BANK STATEMENTS

No. 2775.
Report of the Condition of
THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK,
At Omaha, in the State of Nebraska, at the close of business March 14, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts..		$2,479,015 33
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....		14,688 91
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		80,000 00
U. S. bonds to secure deposits		70,000 00
Bonds, securities, etc.		50,450 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures....		150,000 00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents) .....$	290,100 37	
Due from state banks and bankers.....	163,499 41	
Due from approved reserve agents.....	704,888 12	
Checks and other cash items	8,554 65	
Exchanges for clearing house.....	102,652 08	
Notes of other national banks.....	5,212 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	2,567 61	
Lawful money reserve in banks, viz.:		
Specie	178,509 50	
Legal tender notes.	135,000 00—	1,591,102 74
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)..		4,000 00
Total.....		$4,479,257 98

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in.		$ 500,000 00
Surplus fund.....		100,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		43,303 54
National bank notes outstanding		80,000 00
Due to other national banks .....$	552,568 49	
Due to state banks and bankers.....	545,502 78	
Individual deposits subject to check....	1,818,821 97	
Demand certificates of deposit	350 00	
Time certificates of deposit	624,458 51	
Certified checks.....	9,819 84	
Cashier's checks outstanding	134,432 85	
United States deposits	70,000 00—	3,755,954 44
Total.....		$4,479,257 98

State of Nebraska, County of Douglas, ss:
I, Luther Drake, president of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
LUTHER DRAKE,
President.
Correct—Attest:
FRANK T. HAMILTON,
G. S. ROGERS,
JOHN F. COAD,
Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of March, 1905.
F. P. HAMILTON,
(Seal.) Notary Public.

No. 4978.
Report of the Condition of
The United States National Bank,
At Omaha, in the State of Nebraska, at the close of business March 14, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts..		$2,978,667 56
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....		9,496 52
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		80,000 00
U. S. bonds to secure U. S. deposits.....		70,000 00
Railroad bonds.....		31,000 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds		100 00
Bonds, securities, etc.		100 00
Furniture and fixtures		100 00
Other real estate owned		100 00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents) .....$	450,146 17	
Due from state banks and bankers.....	66,754 35	
Due from approved reserve agents.....	491,582 04	
Checks and other cash items	4,611 31	
Exchanges for clearing house.....	39,819 19	
Notes of other national banks.....	15,000 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	206 97	
Lawful money reserve in banks, viz.:		
Specie	277,780 00	
Legal tender notes..	150,000 00—	1,495,899 03
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)..		4,000 00
Total.....		$4,669,463 11

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 400,000 00
Surplus fund.....		100,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		110,169 84
National bank notes outstanding		80,000 00
Due to other national banks .....$	925,064 60	
Due to state banks and bankers.....	670,649 73	
Individual deposits subject to check....	1,474,224 55	
Demand certificates of deposit	57,253 95	
Time certificates of deposit	744,568 90	
Certified checks.....	25,276 00	
Cashier's checks outstanding	30,256 54	
United States deposits	52,000 00—	3,979,293 27
Total.....		$4,669,463 11

State of Nebraska, County of Douglas, ss:
I, V. B. Caldwell, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
V. B. CALDWELL,
Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
M. T. BARLOW,
S. S. CALDWELL,
V. B. CALDWELL,
Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of March, 1905.
GEO. E. HAVERSTICK,
(Seal.) Notary Public.

LEGAL NOTICES

BIDS FOR BUILDING COURT HOUSE. Douglas, Wyoming, March 9th, 1905.—Sealed proposals for the erection of a court house building at Douglas, Converse county, Wyoming, including labor and all materials, will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Converse county. Plans and specifications are on file at the office of J. Bevan Phillips, architect, or at the office of the County Clerk, Douglas, Wyoming.

Separate proposals will be received for the plumbing, heating and electric wiring. The party or parties to whom the contracts are awarded will be required to give bond acceptable to the Board of County Commissioners for the faithful performance of the contract.

All sealed proposals will be received until 2 o'clock p. m. on the 13th day of April, A. D. 1905, and will be opened at the office of the County Clerk to the board on that date. All bids for the construction of the court house building must be accompanied with a certified check in the amount of five hundred dollars; also separate bids for plumbing, heating and electric wiring must be accompanied with a certified check in the amount of one hundred dollars, payable to the County Treasurer of said county, as an evidence of good faith on the part of the bidder. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Bids should be marked, "Sealed Proposals for Court House Building," and addressed to A. D. Cook, County Clerk, Douglas, Wyoming.
A. D. COOK,
County Clerk, Converse County, Wyo.
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NOTICE OF CONTRACT FOR PRISON LABOR.
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Public Lands and Buildings will receive sealed bids at the office of the Secretary of State, Lincoln, Nebraska, until twelve o'clock, noon, April 3, 1905, for the employment of the labor of available prisoners confined in the state penitentiary. The contractor must employ such prison labor for the period of two years from April 3, 1905, and agree to pay a fixed sum per day for each laborer employed and must bid accordingly. The Board of Public Lands and Buildings reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
A. GALUSHA,
Secretary of State.
Lincoln, Nebraska, March 7, 1905.
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MALYDOR
THE HYGIENIC LOTION
For Gonorrhea, Gleet, Leucorrhea, Spermatorrhea, Piles and All Unhealthy Sexual Discharges.
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NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA

COUNCIL BLUFFS

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs.
Leffert's glasses fit.
Stockert sells carpets.
Plumbing and heating. Bixby & Son.
For rent, modern house, 723 Sixth avenue.
Go to night school. Western Iowa college.
Office boy wanted. Dr. Woodbury, 30 Pearl street.
Mrs. Fred Empkie is seriously ill with typhoid fever.
Gilbert Bros. have all kinds of hard and soft coal. Tel. 175.
Dashing styles in wall paper. Prices low. Borwick, 211 Main st. Tel. 683.
75c Flemish oak photo frames on sale at 50c. Alexander's, 333 Broadway.
Duncan, 23 S. Main st., guarantees to do the best shoe repair work. Give him a trial.
A marriage license was issued yesterday to Jesse V. Wiles, aged 23, and Hattie Moran, aged 22, both of Springville, Ia.
Missouri oak dry cordwood, $6 a cord, cobs $1.75 per load, shell bark hickory $7 per cord, delivered. William Welch, 16 North Main. Telephone 128.
The members of the Board of County Supervisors went to Clarinda yesterday to inspect the patients in the State Insane asylum from Pottawattamie county.
Major G. H. Richmond, chief of police, has received a voucher for back pension from November 6, 1882, amounting to $1,299.87. From January 4 of this year he will draw $8 a month.
The committee of the whole of the city council held a session yesterday afternoon at which it disposed of a number of matters which will be presented to the council meeting next Monday night.
William Fegley, charged with disturbing the quiet of the Fifteenth street mission, was given twenty days on bread and water in police court yesterday morning. Later Judge Scott suspended the sentence pending good behavior, as Fegley promised to go to work.
County Attorney Hess yesterday filed an application in the district court to set aside the order giving the two Allgood boys into the custody of the Iowa Children's Home society. Notice of the application was sent to Des Moines for service on the officers of the society.
W. M. Smith, the young man charged with attempting to pass a forged draft on M. Weatherbee in payment for the hire of a livery rig, was yesterday in police court bound over to the grand jury. In default of bail placed at $500 Smith was committed to the county jail. Smith has been identified as an alleged grafter who was in Council Bluffs during the Eagles' and Elks' carnivals last year.

Pushing Y. M. C. A. Project.
A mass meeting of the business men of the city will be called toward the latter part of this month to determine the advisability and feasibility of re-establishing a Young Men's Christian association in Council Bluffs. The young men interested in the reorganization of the association have succeeded in securing about 300 pledges of membership, but realize that without material assistance from the business men of the city the venture cannot be successfully launched and sustained.
F. H. Keys, J. G. Wadsworth and F. C. Ricker comprise a committee of business men who in turn will select thirty other business men to canvass the situation and issue the call for the mass meeting. A meeting of the committee of three was held last night in the office of Mr. Wadsworth, when the situation was discussed and work begun on the selection of the committee of thirty.

Concert at High School.
The concert given last night at the high school auditorium by the Musical Art society of Omaha and Council Bluffs, under the direction of Prof. J. H. Simms, attracted an audience which taxed the capacity of the large hall. The concert formed the final entertainment of the course given this winter at the high school under the auspices of the teachers of the city schools. A better program has seldom been given in this city and it was thoroughly enjoyed by the large and appreciative audience. The society was assisted by George E. McIntyre, who is the possessor of a fine baritone voice; Franz Wilczek, the violin virtuoso, and Frank V. Badollet, one of the leading flutists of the country.

No Inquest Necessary.
Coroner Treynor decided yesterday that an inquest over J. E. Adams, whose mangled remains were found Thursday morning on the tracks of the Northwestern near Loveland, was unnecessary. The mangled condition of the body made it impossible for the undertaker to hold it any longer, so the remains were interred yesterday afternoon in Fairview cemetery at the expense of the county authorities. An effort will be made to locate the man's relatives, it being reported that his wife is living in Cincinnati.

Rooms and cafe. Ogden hotel.

Real Estate Transfers.
These transfers were reported to The Bee March 17 by the Title Guaranty and Trust company of Council Bluffs:

First National bank to Pottawattamie Investment company, lot 7, block 13, Williams' 1st add, q. c. d.....$	1
County treasurer to John P. Davis, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, block 1, Railroad add, t. d.....	5
Same to same, lots 20 21 and 22, block 24, Railroad add, t. d.....	1
Same to same, lot 9, block 9, Bayliss' 3d add, t. d.....	1
James C. McComb et al to Robert and Annie Dimmock, lots 12 and 13, block 6, Hughes & Doniphan's add, w. d..	350
Edward M. Smart and wife to A. J. Newton, lot 5, block 10, Oakland, w.d	680
Total six transfers	$1,038

Western Iowa College

Spring Term Opens March 27
Come if You Want a Position.

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A. A. CLARK & CO.
Established 1892.
Broadway and Main St.—over Pierce's Shoe Store. You can borrow any amount on cattle, horses, household furniture or any chattel security. Payments can be made on principal at any time to suit borrower, and interest reduced accordingly. All business confidential. Lowest rates. Office open every evening till 7:30; Saturday evening till 9.

LEWIS CUTLER
MORTICIAN
28 PEARL ST. PHONES: Res. 69 Office 97
Lady Attendant if Desired.

DOYLE IN HIS OWN BEHALF

Tells His Version of the Discovery of the Famous Portland Mine.

OCCUPIES WITNESS STAND ALL DAY

Direct Examination Completed and Cross-Examination Expected to Occupy Fully Another Day.

The threatened eruption of the day previous having passed off smoothly, proving to be nothing more serious than a tempest in a teapot, the trial of the Doyle-Burns suit proceeded along smooth lines yesterday without any untoward act to interrupt. Mr. Doyle went on the witness stand when court opened, and was still there when court adjourned for the day. His direct examination was completed at 4 o'clock, when his cross-examination, which is expected to last over today, was begun by Mr. Thomas. The announcement that Mr. Doyle was to take the stand attracted a large audience of well dressed women, who were evidently curious to see the plaintiff in the now famous suit. The women occupied the rows of seats in the lobby directly opposite the witness stand, and listened with attention to Mr. Doyle's testimony until court adjourned.

Doyle's story of his connection with Burns was told substantially as follows:

He was 36 years old, and born at Portland, Me., where he lived within a few blocks of Burns, and his relations with the Burns family were very close, and so continued after both went to Colorado. On Christmas day, 1891, Doyle was at dinner with the family, Burns having returned for the holidays from Cripple Creek, where he and O'Driscoll had been under the grubstaking agreement with O'Haire, and O'Haire, who was also present, remarked, "Jim, why don't you go up there and get some claims," or "Jim, why don't you locate something for Doyle up there." Nothing further was said just at that time, but later in the day Burns persuaded Doyle to go back with him, when he returned to the camp, saying he was lonesome and that he would "let him in on the claims."

A few days later Doyle, Burns and O'Driscoll started for the camp, Doyle taking along some $50 in cash and $30 worth of blankets and other supplies. The first work they did was to build a cabin, Doyle doing his share. Doyle during this time was called to Colorado Springs as a witness, remained there a few days, and brought up some more supplies and witness fees of $5 or $10.

On January 22, 1892, came the discovery of the Portland mine. Doyle's interest in which was never disputed.

Story of the Disagreement.
While they were at the Devil's Own some men came along and Burns offered to sell it to them for $100, at which O'Driscoll spoke up and said, "Be gob, you can sell your interest, but you can't sell mine." After some further words Burns turned to Doyle and said, "I will have nothing more to do with this man; gather up your tools, Jimmie, and come along with me; you and I will go in together." After the famous fight in the cabin which resulted in Burns and Doyle vacating in favor of O'Haire and O'Driscoll, Burns said to Doyle, "Now I am through with those fellows. You come right along with me and you and I will be partners equally from this time on."

After their return from a trip to Colorado Springs to raise some money, Doyle worked on the shaft house of the Dead Pine claim, earning $28.25, out of which he paid $6 to J. W. Parker for doing two days' work on the Tidal Wave claim, which claim had been previously jumped by him and Burns. When the committee came to investigate the jumping of this claim Burns, in answer to a question as to whom the committee had to deal with replied:

"Both of us, if you have any kick coming, we are partners."

He told of the work done by them on the Tidal Wave under most discouraging obstacles, but how they kept at it, inspired by the hope of finding gold.

Doyle stated that he did as much work on any of the claims as Burns, and then some. That Burns posed somewhat as a prospector and left him to do the hardest work, and that in every undertaking he did at least as much as Burns. Burns was known in the mining camp as "Silvertip" and "Snowball," presumably on account of his gray hair, and Doyle was known as "The Lad."

Tells of Discovery.
He told of the discovery of the vein of gold on the Portland and how shortly after the Portland Gold Mining company was organized. Owing to litigation Doyle's stock was placed in the name of Kate Burns, trustee. Burns handled the stock as though it was his own, Doyle having perfect confidence in him. When Doyle would talk about the stock he would tell him that as soon as the O'Haire case was settled he would account to him and give him his share.

December 26, 1896, Doyle made a settlement with O'Haire and secured a release from him. This he took to Burns, who promised to give him his stock in a few days. Shortly thereafter Doyle received from Peck, the secretary, a certificate covering his stock for his interest in the Portland only. He wrote back asking for all his stock. Burns sent him, through Peck, another small certificate for 29,000 shares, stating that was all he had. Subsequently Burns denied that Doyle had any interest in the other three claims or the stock for which they sold, and Doyle, after spending some time collecting testimony and gathering witnesses, commenced the suit here.

Judge Thornell sustained the motion of the defense to suppress the deposition of E. M. Stephenson of Florence, Colo., offered by the plaintiff.

Senator Patterson arrived from Washington last night and will enter the case today, he being one of Burns' counsel.

WHITCOMB ALSO HAD REVOLVER

One Found in City Jail Where He Had Thrown It.

The police yesterday secured evidence in the shape of a revolver which they believe shows that J. H. Whitcomb, the prisoner who escaped from Sheriff Canning while being taken to the penitentiary at Fort Madison, to which he had been sentenced for six years for burglary, intended to shoot his way out of the city jail, where he was confined prior to being sent to the county jail.

A prisoner who recently was released from the county jail informed City Detective Callaghan that Whitcomb had told him that while he was in the city jail a friend had passed a loaded revolver in to him, but that he had thrown it into one of the vaults in the cells. Search yesterday brought to light the revolver, which is nickel-plated, with ivory handle. It was found exactly where Whitcomb described he had thrown it. It had been unloaded.

It is supposed that Whitcomb harbored the belief that when he would be transferred from the city to the county jail, after being bound over at his preliminary hearing in police court, a single officer would have been detailed to escort him. Had this been the case Whitcomb probably would have used the weapon and likely have made his escape. As it happened three officers went to the cells to handcuff Whitcomb before transferring him and he evidently saw the game was up. The officers now recall that after Whitcomb was called to the door of the corridor he returned to his cell as if to get something he had forgotten, and it was then, the officers believe, he seized the opportunity to throw the revolver into the vault, after removing the cartridges. The police are at a loss to understand how the revolver was passed in to Whitcomb.

CERTIFICATES OF VACCINATION

Superintendent of Schools Turns Over Four Thousand.

At the close of school yesterday afternoon Superintendent Clifford of the public schools turned in to Secretary Zurmuehlen of the Board of Health over 4,000 certificates of vaccination which had been handed in by the pupils of the different buildings to their respective principals.

This was done by Superintendent Clifford in compliance with the following notice served on him yesterday morning by Major G. H. Richmond, city marshal and chief of police:

OFFICE OF THE CITY MARSHAL OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., March 17, 1905.—T. W. N. Clifford, Superintendent of City Schools, Council Bluffs, Ia.: You are hereby requested and directed to turn over to the secretary of the Board of Health of this city, on or before 12 o'clock Saturday, March 18, 1905, all certificates of vaccination collected by you and the principals and teachers under you from pupils of the public schools of said city.
By order of the Board of Health of the city of Council Bluffs, Ia.
GEORGE H. RICHMOND,
City Marshal.

Similar notices were served by Major Richmond on Rev. Father Smyth for St. Joseph's academy, the sisters in charge of St. Francis' academy, Rev. Father Herman of St. Peter's parochial school and Rev. J. H. Lindemeyer, in charge of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran school.

In view of the fact that the Board of Education will meet Monday night, at which time the board will be reorganized by the seating of three newly-elected members, Mayor Macrae stated yesterday that it was unlikely the Board of Health would take any further action until after Monday.

Many of the teachers and pupils of the public schools have been vaccinated by the "internal" method, which is practiced by physicians of the homeopathic school of medicine. These, it is understood, the Board of Health will decline to accept, as it has declared in its order that all vaccination must be scarification. On its part, the members of the Board of Education have expressed themselves as determined to leave this question to be settled by the Board of Health, as they will not be dragged, as they say, into any dispute between the two schools of medicine.

City Physician Tinley, speaking for the Board of Health, is out with a statement to the effect that vaccination must not be considered by parents of school children as applying to the present time only, as the order will have equal force next fall when the new school year opens.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250. Night, F667.

Arrested on Serious Charge.
SIDNEY, Ia., March 17.—(Special.)—Verne Scyoc was arrested last night near Thurman on the charge of seduction, preferred by Miss Ayers. It is said that she is only 14 years old, which is under the age of consent, and thus adds greatly to the gravity of the crime and the penalty provided therefore. Scyoc was arraigned before Mayor Norcutt of Sidney and gave bond in the sum of $1,000.

Damage Cases Settled.
CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., March 17.—(Special.)—The Beaver Land company today settled nineteen cases for damages growing out of the Clifton hotel fire, which occurred here over a year ago. Nominal sums only were paid. Other settlements will be made as soon as a decision is had on one that has been appealed to the supreme court. The suits aggregated over $100,000.

First Alumni Clinic.
IOWA CITY, Ia., March 17.—(Special Telegram.)—The first alumni clinic for the Iowa university graduates will be held in Iowa City on May 2 and 3. The program, which is now being prepared, will include difficult operations and lectures by experts on medical subjects. Two hundred graduates are expected.

Nominations at Onawa.
ONAWA, Ia., March 17.—(Special.)—At the republican town caucus last night A. W. Burgess was chairman and Ed Holbrook secretary. J. W. Batton and George Buckley were nominated for councilmen on the first formal ballot. Tonight the citizens will hold a caucus at the engine house to also nominate a ticket.

Milk to Be Tested.
IOWA CITY, Ia., March 17.—(Special Telegram.)—State Dairy Commissioner Wright will investigate the local milk supply, alleged to be adulterated. It is alleged that formaline is being used as a preservative.

Failed to Hold Her.
She is a club woman with a sense of humor, but the other day when she decided to attend a federation session in another town she had some misgivings. She told her husband that she was possessed of a premonition of evil and cautioned him to be especially careful of the children. He merely laughed and said that he guessed they would be all right, then remarked, jocosely:

"If you get worried you might telegraph."

In the evening of her second day away she did worry and sent this telegram to her husband:

"How are the children?"

The messenger boy came with the dispatch just as the man was about to retire. He read it, smiled and then penned this answer:

"They're all right. Why?"

"I guess that will hold her for awhile," he said to himself, and then he went to bed.

He felt so good over what he considered to be the shrewdness of his reply that he laughed to himself, forgetting for the time being the old adage: "He laughs best who laughs last."

It was 3 o'clock in the morning when he was aroused by the violent ringing of his door bell. Slipping into bath robe and slippers he went to the door and admitted a young Mercury who handed out a yellow envelope. It was torn open quickly, read, and then the husband kicked himself back to bed as a recollection of his question in his message to his wife impressed itself upon his sleepy consciousness. Her reply was in one word:

"Because."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Charmed with It.
The commercial traveler had called on every business man in the place and hadn't sold a cent's worth of goods.

"Well, how do you like our little town?" asked the landlord of the hotel.

"First rate," said the commercial traveler, with enthusiasm. "It's a beautiful young city. How soon can I catch a train out of it, going either way?"—Chicago Tribune.

Bee Want Ads are the Best Business Boosters.

HULL DENIES THE SWITCH

Says There is Nothing in Report He is to Run for Governor.

SATISFIED WITH PLACE IN CONGRESS

Governor Cummins Also by Implication Denies the Story Printed in a Mason City Newspaper.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, March 17.—(Special.)—Congressman J. A. T. Hull today stated that there was no foundation for the editorial in the Mason City Times-Herald to the effect that he and Governor Cummins were likely to change places. He said: "I would be of no use to Des Moines as governor, but feel that I can be of some service as congressman. Most assuredly I am not going to run for governor. I consider the position an honor to any man and second only to the presidency, but have arrived at that age in life where I could not easily change the nature of my work. Until the interests in this district I have succeeded in getting under way are completed I feel that I can best serve the people where I am." Governor Cummins' only comment was that he had not the position of governor to dispose of, any more than did Captain Hull have the position of congressman at his disposal.

Employers Liable for Substitutes.
In a belated opinion handed down by the supreme court today it is held that an employer is liable for injuries to any one temporarily taking the place of a regular employe, even if the substitute is hired by the regular man, if it is with the knowledge and consent of the employer.

Fight Over Judgeship.
A delegation of Sioux City men was again closeted with Governor Cummins today in the interests of the candidacy of J. L. Kennedy for judge of the district court there. The delegation yesterday in the interests of David Mould, while making no attempt to meet the extensive endorsements of Mr. Kennedy, who has nearly everything in sight, claimed that Mr. Mould was a far superior man and more capable lawyer. It is quite likely that the governor will send to Sioux City for certain trusted friends he has there and from them get something of the actual situation before he makes the appointment. Unless it is proven to him that Mould is a far superior man and that Kennedy is too light a weight it is more than likely that eKnnedy will get the appointment.

Settle Capitol Painting.
After a long conference of the three members of the capitol commission with Governor Cummins and Attorney General Mullan, it has been decided that the contract with Artist Garnsey that the bell of the dome shall be "rendered in dull gold," applies to the color and treatment, and not to the material, and the material may be aluminum. Other parts of the contract call for gilding and this is held to mean leaf gold.

No Biennial Decision.
The supreme court has adjourned for the period without giving an opinion in the biennial election case and the decision cannot be had now before April 4, when the fourth period of the term opens. On that same day, if the law is held to be unconstitutional, the auditor of Polk county will have to take the first step toward preparing for an election.

Abolish Board of Public Works.
Because the two members of the Board of Public Works have failed to agree as to appointments Alderman VanDyck and Alderman Fraley today asked the city solicitor to prepare an ordinance abolishing the Board of Public Works. They propose to ask the passage of the ordinance at the next council meeting.

Bussey Strike Settled.
The miners of Bussey returned to work today. Ed Sweeney, state mine inspector, on orders of the governor, went to Bussey and tested the scales to which the miners objected. He had an expert scaleman with him and confirmed the report of Inspector Campbell of Ottumwa that the scales were all right.

Million Dollar Company.
Another telephone company, with a capital of $1,000,000, has filed articles of incorporation. The Western Electric Telephone company filed articles with the county recorder today. Thomas A. Way of Britt is president and his brother S. X. Way, both prominent politicians, is vice president. C. E. Yost of Omaha is a member of the board of directors. Thomas A. and S. X. Way are already extensively interested in telephone systems in the northern part of the state that use the Bell instruments.

MEDALS FOR RAILROAD HEROES

Notable Instances of Courage Displayed by Them Told in a Committee Report.

High praise for the heroes of the rail was expressed in the congressional committee report which accompanied the bill, now a law, awarding medals of honor to heroes in railroad collisions.

"Was greater courage ever manifested than that of the locomotive engineer, Joseph Lutz?" asks the report. "A flue burst, filling his cab with scalding hot steam, while his express train was at full speed. He did not jump, he stuck to his post, while the flesh was cooked and peeled from his face and hands and body. He stopped his train and saved his passengers, but he is crippled for life.

"What courage could excel that of the brave engineer, James Root, and the men associated with him, who ran the relief train that carried hundreds of persons away from a fiery death in the forest fires that devastated a portion of northern Wisconsin a few years ago? During that awful time whole towns were wiped out of existence and their inhabitants roasted and suffocated. A relief train manned by Root and his comrades went upon an all but hopeless mission of rescue. It ran into the timber lands; great clouds of smoke enveloped it flames licked their way to the roadbed, but the little band of rescuers rode on, straight into the yawning, devouring furnace of hell.

"They went to save lives and nobly did they do their work. Ever and anon the train stopped to take on board some fainting woman with a babe clutched to her breast, some men made mad by the awful race with fire—on they went, never faltering, never fearing, and at last, with six axles welded to the bearings, with the woodwork of the cars aflame and charred, with the engine cab entirely burned away, that train with its freight of precious human lives reached safety. The deed of Root and his heroic comrades forced the admiration of the civilized world at the time, but beyond fleeting mention in the press no public recognition was accorded their heroic action, and it is now all but forgotten.

"Who remembers the heroic deed of the humble switchman, Timothy Quinlan, who gave up his life on February 27, 1904, in saving the Lake Shore limited and its cargo of human freight from destruction? The train was bearing down upon an open switch at lightning speed; an awful catastrophe seemed inevitable. Quinlan saw the danger and, while there was not one chance in a thousand that he would be able to avert the impending catastraphe without sacrificing his own life, he hesitated not an instant. He reached the open switch and threw it fairly under the pilot of the on-rushing engine.

"The train with its precious human cargo rushed on in safety, but what of brave Timothy Quinlan? The momentum of the train was so great that it picked up his body and fairly threw it onto an adjoining track directly in front of a moving engine and in an instant all that remained of brave Timothy Quinlan was a mangled, bleeding mass of human flesh and bones. Among railroad employes examples of heroism of the highest type are of almost daily occurrence and might be multiplied indefinitely."

Regarding the object of the bill the report says:

"The purpose of this bill is to encourage extreme daring to be exhibited in the saving of life upon railroads by authorizing the president to bestow bronze medals of honor, rosettes or knots upon persons who by extreme daring endanger their own lives in saving or attempting to save the lives of others from any railroad wreck, disaster or grave accident, or in endeavoring to prevent such wreck, disaster or accident."

The report directs attention to the fact that there is an enormous loss of life annually upon the railroads of the country.

The medal proposed by the bill is of bronze and is of little or no intrinsic worth. The gold medal provided for in the legislation now on the statute books has a value of $86.15 and the silver medal a value of $63.04. But the Mann bill proposes to bestow a token which shall be valued only for the honor attached to its possession.

It proposes to give a simple mark of public recognition of true heroism, which shall set its possessor apart from his fellows, like the ancient olive wreath, as a hero of more than ordinary proportions. It is a prize to be striven for because of the associations connected with it and because it marks the interest which the government takes in the welfare and happiness of its worthy citizens, a mark which can not fail to evoke feelings of patriotic interest in the government and promote civic morality.

DIAMOND ALMOST WORTHLESS

Mammoth Shiner of the Goose Egg Type Makes Too Much of a Show.

If it is really true that a diamond larger than a goose egg, weighing a pound and a half and worth £1,000,000, or nearly $5,000,000, has been found in South Africa, there will be a great deal of speculation as to what will be done with it. For all practical purposes it is not worth a tuppence, and yet it is expected to exchange it—a worthless object that can be held in the palm of the hand—for nearly eight tons of gold. This one and nine like it would pay for the Panama canal. This one gem would build a holf dozen buildings as fine as the best skyscraper or office building in Baltimore. Working at $2.50 a day it would take the work of 1,000 men nearly seven years to pay for it. What will be done with this startling piece of crystal? It would make an excellent paper weight, but it is too valuable to be left lying around on a desk. It might make a fine gift from some young man with a good salary to the girl of his choice. But what would she do with it? As a setting for an engagement ring it would be ridiculous. As an earring it would pull her ear out of shape and draw her head down lopsided—there not being being another yet known in the world as large with which to balance it. It would also be too big for the head of a hatpin, and if a girl should hang it around her neck as a pendant it would be bumping against everything near her. Even as a shirt stud for a successful city politician and boss manager it would be almost too pronounced.

If one of the women of the smart set at Newport could possess it she might, by having it stolen or lost at appropriate intervals, keep herself pretty well before the public through the medium of our esteemed New Yory contemporaries. As a toy the big diamond is too expensive and too great a care. What is to be done with it? We are reminded of the story of the chicken cock which, when scratching in the barnyard, found a big jewel and remarked to the hens that had gathered in admiration around him, that he would rather have found a single grain of corn.—Baltimore Sun.

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Colorado & Cal. E.....	a 4:10 pm	a 9:30 am
Cal. & Oregon Ex.....	a 4:20 pm	a 6:10 pm
North Platte Local.....	a 7:50 am	a 7:00 pm
Fast Mail.....	a 8:50 am	a 3:20 pm
Colorado Special.....	a 7:45 am	a 7:40 am
Beatrice Local.....	b 4:30 pm	b 1:30 pm
Wabash.		
St. Louis Express.....	6:30 pm	8:20 am
St. Louis Local (from Council Bluffs).....	9:15 am	10:30 pm
Shenandoah Local (from Council Bluffs).....	5:45 pm	2:40 pm
Chicago Great Western.		
St. Paul & Minn.....	a 8:30 pm	a 7:15 am
St. Paul & Minn.....	a 7:45 am	a 7:55 pm
Chicago Limited.....	a 5:00 pm	a10:30 am
Chicago Express.....	a 5:05 am	a 3:30 pm
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific.		
EAST.		
Chicago Limited.....	a 3:55 am	a 7:10 am
Chicago Daylight Local.	b 7:00 am	a 9:55 pm
Chicago Express.....	b11:15 am	a 8:15 pm
Des Moines Express....	a 4:30 pm	b11:50 am
Chicago Fast Express..	a 5:40 pm	a 1:20 pm
WEST.		
Rocky Mountain L't'd..	a 7:20 am	a 3:50 pm
Lincoln, Den. & West..	a 1:30 pm	a 8:05 pm
Oklahoma & Tex. Ex..	a 4:15 pm	a12:40 pm
Chicago & Northwestern.		
Local Chicago.....	a11:50 am	3:45 pm
Fast Mail.....	a 8:10 pm	8:30 am
Daylight St. Paul.....	a 7:50 am	10:00 pm
Daylight Chicago.....	a 8:00 am	11:50 pm
Limited Chicago.....	a 8:25 pm	9:15 am
Local Carroll.....	a 4:00 pm	9:30 am
Fast St. Paul.....	a 8:15 am	7:05 am
Local Sioux C. & St. P..	b 4:00 pm	a 9:30 am
Fast Mail.....	.....	2:50 pm
Chicago Express.....	a 5:50 pm	a 7:30 am
Norfolk & Bonesteel....	a 7:40 am	10:35 am
Lincoln & Long Pine..	b 7:10 am	10:35 pm
Casper & Wyoming.....	e 2:50 pm	e 5:15 pm
Deadwood & Lincoln..	a 2:50 pm	5:15 pm
Hastings-Albion	b 2:50 pm	5:15 pm
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Chicago Daylight Ex...	a 7:55 am	a11:00 pm
California-Oregon Ex...	a 5:45 pm	a 3:10 pm
Overland Limited.....	a 8:20 pm	a 7:35 am
Des M. & Okoboji Ex..	a 7:55 am	a 5:10 pm
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