CURRENT NEWS OF IOWA

MINOR MENTION.

Wanted, at once, boy with pony to carry Bee route. Apply at the office, 10 Fearl

The annual election of the Council Bluffs

The new Presbyterian Mission church on

Evidence Against Him is

Strong.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Jan. 18 .- (Special Tele-

gram.)-An effort was made today to secure

from Stephen Crandall, in jail at Adel, his

statement of his connection with the shoot-

Parties visited the Crandall home, two

miles from Perry. The wife, who is ill,

Two women living in Perry state that

they saw and recognized Crandall in Perry

at 11 o'clock that night and he was with

been jointly convicted of larceny and Mc-

Pattee is still alive and has a fair

chance of recovery, but leading residents

DECIDES TO LIVE YET AWHILE

cessfully Pumped Out by the

Doctors.

PERRY, Ia., Jan. 18 .- (Special Telegram.)

-Bert Orbin, the man who tried and so

nearly succeeded in crossing the river last

said to be dead at one time, was finally

brought back to life and walked around

work off the drug's effect. Tonight he is

paper signed by his wife warning the drug

stores not to sell him any liquor. His get-

ting some through a friend caused the

trouble between them yesterday. It is

probable that Mrs. Orbin will prosecute if

HYMENEAL.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.)

Miss Anna S. Sheldon, the soprano singer

of the Sheldon Sistera' Quartet Concert

troupe, stole a march on the rest of the

troupe by going to the Presbyterian parson-

age last evening and marrying Joseph F

Erhitt, giving her sisters notice of the

event after it had occurred. The Sheldon

of the state.

For sale by Kuhn & Co.

Bisters' quartet has made a concert tour

To allow constipation to poison your

and builds up your health or no pay. 25c.

she can find out the guilty party.

dents from the Preseminary in Omaha.

will be in charge of atu-Presbyterian Theological

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MOVE INTO MERCY HOSPITAL | second grade to the ninth grade and will be transferred to the High school.

New Building Erected by the Sisters is Now Ready for Occupancy.

FORMAL DEDICATION COMES LATER

St. Bernard's is to Be Used in the Future Solely for Insane Patients, of Whom There Are Now One Hundred and Staty-Three.

The New Mercy hospital, erected by the sisters in charge of St. Bernard's hospital, will be occupied today, when the work of removing the fifty-six patients from St. Bernard's to the new building will begin. The Mercy hospital will be used entirely for surgical cases and private patients, while St. Bernard's will be retained for the care of the insane, of whom there are at present 163. The new hospital is considered one of the most complete institutions of its kind in the west.

Although the work of removing the patients into the new building will begin today, the hospital will not be opened to the public until May 24, when the formal dedication, with impressive services, will be held. The first religious services will be held in the new hospital Friday morning, when mass will be said by Rev. Father Smyth of St. Francis Xavier's church.

Rooms in the new hospital have been furnished by S. T. McAtee, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Maurer and E. A. Wickham of this city and Dr. Condon of Humphrey, Neb. The new Mercy hospital represents an outlay of about \$60,000 alone for the building, irrespective of the furnishings, which will cost several thousand dollars more.

Plumbing and heating, Bixby & Son.

Trades and Labor assembly will be held Friday night. E. B. Gardiner of the hypo-graphical union, who has held the office of DODGE CONGRATULATES CITY president for two years, is a candidate for re-election. John Reable of the cigar-makers' union is also a prominent candi-date for the office. Expresses Pleasure at Carnegle Gift and Prompt Action by the

City Council.

City Council.

Mrs. Robert Ritche, whose home at 1712
Avenue E, was destroyed by fire Saturday afternoon, as a result is not only left homeless, but almost destitute. All her belongings were burned. Temporary shelter for Mrs. Ritche and her three small children at 103 Broadway was obtained by friends yesterday. Mrs. Ritche's husband died a few weeks ago, since when she has supported her family by washing.

The patit fury in the district court has creased donation from Mr. Carnegie for a library building. General Dodge also inclosed a copy of his letter to Mr. Carnegie's private secretary, thanking Mr. Carnegie's for increasing his gift, which was evidently done at the urgent solicitation of General Dodge. The letter of General Dodge to Private Secretary Bertram, thanking Mr. Carnegie, follows:

My Dear Sir: I have received a telegram

Carnegie, follows:

My Dear Sir: I have received a telegram from Mr. M. F. Rohrer, president of the free public library, Council Bluffs, Ia., notifying me of your response to mine and other letters, asking for an increase of the donation to Council Bluffs. Mr. Rohrer informs me that they have received your letter and that the city council has passed a resolution guaranteeing \$7,000, official notification of which will undoubtedly reach you.

you.

I wish to express my heartlest and warmest thanks to Mr. Carnegie for his action in this matter, and to assure him that there is no one who appreciates this more than I do, especially as it comes from an old comrade in railroad work, and whose friendship I so greatly value, and which unavoidable circumstances have prevented my renewing, as much as I should like to. my renewing, as much as I should like to.

I know there is no donation he has made
to libraries that will be more far-teaching
than this for Council Bluffs. I shall take
great pleasure in doing what I can to see
that this donation is carried out in the line
I know Mr. Carnegie would have it. It
also pleases me to know that the money
has already been voted by the city, which
I think will be sufficient to purchase the
site. Very truly yours.

I think will be some, atte. Very truly yours, GRENVILLE M. DODGE. Mr. Rohrer stated yesterday that nothing would be done toward the acquiring of a site for the building until after the city council had amended the recently passed ordinance so as to provide for the levying CRANDALL DENIES SHOOTING of \$7,000 annually to maintain the library, and official notice of same had been sent to and approved by Mr. Carnegie.

N. Y. Plumbing Co., ferophone 526.

Gravel roofling. A. H. Read, 126 Main St.

MATTERS BEFORE COUNCIL Library and Electric Conduit Ordi ances Scheduled for Action

At the session of the cfty council tonight | home all that night. two important matters will come up for action at the hands of the aldermen. One will be the amending of the ordinance said she could not say whether Crandall passed last Monday guaranteeing the levy- was home all night. The father said Craning of at least \$5,000 to maintain the pub- dall had come home at 7 o'clock and had lic library so as to make the amount \$7,000, gone to bed in a room by himself, but he the latter amount being the condition on could not say whether he was there all which Mr. Carnegie increased his donation night. from \$50,000 to \$70,000 for a public library

butlding. fore the council will be the ordinance re- another man they did not know, but whose quiring the placing of all electric wirco in description fits that of McFarland, the other underground conduits within a prescribed man wanted. Crandall and McFarland had area in the center of the city. It is said ordinance will be passed, as the Farland cannot be found. fudiciary committee to which the matter was referred has secured from the Nebraska Telephone company its acceptance of Perry say that if he dies there will be of the conditions requiring it to furnish great danger of lynching Crandall, as belief the city room in its conduits for the wires | there is strong he was one of the thieves. of the municipality's fire and police alarm

systems. The proposed ordinance, which has been redrafted since the last meeting of the city | Perry Man Who Took Laudanum Succouncil, provides that the ect luits no ordered shall be constructed and in operation by the fall of 1904. The ordinance includes besides the wires of the telephone company those of the telegraph and electric light companies and the feed wires of the motor company within the area desig-

Another Beating Stove Free. The first heating stove given by William Welch to his coal customers was awarded to the Christian home. Another has been put up on the same plan, and during the next thirty days will be given away free to one of his customers. Before ordering your coal call at 16 Nor'h Main street or

Examinations in the Schools

The first semester of the school year in the public schools of Council Bluffs will close this week. Today, Tuesday and Wednesday will be devoted to examinations and promotions will be announced Thursday and Friday. While there will be the usual promotions in the grades, there will be but few changes of pupils from one building to another, except in the Weshington avenue school, where about seventy pupils will be promoted from the eighth-

LEWIS CUTLER

MORTICIAN. 3 Pearl St., Council Bluffs. 'Phone 97.

Lose Prestige in Local Political Fight of Which He Was the Center. be transferred to the High school.

SHELTON'S SPEECH STIRS UP FARMERS

LESSER'S FRIENDS SUFFER

Davis sells drugs, For rent, modern house, 719 Sixth Ave. Take Exceptions to His Statements Expert watch repairing, Leftert, 498 Bway. Officer is selling dwellings cheap. 419 By. Wanted, good cook. Apply at 203 Story street, corner Third street. Regarding the Country Schools-Hot Fight is on for Judgeship Nomination. The Woman's club will meet Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dailey. - Reduction sale on framed and unframed pictures. C. E. Alexander & Co., 333 Bway.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Jan. 18 .- (Special.)-The indictment of W. R. Lesser of Tama, In., The Ideal club will meet Tuesday after-moon at the residence of Mrs, Metcaif on Bluff street. in the United States court in Nebraska for falsifying his accounts after he had been We are headquarters for glass of all kinds. See us before you buy. C. B. Paint, Oil and Glass Co.

The Oakland Avenue Reading club will meet Friday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Finley Burke.

Suspended from office, where he was acting as United States land agent, created a great deal of surprise in political circles in lows, where Lesser is well known, though in his home town of Tama there was little The regular meeting of Fidelity council, Roysl Arcanum, will be held this evening. Walter T. Payne of Denver is visiting his parents on Avenue A. sympathy expressed for him. Lesser has been active in politics for years. He was United States Indian agent at Tama under Ben Hendricks in the seemingly ever popular "Ole Olson" played to an audience at the New theater last night which filled the house to the doors. Hendricks imper-sonation of Ole has lost none of its charm, judging from the reception tendered him hast night. Harrison and sought reappointment to the position under President McKinley, but local opposition caused him to fail. He then secured a place in the land department by the efforts of State Senator Penrose of his county and through Senators Deputy Sheriff Hinger of Montezuma, Ia., placed Aivin Elsenberg for safekeeping in the county jail yesterday between trains. Elsenberg was recently arrested in Colorado on a charge of criminal assault said to have been committed in Poweshiek, county nearly four years ago. Gear and Allison. Lesser is owner of a newspaper at Tama and has carried on a bitter factional fight in that county. Now that he has been indicted the factional county nearly four years ago.

Henry Matson was arrested yest rday, charged with the theft of an overcoat belonging to Floyd Lowrey from a Broadway restaurant Saturday evening. The coat was recovered from a second-hand store yestorday by the police, where it is alleged Matson disposed of it for \$1.

A sneak thief secured about twenty pocketknives and a small sum of money from the Cole-Breisford company's store on Main street Saturday night. The theft is believed to have been committed by boys who climbed a ladder and gained access to the building through a rear window in the second story. feeling has become stronger and the incident bids fair to drag down both Lesser and the political friends who have supported him many years,

Farmers and Their Schools.

Before the recent meeting of the State Teachers' association in Des Moines the then president of the association, Charles Shelton of Simpson college, uttered words deprecatory of the Fural schools of lowa. He was quoted as saying that 75 per cent of the instruction of the rural schools is useless and 75 per cent of the money expended on rural schools is wasted. This unqualified assertion has raised a storm of protest from the people of the state. The newly-elected president of the association, County Superintendent Witter of Muscatine, has felt called upon to repudiate the sentiment of Shelton, who is a candidate for the presidency of the State college. At Eldridge, in Scott county, a farmers' institute was held last week and all of one session was taken up by the farmers with discussion of Shelton's assertions and a discussion of the rural school problem. A large number of the representative farmers of the county were present and they evinced the liveliest interest in the topic and showed great familiarity with the schools and school work in their community. President Shelton was alternately denounced and pitled and finally a resolution was unanimously passed to the effect that "We condemn the assertion as false, alanderous

cially assigned for Tuesday.

Howard Eldridge, a bright and manly 10year-old boy, is stranded in the city, and is
being cared for by the police at the city
jail. The lad has been working for a farmer near Red Oak and Saturday evening
started to go to his home at Fort Dodge.

After paying for his ticket as far as Council Bluffs he had only 40 cents left, and this
he had to spend on something to eat. The
police expect to secure the lad transportation to his home today.

William Ellsworth of Taylor, Ia., aged 51 I misleading, and refer to the experiences the county superintendents of the state, based on the quality of the work done by rural pupils as compared with pupils of graded schools." It is probable that if President Shelton should ever by chance get into a meeting of farmers he would get into a hot discussion on the rural schools William Ellsworth of Taylor, Ia., aged 51 William Ellsworth of Taylor, Ia., aged 51 years, died at an early hour yesterday morning at the home of his brother, J. A. Ellsworth, 1020 Sixth avenue. He leaves a wife, two sons and two daughters. Mr. Ellsworth was a member of the Odd Fellows, Modern Woodmen of America and Masonic fraternal organizations. The remains will be taken to Taylor today, where the funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon under the direction of the Masonic lodge of Quick. of Iowa. His words have stirred up the patrons of these schools and aroused general indignation in the state.

Republican Primaries Early.

The republican primaries in Polk county 6 as the date for the primaries some time ago and an effort has been made to secure The new Presbyterian Mission church on Eighteenth avenue, between Ninth and Ienth streets, was opeend yesterday afternoon with dedicatory services, conducted by Rev. W. S. Barnes of the First and Harvey Hostetler of the Second Presbyterian churches of the city. The musical features of the services were in churge of the choir of the First church. The services at the mission will be in charge of studies. The contest will come chiefly on district fill out a part of a term. Governor Cummins refused to choose between the candiex-Chief Justice Given to occupy the bench necessary article of consumption. until after the election. There are two avowed candidates for the judgeship and Says He Can Prove an Alibi, but laboring men and the corporations. erly a coal miner. There are a large num- be given to this proposed measure. ber of candidates for county offices.

Knights of Columbus.

What will be practically a state meeting of the Knights of Columbus is to be ing of Harry Pattee at Perry. Crandall in Des Moines February 1 next. The local denied any connection with the affair and society has arranged for a big banquet in claimed he could prove an alibi. He said connection with initiations on that date his wife and father and other members of and invitations have been extended to about 500 from other parts of the state. A the family would testify that he was at program which will include many of the leading Catholic speakers of the state is being arranged and it will be the largest gathering of the Knights of Columbus ever held in the state. The society has been growing rapidly of late.

Iowa Insurance Fees.

The state executive council has been fees paid to Iowa insurance examiners by companies examined. It was found were very impressive. that there is no record of these fees in the office of auditor of state and nothing to indicate how many examinations have been made. An inspection of the letter-files and other records of the office has disclosed that in the last four years there have been examinations made of about seventy-five companies. The larger part of this examnation work was done the last four months of the term of the state auditor, who has just retired. The records, as far as they disclose anything, show that examinations were made on simultaneous days, in cities widely separated. The movements of the examiner must have been swift indeed to have covered the ground. Now the council has requested of all companies to report the dates of examinations and the fees paid the examiner. If this is done it is confidently expected that it will be shown that the companies have been the subject night by the laudanum route that he was of more or less extortion in the past.

the streets the latter part of the night to OIL FAMINE FACES ILLINOIS

said to be about well. A notice is in a local Carbondale Reduced to Candles, as Rockefeller Fails to Supply Kerosene.

> CARBONDALE, III., Jan. 18.—Candles this morning. His death was caused by and tallow dips are now used by many persons in this region on account of a scarcity of keresene, which is for sale only in small quantities at 30 cents a gallon. The Standard Oil company's Carbondale office is unable, it claims, to secure a sup

EXPLODING BOILER

Baltimore & Ohio Locomotive Blows Up, Couple Are Dead and Like Number Injured.

and two others are probably fatally inbody. Dr. King's New Life Pills cures it jured as the result of the explosion today of a locomotive boiler on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad near Monrovia.

PROTECTION FOR CONTRACTORS

Object of the Substitute Lien Law that Has Been Presented to the Legislature.

LINCOLN, Jan. 17.-To the Editor of The See: There was introduced last Friday by Senator O'Neill of Lancaster county a bill known as senate file No. 52, which is "an act to provide a lien for labor performed in building, repairing or removing any house, mill, factory, building or appurtenance thereto, by virtue of a contract or agreement express or implied, and to provide for the payment of labor."

This bill originated with the contractors of Omaha and Lincoln and proposes the repeal of the present lien law and the substition of a lien for labor only.

The lien law had its origin in the general desire to protect labor in the right to its lawful earnings and to provide a means of securing payment for labor in case of failure or dishonesty on the part of the em ployer. This law became general throughout the country, being known as "the mechanics' lien law." In recent years it has been amended and enlarged until its author would scarcely recognize the original enactment.

The Nebraska statute provides that the owner of a building shall be holden for any materials furnished for his building, in any amount, regardless of any contract between him and the contractor for the building, and regardless of any prior payment to the contractor, provided the lien be filed within the requirements of the statute. The natural result is that no conditions of responsibility are required of the contractor on ordinary jobs, the dealer in building materials invariably looking to the owner of the property for the payment of his bills, always being careful to secure a correct description by lot and block number of the property to which the materials are delivered, this being considered of more importance than the business standing of the contractor.

Doubtless this is an excellent law for dealers in building materials, yet who would advocate that a general statute should be adopted which would extend the measure of special protection to all other lines of business? In practical operation this law has resulted in bringing into competition with old established and reliable contractors a class of incompetent and irresponsible men who have nothing to lose and who therefore often figure building far below its actual cost, leaving the owner loaded up with liens after he has supposed his bills all paid.

The abuses and unfair competition which have grown out of the operation of this law have brought the contracting business to that condition where it is no longer possible to secure reasonable profits or pay the wages which labor has a natural right to expect. The introduction of this bill at the initiation of the organized contractors of Omaha and Lincoln is the result of months of careful investigation and is but the expression of the unanimous protest of contractors all over the state against the present condition. We believe that ability and experience, coupled with business integrity, are entitled to a fair share of public confidence and patronage in this bustness as well as other lines of business, and that if the building interests are left to their natural development that ability and experience will meet with their reward.

The present lien law is a plece of class legislation of the grossest type, contrary to public policy and should be repealed. It will require a peculiar stretch of logic to show that the lumber or hardware dealer is more entitled to the fostering care of the law than the coal dealer, the grocer or the purveyor of any other commodity. Most dealers in lumber sell coal also

Should you buy of one of these gentlemen a ton of coal on credit and fall to pay for it he would have all the remedies at law of the ordinary creditor and no more, and are to be held in about six weeks. The they would be found sufficient. On the concounty committee determined upon March trary, should you buy of this same dealer a bunch of shingles to patch your roof and likewise fail to pay for them, it would be a change to a later date, but without avail. | quite a simple matter for him to secure a Haste of virtual mortgage on your home by filing a judge, as there is to be one selected to lien within the statutory time. This distinction may be entirely proper, but if so let it be at once extended to the man who dates who were before him and named sells shoes, clothing, groceries or any other

This, in brief, is the case of the con tractors, and they are ready to defend it the line will be sharply drawn between against all comers, feeling that the public the east and the west side of the river, sense of justice and fair play will justify and almost equally well drawn between the their contention. They have no paid lobby or campaign fund, but they are willing to of the cardidates has always trained with take the public into their confidence and they will grow in the arid regions of that an exclusive set, while the other was form. ask that fair and impartial consideration

Secretary Lincoln Contracting Exchange.

DEATH RECORD.

Funeral of Colonel Thompson. SIOUX CITY, Ia., Jan. 18 .- (Special Telegram.)-The funeral of Colonel J. K. P. Thompson, the prominent banker, Grand Army man and politician of northwestern Iowa, was held today at his home in Rock Rapids. The ritualistic service of the Masonic order was used, the Knights Templar acting as escort. The services were in charge of Rev. Zickafoos of the Congregational church and the funeral sermon was preached by President Dan F. Bradley of Iowa college, of which Colonel Thompson making investigation into the subject of was a trustee. The services at the grave were in charge of the Grand Army and

Kundt E. Lemen. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Jan. 18 .- (Special Telegram.)-Knudt E. Lemen, city assessor | He had a clear, ringing voice, a pleasant of Sioux Falls and a well known resident of this city, died at the family residence in this city today of consumption. Deand three children survive him.

Mrs. Sarah Nelson.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.) --Mrs. Sarah Nelson, wife of J. R. Nelson, former county clerk, died last night, aged 64 years. Mrs. Nelson was the mother of L. M. Nelson, assistant cashier of the Harbine bank, and had lived in the city for thirty years. She has been a prominent member of the Christian church, where the funeral services will be held tomorrow. Nate Thorp.

WAHOO, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.)-Nate Thorp, the little san of D. M. Thorp, manager of the Goldenrod Telephone company in this city, died very suddenly at his home spasms.

Bogota Officer Dies.

PANAMA, Colombia, Jan. 18 -- Lieutenant Mitchell, a graduate of Annapolis, who was an officer on board the Colombian government gunbont Bogots, died here on Saturday night of yellow fever. Several of Bogota's officers left here for the United-States about two weeks ago. Lieutenant Mitchell then was prevented from accom-

panying them by illness.

Lorenz Coldly Received. LONDON, Jan. 19 .- Dr. Loreng, the Aus-BALTIMORE, Jan. 18.-Two men are dead trian surgeon, left here for Vicana today. He said before starting for Austria that he had been rather coldly received by many English surgeons, who viewed his methods with suspicion.

Omega Oil



The average man weighs about 140 pounds and the average woman about but it does not go far enough.

If you want to realize how heavy that is, pick up something about those weights and see how long your hands and arms can bear the strain.

If you can stand it a full minute, you found in Omega Oil. are doing remarkably well.

Did you ever stop and think that your feet hold up that big weight for hours at a time every day?

That is why your feet are sore and

The kind of strength needed for sore, tired feet is the kind of strength to be

just as your stomach calls for food.

A foot-bath before retiring is helpful,

The strained, tired-out muscles and

ligaments call for something strengthening,

Give your feet a good bathing in warm water, and get all the impurities out of the pores. Then rub the feet thoroughly with Omega Oil.

The Oil will go in through the clean open pores, and strengthen and comfort That is why they ache, itch, burn and your feet in a manner that will astonish

> ! have been troubled with sore feet for the last nine months and have tried numerous remedies without any relief. I consulted my druggist, who spoke very highly of Omega Oil. By his advice I decided to give it a trial and found it to be just as represented. I cannot praise it too highly. My feet were so sore that I could not walk across the room, and now I can walk as great a distance as any one without any sign of aching feet. MRS. PAESSLER,

> > 2853 Woodbrook Ave., Baltimore, Md.

Experiment to See if They Will Grow in the Arid Section of Holy Land.

SOME OF THE CHARACTERS IN CONGRESS

a Few Women Blocks Wholesale Distribution of Turkeys in the Government Printing Office.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 18-(Special.)-Superintendent Smith of the Botanic gardens on Thursday of this week sent a consignment of native American trees to Palestine for the purpose of ascertaining whether country. It is a well accepted theory of scientists that the arid sections of the world are caused by the absence of trees and, there being nothing to hold or retain the moisture, the land becomes baked and parched and only here and there patches of short native grass brighten the face of nature. While we are sending to Palestine a number of the native trees of America Prof. Charles Bessey of the University of Nebraska stated in a report to the secretary of agriculture that he has discovered a number of foreign trees that he is confident will grow on the arid plains of western Nebraska and it is understood the experiment of growing these trees will be made this year in the western portion of

the Antelope commonwealth.

Characters in Congress, For the last four years congress has missed Rowland B. Mahany, for two terms representative in the house from one of the Buffalo districts. Mr. Mahany was a strengalleries. Mr. Mahany was witty and apt.

manner of address and a pleasing presence. humor, who speaks on an average of twice office." a day and who never yet said anything which was remembered next morning. In the next congress Mahany will prob-

ably have two very able successors. One is be needed, buy them. Fred Landis of Indiana, a young man with energy enough to run a ten-horse power engine and sufficient ability to make him- ton today." self heard as well as felt in congressional debates. The other is J. Adam Bede of the men who had the principal part in get-Minnesota. Both men are known in Washington. Bede was a newspaper correspondent and a congressional clerk here some 3,000 or 5,000, and see that they are deyears ago. Afterward he was appointed livered in time for Christmas." marshal for northern Minnesota by President Cleveland. He did not hold the office very long because he objected to the federal regulations which prohibited officials ten letters. Nine were notes of thanks and from taking an active part in politics. He the other was a letter from fifty-five girls resigned. Later he alifed himself with the in the bindery who demanded a turkey each republican party and he has been elected because of the part they had taken in getto congress from the district which sent ting out the report. As soon as he had Charlie" Towns to the house of representatives. Unless Mr. Bede has changed his natural bent since he was last here he will add much to the attractiveness of congrescional debates and will frequently inject something worth hearing into the dry discussions. The coming of Messrs. Landls and Beda is anticipated with pleasure by members who enjoy a little levity and an occa- women to get recognition for their servsional parliamentary scrap, but this feeling of coming pleasure is not shared by Messra Payne, Dalzell and other leaders, who look upon congressional proceedings as second in solemnity only to religious gatherings.

Trees Go to Parks. Two or three years ago Secretary Wilson For sale by Kuhn & Co.

Omega Oil is good for everything a liniment ought to be good for. SEND TREES TO PALESTINE of the Department of Agriculture began of the Department of Agriculture began garden, field and flower seeds among members of congress. These saplings were divided into two classes, crnamental and useful. It was hoped that the recipients of the young trees would report from time which they met with in this new line of arbor culture. But these hopes have not yet been realized. Now a new departure is contemplated. It is proposed to get into communication with the superintendents of parks in all the large cities of the country and to secure their assistance. These superintendents who are willing to aid in the investigation will be supplied with young trees of species foreign to their neighborhood and they will be asked to care for them properly and to report progress. It is believed that the result will be the acclimatization of a number of beautiful foreign growths heretofore little known in the United States which will add much to the beauty of urban broathing places and that possibly valuable nut and fruit-bearing trees will be added to the list of native

Women Block Turkey Deal.

There are in round numbers 4,200 employes of all grades in the government printing office in this city. In the winter of 1888-89 there were about 3,000 men and women employed in the building. Probabl that small army of servants of the gov ernment never heard how fifty-five girls employed in the bindery prevented the distribution of 3,000 terkeys on the day before Christmas, 1888. Mr. Peters, chief clerk of the Navy de

partment, told the story to a party of navy officers the other evening. "In November, 1888," said Mr. Peters, "Secretary Whitney postponed the preparation of his annual report until a very late day. In fact, it was not until the Thursday before the Saturday on which it must be mailed that he began the dictation. But he was a rusher uous young man who added to the galety when he started, and the document was of debates and to the entertainment of the written, printed, bound in pamphlet form and mailed before midnight on Saturday. "The secretary himself visited the gov ernment printing office and watched the There are two men in congress now who work of the compositors, pressmen and are frequently heard and one of whom is binders, and was greatly pleased over the ceased was a prominent member of the always attractive. He is Cushman of Wash- interest which everyone seemed to take in local Woodmen, Masonic and Elk lodges ington. Cushman is a tall, gaunt man, helping us out. On Tuesday of the follow and also of the famous Minnehaha Mand- with a penetrating voice, a keen sense of ing week, just two days before Thanksgivskor Singing society. He was brought back humor and a past master of the art of ing, Mr. Whitney sent for me and said: a week or so ago from New Mexico, where satirical expression. The other is John 'Mr. Peters, I wish you would go to the he had gone in hopes of his life being pro- Wesley Gaines of Tennessee, who takes market and buy a turkey for each and longed by a change of climate. A widow himself seriously, is utterly devoid of every employe of the government printing

"'But, Mr. Secretary,' I replied, 'it would require 3,000 turkeys to fill that order." "'It makes no difference if 5,000 would "'It is impossible,' I said, 'there are not

3,000 unsold turkeys to be had in Washing-"Then,' said he, 'ascertain the names o ting out the report, get a turkey for each

today, and order the necessary number.

"Under these instructions nine turkeys were sent to the printing office that day. The next morning the secretary received

read that letter the secretary of the navy

sent for me and handing the letter over

said: "'Mr. Peters, I have gone out of the turkey business." "Nothing further was necessary. The Christmas distribution was not made and all on account of the haste of fifty-five

A Man Badly Injured.

Ices."

Or painfully hurt, burned, bruised or wounded gets quick comfort from Bucklen's Arnica Saive. It conquers pain. 25c.

MEASURES BRAIN FATIGUE

German Professor Invents New Instrument to Show Human Weariness.

BERLIN. Jan. 18 .- Among the curious exhibits that the Prussian ministry of public instruction will include in its educational display at the St. Louis exposition is an apparatus for measuring mental fatigue which is widely employed. It is called an aesthesiometer and measures the sensitiveness of the skin which corresponds directly to brain fatigue, the sensitiveness diminishing as the mind wearies. Dr. Schrader, professor at the Kaiser Wilhelm gymnasium at Hanover, has perfected an instrument that measures the time elapsing in the sensorium after mental exertion. The principle upon which it is based is that mental work produces a fatigue of the perve centers. The measurements of fatigue during classroom work generally shows that history makes but a slight call on the mental power. Geometry and Latin are far more exhausting. During the study of Latin the nerve power is reduced one-quarter and memory appears to suffer greatly.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER snow is Predicted to Fall Over West Today or To-

· morrow, WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.-Forecast: For Nebraska-Fair and warmer Monday. l'uesday, anow.

For Iowa-Snow, with rising temperature Monday. Tuesday, snow or fair. For Illinois-Fair Monday; warmer. Tuesday, fair in south, snow or rain in north portion; variable winds, becoming

fresh southeast. For Kansas-Fair and warmer Monday. Tuesday, warmer. For North and South Dakota-Snow Monday, with rising temperature. Tuesday,

For Missouri-Fair and warmer Monday. Tuesday, fair. Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Jan. 18.—Official record of tem-perature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three

1903, 1902, 1901, 1900, ... 30 44 44 36 ... 19 22 25 30 ... 24 33 34 33 ... 00 00 00 00 00
 Maximum temperature
 30

 Minimum temperature
 19

 Mean temperature
 24

 Precipitation
 60

Omaha, clear... orth Platte, clear ... Salt Lake City, clear. Rapid City, clear.... Cansas City, clear. Havre, cloudy Helena, clear.

T indicates trace of precipitation.

Local Forecast Official