CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Holiday Goeds the Principal Attraction and They Seld Better Than Usual.

VERY FEW CHANGES IN PRICE OF STAPLES

Jobbers Have Made Preparations for Starting an Active Campaign for Spring Business the First of the New Year.

Retail trade last week was never better. Merchants from all sections of the country tributary to this market report their sales far in excess of former years. The most noticeable feature they say was the large number of costly purchases made by people for Christmas presents. In fact, the big bulk of the goods bought for that purpose was of a much higher quality than is generally the case.

In a wholesale way jobbers who handled Christmas lines also report their sales very heavy. They were rushed up to the last minuts to keep their customers supplied. In nearly all lines local stocks of holiday goods were chaned up much closer than usual, which of course is a source of great satisfaction to all concerned.

Staple lines were naturally more or less neglected hast week. Retailers are anxious at this time of the year to keep their stocks down for invoicing purposes the first of the year. The lack of cold weather also had a tendency to make seasonable lines drag to some extent. Both retailers and jobbers, though, are just as well satisfied that trade on that class of goods was not heavy, for they had enough to do to look after the trade of the holiday character.

There is very little to be said of the mar-

There is very little to be said of the market situation. At the end of the year markets are generally featureless and this year is no exception to the general rule. After the first of the year a number of changes would cause no surprise. Some of them will be in the nature of advances and others will be reductions, but present indications are that with the exception of hardware present values will be maintained on a very firm footing.

Sugar May Sell Higher.

There were very few changes in the grocery market last week. Sugar is quoted the same as it was at last report, both on refined and raws. The demand, for this season of the year, has held up remarkably well and in view of the general conditions prevailing the opinion among those best posted is that sugar is at a very low point and that it is difficult to tell what the noxt move will be. Several of the best sugar refiners have withdrawn temporarily from the market, not caring to sell on the present basis. That would certainly indicate that they have confidence in the future market.

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Coffee is still hardening in price and the market may be said to be %6%c higher than it was a week ago. The largest buyers are operating freely and many who a few weeks ago lend little faith in the talk of higher prices have now changed their views and are among the heaviest buyers. Everything at the present time seems to indicate that the market will advance 162c and possibly more before the top is reached.

In the line of canned goods, dried fruits, fancy groceries, farinaceous goods and in fact all other staple lines, are seiling in practically the same notches they were a week ago. The local supply of nuts is well cleaned up, and in fact it is said that there were practically no peaguts in town for two or three days. Other Christmas lines were cleaned up heavily as well.

No Change in Hardware.

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Trade with hardware jobbers was more ress limited last week, the same as usual it this time of the year. There were, of ourse, a good many rush orders for holiay lines, but staple goods moved slowly. Itelaliers were busy taking care of their coliday lines and besides that are preparing to take an invoice of their goods the rest of the year.

The market is in practically the same astion it was a week ago, although both obbers and retailers are watching to see that the first of the year will bring forth, as mentioned a week ago it would cause to surprise if there should be some reductions made on certain lines, but at the ome time no radical changes are looked or. The general opinion is that the hardware market during the coming year will ein the same healthy condition that it has seen for several years past and that the eductions, if there be any, will be conned to those lines that were forced too igh.

Normal Dry Goods Trade.

about the same condition it generally is just prior to the holidays. That is, orders were few and of small size. Most of the traveling men for local houses are in for a short rest, but when they expect to do a pice business both in advance and immediate orders. Hetaliers, so the report is, have done a very nice business during the last few weeks and as a result their stocks have been materially reduced. That means a good many filling in orders. Not only that, but it will make retailers more willing to place their spring orders early than they would be otherwise.

The market for all cotton goods is in the same strong position it has been for some time past. There have been no new developments of late, but at the same time fast. There have been no new developments of late, but at the same time fast. There have been no new developments of late, but at the same time fast. There have been no new developments of late, but at the same time fast. There have been no new developments of late, but at the same time fast. There have been no new developments of late, but at the same time fast. There have been no new developments of late, but at the same time fast of the course going to be not only high priced but very scarce. For that reason they say the merchant who waits until late in the season before making his purchases will have to take what nobody else would have.

Good Demand for Footwear.

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Leather goods jobbers report trade for set week as being fully as good as they sould reasonably expect for this season of the year. There was quite a big demand for soliday lines, such as slippers, and that together with usual number of sixing-up orders made business quite brisk.

After the first of the year it is thought that advance orders will come in very freely, as merchants have a good deal of confidence in the future market, and for that reason will not be afraid to place their orders on the present basis. Their trade all this year has also been of very satisfactory proportions, which gives them more than the usual amount of confidence in future business.

usiness.
The rubber goods trade has been rather ulet owing to the exceptionally fine teather that has been experienced. What ubber goods men want is a snow storm. Fruits and Produce.

The demand for fruits and vegetables last week was a record breaker. Local jobbers had all they could do to fill the orders they received and at the close of business on Thursday night they found they had very little stock on hand that could be classed as holiday goods. The supply of Christmas trees and Christmas decorations was practically exhausted and all such lines as cranberries, cosiery, nuts. cider, oranges and everything of that description sold so freely that there was but little left.

The demand for poultry of all kinds was also of very liberal proportions. Receipts were much heavier than anticipated and as a result prices did not range as high, which no doubt accounts for the brisk demand. Most of the stock that was carried over Christmas was of an inferior quality.

The egg market has eased off a little in view of the liberal receipts caused by the warm meather. Butter is about the same at it was a week ago.

UNUSUAL FEATURE OF THE BANKS

End of Year Finds Increase of Loans by New York Associated Banks. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-The Financier this

NEW TORK, Dec. 28.—The Financier this week says:

The striking feature of the New York associated banks last week was the increase of Silling 60 in leans. This was notable chiefly because of the fact that lean expansion in the last weeks of the year is quite unusual, banks generally being in no condition to extend liberal accommodation to borrowers until after the turn of the new year. The excellent reserve condition of the institutions in the previous week and the accumulation of funds in the banks, in anticipation of the disbursement of interest and dividends immediately after the beginning of the year, doubtless encount for the above noted increase.

Cash reserves increased by the net amount of 25.25 Set the specie gain being 41.56.30, while the legal tender less was 187.00. The increase in specie largely reflected payments for imported gold during the week. The deposits were augmented 11.56.50 in excess of the total gain is loans and in tesh. Hence the interest showed a good halance.

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days was \$301,000,000, against \$197,000,000 in the previous week, indicating increased business in the commercial markets and also some of the changes locident to the close of the year. The clearings on Saturday, representing Thursday's transactions, were \$285,618,731, or much above the average. One minor feature of the statement was a decrease of \$720,700 in circulation. The toans were in excess of the deposits by \$26.344,100. Comparisons of loans show that tiem by \$12,200,000. Seven of these institutions gained \$5,400,000 net in cash.

REPORTS OF THE CLEARING HOUSE.

Transactions of the Associated Banks During the Past Week. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The following table, compiled by Bradstree's, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended December 24, with the per-

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CANADA.

Totals, Canada....\$ 49,516,996 5.9

*Balances paid in cash.

Not included in totals because containing other items than clearings.

Not included in totals because of no comparison for last year.

Clearing House Averages.

Bank Clearings for Week,

OMAHA, Dec. 26.—Bank clearings for the week, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Closs: Prime mercantile paper, nominally 51435 per cent; sterling exchange nominal, with bankers hills at \$4.890004.81 for demand, and at \$4.856 61.84 for sixty days' bills; posted rates nominal, at \$4.814.04.02 and \$4.8504.859.

Treasury Balauces.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, \$25,200,125; gold, \$115,270,126.

Chicago Produce Market,

CHICAGO, Dec. E.-BUTTER-Market is teady; creameries, 16625c; dairies, 14621c. EGGS-Easy; at mark, cases included. E

Trade Movement at New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The experts of specie from the port of New York this week were \$14,120 in gold and \$1,017,338 in

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. M.-POULTRY-Market for five poultry is quist; western chickens, 180; fowls, 11c; turkeys, 12013c; dressed, weak; western chickens, 1994pile; turkeys, 14617c.

OIL CITY, Dec. 3. OILS-Credit balances. 31.98. Certificates, no bid; no runs or shipments reported today. Transit office closed from Thursday to Monday on account of Christmas.

Peoria Grain Market. PEORIA. Dec. 28.-CORN-Steady; new. No. 3. 575;c. new, No. 4. 365;c. WHISEY-On the basis of \$1.27 for finished goods.

Kansas City Produce Market.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28 - EGGS - Righer; Missouri and Kansas stock, cases returned, Dec. new No. 2 whitewood cases included, to more.

Wool Market. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 38.-WOOL-Nominal: torritory and western medium, 18g13c; fine medium, 15g17c; fine, 18g15c.

Wants Receiver Named.

St. Joseph's hospital was named as ex-couter of the estate of Bartholomew Reu-ter. Joseph C. Heuter holds a claim against the estate aggregating H. 101.84 and has asked the court to name a receiver for the premises in order that he may recover his claim, together with interest.

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OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKE

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Armour & Condahy Pac Clearing House Averages.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the five days of the week shows: Loans, \$582,502, horease \$13,52,600; deposits, \$505,318,700; increase \$13,52,700; circulation, \$45,204,600, decrease \$17,63,700; legst tenders, \$47,902,500, decrease \$307,000; sprete, \$19,151,800, increase \$3,204,500; reserve required, \$120,410,410,475, increase \$1,205,755; ex-United States deposits, \$21,750,850, decrease \$3,446,000.

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morning, but they were sold to arrive, and consequently a test of the market was not minde.

The market for the week is not much different from the close of last week. There has been an active demand for handy-weight sheep and lambs, and as supplies of that kind have been rather limited the feeling on that class is a little better. The market could not be quoted higher, but at the same time there is more strength noticeable than there was a week ago. Heavy sheep as well as lambs have not shown any improvement and can be quoted no mere than steady. The same is true of the part fat kinds.

There have been very few feeders on sale this week and prices have remained unchanged.

Quotations for corn-fed stock: Choica western lambs. \$5.00\$6.50; fair to good lambs. \$4.50\$6.00; sood to choica yearlings. \$1.50\$6.15; good to choice week and hands and hand

and light, \$4.2504.60; receipts for the week, BHEEP AND LAMES—No receipts; market nominally steady; nailve lambs, 34.509 (5.5); western lambs, 34.2506.00); fed ewes, 52.7693.50; western fed yearlings, 33.5094.80; stockers and feeders, \$2.0.63.80; receipts for the week, 6,500 head.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Light Receipts of All Stock, with Bigher Prices for Hogs.

CHICAGO. Dec. 36.—CATTLE—Receipts, 200 head. The market was nominal. Good to prime steers, 25.0045.75; poor to medium, 52.7565.00; stockers and feeders, 21.7564.00; cows, 31.5064.00; heifers, 22.0064.75; canners, 31.5064.00; buils, \$2.0064.25; calves, \$2.0064.25.

HOGS—Receipts today, \$2.000; estimated Monday, 45.000 head. The market was 100 bigher; mixed and butcher, \$4.5064.80; good to choice heavy, \$4.5064.80; frough heavy, \$4.5064.55; light, \$4.5064.85; buils of sales, \$4.5064.85 Higher Prices for Hogs.

St. Louis Live Stock Market, St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 25.—CATTLE—Receipts, 400 head, including 250 Texans; market quiet but steady; native shipping and export steers, 34.0005.00; dressed buef and butcher steers, 54.0005.05; steers under 1,030 lbs., 13.7505.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.1593.00; cows and helfers, \$2.2593.00; calves, \$3.5005.50; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.4004.10; cows and helfers, \$2.1062.75; HOGS—isoccipts, 2,000 head; market loc higher; pigs and lights, \$4.4004.55; packers, \$4.4004.75; butchers and best heavy, \$4.450.4.50; 17,619 SHEEP AND LAMBS-No receipts; mar-

New York Live Stock Market. New York Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—BEEVES—Recelpts, 915 head. There was no regular market today and no sales reported. Exports, 775 cattle and 6,220 quarters of beef.

CALVES—Receipts, 49 head, with nothing doing. The feeling was nominally s.eady.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 4,023 head. The market was steady. Good sheep sold at \$3.50 per 100 pounds. Sheep and yearlings, mixed, at \$4.25; fair to prime lambs at \$5.8566.30.

HOGS—Receipts, 7,877. Feeling nominally steady.

St. Joseph Live Stock Market. BT. JOSEPH. Mo., Dec. 28.—CATTLE—Receipts, 150 head; steady; natives, \$3.000 h. 50; cnws and helfers, \$1.5004.49; stockers and feeders, \$2.3002.50; HOGS—Receipts, \$7.53 head; market 5610c higher; light, \$4.4504.00; medium and heavy, \$4.474.04.65.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—No receipts,

Slong City Live Stock Market. SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—CATTLE—Receipts, 100 head; unchanged; beeves, \$3.7565.00; cows, bulls and mixed, \$1.5063.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.5063.25; conives and yearlings, \$2.563.25; HOGS—Receipts, 2.000 head; market 56700 higher, \$4.3064.00; bulk, \$4.50.

Stock in Sight. Totals.....2,386 OMARA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations of Staple and Fancy Produce. EGGS-Receipts more liberal; fresh stock

Edge.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7c; spring chickens, 5c; roosters, according to age, 405c; turkeys, 12c; ducks, 505c; geose, 535c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Receipts, liberal; turkeys, 1305c; old toms, 14c; ducks, 166 lic; geese, 505c; chickens, 505c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 125613c; choice to fancy dairy, in tubs, 1405c; separator, 24c.

POTATOES—Colorado, soc; Dakota, per bl., 100/16c; native, 55/10c.

SWEST POTATOES—Illinois, per bbl., 83.5.

NAVY REANS—Per. bu., \$2.5.

CELERY—Small; per doz., 25/50c; large California, 000/78c.

ONIONS—New home grown, dry, per lb., icc; Spanish, per crate, \$1.50; Colorado yellow and red. 1½c.

CABRAGE—Wisconsin Helland, 2½c.

TURNIPS—Canada rutabagna, per lb., icc; white, per bu., 50c.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 50c.

CARROTS—Per bu., 50c.

CARROTS—Per bu., 50c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, 23.6.

TOMATOES—California, per 4-baket crate, 2.55.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., \$1.

FRUITS.

APPLES—California Belifiowers, per box, 81.50; New York Greenings, Baldwins and other varieties, \$1.50.

GRAPES—Pon) Catawbag, 20c; imported Maiagas, per keg. \$5.00/26.0c.

CRANHERRIES—Jersey, per bbl., \$7.50; per box, 21.75; Wisconsin Hell and Bugle, 38; Bell and Cherry, 38.

QUINCES—California, per box, \$1.25.

GRANGES—Florida Brights and Russeta, all sizes, \$1.25] navels, large size, \$3.00/25.0.

LEMONS—California lancy, 300 to 300 sizes, \$1; choice, \$20 to 50 sizes, \$2; choracted simported simported simported simported simported simported simported \$10 to \$10 sizes, \$160.

FIGS—California, per 10-10. cartons, \$60; DATES—Persian, per box of 30 pkgs., \$2; per lb., in \$0-10, boxes, \$160; Oriental stuffed dates, per box, \$2.50; Oriental stuffed block \$2.50; Jumbo, \$2.75(3.25).

CHEFES—Wisconsin Young Americas, 1250; Utah and Colorado, per 24 frames, \$2.50; Oriental stuffed block \$2.50; Jumbo, \$2.75(3.25).

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson says the farmers have paid the foreign boudholders.

Most of the wooden toothpicks used in this country are made from white birch in Maine. There are \$200,000,000 worth of mules in the United States.

Mains.

Ohio now grows more than 4,000,000 pounds of tobacco annually. The crop has increased six-fold in a decade.

An fil-propelled motor railroad coach is in course of construction for the Great Northern railroad of Great Britain.

Nearly 20,000 barbers have been registered under the new law in New York state which forbids the knights of the rasor to ply their trade.

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THIRD OF RECEIVERS TO DIE

Freder ok B. Condart, Who Passes Away During Week, Union Pacific Trustee.

CLARK AND ANDERSON GO FIRST

Oliver W. Mink of This Famous Board, Still Active in Bustness, Visits Omnba During the Week.

Frederick R. Coudert of New York, who died recently, is the third member of the former board of receivers of the Union Pacific railroad to die since the receivership was dissolved in 1898. The receivers of the Union Pacific were

appointed in 1882 by United States District Judge Dundy. They were: Frederick R. Coudert, E. Ellery Anderson, S. H. H. Clark, Oliver W. Mink and John W. Doane. Of these Mr. Coudert, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Clark are dead. The first order of the court was for the appointment of three receivers for the supervision of the affairs of the Union Pacific proper, which was then composed of the Union Pacific, Union Pacific, Denver & Gulf (now known as the Colorado & Southern), Oregon Short Line and Oregon Railway and Navigation com-pany. The three original receivers appointed to take charge of this property were E. Ellery Anderson, S. H. H. Clark and Oliver Mink. Later, at the request of stockholders in the subsidiary companie of the Union Pacific, two more members in the persons of Frederick R. Coudert and John W. Doane were added, and this board controlled the affairs of the company until the reorganization committee took control after the sale of the road at auction in November, 1897.

When Receivers Went In.

When the receivers took control of the properties various issues of bonds were outstanding amounting to \$78,469,785, besides government subsidy bonds amounting to \$33,539,512, upon which \$18,195,195 of unpaid interest had accrued. The total funded in-debtedness amounted to \$120,202,495. Foreclosure proceedings were instituted by the government in 1895 under the first and second mortgages, the second being a gov-ernment lien. A decree was rendered two

The main line of the Union Pacific, extending from Council Bluffs to Ogden, Utah, in all 1,048.01 miles of road, was then sold to satisfy the judgment and it was bought for \$63,398,856 by the reorganization committee and the receivership was closed. The total amount realized by the government from its claims against the company was \$60,201,856. Judge Dundy, the man who appointed the receivers, also has since died. Oliver W. Mink, one of the two surviving receivers, was in Omaha the first of last week. He is at present acting as receiver for the Ames estate in Boston, where his home is, and came here to look after some matters in connection with the big fire which recently destroyed the buildings owned by the catate at Jones and Ninth streets, and in which four firemen lost their

GOSSIP ON COMMISSION ROW Wholesale Produce Market Looks Tired and Worn After the Christmas Rush.

The wholesale produce market looks like an empty tan-colored bottle. The paraley is parched and withered with thirst and the head lettuce has such a head! A few sorethroated turkeys are prolonging the scason in drafty crates; a few dyed and bedisened Christmas wreaths are hanging around.
Nothing new will be attempted until after

New Year's day. The market, according to the herders of imported fruits and vegetables, cleaned up beautifully this time. There was just enough and hardly a pound more. Turkeys got through the day at between 15 and 16 cents for first-class birds, the market did not go lower and will continue about the same, with a nice demand for Sunday and again for Friday. All poultry is what is technically termed strong, owing to steady demand in view from city

and county. Artichokes from California are promised for the immediate future. They are infrequent visitors in this market, for Nebrasks people do not know the delights of the starchy and many-leaved arti. In California now they may be seen in groups at every street corner where a green produce shop stands.

Cucumbers will not go higher than \$3, where they now rest propped against the roof. No one is going to pauperise himself for the sake of having a few cucumbers in mid-winter. Watercress from Arkansas Springs survived the bliszard and the busi-ness of Christmas week and is still asking for patronage. The Christmas demand for cider was energetic and the Russet, Motts and Nehawka went off at a great pace.

PLEASED WITH THE OUTLOOK Dr. Stevenson Returns from East, Where He Presented Financial

Needs of Bellevue College.

Rev. R. M. Stevenson, D. D., vice president of Bellevue college, has just returned to his home in Omaha from the east, where he has been for four mouths on a fluancial

Dr. Stevenson will spend the holiday season with his family in Orisha.

PRATTLE OF THE TOUNGSTERS,

"Now boys," said the teacher, "can yo ell me what it is that follows the flag?" "I can," said one of the bright ones. "Well, Tommy, what is it follows the flag?" "An uction, ma'am.'

"What distinguished foreigner aided the Americans in the revolution?" asked the teacher of the juvenile class. promptly answered a small pupil who had been to Sunday school.

Teacher-Johnny, what would you do if another boy called you a story-teller? Johnny (aged 6)-To my face? Teacher-Yes. Johnny-About how big a boy?

Tommy-O! that's a new fence over there ain't it? Mother-No, that's merely a new coat Tommy-O! is that a coat % It looks more

Papa-Josephine, you came into church the charge of the Good Shepherd. He was late this morning. Josephine (aged 10, jovially)-I think so When I got there Dr. Peters was kneedeep in the litany.

like a sweater. It ain't got any buttons

Tommy-You know that great big piece of cake in the pantry, mamma? Mamma-Yes, dear; what about 1t?

me sick if I ate it? Mamma-Yes.
Tommy-Well, it didn't.

say her prayers in German. Shortly after she was spending the night with her small retire Bessie said her prayer first. Elsie listened in astonishment for a minute, then exclaimed: "Oh, mamma, Bessie thinks God is a Dutchman!"

"My son, what does this mean? Have you lost your situation again!" "Out again, dad. But it's all your fault You didn't get me the right kind of job. "Well, what kind of a job do you want? "I want to work at a job where there isn't any work to work at."

RELIGIOUS.

Rev. Richard L. Burtsell, rector of St. Mary's church, Rondout, N. Y., is spoken of as likely to be one of the new American bishops in the Philippines.

Rt. Rev. Thomas Fleiding Scott, the first bishop of the Episcopal church in Oregon, was elected to that office in 1853. The fiftleth anniversary of his consecration will occur in Portland on January 8 next.

Rev. Victor M. Haughton was installed as rector of Christ Episcopal church at Exster, N. H., last Sunday, succeeding his father, who occupied the position from 1855 up to a few months ago, when he was obliged to retire on account of failing health.

The railroad Cepartment of the Young

The railroad department of the Young Men's Christian association has issued a pamphiet, "Progress," telling of its growth. The railroad branch had \$4,000 members in \$400, and has now 63,345. It had two years ago ninety buildings, valued at \$1,300,000, and now has \$1,300,000 invested in buildings.

and now has \$1,21,000 invested in buildings.
Rev. George H. Gutterson, agent for the
New England states of the American Missionary society, has lately shocked that
section by his report on its physical, interlectual, moral and religious degeneracy.
This is expert testimony to the need of
missionary work at home.
Rev. Dr. William Henry Roberts of Philadeiphia, who has been the stated clerk of
the general assembly of the Presbyterian
church of the United States of America
for twenty years, said the other day:
"Since I became stated clerk the church,
which has now 1,100,000 communicants and a
constituency of 4,000,900, has doubled in
membership and in the expansion of its interests. The church has missions established in fifteen foreign countries."
Members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in New York presented to Archbishop Farley a gold chalice of cld Celtic
design in honor of his grace's first anniversary as archisshop. The chalice is a
fac simile of one made in the ninth century and is built on lines of the ancient
chalice of Ardagh. The same scheme of
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Rev. D. C. White recently became pastor of a church near-Donegal, Pa., from which his predecessor resigned, his patience worn out by hoodiums who persisted in disturbing the services. Mr. White begin a series of revival meetings, but the hoodiums made it impossible for him to continue. Then he borrowed a law book and bought a revolver. At the opening of his next meeting he laid the book and gun side by side on the pulpit, read the statute covering disturbances in church and quietly informed his hearers that he expected them to keep quiet. The rowdles respected the 44-caliber revolver and Mr. White has had no more trouble. But he carefully unlimbers his artillery every time before offering up his opening praysr.

Recently the Hough Avenue Congregational church in Cleveland created much comment by employing a press agent who had been formerly employed in the same capacity by a theater, and now the Franklin Circle Church of Christ has inaugurated a novelity in church advertisement in the shape of a highly-colored blotter. This blotter contains an invitation to worship at the large sheet of ink absorbent, the invitation being extended to traveling men in particular. These blotters will soon be found on the writing tables of every hotel and club in the city. Rev. Edgar D. Jones and his congregation expect much from the innovation. They will be distributed by Sunday school scholars.

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Newfoundland has a greater proportion of widows and orphans than any other Just 100 years were occupied in lowering the mile trotting record from three to two

the has been for four months on a financial mission in the interest of the college.

"My success was sufficient to sustain my courage," was the answer Dr. Stevenson made to a question as to what he had accomplished. "The collages of the big steel combine and other financial transactions has caused some apprehension in financial circles and made men of this class a little chery about granting support to colleges," continued Dr. Stevenson, "but we feel that full confidence will be restored in a very short time."

Dr. Stevenson is one of a committee appointed by the Preshyterian general assembly to raise \$16,000,000 for the colleges under the influence of that denomination. While cast he presented the qlaims of Bellevue to five different presbyteries, addressed churches and other organisations and submitted his proposition to numerous individuals with means and interest in this work.

Dr. Stevenson will spend the holiday

The man who used to weigh 200 pounds is prouder of the one pound that he has lest by faithful exercise—than he is of all the life pounds that he has left.

Newfoundland is the greatest fishing country in the world. Two-thirds of its people are engaged in harvesting the ocean's wealth amid the greatest perils. In a farmhouse near Taunton, Massa, indians, Printees Teweelerns, of the Wanpanongs. She is called Miss Mitchell by her neighbors.

Fawer deer by 600 were shot in Maine in the open season of 1203 than in 1202, and only one man was killed by mistake for a deer. The tax on hunters, from all accounts, saves both the deer and the men.

The front end of the car was found to be covered with files, bees and small insects, crushed as if by a thumb against the iron and glass when the run at the rate of 150 miles an hour wow Adalalied 22 Yossen, Germany.

An investigation of the great forest fires

many.

An investigation of the great forest fires of September, 1963, in Washington and Oregon, discloses a total loss aggregating nearly \$15,000,000. Most of the destruction was due to carelecaness and might easily have been avoided.

Only twenty of all

Ten Members et Grair, Exchange Leave Omaha Tuesday for the Twin Cities.

Tuesday morning will find all the officers of the Omaha Grain exchange in the Twin cities looking for what may be found of interest to grain dealers. Those who make up the party are: G. W. Wattles, S. A. The falls in the Leave Omaha Grain exchange in the These beats carry the mails between the intended and american sagineers. These beats carry the mails between the intended and enforce customs laws.

Twin cities looking for what may be found of interest to grain dealers. Those who make the party are: G. W. Wattles, S. A. McWhorter, E. E. Bruce, A. L. Reed, A. H. Merchant, Arthur C. Smith, F. P. Kirkendall, N. B. Updike, A. B. Jaquith, Nathan Msrriam.

"We will not fall to take advantage of anything which may turn up to be of help to Omaha." said Secretary A. H. Merchant. "The members wish to study the methods of the Minneapolis exchange. Then there is no telling but what we may pick up someone who wants to build an elevator or a mill in Omaha. The party may be there two or three days."

WASHINGTON, Dec. M.—Fourth Assistant and Postmaster General Bristow has gone to Kanass.

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TWO MEN OF THE THIRTIETH

Chaplain M. Percy Silver, Formerly Omaha Pastor, and Sergeant Weeks.

FORMER FRIEND OF, WILLIAM J. BRYAN

Weeks, Now Pirst Lieutenant, Leaves

Bright Record at the University of Nebraaka, Where He Won Honors.

Among the officers of the Thirtieth reginent to arrive from Manila at Fort Crook oday Omaha clergymen will find a former fellow of the cloth in the person of Chaptain H. Percy Silver, who was at one time rector of the Episcopalian Church of the Good Shepherd. Mr. Silver was appointed February 2 from this city, was accepted July 27 and immediately assigned to the regiment with which he has since remained. He came to Omaha during 1899 and received a strong friend of Bishop Worthington and of W. J. Bryan, to whom it is said is due his appointment. Mrs. Silver is a Lincoln

Charles W. Weeks, first lieutenant and one of the battalion adjutants of the Thirtieth, will be known to fame by all students of the University of Nebrasks. Tommy-Didn't you say it would make It was there he began his career as a soldier. Mr. Weeks was born in Iowa, but was transferred to this state later and invaded the state citadel of knowledge, Little Bessle's nurse had taught her to and in the 1896-1896 school year he first burst into glory as sergeant major of the she was spending the night with her small battailon. He was a junior and the sailing cousin, Elsie, and when it was time to directions of the great school do not admit a junior to the commissioned rank. Cap-tain Guilfoyle, then of the Ninth cavalry, was commandant at the university and Sergeant Major Weeks was not far from his star soldier. In the competitive drill which always ends the military year in a blaze of glory Weeks carried off a medal at infantry individual and in artillery astonished the regular officers-from the old Second foot-who acted as judges by the tion breech loaders.

The following year Mr. Weeks came into his university commission and when at rumors of war the commandant was withdrawn became temporarily commandant of the battation. When the Second Nebrarka was organised Weeks enlisted as a private in Company F, this being May 9, 1898, and served until October 24 of that year, being promoted ta a sergeancy. His regular commission was obtained June 1, 1899, and he was accepted one month later, being placed as second lieutenant in the sixteenth infantry. With his promotion in order as first lleutenant, February 2, 1901, he was transferred to the Thirtieth In-

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