GUARDING AGAINST A FIRE wrecks, which were very numerous among

Union Pacific Company Takes Care of Its Permanent Records.

VAULTS TO HOLD THE VALUABLE PAPERS

Changes in Car Service Department Bring Out Improvements Recently Made at Hendquarters Building to Protect Documents.

The work of tearing out the old record vault at the Union Pacific headquarters has provements made in the road bed and track. been completed and the large space formerly occupied by it has been added to the car service department. By this change not only is considerable more room added to the room where a dozen men and women are employed in keeping track of the cars of the | was encouraged by the head officials or not, Union Pacific system, but the lighting room | but certainly nothing was ever said, for the is improved by the added use of three large windows which were hertofore closed by the record vault.

The old vault was built in the headquarters shortly after the Union Pacific took possession of the old hotel structure for its general uses in 1884. The vault was constructed with the idea of preserving the most valuable papers of the railroad company from destruction by fire or water, or outer wall of the vault was of heavy steel and the foundations were of stone and brick. | The men who had the job of tearing it out last week found that it had been put in with the evident intention of staying there. But the vault has not been used for half a thirty-one cars, make a fast train going east, dozen years, and the iron room has been deserted except by rats and mice. The valu- freight; 1,500 tons, or forty-eight cars, conable records that the company wished to preserve against possible destruction were then placed in the new vaults built on the | cars; westbound, forty-five empties is the first floor just east of the main hall. In minimum number hauled in one train, but here are kept the records of all the admin- the number of empties often reach fifty-five istrations that have been at the head of or sixty. Almost all trains have belows to the Union Pacific through its varied career. Archer.

New Vaults Are Fireproof.

A Bee reporter recently asked a Union Pacific official if he thought the records in there would be preserved if the building should burn. He said: "Yes, indeed. The vauk is solidly built and the heavy brick- train, 550 tons, or sixteen loads, are hauled work and steel would keep the contents in good shape through a fire, I think, but no one can tell what the results of a fire would be. When the Wabash headquarters in St. Louis were burned fast winter that company lost practically all of its financial, engineering, executive and other papers of the greatest value to the railroad. But I do not think the Union Pacific would suffer so badly in case of fire. It would lose only such papers as happened to be out of the vaults at the time."

It is generally admitted that the present headquarters of the Union Pacific are not what would be called "fireproof," or even of "slow-burning construction." The matter of a new building for the general uses has been considered at various times as a possible improvement of the future, but the event has been postponed a good many years by the extensive repairs and improvements on the building within the last year. large sum of money has been expended by the new administration in renovating the headquarters. In addition to the general vault on the first floor, where the bulk of the important records are kept, there has been placed in President Burt's new office a smaller vault, built of the heaviest steel and warranted to be fireproof. In this are kept the executive papers of the new company. The car records are considered un- Fort Dodge this evening, but will return important, except for reference, and they are stored in an ordinary room on the fourth floor. On the same floor, unprotected against fire, are the records, maps, surveys and in- St. Paul railroad have been making a pre- outside and they are gathered up by the struments of the engineering department. liminary survey in South Denison, near the Here are included not only records of the main line of the Northwestern. They are in the day, and thus the system goes on original survey and construction of the line, working on the quiet and refuse to say week after week. Good breakfasts can be and work done since then, but maps showing anything of the intentions of their road. secured in this way at a cost of not to exthe numerous surveys for new branches and Both the Northwestern and Omaha and cut-offs that have been made and never | Fort Dodge have be

the long trains, are reduced to the minimum, as is also the destruction to property coulting therefrom." "Railroad men believe that the limit has

at last been reached in the car haul contest which was waged for several years by the officials of the various divisions and districts on the main line of the Union Pacific. During the last few years the number of cars hauled in a freight train has increased at a remarkable rate, as also has the tonnage of these trains. Years ago, before the company had brought its motive power up to its present high stage of efficiency, the number of cars hauled in a train was very small as compared with that of a train on the

Union Pacific today. But as the power of the locomotives was increased and imadditions were made from time to time in the car haul. Soon a division rivalry sprung up and each division tried to haul more cars in one train than its neighbor. It is not known whether this friendly contest car haul continued to increase. Trainmen were greatly surprised as each addition was made, but, of course, they had no say in the matter.

"At the present time the tounage and number of cars in trains hauled in and out of Cheyenne cast, west and south are as follows:

"South-Two hundred and fifty tons, or fiften cars, constitute a train in either difrom being loct as years rolled along. The rection, and 900 tons, or twenty-eight cars, constitute a slow or dead freight train both ways. Two engines are used on all freight trains on Athol hill, either northbound or southbound.

"East-One thousand one hundred tons, or while 800 tons constitute a westbound fast stitute a train of dead freight eastbound, but these trains will average about fifty The largest train of dead freight ever hauled east from Cheyenne was ninetytwo carloads of gravel last summer.

"West-Seven hundred and fifty tons, equal to from eighteen to twenty-five loads. is a fast train and is hauled by a 1,600 engine with a 900 class helper. For a single fifty empties constitute a double-header train and thirty-five empties a single train. From the west, 1,100 tons, or thirty-three loads, are hauled."

Railroad Boom at Denison.

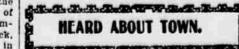
DENISON, Ia., Dec. 18 .- (Special Telegram.)-President Duncombe of the Omaha & Fort Dodge railroad was in the city tonight. He states that offers of compromise made to the Northwestern as to the right of way near Denison have been engaged in the business and all of them rejected and that the injunction asked to are making money. The meals are delivered restrain the Northwestern from condemning the same as packages from the market or block 12, in Denison, owned by the Omaha store. The parties engaged in the business & Fort Dodge railroad, will be tried on have their regular customers and the plan Tuesday next. Mr. Duncombe spoke guard- of operation is this, one illustration applyedly of a possible undertaking by which ing to all: A young man rooms in a block. the Illinois Central and Minneapolis and St. He has the bill of fare for the breakfasts Louis would make a through line from for the entire week. We will suppose that Omaha to St. Paul and probably to Duluth. At present the grades on the line surveyed been delivered. The next meal is ordered from Council Bluffs to Fort Dodge do not by simply checking the articles on the bill exceed twelve to fifteen feet to the mile. of fare and leaving it with the dishes out-The Omaha & Fort Dodge will pass through side the door. The next morning at a desigall northwestern towns between Denison and nated hour the caterer will be around with Council Bluffs, except Missouri Valley. It the breakfast ordered on the previous morn-will follow the Boyer river south of ing. The whole meal will be in a little pail Missouri Valley and cross the Northwestern or tin can, with half a dozen compartments. near Loveland. Mr. Duncombe left for Everything will be smoking hot and cooked Tuesday to be present at the hearing of the door and all the young man has to do is injunction case.

en making extensive

and ticket agent of the Colorado Southern at Denver, Colo. E. V. Maze, formerly general agent of the Union Pacific at Butte, Mont., has accepted a position with the Butte, Anaconda & Pa-

eific at Anaconda, Mont. James Warrack has been appointed freight agent of the Union Pacific at Los Angeles, Cal., and is succeeded as traveling freight agent at Denver by Julius Dalstrom, formerly of Omaha.

H. A. Words has resigned as assistant engineer of the Colorado Southern to accept a similar position on the Grand Trunk at Detroit, Mich. J. H. Payne, formerly with the engineering department of the Union Pacific, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Woods.



"The day of wooden shoes for footwear has passed," said Ole Larson, a business man from Nestora, Wis. "Fifteen years ago I was in the business of making wooden shoes and employed from twenty to twentyfive men the year through. Now I am engaged in the same business, but my working force is down to five men. Fifteer years ago I sent large shipments of wooden shoes to Iowa, the Dakotas and Minnesota and a few to Nebraska. They were worn largely by Hollanders and were about the warmest thing that could be found for the feet. They were in great favor with lum-bermen and people who had to be out in the cold, riding or driving. Since then they have made the heavy felt boots, over which thick rubbers are worn and the business has been killed. The wooden shoes were made

of basswood. Blocks of this wood were cut from live trees, steamed and then dug out with tools made for the purpose. The outside was chopped off until the block had the appearance of a shoe and after a little finishing was ready for the market. These shoes were usually worn about two sizes too large. The feet were wrapped with rags or straw and then shoved into these shoes which were then tied on with strings. Cold will not pass through wood, or if it will the wood will not hold it, so wooden shoes were comfortable and the feet were always warm. Wooden shoes are used now, but en-

tirely for parlor ornaments. Women buy them, decorate them with pictures of flow ers, scenery or portraits and then hang them on the walls. They are quite pretty and considered an artistic fad."

"There are about 3,000 young men in Omaha who room and take their meals at chop houses, restaurants and hotels, and if some enterprising man will furnish them

breakfasts at their rooms, he can make an independent fortune inside of three years." said Charles B. Russell last night. "This plan of furnishing meals is in vogue in Washington and it is a success in every particular. There there are scores of me he has ordered his first breakfast. It has to a turn. This will be left outside the

to take his breakfast inside his room and Surveyors for the Chicago, Milwaukes & eat it. This done, he places the dishes caterer, who makes his second round later ceed 15 to 25 cents each.'

Personal Paragraphs.

Auhiman to a finish, but the arrival of the SOUTH OMAHA NEWS. The second s

While little is said on the streets, the dea seems to prevail among thinking men that annexation to Omaha is the only salvation for South Omeha. It is asserted that with annexation the taxes would be reduced of Devaney insisted that he was the better and that better fire and police protection would be provided. Officers of the packing companies have-not expressed their opinions in this matter, but with few exceptions business men and those who have as the time for squaring matters and the large amounts invested here think that annexation is sure to come and the sooner in a nearby saloon loading up on booze prethe better. In conversation the illustration of the consolidation of Brooklyn and New

York City is used. If it is profitable for cities of the size mentioned to annex and work under one government, why would it not be advisable for cities of the class of where he was placed on parole. At the jail Omaha and South Omaha to consolidate and Devaney said that while he was willing to thus save the expense of maintaining two defend his position, he had no desire to sets of officers, two jails and two fire deforce the issue and had been goaded on to accepting the challenge issued by Auhiman partments? When the charter revision scheme was by his friends who insist that he is the bet-

first advocated it was suggested that such ter fighter of the two. When the crowd found action was unnecessary, as annexation was there was to be no fight it left in disgust. sure to come and in fact the question of annexation was brought up at the first meet-Victor Fursburg went into Hart's saloon ing of the charter revision committee. A on Q street yesterday after a glass of beer majority of the committee seemed to think

and managed to get into an argument with introduction of the subject inopthe the bartender, who struck him over the portune, and for that reason the charter head with a heavy beer glass. Fursburg aprevision matter went forward. Now that peared at the city jail with a big gash over the two attorneys charged with the work his eye and blood all over his face. Dr of formulating a bill for charter revision Furay was sent for and he found it neceshave been so dilatory, the annexation scheme sary to take a number of stitches to close seems to be gaining ground every day. In the wound. Chief Carroll stated that he revising a charter of a city of this class, it would investigate the case and would arrest will be necessary to gain the consent of the bartender as soon as he ascertained his four other cities in the state, each workname. Fursburg was sent to jail to sober ing under the same charter. If the amendup and will be held as a complaining witments offered by South Omaha go through ness against the bartender in case he is the legislature, the cities of Grand Island, caught. Nebraska City, Hastings and Beatrice will

be bound by the same laws. Thus, in the increased levy for fire and police work and the election of a tax commissioner there would be more or less opposition with the Kennedy and William Hayes of a watch and probability of success on the part of the majority.

Need for More Fire Protection Every one recognizes the necessity for bet-

ter fire protection and the scheme of voting bonds for fire department purposes has been suggested. The fire levy of 3 mills is not sufficient to pay for the two hose wagons and seven men now employed, so that there | elry and clothing from different lodgers in is little prospect of any improvement in this service, unless the charter is changed

so as to increase the fire levy or bonds are voted to pay for installing and equipping fire halls in every ward in the city. What is needed is one or two steamers and a hose company in the Second ward.

The water pressure in the Second ward s all that could be desired, but it is asserted that a steamer is needed to answer alarms from the packing houses and stock yards. If a steamer is purchased it should, in the opinion of experienced firemen, be placed on the hill near Thirffeth and Q streets. In case of an alarm the steamer would then come. have a down hill run to Cudahy's, Armour's, Swift's, Hammond's, the Omaha Packing

company and the Union Stock yards. It is estimated that it would be neces sary to vote bonds in the sum of \$10,000 to purchase and equip a steamer and also

a hose wagon in Brown park. This would still leave the Fourth ward without a fire hall. With the improvements now going on in this ward a hose company is a necessity. Water mains have been laid to the new cooper factory at Thirty-fifth and I streets, but in case of an alarm of fire from this place the hose wagons would have to make a run of nearly a mile, the greater portion of it up hill. With a fire hall at Thirtythird and I streets, the residences on the hill could be protected as well as the stock yards, Cudahy's and the cooper factory. In case the charter revision bill fails to go through it is probable that the question

of voting bonds for fire hall purposes will come up at the spring election.





"A Contented Woman," one of Hoyt's peculiar farces, opened a two days' engagenent at Boyd's theater with a matinee yes terday. Since it was last seen here with the late Caroline Miskel Hoyt in the name part there have been not a few changes in the piece which have bettered it noticeably Unlike many of Hoyt's pleces, "A Contented Woman" has few if any superfluous lines in t, and there are just enough specialties inroduced to give it spice and flavor. Miss Belle Archer, who takes Mrs. Hoyt's place, has practically created the part anew, thus is an artist of sterling merit, was seen in enhanced by the beautiful

adding much to the place. Miss Archer, who Omaha some years ago as the elder Salvini's leading woman, and while it is quite a surprise to see her playing comedy parts it is certainly a pleasant one. She has a pleasing which she wears. Benton Holme, the

As a usual thing children who do vaudeville acts are very tiresome, but the work of Carter DeHaven and Bonnie Male is especially good. They have sweet voices keyed almost identically alike and use them to advantage, their rendering of the new song, "Sussie Zoo," which has made such a hit in the east, winning them several recalls. Ed Lawrence and Nina Harrington, who

while they did not make a hit

with the gallery, the downstairs por-

tion of the audience, which seemed to ap-preciate the novelty of the work, was most

liberal with its applause. The costume

worn by the woman, who is a typical French

beauty, is of the kind worn only on the

French stage and is extremely beautiful.

claim to be the originators of the "Bowery Boy and Tough Girl," certainly deserve to manner, is good looking and if be if thy are not. Their Bowery cake walk such a thing be possible her beauty is brings forth a perfect storm of applause costumes from the spectators.

The four Florentines present acrobatic rich politician, is done well by Arthur Bufeats that are not only new and novel but chanan, while Mrs. Fanny Denham Rouse are original and extremely dangerous.

New York Volunteers Return.

States transport steamer Scandia has ar

and eight days from Honolulu. It remained several days at the latter port and the news it brought from the Philippines was for-

warded by the steamers Alameda and Gacile,

Scandia brings the remaining companies of

the First New York volunteer regiment from Honolulu. All are reported in good condi-

tion; five who were ill are now convalescent. Among the passengers from Monila are W.

Henderson Tells His Story.

The

which arrived during the last week.

rived here thirty-three days from Manila

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18 .- The United

portrays the part of Aunt Jim, the cham Bobby Ralston is likely the most diminupion of woman suffrage, in a manner that tive comedian upon the vaudeville stage, bewould indicate its creation by her. Miss ing but a little over two and one-half feet Henrietta Lee as Mrs. Ebbsmith, the high with a man's head and body. His work is quite clever and on account of hi

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The Cudahy company has placed two more this hydrant this difficulty has been over-

Magie City Gossip.

Ell H. Doud of Boone, Ia., was a visitor in he city yesterday.

from Armour & Co.

treets, announce the birth of a son. Mr. and Mrs. Christ Montgomery, Thirtythird and R streets, report the birth of a

Mike Hart is reported to be quite sick, the result of the wounds received last May when burglars entered his place on Q street.

and the Omaha Gas company is slated for hearing in the district court this week. Robert Dawson and James Black were try-ing to sell a ham on Q street yesterday and were arrested by a policeman for being suspicious characters.

The scheme of J. P. Finley to build a hotel here is considered visionary. The peo-

with Finley's buildings.

confined in the city prison for being drunk and disorderly. The robbery is alleged to have been committed at a boarding house on R street. Kennedy and Hayes were arrested because they wandered out into the street and commenced to tell the public their troubles. The men charged with lars ceny obtained a number of articles of jewthe house.

Charged with Robbery.

Mike Doyle, Peter Rooney and James

Frawley are in jail accused of robbing Pat

some clothing. Kennedy and Hayes are also

Hit with a Beer Glass.

Cudahy's Fire Protection.

fire hydrants in service. One has been located at the reservoir while the other has been placed so as to protect the new stable which is nearing completion. A hydrant at the reservoir will be of great benefit during a fire as at the present time it is impossible for a steam fire engine to get a suction pipe to the big tank. This was noticed at the recent smokehouse fire and by the placing of

Bartley Mallow is in jail for stealing bacon Bert Foley and wife, Thirty-eighth and Y

Ed Burke's damage suit against the

ple of South Omaha have had experience

W. J. Connors spent vesterday in

followed up.

Other Roads' Records in Danger. The Burlington and the Elkhorn headquarters are not located in what are commonly regarded as fireproof buildings Part of the records of the two roads are ket in safes, but it is admitted that they would share the fate of the Wabash records in case of a serious fire. However, each of these headquarters is only a western adjunct of the main headquarters in Chicago. and the most important and valuable papers of the Burlington and of the Northwestern systems are kept at the Chicago headquarters.

The railroad companies having general offices in Omaha are each provided with a salaries of call boys were reduced 39 per safe, and in these are sometimes locked up cent all along the road. This reduction reover night contracts and other papers of sulted in almost all of the callers resigning more or less value. Such papers are only their paces being filled by younger boys. A transients, however, as everything of per- few days ago an effort was made to reduce manent value is sent to the general head- the force at Laramie to two callers, one quarters of the various companies for pres- | day boy to call both engine and train crews ervation.

LIMIT ON A TRAIN'S WEIGHT.

Union Pacific Fixes the Load to Be Hauled by Freight Engines.

A change in the amount of tonnage for the matter. The settlement is entirely sateach freight run by the Union Pacific has isfactory to the boys, and four callers will been made by the management. Orders fixing the maximum limit of the freight trains for the Nebraska, the Colorado, the Wyoming and the Kansas divisions have been sent out during the last week by General Manager Dickinson.

"A reduction in the number of cars to a train is always made during the winter the engineers of that road. The bridge months," says a writer in the Wyoming was a single track draw weighing 215 tons Tribune, "but this year a greater reduction than ever has been made. It seems to be the policy of the new management not to make a record for car haul, but to get its ture was floated on two scows, one on either cars over the road as rapidly as possible. In this the company is now meeting with gratifying success. It is the carrying out of this policy of running trains of a reasonable length and tonnage that caused the change to be made in the passenger service by which two new trains go on on January 1. To say that this policy meets with the hearty approval of every train and engine man and other employes affected goes without saying. Then again, it is more satisfactory to the company for the number of

THE HOME FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF OMAHA

Began business November 1884, with ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOL-LARS CAPITAL and during these fourteen years has issued over ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND POLICIES, insuring over Ninetytwo Millions of property, and received over ONE MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN PREMIUMS, and paid over THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED LOSSES to the people of Nebraska amounting to over \$400,000.00 and now has assets amounting to over THREE HUN-DEED AND TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS, and a net surplus of over ONE-HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS. THIS IS THE WORK OF FOURTEEN YEARS IN ONE STATE. The Home Fire has made a splendid record for the prompt payment of all honest losses, and its conservative management and steadfast aim to merit and receive the confidence and support of the people by conducting its business on business principles has been rewarded by an abundant patronage and deserved success. It is the oldest and largest state company, and one of the best known, and has more policies in force in Nebraska than any other company doing business in this state.

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estate purchases. Building lots are in great demand and at least one hundred new dwell-Benton C. Hill of Chicago is at the Her

do the work as heretofore."

structure of the latest pattern.

Railrond Notes.

A. N. Oliver has resigned as city passenger

Bridge Moving Feat.

ings and store buildings have already been Grand. contracted for to be erected in the spring. J. B. McCoy of Milwaukee is at the ller Grand Call Boys Score a Point. F. W. Peters of St. Louis is at the Her "The Laramie call boys have scored a Grand

victory against the Union Pacific," says the Joseph T. Carter of Missoula, Mont., is at the Her Grand. Wyoming Tribune. "Four call boys have been doing the work at Laramie the same Charles G. McNelll of San Francisco, Cal., as at other points along the line. Two s at the Her Grand. worked during the day and the other two Miss Belle Archer of Hoyt's "A Contented at night. One of the day force called en-

Woman" company is stopping at the Millard. Mr. and Mrs. James H. Bartley of New York are at the Iler Grand for a few days' gine crews while the other called train crews. The two boys on nights worked in stay. the same manner. Several months ago t's C. H. Scott, a coal operator residing at

Rich Hill, Mo., is in Omaha, returning from the Black Hills D. H. Tuttle, a business man of Canton, S. D., spent St S. D., spent Sunday in Omaha on his way from a tour of Colorado.

M. C. Jones, produce dealer at Salt Lake, was in the city yesterday on his way home from a trip to his old home at Alma, Ill. and one night boy to do likewise. The boys immediately went on strike. The foreman Mrs. H. A. Scandult, her two daughters

and assistants were compelled to call the her son and Miss Rose of Faribault, Minu., crews and last Monday night Superintendare in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Burt ent Harris went to Laramie and adjusted George V. Ayres, a hardware merchant of

Deadword, S. D., is in the city. On Decem-ber 21 he will wed Miss Myrtle Coon of Omaha. Mr and Mrs. Ayres will make their home in Deadwood. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 18 .- A remark-

Master Herbert Meyer, attending the Wentworth Military academy at Lexington, Mo., is home spending his Christmas yacaable feat of bridge moving was accomplished today by the Chicago & Northwestern Ralition with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moritz Meyer, 2104 Douglas street. road company, under the direction of Nebraskans at the hotels: F. Flick, Craw

Ford; D. J. Weeds and R. H. Jenners, O'Ne ll; F. G. La Sella, Lexington; W. H. Austin, Franklin; W. G. Spencer, Oxford; C. E. Burnham, H. S. Manville and O. B. Manville, Tilden and was removed a distance of 250 feet to a new foundation in the quick time of two Tilden. At the Murray: James H. Cuddy, Fairfield, Ia.; Thomas Harris, Des Molnes; S. B. Jackson, St. Louis; J. E. Eldred and R. R. side of center, which were sunk with 90.000 gallons of water. With the scows in proper

Post Milwaukee; T. H. Cullom, New York; George V. Ayres, Deadwood; J. B. Nelson, position, the water was pumped out and the Chicago. bridge gradually lifted from its foundation At the Millard: F. E. Sargent, Montana and towed to its new resting place by two At the Millard: F. E. Sargent, Montana; E. Howard, Chicago; F. Stacy, Kansas City; F. W. Snow, Missouri Valley; S. Romann, New York; A. H. Griffin, St. Louis; Mrs. M. E. Bader, Lincoln; Miss Belle Archer and Mrs. Fanny Denham Rouse of the Contented Woman company; O. H. Morgan, Chicago. tugs. The bridge had rendered service since 1880 and is still in good condition, being removed to make way for a double-track

Tax Sale Question. OMAHA. Dec. 15.—To the Editor of the Bee: Among the subjects requiring the at-tention of the incoming legislature few, if any, would seem to be more important than

endment to the revenue laws, properproviding for the sale of real estate for de browthing for the sale of real estate for de-linquent taxes and authorizing the county treasurer to execute legal certificates there-for and subsequently make deeds for the property. The city of Omaha and other important financial interests have been greatly injured by this defect in the laws. For inportant financial interests have been greatly injured by this defect in the laws. For in-stance the German Savings bank had over \$30,000 of its depositors' money invested in selected tax certificates, which still remain entirely unavailable for liquidation and of doubtless value. Many other similar cases could be cited, to say nothing of the thou-sands of dollars of special taxes on real estate in the city of Omaha levied to pay for improvements long since made and for which securities are outstanding and unpaid. In reply to a recent inquiry why certain interest coupons, dependent on taxes in a western county, were not paid the secretary of the district wrote: "There is a large amount of taxes delinquent. The cause of delay is, generally speaking, because our people believe no legal sale of real estate for taxes can take place." This condition is a grave injustice to the prompt and honorable taxpayer, who bears the burdens of supporting the various forms of government, while his delinquent neigh-bor escapes with impunity, although enjoy-ing equally all the privileges of citizenship and protections of the laws and their execu-tive officers. EQUITY.

tive officers. EQUITY.

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teer with a History. A Texas steer with a history was killed at one of the packing houses Saturday. The

animal was known as "Mobile" and for years has belonged to Buffalo Bill's show. It was brought to the yards last Friday by J. A.

Goodman, manager of Cody's ranch at North Platte. "Mobile" was a long-horned animal 18 years old and had outlived its useful-

ness. It was christened "Mobile" from the fact that several years ago it jumped overboard from the deck of a steamer and swam to shore, a distance of seven miles. When recaptured the steer was apparently none the worse from its bath, After this "Mobile" continued to do the wild steer act in the show for a number of years. He crossed the ocean several times with the show and peo-

ple who were connected with the enterprise dyspepsia, torpid liver, nervousness and say that he was hard to rope and many a fever and ague. rough rider found him a hard proposition when it came to mounting and riding. While in the pens at the yards "Mobile" was as

docile as any of the other animals. When he wont over the scales he weighed 1,100 pounds and sold for 3 cents a pound.

Carroll Stops a Fight.

Chief Carroll took time by the forelock and broke up a prize fight which was billed to come off at Egger's brickyard at noon yesterday. The chief received a tip about 11 o'clock and drove over that way with Offi

cer Deters. Everyone in the neighborhood must have known of the impending fight. for dozens of men were wending their way to the brick kilns, and women were standing on the sidewalks awaiting the outcome of the mill

he mill. Jack Devaney was to have fought Jack Suite 515, N. Y. Life Bldg.

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value.

jail sobering up. He went into Armour's office late Saturday and tried to create a disturbance. A. M. Cockrell died at his home, Twentieth

and J streets, yesterday. The funeral will be held this afternoon at the family residence. Interment at Laurel Hill cemetery.

The World's Supply of Wheat.

An English expert prophecies a universal earth in the wheat supply. He claims that the wheat producing soil is unequal to the strain that will be put upon it. Even now strain that will be put upon it. Even now when the food supply of the world is ample, thousands die because their disordered stomachs fail to properly assimilate the food they take, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters strengthen and tone up the stomach and digestive or-gans, and enable them to perform their proper functions. This great remedy cures

Boy May Lose an Arm.

W. B. Gibson, a 14-year-old boy, whose home is in Davis City, Ia., was brought to the city last evening by his parents and placed in the Methodist hospital for treat-Young Gibson went hunting Friday afternoon and in some way the gun he carried was accidentally discharged, the load entering his arm and inflicting a serious injury. The physician in charge says that amputation may be necessary.

Constipation prevents the body from ridding itself of waste matter. De Witt's Little Early Rizers will remove the trouble and cure sick headache, billousness, inactive liver and clear the complexion. Small, sugarconted; don't gripe or cause nausea.

notorious, was particularly pleasing. The whole company is re- size exceptionally funny. markably well balanced and there is not a In the act of Mile. Arniotis, the female part poorly handled. The specialties intro- Sandow, there is comedy enough introduced duced were new and well received, espeby the assistant to make it extraordinary cially Miss Bonnie Lottie's singing and laughable, while the feats performed by this

dancing, Charles B. Morrison's songs and strong woman are such as to cause only imitations, John L. Kernell's coon songs and wonderment and surprise. Miss Lee's song, "She Was Bred in Old Kentucky." The engagement closes with this ovening's performance.

If one were to judge by the enthusiasm of the audience, it would be hard to tell just what is the best thing and which act upon this week's Creighton-Orpheum program makes the biggest hit, but suffice it to say, there is not a poor one numbered among the eight that were presented to an audience that packed the theater last evening, as was shown by the liberal applause bestowed upon each. Perhaps the most wonderful thing upon the bill is Prof. Leon-

Among the passengers from and are w. A. Walsh of the Astor battery and W. J. Cohn, C. H. Hermann, W. H. Curran of the Pennsylvania volunteers and several mem-bers of the First California regiment. The idas' trained cats and dogs, who perform bers of the First California regiment. The Scandia is in quarantine and no mail or pas-sengers will be landed tonight, neither will some of the most remarkable feats imaginable, such as riding bicycles, dancing, turning somersaults, wheeling each other in carany one be permitted to go on board. riages, making parachute drops and doing all manner of things that one would think was beyond animal intelligence. As a finale CHICAGO, Dec. 18 .- W. E. Henderson, the to the act, one of the cats climbs to the dome of the theater on a suspended rope. gets into the basket of a parachute fastened

children, was driven out of Wilmington, N. C., by the recent riots there, told the story to the ceiling and at a signal cuts loose to make a safe descent on the heads of the Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones presented a set of resolutions, which were adopted unani-mously, deprecating discrimination in trade. The two Deltorellis give an act entirely different from anything of the kind ever

politics or religion on account of the color line in the north or south. A copy of the resolutions will be sent to president Mc-Kinley. seen in this city. They appear in all kinds of grotesque costumes and play on instru-

Hospe's Art Department-

audlence.

Italian water colors-We have just received a collection of unusually fine water colors by Italian artists-Among those represented are Aurelli-Pavesi-Indoni- Bartolini-Lari-Tomba-Rosati and Olivetti-It is not often we are able to offer at one time as many samples of this school as now-and especially at the price we can make on them-Some new frames also just in-Remember-in ordering from us you will not be disappointed in delivery-and we make no chargs for shipment.



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