Unaddressed Letter Causes a Ripple of Excitement in the Legislature.

HOUSE POSTMASTER OPENS THE MISSIVE

Causes Some Embarrassment for Eastman and the Postmaster's Actions May Yet Be the Subject of an Investigation.

LINCOLN, Jan. 27 .- (Special.)-The sensation which was caused in the house this morning by the introduction of a resolution by Cawthra of Gosper asking for an investigation of the house postoffice, before night had settled down to a question as to the right of the postmaster to open letters and furnish addresses where the outside of the envelope failed to indicate for whom the letter was intended. The vague intimation of threatened divorce proceedings turned out to be nothing serious.

The story as it is now told by those interested is that some days ago a letter was dropped into the house postoffice, upon which there was no address. Some time during the same day Representative W. G. Eastman was in the postoffice and one of those in charge showed him a letter addressed to "Mrs. W. G. Eastman, Kingston, Neb." The postoffice man explained that the letter having been unaddressed he opened it, found it was intended for Mrs. Eastman and he had addressed it to

Mr. Eastman sald he thought no more about the matter at the time, as he was in the habit of writing to his wife pearly every day. The postmaster did not allow him to inspect the contents of the letter, he knew no more about it until it was returned by his wife with the suggestion that he send it to the right woman. The contents of the letter are not made public, but it seems that it was only such a letter as a man would write to his wife, being addressed to "Minnie" at the be ginning and being signed "Wesley." Mr. Eastman's first name is William, and that of his wife is Jane, so it must have taken quite a stretch of imagination to discover that the letter was intended for Mrs. East man in the first place.

The member from Custer, while naturally embarrassed over the notoriety that has been caused by the bad guess of the postoffice department. Is not seriously worried over any impending domestic difficulty.

The committee appointed to investigate the matter went over the ground this evening and concluded that the trouble was all caused by one of the men in charge of the house postoffice, who, while making a had mistake as to his duties in the case of un addressed letters, was innocent of any intention to commit a wrongful act. It is probable now that the whole affair will be dropped.

The news that the habeas corpus case had been decided against Judge Skipton of Fillmore county caused a little ripple of applause in the house this afternoon. It was later learned that Skipton had taken an appeal to the supreme court and had been released on a supersedeas bond.

The case will probably be considered by the supreme court week after next. In the meantime the election committee will likely lutions were unanimously adopted, and the hold its report until after the Skipton case is fully decided in order if possible to gain possession of the missing ballot.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE

Declaration in Favor of Electing Senators by Popular Vote. LINCOLN. Jan. 27 .-- (Special.) -- A petition was presented in the house this morning, signed by ottored of Cherry county, asking that an appropriation be made for the payment of wolf bounties.

A petition from the officers of the Lincoln presented protesting against the passage of S. F. 26. One of the signers on this paper was Samuel Lichty, acting president of the society.

A communication from the State Board of Agriculture relating to county societies was read and referred to the committee on agriculture. The committee on judiciary reported H

R. 56 for passage. There was also a minority report asking that the bill be indefinitely postponed. The one section of the bill, which amends

section 2 of chapter lill of the statutes, is as follows:

'A married woman, while the marriage relation exists, may bargain, sell and convey her real and personal property and enter into contract with reference thereto in the same manner, to the same extent and with like effect as a married man in relation to his real and personal property and she shall be bound by her personal contracts in every respect the same as a married man is bound by his personal contract."

Easterling of Buffalo spoke in favor of the minority report. He said that such a law would bind the property of women who sign contracts under duress or to accommodate the husband. Prince of Hall spoke for the bill, and held

that the women of Nebraska were as well educated as the men and would sign only such contracts as they intended to observe Haller of Washington and Fisher of

Dawes opposed the bill, and after some further discussion the minority report adopted and the bill was killed. Committees reported H. Rs. 171, 77, 78, 94

and 68 to the general file. Wyman of Buffalo offered a resolution declaring it to be the sense of the house that United States senators should be elected by direct vote of the people. On this roll call was demanded and the resolution was adopted. Those voting against the resolution were Anderson of Lancaster, Burman of Douglas, Chittenden of Gage and Grafton

Burman of Douglas complained that senate files were not on the desks of the members and offered a resolution instructing the chief clerk to see that the files were furnished. After some discussion the resolution was withdrawn, the speaker of the house explaining that the files would come to the house in good time.

Cawthra of Gosper offered the following Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of members of this house that grave irregularities exist in the house postal department which reflect upon the honor and jeopardize the domestic relations of the members of this house; therefore, be it

Resolved. That the speaker appoint a committee of three to investigate any charges, call witnesses, papers, etc., relative to said department and report its findings to this house.

Mr. Cawthra failed to explain definitely the reason for offering the resolution and it was voted down. A few minutes later, after

some of the members had held a private consultation with Cawthra, a similar reso

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OMAHA, NEB .- "I was troubled with an aching sensation and tired feeling all over my body. I concluded to try Hood's Sarsaparilla and was benefited by it immediately. At the same time I suffered with eruptions on my limbs, but all this had disappeared after I had taken two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla." W. A.

HAGAMAN, 2033 South 20th Street. Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 20c.

Dawes, Chambers of Burt and Cawthra of

Young of Cass offered the following reso lution, which was adopted: Whereas, Our chaptain has just learned that his son, Harry Seabrook, a member of Company H, First Nebraska volunteer in-

pine islands; and.

the secretary of war to grant an immediate discharge for his son; therefore,
Resolved, That the house of representatives of the state of Nebraska hereby request that said discharge be granted. After the noon recess bills on third reading was the order and H. R. 18, to prevent

Whereas, Chaplain Seabrook has asked

by a vote of 85 to 5. H. R. 37, by Easterling, re-enacting the old law relating to the obtaining of money or goods under false pretenses, was passed, no votes being recorded against Mt.

H. R. 44, by Thompson of Merrick, the bill relating to marriage relations and which was discussed in committee of the whole yesterday, was passed by a vote of laid on the table. His motion prevailed 55 to 35. Eastman of Custer, in explaining | 20 to 12. his vote, said that the peculiar positon in which he seemed to be placed impelled him to vote against the bill. As this appeared to refer to the postoffice incident brought to the attention of the house during the forenoon it raised a general laugh.

H. R. 45, requiring leases and contracts of sale to be in writing, was passed by a vote of 91 to 4, Chambers, Elwood, Mc Cracken and Wright voting in the negative.

The following report was received and

The undersigned special committee appointed to maintain the dignity of this house in the matter of application by F. Skipton for a writ of habeas corpus, takes pleasure in reporting to the house that his bonor. Judge Lincoln Frost, has held said Skipton and decided he was not unlawfully impris-oned; said Skipton is taking said case on e court.
ALLEN G. FISHER,
W. A. PRINCE.

The house went into committee of the whole with Weaver of Richardson in the hair to consider bills on general file. H. R. 77, a bill by Lane of Lancaster t

cure a defect in the wording of the road law, was recommended for passage. H. R. 78, by Lane, providing for the plowing alongside of highways to prevent the spread of prairie fires, was indefinitely postponed.

H. R. 68, Beverly's bill to prevent the employment of child labor, was recommitted os amendment Shortly after 4 o'clock the committee arose and the house adjourned to 11 o'clock

Monday morning. PROCEEDINGS OF THE SENATE.

a Skirmish Adjournment is Taken Till Monday. LINCOLN, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—President

Pro Tem Talbot offered a communication at the beginning of this morning's session from Robert W. Furnas, secretary of the State Agricultural board, opposing the passage of S. F. 7, introduced by Knepper of Butler, to abolish county agricultural societies. Secretary Furnas' letter contained resolutions passed by the board, and was as follows: "At an annual meeting of the Nebraska

State Board of Agriculture, held at Lincoln January 18, 1899, the following resosecretary directed to furnish the senate and house of representatives. Nebraska legislaure, with official copies thereof: "Resolved, That it is the sense of this

meeting, composed of members of the State Board of Agriculture, with the delegate representation from county agricultural soteties of the state, assembled at Lincoln January 18, 1899; That the present law governing the organization and maintenance of county agricultural societies in Nebraska has been the means of greater agricultural educational influence among the citizens of our state than all others combined, and that the present encouraging condition of agricultural development in the state cannot afford now to be embarrassed by the repeal of any law which will tend to check progress in this direction, and that the county agricultural society is today and has been the nucleus from which the state fair of Nebraska has acquired its reputation of being the leading state agricultural ex-

hibition in the United States. Be it fur-"Resolved, That it is our belief that the taking away from county agricultural societies the county aid now provided will not only discourage the organization of agricultural societies in the newer countles, but will have a tendency to discourage agricultural society work now being accomplished in the state, thereby giving Nebraska a backward inclination rather than an incentive to lead in every feature of agriculture production adapted to our soil and climate. It will furthermore result in killing the greatest means of education and advancement the progressive and enterprising farmer of today enjoys-the comparison with that of his neighbors of the product

of his own labor from the field, the orchard, the garden and the home. "Resolved further, That the members of this convention, and especially the legis lative committee, be authorized to use its influence against the repealing bill referred to and all other bills adverse to the agricultural interests of Nebraska, and that copy of these resolutions be furnished each, the president of the senate and the speaker

The letter, with the resolutions, were or lered spread upon the journal.

The judiciary committee recommended S. 66 for passage, S. F. 56 with slight amendments to pass, S. F. 70 to pass, S. F. 67 to pass, and S. F. 65 to pass They are all Wheeler bills to cure defects in laws.

S. F. 220, introduced by Owens of Dawson. proposes to redistrict and reapportion the state into senatorial and representative districts, giving the northwest and western part of the state increased representation. The bill gives Douglas county four senators and one float senator between Douglas and Sarpy. Douglas county is given eleven representatives and one float between Douglas and Sarpy.

Luncaster is given two senators, one float between Lancaster, Cass and Otoe, and seven representatives. Gage is given one senator, one float senator with Pawnee and Johnson, and three representatives. The number of senatorial districts is reduced from thirty to twenty-eight, and the number of representative districts .increased from sixty-seven to seventy-two.

S. F. 50, by Allen of Furnas, was given its third reading. The bill provides for transferring certain funds to the general fund, the purposes for which the funds were created having ceased to exist. The bill was passed by a vote of 28 to 1. Miller of Buffalo alone voting in the negative. The bill was introduced upon request of State Treasurer Meserve.

Spohn of Nuckells introduced a motion ooking to the passing of some new freight rate laws to replace the Newberry bill. His motion was as follows:

"I move that the secretaries of the Board of Transportation be requested to report to the senate what, if any, reduction can be made in conformity with the decision of the United States supreme court in the maximum freight rate cases, with reference to the rates on lumber and coal shipped into the state and grain and live stock shipped out of the state."

The motion was passed without debate. Schaal of Sarpy killed time by making the ollowing motion:

"I move you that it is the sense of this body that all United States senators be elected by a direct vote of the people." Upon the motion of Prout of Gage the

SENT TO THE WRONG WOMAN | Jution was offered by Pisher of Dawes and motion was laid on the table for future conwas adopted without opposition. The chair sideration, Fowler of Fillmore and Currie appointed as such committee Fisher of of Custer voting with the fusionists against

the motion. The vote was 18 to 12. At this juncture Allen of Furnas moved that when the senate adjourned, it adjourn till Tuesday at 10 o'clock. Upon the suggestion of Van Dusen of Douglas the hour was made 10:30. This brought forth the opposition of the Lancaster senators, backed is seriously sick at Manila, Philip- by the fusionists. Senator Rocke moved to amend that the senate adjourn from to morrow till Monday. His motion was declared out of order. Prout of Gage favored adjournment to give the senate a rest Allen of Furnas thought the senators ought to confer with their constituents on the senatorial situation. Taibot of Lancaster contended that the legal election of a senthe plowing up of public roads, was passed after would be jeopardized by adjournment by a vote of \$5 to 5. said the best legal talent differed from Sen-

ator Talbot. Van Dusen of Douglas offered an amend ment that when the senate adjourn it adjourn till Monday at 11 o'clock. The amend ment was accepted by Senator Allen. Talbot of Lancaster moved that the motion be

Senator Allen again moved an adjourn ment till Monday at 11 o'clock. Objections were raised that the same motion had just been tabled. The motion did not receive a second, and, the hour for the joint ballot having arrived, the senate proceeded to the house of representatives.

After the joint session the senate took recess till 2:30 o'clock.

In the afternoon the senate was called to order at 3:05 o'clock. The committee on municipal affairs reported favorably upon S. F. 81. The judiciary committee reported amendments for S. F. 69 and also S. F. 79, with recommendation that they pass as amended. S. F. 71 was reported back by the judiciary committee to pass with slight amendments. The committee on live stock and grazing reported favorably upon S. F 44 with some amendments. The committee on privileges and elections reported favorably upon S. F. 38, to allow county judges compensation for appointing judges and clerks of election.

Several new bills were introduced. The committee on printing was instructed to have 1,000 extra copies of S. F. 210, the revenue bill introduced by Van Dusen of Douglas, printed.

Allen of Furnas moved that when the senate adjourn it adjourn till 11:30 a. m. Monday. Talbot of Lancaster said he had conscientious scruples against adjourning over Saturday. The morning discussion was resumed, with no new arguments on either side.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 17 to 14. after a call of the house, which was raised before any of the absentees were brought in.

Upon the report of the committee on education S. F. 41 was recommended for passage. It is the free high school law. S. F. was indefinitely postponed, S. F. 41 covering the same subject more completely. The senate went into committee of the whole, with Canaday of Kearney in the chair. S. F. 52, by Talbot of Lancaster, was recommended for passage. It simply adds a proper repealing clause to the present law, with one or two minor amend ments.

considered. This is the bill to wipe out county agricultural societies and compulsory county aid for fairs. The judiciary committee offered a substitute, leaving the law in force, except it makes it optional with county boards whether county aid shall be given or not. Van Dusen of Douglas explained the objects of the substitute bill. Miller of Buffalo favored the repealing of he law, saying the people had grown tired of paying annual contributions to these fairs. He said he would support the substitute, however, as probably the best that could be done this time.

Fowler of Fillmore favored the substitute, as it would let each county decide whether to aid the county fair or not.

Farrell of Merrick thought he could support the bill as it now stood. The taxpayers sons between the ages of 8 and 14 years and
of his county were opposed to the present all persons over 14 and under 16 who canvantages of an education were set forth in Arends of Otoe favored the retention of

he present law. Van Dusen of Douglas said the subject did not affect Douglas county, as it had not held any county fairs in recent years. He wanted to be guided by the wishes of hose countles that would be affected by

Morgan of Dixon and Hannibal of Howard favored the bill.

Steele of Jefferson said the judiciary committee did the proper thing in framing the substitute. Some county societies got up a horse race just to draw this money from the county. The substitute bill was recommended for passage. S. F. 66, S. F. 70, S. F. 67 and S. F. 65

were all recommended to pass, all being mere curative acts known as the Wheeler bills. The committee then arose and the senate

adjourned until Monday.

BILL TO REDISTRICT THE STATE

Introduced by Wilcox in the House and Owens in the Senete.

LINCOLN, Jan. 27 .- (Special.)-H. R. 366, the bill introduced by Wilcox of Lincoln to redistrict the state into senatorial and representative districts, is a copy of the bill introduced in 1891 and which was based on the 1890 census. A duplicate bill was introduced in the senate today by Owens of Dawson. The districts as provided by the bill are as follows:

Senatorial Districts.

1-Nemaha and Richardson, one senator. 2-Gage, one senator. 3-Pawnee, Johnson and Gage, one sens

-Otoe and Cass, one senator. 5-Lancaster, two senators

6-Douglas, four senators Dodge, Sarpy and Douglas, one senator. 9-Saunders and Colfax, one senator 10-Washington, Burt, Thurston and Da-

kota, one senator. 11-Cuming, Wayne, Dixon and Cedar, one senator. 12-Madison, Antelope, Stanton and Pierce,

ne senator. 13-Platte and Butler, one senator 14-York and Seward, one senator 15-Saline and Thayer, one senator, 16—Fillmore and Jefferson, one senator.
17—Nuckolls, Webster and Franklin, one

senator. 18-Adams, Clay, Hamilton and Polk, two 19-Hall, Howard and Sherman, one sens-

20-Merrick, Nance, Boone, Greeley and Wheeler, one senator. 21-Knox, Holt, Rock, Brown, Keya Paha and Boyd, one senator. 22-Custer, Valley, Garfield and Loup, one senator.

23-Buffalo and Dawson, one senator. 24-Phelps, Kearney and Harlan, one sen-25-Furnas, Red Willow, Hitchcock and losper, one senator.

26-Frontier, Hayes, Dundy, Chase and Perkins, one senator. 27—Lincoin, Logan, Blaine, Thomas, Hooker, McPherson, Arthur, Grant, Keith, Deuel, Cheyenne, Kimball, Banner and Scotts Bluff, one senator, 28—Cherry, Sheridan, Dawes, Sioux and Butte, one senator

Representative Districts. -Richardson, one representative. 2-Nemaha, one representative. 3-Richardson and Nemaha, one

-Johnson, one representative. Pawnee, one representative. 6-Otoe, two representatives. -Cass, two representatives. Otoe and Cass, one representative. Sarpy and Douglas, one representative. Douglas, eleven representatives. 12-Burt, one representative.

15—Cuming, one representative.
16—Donge and Cuming, one representative.
17—Stanton and Pierce, one representa-

18-Dixon, Cedar and Dakots, two repesentatives. 19—Knox, one representative.
20—Antelope, one representative.
21—Nance and Greeley, one representative.
22—Boone and Wheeler, one representa-

23-Madison, one representative. 24—Platte, one representative, 25—Platte and Madison, one representa-

26-Colfax, one representative. 27—Saunders, one representative. 28—Butler, one representative. 30—Sewara and Butler, one representative. 31—Saline, two representatives.
32—Gage, three representatives. 33 Lancaster, seven representatives,

24 Jefferson, one representative. 25 Thayer, one representative. 36-Nuckolis, one representative. 37-Fillmore, one representative.

28-Clay, one representative. 39-Clay and Fillmore, one representative 40-Merrick, one representative. 1-Hamilton, one representative. 42-York, one representative. 43-York and Hamilton, one representa-

44-Polk, one representative. 45-Webster, one representative. 46-Jefferson, Thayer, Nuckolls and Webster, one representative 47-Hall, one representative. -Adams, two representatives. 49-Hall and Adams, two representatives. 50-Holt, Keya Paha and Boyd, two rep-

esentatives. 51-Brown and Rock, one representative. 52-Cherry, one representative, 53-Sheridan, one representative, 54-Lincoln, one representative. 55-Valley, Garfield and Loup, one repesentative.

56-Custer, two representatives, Sherman, one representative. 58-Buffalo, two representatives. 59-Dawson, one repesentative. 60-Kearney, one representative. 61-Franklin, one representative. 62-Harlan, one representative, 63-Phelps, one representative.

-Furnas, one representative 65-Red Willow, one representative. 66-Furnas, Gosper, Hayes and Frontier, two representatives. 67-Hitchcock and Dundy, one representa-

68-Chase and Perkins, one representa-69-Blaine, Thomas, Logan, McPherson, Hooker, Grant, Arthur, Keith and Deuel, 70-Cheyenne, Banner and Kimball, one representative.
71—Box Butte, Sloux and Scotts Bluff, one

72-Dawes, one representative. BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE.

Twenty New Measures Are Brought Forward for Consideration. LINCOLN, Jan. 27 .- (Special.) -- Twenty new bills were introduced in the house on Friday as follows:

H. R. 359—By Zellers: To create a state board of control of special educational insti-tutions and to provide for the managemenand control of the State Industrial School for Juvenile Offenders, Industrial School for Juvenile delinquents, Institution for the Blind, the Deaf and Dumb Institution, School for Feeble Minded Children, and to make an appropriation of \$19,440 therefor. H. R. 360—By Weaver: To amend section 1, article i, chapter liv, Compiled Statutes of 1897, giving blacksmiths and woodworkers

a mechanic's lien in case of work on veh-H. R. 361-By Weaver: To prohibit the manufacture or sale, and selling or offering for sale, any candy adulterated by the ad-

mixture of terra alba, barytes, tale or any other mineral substances, and to prevent the use of poisonous colors or flavors in the H. R. 362—By Weaver: To amend section
1, article 1, chapter 2, Compiled Statutes of
1897, also known section 331, Compiled Statutes of 1897; and to permanently locate the state fair at Lincoln and authorizing and lincoln and authorizing and The evening session was called to order directing the State Board of Public Lands and Buildings to purchase a site therefor and to repeal the original section amended. not read and write the English language to

attend some public or private school, or schools, in the state of Nebraska, and to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act Charles Lavereck and appropriating \$240.82. moved an adjournment until 9 o'clock a. m. Murray: Providing for the free use of school houses by county superintendents for the purpose of conducting in

H. R. 366-By Wilcox: To redistrict the state of Nebraska into senatorial and representative districts and for apportionment of senators and representatives.

H. R. 367—By Shore: To amend section 6, article 1, chapter ixxvii. Compiled Statutes, requiring the listing of personal property between January 1 and March 1.

H. R. 368—By Smith: To amend section 78, chapter ixxviii, Compiled Statutes of 1893, entitled "Roads," relating to serving fusal or neglect to comply.

H. R. 369—By Smith: To repeal sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, article i, chapter ii,

Compiled Statutes.

H. R. 370—By Hicks: For making an appropriation to pay the bounty on chicory manufactured in the state of Nebraska in accordance with the provisions of the law nacted March 29, 1895, and appropriating H. R. 371-By Ditmar: To amend section

6, chapter 1, Compiled Statutes for 1897, en-titled "Liquors," providing for the acceptof bonds and examination of suretles H. R. 372-By Ditmar: Changing time of holding city elections in cities known as cities of the first class, chapter 13-a, arti-cle ii. Compiled Statutes of 1897, and to provide for the time of holding the same at the time of the holding of the general elec-tion: also fixing the terms of officers already holding office to run until the next succeed-

H. R. 373-By Burns: To provide for the H. R. 373—By Burns: To provide for the appointment of a trust examiner at a salary of \$2,000 per year, whose principal business shall be that of a trust examiner or prosecutor, and to provide funds for the carrying on of such office and the prosecution of violation of the law. This bill calls for an appropriation of \$10,000.

H. R. 374—By Burns: To amend sections 3, 10 and 12 of an act to provide for a state inspector of oils and deputies, and to define

inspector of oils and deputies, and to define their duties and to provide fees for the same, and prescribe penalties for the viola-

H. R. 375-By Easterling: To authorize the erection of a marble or granite memorial at Lincoln, Neb., to the memory of the vol-unteer soldiers of Nebraska who lost their lives in the late war with Spain, and to

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the purpose of taxation of foreign and de-mestic judgments, prescribing the manner in which they shall be listed for taxation and the means of collecting tax thereon, and defining "personal judgments" as judgments

for money only. H. R. 377—By Mann: To amend section 5 chapter xx. Compiled Statutes of 1897, pro-viding that a probate judge shall not act in any case where he is next of kin or legater.

or devisee under the will. H. R. 378—By Smith: Relating to the qualifications of county judges and provid-ing that in counties of over 6,000 inhabitants a judge must be 25 years of age, unless he be a practicing attorney.

H. R. 379—By Beverly: To regulate the

cusiness of life insurance companies and for the better protection of the insured. BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE.

Four New Measures Are Brought Forward for Consideration. LINCOLN, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Four new bills were introduced in the senate on Friday, as follows:

S. F. 220-By Owens; To redistrict the state into senatorial and representative districts, and for the apportionment of senators and representatives. S. F. 221—By Van Dusen: To amend sec-tion 17 of chapter lxxxia, of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for 1897, and to repeal said original section, cutting down the maximum levy for the burial of indigent persons to one-tenth of 1 mill. S. F. 222—By Van Dusen: To amend sec-tion 110 of chapter xxviia, of the Compiled

Statutes of Nebraska for 1897, and to repeal said original section, cutting down the imum levy for the support of the Rustitute of the Feeble Minded to three one-twentieths of 1 mill. S. F. 223—By Crow: To amend section 110 of chapter xiia, of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for 1897, entitled, "Cities of the Metropolitan Class," and to repeal said section 110, relating to the improvements of

PROFITABLE JOB FOR BURGLARS. Take \$275 from Under the Pillow of

a Sleeping Farmer. WYMORE, Neb., Jan. 27 .- (Special.) - A queer story of burglary south of Wymore has come to light here. It seems that James Green, a sober and industrious farmer residing several miles south of this city, drew \$275 from a bank in a neighboring city and took it home with him. That evening he placed the wallet containing the ney in his trousers' pocket and placed the latter under his pillow. Mr. Green had been working hard during the day, but noticed a peculiar sense of weariness and inclination to sleep shortly after supper. His wife also seemed to be affected with the same sensations, and the family dog, usually far from quiet and docile, hardly made move during the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Green soon retired and they slept until morning without hearing a sound, and on awakening both felt very disagreeable, Mr. Green especially so. After getting up, Mr. Green looked for his trousers, which had been left under his pillow. They were not there, and an investigation located them in the kitchen. The wallet had been emptied of its contents and the money was gone. All indications point to the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Green, as well as the dog, were drugged, but just how they are unable to tell.

Farmers' Institute. ARLINGTON, Neb., Jan. 27 .- (Special.) The seventh annual session of the Washington County Farmers' institute met in the Masonic hall yesterday. The forenoon was spent in renewing acquaintances. The president, Isaac McCann, called the meeting to order at 2 o'clock and delivered an opening address, followed by a paper, "The Ideal Farm Home," by Jacob Beck of Blair. The next on the program was an address by W. G. Whitmore of Valley on "Agriculture in Texas." C. H. Searle of Edgar read an

The evening session was called to order by the president, and Prof. W. H. Clemmons of the Fremont Normal addressed a very strong and forcible manner, after which M. H. Smith of DeSoto and W. G. Whitmore of Valley made a few remarks and were responded to by Prof. Clemmons, H. R. 364-By Wheeler: For the relief of who brought the house down. C. A. Whitford

tomorrow, which was unanimously carried. Land at 70 Cents Per Acre. F. W. Popple of Kearney, Nob., offers for sale twenty quarter sections of land, com-prising 3,200 acres, for \$2,200. The land is situated in Washington, Sedgwick, Arspahoe and Yuma counties. Colorado. While the land is not in the irrigated district. It is in the northeast corner of the state, fifty miles east of the Nebraska western boundary line Julesburg, Colo. Each quarter section is patented and will be sold free of incumbrance and all taxes paid. Some of quarter sections can probably be sold now for \$300 or more, but Mr. Popple will sell all or none in order to close an estate. From twenty to forty acres have been broken on each quarter and the land has produced crops, is level and good soil. Many of these quarter sections will eventually be under irrigation ditches and be worth \$30 per acre. The taxes range from \$2 to \$4 per quarter er annum, or about \$65 per year for the

Walks Off the Train. RANDOLPH, Neb., Jan. 27 .- (Special.)ast evening as the Chicago, St. Paul, Min

nespolis & Omaha train was running at full peed between here and Carroll W. H. Terry. passenger, got up from his seat, took his grip and deliberately walked off the train. Some of the passengers notified the trainmen and the train was stopped and backed up to the spot where he stepped off. He was found wandering around on the track in a much bruised condition, muttering incoherently, and was taken aboard and rought here, where he has relatives. His ondition is not considered serious.

Merrick County Mortgage Record. CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Jan. 27 .- (Special. -The mortgage record for Merrick county or the past six months is as follows: Farm mortgages cancelled, \$138,115.13; filed, \$89, 468.13; town mortgages cancelled, \$12,160.58 own mortgages filed, \$3,407; mortgages can celled in excess of filed, \$57,400.58; excess of cancelled for 1898, \$178,650.31. There is a rospect of a large number of buildings be-

ng erected here this year. Business Change at Atkinson. ATKINSON, Neb., Jan. 27 .- (Special.) George Boehme, who has been engaged in the livery business here for some time, has sold his interest to C. H. Williams of Douglas county, Nebraska. Atkinson has had good rainfall that has put the soil in fine condition. A change to cold weather, with a bracing north wind, very much improves the health conditions.

Ice Men at War. ATKINSON, Neb., Jan. 27.- (Special.)-An ice war has been on for the last week and some of our dealers were compelled to engage a little pond for making their own stock. The sheriff was called to serve an injunction against the use of the Eikhorn river ice and now all is moving along with reasonable degree of smoothness.

Farmer Found Dead in Bed. NORTH BEND, Neb., Jan. 26 .- (Special.) E. J. Howe, a prominent farmer 60 years of age, living four miles east of town, was found dead in bed this morning. It is supposed to be a case of paralysis of the heart He leaves a wife and several children, all

Slot Machines Ordered Out. ST. EDWARD, Neb., Jan. 27 .- (Special.)-By an order passed by the Town Board some time ago the city marshal has ordered all the slot machines taken from the dif-

DIXON, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—A week's mission will be conducted in the Catholic church, commencing next Sunday

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OUESADA GOING TO SEE GOMEZ Important Results Expected to Follow

the Visit to the Cuban

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.-Senor Quesada, the throughout the late war and before was ne of the diplomatic representatives of the Cuban junta in Washington, will leave Washington tonight on a special mission for Cuba. He will go first to Havana and then proceed with all dispatch to join General Gomez as soon as he can exactly locate that officer. Senor Quesada is acting directly in his mission under the instructions of President Palma of the junta and while it is not deemed expedient at this moment to say more of the nature of the mission with which he is charged, it is known that the efficials here feel the utmost confidence that esults beneficial to Cuba and the United States government are likely to follow.

HENDERSON OPPOSES LARGE ARMY. Believes 50,000 or 60,000 at the Outside is Enough.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.-When the house net today but little more than an hour remained of the time for general debate on the army reorganization bill. Mr. Henderson, epublican of Iowa, was the first speake today. He had, he said, been slow to eatch the war fever last spring. He had foreseen some of the future trouble as the outgrowth of the difficulties which beset us at our immediate doors, but he had not anicipated that we would be carried to an ther hemisphere 7,000 miles from our shores He looked with aversion on any proposition o increase the regular army and he hoped would not be necessary to establish a standing army of 100,000 men. He was, owever, in view of the conditions, willing o cheerfully support a proposition to in rease the army to 50,000 or 60,000 men. Beyond that he hoped he would not be called upon to go. But if congress must go beyond that he trusted that no provision for 100,000 men would be made, but that discretion be lodged with the president. The president could be trusted. There was nothng in this country to call for a standing army of 100,000 men. The people were peaceful and there was absolutely nothing in the United States to draw the fire of the guns of any other country on the globe.

Mr. Henderson spoke of the demonstration of the "kickers" which the country and the house had witnessed. The kicking had begun before the war was fairly under way. Some 'kicked" at the president; some at the secreary of war; some at the staff; some at the adjutant general. There was kicking at everything and anything. It was easy to cick. It was the cheapest kind of statesmanship, and the applause that greeted it was the cheapest sort of applause.

CALIFORNIA AFTER AN EXPOSITION

Senator Perkins Introduces a Bill for One at San Francisco. WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.-(Special Teleram.)-Senator Perkins of California today ntroduced a bill which, in the light of efforts being made in Omaha to continue the expositon, may have an important bearing on the question. Perkins' bill provides for the holding of a Colonial and Industrial exposition in San Francisco for the encouragement of the export trade during the present year. The bill is drawn very largely along he lines of the joint resolution which will be taken up in Thurston's committee tomorrow relating to the Greater America exposition, except that it defines the manner in which exhibits are to be received and customs duties suspended. It was referred to the committee on commerce. Perkins feeling probably that to refer it to the committee on international expositions might en-

danger its chance of ever getting out. Senator Thurston presented today a resolu ion recently passed by the Nebraska legis lature relative to a bill now pending in the senate pensioning General John M. Palmer of Illinois, who, in his old age is blind and almost penniless. He also introduced a bill to create a pure food commission for the purpose of investigating questions pertaining to the producton, manufacture, etc., of ood products and to suggest necessary legislation pertaining thereto. This bill is the

outcome of the recent Pure Food congress. PENSIONS FOR WESTERN VETERANS

survivors of the Civil War Remem bered by the Government. WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 .- (Special.)-The ollowing western pensions have been

Issue of Japuary 14: Nebraska: Original-Dyer B. Gillette, lay Center, \$8. Colorado: Renewal and Increase-Fredick Bauman, Denver, \$6 to \$8.

Iowa: Additional—John Trueblood, Cen-ral City, \$6 to \$8: Nathan Woten, Centerille, \$4 to \$8. Restoration-Hiram Bissell fama, \$6. Restoration and Reissue (in-crease)—William F. Eshbaugh, Tama, \$4 to 8. Renewal-Charles E. Lilly, Cedar Rapds. \$6. Increase-John Turgeon, Bard, \$8 to \$12; Jesse Merideth, Bonaparte, \$12 to \$24. Original widows, etc.—Abraham Whip-key, Waterloo, \$12; minor of Daniel T. Hall, West Union, \$10; Mary A. Van Houter, Bat-

tle Creek, \$8. Siege Artillery for Practice. WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.-Two full modern patteries of siege artillery have arrived in Washington and are now at the Washington barracks, where they will be used for drill purposes General Miles, in company with Colonel Maus of his staff, paid a visit to the barracks for the purpose of examining the new pieces.

Canal Question Goes Over. WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.-The Nicaragua canal question was further considered today by the house committee on commerce, but no action was taken and the subject went over until Tuesday.

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