THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1898.

Railroads Spy Out Each Other's Hand and to Spencer, and then northwest through Clay, Dickinson and Osceola counties to Plan Accordingly.

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BURLINGTON MEDITATES A NEW SCHEME Turn Over Mail to Union Pacific at

Grand Island to Offset that Road's Proposed Cut Off by Fremont.

The fast mail fight between the Burlingion and the Northwestern roads continues with much activity, although it is said there may be no public developments in the matter until the first of the year. This is because the railway postal department desires to avoid any change of schedules during the holiday rush of mall matter. As soon as that is out of the way the competition for the \$750,000, which is now going exhibits of bicycles will also be very exon quietly, is expected to make its appearance on the two rival lines between Chicago

and Omaha with some new fast mail trains. There are a number of Union Pacific men who think that the move of turning the overland mail from the Northwestern to the Union Pacific at Fremont will not be made. tween Chicago and Council Bluffs. The Northwestern will try to demostrate that it can make faster time between these two points than the Burlington. This is the understanding of the matter many of the Burlington men have. Said one of the lat-"I do not take any stock in this ter: talk about a cut-off from Missouri Valley to Fremont by the Northwestern. The fight is going to be on a straight run from Chicago to Council Bluffs. If the Northwestern goes to making a cut-off from Missouri Valley to Fremont the Burlington can save some mileage by turning the mail over to the Union Pacific at Grand Island or Kearney. We have a shorter line from Omaha to each of these points than the Union Pacific has."

MEETING OF SANTA FE DIRECTORS.

Arrangement to Run Trains Into 'Frinco is Approved Of.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 8 .- The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad was held in this city today. Chairman Aldace F. Walker of New York, president; E. P. Ripley and W. S. Roach of Chicago and C. K. Holliday of Topeks were re-elected as members of the board of directors.

The formal approval of the purchase of the San Joaquin Valley line, by which the Santa Fe will run trains into San Francisco, was made. The meeting formally ratified the purchase of the following branch lines: Kansas City, Topeka & Western Railroad company: Leavenworth, Northern & Southern Railway company; the Southern Kansas Failway company: the New Mexico & Southern Pacific Railroad company; the New Mexican Railroad company: the Rio Grande, Mexico & Pacific Railroad company; Silver City, Deming & Pacific Railroad company; Wichita & Western Railway company; the St. Joseph, St. Louis & Santa Fe Railway company.

The ratification of the following leases was also made: Chicago, Santa Fe & California Railway company; the Denver & Santa Fe Railway company; the Pueblo & Arkansas Valley Railroad company, and to ratify the lease of the portion commonly called the "Mojave division" of the Southern Pacific railroad from a connection with the railroad of the Santa Fe Pacific Railroad company at the Needles to Mojave, in the state of California; Chicago, Kansas & Western Railroad company; Kansas City, Emporia & Southern Railway company; Florence, Eldorado & Walnut Valley Railroad company; Marion & McPherson Railway company and

FAST MAIL MOVES ARE THICK and Calboun counties to Fonds in Poca-, from the shop of Louis Magin. They put up hontas county, the northene terminus of the Des Moines Northern & Western, thence to Marathon and through Gillett's Grove, them and that settled it. Ochyedan, on the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern road.

> Director for Transportation Exhibit. CHICAGO, Dec. 8 .- Willard R. Smith of Chicago has been named for the position of director of the Department of Transportation and Civil Engineering of the United States commission to the Paris exposition by Commissioner General Peck. Mr. Smith will at once assume the duties of his office and will proceed with the organization of his exhibits. His assistant, who will be an

eastern man, will be chosen within a few days. The department of transportation of Columbian exposition was organized by Mr. Smith as director. Because of his success in this work he was selected by Mr. Peck. The position is one of the most important. In the showing of the automobile carriages Americans are making an especial effort to surpass all other countries. The tensive.

Sick Porter Makes Trouble.

A colored porter on a Rock Island dining car yesterday created a stir among his brother workers. He had been ill for some little time, and when the train pulled into They say the fight will be fought out be- the Union depot he became delirious and sought to start things moving. The first to move was the other employes on the car. The man held full sway until a police officer came and took charge of him. He then became unconscious and remained in this condition until removed to a hospital.

The extreme cold weather yesterday morning did not prevent the trains on all roads being on time, but none of the passengers showed any inclination to leave their comfortable cars to stroll around the platform of the depots while the trains waited here.

Better Service and Larger Force. CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 8 .- (Special.)-The change in train service of the Union Pacific on the Wyoming division will require the services of from thirty-five to forty additional men to handle the trains as increased. At the present time there are six passenger conductors and their crews, numbering in all eighteen men, running between Cheyenne and Green River and having charge of the four trains. By dividing trains Nos. 1 and 2 into two sections, three additional conductors and six brakemen will be required. Running the trains in two sections and equalizing the equipment the increasing business can be handled more expeditiously and the danger of accidents greatly lessened.

Miller May Succeed Markel.

The rumor that there is to be a change in the managment of the eating house service on the Union Pacific road has been revived and is now stalking about the Union Pacific headquarters, along with the other reports of changes that have been circulating for several weeks past. No official denial or confirmation can be secured. It is said by those in a position to know that Rome Miller, who now has charge of the eating houses on the Elkhorn road and conducts a restaurant in this city, will sooner or later succeed J. E. Markel as manager

of this department of the Union Pacific. Santa Fe Directors Meet. TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 8 .-- The directors of the Santa Fe Railway company are in session here this afternoon. The annual meeting of stockholders was called at noon in

the directors' room in the general office building. Only a few of the large number of stockholders were present, but more than two-thirds of the capital was represented by proxy. The formal approval of the purchase of the San Joaquin valley line, by which the Santa Fe will run trains into ever came under his observation. San Francisco, was made.

DEMAND FOR CHRISTMAS FRUIT Slumber Overtakes Six-Day Racers and They

Commission Men Already Experience Boom in Holiday Anticipation-

Oranges and Lemons Plenty. The time when commission men do a rushing business is rapidly approaching and already the demand for some lines such as nuts, cranberries, cider, fruit, etc., is greatly increased. The oversupply of poultry has been somewhat reduced, but still prices show no improvement and the demand is light. Turkeys sell a little better than they did a few days ago, but quotations remain unchanged. California oranges from the ready for shipment and will not be for a

southern shippers have rushed their fruit on At 7 o'clock Pierce was still getting away the market green and whenever it has come in competition with Mexican oranges a break in the market has resulted. The tendency now is to hold the fruit until it is ready for the market and in that way prices are

more readily maintained and the market kept free from poor stock. Early in the season when frost and drouth were injuring crops in California the outlook for orange growers was not encouraging, but the damage was overestimated and the loss has been suffered by individuals more than by the state as a whole. The Florida crop is reported as being rather light, so prices are and California growers are well satisfied.

The lemon crop in California has also turned out well and producers are said to higher than they were a year ago. On this market fancy stock is selling at \$4 to \$4.50 and choice at \$3.75 to \$4. Navel oranges are quoted at \$4.25 and seedlings at \$3.50.

Arrested on a Charge of Theft.

On the charge of larceny preferred by John Maneely six men and two women were arrested and locked up in the city jail last night. They were: "Red" Johnson, W. M. Harris. William Crutchfield, W. Porter, Frank Corry. Sam Benerable, Mamie Thompson and Mable Whitcomb. Maneely came to the city from Lucas, Ia., a few days ago with \$30 in his pocketbook. Yesterday afternoon he visited "Red" Johnson's saloon at the corner of Eleventh street and Capitol avenue and in paying for a drink allowed a crowd of bystanders to catch a glimpse of the contents of his purse. He was immediately drawn into a conversation nd not many minutes afterward Mamie Thompson contrived to get possession of the pocketbook and money. After a scrimmage Maneely succeeded in getting it back, but did not keep it long, as he says he saw one

of the men hand it to another shortly afterward and then denied having taken it. The transaction was reported to the police and all the inmates of the saloon at the time the pocketbook was stolen were arrested.

Curlers Begin Today. The local curling season will commence on the upper lake in Hanscom park tomor-row morning at 9 o'clock. The game will continue during the day. Those interested in curling and the public games are invited to take part or look on.

STRANGE CASE OF DUCKWORTH

Police Trying to Unravel the Mystery Surrounding Supposed Suicide in Forest Park.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 8 .- Dr. Otto Sutter. superintendent of the City hospital, says the case of Elliott L. Duckworth, who was mysteriously shot in Forest park in July. 1897, was one of the most remarkable that

"I recall all the circumstances of that case now," said Dr. Sutter. "The patient up the miles.

Fall from Wheels.

WALLER LOSES HIS LEAD TO MILLER

Desperate Struggle on Between Four Leaders in Killing Ride-Waller's Riding Erratic. البادركم. ٢

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 .- The erratic "Dutchman" Waller was the leader in the six-day bicycle race at the garden at 7 northern part of the state are on the mar- o'clock today. Waller took the front place ket, but strange as it may seem the oranges shortly after 2 o'clock from Miller and in the southern part of the state are not yet passed the 1,200-mile mark a few minutes after 2:30. At 3 o'clock Miller was third couple of weeks or so. In previous years the in the race, Pierce having rushed by him.

from Miller and gaining on Waller, while the latter slept. At 8 o'clock Pierce was only one from the top of the string. At that time he appeared fresh. Albert climbed away from the list of riders at 4 o'clock, going up to second place. Shortly before 6 o'clock he left the track and lost some of his advantage.

Waller dozed for a moment about 4 o'clock, awoke with a start, wabbled and grabbed Frederick, who was riding at his side. Both fell in a heap and their wheels were broken. "Teddy" Hale fell asleep and dropped from his wheel. He lay for a moment and then ranging considerably higher than a year ago awoke with a start. Jumping up he rubbed his eyes and remounted.

"Teddy" Hale, the veteran, left the track about 9 o'clock. Hale then had 1,157 miles be making a good margin, as prices at the to his credit. "Teddy" Edwards later had present time are from \$1 to \$1.25 per box a talk with Hale and finally induced him to make another effort. Plasters were put on the Irishman's hands and he again mounted, riding after the others at a good pace.

The four leaders in the six-day event struggled continuously for the lead. With ucts the exception of Forster and Waller the riders are husbanding their strength and make few lengthy spurts. Shortly after 6 o'clock tonight Miller left the track. Waller fell from his wheel an hour later completely overcome by drowsidefenses. ness. He returned within an hour. Meanwhile Miller had gained nearly ten miles on him, the latter returning just ten minutes

after Waller had been led out. Between 7 and 8 o'clock Pierce and Miller were about ten miles apart. At the same time Albert lost considerably.

The announcement was made tonight that Miller will marry Miss Genevieve Hanson in the garden at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, Miss Hanson having received a telegram from her mother in Chicago giving her pernission.

Waller Fails Again. Waller left the track a few minutes after midnight. He appeared demoralized and his last few laps were ridden unsteadily, as if he were almost blind. Miller at once increased his pace as Waller left the track, a. m. Miller was almost ten miles ahead. At that hour his score was 1,473 miles, 9

laps; Waller, 1,463 miles, 2 laps, and Pierce, 1,455 miles, 2 laps. Shortly after 1 o'clock this (Friday) mornpermanently. He was acting under instructions from the corps of medical examiners,

efforte. Not long afterwards the withdrawal of Pilkington for similar reasons was an-nounced. Kinz and Cistac both left the track about 1:50 o'clock and a few minutes after their withdrawal from the contest was bulletined. Walter returned to the track at 1:30 a. m. At Brat he rode wildly, but after on account of a blockade at Batavia. some minutes grow steady and began to pile

Wilmington: J. A. Souter, Chicago; secre-tary and race secretary, C. H. Jones, Phil-adelphia; treasurer, L. A. Mehler, Phila-

adelphia; treasurer, L. A. Mehier, Phila-delphia: Before the election the reports of various officers were read. During the last year the association had raced 16,825 old birds and 6,839 young birds. A special diploma was issued to Commodore, a Fall River bird, which flew a distance of 1,250 miles, the longest distance on record. A number of other diplomas were also issued. The National association is a split from the National rederation of Homing Pigeon Fanciers.

Elected Captain of Lafayette Team EASTON, Pa., Dec. 8.-Edward Griswold Bray of the class of 1990 was today elected captain of the Larayette foot ball team for the season of 1899. Bray has been playing fullback on the Yale team for three years.

CONGRESS TO MEET IN BOSTON

Numerous Resolutions and Recom mendations Adopted by Farmers Before Adjournment.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 8 .- The Farm ers' National congress was slow in getting down to business today on account of the bad weather. Among the resolutions adopted was one favoring aid in constructing the Nicaraguan canal, government control of the same and another favoring development of the beet sugar industry. A committee to engross the resolutions and present the same to congress was appointed, composed of Messrs. Clayton of Iowa, Candidge of Massachusetts, Evans of Colorado and Prestdent Hoard.

Resolutions recommending the passage of le ws providing that grain be separated from seeds of noxious weeds before being put on the market were ordered forwarded to the proper authorities. The congress also passed esolutions favoring the lease or sale of arid lands, so as to make them taxable, and asks the United States congress for increased appropriations for rural free mail delivery; favoring national legislation to do away with the privileges accorded to original packages of oleomargarine under interstate commerce law; prohibiting the branding of dairy prodwith the name of the state or territory in which they are produced and urging the necessity for instruction in the principles of agriculture in public schools. The resolutions urge harbor improvements in interstate commerce as well as for national

After some lively competition Boston was chosen over Des Moines and Denver as the place where the next session will be held. The congress then adjourned sine die.

SNOWDRIFTS BLOCK TRAVEL

High Winds in New York Cause Serious Delay to Traffic Over Important Roads.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 8 .- Continued high winds are causing serious delay to railway traffic today, the snow drifting as fast as the railway companies can remove it. The New

York Central train due to leave here at 11:40 last night did not leave until 4 o'clock this Mirror room of Powers' art gallery, nearly morning. The train due to leave at 7:40 500 guests being present. Governor Lealle and at 1:30 a. m. passed Waller's score. At train for the east was started at 9:45 a. m. Trains from the west are from two to four hours late. A number of trains have been abandoned. No attempt is made to move concluding speech was made by Prof. Benja-

arrived about two hours late. Railroad ing Monachan withdrew from the contest officials hope the warm sun of this morning will prevent heavy snowdrifts. Three trolley lines in South Buffalo which were completely who had pronounced him unfit for further tied up yesterday evening are being operated today. Suburban trolleys were badly handi-

capped train due here from Watertown is lost be-

No series of articles, in any magazine, ever had a greater success than Miss Tarbell's articles on the EARLY LIFE OF LINCOLN. As soon as these articles were ended, subscribers be-

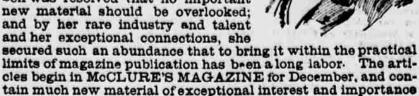
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and such inquiries have continued in great numbers ever since. Miss Tar- 77 bell was resolved that no important

gan to write asking when they might



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or manufacturing supplies connected there-with without the consent of two-thirds of the directors.

SOUSA MUST SETTLE.

The Bandmaster Required to March to New Music.

John Philip Sousa has been ordered to pay amounts estimated at \$100,000 to Mrs. Ada P. Blakely, widow of David Blakely, who was up to the time of his death, in 1896, manager of Sousa's band. She has obtained decision against the musician, relates the

New York Herald, after eighteen months' litigation, whereby he is required to account for all proceeds of the band for a tour ending May 23, 1897, and to pay one-half the

profits to Mrs. Blakely, as administratrix of the estite of her husband. He is also re-quired to turn over to her the library of the band and to pay her for the use of it. The decision also directs Mr. Sousa to account for all moneys received from the sale or use of music composed by him prior to Mr. Blakely's death and to pay one-half of all such sums to Mrs. Blakely. "El Capitan" and "The Bride Elect" are included in this decision.

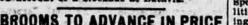
David Blakely was for many years editor of western newspapers. When Bousa was little known outside of Washington, where he was leader of the Marine band, Mr.

Discusses Needs of Present Time Before Rockester Chamber of Commerce.

a. m. had not left at 9 o'clock, but another M. Shaw of Iowa responded to the toast, "The Financial Need of Today."

\$1.00 A YEAR.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 8 .- It is reported here that the Rome, Watertown & Ogdenebury tween Watertown and Richland. . Trains from the west are ten to twelve hours late



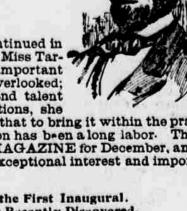
GOV. SHAW ON THE FINANCES

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 8 .- The eleventh annual banquet of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce was held tonight in the

Dr. David J. Hill, assistant secretary of state, spoke on the "Greater America." The freight trains. Mails from New York min I. Wheeler of Cornell university on

"Self-Government versus Imperialism." Governor Shaw said in part:

The United States is just now enjoying a wondorful foreign trade. We have now \$50,000,000 per month, \$600,000,000 per an-num, balance of trade in our favor. Add to this the probable coinage of between \$75,-000,000 and \$100,000,000 in gold in the mext fiscal year and we have a phenomenal sum with which to swell the volume of currency which we now have, exceeding anything in the past, both in the aggregate and per capita. With conditions apparently so fa-



Wichita & Southwestern Railway company. RESTORATION DOESN'T RESTORE

Freight Rate Situation No Better Than Before the Announcement.

"Do you know that the last official restoration didn't restore freight rates worth a cent?" remarked a freight man to a Bee reporter who inquired how rates were since the restoration of December 6. That was the date fixed upon by all the lines to get back to tariff and forget the cheap rates openly quoted so long here. "The trouble with any attempt to restore

freight rates at the end of a year is that freight rates at the end of a year is that there are too many contracts that do not of the Port Arthur has left for a trip over expire until December 31. Now if a big house has a freight contract for a certain scale of rates that is going to run until the last of the year, how in the world are you going to restore rates on December 6? Of course, the restoration didn't restore anything, not even confidence in the stability of rates."

"Do you think the situation will be any better after January 1?"

"Yes, indeed, I do, or else there will some new freight men around here. It is my understanding that the executive officers the lines are going to take a hand in the affair, and say that the new year must at least start out well. Just how rates are going to be maintained without the aid of a pooling bill, and with all the freight asciations knocked out by the supreme court, is hard to see, but the rates have got to be maintained, and it's up to the executive officers to find a way to do it."

U. P. PUTS OUT RESTRAINING HAND.

Will Make Endeavors to Stop Demor alization of Passenger Business. DENVER, Dec. 8 .- President Burt of the Union Pacific railroad held a conference today with President Jeffrey, General Passenger Agent Hughes and other passenger

agents with reference to the rates which have been demoralizing passenger business for the last three weeks. Copies of the resolutions were sent to presidents of other roads concerned, asking them to restore all rates and maintain them between Chicago and Mississippi and Miseouri river points and western points,

and asking that early replies be wired to Denver and Omaha. MISSOURI PACIFIC'S DEBT PAID

Obligation of \$1,300,000 to Russell Sage is Discharged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.-The Commercial Advertiser says: The Missouri Pacific Railroad company, it is announced today, has paid its floating debt of \$1,300,000 to Russell Sage.

Rock Island's lows Extensions.

The Rock Island's latest move in Iowa has been to put a corps of engineers in the the present plan, the dials of the clock repfield in the northwest part of the state to resent four great sun dials and the hands save to itself a valuable territory which travel over these faces, but as the sun dials the Milwaukee threatens to invade. This went out of date a couple of centuries ago, is the country west of the Rock Island's they are not considered up to date at this Des Moines and Ruthven division in Cal- time. houn, Pocahontas and Clay counties. territory is directly north of Fonda, the northern terminus of the Des Moines Northern & Western road, a Milwaukee line, and has given the Rock Island an enormou business through the towns of Clare, Gilmore, Rolfe, Mallard, Curlew and Ayrshire. The Milwaukee is planning to build from Fonds to Spencer to connect with its Spirit Lake line and its Iows and Dakota division and by so doing to divide this territory with the Rock Island.

The Rock Island's surveying corps was in charge of James Carrs of Des Moines, because of the severe weather has been withdrawn. It commenced a survey at Marathon on the Hawarden division of the Rock Island and when it abandoned the field had a preliminary survey started in both directions. It was the intention to locate a line leaving the Rock Island at Gowrie and running northwest through Webster

There is considerable glee among the Omaha railroad men, notably among the passenger officials, over the passage of the card found in his possession. It was a anti-scalping bill by the lower house of month before we found out that that was congress. Although all of them anticipate that the fight over the measure in the senate will be a harder one than that in the house, they believe that a big start toward a final victory over the scalpers has been

made. Railway Notes and Personals. Assistant General Passenger Agent Smith of the B. & M. has returned from Kansas City.

The score of general agents of freight and the passenger departments of the Union Pacific, who have spent a few days at headquarters in this city, have returned to their respective territories. While here they spent a morning and an after-noon in the president's office, with the heads their departments and became acquainted with President Burt and his wishes regard-ing the work of the traffic departments. The situation of each territory was thoroughly canvassed and the general agents returned home well pleased with their visit and more in touch with the new administration.

CHANGE FACE OF THE CLOCK Supt. Latenser 'Recommends that

Something Be Done with the Government's Horologe.

On account of the numerous kicks that have been registered against the face of the new clock in the tower of the new postoffice building, it is more than likely that the thing will be altered during the next sixty days. These kicks have reached Washington, having been sent there by Superintendent of Construction Latenser,

who is now compelled to admit that some changes are necessary. When the new clock was elevated to its high position it was pronounced a thing of beauty, but soon thereafter people commenced to discover that the hands of the clock, the face of the dial and the figures were so near alike in color that it was impossible to tell the time of day, even if one was standing on the sidewalk immediately beneath the great timepiece. Lights, gas, incandescent and others were placed behind the glass of the dials, but this made no difference, as the colors remained the same. As a last resort, Latenser recommended changes and now they are likely to come. Just what will be done is difficult to predict, but it is probable that the hands

will be painted black and that they will move over a white surface or else the dials will be painted black and the hands gilded. Either course, it is said will give enough contrast so that the time of day can be told as far as the clock can be seen. Under

Rescue Home Cow.

Rescue Home Cow. Some four or five years ago the stock yards people bought and presented to the Rescue Home a milch cow. The other day they sent it back to be sold, as it was be-coming rather old. W. I. Stephen sold it for them for \$28 and the generous commis-sion men added to the amount \$61.50, with which they bought a new cow and sent \$34.50 along with her to "The Home."

Notice to Parents.

Several cases of smallpox having been discovered in the city, parents are requested to apply at once to their family physi-cians to have themselves and children vaccinated as a precaution against the spread of the disease. S. K. SPALDING. City Physician.

Convicted of Stealing Trousers. Tom Hodgers and William Johnson, two colored youths, were fined \$20 and costs yesterday for stealing a pair of trousers tie will be discussed.

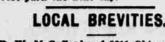
Score at 12 o'clock midnight: was entered on the hospital records as Ed-ward Doling. That was the name on a card found in his possession. It was a month before we found out that that was not his name. At first he would reply to the name of Doling, and he said that was his name. I talked to him many times, but he could not recall anything of the was entered on the hospital records as Ed-

but he could not recall anything of the past. He was always sure that he had not attempted to kill himself, but he could not tell how he came to be wounded. "Later the patient improved and he finally said that his name was Elliott L. Duckworth, and that his home was in Springfield, Mo. He said his sister, Mrs. Eva C.

Hutchinson, lived in Hutchinson, Kan." Mrs. Hutchinson says that the letter that decoyed her brother from his home was handed to him at Nichols Junction. Mo., a town six miles from Springfield, the day before the shooting by a stranger. She says the stranger was Doling or his agent. The Gimm . man gave Duckworth the letter, also fur-

nished him with money with which to buy a ticket for St. Louis. Mrs. Hutchinson recites an incident which tends to show that the person who gave her brother the money is the one who shot him. This stranger while they were yet at Nichols Junction asked Duckworth if he possessed a revolver. He received a reply in the affirmative. The

stranger bought the revolver. This same weapon, with one chamber empty, was found by Duckworth's side in Forest park the next day.



D. W. McCafferdy of 2811 Ohio street has reported to the police that someone passed a \$25 check on him which proved to be a forgery. The funeral of Milligan Cain, son of Ed

and Anna Cain. was held Wednesday from the home of the parents. Interment at Brooklyn, Ia. Mattie Johnson reported to the police that

some sneak thief had entered her room at 520 South Fifteenth street and had taken a large diamond stud from her dresser. Frank Miller was discharged this morn-ing, as Charley Brown failed to appear to

prosecute the charge of assault and bat-

Edward Larson, aged 15 years, attempted to jump off a train of the Milwaukee road between South Omaha and this city on Wednesday. His right foot was badly smashed. George E. Hawkins of Red Oak, Ia., re-

ported to the police that his pockets had been picked on North Sixteenth street some ime Wednesday afternoon. He lost pocketbook, containing \$5 in cash and a Attorney W. P. Cowan and Court Officer

James Boyls expect to leave this afternoon for Jersey City, N. J., to see if they can identify J. E. Cagney, who is supposed to be under arrest there. At the St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church Friday night Dr. S. Wright But-ler will give a short lecture, illustrated with

stereopticon views, in connection with the annual Christmas sale arranged by the women of the church. At the coming meeting of the County

Teachers' association, which is to be on the afternoon of the 17th at the High school building, Prof. William McClintock is to make and explain some interesting exper-iments found in the "World of Matter," one

of the books used by the teachers in their eading circle. Among the important real estate transac tions yesterday Andrew Nelson and wife sold to Mary E. Stuht lot 16, block 11, Hanscom Place, for \$10,000, and Ernest Stuht and Mary Stuht sold to the Joseph Schlitz Brewing company the north one-

third of lot 5, block 189, city proper, front-ing on Sixteenth street, near Jackson, for The literature section of Unity club meets

this evening with Mrs. Frank Emerson, 1121 Georgia avenue. Miss Laura B. Pfeiffer will read Francis Hopkinson Smith's "H to Write a Short Story." Papers will

Miles, Laps Nawn Score at 1 a. m.: Laps

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CYCLISTS' COMBINATION FORMED.

Seek Control of Racing East of Minsissippi River.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 .- The National Cycling Racing association was organized tonight. It is the aim of the association to control bicycle racing, professional and amateur, in all states east of the Mississippi river except Louisiana. An alliance

sippl river except Louisiana. An alliance will be made with the Western Cycling as-sociation, the California association and the Southern association of clubs. These officers were elected: President, C. A. Johnson, Buffalo; vice presidents, O. D. Bloemecke, Valisburg, N. J., and F. House, Harlem; chairman of board of con-trol, A. G. Batchelder of New York; chairman of district A. embracing all of New England, R. F. Kelsey of Hartford, Conn.; chairman of district C. embracing New York and New Jersey, W. Wilson of Buffalo; chairman of district C. embracing the middle states, J. F. Dasley; chairman of district D. embracing the southern states, G. Cahl of Jacksonville, Fla; chair-man of district E, embracing the north-western states, Charles P. Root of Chicago. Tom Cooper of Detroit was elected a member of the board, representing an inter-est of the American Racing Cyclists' union. Another meeting will be held in this city on January 4. tion in such matters.

SIGN ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT. Sharkey and McCoy Agree to Box

Twenty Rounds January 20. NEW YORK, Dec. 8 .- Articles of agreement for a twenty-round boxing contes

between Tom Sharkey and "Kid" McCoy to take place before the Lenox Athleti club January 10 were signed today by both

club January 10 were signed today by both principals. The men are to box for a purse of \$20,000 and 50 per cent of all receipts ex-ceeding \$40,000. Tim Hurst was mutually chosen as referee. In order that the fight may not result in a flasco like the Sharkey-Corbett affair the articles provide that the interference of any of the fighters' seconds or their inva-sion of the fighters' seconds or their inva-sion of the fighters' the ontest. Any second or outsider who tries to enter the ring during the contest will be imme-diately placed under arrest. The men will box under Queensberry rules, with the ex-ception that they will not be permitted to hit in clinches or breakaways. After the match had been made Sharkey held a friendly conference with Jim Corbett, who wished him luck in the fight and an-nounced his intention of going to the Pa-cific coast to fight Jeffries.

Events on the Running Tracks

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 8.—This was the hirteenth day of the Crescent City Jockey lub's winter meeting. Two favorites won. Results: First race, six furlongs: Sallor King won, Abuse second, Henry Launt third. Time:

Abuse second, Henry Launt third. Time: 1:16%. Second race, five and one-half furiongs: Weller won, Charlo second, Pat Garrett third. Time: 1:44%. Third race, selling, one and one-eighth miles: Atlantus won, Clay Pointer second, Tranby third. Time: 2:02. Fourth race, handlcap, thirteen-sixteenths of a mile: Handell won, Elkin second, Great Bend third. Time: 1:25. Fifth race, one mile, selling: Prestar won, Oxnard second, Gun Metal third. Time: 1:50.

Homing Pigeon Fanciers.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. S.-The National Association of Homing Pigeon Fanciers held its first meeting today in this city and elected the following officers: President, E. B. Baker, Baltimore; vice presidents, H. A. Lippincott, Philadelphia; G. E. Hilyard.

Manufacturers of Half a Dosen States to Form National Organization December 20. URBANA, O., Dec. 8 .- Representatives of broom manufacturers of half a dozen states met here today to consider matters affect-

ing that industry. Among other things agreed to was to advance the price of brooms 20 cents per dozen, because of the advance in the price of broom corn and other materials and to issue a call for a national meeting of broom manufacturers at the Palmer house, Chicago, on December 20. at which time a national organization will e formed.

Leaves Note for Husband Explaining Why She Killed Herself and Daughter.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 8 .- When Frank Brooks returned to his home from work tolight he found in one bedroom his wife shot dead and in another his 9-year-old daughter. also dead. In a note that he found from his wife she stated that she was tired of life and was going to heaven and taken her little daughter with her, from which it is supposed she committed the murder and then killed berself. The woman has been in poor health for some time.

State Courts Without Jurisdiction. MILWAUKEE. Dec. 8 .- Judge Seaman upholds the federal bankrupt is w and dechares in an opinion filed today that it divests the state courts entirely of jurisdiction in insolvency cases. Judge Sutherland of the superior court held a few days ago that he ad exclusive furisdiction of insolvency proceedings commenced before him prior to the ment of proceedings in the federal centers shall become the clearing houses of courts. Judge Seaman declares that the the world. state courts are absolutely without jurisdic-

Labor Leaders Fall Out.

ZANESVILLE, O., Dec. 8.-August Smith of Toledo was elected president of the Ohio Federation of Labor here today, after E. L. Lewis of Bridgeport, the former president, and his supporters had withdrawn from the

convention. Lewis undertook to control the convention in the interest of his own reelection, but the convention refused to adont a credential report, seating six delegates on whom Lewis' success depended. Great con-fusion resulted, and the Lewis party walked out.

Iglesias Visits West Point.

WEST POINT, N. Y., Dec. 8.-The gov-ernment steamer General Meigs today prought to West Point President Iglesias and his party. The presidential party was under the care of Colonel Carter, U. S. A. A sa-lute of twenty-one guns was fired and the distinguished guest was shown all through the public buildings. Afterward President Igleeias reviewed and inspected the bat-Schade, a roofer of Albany. alion of cadets. The party returned to New York by train.

Boom in Shipbuilding.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 8 .- Shipbuilding com-panies of the Great lakes that build steel vessels already have under contract for next season twolve steel vessels, cight of which are modern freight carriers, two are passenger boats, one an oil tank barge and one a large tug. These vessels will foot up a lit-tle more than \$2,000,000 in value. The combined capacity of the eight freight carriers will be about 59,000 net tons.

Advertise the West.

Advertise the West. Nebrasks, Omaha and the Great West are on the wave of prosperity. The attention of homeseekers and investors is turned this way. If you have friends who are thinking and talking of coming west why not make them a Christmas present of The Omaha Weekly Bee? It is one continued story of western push and progress. It will instruct and educate the eastern man as no circulars, pamphlets or letters can do. It will be a cheap present for you, but highly valuable to the recipient. He will think of you overy week in the next year. Only 65 cents for a week in the next year. Only 65 cents for big 12-page paper from now to January

capita. With conditions apparently so fa-vorable, may we not therewith be content? Speaking not in the interests of any po-litical party nor as a partisan, but speak-ing from a business standpoint and as a ousiness man. I say emphatically, No. The whole question of the future finan-cial policy of this government remains unsettled. We have recently experienced a nonpartisan panic and we experienced it in a nonpartisan degree. That this shall not be repeated, either in the near or the and the most heroic action of every patriotic citizen. Gold is needed in domestic commerce and it is absolutely indispensable in foreign commerce. We should have therefore, som lace where the merchant can ex paper currency at par for gold. In the ab pelled to procure his gold where he ob tained it in the '60s, at the counter of the gold broker. It follows that we must have a paper currency convertible, exchangeable emand at par for gold, and the burden UNHAPPY WIFE TIRED OF LIFE of maintaining this exchangeability must be domestic and intimately connected with both domestic and foreign commerce, the banks. There are just three places for the mer-chant to look for gold. First, to the banks; second, to the government; third, to the gold broker

made to rest either on the government or upon those institutions most directly inter-ested and intimately connected with both Blakely's management. One provision of

The fullness of time has come for great things. There is a relentless struggle now

on between the nations for commercial su-premacy. Today, when the merchants of Mexico purchase in Brazil, they make settlement in pounds sterling and with a draft on England. This condition prevails gen-erally in foreign commerce. Why? Be-cause for a century there has been no quescause for a century there has been no ques-tion that such a dreft would be paid in gold and that this would not be dependent upon the political complexion of the British Parliament. This has made the banks of England in all commercial time the almost universal depository of trade balances, to the incalculable advantage of that country. Give our merchants a monetary system as safely constructed as that which sustain their foreign competitors and they will write the prices current of this round earth in United States dollars and our commercial

CODY JURY CANNOT AGREE Blakely to the end of the tour then in prog-

Impossible to Reach Conclusion in Blackmailing Suit and Jurors Are Discharged.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 8 .- The jury in the Cody blackmailing case, after being out twenty-five hours, has failed to reach an agreement and has been discharged.

To the question put by the court when the jury came into court at 6:20 p. m. as to whether there was any possibility of reaching an agreement, Foreman Vanberger said that it was beyond all reasonable con-

physician. "What's your name?" he asked in his ideration. crisp business way, and she looked indig-Mrs. Cody was remanded to jail. The jury took twelve ballots. On the nant as she answered. first ballot it stood eight to four for con-"Age?" viction. Those who held out for an ac-"I didn't come here to answer impertinent quittal were Charles Rady and Abram Janquestions, sir. I came to be insured." sen, farmers of Preston Hollow, and Charles "But we must know your age in order to

BIG SNOWFALL IN THE WEST

Ground Covered from Rocky Moun tains to Plains of Nebraska and Kansas.

DENVER, Dec. 8 .- From Montana to New Mexico and from the first range of Rocky mountains far out on the plains of Kansas and Nebraska, the ground is covered with

thick mantle of snow. The storm began here last night ending this afternoon. For-

tunately, there was not much wind and traffic on the railroads is only slightly hampered. Deal in Plug Tobacco.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.-The American To-bacco company today voted to sell its plug tobacco business to the Continental Tobacco company. The announcement was made that Harrison Drummond had succeeded W. H. Butler as a director. The by-laws were smended to as to present any director of

"And you guessed it right the first time. I don't propose to be a family encyclopedia for you or any other gossipmonger." and she amended so as to prevent any director or officer of the American Tobacco company flounced out with a vigor that made the doctor think that she was a pretty good subfrom engaging directly or otherwise in any tor think that business similar to that of that company ject after all.

Blakely obtained permission from the sovernment for the hand to make a tour of the United States under his management. The tour was a success and was repeated. Sousa, in 1892, entered into a contract with Blakely to lead a band to be called Sousa's band. distant future, demands the best judgment | Tours were made each year up to the time of Mr. Blakely's death, in November, 1896. Sousa was then under contract with Blakely to act as leader of the band for \$6,000 a year and 20 per cent of the net profits. Contracts had been made by Blakely for a tour running to May 23, 1897. Upon Blakely's death Sousa informed the widow that he proposed to fill the contracts for the band to the end of the season in which he refused to admit that she had any rights. He offered to pay her \$1,000 for a portion of the band's library, which he admitted belonged to her, and \$1,000 for the office furniture.

Mrs. Blakely refused his offer and it is maid

an arrangement was entered into by which

Sousa was to continue the tour under Mrs.

this agreement is said to have been that

royalties received by Sousa from musical

compositions were to be equally divided be-

tween him and Mrs. Blakely. Vernon M.

Davis, former assistant district attorney, and

attorney for Sousa, it is alleged, was to be

trustee and hold royalties and money re-

ceived until the end of the season, when the

rights of the parties were to be determined.

Walter Carroll Low, counsel for Mrs.

Blakely, said Monday that instead of abid-

ing by this agreement Sousa seized the band,

the library and other property and gave con-

certs on his own account. Mr. Low said

Vernon M. Davis had paid all royalties to

Sousa. These matters were embodied in a

complaint made before the court of common

pleas in Philadelphia on April 9, 1897, as

Sousa was then playing in that city. The

case was heard by Charles E. Morgan, jr., a

prominent Philadelphia lawyer, as referee,

and decision has just been given. It holds

Sousa to the terms of his contract with Mrs.

ress and says that Mrs. Blakely is entitled

to one-half the royalties forever from com-

positions written prior to Mr. Blakely's

death. The amount of the money involved is

NO INSURANCE FOR HER.

Applicant for a Policy Balked on the

Questions. She had concluded to take out a life in-

surance policy, reports the Detroit Free

Press, and appeared before the examining

"The amount you must pay annually for

"You must be accurate or it will inval-

"Forty; but I must say that I never heard

"I dop't know. Neither does apyone elas.

"Single, thank heavens! Not but what

"Of course. Any insanity in your fam-

"Sir," and she tried her best to congeal

. "I guess that you don't want to be in-

Just as though that would make any differ-

"Thirty-three, then," she anapped.

said to be close to \$100,000.

fix the rate."

being insured."

idate the policy."

such impudence."

him with a look.

"Married or single?"

I've had plenty of chan-'

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"Weight?"

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"What rate?"