Four of Them to Answer Charges of Em. bezzlement and Grand Larceny.

Minnesota People Surprised at Sudden Blossoming Out of Secretary Hilliker as a Bloated Capitalist and Land Owner.

in Nebraska during the last year in the operation of the Nebraska Grain Growers' Mutual Hall association. Warrants have druggists. theen issued for the arrest of P. W. Miller. president; C. C. White, treasurer; F. H. Hilliker, secretary, and C. M. Harris, who was acting president after Miller had filled bis pockets and taken wing. These warthe papers were prepared local counsel for Odd Fellows hall this evening, between lvy and Ruth lodges, Daughters of Rebekah.

By read to return for trial D. W. Start D. W. St Bgreed to return for trial. P. W. Miller arrested Wednesday evening for being drunk and disturbing a religious meeting.

M. Harris and F. H. Hilliker are said to be to the city, but it appears that the papers have not been served upon them because have not been served upon them because of the fact that their counsel is tied up in a murder case now on in district court. C C. White is expected to arrive in Omaha today. It is understood that the prelimitary examination will occur March 1, or thereabouts. All of the parties appear without

the necessity of service of process. The charge grows out of the recent wrecking of the hall insurance company. The in custody of the police matron. parties named were the moving spirits in the organization of the association, of which some 7,000 farmers of Nebraska became exembers. Insurance policies against dam- the Delione hotel. age to growing crops by hall were written eggregating upwards of \$3,000,000. An osmeasment of 3.6 mills was levied upon the members, which would have yielded, if all collected, about \$128,000. The losses surtained were \$57,900. The officers collected something like \$68,000 of the amount asnessed, but never paid any of the losses with the money. Finally, when discredit came upon the concern and they found it impossible to collect any more, they went into the courts and had a receiver appointed to collect about \$60,000 unpaid assessments and pay out of it the \$57,000 losses, clinging tenaclously to the \$68,000 already collected By themselves, or so much of it as may have been left after the payment of expenses of operating the company. They claimed that owing to the discredit brought upon the concern by the reports spread abroad by rival companies and suits instituted by Its own members to resist payment, it cost a large percentage of the amount levied to make collections

A Tell-Tale Letter.

From a letter just received by The Bee, it appears that there is some truth in the story that this coterie of operators have victims in other states than Nebraska. A resident of Faribault, Minn., writes to ascertain whether or not it is true that warrants are out for these parties and volunteers the information that P. W. Miller, F. H. Hilliker and C. C. White have been at Amboy Minn., where they reside when not "out on a swindle." The writer says they are starting a company in Kansas, with Topeka

es headquarters. "This Hilliker," says the letter, "has just bought a farm, paying \$6,400 cash down, and has had it deeded to his wife. We think this strange, knowing him to have been a poor man three years ago, when his name was not worth a couts. Now he makes his braga that he has more money than he

CAR'S CREW IS EXONERATED

Coroner's Jury Finds that Death of Charles Fenton Was Due to an Unavoidable Accident.

An inquest in the case of Charles Fenton, the 7-year-old boy who was killed by a motor car at Thirty-eighth and Farnam streets February 7, was held Wednesday afternoon in the office of Coroner Swanson. After hearing the evidence of a half dozen witnesses the jury returned a verdict relieving the street car company of all responsibility in the matter. In the language of the verdict, no evidence was found indicating carelessness on the part of the car

Charles Fenton, who lived with his parents at 3226 Dodge street, was going to a grocery store on an errand for his mother He undertook to cross Farnam street at the

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"Reserve Force" that's the word for GRAPE-NUTS FOOD

being 65 years old, when, in the providence of God, as I believe, the Grape-Nuts Food

worked continually this last three months from 7:30 a. m. until 9 p. m. Need I say that I recommend your Grape-Nuts to my friends and acquaintances, and that all of my family use the food, and that we use it at every meal whatever else is omitted. I under the law such officials are appointed to serve at all elections for the year, and a probabilitient of the benefits received from the use of your incomparable food. Although a total stranger to you, I beg to subscribe myself sincerely your friend and well-wisher, John C. Pletcher, New Rochelle, N. Y."

week.

County Judge Vinsonhaler is endeavoring from the shock of the operation. Both his legs were amplified to according to ascertain how many of the judges and place of this year. It is appointment and failure to serve, this year. Under the law such officials are appointed to serve at all elections for the year, and a penalty attaches to the acceptance of an appointment and failure to serve, unless such failure is accounted for with good cause. Last year's judges and clerks who are willing to serve again are invited to notify Judge Vinsonhaler, so that their names may be retained on the list while those who do not desire to serve will have their names circken from the list upon showing cause.

C. Pletcher, New Rochelle, N. Y."

The elegant and newly refurnished rooms feel wearled at night, although I have week,

HAIL INSURANCE OPERATORS intersection of Thirty-eighth street. Care were approaching from both the east and west. He waited until the westbound car had passed, then started to cross the rails, not seeing the car approaching from the opposite direction. As he was on the track but a second or two before the eastbound car struck him, the motorman had no time Several witnesses testified to feel-ARE COMING IN OF THEIR OWN ACCORD ing the car joit as it passed over his body. When the car finally came to a standstill the boy, badly mutilated, but still conscious, was lying between the rails about twelve feet behind the rear car. He was taken to Clarkson hospital, where

A Frightful Munder

will often cause a horrible burn, scald, cut Steps have been taken by the county al- or bruise. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill Corney to bring to justice, if possible, the the pain and promptly heal it. Cures fever coterie of financiers who found a Kfondike gores, ulcers, boils, corns, all skin eruptions, Best pile cure on earth. Only 25c a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Kuhn & Co.,

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Nebraska State Lumbermen's asso-ciation will meet today in Morand's hall on Harney street. About 200 delegates will be present. Hendquarters have been located at

George Confair, against whom a charge forglarizing William Schmidt's saloon, 21 Vinton street, has been pending, has een discharged after a preliminary hearing in police court.

Property owners in the porthern part of

ing in police court.

The annual meeting of the Nebraska society of the Sons of the American Revolution will be held in the rooms of the Commercial club at 2 clock this afternoon and banquet will be given at 6:30 at the Her

Grand.

N. W. Chapman, resigned, has been succeeded as acting superintendent of bridges for the eastern district of the Union Pacific by A. B. Keyes, heretofore chief dispatcher of the Nebraska division. Mr. Keyes is succeeded by Charles Ware.

N. Clark Phelps, a bill collector, complain that A. J. Glenn, to whom he presented a bill for \$1.48, a'ttempted to kick him down stairs. This incident, he says, occurred Tuesday on the third floer of 100 North Eighteenth street. He swore out a warrant for Glenn's arrest, charging him with assauit.

The case of John Riches, the South

with assault.

The case of John Riches, the South Cmana saloon keeper on trial in Justice Crawford's court on a charge of conducting a gambling device, has been continued until February 28. Similar cases, wherein Thorwald Jergensen and Myron Sherman are defendants, pending in Justice Learn's court, have gone over until Monday morning.

The ball of Overland lodge, No. 123, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, in Wash-lagton hall this evening promises to be a largely attended affair. The commit-tee of arrangements has secured a train to leave Seventeenth street for Council Bluffs and South Omaha at 2 a.m. for the ac-commodation of the guests from those retites.

Ray Philips, a negro who stands six feet four inches in his moccasins and glories in the title of "King of the Cannibal Islands," was given fifteen days in jail by Judge Gordon yesterday for stealing for lambs and sheep rule high at this martial by Judge Gordon yesterday for stealing the Fort Collins people will be

Shows what to do with, and I guess this is the case, for his wife has just bought him a \$150 ring."

The soday, is badly flattened and mutilated but is apparently from a 22-caliber pistol pr. Ross thinks it may be necessary to remove one of the fingers.

Jemove one of the fingers.

March I is the date upon which those who failed to register last fall, those who have become qualified voters since the last registration and those who have removed from one ward to another since the fall election will have a chance to register. The books will be open but one day. A majority of the registrars who served at the fall election have notified the city clerk that they are willing to serve again. The last dance of the winter season given Wednesday night at Thurston Rifles' armory by the North Omaha Pleasure club was a well-attended and thoroughly-enjoyed affair. William White was master of cere-monles and the committees were as follows: Arrangements, J. Gardiner, H. Leary, A. Woodruff: reception, J. Bliss. George Coc. G. F. Smith; floor, S. Knapp, B. Smith, F. Eltner, T. Falconer, T. O'Connor, L. Shan-non

Omaha.

Omaha tribe No. 18, 1, 0, R. M., and White Fawn council No. 9, D. of P., united in giving a dance Wednesday night at Labor Temple hall. It was a success and the Red Men and their sisters were much pleased.

A. A Smith acted as floor manager and L. B. Smith as master of ceremonies. The joint committee consisted of Mesdames Vorhees, Kies, Kessler, Rossiter, Smith, Albian and Messrs. Stoddard, Burmester and Shackleford.

In the properties territory. It is with regret that many members of the exchange for eight or ten years. The bas been a faithful officer and has looked after the business of the exchange in a manner agreeable to a large portion of the manner agreeable to a large portion of the life home of the Lride's mother this eventually members.

Salouns Ordered Closed.

"I want to tell you about Grape-Nuts, and my experience with them.
"I had for a year or two, felt a general debility creeping on me, and also suffered from flatulency, piles, etc., which I began to think was due to advancing age, now being 65 years old, when, in the providence all but Millar, who died since they were is-

was brought to my notice, and tried as an experiment.

"I used it with milk, as mush. In a week I found a decided improvement in myself, and have kept improving ever since, now about three months, and am being congrauulated on the bright change in my appearance by all acquaintances. Not only so, but I feel I have the reserve force so that I do not feel wearied at night, although I have week.

Sued.

H. H. Hake, proprietor of the Merchants of pictures for the exhibit and all patrons of the school are invited to attend. All the teachers of the school are lending their that two handsome horses the colonel says that two handsome horses and the colonel says that two handsome horses the colonel says that two handsome horses and the pictures will be hung under their direction.

Kirk Getting Better.

Frank Rirk, the Northwestern conductor who was injured in the yards several days ago, is resting easily at the hospital and appears to be recovering from the shock of

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of an ordinance granting to the Western

In connection with the introduction of this ordinance Bert Pollock and T. H. Ewing, officers of the company, and R. W. Patrick, its legal representative, were present. President Bennett allowed Mr. Patrick to make a few remarks on the purposes Services will be held in Trinity cathedral today at 10:30 a. m., with addresses approany opposition from business men here and

The Foresters dancing club, Modern Woodmen of America, will give a party in the hull at Twenty-fourth street and Ames avenue this evening. accounts, which stated that the company The regular monthly dance of the Social lub of the Omaha Dental college was given Vednesday hight at the college rooms. As shall it was much enjoyed.

Accounts, which stated that the company had complied with the laws of the state. President Bennett asserted that the company was not rated in Dun's or Bradstreets' A. F. and Lena Wieland, charged with and he favored a further investigation. After ruelty to their 12-year-old son, have been seleased under \$500 bonds each. The boy is by City Attorney Montgomery It was decided to accept the bonds now on file.

A petition was presented asking for the grading of Eighteenth street from Missouri avenue to a point 550 feet north. As the

Property owners in the northern part of the city petitioned for a change of grade on Twenty-seventh street from B to F. The petition went to the street and alley committee and the city engineer.

offers to settle his claim for \$50. The representatives. None of Mr. Hobart's family finance committee is to investigate the claim. | was present. President McKinley and the Mayor Ensor sent in a communication re- cabinet were represented by Attorney Gengarding the saloons reported to be operating eral Griggs. without a license. He asserts that he has The session was presided over by Presi-

matter. It was so ordered. Quite a number of crosswalks in various son then introduced Attorney General parts of the city were ordered laid and Griggs. other street repairs will be made.

The rules were suspended and grading bonds for district No. 40 to the amount o \$2,500 were ordered issued. The bonds will be sold to Cash Bros. at par. They will bear date of March 1 and carry 6 per cent

The Sheep Market.

Major Wolcott of the Stock Yards company is here after a trip through the Fort Collins sheep district. He is well pleased with the situation and predicts that a majority of the flocks now feeding in eastern Colorado will be marketed here. The seajail by Judge Gordon yesterday for stealing two coats and a valentine belonging to Reuben Moore. Philips has been herding cattle up in the Milk River country, N. D. and has been in Omaha three weeks.

Harry Cass, young son of J. N. Cass, lanitor of the Pacific school, was shot in the hand Monday night while coasting on Pacific refect, near the Omaha Medical college. It is not known who fired the shot. The bullet, removed from the hand Thesing is hadly flattened and mutilisted.

Date of Republican Primaries. designated March 15 as the date for hold- Carnegle, jr., of Pittsburg, son of Mrs. Lucy ing primaries, the nominating convention Carnegie and nephew of Andrew Carnegie, to be held March 16 at Modern Woodman the steel king, was solemnized this afternoon hall. Under existing laws only those who at 4 o'clock in the little Calvary church o registered last fall as republicans will be Clifton. The rector of the church, Rev. Ed-A permitted to vote at the primaries. Sam win Small, officiated unassisted. Owing to Nevins of the central committee has re- the recent death of the bride's mother, the signed and Frank Jones has been named ceremony was very simple and was per to fill the vacancy. Another meeting of the formed only in the presence of the immedicentral committee, to arrange details for ate families of the two contracting parties. the primaries and convention, will be held Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie left tonight to at the Sun office Saturday night. It is spend their honeymoon in Southern Caliintended now to have a general mass meet-ing of republicans at Modern Woodman hall on Friday evening, March 2.

The granite cutters semployed upon the federal building held a meeting Tuesday hight at which several local men were initiated into their union. There is no local union of granite cutters, the workmen in this branch of building heing mainly Italians and their unions confined to Italy and the cast. The steward on the work at Omaha cast. The steward on the work at Omaha is commissioned to initiate persons commissioned to initia Offices for New Secretary. ness from competitive territory. It is with

Miss Sarah McGuirk has filed complaint in police court against her uncle, John A. Sullivan, 3714 North Thirty-fourth street, charging him with threatening to kill her with a butcher knife. She says he came home drunk Tuesday and chased his family out of the house. Miss McGuirk and her mother, Sullivan's sister, refused to go, whereupen, she says, he seized two butcher knives and with one in each hand ran after them. The neighbors intervened in the interests of peace.

Saloons Ordered Closed.

Mayor Ensor has issued orders for the closing of all saloons now running without a license. This action was taken in response to a request from citizens and husiness men, who called the mayor's attention to the fact that the city was deriving no revenue from four saloons. The attention of the Hoard of Education was called to this matter some weeks ago, but beyond taking for a statement of the license fees Saloons Ordered Closed.

more of Omaha will loan a large collection. Adams and Miss Anna Whalen. Both are of pictures for the exhibit and all patrons prominent in society. The ceresour was more of Omaha will loan a large collection of the school are invited to attend. All performed by Rev. Father Bradiey.

Frank Kirk, the Northwestern conductor later, Rev. Charles W. Savidge.

appears to be recovering from the shock of the operation. Both his legs were am-

was 61 years of age and had been ill for PACKING HOUSE STATISTICS Mrs. Arthur Moran of Fifteenth and M streets is building a \$1,00 vottage. President Bennett occupied the chair at Wednesday eight's meeting of the city council. Mayor Ensor was absent, as was also Mercher Was The meeting of the City Order Odd Fellows, will give a dance at Odd Fellows.

also Member Wear. The matter of most importance brought up was the introduction Refreshments will be served.

The Eastern Star will give a high five hogs are well maintained and of fairly liberature and of the liberature of the of an ordinance granting to the Western is expected that the democratic city independent Long Distance Telephone company the right of way through the streets. spending week last year. From November

The sale of charity ball tickets continues to increase day by day and it is expected Stoux City that the attendance will be larger this year than ever before.

building of the University of Fennsylvania, he ceremonies incident to which will be carried over until tomorrow, when the uniersity formally celebrates Washington's birthday, with Ting Fan, Chinese minister to the United States, as chief orator, Today's ceremonies began with a general

sception by the Society of the Alumni of the Department of Law and was followed by an inspection of the new building. The dedication exercises proper followed an hour later. The opening address was made by Provost C. C. Harrison, who formally turned the building over to the trustees.

HONOR MEMORY OF HOBART by a Special Session to Late Vice President.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 21.-The memorial ession of the New Jersey legislature in Frank Blaha asserts that he was injured bonor of the late Vice President Garret A. by a defective sidewalk last May and he Hobart was held today in the house of

ordered these places closed and suggests dent William M. Johnson of the senate, that the license committee look after the Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Magle, pastor of Mr. Hobart's church. President John-

HYMENEAL.

Lowndes-Baker.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Feb. 21.-Miss Mary Leonard Baker, only daughter of United States Senator Lucien Baker, was married to Dr. Charles Henry Tighlman Lowndes, surgeon in the United States navy, tonight at the home of the bride's parents in this city. Only a few intimate friends of Senator Baker's family and of the groom were present. The ceremony was performed by a Catholic clergyman under a special dispensation of Cardinal Gibbons, the bride being a protestant. Dr. Lowndes, who is a nephew of ex-Governor Lowndes of Maryland, holds the rank of lieutenant in the navy. Dr. and Mrs. Lowndes departed to night for Old Point Comfort and Washing ton. They will soon be at home at Annap olis, where Dr. Lowndes expects to be stationed on shore duty.

Carnegle-Sherlock.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 21.-The marriage of Miss Bertha Sherlock, daughter of the late The republican city central committee has Thomas and Nancy Sherlock, to Andrew

McMorland-Tangney.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Feb. 21 .- (Special.)-Mr. Howard McMorland and Miss Katte

of C. H. Barnard, secretary of the State Board of Hortfeelture. The young couple will make their future home at Lenox, Ia.

Cooley-Mann.

WAVERLY, Neb., Feb. 21.- (Special.) The marriage of Miss Carrie Cooley and Dar Munn occurred last night at 6:30 at the hom of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. R. D Cooley, Rev. 1. L. Lowe of Western official ing. The bride is the only daughter of a wealthy farmer. Mr. Munn is a successful farmer.

Adams-Whalen. CORTLAND, Neb., Feb. 21.-(Special.) This morning at 8 o'clock eccurred the man ringe at the Catholic church of Mr. Leonard

Schreiner-Anderson. Henry Schreiner and Miss Louise Anderson were married Tuesday marning, February 20, at the bome of the officiating min-

THE REALTY MARKET.

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Supplies of Hogs Are Well Maintained and of Fairly Liberal

Proportions. CINCINNATI, Feb. 21 - (Special Tele gram.)-Price Current says; Supplies of week were 475,000, compared with 470,000 the preceding week and 485,000 the corre

pany the right of way through the streets, alleys and public places for a period of twenty-five years. This ordinance provides for the erection and maintenance of poles, wires, etc., and also allows the company the right to lease poles and wires of other companies. Toll stations are authorized by this ordinance. After the first reading of the document it went to the judiciary committee for a report.

In connection with the introduction of

To Close Denver Cambling Houses, DEDICATE LAW BUILDING

Many Prominent People Take Part in

First Day's Ceremonies at University of Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 21.—Distinguished jurists and educators from all parts of the United States and from England today took part in the formal dedication of the new law building of the University of Pennsylvania.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

George B. Stebbins of Pollock, La., is in Henry R. Gering, Plattsmouth, is stopping it the Merchanis.

H. Carnahan and daughter of Ogaliala Mrs. F. W. McNear of Dubuque Is a muest of the Millard. Cleero Nichols of San Francisco is a test at the Her Grand. Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Knapp of Chicago re guests of the Her Grand. Agent H. C. Baird of the Santee agency a guest at the Merchants.

J. E. Ross of Geneva, superintendent of Indian achools, is at the Murray. B. J. Rogers, an implement dealer from Grand Island, is at the Merchants B. J. Rogers, an implement dealer of Grand Island, is a guest at the Merchants. M. D. Kelley, H. Wegwart, and E. F. Wertz of Milwaukee are at the Merchants. Mrs. F. A. Green and daughter, Miss Lola, have gone to Dehver for a few

A. F. Cherry, who travels out of Canon City, Colo., selling pickles, is at the Mer-James H. Anderson of Waukesha is in the city selling mineral water. He is at the Millard. Fred Caldwell of Minneapolis, traveling bussenger agent for the Rock Island, is at the Murray.

J. H. Erford of Lincoln and H. O. Paine of Ainsworth were Wednesday guests at the Her Grand. William E. Broderick of New York, with the Francis Wilson company, is a guest of the Murray.

J. R. Humphrey of the Chicago office of the Illinois Central railroad registered at the Millard Wednesday.

W. B. Price of Lincoln, H. E. Owen of Norfolk and D. R. Palmer of Seward were at the Murray Wednesday. H. A. Butterfield of Chicago, traveling passenger agent of the Minneapolis & St. Lous railway, is at the Murray. F. H. Beach of Minneapolis, traveling passenger agent of the Delaware & Lacka-wanna railroad, is at the Murray. David L. Cartan, formerly of Omaha, now of St. Louis, arrived in the city yesterday o attend the Myer-Nash wedding.

W. J. Outhwaite, a leading merchant from Cedar Rands. Neb., is at the Mer-chants' hotel for a few days, accompanied by his wife. Dr., Ira W., Porter of this city has re-ceived a telegram bearing news of the sud-den death of his brother, A. W. Porter of Modific, Ala., on Thesday.



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Arrangements have been made with ROSE'S ART STORE, 1521 Dodge, to frame these pictures at a special price.

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best mantle for durability, brilliancy of light and economy of price, 25, cents at all dealers. No part of the Cosmopolitan Mantle can now be construed as infringing upon any patents of the

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A GREAT W. E. Perkins of Sturgts, S. D. is in the city. W. H. Kingsley of Denver is at the Her Grand. G. C. Gray of Montpeller, Idaho, is at the Millard. Premium Offer

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THE BALLOON-By Julien Dupre.

The subject treats of a group of peasants in the harvest-field. The peasants have spent the morning raking and stacking hay, the sun is at its zenith, not a breath of air is stirring, you can almost hear the bees as they buzz from flower to flower, and away off in the distance is seen a balloon floating majestically in the clear, blue sky. Evidently the villagers are holding their country fair, and a balloon ascension is one of the features. The group consisting of the peasant and his family are in the picturesque costume of the country. They have all stopped work and stand with their rakes in their hands gazing intently at the distant balloon. Wonder, awe and admiration are blended in their expressive faces, and revealed in their attitudes. The subject has been treated with those soft, mellow tints which its artist knows so well how to paint, and recalls to the mind many just such incidents in our childhood life. It is justly popular, both on account of its artistic quality and deep human interest with which it has been clothed.

History of "The Defense of Champigny."

The Franco-German war of 1870, with all its horrors and terrible loss of life, still burns in the memory of most living. For many years previous a bad feeling existed between France and Prussia and both great powers had been getting their armies in readiness and were armed to the teeth. Distrustful and full of hate to each other, they soon found themselves in a position from which neither could retreat with honor and an appeal to the sword was the only alternative. The Spanish crown offered the Prince of Hohenzollern, in June. 1870, and being accepted by him, caused the interference of Prussia, which the French government resented, feeling that Prussia had no right to interfere in Spanish affairs, and step by step the quarrel grew, and although Great Britain and other European powers tried to avert an open rupture and to preserve the peace of Europe, the war spirit was madly popular in both Prussia and France. At last, on the 15th of July, 1879, the crisis came. The Duke of Grammont told Lord Lyons, the British ambassador, that "The Prussian government had deliberately insuited France by declaring to the public that the king had affronted the French ambassador. It was evidently the intention of the king of Prussia to take credit with the people of Germany for having acted with haughtiness and discourtesy-in fact to humilitate France." Emperor Napoleon, as early as the 8th of July had moved forward his troops, and on the 15th of July war was declared by the French government to exist between France and Prussia. Al! Paris was in an unroar of delight. The declaration of war made Napoleon popular with his subjects and the Chambers, by an overwhelming vote, granted a credit of 50,000,000 france for the army and 16,000,000 for the navy. The war was carried on with vast expenditure of force on both sides, and war was brought to a close after seven months of awful bloodshed and almost daily battles, the details of which are to harrowing to narrate. The Germans lost 6,247 officers and 123,453 men. The total leases of the French were incalculable. Strasbury and Metz, which Germany had lost in a time of weakness, were reconquered, and the German Empire had arisen answ. and France had thrown off bindage and had become a free nation-a republic. So good came out of evil.

While reflecting upon these eventful times, M. Jean Batlate Edouard Detaille, the great and famous French gainter, was inspired with the idea of painting his world famous picture, "The Defense of Champigny,"

Before giving . Iew facts, a description of this magnificent painting, an outline of the village that has been made so famous, may be here narrated. Champigny, with a population of over 2,000 might almost be described as a beautiful saburb of Paris. It lies five miles cast, southeast of the gay city. Here business men from the busy capital and pienic parties wend their way for a quiet rest, fresh air, and to take in the rural and pretty landscapes. Here, scattered through the village, were lovely homes or chateaus, surrounded with well-laid-out gardens and lawns, full of sweet-scented and pretty flowers and beautiful trees, casting a heavenly and peaceful aspect all around. But this beautiy was to be marred by the ravages of war, to be trampled down by the soldiers and implements of war, for, situated as it is, on the Marne, it was selected as a place for a sortie on behalf of the French army, and here on November 20th until December 2nd, 1870, was the scene of protracted and bloody encounters between the French troops under colonel Ducrot and the Germans, and on December 3rd the French recrossed the Marne, having slain 5,000 Germans and sustained a loss of from 10,000 to 12,000 men and leaving Championy a waste. M. Detaille's painting of The Defense of Champigny, 1876, holds a most prominent position in New York. It is now hing in the Metropolium Museum of Art, Central Park, and is valued at over \$60,000.