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BEE, JAN. 4, 1904. Our Great Annual Clearing Sale of Walking Skirts, Dress Skirts,

and Fine Tailor-Made Suits

Opens Temorrow Morning, Tuesday, at Eight O'Clock.

When we announce the opening of the spring season a little later, we don't purpose to have a garment of the present winter style in stock—everything must be fresh and new. It's this policy that has made Thompson, Belden & Co. the recognized style authority of the west. It makes no difference how late or practical the style may be, they are classed with the winter garments and must be out of the way of the new things coming.

Our stock of handsome skirts consists of the following: 150 new and up-to-date DRESS the roof and were opened the day after the SKIRTS-NEARLY all of which will be sold at exactly one-half our regular prices. There are a few only which will be sold at one-third off. We promise the ladies of Omaha and vicinity the made a personal inspection of the roof greatest bargains in skirts they have ever seen-AND WE MEAN IT.

New and stylish cheviot skirts, regular \$18.00 goods, Tuesday's price, \$9.00. Venetian and broadcloth skirts, regular

price, \$18.00, Tuesday's price, \$9.00. Cheviot and Venetian cloth skirts, regular price, \$15.00, Tuesday's price, \$7.50. Chevlot and Venetian cloth skirts, regu lar price, \$12.50, Tuesday's price, \$6.25.

About 150 beautiful walking skirts, all made in the very latest mixed cloths, at the following extraordinary reductions: 75 walking skirts, the regular price of which was \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.00, Tuesday's price, \$3.75.

which was \$8.50, \$10.00 and \$12.00 Tuesday's price \$5.00. Fine tailor made sulta-we have about

50 handsome suits which we will place on sale Tuesday morning at exactly one-half our regular prices All our \$40 suits, Tuesday morning, \$20.00, All our \$35 suits, Tuesday morning \$17.50.

All our \$30 suits, Tuesday morning, \$15.00. All our \$25 suits, Tuesday morning, \$12.50. Last Saturday we sold over 400 elegant new style coats-we have still about 175 to sell. We shall continue our great coat sale Tuesday morning. We would request that the hundreds of ladies "who found it impossible to get waited on Saturday" will come in Tuesday, when we will guarantee

All our elegant \$25.00 coats now \$12.50. All our \$25.00 coats now \$16.00,

All our \$18 00 coats now \$9.00. All our \$15.00 coats now \$7.50. All our \$12.50 coats now \$6.25.

We also have a few black cloth capeswhich will be sold Tuesday morning at one-half price.

Sale of Fine Fors-

Tuesday morning we shall continue our great sale of beautiful choice furs. About 20 genuine stone marten cluster scarfs, the regular price was \$13.50, Tues-

day's price, \$6.75. About 50 sable and Isabella fox scarfs, reduced from \$15.00 to \$9.50. Hundreds of genuine marten, Biberian

mosteh, double fox, sable opossum and other very choice furs at the same tremendous reductions. \$250.00 seat coats at \$150.00.

Otter costs at \$35.00 and \$100,00, reduced from \$125.00 and \$150.00. Persian lamb coats at \$85.00 and \$110.00.

January Sale of Linens

This is the greatest saving time of the year-Linen buyers, watch and wait for

this sale, \$2.38 each.

this great sale. TABLE CLOTHS. All our \$1.75 Bleached Table Cloths, in this sale, \$1.00 each. All our \$2.25 Bleached Table Cloths, in this sale, \$1.69 each. All our \$3.00 Rieached Table Cloths, in this sale, \$2.00 each. All our \$2.50 Bleached Table Cloths,

All our \$3.55 Bleached Table Cloths, in walking skirts, the regular price of this sale, \$2.75 each. All our \$3.75 Bleached Table Cloths, in this sale, \$2.50 each. All our \$4.50 Blenched Table Cloths, in this sale, \$3.28 each.

All our \$6.00 Bleached Table Cloths, in this sale, \$4.28 each. All our \$7.50 Bleached Table Cloths, in this sale, \$5.00 each. A lot of \$10.00 Cloths, in this January sale,

\$5.00 each. BLEACHED NAPKINS All our \$1.75 Bleached Napkins, in this sale, \$1.00 a dozen

All our \$2.25 Bleached Napkins, in this sale, \$1.69 a dozen. All our \$2.75 Bleached Napkins, in this sale, \$1.98 a dozen. All our \$3.00 Bleached Napkins, in this sale, \$2.00 a dozen. All our \$3.50 Bleached Napkins, in this sale, \$2.65 a dozen.

sale, \$2.89 a dogen. All our \$4.50 Bleached Napkins, in this sale, \$3.38 a dozen. A special lot of John S. Brown's \$4.00 Napkins, in this sale at \$2.75 a dozen. 100 dozen of John S. Brown's \$8.50 Napkins, in this sale, \$5.00 a dozen.

TABLE DAMASK. All our \$1.75 Bleached Satin Damask, in this sale, \$1.10 per yard. All our \$1.65 Bleached Satin Damask, in this sale, \$1.00 per yard. All our \$1.00 Bleached Heavy Damask,

in this sale, 75c per yard. All our \$1.50 Bleached Satin Damask, in this sale, 98c per yard. All our \$1.50 Silver Bleached Damask, in this sale, \$1.00 per yard.

All our \$1.00 Silver Bleached Damask, in this sale, 75c per yard. this sale, 48c per yard.

The Great January Sale of Dress

Goods The great values offered in the January sale have kept business lively-almost up to holiday proportions. Here are several

fine values which were overlooked during the big rush. HANDSOME SILK-FINISHED ZIBELINE They are undoubtedly the fabric of the hour-handseme silk lustre, fine close finish, never sold for less than \$1.75, in shades of

brown, green, red, garnet, tan, etc., in this sale, 98c a yard. IMPORTED FLECKED ZIBELINE. One of this season's handsome fabricsbrown ground, with a dainty fleck of color brought to the surface; several choice colors left; regular \$2.00 quality, in this sale, 98c a yard; \$2.75 zibeline, beautiful long

56 Inches; in this sale \$1.49 a yard. \$2.00 IMPORTED MIXED NOVELTY IN THIS SALE 79C A YARD. 75C AND 85C WOOL STRIPED WAIST GOODS, REDS, PINKS AND BLUES, 29C

Silk Elegance at

A YARD.

Sweeping Reductions Pretty stripes, small figures, Louis XIV

tripes in moire effects. There is much to be said in favor of these pretty silks for waists, etc., but we haven't the space-you must come and see them. Regular \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, all to go at 39c, 49c, 59c and 69c All our \$3.75 Bleached Napkins, in this

These Leather Goods At January Clearing Prices

They were bought for holiday selling and are the newest shapes and styles. Automobile bags in red, blue and green, regular \$3 bags, in this sale, \$1.50 each. Carriage bags in black and tan shades, regular \$1 and \$1.25 bags, in this sale at

Nitsukas at the following prices: \$8.00 nitsukas in this sale, \$5.00 each; \$10.00 nitsukas in this sale, \$7.50 each; \$12.50 nitsukas in this sale, \$8.50 each.

At our notion counter we will put Jan uary clearing prices on a line of ladies' black elastic belts. This popular line we All our 75c Silver Bleached Damask, in have always sold at \$1.25 each; in this January sale your choice at 85c each

Thompson, Belden & Co.

Y. M. C. A. Building, Corner Sixteenth and Douglas Sts.

Nominates Root's Successor in the Cabinet.

Tennesseean Chosen for Civil Governor, with Henry C. Ide of Vermont to Serve as

His Vice. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.-The president today sent to the senate the nomination of William H. Taft of Ohio to be secretary

of war. The president also nominated Luke E Wright of Tennessee to be civil governor of the Philippine Islands and Henry C. Ide of Vermont to be vice civil governor of the Philippine islands,

Taft is in Japan.

TOKIO, Jan. 4.-Governor Taft of the Philippines arrived here today and was officially welcomed. He will remain three days. United States Minister Griscom will give him a diner and reception and the emperor and empress will give a private audience and luncheon. The distinguished visitor also will be entertained at dinners by the war minister and the minister for foreign affairs.

A 10c Cure for Cold in Head or Catarrh Pour a teaspoonful of Omega Oil in a cup of Boiling water and inhale the vapor.

NO SECRET.

There is no secret about Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil. The label tells the whole story. There is a knack in making it. The only secret about it is the secret of its success.

This year, when cod liver oil is very scarce and high, all kinds of cheap, inferior oils are used to take its place, and all sorts of things presented as substitutes. Think of petroleum being taken as a substitute for cod liver oil! -too absurd. Think of the so-called wines, extracts and cordials of cod liver oil! -they are simply the shadow without the substance; no food value in them.

Scott's Emulsion - "The Old Reliable" is the same yesterday, to-day and forever. Its quality and purity can be absolutely depended upon at all times.

TAFT FOR WAR SECRETARY POINT FOR DIETRICH with Senator Dietrich was not stated. The court then adjourned until 9 o'clock today.

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This case was specifically set for trial The question is whether or not this case WRIGHT FOR PHILIPPINES | should proceed to trial as it has been intended it should."

Munger Recites Arrangements,

Judge Munger here interposed and gave history of the arrangements. He stated that it was distinctly understood that no plea would be entered in the conspiracy cases because General Cowin had given notice that he would file a demurrer, "The district attorney's office had small excuse for making ready to try this case first," he said.

Judge Van Devanter said that it seemed to him that all of the evidence admissable in support of the conspiracy charge might be employed by the government in supporting the bribery indictment.

Summers replied that this was not the condition, and the judge told him plainly and in as many words that he should have been prepared for the case, remarking that ummers "did not indicate when he would be ready." The district attorney, evidently somewhat ill at ease, sought to vindicate himself with the court by saying that it always had been left with the district attorney as to the order in which the indictments should be moved. He admitted, however, that by Tuesday morning he might be able to avail himself of the evidence and proceed in the direct charge against Dietrich. Judge Van Devanter then announced that the case would be taken up

at 9 o'clock this morning. Demurrer is Admitted.

After this General Cowtn announced that he was ready for trial on the indictment charging the senator with illegally enjoying a contract with the government for a postoffice building, but preferred to withdraw the plea of not guilty which had been entered and to file a demurrer, merely asserting that the indictment as drawn "does not set forth and charge a crime." Permission to make this change was given by the court and the demurrer flied. The indictment charges that on December 20, 1901, Senator Dietrich enjoyed a contract with the first assistant postmaster general for a ten years' rental of a building at Hastings to be used as a postoffice, the lease dating

from July 1, 1901. General Cowin in a brief argument contended that the indictment does not charge that the contract was made with a member of congress, or state when it was made. and that no offense was committed by the continuation of the contract. He had found a decision by Attorney General Rodsey in 1805 in which this officer held that the mere fact that a man held a contract with the government and was elected to congress did not vitiate the contract or make a criminal out of the congressman, the grounds being that if an advantageous contract was held with the government and the contractor desired to break it he could do so by having himself elected to the

ational legislative body. Summers said there were no court decisions concerning the holding or enjoying of s contract with the government by a congressman, but that he desired to quote several authorities and would file the references with the court during the afternoon. It was announced that Fisher would be We'll send you a sample free open request. arraigned on the charge of beibery in the cure. E. W. Grove's alguature is on each scott a nowne, so Pearl Street, N. Y. morning; whether or not to be tried jointly box. Mc.

Dismisses the Conspiracy Charge.

At 2:15 when court reconvened for the afternoon Judge Van Devanter stated that the demurrer of the defendants to the indictments charging conspiracy had been sustained and the charges therein contained were dismissed, giving his ressons for the action, which were practicely the same as those employed by General Cowin in his argument. The court held that "The indictments charged Dietrica and Fisher, under section 5440, with conspiring together to receive and give a bribe. This had been challenged by the defendants on the grounds that the charges embraced a specific crime and therefore should be excepted from section 5440 which relates in general terms to conspiracy. On the other hand the charges were to the effect That section 1781 of the statutes, concerning bribery, had been violated, Insamuch as this latter law provides against the agreeing to receive or give a bribe such a charge should be made under it and under it alone. "Further that Dietrich and Fisher had

been misjoined in the indictment as each is alleged to have committed a separate and distinct offense-one accepting the bribe and the other giving it. For these and other less important reasons the court sustained the demurrer,

Substance of Demurer.

Following is the demurrer, in effect, which the court sustained.

the court sustained.

That the indictment is not sufficient in law and the defendant is not bound by law to answer. That the first count of said indictment does not specifically state, allege or charge a misdemeanor; there is a misjoinder of the parties defendant in said indictment; that said first count of said indictment; that said first count of said indictment does not state a charge or set forth a crime, offense or misdemeanor on the part of the defendant; in the first count of said indicement the pretense that conspiracy is merged in the alleged completed act; for that this defendant by this same grand jury at the same term of court by whom and at which this indictment was found, returned and filed, there was found, returned and filed and is now pending in this court another indictment against this defendant for the completion of offenses, and that this defendant has been arraigned and has pleaded not gulity and is ready for and demands trial thereon.

Further, the said Charles H. Dietrich on his own behalf says that the said second count of said indictment and the matter therein contained in manner and form as the same are set forth, alleged and stated are not sufficient in law and that he is not bound by law to answer the same and in this behalf states, first, that the said second count of said indictment does not sufficiently state, allege or charge the crime or misdemeanor complained of.

Wherefore, for want of a sufficient indictment in this behalf this defendant prays judgment by this court here that he may be dismissed and discharged from said allegations in said indictment and allegations in said indictment another.

judgment by this court here that he may be dismissed and discharged from said alle-gations in said indictment specified.

There are practically four demurrers filed in these, what are known as the conspiracy cases-one each by Senator Dietrich and Jacob Fisher as individuals, and one each where they are jointly charged as conspirators

Seventeen witneses for the case are now in the city, ten arriving Saturday and seven Monday morning. The latter were: F. P. Olmstead, John W. Pickens, John Corby and W. M. Dutton of Hastings, Peter Mc-Intosh of Juniatta and Alex Campbell of McCook.

To Cure a Cold to Une Day Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to

TRY TO DESTROY EVIDENCE

Alleged That Employes of Construction Company Tamper with Theater.

CORONER FINDS CAUSE OF DISASTER

After Reaching Conclusion as to the Cause He is Busy Trying to Discover Who is to Blame.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.-George Dusenberry sher of the Iroquois theater, was this aftrnoon placed under arrest.

Witnesses who appeared before Inspector Fulkerson today testified that the sylights over the stage were fastened down from holocaust, when the property was in the hands of the coroner. Inspector Fulkerson vents and upon resuming the investigation declared that all he had seen on the roof of the playhouse confirmed the statement of the witnesses.

Among the most important testimony submitted was that of Architect H. B Wheelock, the windows of whose office overlook the roof of the theater building He stated that during the fire the skylights which are intended to ventilate the stage and form a flue for flames in such ar emergency as that of last Wednesday, remained securely fastened down.

Thursday morning, he said, a wrecking rew in charge of Superintendent Jones of the Fuller Construction company, appeared on the roof and removed 2x4 scantling that held down the vents and tore them open. The architect declared that he was surprised at the proceeding as he knew the property was in the hands of the coroner and that no one had any right to touch it or make any alterations pending silk pap; color gray, tan, gun metal, etc., the coroner's investigation

Windows Were Fastened.

Windows of the Iroquois theater through which many people might have escaped were closed and covered with heavily bolted sheetiron doors, according to Mrs. Maud MacDonald Nickey, who today for the first time was able to relate the details of her escape. Her story may be an important feature of the coroner's inquest Thursday, in preparation for which the coroner and other officials are hard at work

More than a half dozen windows on the first floor within easy reach of those occupying seats in the orchestra circle were closed on the outside by iron doors, whose bolts had rusted or would not loosen.

Only one of these windows responded to the frantic efforts of a dozen people, Many persons, Mrs. Nickey believes, fell dend while trying to open other windows. Not satisfied by previous inspection, the

oroner's jury today made a second tour of the Iroquois theater. The jury spent three hours in the building. Contrary to announcement, the jury did not take experts with them, the members evidently preferring to make their own investigation with no advice from outsiders. The jury spent half an hour on the stage sifting the debris piled on the charred floor, but no trace was found of the alleged asbeston curtain or the wire cable with which it is said to is hung. A search was made for the proscenium border lights which it is said made it impossible to lower the as bestos curtain, but neither could they be

The investigation into the Iroquois fire

horror has passed beyond the stage of cause-seeking to that of fixing responsibil-

This work was taken up today by Fire and when the discovery of McDonald's Inspector Monroe Fulkerson, who has the body was made they had to be carried regular. John M. Snyder; substitute, George police and of Coroner Traeger. Every employe of the theater, both on the stage and in the auditorium, are on the list summoned for investigation. Witnesses to the number of sixty-five will be examined. Upon Treasurer John G. Noonan of the for the pay rolls of the house, giving the names of the employes. From union officials other data concerning these employes

has been sought. Although the police interposed no objecon when the members of the "Mr. Blue Beard" company left for the east, some of the actors may be brought back to add their testimony to that of the sixteen mem-

pers who have been arrested, Inspector Fulkerson said: I have determined that the fire originated from the contact of a linen curtain with an intensely hot and inadequately protected flood light. I have determined that the curtain stuck because a piece of stage mechanism in normal operation was directly in the path of the descent of the fire shield. I know that the fire was driven under the suspended curtain by the rush of cold air into the stage when someone opened the stage door.

I have evidence that the automatic sky-lights over the stage did not open as they should have done and create a flue through which the flame, smoke and heated air on the burning stage could have found a vent. It is apparent that the exits were not adequate. The next step is fixing the responsibility. I have determined that the fire originated

Closing of Theaters Throws Thousands of Men and Women Out of Work.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.-The closing down of Chicago theaters by order of Mayor Harrison has caused paralysis of business in many directions. Three thousand actors, stage hands and people who depend directly on the theaters for a living are idie, with no hope of employment for probably a fortnight. Restaurants that cater to the theatrical audiences have laid off many employes. The hotels are complaining and traffic on the street railways has fallen off at night.

The members of the Bluebeard Theatrical company, permitted by the police to leave for New York, were followed by the Billionaire company. The following companies are still in Chicago; "Yankee Consul," "The Pit," "The Bostonians" and John Drew's "Second in Command." The Silver Slipper company has arrived, billed for the Illinois theater. Mr. Fiske's company, which was to play at the Grand operahouse, arrived today. It is estimated that 15,000 persons will suffer from the mayor's closing order. The loss in receipts at the thirty-five theaters will total \$18,000 per

TOO MUCH FOR MAYOR'S SISTER Sermon on Chicago's Indifference So

Severe that She Faints in Her Pew. CHICAGO, Jan. 4.-Rev. James S. Stone of St. James Episcopal church in a ser-

mon has impeached official Chicago for its eleven children are left to mourn his loss. "easy-going indifference to the proper ob-All were present, John from Kansas, Charles from Colorado and the Rev. G. T. servance of law," which he characterized as the municipality's "prevailing and astounding sin." This he said after depicting Noyce and Rev. J. C. Noyce from western the scenes of the Iroquois fire horror and the consequent woe of a multitude. Impremive silence followed the sermor Then the church choir began to sing the

the church. The voice of the choir was stopped and the audience dismissed. The picture of the fire horror and the criticisms made by the pastor against the city administration had overcome Mrs. Heaton Owsley, the sister of Mayor Harri-

was some time before she was revived. Pastors of many other churches in their rmons turned their attention to the Iro quois theater horror. They discussed the effects of the theater calamity, the measures which should be taken for punishing the guilty and the precautions necessary to prevent a repetition of the catastrophe. At-

tention was called to the official neglect and spirit of lawlessness which permits statutes to be ignored until the innocent are made to suffer. Rev. Frederick E. Hopkins of Pilgrin Congregational church said: "It is the next thing to blasphemy to call this the providence of God. It is the

selfishness of man. When in a widely advertised, so-called fire-proof building more than 600 lives were sacrificed in half an hour, everybody knows that somebody has lied murderously. The sympathy o Chicago has been something magnificent and strengthening. But we are not a sentimental city. It becomes our solemn duty us a self-respecting people, with endless and unwavering perseverance, to trace the responsibility to the bitter end. Good will come of this catastrophe if, whatever else we may allow, we make the fact so plain that the whole world shall know it-that here in Chicago no one shall dare to hold human life a cheap thing."

FIRE SCENES KILL WITNESS

Miss Reta Wild, Though Injured Only Very Slightly, Dies from Effects.

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.-Solely from witnessing the horror in the Iroquois theater, Miss Reta Wild, 22 years old, a teacher at the Felsdenthal public school, is dead. The report of her death brought the total number of corpses today to 589.

Miss Wild was burned slightly in the fire She made her way unassisted from the fifth row in the dress circle. She went to her home in Calumet avenue and was at tended by the family physician, who said she would recover-that her injuries were triffing. Instead of recovering she has died of fright. Physicians who attended her say that the things she saw in the burning theater killed her.

EX-PRIEST DIES IN RESORT

Patrick McDonald Found Dead in Bed as Result of Gas.

Patrick O. McDonald, formerly a Catholic priest in South Omaha, ecommitted suicide at the house of Charlotte H. Douglas, 1512 Davenport street, Sunday, and was found lying in his bed with a gas jet turned on to its full capacity, yesterday by Bertha Boyde, a colored domestic in the employ of Mrs. Douglas.

As soon as the startling discovery

made the police were summoned and Sergeant Whalen and Officer Boyle went to the house. The coroner also was called and took the body to the morgue, where it will be kept until after an inquisition is The theory of suicide is suppositional, the police say, but is borne out by the story told by Mrs. Douglas, the proprietrees

of the house. She asserted that McDonald came to the place at 2 a. m. and sat up until 4 o'clock, drinking and carousing with the inmates of the resort. "Shortly after 4 o'clock." the Douglas woman says, "he retired and I had no suspicions that he intended to kill himself. I had noticed the pecu iar odor of gas in the house, but had attributed it to a defective gas jet. George Wilson and a nurse, who occupied the room adjoining the one in which McDonald was found, also were

nearly asphyxiated by the deadly fumes

assistance and co-operation of the chief of down stairs and Dr. Elmer Porter called to administer to them." McDonald was 43 years of age. He came to Omaha seventeen years ago from India and up to five years ago was pastor of a South Omaha Catholic church. Bishop Scannell refused to say anything regarding Iroquois theater Chief O'Neil has levied the past life of the ex-priest and offered no expanation as to whether he had been ex-communicated or had merely given up his church duties. About a month ago Mc-

the police station for being intoxicated. BEARD DIES BEFORE TRIAL

Donald was arrested and held over night at

General Counsel for Methodist Church in Hammond Inquisition Expires Suddenly.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 4.-Rev. J. N. Beard of San Francisco, general counsel for the Methodist Episcopal church in the trial of Rev. J. D. Hammond of San Francisco for mismanagement of church funds, which was to have begun in St. Louis tomorrow, died suddenly of heart failure at the Terminal hotel today.

Dr. Beard was president of the national training school for deaconesses in San Francisco and is a man of national reputation in the Methodist church, particularly as an advocate in church trials. He came MANY ARE IDLE IN CHICAGO to St. Louis Saturday with Rev. A. C. Bane of California to prepare for the trial of Rev. Hammond, in which he was to represent the church.

DEATH RECORD.

Peter M. Ekstrum.

Peter M. Ekstrom, 1212 South Seventeenth street, died Monday morning at his home after a short iliness. Mr. Ekstrom came to Omaha in an early day and has been eme ployed at the Paxton & Vierling iron works for twenty years. He is survived by a wife, three sons and three daughters and is the father of Carl Ekstrom, referred to in the Christmas number of the New York 1,000 destroyed five stores; loss, \$56,000. Dramatic Mirror as being one of the youngest leading actors in the profession, His youngest daughter, Clara, was a member of the "Sultan of Sulu" company last season and is now studying for grand opera in New York City. The nonresident members of the family are expected in the city

Samuel Billings. RED CLOUD, Neb., Jan. 4.-(Special.)-

Samuel Billings died at his home in the North ward Saturday evening at 6 o'clock. He was an old soldier. He leaves a wife and son. On Sunday morning at 5 o'clock his brother-in-law, John Barber, living two miles west of the city, died after a short illness. Mr. Barber was one of Webster county's oldest citizens, his daughter being the first child born in the county. A wife and several children survive.

IRVINGTON, Neb., Jan. 4 .- (Special.)-Mr. Noyce, one of the early settlers, was buried today, aged 70. He and his wife settled on a farm in 1857 and by industry he leaves large holdings. A family of

Old Settler of Douglas.

George Sparling, Tecumseh. TECUMSEH, Neb., Jan. 4 .- (Special.)-George Sparling, a pioneer settler, died here today of paralysis, aged about 80 anthem. There was a stir in the front of years. His aged wife and a child or two

survive him. T. A. Simpson.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 4 .- T. A. Simp. son, a well known breeder of fine cattle, died at his home at Independence today. son, and she had fainted in her pow. It aged 88 years. He was born in Kentucky.

HELPS POSTMASTER CROW Beauty

Bill to Relieve Him of Responsibility for the Olsen Shoriage.

INDIAN CASES ADVANCED ON DOCKET

Supreme Court on March 7 Will Pass on Right of Claimants to Lands in the Omaha Reservation.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- (Special Telegram.)-Senator Penrose, chairman of the ommittee on postoffices and postroads, today, at the request of Senator Millard, introduced a bill providing for an appropriation of \$1.055 for the reimbursement of Joseph Crow, postmaster at Omaha, that being the amount embezzled by Stamp Clerk Alfred M. Olsen. The bill introduced today merely seeks to relieve Post master Crow of the result of the dishonesty of an employe.

Advance Indian Cases.

Chief Justice Fuller this morning an nounced that a motion to advance the case of Thomas L. Sloan, appellant, against the United States, and twenty-two similar cases, now on the docket of the supreme court, had been granted and the case heard March 7. The appellants in these causes claim that they are in part of Indian blood and members of the Omaha tribe and these suits were instituted in the circuit court of the United States for the district of Nebraska, under the provisions of the act of congress of February 6, 1901, for the purpose of compelling the government to allot to them certain lands in the Omaha mervation. The principal question to be ented is whether under section 5 of the of August 7, 1882, which provides for

the allotment of Indian lands, the appellants are entitled to claim allotments in severalty within the said reservation. The circuit court held that a portion of the plaintiffs had failed to show themselves entitled to the benefit of the allotment provisions of that act, and this appeal is taken to review this judgment. In the others the government appealed.

Work for Tabor College.

George Norton Ellis, president of Tabor college, is in Washington today to confer with Senator Allison and Representatives Burkett of Nebraska and Hepburn of lowa, trustees of the college, upon matters relative to the endowment fund of this institution. Tabor college numbers among its alumni many men prominent in politica and business affairs in Iowa, Nebraska and elsewhere, and Prof. Ellis is east upon a mission looking toward the enlistment o financial aid to carry forward the work of the college on a larger scale. President Ellis expects to enlist the aid of some wealthy New Yorkers who have graduated from Tabor, and stopped over in Washington enroute to consult with Messrs. Allison, Hepburn and Burkett,

Routine of Departments.

The application of R. H. Holden, J. T. Atkinson, N. Holden, E. W. Davies and F. E. Pearson to organize the Farmers National bank of White, S. D., with \$25,000 capital, has been approved by the comp roller of the currency Postmusters appointed: Nebraska, Riege.

Cherry county, John Melsh, vice F. M. Murphy, resigned. Wyoming, Sussex, Johnson county, Alla D. Finch, vice Henry W. Davis, resigned. Rural carriers appointed: Nebraska, Armour, regular, Chester R; Alcorn; substitute, Neil R. Alcorn. Utysses, regulars, James Hull, Justin N. Hillyer; substitutes, Ralph V. Hull, William Jones. Waverly, Waverly, Iowa, Alvord, Cleary; substitute, Thomas J. Cleary, Diagonai, regular, Marshal C. Barlow; substitute, Jonathan O. Roudybush. Guernsey, regular, Ray Schrader; substitute, Juan White. Maquoketa, regular, John K. Davis; substitute, Marshall Davis. Scotch

Maggie E, Deal; substitute, Daniel W. Aid to School of Mines.

Grove, regular, George D. Moats; substi-

tute, L. E. Moats. Toddville, regular, Miss

Representative Mondell today introduced s bill to aid in the maintenance of a school of mines. It provides an appropriation of \$10,000 for the first year and \$1,000 additional yearly until the appropriation is \$20,000 for each state and territory maintaining a school of mines or mining department in connection with a state educational institution already established. The funds are to be derived from the sales of public lands in states not contributing to the national irrigation fund. These sales ag-

gregate about \$500,000 yearly at the present Mondell also introduced bills as follows To grant right-of-way through reservations for reservoir and pipe lines; to grant free medical and surgical/ treatment to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors; to ex tend for ten years the privilege of taking

up lands under the Carey land act.

Creates Irrigation Engineer. Senator Hansbrough, chairman of the public lands committee, today introduced a bill authorizing the president to appoint a supervising engineer at an annual salary of \$10,000 to take charge of the construction of government irrigation works. The bill also provides for the appointment of clerk at a salary of \$2,000 and gives the engineer authority to select assistants from the reclamation service of the geological survey. Hansbrough's bill is said to have bath? the approval of President Roosevelt.

Five Stores at Overbrook

OVERBROOK, Kan. Jan. 4.-Fire today in the business portion of this town of

New President of Board of Trade. CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—W. S. Jackson was to day elected president of the Board o Trade. Mr. Jackson has been a prominen member of the board for many years.

The World's Cure



Madame Yale

LECTURE

Woman's Beauty

BOYD'S Madame Yale, the celebrated Queen

Beauty, will lecture at Boyd's Opera

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at 2:30 o'clock, on the minutae subject of 'Woman's Beauty." This distinguished woman has held sway on all matters pertaining to Beauty for over a quarter of a century. Her untiring efforts in behalf of women have endeared her to her sex as no other creature is. Madame Yale has demonstrated by her own person that youth can be retained indefi-The ladies of Omaha will be amazed to see the marvelous change in Madame Yale's personal appearance. At no time in this remarkable woman's history has she been half so beautiful as she

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Madame Yale has the face of an angel and a figure that simply baffles description. Physically perfect from head to feet, no one can doubt the logic of her system nor the virtue of her remedies. Madame Yale will instruct her audience of women how to transform themselves into the highest types of human levliness. Complexion, hair, features, expression and form will be duly treated by this masterful authority, who defies the ravages of time to score one

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Tickets to Madame Yale's lecture are absolutely free. One ticket, good for a reserved seat, will be given with each purchase of any of Madame Yale's goods bought at the DRUG DEPARTMENT OF THE BOSTON STORE between now and

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