to secure eight breweries here, would be closed at noon tosupply the roots with energy and nourishment, and thus produce luxuriant, lustrous hair, with clean. wholesome scalp, when all else fails,

For Nebraska, South Dakota and Kansas For Golf Rash, heat rash, inflammations, due or offensive perspiration, and other sanative uses, nothing so soothing, purify-ing and refreshing as a bath with CUTI-CURA SOAP, the most effective skin puri-tying soap in the world, as well as purest and sweetest for tollet, bath and nursery. For Iowa-Generally fair: fresh west For Wyoming-Partly cloudy; variable

Sold throughout the world. Price, CUTI-CURA SOAP, 25c; CUTICURA (ointment), 50c. POTTER DRUG AND CHEM. CORP., Sole Props., Boston. British Depot, 1 King Edward st., London. Depot Francais, 113 fauboug 8, St. Honore, Paris. Send for "Face, Hands and Hair Book," mailed free.



if sent out of town.

"The Advance of Municipal Reform in the WINE Cook's WINE Champagne.

The following delegates are present: New York club, Horace E. Deming, General M.

worth only a little more than one-half as much as those in Douglas and Dodge and yet that is the way the figures show on the records.

Variations in Cattle Figures.

In paying taxes on cattle there is great injustice done to some of the counties and the only way to make the burden of taxes equal would be to have a Board of Equalization that really performed some duties. In Keya Paha county cattle are assessed at a valuation of \$9.61 per head. The low est figures are in Deuel, where the valuation is only \$1.87 per head. Boyd county adjoining Keya Paha, pays taxes on a valuation of \$7.09 and in Holt the figures are \$3.24. Lancaster county cattle are worth \$4.64 for taxation purposes and in Douglas they are worth \$5.69. This range of figures is preposterous when it is remembered that the price of cattle is practically the same in all parts of the state and that from \$20 to \$25 must be paid for a yearling steer or helfer in any county. But the practice of allowing countles to make their own figures on valuation works a hardship in many localities and furnishes an induce ment for large cattle owners to congregate their herds in some of the favored counties along about the time for the assessor to come around. Thus a man who owned a large herd in Keya Paha could hardly be blamed if he drove his property over into Holt county, where the assessors and county boards of equalization seem to be very friendly toward cattlemen.

Mules are worth \$10.54 in Pawnee, \$10.28 in Keya Paha, \$8.97 in Douglas, \$5.85 in Lancaster and as low as \$2.12 in McPherson with many other counties striving for the



There are three periods in all life-the time of the bud, of the flower and of the perfect fruit. It is thus that girlbood emerges into womanhood and womanhood into motherhood. Almost all of the ills from which women suffer have their inception in weakness and disease of the femi-nine organism, which bears the burdens of wifehood and motherhood. These disor-ders usually begin with puberty, childbirth or with the "turn of life." Thousands of

or with the "turn of life." Thousands of women suffer silently for years in this way, rather than undergo the examinations and local treatment insisted upon by the major-ity of physicians. This is unnecessary. An eminent and skillful specialist, Dr. R. V. Pierce, for thirty years chief consult-ing physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., long since discovered a wonderful medicine that will cure all troubles of this nature in the privacy of the home. This medi-cine is known as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Pre-scription. It acts directly on the delicate cine is known as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Pre-scription. It acts directly on the delicate and imporant organs that make wifebood and motherhood possible. It makes them s'rong, healthy and vigorous. It allays in-fammation, healthy and vigorous. It makes the indispositions of the period of impending maternity, and makes baby's advent easy and almost painless. It transforms weak, sickly, nervous invalids into happy, healthy wives and mothers. All good medicine dealers sell it, and no honest dealer will urge a substitute upon you. Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure constipation.

rly every article that omes under his jurisdiction. Since 1871, according to the tax books ersonal property in this state has a little

nore than doubled, real estate is worth almost four times more, the value of city property has quadrupled, railroad property has advanced in the same degree, while the tems of moneys, credits, etc., have only ioubled in value.

Money to Pay Guardsmen.

A short time ago Adjutant General Barry irew a warrant for the money to pay the nembers of the National guard who were alled out by the state but who were re ected by the war department on account o' physical disabilities. The amount of the arrant was about \$6,000. At that time ther vere a few vouchers yet to come in and there are now on hand ready for payment additional vouchers amounting to \$345.28. A varrant for \$508.20 has lately been drawn o pay the expense of the camp of instrucion of the Wymore battery.

In the estimate furnished by the adjutant eneral yesterday showing the amount neces ary to be appropriated by the legislature to out the National guard on a proper footing no account was taken of the fact that the ceneral government now provides the equipment for the guard of the states and tha the amount due Nebraska each year from this source is a little over \$6,000, which is trawn in clothing and other equipment Much of the clothing, arms and other equip ment of the old guard before it went into he government service was furnished by the general government, through this annua! appropriation, and there is a possibility that the government will see fit to provide the guard of the different states with equipment ill at once, from the stores now on hand, and that the states will not be called upon to make appropriations for such a purpose. It has been a long time since this state appropriated money to buy equipment for the uard, the general government having looked after that part of the business, honoring the requisition from this state for stores not to

exceed the \$6,000 and odd each year. The equipment properly belongs to the War department and the adjutant general of the National guard is required to make an annual report to the national department of the amount and condition of property on hand.

The following notarial commissions were sent out by the secretary of state today: J. P. Hebard, Lincoln; Aimee Wilson, Lincoln; Frank Kucera, Milligan; A. R. Kelley, South Omaha; Allen J. Beeson, Cass county C. H. Van Alstine, South Omaha: John W. Carr, Benkleman; F. A. Good, Cowles.

Lincoln Local Notes.

W. F. Schwind, quartermaster for the Third regiment, has been home for a few days, but returned to Savannah. Ga., today. Hon. Tom Patterson of the Denver News was in the city today calling on Mr. Bryan and other popocratic dignitaries of the state Work has been begun on preparing Christ-mas boxes for the members of the Third regiment and there is no fear that they will

delayed as in the case of those for the First.

Omaha people at the hotels: At the Lin-dell-H. G. Ruth, H. C. Barber and Alex Altschuler. At the Lincoln-J. Fawcett, H. S. Sunsmann, E. A. W. Snell and Leigh Leslie and wife.

Dr. Fletcher Wharton, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist church, delivered a free lecture on early Methodism last night and was greeted by a large audience. He con-trasted the hardships undergone by pioneer preachers and their families with existing onditions at the present time.

New Bridge at West Point.

WEST POINT, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-Work on the new bridge across the Elkhorn river west of this city will soon be commenced.

Divorce Decree Introduced.

LEIGH, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-A special recently appeared from this city stating that R. L. Mattheson was being presecuted for bigamy owing to the fact that

here caused by the death of George Heist. Of the known applicants are Patick Miles, Judge Julius Neubauer, Henry Gapen, Colonel Thomas B. Dawson, L. B Cary, Butler A. Jones, Edward McLerron, James McIntosh, Leroy Martin, Dr. L. Simon and Frank P. Morgan, editor of the Chappell Register. The office is now worth \$1,800 a year.

Wages of Sin. TEKAMAH, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-Judge Baker pronounced sentence on the prisoners convicted during this term of ourt last night. He sentenced Howard King, convicted of hog stealing, to eighteen nonths in the penitentiary: Ben F. Howard

ound guilty of burglary, was given eighteen rears; a negro who stole a suit of clothes rom a farm house a few miles west of this ity, was sent to the penitentiary for one ear; two bootleggers were fined \$400 and

costs each. New System of Assigning Work. WYMORE, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-There is a rumor among the shop employee here that the time system in vogue at the Burlington shops in this city is soon to be hanged to the piece system now in operation in the Havelock and other Burlington shops, where it is said to be highly satisfactory to both employe and employer. The employes here almost to a man would like to see the change.

Hope for Free Mail Delivery. NORFOLK, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-All indications now are that at the end of the present fiscal year, which will be on July 1, 1899, the revenue of the Norfolk postoffice will be sufficient to entitle the city to a free delivery system which will mean the establishment of carrier routes, a condition much to be desired by the patrons of the office.

Benefit Entertainment a Success. WYMORE, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-The Epworth league of this city gave a success ful entertainment entitled "An Old-Fash night, which was well attended. The pro ceeds will be applied toward paying for the new church organ.

Agriculturists Elect Officers. FAIRBURY, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-Saturday the Jefferson County Agricultural society elected the f llowing officers: President, Jasper Hilvey; vice presidents, W. H. Beardsley and J. C. Kesterson; secretary, L. W. Goodrich; treasurer, G. W. Hansen.

Grants Suspension of Sentence.

LINCOLN, Nov. 30 .- (Special Telegram.) -The supreme court has granted a suspension of sentence of George C. Bailey of ting and drying something, too? If the Omaha, who was committed a short time selfish men have gotten together a bad list ago for statutory rape. The amount of the bond is fixed at \$2,500.

Lecture on Mining.

GENEVA, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special.)-Rev. T. J. Purdue of DeWitt lectured on "Copper Mining in Northern Michigan" at the Girl's Industrial School yesterday afternoon. He exhibited numerous interesting specimens of ere.

Snow Benefits Wheat.

weather is warmer and the snow melting. The last fall of snow has been of great of our political liberty is the casting of our benefit to the wheat, of which there is a ballot. It is a religious as well as a secular large acreage. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup does cure grippe,

bronchitis and incipient consumption Denver Mint Receipts.

DENVER, Nov. 30.—The mint receipts. DENVER, Nov. 30.—The mint receipts for the month of November show a total of \$1.923.718. as against \$1.237,199 for the same month of 1897. The total receipts for the first ten months of 1898 are \$18.275.271, as against \$10.920.844 for the same period in 1897. a gain of \$7.348.427. The gold output of Grinela Created distingt during November of Cripple Creek district during November is estimated at \$1,447,500.

service. The design, the committee stated, was to give the municipality a more definite place in our political system than it at present enjoys; to give it that freedom of action which is the necessary accompaniment of growth and expansion, and to place within its power the determination of local policy whenever such policy is not inconsistent with the general welfare of the state.

The committee also submitted a propose municipal corporation act, under the provisions of which, they said, it would be possible for cities, large or small, to adopt a form of organization suited to their need. At the Propylum tonight the evening session of the league was held. Samuel B. Capen, president of the Municipal League of Boston, spoke about "The Final Work of the Nineteenth Century." He said in part:

Purity of City Government. The old contest for the integrity of the nation is forever settled. The new conflict is for purity in the government of the great cities, the municipal units, which so largely control the nation. This is the final work

of the century. He called attention to the perils of the great cities.

In answering the question, "What Are the Things to be Done to Help Complete the Final Work of the Purifying of Municipal Governments," Mr. Capen said:

Teach everywhere, in the home and in the chool, and from the pulpit and the platform and the press that citizenship in a re-public is a sacred trust. With the proper conception of citizenship as a trust we shall speedily recognize the duties encumbent upon us in fulfilling this trust. We shall ask ourselves constantly what is best for the community as a whole? Such a conception of our duty will lead us to an intelligent in-terest in all public matters. We will not confine our thought to just a few things which affect us, but will broaden our horizon to include every phone of municipal life and

to include every phase of municipal life and activity. It will lead our young men to self-sacrifice for the community. The sad neglect which we see now, especially among those who could give leisure, will be gone. Too many stand off and talk about "dirty loned Huskin' Bee" at the opera house last politics." Sacrifice and patriotism call upon us to take hold and make them cleaner. This spirit of sacrifice must lead a man to caucus. It may be very distasteful but it is treason almost to the state

fail here. The primary, it need hardly said, is more important than the election if good men are not nominated at the caucus you will only have a choice of evils to vote for on election morning. The caucus is the place of greatest power, and it is possible for every man to make his inflence felt for good here.

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And it is no excuse to say that the caucuses are "cut and dried" by the selfish. What is to prevent the unselfish fr m cutwhat is to prevent others from getting out a good one? If they are using every effort to get men out to vote their ticket, is there any law to prevent us doing the same? It is worth all the sacrifice, for government in America is shaped in the caucus. A proper conception of citizenship as a sacred trust will lead us straight to the bellot box. This is not a "privilege; it is a trust." The nerlect of this duty by vast numbers of our citizens is fraught with the most serious peril. There would not be so mu h fran of the vicious and the ignorant, GENEVA, Neb., Nov. 30.-(Special.)-The seather is warmer and the snow melting. who are comparatively few, if only those who want things that are best were not so indifferent and careless. The sacrament

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This spirit of the higher citizenship will This spirit of the higher clitzenship will lead us all straight into what may be called "politics." Young men are continually warned to keep out of them because they are "dirty." I bid you go in just for that reason and help clean them. The religious classes have too largely given over to the devil and his intimate followers public con-cerns. While we sing the "Sweet Bye and Bye," the devil sings and works along the "Nasty Now and Now." William Index Fourlas of Richmond Va

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