CHARGE CITY WITH NEGLECT

Ground on Which Lincoln Traction Company Fights a Big Claim.

DEBT SHOULD NOT HAVE ACCUMULATED

Municipal Officers Permitted the Old Company to "Squander Vast Sums Without Giving Security," it is Asserted.

LINCOLN, Nov. 25.—(Special.)—In the brief of the Lincoln Traction company filed in the supreme court today in the fight of the owners of the street railway system against the $110,000 claim of the city for paving taxes and penalties, the municipal officers are charged with neglect of duty in allowing such a debt to accumulate. It is asserted that the city officials permitted the officers of the old street railway company to squander vast sums of money and that it was not required to give security for taxes due the city.

The case is one that has been dragging in the court for several years. A judgment for $110,000 was rendered in the district court in favor of the city, but the case was appealed to the supreme court. In the meantime the council voted to accept a proposition made by the traction company to settle on a compromise basis, but an order restraining the city from accepting an amount less than that named in the judgment was later issued by the court on application of Dr. G. W. Farnam.

The attorneys for the traction company, which is comprised almost exclusively of eastern capitalists, assert that the city had no power to create a lien or to levy a special assessment. The brief says:

Brief in the Case.

"So far as the question of 'good morals,' is concerned, we are content to leave the court to choose between the people thousands of miles away from this city who lent their money on what they supposed to be first liens and the city officials who neglected their duty to get proper security before they allowed the officials of this railway company (meaning the old one) to squander the money of the bondholders in building worthless extensions. If we understand the brief for the city on that point, it is in agreement with our brief that there was no statute and no ordinance purporting to give the city any lien for the amounts agreed to be paid for the privilege of laying tracks in streets already paved. Unless it be then for the remarkable doctrine of 'compensatory equitable lien,' to which the defendant in error devotes so much space, the amount of such tax—$5,088.35 penalties, $254.33 and interest, $4,455.03—must be deducted from the judgment of the court below."

Presbyterian Union in Session.

The Presbyterian union of the Nebraska City presbytery is holding its annual meeting in this city at the Second Presbyterian church. Last evening Rev. Edwin Hart Jenks, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Omaha, opened the first session with an address on "Continual Inspiration." The program of today's sessions consisted of speaking with a devotional service this evening. The subjects discussed this afternoon were:

"History of the Presbyterian Church," Rev. Thomas W. Leard, Nebraska City.

"Doctrine of the Presbyterian Church," Rev. Silas Cooke, Hebron.

"Policy of the Presbyterian Church," Rev. John Hood, Beatrice.

"Future of the Presbyterian Church," Rev. William Hindman, Lincoln.

"How to Cultivate Loyalty to the Presbyterian Church," Rev. Peter Birrell, Lincoln.

Writes of Diseases of Plants.

Acting Chancellor Bessey of the State university has prepared for publication in the thirteenth annual report of the agricultural experiment station an article on the diseases of plants, poisonous plants, weeds, grasses and other forage plants and trees. Director T. L. Lyon of the experiment station hopes to have the report ready for distribution in a few weeks. It will contain much information that will be valuable to all engaged in agricultural pursuits in Nebraska. The most threatening of the plant diseases is that which affects the potato, causing brown discolorations within the tuber and eventually destroying it. Chancellor Bessey has been asked to prepare a paper on the forestry of Nebraska for use in a publication now being prepared by the division of forestry in Washington.

The Thanksgiving recess at the State university begins Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock. Work will not be resumed again until Monday morning.

The funeral of Miss Grace L. Gillespie will be held tomorrow afternoon from Trinity Methodist Episcopal church. Miss Gillespie, whose death occurred last Wednesday, was the youngest daughter of the late John Gillespie, a resident of Omaha during territorial days. Mr. Gillespie, as state auditor, was one of the commissioners who located the capitol at Lincoln.

All public offices were closed here this afternoon out of respect for the late Vice President Hobart. The entrance to the state house was locked at 12 o'clock and flags were run up at halfmast over both legislative halls.

Girl Accuses Father of Crime.

WEST POINT, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. Carl Andre, the wife of a well known and prosperous farmer living nine miles northeast of the city, together with her eldest daughter, a girl aged 17, yesterday filed a complaint in the county court charging the husband and father with an attempt to commit criminal assault upon the person of the girl and of using threats and violence to accomplish his object. A warrant was issued and placed in the hands of Sheriff Phillips, who went out to the farm to arrest Andre. Before his arrival, however, Andre left on horseback, heading in a northerly direction. The sheriff pursued him to Pender, where he still was some distance behind him. The man went almost due north and is evidently making for the rough country bordering the Missouri river in Cedar county. A telegram received here from the sheriff late last night says that the fugitive is north of Laurel, in Cedar county, and still traveling northward.

Nebraska State Normal Notes.

PERU, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—President Beattie was absent the latter part of the week on a lecture trip in the northern part of the state.

The musical and elocutionary entertainment by members of the faculty which was to have been given last week, was postponed on account of the sickness of Miss Daily. It will be given in the near future.

The Young Men's Christian association is collecting books for the Young Men's Christian association at Manila for the use of the soldiers there.

Profs. Sheldon and Hosie gave a social in the biological laboratory to members of the Young Men's Christian association last Monday evening. Business and pleasure were combined.

Many students expect to spend Thanksgiving at home. It is likely that special accommodations in the way of trains will be granted.

Last Friday evening the old members of the Philo society gave a program in the chapel. Tom Majors presided and many interesting talks were given by former members. After the program the Wellingtonian society held a reception in the library building.

The next lecture in the annual course will be given next Monday evening by Z. T. Sweeney, his subject being "The Golden Age." Mr. Sweeney was consul general to Turkey during Harrison's administration.

Social Happenings at Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. James Silvernail celebrated their golden wedding at their home, on West Court street, last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Waddington have returned from a trip to Canada.

Mrs. Hale of Junction City, Kan., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. H. Plummer.

Mrs. H. G. Day recently entertained in honor of Mrs. Everitt, who is soon to remove to Chicago.

N. S. Spencer, formerly of Beatrice, now of Chicago, visited here during the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Waite of Joplin, Mo., are visiting relatives in Beatrice.

G. H. Castle, W. W. Duncan and B. H. Begole went to Kansas last week on business connected with the Chautauqua assembly of next year.

The members of the Eastern Star lodge and friends gave a farewell social at Masonic hall Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. D. E. Collins, the secretary, who has since removed to Iowa.

Miss Mae Sabin has returned from a visit in Bloomington, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hallingworth have gone to Texas to spend the winter.

The Beatrice Literary club has secured subscriptions for a course of lectures and entertainments to be given this winter. The opening number is a concert by a glee club next Monday evening.

Affairs at West Point and Vicinity.

WEST POINT, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The Cuming County Democrat will shortly commence the publication of a German edition. This will make the second German newspaper in Cuming county and the sixth paper of all kinds in the city.

Work on the new telephone line from West Point to Monterey was commenced yesterday. Monterey is eight miles southwest of this city and midway between West Point and Dodge. The intention of the company is to extend the line to Dodge and thus give the Monterey farmers direct connection with all towns in this section of the state.

The committee of experts appointed by the city council to examine the condition of the new water works reservoir reported that the cementing is poor and recommended that a sum of $150 be withheld from the contractor to repair the damage. The contractor is A. R. Ruysschaert of Omaha.

Murderer Released from Asylum.

NORFOLK, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—C. K. Rash, the Wayne county murderer, was given his freedom the other day. He has been confined in the Norfolk hospital for the insane for about two years, during which time he has shown little or no evidence of insanity, and the asylum authorities had no reason for longer keeping him in confinement. The authorities will, however, probably keep an eye on him and if he gives evidence of anything wrong he will be returned. On his release he took passage for Miesouri, where he will reside. On the night of January 27, 1897, Rash, while insane, killed his wife and three children. He had been attending a revival meeting before going home and became greatly excited during the services. He killed his victims with a stone.

What Some Candidates Spent.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The expense statements of the various candidates at the late election, as filed with the county clerk, are: Treasurer, W. R. Wyatt, $81.50; S. S. Reavis, $50.40. County judge, John Gagnon, $83.75; B. S. Poland, $31.50. County clerk, George E. Schneider, $86.50; W. Bollenbach, $29.50; clerk of court, Charles L. Mettz, $42.64; G. J. Crook, $27.50. Sheriff, W. K. Tinker, $68.08; John Hossick, $25. Superintendent, C. W. Whitehead, $70.31; C. M. French, $22.25. Coroner, Dr. Waggoner, $5; Dr. Montgomery, $2. Supervisor, W. W. Jenne, $25.75; J. J. Farmer, $2.50.

All Depositors to Be Paid.

BEATRICE, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—In the case of Lancelot Hand against the bondsmen of the American bank of Beatrice, the supreme court has affirmed the judgment rendered by the district court of Gage county. The American bank failed in 1893, and bond was given to pay all depositors. Some were not paid, among them Mr. Hand. He brought suit to recover. It was also stipulated that about twenty cases of other depositors, amounting in all to about $20,000, should abide by the decision reached in this suit.

School Patrons Meet at Albion.

ALBION, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The second patrons' meeting was held at the school house last evening and proved exceedingly interesting. A paper on "Honesty in School Work" was read by Mrs. F. W. Farnsworth, after which a question box was conducted by Secretary Bay of the school board. Prof. F. H. Abbott, D. J. Poynter, J. Priest, Okie M. Needham, L. H. Stoughton and Mesdames Pettibone, Farmer and Grimison were the principal leaders in the several questions discussed.

Pythian Lodge Officers.

HASTINGS, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The Knights of Pythias lodge held its annual election of officers last night, which resulted in the following selection: Percival Renner, chancellor commander; Charles Hodgson, vice commander; Charles Burr, prelate; H. O. Neills, keeper of records and seal; Harry Klein, master of exchequer; John Cooper, master of finance; Louis Cramer, master-at-arms; William Reynolds, trustee.

Falls Head First Twenty Feet.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—While oiling overhead machinery in the Burlington planing mill today David Wichtman slipped and fell twenty feet, striking on his head and shoulders. He received internal injuries which may prove fatal. He is an old sailor and an adept at climbing, which fitted him for the work he did.

Harris Murder Trial Still On.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Deputy Sheriff McBride was the first witness called today in the trial of John W. Harris, for the murder of George Jones, and producing the grip of Jones, took from it the gambling appliances and devices used in the game preceding the killing. Malone, who caught a stray bullet from the revolver of Harris, was recalled and explained the working of the game. James Harris told the life history of his brother, the defendant. Benjamin A. Root, residing near the scene of the shooting, testified that Harris came running to his place and said he had had a fight with some gamblers and shot two of them. A short session was held this evening and court adjourned until Monday.

Improvements at Hastings Asylum.

HASTINGS, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The large boiler house and cold storage buildings at the insane asylum have just been completed and the machinery will be placed in them next week. This asylum is now crowded to its fullest capacity with nearly 700 inmates. The officials of the institution say it will be absolutely necessary to erect another new wing within the next year, and insist that it should be much larger than the one recently built.

Sill's Honeymoon is Interrupted.

GRESHAM, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Ella Snider, a girl 14 years of age, has filed a complaint charging Carey Sill, a cousin, with criminal assault and with being the father of her child. Young Sill is now lying in jail at York. A few days before his arrest Sill had married another cousin.

To Reduce Interest on City Bonds.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The city council is going to cut down the rate of interest on the city's city hall and electric light bonds. The city hall bonds amount to $5,000 and the electric light bonds to $4,400. Both draw 6 per cent and the reissue will draw but 4½.

Stolen Horse is Recovered.

MONROE, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The horse stolen from Thomas Hill while hitched on a street in Monroe last Saturday evening has been found at Shell Creek at the home of a farmer, who drove the horse to his place, put the lines over the dashboard and then went away.

Tecumseh May Have an Opera House.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Tecumseh may have a new opera house in the spring. Local capitalists are agitating the question of building on the old Sherman house corner, and it seems probable that the structure will be built.

Osceola Boy Loses a Leg.

OSCEOLA, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—A few weeks ago the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott met with an accident while out riding. His right foot was caught in the wheel of a buggy, so that it was necessary to amputate the leg.

Falls City Man Going to Cuba.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—F. E. Martin will leave for Cuba next Sunday, where he intends to locate.

HYMENEAL.

Lieutenant Parker-Catherine Lemley.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Lieutenant James S. Parker and Miss Katherine Lemley were married at Chevychase today. After a wedding breakfast the couple left for a ten days' bridal tour before proceeding to Lieutenant Parker's post at the Presidio, San Francisco.

Cook-Hitchcock.

YORK, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—George S. Cook, city treasurer, and Miss Ella Hitchcock were married last evening in the presence of a few of their intimate friends by Rev. O. W. Pifer. After December 15 they will be at home to their friends.

J. D. Bridges, editor "Democrat," Lancaster, N. H., says: "One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy for croup I ever used." Immediately relieves and cures coughs, colds, croup, asthma, pneumonia, bronchitis, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. It prevents consumption.

Trust Will Move Cigar Factories.

TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 25.—The Havana-American Cigar company, capital $10,000, began business here today by taking possession of three factories recently purchased. It is announced that the company will remove to Tampa at once the establishments of S. Hernsheim Brothers & Co. of New Orleans, Eugene Valleen & Co. of Chicago and D. L. Trujillo & Sons of Key West.

KELLEY, STIGER & CO.

Unmatchable Values for Thanksgiving Week

Seasonable Bargains

Extraordinary value, silk for waists—75c.

Short lengths and up to 20 yards, former prices $1.00 to $1.35.

VELVETS—plain colored silk velvets, closing out two lines at 85c and $1.00

Black Dress Silk Bargains

$1.00 Satin Duchesse, 24-inch, Empress Satin, 27-inch, $1.45.

Gros Grain, 24-inch (warranted) $1.00.

Peau de Sole, $1.00.

BLACK TAFFETA—Reliable silk at 69c.

Swiss Taffeta, 22-inch, 75c.

27-inch Taffeta, $1.10.

36-inch reliable, $1.35.

Pure dye dress Taffeta, $1.00.

Colored Dress Silks

Satin merveilleux, $1.00, all colors also black and white.

Peau de Sole, all colors, $1.25.

Great Seasonable Bargains in Dress Goods.

CREPON—

Mohair Crepon of the latest fashion, $1.50 and $1.75 varieties, at $1.25—$1.25—$1.25.

All our $1.75 and $2.00 Crepons at $1.50—$1.50—$1.50.

All our fine $2.25 and $2.50 Crepons, $2.00—$2.00—$2.00.

The best Silk Crepons, worth $2.75 and $3.00—$2.50—$2.50—$2.50.

All our high art Silk Crepons worth $3.75—$2.75—$2.75—$2.75.

Colored Dress Goods

THREE LOTS—45c, 50c, 75c—

On center counter, shaggy Plaids, Cheviots, Tweeds, silk striped Suitings, Venetians and checks.

TAILORING CLOTHS—

Cheviots, Homespuns, Zebeline, Frieze—$1.25—$1.25—$1.25.

VENETIAN CLOTHS, $1.50—

50-inch high grade, stylish cloth, $2.00 value.

GOLFING CLOTH, $1.75, $2.00, $2.25, $3.25—

New weaves, new plaids; for capes, skirts and jackets.

Flannels, Blankets and Comforts

Notwithstanding the great advance in wool our low prices still prevail, and it will be to the advantage of the customer in every way to make his or her purchase now.

Best quality of English Outing Flannel, fast colors, 10c yard.

Cinderella Flannel, in solid pink, blue and cream colors, for night gowns, etc, 12½c yard.

Swansdown Flannel and Venetian Cloth for sacques and wrappers, 15c yard.

Scotch half wool Shirtings, unshrinkable and fast colors, 25c yard.

White wool Flannel for children's and ladies' undergarments, at 22½c, 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c and 55c yard.

We carry the best assorted line of French Flannels at 59c, 75c and 85c yard.

Blankets

Cotton Fleece Blankets at 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c and 90c pair.

One case extra heavy wool mixed Gray Blankets, worth $2.15, at $1.50 pair.

One case half wool Gray Blankets at $2.00 and $2.48 pair.

Pure Wool Blankets, in red and black, white and black and brown and white checks, worth $4.75, now $3.50 pair.

20 pairs of extra large and heavy check Blankets, worth today $7.00, at $5.50.

White Blankets in all the different makes at $4.00, $5.00, $5.50, $6.50, $8.50, $10.00, $12.50 and $15.00 pair.

Comforts

Lare assortment of Silkoline Comforts, filled with soft, fluffy cotton, $1.35 each.

Just received, a shipment of fancy Silkoline Comforts. These will compare favorably with the $2.25 kind; while they last, $1.50 each.

Hygiea Lamb's Wool Comforts, wool carded in one sheet, weight 3½ pounds and very conducive to health, only $2.89 each.

We carry a full line of Down Comforts in all sizes. Size 6x6, $4.75; size 6x7, $6.00; size 7x7, $7.50; size, 9x10, $8.50 each.

Linens

Our linen sale is now drawing to a close and it may be years before goods of equal merit can be sold as cheap.

90c and $1.00 Table Linen, 68 and 72 inches wide, now 68c yard.

$1.25 and $1.35 Table Linen, 66 inches wide, now 85c yard.

$1.35, $1.45 and $1.55 heavy Dresden Table Linen, now 98c yard.

24x24 inch Napkins to match, regular price $4.50, now $2.98 dozen.

¾x¾ Napkins to match, regular price $5.25, now $3.39 dozen.

2x3 yards Pattern Table Cloths, worth $4.00, now $2.98 each.

¾x¾ Napkins to match, regular price $4.00, now $2.75 dozen.

Towels and Toweling

75c large satin damask Towels, now 45c each.

85c large figured Huck Towels, extra fine 50c each.

40c Webster Bleach Towels now 30c each.

13c Crash now 10c yard.

12½c Crash now 8 1-3c yard.

To close out, and that quickly

All our Silk Waists, plain or fancy will be sold. Silk Waists below cost.

4.30 for $6.50 waist—all new shades in plain colors, also fancy stripes of superior Taffeta.

6.25 for $9.00 waist—tucked and corded, plain and fancy highest grade waists.

9.00 for $15.00 waist—fancy strip, dainty pattern waists and plain colors with white yokes.

12.00 for $20.00 waist—solid tucking, contrasting stitchings, every elegant waist of the best quality of taffeta.

Closing out Jackets

Great Bargains.

5.00 Black Kersey or Boucle, silk lined throughout, double breasted box coat.

8.50 Kersey, all the new colors, satin lined throughout, extremely fashionable box coat

10.50 Melton and Kersey cloth of the highest order. Tan, mode, castor, black, Skinner's satin lined (guaranteed), very short box and is the latest style.

Furs for Little Ladies

$1.75 lamb's wool Tippet and fancy trimmed muff. $2.25 facsimile of Persian, white, gray or black, little boa and muff. $3.25 Thibet fur white, a really beautiful Tippet and Muff. $6.00 OpposumTippet with tail trimming and muff, for misses.

Elegant Furs

$28 Tippet, stone marten, exceptionally elegant trimming, large head ornament and tails.

$28 Large Collarette, marten with reverses, head and tail ornaments.

$11 Marten Tippet, best grade fur, very large, tails and head ornaments.

22.50 Astrakhan Cape, perfectly matched skins, Skinner satin lined—33-inch long, very full sweep.

$40 Cape, electric seal, marten, collar and marten trimming, Skinner satin lined, 33-inch, very full sweep.

Woolen Shirt Waists

We announce the arrival of many pretty and comfortable styles of new ideas in shirt waists.

Extra Special Sale of Underwear and Hosiery for Ladies and Children.

15c, 2 pair 25c—Ladies' fast black Cotton Hose, double sole heel and toe, only 15c—2 pair 25c.

25c—Ladies' black cashmere Hose, ribbed top, double sole, heel and toe, 35c quality—only 25c pair.

35c—We have a superior line of ladies' hose at 35c—extra heavy cotton, fleeced or unfleeced, double sole, heel and toe, white soles or all black foot, special bargains—35c, 3 pair $1.00.

50c—Ladies' best vicuna cashmere Hose, very fine quality, extra spliced heel and toe, double sole—65c grade—only 50c pair.

We have the largest and most complete stock of ladies' silk Hose, including all the latest patterns and evening shades at special prices.

75c—Ladies' fast black plated silk Hose, very pretty quality, special quality for wear, fully worth $1.00—only 75c.

$1.50—This is a special line of silk Hose—never sold for less than $2.00—extra spliced heel and toe, double sole, black and evening shades—our price only $1.50.

COMFORTS FOR CHILDREN.

25c—Children's heavy silky fleeced fast black cotton ribbed Hose, double knee, heel and toe, nothing to equal in wear, all sizes—25c pair.

35c—Boys heavy black Saxony ribbed school Hose, warm and durable, double knee, heel and toe, all sizes, only 35c—3 pair $1.00.

25c—Our line of ladies' fleeced Egyptian cotton ribbed Vests and Pants are genuine bargains—silk finished, covered seams, French bands, regular 40c quality—our price only 25c each.

50c—Ladies' half wool natural ribbed Vests and pants, well made, very warm—75c—our special price only 50c.

50c—Our ladies' Combination Suits at 50c is a startling bargain—made full and large—nicely finished, all sizes—only 50c suit.

75c—Ladies' non-shrinking natural wool ribbed Vests and Pants, gives entire satisfaction—regular $1.00 quality—only 75c each.

$1.00—The "Munsing" non-shrinking natural wool ribbed Vests and Pants. This line of ladies' underwear has a reputation for perfect fit, wear and finish, all sizes—only $1.00 each.

$1.00—Ladies' black wool Tights, very good quality, fast color, made well, open or closed—all sizes—only $1.00.

25c—Our stock of children's heavy fleeced natural ribbed Shirts, pants and drawers is the cheapest and best line in the city, all finished seams, all sizes—only 25c each.

We have a complete line of sizes in children's heavy natural wool, steam shrunken, shirts, pants, drawers—made perfectly—very warm—sizes 16, 18, 25c each; sizes 20, 22, 35c each; sizes 24, 26, 50c each; sizes 28, 30,

Corner Farnam and Fifteenth Streets. **KELLEY, STIGER & CO.,** Special Agents for Butterick Patterns.

TELLER SECURES A VERDICT

Jury Finds for Him Against the Government in Sum of $18 843.

SUIT OVER TIES CUT ON PUBLIC LAND

At Close of Trial Teller and His Foreman Are Arrested on Another Charge and Held in Bail.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The suit of the United States against John C. Teller of Denver, which has been before the United States court here several days, ended tonight, the jury awarding the defendant judgment against the government for $18,843.

The suit was brought by the government on a writ of replevin by which 47,000 railroad ties were taken from Teller by the government in November last on the ground that they had been cut illegally on government land. It was shown in the trial by the defendant that the general land office, through Special Agent Abbott, had seized the ties in July, 1898, and subsequently released them on Teller's promise to pay the government's demands. This release was held to invalidate the suit under the writ of replevin and judgment was given to Teller for ties taken under the writ.

At the conclusion of the civil suit, Teller and his foreman, L. V. Bruce, were arrested on a criminal charge of cutting timber unlawfully on government land and were held under their recognizance to appear for trial at the next term of the United States court.

Affairs Reported from Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The Catholic women are giving a fair and serving meals for the benefit of the church.

Considerable interest attaches to the probable action of the county commissioners in regard to locating the new jail and repairing the present court house. Those favoring the present location on the north side of the city are circulating a petition asking that the jail be built near the old court house and that the court house be enlarged and repaired. A great deal of opposition has developed to this scheme and counter petitions are being actively circulated.

Fred Jensen was severely burned by the explosion of a gasoline engine in the harness rooms of H. W. Foster.

The Dakota Central Telephone company is extending its lines from Duxbury to Mansfield and from Sisseton to Veblin.

More Taylor Lands Sold.

PIERRE, S. D., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The State Land department has within the past few days disposed of two more quarter sections of Taylor land. One in Davidson county was sold for 25 per cent more than the appraised price, while another in Clark county was disposed of for $1,600, the figure at which it was appraised.

Coal Miner Killed.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Thomas Cogin, a coal miner of Hanna, Wyo., was killed at Laramie today by jumping from a passenger train and striking on his head. Nothing is known of the relatives of the deceased.

South Dakota News Notes.

Clarence Grigsby, who is employed by Daniel Courtney, a Yankton county farmer, has broken all South Dakota records for corn husking, having husked and cribbed 130 bushels of corn in ten hours.

It was expected that the town of Tabor would be the chief beneficiary of the Milwaukee railroad extension into Charles Mix county, but it is now stated that the railroad company will locate its depot one mile west of that place.

Hunters report that there are more prairie chickens throughout the state than ever before at this season of the year, all due to the fact that the new game law prevented them being killed before they attained their full growth.

A Miner county justice of the peace has awarded John Linde, a farmer, damages to the amount of $87.50 against Robert Yuill, another farmer, for losses incurred through Yuill's letting a fire get away from him, burning a quantity of hay belonging to Linde.

Major W. W. Anderson, ex-United States Indian agent at Lower Brule and Crow Creek agencies, who has for some years been engaged in the cattle raising business in Jackson county, has removed his herd to Cherry county, Neb., where he is opening up a ranch of about 5,000 acres.

COLONEL DAVIS PASSES AWAY

Former Director General of the World's Fair Dies at His Home in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Nov. 25.—Colonel R. Davis, former director general of the World's fair, died at his home on Washington boulevard tonight of valvular disease of the heart. Colonel Davis had been a sufferer from heart trouble for sometime, but it was only during the last ten days that he was confined to the house. Until then he was actively engaged in business. His family and friends have been aware of his condition for some time and his death was not unexpected. All members of his family were present at Colonel Davis' bedside when he expired. No arrangements for the funeral have yet been made.

Colonel Davis was a veteran of the civil war, entering the service in 1862. He held the position of captain of the Eighth Massachusetts infantry and major of the Third Rhode Island cavalry. Upon being mustered out of service he was appointed to a civil position at General Phil Sheridan's headquarters and went through the Indian campaigns of 1868 and 1869 in southern Kansas and Indian territory. In 1877 he resigned and went into business. He was elected colonel of the First Illinois volunteer infantry in 1875 and in 1876 was elected to congress. Colonel Davis was a delegate to the republican convention of 1884 and was elected to the Forty-sixth, Forty-seventh and Forty-eighth congresses.

Writer of Church Hymns.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Rev. Dr. Robert Lowery, a prominent Baptist minister and author of many religious hymns, died at his home in Plainfield, N. J., today. He was 73 years old. Mr. Lowery was the composer of the well known hymn, "Shall We Meet Beyond the River?" and many others equally popular. During his career as a clergyman he had been pastor of the Bloomingdale Baptist church in this city and of the Hanson Place Baptist church in Brooklyn.

John A. Dempster Called Away.

John A. Dempster of Omaha was called to Rochelle, Ill., last Sunday by the illness of his brother, who has since died. Mr. Dempster accompanied the body to Dundee, Ill., for burial in the old home cemetery. The deceased had been associated for years with his Omaha brother in business at Geneva, Neb., and Rochelle, Ill., and had been a lifelong member of the Masonic order. He was master of Geneva lodge and high priest for many years.

James B. Fair.

James B. Fair, the engineer who died from injuries received in a wreck at Council Bluffs, was an employe of the Union Pacific for thirty years. He had never met with an accident until the fatal mishap occurred. He leaves a wife and one son, Elmer Fair, the latter being also an engineer. Mr. Fair had many relatives and friends in this city. The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. today from 903 Pierce street.

Josiah P. Walton.

MUSCATINE, Ia., Nov. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Josiah P. Walton, a pioneer citizen, passed away late last evening in his 74th year, at his home, Evergreen Nook. He was a prominent Mason and had been thrice elected president of the Old Settlers' society of this county. His meteorological observations and weather records of the past forty-seven years made him known all over the state.

Iowa Historian and Scientist.

MUSCATINE, Ia., Nov. 25.—Josiah Proctor Watson, widely known in Iowa as a state historian and scientist, died last evening. He was 80 years of age and has resided here fifty-one years.

Funeral of Judge Rote.

PIERCE, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Short funeral services were held this afternoon over the remains of Judge Lewis Rote, and the body will be sent to his old home at Monroe, Wis., for interment. Mr. Rote came here about seventeen years ago. He was a republican and in 1891 was elected county judge. In a few months he resigned. He leaves a widow and one son.

Assistant Treasurer Under Lincoln.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Nov. 25.—Henry H. Hall is dead at his home in this city. He was assistant treasurer of the United States during Lincoln's administration and signed the first greenbacks issued by the government. He was a native of Blanford, Mass., and was formerly a prominent business man of Boston. He leaves a valuable estate to his daughter.

Traffic Manager Hill.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 25.—Edgar Hill, traffic manager of the Louisville, Henderson & St. Louis railroad, and one of the most popular railroad men in this city, dropped dead of heart disease this afternoon while walking on Fourth avenue. Mr. Hill was 56 years of age. He was a native of Richmond, Va.

American Consul in Peru.

LIMA, Peru, Nov. 25.—Rowland East, American and British consul in Piura, Peru, is dead of inflammation of the lungs. Mr. East was superintendent of the Haita Piura railway. He was an Englishman and a very old resident of Peru.

Mrs. Harriet M. Allison.

BEATRICE, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Harriet M. Allison, an old resident of Gage county, died this morning at her home south of town. She was 70 years old and leaves a large family of grown sons and daughters.

Dr. Torgny Anderson.

WAHOO, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Dr. Torgny Anderson died last night of heart failure. She had been ill but two days. The funeral services will be held from the residence and interment will take place at Malmo, Monday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Heath.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. Elizabeth Heath, aged 81 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. S. Arnold, in this city yesterday.

A Good Liniment.

Mr. William Know, well known at Coalton, Ohio, recommends Chamberlain's Pain Balm as the best household liniment he ever used for burns, cuts, bruises, chapped hands and like injuries. Owing to its antiseptic effect it heals that class of injuries without maturation and in one-third of the time the usual treatment would require. Freely applied to a sprain this liniment will restore the parts to a healthy condition in a few days, while when treated in the old way two or three weeks are required. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is most widely known, however, as a cure for rheumatism. One application relieves the pain.

RICH PRIZES FOR CYCLE RACERS

French Offer Inducements to Speedy Professionals and Amateurs.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Amateur and professional cyclists have some rich prizes for which to compete at the coming Paris exposition. Three days will be devoted to determining the championships of the world.

The grand prize of the exposition will be open to the world and is at 2,000 meters, or at 2,189 yards. It will have prizes aggregating $6,000, and the date will probably be September 8. On the same day there will be run a lap race worth $300, a three-mile handicap for $600 and a tandem race of the same distance for $300. On the second day, September 9, international races will be held for prizes of $1,500.

September 10 the grand prize of the exposition, for amateurs, valued at $800, will be run in trial heats and a 100-mile paced race for $2,000 will be the feature. September 12 the semi-finals and finals of the grand prizes of the exposition for amateurs and professionals will be held and there will be a thirty-two-mile race, with pacemakers, for $1,400.

September 12 will be the international day, with teams of three men from each nation, for $1,300. For September 14 and 15 there are carded the "Foreigners' prize" at 1,094 yards, heats and finals for $600 and a twenty-four-hour race, paced, for $5,000. The total prize list foots up $55,000.

MILLER DROPS INTO FOURTH PLACE.

Champion Bicycle Rider Punctures a Tire and Loses a Lap.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 25.—In the forty-eight-hour six-day race at Convention hall today Champion Miller punctured a tire and went from first to fourth place. The puncture occurred at 3:21, while the men were going at a furious rate and caused Miller to lose a lap. This put the champion on even terms with Repine, the Nashville man. The five leaders were practically in a bunch and a fierce struggle ensued. Niederhofer, the tail-ender, left the track, aftr one hour and fifteen minutes' riding. The start today was made at 1:38.

The standing at 6 o'clock follows: Julius, 574 miles 6 laps; Gus Lawson, 574 miles 4 laps; Miller, 574 miles 5 laps; Repine, 574 miles 5 laps; Waller, 574 miles 4 laps; Lingenfelder, 550 miles; Niederhofer, 442 miles.

The score at the end of the thirty-second hour follows: Julius, 645 miles 9 laps; Gus Lawson, 645 miles 9 laps; Repine, 645 miles 8 laps; Miller, 645 miles 7 laps; Waller, 645 miles 6 laps; Lingenfelder, 611 miles 3 laps; Niederhofer, 503 miles 9 laps.

In a sprint shortly after 6 o'clock tonight Miller broke a crankhanger on his wheel and lost a lap, falling behind Repine. In the brush at the close tonight Julius finished a wheel ahead of young Lawson.

Manager Prince claims that at the close tonight the leaders were riding seventy miles ahead of the record for a six-day race.

In the three-mile motorcycle exhibition tonight Fisher and Julius rode three miles in 5:15, going the first mile in 1:46.

Walcott Whips Dan Creedon.

CHICAGO, Nov. 25.—Joe Walcott was given the decision over Dan Creedon at Tattersall's at the end of six rounds. The men fought at catchweights, neither being in condition. The first three rounds were so slow that Manager Houseman came into the ring and warned the men that they must fight or receive no money. After that things warmed up a trifle, but it was not a warm fight at any stage. Walcott did more leading and his blows seemed to have greater effect. Creedon fought principally on the defensive. The decision of Referee Hogan was well received.

Addresses Tennessee Republicans.

NASHVILLE, Nov. 25.—The State League of Republican Clubs met here today and reorganized, W. F. Poston being chosen president. The attendance numbered about 100, the delegates being of the H. Clay Evans following, while the Walter P. Brownlow faction was conspicuously absent. Resolutions were adopted indorsing the McKinley administration and offering condolence to the family of Vice President Hobart. In the speeches made it was freely predicted that McKinley would carry the state for president in 1900. Commissioner of Pensions Evans addressed the meeting on "Party Organization." Mr. Evans left for Washington tonight.

Fullblood Creeks Opposing Porter.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Nov. 25.—Report comes from Okmulgee that the fullblood faction in the Creek nation will oppose the seating of General S. Porter, recently elected principal chief, when it is attempted to install him in office on Monday next. The fullbloods are said to have held an election and named Chitto Harjo for the office, and it is said the latter will be supported at Okmulgee by 300 fullbloods. Indian Agent Shoenfelt has gone to Okmulgee with several policemen to be present at the inauguration.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Fair Sunday and Monday with Variable Winds is the Prediction for Nebraska.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Forecast for Sunday and Monday:

For Nebraska, Kansas, South Dakota and Colorado—Fair Sunday and Monday; variable winds.

For Iowa—Fair Sunday, except possible rain in extreme eastern portion; Monday fair; northeasterly winds.

For Missouri—Fair in western; probably fair, preceded by rain, in eastern portion Sunday; Monday fair, northerly winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Nov. 25.—Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the past three years:

	1899.	1898.	1897.	1896.
Maximum temperature	45	26	41	65
Minimum temperature	39	9	26	30
Average temperature	38	18	34	48
Precipitation	.06	.08	.03	.13

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1899:

Normal for the day	33
Excess for the day	5
Accumulated excess since March 1	298
Normal rainfall for the day	.03 inch
Deficiency for the day	.03 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	24.41 inches
Deficiency since March 1	4.58 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1898	2.87 inches
Deficiency for cor. period,