Case Against John McCarty and John Brown Called for Hearing.

FEDERAL COURT BUSY ON COUNTERFEITERS

Conviction of Roben Followed Immediately by Efforts to Cinch the Men Connected with Branch Mint of Sarpy County.

Counterfeiters and alleged counterfeiters are having the call in the criminal section of the United States court. Hardly had Judge Munger and Assistant United States Attorney Rush disposed of the case against Moses Roben, the veteran counterfelter, before they took up the trial of the case against John McCarty and John Brown of Bellevue. All of the time of the morning session was taken up in securing a jury and at noon there were several challenges

Before the trial commenced the attorney for the two men moved for separate trials. in the scalping acts, posing as the parties This was combatted by Assistant United States Attorney Rush, who urged that, having been indicted together and charged with the commission of the same crime, there was no reason why they should not stand trial together. Judge Munger listened to the arguments along the line suggested by

the two atorneys and then held with Rush. For years the McCartys have been suspected of making and floating bad coin from their baunts in the woods, just south of Bellevue. For years they have been shadewed, but during all of this time not emough evidence has been secured to justify an arrest and prosecution. Last fall, however, a special agent of the government was put upon the trail of the men, and after working a few days, went before a United States commissioner and swore out warrants for the arrest of John McCarty and a pal, John Brown. They appeared and after a hearing were held. When the grand jury convened the members of that body took up the case and after sifting the evidence, returned an indictment. Some days ago the men were arraigned and both pleaded not guilty, though at that time it was believed that Brown would turn state's evidence and confess everything, implicating

McCarty and a number of others.

When court convened yesterday morning. McCarthy, accompanied by his wife, his relatives and a whole lot of friends, appeared. McCarty has all of the appearance of a man who has come in contact with the business end of a sausage making machine. His head is swathed in bandages and cuts and whom they run have not been arrested bruises are visible beneath the clothes. His version is that several nights ago when he idly as the parties can be apprehended. was on his way home from South Omaha, he was attacked by two footpads, who tried to rob him of a watch and money. People who know John McCarty have a different version. They say that it was a fight among partners and that McCarty got the worst of it.

Story of the Detective.

At the afternoon session of court, Austin V. Burk, a secret service employe, was called and was continued on the stand during the balance of the day on direct examination. Burk explained that he had been a crayon artist, hotel clerk and cowboy in his time. He came here early last May and at once went to work upon the Mc-Carty case. After getting his assignment, he Carty case. After getting his assignment, he visited Bellevue, where he met John and Jess McCarty. From these parties he made inquiries concerning Brown, stating that he knew a man named Please, who was serving a term in the Missouri penitentiary and that this party had sent a message to Brown.

While Burk did not meet Brown on the Brat visit to Believue, he found him upon a subsequent trip, and after delivering the counterfeit money, he was taken into full fellowship. After that Burk visited Bellevue quite frequently and finally suggested that he would like to handle some counterfelt coin if he could get hold of a kind that would bear inspection. This was the wedge used to gain the confidence of the Mc-Cartys and Brown, who fell into the trap. During the latter part of last May Burk made his first purchase of counterfeit money At that time he got seven half dollars with the understanding that he should pass them and turn in half of the proceeds. Instead of shoving them, he turned them over to another secret service officer and a few days later when he met John McCarty paid him for the stuff. From the date of the first purchase, everything was easy for Burk, and day after day, according to his testimony, he purchased counterfeit coin from either McCarty or Brown. Sometimes the deliveries were made at Bellevue, but more frequently in South Omaha, some out of the way place being selected for the transfer. In all witness purchased something like \$100 in counterfeit dollars and

Burk's appearance upon the stand yesterday afternoon was a complete surprise to both McCarty and Brown, for not until then did they suspect that he was the man who had turned them up to the officers here. They followed his testimony closely and seemed to take a decided interest in his identification of the coin that he alleged that he had bought from them. His identification of this coin was complete, each coin being marked with the date of receipt and with the stuff were notes, detailing the Harrison asking amnesty for those who had amount received, the amount paid, where delivery and payment were made and other granted. data relating to the transaction.

Dorsey Will Be Tried.

It seems that there was some mistake about the statement that the case of the United States against Frank Dorsey, cashier of the National Bank of Ponca, had been indefinitely postponed. Judge Munger of the United States court says that the case has been postponed until January 3, next when it will be called before Judge Carland, who will be here at that time.

Assistant United States Attorney Rush says that all of the witnesses in the case against Frank Dorsey have been subpocance to be on hand on January 3 and at that time a most vigorous prosecution will be

Don't lose sleep. Take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and lose that cough.

BELLEVUE MINTERS ON TRIAL instituted, with the hope of securing a conviction under the charge of violating the banking laws of the United States.

> Indiana Plead Guilty. Three of the Omaha Indians, James Bird, John Lincoln and John Priest, are safely housed for the winter. These three men were charged with supplying their red brothers with an assortment of liquor not long ago. Yesterday they appeared before Judge Munger and pleaded guilty to intro-ducing liquor into Indian Territory. Judge Munger informed them that in each case the minimum penalty would be a fine of \$100 and sixty days in jail. Notwithstanding this, they declared that they would stand upon their plea of guilty, which was entered against them. They were remanded to the county jail to await sentence.

More Indian Witnesses. Deputy United States Marshal Allen has returned from the Winnebago reservation, bringing with him John Priest, Joe Bird and John Lincoln, three Indians who have been indicted on the charge of introducing liquor upon an Indian reservation and also with selling the stuff to Indians. All three of the Indians were members of the Indian congress during the exposition and cut quite a figure, as they were always the principals whose hair was lifted upon numerous oc-

casions. Postal Clerk Pleads Guilty. Carlysle F. Dripps, a young man indicted by the grand jury, was called before Judge Munger and entered a plea of guilty to the charge of extracting and destroying a registered letter, containing the sum of \$280. The imposing of sentence was deferred. The young man was a postal clerk running beween Edgar, Neb. and Sterling, Colo., on the Burlington. Last June he extracted a registered letter containing \$280 and which was mailed from Bladen and addressed to

Petitions in Bankruptcy. Fred Mauss of Omaha has asked to be de clared a bankrupt. He alleges in his petition that his debts aggregate \$3,700 and that his possessions consist of some wearing apparel and a little household furniture. H. Franklin Cook of Beatrice would be bankrupt. He has filed a petition with this end in view. He alleges that his debts exceed \$2,000 and that his personal property all told, is less than \$500.

Grand Jury's Final Report. The United States grand jury completed its labors yesterday, made its final report and adjourned without a date. Since beginning its work a few weeks ago the grand jury has returned 108 indictments. As yet only the minor portion of them have been made public, as a majority of the parties against From now on arrests will be made as rap-

Federal Building Notes. On account of the McCarty case in the United States court being of considerable length, all of the jurors not engaged in the hearing have been excused until next Monlay morning.

Superintendent of Construction Latenses of the new government building is prepar-ing the specifications for file cases for the office of the clerk of the United States court. Yesterday was a busy day at the customs house. The shipments consisted of 180,000 pounds of lead to New York and a carload Omaha firms.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will not make new lungs, but it will cure incipient con-sumption and lung affections. Price 25c.

## ATTACKS THE MORMON CHURCH

Presbyterian Missionary from Utah Sails Into the Followers of

About 100 people gathered in the lecture com of the Kountze Memorial Lutheran church last night to hear Rev. J. A. Wishard, Presbyterian synodical missionary from Salt Lake, talk on "The Mormon Menace." The motive of the lecture was to create a sentiment which would result in a petition to congressman-elect from Utah, who is alleged by Mr. Wishard to be a self-confessed polygamist. Another purpose, although secondary, is to have congress define a legal marriage in the constitution of the country that the federal courts may have jurisdiction over polygamy cases.

The speaker gave a history of the organization of the Mormon church, saying it is a combination of Buddhism, Confucianism and Free Masonry, "with all the cunning of Jesuitism." But polygamy, he said, was not the most dangerous thing in Utah. What he considered the most dreadful and most tyrannical is the condition where one man can think for and control an entire community, as is the case under Mormon government, where the people are taught to believe that to disobey the head of the church is to disobey God.

He gave a history of the steps leading up o statehood and the situation in the state today as compared to the promises made previous to statehood. When the government began its vigorous prosecution of polygamists President Woodruff had a revelation from God commanding that the ordinance of polygamy be suspended hence-forth. This was published and President Woodruff sent a communication to President been deprived of their franchise, which was

After Utah was admitted, said the speaker new party lines were formed and the Mormon church was divided between democrate and republicans with the result that the Mormons control nearly every office in the state today. At the late election both parties nominated Mormons for congress, the republican candidate, according to the speaker, being a monogamist, and the democratic candidate a polygamist. The latter was elected, and so long as he had admitted openly he was a polygamist the lecturer desired that congress be petitioned to keep him out of his seat.

He had a map of the United States on the wall behind him showing the strength of the Mormons in this country. A shaded oval, indicating the "proscribed" district, covered all of Utah, half of Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Wyoming and Colorado and part of California. Every other state and territory in the union except six had shaded spots which showed where the church had its missionaries at work. The speaker said six United States senators owed their election to Mormon votes, with their accompany ing quota of congressmen, and that 1,700 missionaries were in the field teaching the

doctrine of Mormonism. Reception to President Donnelly.

Preparations have about been completed in this city to give a rousing reception to President Sam B. Donnelly of the International Typographical union by the local typographical union of this city, assisted by the other local unions which belong to the Allied Printing trades. Council Bluffs and South Omaha will also furnish their quota. Estimating the active members who will participate, together with the honorary members and invited guests, it is calculated that some 350 or 400 people will be present.

In overlap in these funds is expected, but in other departments the funds generally last until along in the spring. The rapid growth of the city has caused unusual expenditures and in some cases the city of ficials are not to blame, but in a majority of instances the council could have cut down expenses if it had desired to do so.

Shippers Urged to Be Careful.

The packers and commission men are uniting in sending out notices to shippers to use great care in the loading of hogs. Reception to President Donnelly.

Auti-Imperialism Petitions. Petitions drawn up by the Anti-Imperial-ism league of Boston, which protest against the extension of the sovereignty of the United States over the Philippine islands, are being circulated in the city and a large number of signatures are being secured.

When the petition sheets are filled they will be forwarded to the Anti-Imperialism league at Washington. Similar petitions are being circulated all over the country and the monster petition that will result is to be presented to congress.

County Commissioners Working Out Plans order to insure to the consumer a better quality of meat. for Needed Improvements.

SEVERAL ESTIMATES OF PROBABLE COST

Builders Who Want to Construct Another Story Under the County Building Talk of a Quarter of a Million.

Commissioners Harte and Ostrom do not deny that in their trip to St. Louis they were not unmindful of the need of a new jail. The difficulty with the new jail idea is that it is always saddled with a proposition to have improvements made to the court house. which would mean an additional outlay of

Estimates have been submitted from time to time on what the cost of excavating under the present court house and the construction of an additional sixteen-foot story would Mesers. Harte and Ostrom were talking the matter over with James P. Connolly, the commissioner-elect, yesterday and it was stated that these improvements would closely approximate \$250,000. Among the estimates which have been made one has come from John F. Coots, the builder of the court house. The figure given is his. Thomas Shaw not so very long ago drew up a sketch for a row of offices along the east side of the square on a line with Seventeenth street, to connect with the main structure. This would not cost so much. Then the offices of the register of deeds, the treasurer and the county clerk could be moved into the new building, where they would be more accessible to the public and the ones at present occupied could be used for court rooms, according to the idea of Mr. Shaw.

quired would be like doing so much patchwork. It would cost all of \$1,500 to properly equip the jail in this respect. The present pipes are badly corroded. Many of them run beneath the cement floors and leaks are frequent. Whenever a leak occurs the floors become demoralized and holes result either from the water soaking through or from the necessity for digging down through the floor to ascertain where the leak hap-

Mr. Harte is of the opinion that the cost of a new jail would exceed \$100,000, but Mr. Connolly, who is a practical builder, said he believed he could put up a new one with all modern improvements at an outlay of \$75,000 or less. Many of the present cages, said he, could be saved for minor offenders.

The present chairman of the board, Mr Kierstead, says he is in favor of a new jail, but his idea is to build one on some other site, reserving the entire court house block for a completely new court house whenever

the people get ready for one. All the commissioners talked with say they are of the opinion that a new jail is an imperative necessity, but they do not believe the public is ready for much of an expenditure for court house improvements A jail proposition might go through, but it was doubtful if anything else would be favored by the voters.

# SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

A report of the condition of the different funds was issued by City Clerk Carpenfund, exhausted; salary, \$3,830; street repair, \$284; special license tax, \$1.182; police \$2,599; dog. \$112; milk, \$6; emergency, \$33; interest, \$9,692; public light, \$3,211; judgment, \$691; engineer, \$775; water, \$4,107; park, \$1,232; special witness, \$11. These figures show that the council has expended congress to deny a seat to B. H. Roberts, \$66,384.98 of the 1898 levy, which became available last August, leaving a balance of only \$27,540.29 to run the city from the present date until the next levy is available. As the figures show, the general fund is exhausted, the appropriations made at the last meeting having drained it of every cent. The street repair fund is down to almost nothing and where the money is to come from for the repair of streets in the spring is a question which is already occupying the minds of the thinking members of the council. With the best of management the salary fund will fall short one month, leaving an overlap in this fund of \$558. At the rate expenditures have been going and the demands which will be made upon the street department in the spring the street repair fund will be at least \$2,000 short. The police fund will fall short of pay ing its bills by over \$3,000 and the fire fund will be shy nearly \$5,000, with a number of important bills still unpaid. present time there remains in the fire fund only \$111. The expenses of the department average \$600 per month and it is an easy matter to figure out a deficit of \$4,800. Some bills for hose and other items should come out of this fund in addition to the monthly expense of \$600, so that \$5,000 will hardly cover the shortage.

Another overlap will occur in the public lighting fund, it being estimated now that the shortage will amount to at least \$1,800 The increase in the number of arc lights installed at street intersections is the cause of the extraordinary drain on this fund Residents in all parts of the city have been petitioning for lights and the mayor and council have granted these requests only after strong talks were made. At one time Mayor Ensor had under consideration the vetoing of a resolution ordering in a number of street lights, but when the subject was mentioned in the newspapers the residents in the locations affected visited the mayor in bunches and induced him to

withdraw his veto.

the heads of departments and the other city officials to exercise the utmost economy in order that the overlap may not be any larger than really necessary. With the idea of impressing this fact upon the city officials Mayor Ensor yesterday called a meeting of the heads of departments and delivered a short lecture on conomy. Every officer was impressed with the necessity for being as saving as he possibly could in order that the anticipated overlap might be reduced to the lowest possible figure. The levy for fire and police purposes has always been too low and an overlap in these funds is expected, but

From this time on it will be necessary for

to use great care in the loading of hogs and cattle. It is asserted that through the carelessness of loaders hogs and cattle reach this market in a bruised condition. The effects of prod poles are not discernible on the hides of the animals brought here for slaughter, but when the carcass s trimmed at the abattoirs, bruises are

requently noticed and these detract from

the value of the animal. As far as is known

there is no cruelty practiced at the stock

JAIL AND COURT HOUSE IDEAS mission men using whips, so it is inferred OVER TWO HUNDRED SALOONS that the bruises are received at the loading station. All shippers will be requested to use caution in loading animals bereafter in

Charter Revision.

The meeting of the charter revision committee billed for last night was declared off late yesterday afternoon on account of the inability of the attorneys to prepare the bill for submission. It was expected that City Attorney Montgomery and Senator-elect Van Dusen would have the bill containing the amendments ready to submit at the time originally agreed upon, but late yesterday afternoon Mr. VanDusen tele-phoned Mayor Ensor and Clerk Carpenter that he had been unable to complete his work and therefore there would be no necessity for a meeting. It is thought that there will be a meeting of the whole committee and as many citizens as care to attend some evening next week. At this meeting the bill will be read and discussed.

Money for Charity. the month of November the city of South Omaha expended something like \$130 for charity. The coal delivered to indigent persons cost \$67.50, while groceries cost \$27. To this amount must be added the sum paid monthly to the South Omaha hospital-\$25-which makes \$119.50. In addition to this the bill for medicines runs from \$10 to \$15 a month, so that it is scarcely probable that the total will be lower than the amount first mentioned, with a probability of its being above that sum. Bills for charity are paid out of the general fund, and as that is now exhausted it is hard to tell where the money to keep up this expense is to come from.

A. O. U. W. Officers. South Omaha lodge, No. 66, Ancient Order of United Workmen, has elected the following officers. H. J. Shupp, past master workman; James H. Hopkins, master work-James Lorance, foreman; Ed F. Mc-Cormick, overseer; William J. Newton, The court house and jail committee has refused to go to much further outlay in the plumbing of the jail. Mr. Harte says that to put in the plumbing fixtures re- C oley, outside watch; J. C. Graham, chairman of trustees; W. H. Slabaugh, W. Berry and W. S. White, medical examiners. Officers will be installed the first Tuesday in January.

> Drunken Cripple Makes Trouble. clayton Scott, a one-legged man, caused we police officers any amount of trouble yesterday. Officer Deters arrested Scott on ower N street for being drunk and disorlerly. Scott refused to go to jail and broke his crutch, so that he could not navigate. Officer Burson happened along about this time and helped Deters carry the drunken man. The load became heavy and a sled belonging to a boy was appropriated by the officers and Scott was hauled to prison,

School Board Meeting. An adjourned meeting of the Board of Education is on the books for tonight. It is expected that sealed bids for some of the school district property will be received. At the regular session last Monday night the bidding for the two lots on Twenty-seventh street was quite spirited and it is expected that the board will realize a very good price for the property in case it is sold.

Fittings for Council Chamber. Railings for the new council chamber have arrived and it is expected that they will be placed in position within a few days. A great deal of work is yet to be done about the city offices and it will devolve upon the city or the new landlord to foot the bills. before the city officials were comfortably

Magie City Gossip. The Eastern Star meets Saturday night. George Hennings has bought out Pols-ley's market on Twenty-fourth street.

sermon at the Baptist church tonight. A daughter was born yesterday to Mr. and Schelling, Thirty-second and I streets. H. W. Pope and Miss Ethel Stevenson were married Wednesday evening by Rev. Dr. Wheeler.

It was too cold for out-of-door work yes-terday and but a few men worked on top of Armour's new buildings. Miss Grace Maxwell, one of the operators at the telephone exchange, has returned

rom a month's vacation. Mrs. F. A. Agnew. Twenty-third and N streets has returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives at Des Moines and Stu-

By special request Dr. Wheeler will re-peat his sermon on "The Inheritance of Womankind" on next Sunday evening at the First Presbyterian church.

The stock yards fire department will give a ball at the Exchange tonight. Colonel J. L. Paxton, general superintendent of the ompany, will be master of ceremonies. The Sons of Veterans have elected Harry

L. Dennis captain. Alfred Eastman first lieutenant and G. E. Harding second lieuat the next sate encampment.

### THE RESERVE THE PARTY OF THE PA MUSIC.

THE REPORT OF THE PERSON OF TH

Last night added another segment to the circle of good musical events programmed for this season and like all preceding occasious the audience was more enthusiastic han large. However, even social functions of a somewhat elaborate nature were not sufficiently attractive to keep some well known notables of the smart set from doing homage to the great Zeisler and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cahn.

Mme. Bloomfield Zeisler commanded the respect and admiration of the audience by her wonderful rapidity of execution, her power and delicacy of technique, her vivid interpretations and especially her unusual gift of repression. The sonata of Beethoven was wonderfully well received, considering that a large part of the audience was undoubtedly unfamiliar with the inner depths of the great composition. Noticeable was the warmth of recognition which greeted the presentation of the Liszt transcription of Schubert's "Hark! Hark! The Lark!" and "Erl-King," due largely to the fact that a good translation of the latter and Shakespeare's lines of the former occupied a prominent place on the program. The audience was thereby able to follow with intelligence the beauties developed by the

Mrs. Martin Cahn was not in as good voice as usual. Her selections were carefully made and pleasantly sung. Mrs. Cahn will be missed sorely in musical circles and her voice, which has never failed to please, will be sure to attract attention in a field which will give more opportunities for development.

A Race Against Fire. After ten days' fight to avoid death, the crew of a steamer from Spain recently arrived in Baltimore. In midocean it was discovered that flames were raging in the vesbel's hold. For ten long days the crew bravely fought the flames. If men would fight as persistently against disorders of the stomach and digestive organs, there would be fewer premature deaths. The best weapon for such a fight is Hostetter's Stomach Bit-

ters. It is the greatest of tonics and the best of remedies for kidney, liver, bladder and blood disorders. Gid. E. and Alice Johnson, osteopaths. Suite 515, N. Y. Life Bldg. Ole Olsen Was Only Playful.

Ole Olsen appeared before Judge Gordon yesterday afternoon to answer to the charge yesterday afternoon to answer to the charge of being drunk, and likewise disorderly. He informed the judge that he was a laboring man with a good job and was discharged. Olsen was arrested for breaking some win-dows in the front of Hing Lee's laundry at 1317 Dodge street while on a spree. yards, most of the yard employes and com-

Omaba People will Have Little Reason to Go Thirsty Next Year.

BRISK COMPETITION BETWEEN BREWERS

Hustle to Sell Beer Increases the Number of Licensed Drinking Places Beyond the Actual Requirements of Local Trade.

The number of applications for liquor

licenses that have so far been filed is 112, It is expected that this number will be more than doubled before the expiration the week which the saloon keepers yet have to file their applications. It is not thought that the number of saloons will fail far behind this year. Charles Metz is one of those who is of this opinion. He says: "On account of the exposition there were an unusually large number of saloons, the number being 260. I look for as many as 240 next year. All the saloon keepers expected to make piles of money through the exposition, and as they failed to do this, the big majority will stay in business for another year in the hope that enough will drop out of the ranks to give them a chance to do good business. There saloons will keep up. There never was so much competition among breweries in Omaha as there is at present. If a brewery establishes a new saloon in any locality, two or three other brewerles immediately put in places in the immediate neighborhood to get a share of the custom The consequence is that there are about 100 too many saloons in Omaha. Year after next, however, I look for a considerable decrease in the number."

Mortality Statistics.

The following births and deaths were rethe twenty-four hours ending at noon yesterday:

Births-Theodore H. Hansen, 4426 Decatur street, boy; Etgard Deves, 2523 Poppleton avenue, girl; M. Kalcik, 1261 South Fourteenth, boy; Henry Nelson, 4526 Burdette; Thomas Laudale, 4032 Seward, boy; A. Duffy, 816 North Fifteenth, girl; Rudolf Bear, 3536 Hamilton, boy; Sprague, 4350 Charles, girl; Joseph P. Hawley, 4107 Charles, boy.

Deaths-Joseph Hensman, 946 North Twenty-eighth avenue, 75 years; Charles Clement, 1318 South Sixth, 68; John M. Brauer, 4505 Woolworth, 58; Mrs. R. Fredrick, 1117 North Twenty-fourth, 42; Mrs. J. D. Jones, 419 South Twentieth, 36; Pauline Strickland, 29.

The building inspector and the boiler in-spector collected respectively \$55.50 and \$221 in fees during the month of November, according to reports to the Board of Public Works.

The Board of Public Works is taking steps to condemn an old frame building lo-cated at 1024 Douglas street. A hearing will be given the owner on next Wednesday

Chairman Burmester expects to call a meeting of the council committee on fire, water and police to investigate Joe Danbaum, who supplies city prisoners with meals under contract, in a couple of days. AND CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF

## HEARD ABOUT TOWN.

"There's a peach of a chance for me," mused Officer John Smith of the "dog watch" squad of the night police department, "if the right thing would only hap-During this sollloguy the policeman stoo

sheltered in the doorway of a building or Thirteenth street near the tracks and gazed longingly at a hotel looming darkly a block or two down and across the way. Occasion ally bleak gusts peretrated the doorway and sent the tails of the officer's heavy ulster flapping between his legs, impeding the pounding he kept up with his feet in en deavors to warm those heavily booted but chilled members.

"Here it is 4 o'clock in the morning and not a soul in sight but me. Freezing cold srow and the wind blowing a gale. What a peach of a time for a fire. Over there is a five-story hotel, full of people, only one light to be seen and that is in the office and turned low, everybody asleep, even the bell-

boy. 'Spose the house should take fire." The chances such a contingency would place in the way of an active, energetic lifesaver like himself rendered Officer Smith for the moment incapable of thought. "Pretty women paralyzed with fright would beg me to rescue them, and I'd do it, too, and carry out little children. Somebody is sure to get caught in the building and that means a living ladder with John Smith the principal round. Like as not I would be overcome with the smoke and ruin my uniform, but that's nothing; look at the glory, promotion and all about it in the newspapers. I can hear the chief now saying to me: 'Officer

Smith, you're a hero and-' On the roof of the hotel appeared a dull, red glare. It traveled with the wind and eemed to grow with every second as the bulging eyes of the patrolman were fastened upon the spectacle. The glorious opportunity of his life had arrived. In three bounds Patrolman Smith reached the fire box and turned in an alarm. Then into the office of the hotel and up the stairway he dashed, shouting "Fire" at every jump and banging at the doors with his boots and club until he reached the top floor. Into the halls scrambled the guests, men, women and children, to the number of thirty or forty, and on his downward trip the valiant and heroic policeman proceeded to save life in wholesale lots. "Keep cool; rely on me and you'll all be rescued!" the life-saver yelled encouragingly to the stampeded community. As most of the guests had turned out in their habiliments of night it was an easy matter to keep cool physically, but mentally their warmth amounted to frenzy. Officer Smith was everywhere endeavoring until he was black in the face to thwart the raging holocaust. He ran into the street with his arms full of children, dumped them in the snow and then ran back after more. By the time the department arrived, the white-robed guests of the hotel stood shivering barefooted in the snow, watching the lurid glare against the pitch dark sky and grateful to be alive. Happy with the thanks the crowd, Policeman Smith led the brigade to the roof, a line of hose having been laid through the hotel corridors. "There it is," he shouted, pointing to the flames that still swayed and flickered in the breeze behind a ledge of the roof, "douse it." With one ley jet from the hose the conflagration was completely extinguished and then from the darkness of the lower roof came an acknowledgment that made even the firemen shudder. "What in blazes are you idiots trying to do? Who are you any way?" "Who are you?" was the hesitating response of an amazed fireman. "The porter," who'd you 'spose?" In reply, an attempted laugh accompanied the words "Well, we're the fire department, but what are you doing down there and what was the "Covering the water pipes to keep them from freezing in the cold spell." answered the porter, as assisted by the strong arms of the firemen he clambered over the ledge, "and this is the fire," he added, producing an extinguished and drip-

When the group reached the street the shivering guests, whose lives had so gallantly been saved anxiously inquired if the fire were out. "Fire? there wasn't none,"

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On some of \$10.00, on others of eight dollars, on some you only save 5 dollars, and on no garment less than 2.50.

The most important bona fide clothing offer ever made in Omaha.



responded the disgusted members of the perior; L. A. Williams, Blair; E. E. Thomp fire department. "Show us the cop that son, Grand Island. rescued us; where is he?" howled the guests. But Policeman Joseph Smith, lifesaver, had made his exit via the rear fire escape, it is said, and now he is dedging the congratula-

tions of his friends. Memories of that remarkable closing night of the Transmississippi Exposition are recalled ever and anon, when two or three friends who atended the big Hallowe'en party get together. Somehow or other the discussion generally includes a few stories on the subject, "How we closed the Midway." A party of men at the Omaha club had covered the field for the fiftieth time the other evening, for the benefit of an outof-town guest, when a railroad official said: 'Well, do you know I've been sore ever since that night. I knew our crowd would be out there late, so I got one of the boys who was going down town to order a carriage to come out for us. He paid for it and saw the order given the driver. It was to meet us at the Twenty-fourth street exit. We depended on it and let all the cars go lown town. Then we had to walk home after all and a jaunt to Hanscom park at that hour in the morning was no fun. On the other side of the group were two men laughing as though their sides would split and they were pounding each other's ribs for keeps. The little one listened to the tale of woe and then remarked: "Well, that's hard luck. Do you know there were just four of us who missed the last car that

night and started to walk down town. We had only gone a little way when I saw a carriage coming up. We stopped it and the driver said he was engaged. I said: 'Oh, that is all right, I'm the man who sent down town for you. We were afraid you weren't coming, so we had concluded to walk.' Well, he took every one of us home. making four stops between Eighteenth and Davenport and Fortieth and Farnam streets, and it never cost us a cent. When I got out at my house and asked him what the bill was he whipped up and said, 'All right, sir, all paid for. The man that left the order settled the bill. Good night."

Personal Paragraphs. Judge Hamer of Kearney is in the city at

Common March

J. W. Deweese, an attorney of Lincoln, is ping campaign torch which he dragged be-Pauline Hall and maid and Mrs. A. Barere are at the Millard. Nebraskans at the botels: D. H. Figera, Seward; E. B. Warner, North Platte; E. C. Simmons, Central City; J. W. Witherell, Su-

Mrs. Fanny Bloomfield-Zeisler and secre-

tary, Miss Ada Howell Soper, are at the Millard. Ex-Governor D. F. Richards and sister Mrs. K. G. Turner of Wyoming, are at the Mrs. Edward Dickinson and Miss Jessie Dickinson returned from Chicago on Thurs-

day evening. Miss Maude Miller left last evening for a visit with friends in Canton, O. She went east with Mrs. D. R. Close, who is going for a sojourn about Springfield, Mass. At the Millard: H. F. Moeller of Chicago Burt Sparks of St. Louis, D. E. Palmer of Topeka, Kan., R. Kimball of Kansas City, John Neuschalder of New York, J. Rlardon of St. Paul, D. H. Porter of Creston, Ia., C. W. Grant of Troy, N. Y., C. F. Berkey of

Ravenna, Neb. Beatrice Moreland, the famous society ac tress, late with Sol Smith Russell, arrived in the city last night, accompanied by eight trunks, a valet, maid and pet dog. Her coming caused a flutter of excitement about the hotel where she has engaged a suite of rooms. Miss Moreland came from San Fran-

Mrs. C. H. Townsend and Miss Bessie Townsend left the city for Savannah last evening to join Captain Charles H. Town-send of the Department of the Missouri, who is at present stationed in that city. Captain Townsend is likely to be detailed to duty in Cuba. In such case Mrs. Townsend and Miss Townsend will accompany him.

The sconer a cough or cold is cured with-out harm to the sufferer the better. One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures. Why suf-fer when such a cough cure is within reach? It is pleasant to the taste.

Mancely Says He Was Robbed. John Maneely of Lucas Ia., informed the police yesterday afternoon that he had been robbed of \$70 in cash in Red Johnson's saleon. He entered the saleon in the afternoon with a white woman named Mamie Thompson and discovered his loss while they were drinking there. In telling the police of the occurrence afterward he said the woman had taken his pocketbook, which contained the cash, once before during the afternoon and he was positive she had it. Several colored fellows who were in the saloon at the time were arrested with the white woman.

Marriage Licenses. County Judge Baxter issued the following marriage licenses yesterday: Name and Address. Heman W. Pope, South Omaha ...... 24
Ethel Stevenson, South Omaha ...... 22 Oscar C. Hodgen. South Omaha ...... 21 Kate Whitten. South Omaha ......