

SOME POLITICAL GRADING

Majority of County Board Posing Work Just Before Election.

NO FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR CONTRACTORS

Road and Bridge Funds Wiped Out by Regular Charges and Contractors on Special Work Will Have to Bid to Cover Interest.

The county commissioners on Saturday will open bids on about \$10,000 worth of work and contracts for the same will probably be let, despite the fact that there are no funds available to pay the contractors.

The available balance in the road fund on July 1, at the beginning of the new fiscal year, was \$21,487.65. During the month of July warrants were drawn against the fund for the total amount of \$10,857.91, most of which were in payment of bills for work done last year. This left a balance of \$10,629.74 in the fund on August 1, but since warrants have been drawn for a sufficient sum to reduce the balance to about \$500.

Out of this balance of \$500 the twenty-five road overseers employed by the county will have to be paid and, as their bills will aggregate \$4,000, the sum left will be only \$1,500.

Machinery Come High.

The county now has five grading machines at \$10 per day and one at \$18 per day and if these are kept in operation for sixty days longer, as they certainly will be, the expense on their account will be \$1,980. The payment of this item will wipe out the road fund entirely and draw \$3,380 from the bridge fund.

There is a balance of \$26,000 in the bridge fund, which may be transferred to the road fund. The charge of \$2,380 on account of the grading machines being deducted would cut the balance to \$23,620. The steel bridge being built over the railroad tracks at the foot farm will cost \$12,000, reducing the fund to \$11,620. This balance of \$11,620 is all that remains for the maintenance of roads and bridges for the remaining ten months of the fiscal year—a very meager allowance for the purpose.

It is evidently the purpose of the democratic majority of the county commissioners to make the contractors who take the grading work wait a year for their pay, and for this reason the bids are likely to be high enough to cover interest charges for that time.

About 25,000 yards of the proposed grading is to be done on the road that marks the boundary between South Omaha and Sarpy county, and as the road lies within the city limits of South Omaha the minority members of the county board are not convinced that the work should be done at the expense of the county.

The proposed grading will give work to a large number of men for several weeks just preceding the election.

WALLING SEEKS RELEASE

Alleged Embezzler Takes Habeas Corpus Proceedings in District Court.

Edward J. Walling, under arrest on a charge of embezzlement by his former employers, the D. J. O'Brien company, has begun habeas corpus proceedings in the district court to secure his release. He says that the police court held him for trial at the May term of the district court and the May term passed by without any information having been filed against him.

A couple of weeks ago Walling brought habeas corpus proceedings in the district court on the same ground and Judge Vinsonhalder ordered his release, but he was immediately re-arrested on a complaint sworn out by D. J. O'Brien.

SUING ON INSURANCE POLICIES.

Heirs of John Pipal Bring a Couple of Lawsuits.

Joseph Frank and Peter Pipal, sons of the late John Pipal of South Omaha, have begun suit to recover \$1,100 from the Woodmen of the World on a life insurance policy held by their father, in which they were named as beneficiaries. John Pipal met with an accident at Swift's packing house, which affected his mind, and for some time prior to his death he was unsound mentally.

A similar suit for \$1,000 has been brought against the Fraternal Society of America by the heirs of the late John Pipal, and Francis Pipal, as plaintiffs.

SAYS CONTRACTORS ARE LIABLE.

Edward Hird Wants Two Thousand Dollars for Injuries.

Edward Hird has sued James A. Miller & Brother, the contractors, for \$2,000 damages. He was in the B. & M. building when the handle of a windlass fell five stories and struck him on the head and shoulders, inflicting serious injuries. Hird alleges that the windlass was carelessly constructed.

Two Complaining Wives.

Lillie Strom has begun suit for divorce from John Strom, 4 yards of Omaha in July, 1898. They were married at Omaha in July, 1898.

Emma F. Rogers has brought suit against Bernard Rogers for divorce, alleging desertion. They were married in this city in September, 1893.

WELCOME TO THE NEW RECTOR

Reception at McAllister Home to Rev. G. Taylor Griffith of Good Shepherd.

A reception was given last night at the home of B. A. McAllister, 2027 West Street, in honor of Rev. G. Taylor Griffith, who is the new rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Dean Campbell Fair of Trinity Cathedral, Rev. John Williams of St. Barnabas' church and all the other Episcopal clergymen of the city, as well as many laymen, attended the reception. The guests were received by the vestrymen of the Church of the Good Shepherd and the members of the Woman's Aid society.

The porches of the McAllister home were bristled with Japanese lanterns and the interior of the house was prettily decorated.

SPECIAL BOOK SALE.

For the month of August we have made a big cut on all lines to make room for our fall goods.

Class bound books from 10c up. A line of late copyrights, such as "A Singular Life"—Via Crucis—in Connection with the De Willoughby Claim and twenty other titles usually sold for \$1.25 and \$1.50, at 40c. Black Rock library edition, 25c; all the Poets' library edition, 65c; Oxford Bible Teacher's edition, 65c; Oxford Atlas of the United States, a \$1.50 book for 20c; 2-volume sets Wandering Jew and Les Miserables, 85c; paper back books, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c; kid flash writing paper, one qr. to box with envelopes to match, four shades, 25c; Denton's crane paper, 10-foot rolls, roll cut for 25c—other bargains too numerous to mention. Barkdale Bros. "Bookshop," Phone 320, 1512 Farnam St.

with roses and other cut flowers. Icees were served during the evening.

Rev. Griffith assumed the pastorate of the Church of the Good Shepherd last week. He came to Omaha from Harlan, Ia. Preaching the church at Harlan he had a charge in Chicago. Rev. Griffith is unmarried and will live at the home of Mrs. Hostetter, 2215 Miami street.

FUTURE OF FORT CROOK

Officers at Army Headquarters Believe Good Things Are In Store for Omaha's War Post.

The report that Secretary Root has announced that the department will make improvements at Fort Crook with the object of making it one of the important posts in the west is received with pleasure at army headquarters by the officers, who believe that the post near the department headquarters can with advantage to the service be made a large post.

One of the officers said: "Fort Crook will undoubtedly be made a regimental post. At the present time it has barracks for a battalion of troops and officers' quarters for two battalions, so it will require buildings sufficient to accommodate twice as many troops as can be cared for at the time and quarters for half as many more officers. These buildings will probably cost \$500,000 and then the post will be one which will be suitable for a post so near the headquarters of the department.

"In this connection it may be said that the board of survey to report upon the conditions of the several posts in the United States will probably be appointed in a short time and after it has made its report upon the conditions of the different posts we may look for several changes in the country. There is no doubt that the officers in charge of the army will endeavor to place the large posts near lines of railroad and at the same time locate them where land sufficient for the purposes of large bodies of troops can be secured. For this reason it is believed that many of the most important posts in the country will be located within the borders of the Department of the Missouri, for here only can all of the requirements of the army be found in the highest degree.

The department is central, has many acres of land life within its borders and is surrounded with railroads leading to all parts of the country.

Among the posts which will probably be larger and more effective is that of Fort Robinson. This is a cavalry post, located on two lines of road and is so situated that land can easily be secured in extent sufficient to muster the entire cavalry arm of the service. At the same time it is close enough to the large commercial centers to make the cost of the transportation of goods comparatively low. With the improvements which will probably be made at Fort Robinson and Fort Crook, Fort Nebraska will probably be abandoned, as it is located too close to Fort Robinson to be made a large post and there is no reason why troops should be stationed at that point. It may be some time before all of these changes are made, but the reports from Washington this morning lead to believe that they are not far off.

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PLANS FOR THE ELKS' OUTING

Outlines of What the Members Expect to Do at Manawa Saturday.

The joint outing of the Omaha and Council Bluffs Elks will take place tomorrow at Lake Manawa. The shooting, base ball and bowling teams will be made up today and will be announced tomorrow. The general program as so far arranged is as follows:

Itinerary—1 p. m., concert by Dalbey's band, Omaha Elks lodge, Fifteenth and Farnam; 2 p. m., leave Omaha on special cars, Fourteenth and Farnam; 2:30 p. m., leave Council Bluffs; 3 p. m., shooting match at Lake Manawa to come, base ball game; 5:30 p. m., bowling contest; 6 p. m., steamer excursion; 7 p. m., banquet at the Kursaal.

Twenty-five, Brother D. M. Vinsonhalder, R. R. Omaha lodge No. 29; The Order of Elks; Brother N. C. Pratt of Omaha lodge No. 30; The Herd of Plains; Brother S. H. Vinsonhalder of Council Bluffs lodge No. 23; "Our Neighboring Brothers"; Brother F. S. Howells of Omaha lodge No. 29; The Elks of Council Bluffs lodge, No. 23; Music by the Monday of Arrangements—For Omaha lodge, No. 29; Arthur Metz, chairman; for Council Bluffs lodge, No. 23; J. H. Abbott, I. W. Miner, For Council Bluffs lodge, No. 23; E. A. Frostman, F. T. True, A. T. Elwell.

Seasonable Fashions

Woman's Tucked Blouse. No. 2588—Tucks not only hold their place, but gain in favor month by month. Both for the odd waist and the gown made ensuite they are held the smartest possible finish and are seen alike in thin, diaphanous materials, silks and soft wools. The charming blouse illustrated is adapted to many uses and is equally appropriate for the costume and the separate bodice. The original is of white linen lawn and is worn with a tie and a belt of blue fluted satin, but the madras, grass line, Swiss and all similar fabrics, India silk, crepe de chine, tulle and the like and all soft wools are equally suitable.

The back is smooth and snug, with two groups of tucks that are drawn together at the waist to give a becoming tapering effect. The fronts are tucked in three groups and are rendered unique by the excellent cut on the right edge, which is closed with small pearl buttons in groups of three. The sleeves are in bishop style, tucked nearly to the wrists, where they fall free to form becoming puffs.

To make this blouse for a woman of medium size, 4 yards of material 21 inches wide, 3 1/2 yards 27 inches wide, 3 3/4 yards 32 inches wide or 2 1/2 yards 44 inches wide will be required.

The pattern 3888 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40-inch bust measure.

For the accommodation of the Bee readers these patterns, which usually retail at from 25 to 50 cents, will be furnished at a nominal price, 10 cents, which covers all expense. In order to get any pattern enclosed, send the name, address and name of pattern wanted and bust measure. Allow about ten days from date of your letter before beginning to look for the pattern. Address, Pattern Department, Omaha Bee.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Delinquent Tax List is Now Up for Official Consideration.

BUSY TIME FOR TAX COMMISSIONER

Compilation of Reports is a Voluminous Task, Which Cannot Be Finished for Several Weeks—Magie City Gossip.

The delinquent tax list of South Omaha is now on the boards for consideration. Since the return of Tax Commissioner Fitzgerald from his western trip he has devoted his time to the preparation of the delinquent list. Books have been printed for his use which go back to 1898 and all delinquent taxes commencing with that year are recorded. It is a tedious job and in order to expedite the work Mr. Fitzgerald has employed two assistants at his own expense.

These reports are supposed to be turned over on September 1, but owing to the sickness of Mr. Fitzgerald and the large amount of work on hand the books will not be finished before the middle of next month. In accordance with the law the taxes of 1901 become due on October 1. Mr. Fitzgerald stated yesterday that he would have the treasurer's books in shape by that time, so that all taxes might be paid on the date required by charter.

Following the completion of the regular tax books will come the setting up of the personal tax list. The delinquent personal taxes now amount to thousands of dollars. While looking over the books last night Mr. Fitzgerald said: "I propose to turn in to the city clerk a list of permanent statement of all delinquent personal taxes. This will take some time, but it will be done. It will then be up to the treasurer to collect these taxes. A great many people who owe personal taxes are able and willing to pay, providing their attention is called to the matter."

In addition to the work now on hand Mr. Fitzgerald proposes to make a complete record of the county commissioner's work for the year. He says that he will have the field books copied into permanent records, so that there will be a duplicate of the treasurer's books. This is considered a good idea by city officials and will be carried out.

As it is a month or more before the 1901 taxes are due, there is no telling what Treasurer Koutsky will do about collecting delinquent personal taxes.

When the office was a political one and the salary only \$500 a year the treasurer was naturally difficult to get along with in the law in regard to the taxes. Now that there is a stipulated salary of \$2,000 a year it is thought that the treasurer will be placed in a position where he can collect delinquent taxes from all who are in arrears.

Local Democrats Undecided.

Since the advent into the field of three new candidates for the county commission, the local democratic camp is in a chaotic state. Ryan, Welsh and Gallagher are all new men and as it is understood that the powers that be in Omaha want something out of the old routine down here these three candidates all express hope of securing the nomination.

It was reported in democratic circles here and in Omaha yesterday that Hector and O'Keefe had made a tieup and if this tieup the local democrats will rebel. They say in the first place that Hector has had the office long enough. Next they say that O'Keefe, who served as county commissioner before, does not suit a certain faction of the democracy and therefore an edict has been issued from the headquarters in Omaha to the effect that an entirely new candidate must be selected.

But the edict was not complied with by Ryan, Gallagher and Welsh. Ryan has served his party with more or less distinction, having been a member of the council and the school board. He has a good standing among democrats, it is stated, and is a heavy taxpayer.

Mr. Gallagher broke into politics about five years ago and served as deputy treasurer under Frank Broadwell for four years. He is quite a favorite among a certain faction of the democrats. Miles Welsh has always been one of the wheelhorses of the younger democracy and he thinks it is about time that his labors should be rewarded. He is a business man and has quite a following. When it was reported yesterday that the powers in Omaha had relegated the "old push" to the rear there was a noticeable movement toward the three new candidates.

High School Plans.

Owing to the opposition to the present plans of the present high school building it is understood that the board of education made in an attempt to secure lower bids. The plans as a whole are considered excellent by those who have seen them, but on account of the cost and the finances of the school district it has been deemed advisable to make some changes. Some months ago the drawing of the proposed high school was printed in the Bee and a great many remarks on the beauty of the building. Now that material has gone up in price it is thought that some changes ought to be made and A. L. Davis, the architect of the Board of Education, is engaged in making new working drawings. It is thought now that one of the wings of the proposed high school can be erected for about \$55,000, and a contract for such a building may be let at the September meeting of the board.

Filling Viaduct Approach.

Contractor Zack Cuddington is working all the men he can find on the filling of the approach to the L. & N. viaduct. This work is being paid for by the Union Stock Yards and the Union Pacific companies and on account of the inconvenience to persons who use the viaduct an urgent request has been made that the work be hastened. Cuddington says that he can get the work made in about four days. As the dirt as dumped is rolled by a heavy steam roller there will be little delay in the laying of the pavement contemplated. On account of the roller being in service it is thought that the bridge will be opened to traffic within the next thirty days.

Gas Company Busy.

It was necessary for Manager Davis of the gas company to put an extra force of men to work yesterday in order to supply services for stoves and lights. Several miles of mains have been laid this year and the demand has increased. The work with extra force ordered yesterday was an absolute necessity. The company now contemplates the laying of mains to Corrigan Place and to other recently platted additions.

Pontoon Bridge Material.

Several cars of lumber to be used in the construction of the pontoon bridge across the river at this point arrived in Omaha yesterday and the ferryboat Castilla was sent up to bring the lumber here. The timbers were unloaded direct from the cars onto the boat. A number of carpenters have been employed to construct the bridge and the work will commence as soon as sufficient amount of material is landed here. On the trip up the river yesterday the Castilla acted nicely and the officers of the company who were on board were well pleased.

Work Still Continues.

Material for the improvements on the Twenty-fourth street car line is being

scattered along the route daily and men are still laying heavy rails. It was reported a few days ago that this work would stop a time, but a change in the company's plans permit the alterations to continue. Heavy rails have been laid as far south as C street and material is scattered along nearly to D street. It is expected now that the heavy rails will be laid to N street before the work is interrupted.

Magie City Gossip.

Mayor Kelly is expected home Saturday. Miss May Carlin has gone east for a two weeks' trip.

Antone Lott has returned from Lake Michigan, where he spent three weeks for Herbert Broadwell is home from New York, where he visited relatives for a fortnight.

Patrick Martin and M. J. Gray left last night for a two weeks' stay at Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Friend of John J. Ryan of the Fifth ward are urging him to announce himself as a democratic candidate for county commissioner.

George Paul is back from the Indian Nation. He brought back two red bats, which he presented to his friends with considerable pride.

There is a continuance of the demand for a watchman in needed at this point now on account of the closing of the L. street viaduct.

ATHLETES GO CUP HUNTING

Y. M. C. A. Track Team Leaves for the Contest at Lake Geneva.

Director Barnes and his team of track athletes left last night for Geneva, Wis., where on Saturday they compete in the mid-section Young Men's Christian association athletic contest. Teams from seven states entered, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and Nebraska, each being represented by one or more association teams. This is the greatest athletic meet of the year for the Young Men's Christian association, and particularly this year for the local association, for on paper they have the greatest team that ever stepped to the scratch.

The athletic idea of the Young Men's Christian association is to develop all-around man, and with this aim in view, their contests are every member of each team is expected to compete in all the events. The expert with the hammer must try at the sprint and the jumps and vice versa. This system puts a premium on the universally developed man. The team scoring the greatest aggregate number of points wins the day.

The entry card calls for five events—100-yard dash, pole vault, high jump, hammer throw and mile run. Each event has a qualifying time or distance and each foot or second cut from qualifying mark gives points to the winner.

In the 100-yard dash twelve and two-fifths seconds qualify and each one-fifth second shaded gives ten points to contestant. The hammer throw calls for fifty feet and each foot over that chalks up two points; the high jump is three feet six inches and each succeeding inch will give four points; the pole vault has a minimum of five feet ten inches and each additional inch gives 2 points; the mile run has a time limit of 6:40 and every second under that scores one point.

Omaha's representatives will be Painter, Finney and Morrison. Painter will score 500 points or better. Finney's total may go to 400, while Morrison should better the 400 mark. In tria events each man has made a high score and in the hammer competition of a great field to spur him on the scores should be higher. If Painter runs up to 500 points he will be the world's champion individual score and there is every indication that he will do even better. Last year the Ravenswood team made a new team record and took the cup with 1244 points. This year Omaha should score at least 1300 points. This would land the cup in Omaha hands down and everyone up the country would be anxious to get a look at the Spaulding trophy.

DEATH RECORD.

Rev. H. C. Myers.

STANTON, Neb., Aug. 15.—(Special.)—Rev. H. C. Myers, aged 67 years, who died of cancerous tumors, Tuesday, was a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church for many years. Several years ago he left the Methodist Episcopal church and founded the People's Baptist church at Schuyler. After preaching there for two years he accepted the call to the church at Stanton, Neb., where he has since resided. He was a member of the ministry and devoted himself to farming and stock raising. He and his wife lived for the last year with their son, Morris Myers of this city.

When the first Thomson was made to continue the work of Myron W. Reed in Denver and continue as a liberal religious organization the Broadway Temple association Rev. Henry C. Myers went to Denver and preached for several weeks in the Broadway theater. His reception was kindly and for a time he interested the followers of Mr. Reed. Then the interest began to wane and after a short time Mr. Myers gave up the pulpit and returned to his home in Nebraska.

After his return to Denver he delivered a sermon which created something of a sensation, declaring that civil marriage was merely a form and not altogether a necessity where two persons were perfecting a union. The sermon was discussed and ridiculed many ministers taking issue with Mr. Myers.

Iowa Army Surgeon.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Aug. 15.—Dr. Edward G. Beeson, son of General B. A. Beeson, quartermaster of the Iowa Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, died Tuesday, aged 32. Dr. Beeson was a lieutenant of the Thirty-third United States Infantry and also served as assistant surgeon of the Forty-ninth Iowa infantry during the Spanish-American war. Death resulted from illness contracted during service in the Philippines.

FIRE RECORD.

Residence of M. W. Smith.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Aug. 15.—(Special.)—The residence of M. W. Smith, east of this city, was destroyed by fire early this morning. Most of the household goods were saved. The loss of the building is \$1,000, with no insurance.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

C. E. Magdon and R. J. Flick of Lincoln left for Chicago Tuesday.

Rev. Luther Kuhns of Grace Lutheran church has returned from his summer vacation and will preach Sunday morning.

M. J. Gray, of Lincoln, Neb., and J. H. Buhman, St. Liberty, Mo., are state guests at the Murray.

Nebraskaans at the Merchants' J. H. Buhman, St. Liberty, Mo., are state guests at the Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Burkhardt and Mrs. G. W. Heine of Hooper, J. A. Boyce and George Crane of Kearney, J. C. White of Lincoln and C. E. Williams of Waterloo are state guests at the Murray.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The fire department made a fruitless run yesterday afternoon to 194 North Twenty-fourth street, where a smoky chimney was the cause of alarm.

Ignition of gasoline caused a small fire in John A. Smith's garage, 362 1/2 Center street, yesterday afternoon, damaging the contents to the extent of \$5.

NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

Laura E. Richards Writes a Novel of More Than Usual Interest.

HISTORY OF THE ONEIDA COMMUNITY

New Plane Geometry for Use of High School Students—News from the Publishing Houses Regarding Fall Books.

While few new books came to hand this week, publishers are all announcing many for the near future and before another month rolls around they will be coming thick and fast. Moreover, judging from the publishers' announcements, there will be a great many new books, both works of fiction as well as works of a heavier and more enduring character. Among the books that have come to hand this week is a novel from Boston that will unquestionably find favor in the eyes of many people.

"Geoffrey Strong," by Laura E. Richards, is in parts infinitely dull, but it combines fun with pathos in its rustic portrait gallery as few living writers could succeed in doing and unites with its graceful humor an incontestable atmosphere of reality. No story of recent years has furnished such a convincing picture of life in a small country town. The author gives something better than description. She transports the reader to her village and gives an opportunity for him to become acquainted with the various characters, Geoffrey, Vesta Blyth, Diploma Crotty and the wonderful Mrs. Free. Mrs. Richards knows her New England as first hand and interprets it in a spirit of sympathy. Her characters seem like real people. Her early success, "Captain January," was a distinct addition to literature and her latest book, intended for older readers, shows that her hand has not become rusty. Most readers will unquestionably pronounce her latest work to be her masterpiece. Dana Estes & Co., Boston.

"Elements of Plane Geometry," by Alan Saunders of the Hughes High school of Cincinnati, intended for the use of classes in high schools, academies and preparatory schools, contains several distinctive features. Some of the more obvious steps of the demonstrations are omitted in the propositions after the first few, thus forcing the pupil to reason for himself. Immediately after each proposition there are introduced exercises bearing directly upon its principles, but involving variations in its application which require original work for their solution. All constructions, such as drawing parallels, erecting perpendiculars, etc., are given before they are required to be used in demonstrations. Exercises, which may be omitted at the discretion of the teacher, and which involve the principles of modern geometry, are interspersed throughout the text. Whenever possible the converse of a proposition accompanies the proposition itself. Many exercises, drawn largely from the entrance examination papers of the leading colleges and scientific schools, are given at the end of the book. Amos Book company, Chicago. Price, 75 cents.

A neat little pamphlet has been issued by the Oneida Community, setting forth the history of that peculiar religious association. The community was organized during the first half of the last century and a large body of land was purchased near Oneida, N. Y., in 1848, where the company for a good many years enjoyed the greatest prosperity. This little book will give much interesting information about a unique institution.

"The Farmer Boy" is a charming romance, descriptive of the season; a beautiful display of scenery passes before the reader and the characters are clearly pictured. "The Soul of Music" should be a delight to every music lover. Throughout the discovery, however, of a heart-to-heart talk with the author. The book is well adapted for young people. The Abbey Press.

Current Magazines.

The queer beast, until recently unknown, which Sir Harry H. Johnston, C. B., special commissioner, has discovered in East Africa, found alive in the forests of Central Africa, will be fully described by its discoverer in the September number of McClure's Magazine. Moreover, the okapi (Hellerodtherium Johnstoni)—named after the discoverer, appears in the frontispiece of a drawing made by Sir Harry H. Johnston. The okapi is said to be related to the giraffe, although it little resembles that, long-necked animal. It has legs marked like those of the zebra and a head somewhat like that of the antelope. But in general appearance the okapi is unlike any animal to be seen in captivity or pictured in zoological treatises.

The Magazine of Art for August has for frontispiece a portrait by J. J. Benjamin Constant of Queen Alexandra, in tint. Colored full-page pictures are "The Dog in the Manger" and "A Sheep Dog." There are very fine full-page engravings in black—"Breaking Cover" (an other hunt), "Portion of the Walnut in the Church of Jesus, Copenhagen," "Kashmir Shawl, Showing Plan of the City of Srinagar," "Muscienne du Siam," "Don Saltero's Walk," "Butterflies," and there is a beautiful lot of smaller pictures. Noteworthy is the representation of General B. A. Beeson, a lady in fine dresses exhibited at the Salon, and of flower photographs. The text is in every way worthy of the admirable pictures; this monthly is always a keen delight. Cassell & Co., publishers, New York City.

General Francis V. Greene, whose narrative history of "The United States Army" begins in the September Scribner's, was, it will be recalled, the general who received the surrender of Manila. Members of his family have taken part in every war in this country. One of his collateral ancestors was General Nathaniel Greene of the revolution, and his father was General George S. Greene of the civil war. He himself is a West Pointer of the class of '79.

In spite of the fact that an unusually large number of the August number of Harper's Magazine was printed the edition went quickly out of print and an advertisement has been seen in the papers of the other day in which the American News company advertised for 1,000 copies of this particular number, offering to pay the full retail price of 25 cents, as the publishers were entirely out of copies. No better evidence could be had of the unusual interest and demand which the superior quality and general excellence of this magazine have deservedly evoked under its new management.

The leading article in the Living Age for August it will be Herbert Paul's "Personal Impression" of the late bishop of London—a charming tribute to one of the most beloved of ecclesiastics. According to Mr. Paul Bishop Creighton's death may fairly be said to have been a relief.

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be attributed, as was that of Bishop Brooks, to oversight in attention to the details of the duties of his office.

Literary Notes.

Among the announcements of L. C. Page & Co. is "Tide Jane," by Marshall Saunders, author of "Beautiful Souls" and "A charming and wholesome story for girls, handled with unusual skill, which has been issued in the Youth's Companion.

There is scarcely a day that the newspapers do not record some municipal or village ordinance for the radical suppression of a local mosquito scourge, and on every hand the wonder is that so simple means as those employed should not have been tried before. In his book entitled "Mosquitoes," published by McClure, Phillips & Co., Prof. L. C. Howard gives in a popular, scientific way the whole history of the mosquito, as far as it is known.

The Century Company has a number of works of fiction on its list for publication in October, some of them by new writers. One already having a very large advance sale through the trade, is "A Circumstance," by Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, a novel of