AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Council Requires Contractors to Give a Guarantee Bond to Protect City.

STREET RAILWAY GRANTS TRANSFERS

Attorney Ordered to Draw Ordinance Providing for Special Election to Vote on Sewer Bond Proposition.

The city council met last night in the council chamber at 8 o'clock, and among other matters reviewed the contracts drawn up by the city attorney, to whom the bids for this year's requisitions were referred. All of the contractors will be obliged to furnish a surety bond running to the city for the carrying out of their part of the contracts.

The Omaha and Council Bluffs Street Railway company has finally decided that transfers shall be issued from the Missouri avenue line to any point within the city limits of South Omaha and vice versa. In a communication to the South Omaha city council last night John L. Webster, attorney for the company, stated that the company had decided to do this, although denying the right of the city council to pass an ordinance requiring such a thing to be done.

Secretary W. B. Cheek of the sewer committee sent a communication to the council and requested that action be taken on the majority report of the committe relative to a special election. The report was referred to City Attorney Lambert, with instructions to draft an ordinance embodying the report as adopted by the mass meeting, held last Saturday night.

The finance committee reported that the Storz Brewing company was not willing to name a price for the ground occupied for fire hall No. 3, but was willing to enter into a lease for the ground to the city for one year. This the committee recommended to be done.

The council voted to allow several small damage claims. Adjournment was taken for one week.

Live Stock Exchange Election.

The South Omaha Live Stock Exchange held its annual election of officers yesterday afternoon and polled the largest vote that has been cast in the history of the exchange. The total vote was 139. D. S. Parkhurst was chosen president by a round majority, receiving eighty-five votes; J. C. Dahlman, his competitor, received fifty-four. The whole contest was on the presidency. For all other positions there was only a single nomination. Two years ago, when there was a similar contest, the vote was 136. Last year there was no contesting candidate and the vote was much less. The new officers will assume their positions next Monday, January 15, and at that meeting will choose their secretary, treasurer and executive committee of four members from among their number. The following is the detailed result of the election for year 1906:

President—	
D. S. PARKHURST	85
J. C. DAHLMAN	54
Vice President—	
W. A. POWELL	139
Directors (three-year term)—	
S. L. DEGEN	139
G. J. INGWERSEN	139
W. B. TAGG	138
Committee of Arbitration—	
C. F. DENNIS	139
J. W. MURPHY	139
JOHN FITZ. ROBERTS	139
J. B. ROOT	139
JOHN SMITH	139
Committee of Appeals—	
N. E. ACKER	139
W. F. DENNY	138
D. B. OLNEY	138
G. E. POWELL	139
L. L. VAN SANT	139

Examining History of Bonds.

The city clerk received a communication from Spitzer & Co. stating that they had received the transcript of the bonds for the city hall and had referred the matter to their attorneys at once. They begged time for the scrutiny of this history and will not be able to report on the matter before ten days.

Penalty on Taxes.

The city treasurer announced that he was from yesterday's date adding interest at the rate of 1 per cent a month to all delinquent taxes. The taxes are still coming in rapidly and so far there has been no time to balance up the books. Until this is done the treasurer cannot call in the warrants. He was of the opinion that before the close of the week he would have the affairs of the office in shape to take up that business.

Police Court is Busy.

Among the unlucky thirteen "sons of rest" who appeared before Judge King yesterday morning and afternoon, four were dismissed. The other nine received sentences which varied from four days on the rock pile to thirty in the county jail. William Riley, known locally as "One-eyed" Riley, and Jack Brady drew complimentary tickets admitting them to the before mentioned rock pile, and long before noon were heard to enter complaints of feeling sick. Vagrancy was the charge against them. A. Stewart drew four days on the same charge. George Ingram and Frank Sherman were each given thirty days at the county jail for vagrancy, intoxication and disorderly conduct. Ingram was charged with breaking a window in the low districts. Ike Johnson was also fined $100 for stealing a quantity of tools belonging to Sole & Walker, who asserted that $25 worth had been stolen. He pleaded guilty, and being unable to pay his fine, was sent to jail for thirty days. This is the third time he has been up for stealing tools. Sole & Walker have paid his fines before, but this time refused to help the man out. Judge King announced that so far Noonan had been unable to secure bonds and unless they are secured today he will be sent to the county jail.

Loud complaint arose from the prisoners yesterday on account of the rising of noxious gases from the sewer which passes under the city hall building. Along with the complaints the foul gases themselves rose also and filled the offices on the floor above with anything but the most agreeable of odors.

New Club Rooms.

The Highland Park Improvement club will meet Thursday night at the Lincoln school. For the first time the club will occupy its new club rooms, which have been fitted up at the expense of considerable care and cash.

Working on Hammond Plant.

The Omaha Packing company has taken possession of the old Hammond plant and is busily clearing out the building ready to receive the new and necessary equipment. Yesterday advice was asked of the city engineer as to the nature of the ground beneath the site of the new boilers, with a view to determining what kind of a foundation would have to be put in to properly support the new works. Every one at the exchange is glad to see some signs of activity in what might be termed the front yard of the packing district.

Selecting Successor to McPherson.

The directors of the Union Stock Yards National bank will meet today to elect a successor to Mr. McPherson, who is now retiring from the service to enter business of his own. He has secured offices on the second floor of the Exchange building, No. 258, adjoining those of Rosenbaum. He ends his service with the bank today, and it is understood that as soon as he can incorporate his new company it will begin active business.

Well Known People Dead.

There were three deaths of well known people reported in the city yesterday. One was a unique character who was known as Jack Leonard, who died Sunday night at the county hospital, where he had been since last winter, when he was taken there suffering from pneumonia. He came to South Omaha more than twenty years ago and long lived in a little shack south of the Union Pacific depot. He had simply squatted there and to get him off they took advantage of one of the frequent times when he was out enjoying himself, and before his joy had subsided his little shack was moved off the place where he had squatted. After this he sold corn salves and bunion cures. He will be buried in the potter's field at the expense of the county.

The second was the death of Mrs. Otto Wurmbach, 2816 R street. This occurred at the South Omaha hospital early Monday morning. She was 39 years old and had been a resident here for a number of years. Her husband is a cooper by trade. She will be buried from the English Lutheran church Wednesday at 2 p. m. Rev. R. W. Livers will deliver the funeral address. The interment will be in Laurel Hill cemetery.

The third death was that of Dan Trowley, a man of 33 years, one of the foremen at Armour's packing house. He died Monday morning at St. Bernard's hospital in Council Bluffs. He is lying at the Barret undertaking rooms, and it is not determined whether he will be buried here or his body sent to Iowa, his former home. He was a well known member of the Eagles lodge at this place and it is likely that his brothers of the fraternity will give him the burial honors of the order.

Magic City Gossip.

Joseph Roe, 519 North Sixteenth street, has a boy.

There is a case of scarlet fever at Twenty-ninth and E streets.

There will be a meeting of democrats Wednesday night at Evans hall.

J. P. Keisner has the gift of a new daughter. He lives at Thirteenth and Missouri avenue.

The body of Carl Albert Carlson, who was stabbed December 30, was interred at Forest Lawn January 3.

F. A. Agnew is moving his office today from the South Omaha National bank building to the Glasgow block.

Daniel Hanner is reported to be critically ill at his home, 23d G street. He is a well known stock dealer. It is feared he may not recover.

F. J. Lewis, of Rock Island, Ill., one of the largest owners of real estate in South Omaha, was in town looking after his interests yesterday.

The Cardinal club will give one of its regular balls at the Odd Fellows hall this evening. It promises to be one of the most delightful features of the season.

The hard times ball at the Ancient Order of United Workmen temple this evening is to be strictly an invitation party. It is to be given under the auspices of the Knights and Ladies of Security.

Mrs. A. D. Davidson, who has been here for the past week or more visiting with the family of Frank E. Jones, city live stock inspector, to whose wife she is a sister, has returned to Harvard, Neb.

Timothy Carr, father of Tim Carr, jr., who was sentenced over a year ago for the murder of a man by the name of Best, at Sarpy Mills, is out circulating a petition to the governor for the pardon of his son.

The Swedish-Norwegian Republican club will hold its first meeting of the campaign Wednesday evening, January 10, at 53 North Twenty-fourth street. Business of importance will be transacted. All invited.

The Monday Night Whist club met last night with A. L. Hunter, 1216 North Twenty-seventh street. A number of the club members were present and the playing was of a very spirited character. Mrs. Hunter proved a skillful entertainer. The games were played progressively and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Guild won first honors.

The Woodmen of the World held their annual installation last night in their hall over the South Omaha National bank. The meeting was given a full attendance. The drill team assisted in the entertainment and the ceremonies and there were several members of the grand lodge present. Refreshment and a social time followed the rituals and a ball at the close.

The Fraternal union held its installation in the Workmen temple last night. Most of the old officers were re-elected and in the installation most of them made short addresses. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches and coffee were served. An orchestra was on hand and dispensed musical numbers and finally were given full sway while the floor was cleared for the dancers.

FACTS IN NATURE.

Not Only Do We Get Inspiration From Nature, But Health as Well.

For people who are run-down and nervous, who suffer from indigestion or dyspepsia, headache, biliousness, or torpid liver, coated tongue with bitter taste in the morning and poor appetite, it becomes necessary to turn to some tonic or strengthener which will assist Nature and help them to get on their feet and put the body into its proper condition. It is becoming more and more apparent that Nature's most valuable health-giving agents are to be found in forest plants and roots.

Nearly forty years ago, Dr. R. V. Pierce, now consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., discovered that by scientifically extracting and combining certain medicinal principles from native roots, taken from our American forests, he could produce a medicine which was marvelously efficient in curing cases of blood disorder and liver and stomach trouble as well as many other chronic, or lingering ailments. This concentrated extract of Nature's vitality he named "Golden Medical Discovery." It purifies the blood by putting the stomach and liver into healthy condition, thereby helping the digestion and assimilation of food which feeds the blood. Thereby it cures weak stomach, indigestion, torpid liver, or biliousness, and kindred derangements.

If you have coated tongue, with bitter or bad taste in the morning, frequent headaches, feel weak, easily tired, stitches or pain in side, back gives out easily and aches, belching of gas, constipation, or irregular bowels, feel flashes of heat alternating with chilly sensations or kindred symptoms, they point to derangement of your stomach, liver and kidneys, which the "Golden Medical Discovery" will correct more speedily and permanently than any other known agent. Contains no alcohol or habit-forming drugs. All its ingredients printed in plain English on wrapper.

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COLONEL CODY MUCH ALIVE

Rumor that He Had Died Suddenly in the East is Without Foundation.

A rumor was current in the city last evening that Colonel W. F. Cody ("Buffalo Bill") had died suddenly somewhere in the east. The story created considerable excitement for a time around the hotels and places where he is well known.

Inquiries at New York, where the colonel was last heard from, brought the answer that Colonel Cody was at the Hoffman house in that city alive and well.

Bee Want Ads are Best Business Boosters

Says Woman Robbed Him.

After following Jennie Mitchell, 323 North Thirteenth street, from her house to Sixteenth street and Ames avenue, in an attempt to induce her to return $17.50 which he asserted she had taken from him, P. L. Whitehead, rooming at 419 North Twelfth street, asked a policeman to arrest the woman, and both were taken to the station. Whitehead said that the woman extracted the money from his pocket while in the house on Thirteenth street, and that to get rid of him she went out, but that he followed, until at Ames avenue a man tried to intercept him by imitating an officer and threatening to shoot. The man got away, but the woman was locked up.

COLD BRINGS CRIES FOR AID

With Advent of Real Winter Cases of Destitution Become Known.

ASSOCIATE CHARITIES WORK OVERTIME

Has More Than It Can Do and Needs Support in Meeting Demands of the Deserving Poor.

Since the coming of cold weather, calls from the poor for aid from the Associated Charities have been numerous, and Superintendent Morris has been an exceedingly busy man. Many requests have come in for coal and bed clothes and some cases of extreme destitution have been discovered.

Mr. Morris is caring for the wants of the poor as well as the limited means of the Associated Charities will permit. He has been kept so busy all fall and winter in actual relief of sufferings that he has had no time to solicit money and funds are very low. Until the treasury can be replenished, he is depending on donations of clothing, bed clothes, coal and food from people who may hear of the poor who come to him for aid.

"The weather has been so mild," said Mr. Morris, "the public does not realize that a great deal of work has been necessary. Since December 12 I have had about 200 calls. Of course not all cases were found deserving of aid, but all had to be investigated, and this has taken up my time completely. From now on the work will be much heavier. Up to the present there has been plenty of employment for those able to work, but now the men are coming in from the beet fields and the corn fields and many of them have not saved a penny. I judge that about 1,500 idle men will find their way here to live through the winter, and not a few will be dependent a part of the time upon charity."

Some Pitiful Cases.

A few days ago Mr. Morris found a woman and four children, one of them ill, in the rear room of an old store building at Thirty-second and California streets. They had nothing to burn, nothing to eat, no furniture, and only one quilt on a bedstead, which boasted no mattress. The woman's husband had written to her in Kansas and persuaded her to come to him in Omaha, but when she reached here he had gone without leaving any word. The county is furnishing food for this poor family. Mr. Morris supplied some coal and now he is hustling for bedclothes.

Another case is that of a young woman and four children, left helpless by the death of the head of the family a week or two ago. They have no relatives. The husband always had provided a comfortable home, but left no life insurance and no money. The wife knows how to do nothing but housework, and on such wages as would be afforded cannot support her family. The Associated Charities is trying to find homes for the children.

A feeble man, 80 years of age, is being supported by the Associated Charities while an effort is being made to get his relatives to take care of him. He has a son in Kansas and a rich relative in Nebraska.

A crippled colored girl has been deserted by her father and Mr. Morris has to find a place for her.

Such cases are reported every day. Undoubtedly their number will increase steadily as the winter advances.

NEW BOARD WILL ORGANIZE

Trainor and Bruning to Choose Between for Chairman for Next Term.

The Board of County Supervisors will meet at 10 o'clock this morning for the purpose of organization. Nothing definite has been given out as to who will be named for chairman to succeed M. J. Kennard, but from the best information obtainable one of the two other old members, Trainor or Bruning, will be chosen, with the chances favoring the latter. The office of chairman has been passed around in other years, so that every member of the board would have the honor of presiding for one year. It is expected the same course will be followed this year. The chairman has the naming of the committees, which are also appointed at the first meeting, and while he is ex-officio a member of all committees he serves actively only on the committee of the whole. Each of the other four members as a rule has the chairmanship of two committees.

Beyond organizing this morning the board will open printing bids. A dozen or so bids are in, but they will only be read and referred for tabulation. A material reduction in price is looked for.

A large bundle of bids for county supplies has been tabulated and is ready to be acted on by the board, but the awarding of contracts will very likely be deferred until later in the week.

The five lists of jurymen which will constitute the panel for the year 1906 will be presented by the commissioners and formally adopted. They contain something over 1,700 names and among these will be the eighteen that will be drawn to serve on the grand jury that is to report on May 7.

PROSPECT HILL CEMETERY

Annual Meeting of Shareholders Hears Reports and Elects Trustees.

The annual meeting of the Prospect Hill Cemetery association was held Monday evening with Vice President H. W. Yates presiding and a full membership present. The report of the secretary, which was quite gratifying, was received and adopted, as was the report of the treasurer, A. L. Reed. The report of the treasurer showed receipts from all sources during the year of $4,500 and expenses about the same, leaving in the general fund about $20,000. A. L. Reed was re-elected a member of the Board of Trustees for the ensuing seven years.

Resolutions of condolence were adopted regarding the absence of President C. A. Baldwin, who was detained from attending the meeting because of illness, being his first absence from the meetings of the board for fifteen years.

Following the meeting of the association the Board of Trustees met and re-elected all of the old officers, who are: Charles A. Baldwin, president; H. W. Yates, vice president; John R. Ringwalt, secretary; A. L. Reed, treasurer; Alfred C. Kennedy, Samuel Burns and Howard B. Smith, the latter succeeding W. S. Poppleton.

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DAY HAS LAUGH ON SUTTON

Escapes Trial of Saloon Cases, Which Will Fall to the Lot of His Colleague.

With Judge Day it is to laugh just now. The judge is not cachinnating in an obtrusive way, but he is not losing and flesh for want of laughing exercise.

The cause for the criminal judge's suppressed joy lies in this: The papers Sunday stated, on apparently good authority, that the appealed saloon cases were to come before Judge Day Monday morning. This evidently was on the assumption that the changes of dockets by the judges already had been made, but Judges Day and Sutton do not exchange rooms until February 5.

When the equity judges saw that Judge Day was in for the saloon cases they wondered, but they took to themselves a few chuckles. Now Judge Sutton has settled his face to meet with ordinary judicial grace the proposition of hearing and passing on the request of the Civic Federation attorney for a mandamus against the fire and police board. The order desired is one to compel the board to furnish a separate transcript in each of the cases appealed from the board to the court, wherein licenses were granted against the protest of the federation. As there are something like 170 cases which it is understood will be involved in the appeal proceedings the task of preparing the transcripts will not be a light one.

When City Attorney Breen was asked Monday if he knew when and where the argument would be heard he said:

"No. That's what I am trying to find out. We will be ready to meet them at any time or place."

"With battle axes or cannons, Mr. Breen?"

"Well, as regards that matter I am in the position of Mark Twain when he was challenged by a Frenchman to fight a duel. He was given the choice of weapons, as a real Frenchman doesn't care much how he is killed, anyway. Mr. Twain thought the matter over in a cloud of smoke, then said gravely to the waiting second of the hostile Parisian: 'Tell monsieur if it is all the same to him I will choose brick bats at a distance of half a mile.'"

And with this enigmatic reply the city attorney went away to arrange for a long leave of absence from his regular duty as adviser of the obedient council.

Judge Sutton will hear argument on the Civic Federation demand Wednesday morning.

HENNINGS WILL DECLINE IT

Says if Offered State Chairmanship He Would Not Accept It.

City Treasurer Hennings disclaims any aspirations toward the chairmanship of the republican state committee for which he has been mentioned in case United States Marshal Warner resigns. He states positively that if offered to him he would decline the post, as he could not accept it without making material sacrifices to his interests in Omaha, which he does not think there is occasion for doing.

"I am anxious to do my full duty toward the party, but there are many other men in the state much better fitted than I am for the chairmanship," said Mr. Hennings.

IOWA SOLONS MEET

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many requests, and invoke for it your careful consideration.

Large Field of Investment.

This state has, with great wisdom, pursued the policy of narrowly restricting the manner in which the legal reserve of a company may be invested. It is to be hoped that an enlightened conservation will always control this essential feature of supervision. I believe, however, that the time has come to enlarge the field of investment. Life insurance companies should be permitted to invest in drainage bonds and in such securities as paving, curbing, sewering or other public improvement certificates. These securities are as safe as municipal bonds, and, inasmuch as the opportunities to loan money on real estate will gradually become less, you ought to open such other remunerative fields as are without danger.

There is more fraud and deception, sometimes intentional and sometimes unintentional, practiced upon policy holders by reason of the variety in the forms of life insurance contracts than in any other way. The effect is to create an atmosphere of mystery about the entire life insurance business. I believe that there should be standard forms of policies. They should be uniform with all companies—plain, simple and direct. The obligations could easily be understood. If we had such uniformity the people would soon come to know what insurance is, and what the insurance companies agree to do in each of the several forms of contract issued.

I am for the primary system of nominations by plurality rather than of nominations by conventions. It is a part of the universal demand that the voters shall do nothing by proxy, save things which, in the very nature of our government, must be done by proxy. Nominations for office can be made by the voter and his choice.

Railways Against Primaries.

The railways and their allied forces want to preserve the caucus and the conventions simply because they know that they will have a better chance through this system of dominating the affairs of the state than they would have through a primary election system. They cannot so easily spread their nets about the voters as they can about the delegates. Their leaders cannot be so intimate with the body of the people as they are with the managers of caucuses and conventions.

A primary election law will minimize, if it will not destroy, the power of railways in politics, and if there were no other reason for enacting such a statute this would be sufficient. I look upon the abolition of passes and the adoption of a primary as parts of the same remedial legislation. They are both needed to secure the desired end and neither will be entirely effective without the other. The law should provide for the nomination by direct vote of all candidates for all offices filled by the voters and the office of senator in the congress of the United States; also provide for a primary election for all political parties, to be held at the same place and time, and that the person receiving the highest number of votes for any particular office should be nominee of the party for such office.

Opposes Passes.

The issuance of free transportation by railways is a vicious practice and should be prohibited. It is utterly indefensible from any point of view. I sincerely hope that your patriotic judgment will lead you to make an end once for all of this custom, not a part of it, but of all of it, condemned as it is by the universal opinion of mankind. Railways should be required to sell mileage books, good for 1,000 miles and upward, at a flat rate of 2 cents per mile, good until used, and if purchased by the head of a family there is no reason why it should not be used by any member of the family. What is commonly known as the "long and short haul" clause in our state statute is unquestionable, but I believe there are circumstances under which the railways should be permitted to meet competition without affecting intermediate points, and railway commissioners should be authorized under such circumstances to relieve the railways from the effect of the "long and short haul" clause, as it is not only just to the railways, but will be a great benefit to the traveling public.

The university, the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts and the Normal school were never so prosperous and efficient as they are at this time.

The failure to enact restrictive legislation regulating pure food has made Iowa the favorite field for those who deceive and injure the people through impure and adulterated foods. It is the manifest duty of the General Assembly to investigate this subject at an early date and adopt such measures as will protect the public from the impositions and frauds that are now practiced upon them.

The statute for the sale of intoxicating liquors needs strengthening in respect to its enforcement.

A rigid criminal statute on the subject of family desertion is needed, as is one in regard to child labor; the juvenile court law needs amending to remedy defects.

OUR LETTER BOX.

Seeking Clue to Murder Victim.

FREMONT, Neb., Jan. 5.—To the Editor of the Bee: There have already been accounts published in The Bee concerning the body of a man found murdered five miles southwest of Fremont in Saunders county on December 21. Up to the present time the identity of this man is a mystery, and we request The Bee to assist us. There is no doubt that the shoes the deceased wore were purchased in Omaha, and the soles showed that they had been worn but a few days. One of the shoes is now in the possession of Captain Dunn of Omaha. In his vest pocket was found a reserved seat coupon—"Please keep this"—showing that he was at the Orpheum on the night of December 26. We are taking a long chance that probably the persons who were at the Orpheum on that night and had balcony seats 4-c-9 or 4-c-11 might remember same and possibly had some conversation with this party. Below is a full and exact description of deceased: Is between 20 and 25 years old; light hair, inclined to be sandy; ruddy complexion, what some would call sandy; a hazel or gray eye; is 5 feet 7 inches in height; weighs 158 pounds; dark suit of clothes; has small but prominent ears; full lips that slightly protrude; small mouth; large and sound teeth; a small scar over right eye; a scar from cut across the back of left hand; a scar from burn on the right wrist; is smooth faced. His clothing bears the mark of the Nebraska Clothing company, Kansas City, Mo., and was all nearly new. His underwear was sanitary fleece lined, the drawers much too large for him and had been gathered up and pinned at waist. These drawers bore the laundry mark "Mower." Should you wish to see samples of his clothing, pants, coat, vest and shirt, which was a reddish brown, Captain Dunn has them, also lock of his hair.

If you will kindly give publicity to the above facts through the columns of The Bee you may assist us in at least getting at the identity of the man. It is then possible we may find a motive for the crime.

A. BAUMAN, jr.,
Sheriff, Fremont, Neb.

UNCLE SAM HAS NOVEL CASE

Government Sues to Recover on Timber Cut from Land Grants.

By direction of the Department of Justice a civil suit has been begun in the United States district court by Acting District Attorney Lane against the G. L. Turner Lumber company of Broken Bow for buying a carload of fence posts of the value of $50 from one Matt Johnson of Mullen, Idaho, who cut the posts and removed them from certain unsurveyed, nonmineral public lands within the primary limits of the grant to the Northern Pacific Railway company. The petitioner alleges that about 10,000 cedar trees were thus cut and converted into posts and so disposed of, contrary to the laws of the United States.

The posts in question were cut during the period between November, 1895, and July, 1904, without the consent and knowledge of the United States, and consequently involved a trespass upon government land. The petition further holds that the defendants having bought the timber with the knowledge that it had been unlawfully obtained, are liable for the value of the timber. The government therefore asks judgment in the sum of $50, together with interest thereon at the rate of 7 per cent per annum from July 28, 1904, and for costs of suit.

A similar suit is brought against the Dierks Lumber and Coal company of Broken Bow. The amount sued for, however, in this latter case is for $222.21, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent per annum on $52.44 from October 16, 1903; on $50 from December 22, 1903; on $58.81 from December 28, 1903, and on $60.96 from January 18, 1904, and costs of suit.

In the first suit the carload of posts was delivered at Ravenna, Neb., and in the second suit one carload was delivered at Broken Bow, one at Mason and two carloads at Alliance, Neb., on the respective dates named.

CITY SAVINGS BANK ELECTS

Puts in Same Corps of Officers and Board of Directors for Another Year.

Reports of the officers at the annual meeting of the City Savings bank Monday showed the deposits of the bank increased $200,000 for 1905. The number of depositors is now 7,000.

"The people are getting more and more confidence in the savings banks since the Nebraska banking laws of 1899 were enacted," said President John F. Flack, speaking of the prosperous condition of the institution. "It is shown by the big increase each year in deposits. Under the old laws the institutions termed savings banks were allowed to do a commercial business, something no savings bank can do today. People are beginning to realize the difference in the banking laws and the difference between the savings banks of today and those which failed in the '90s. They were not savings banks at all in the sense of the term under the present laws."

The old officers and directors of the bank were re-elected. John F. Flack is president, J. A. Sunderland vice president and W. S. Hillis treasurer. The board of directors is composed of the officers and four others, as follows: Robert Dempster, R. Z. Drake, C. C. George and George F. Gilman.

Dispossessed.

A tenant which is quickly dispossessed by Dr. King's New Discovery is a Cough or Cold. 50c and $1.00. For sale by Sherman & McConnell Drug Co.

Raid on Gamblers.

The police made a raid on gamblers at 11 o'clock last night in a cigar store at 1616 Howard street, where a party of men were found engaged in poker. Sergeants Rentfrow and Cook and Patrolman Murphy entered the place and announced to the players that they were under arrest. The patrol wagon was called and Carl Carlson, L. I. Gray, George Ford, C. Kemp, William Jennings and E. A. Lang were taken to the station. Jennings was charged with being an inmate of a gambling resort, and Lang was charged with keeping a gambling house. The others were booked as gamblers. Two tables, two slot machines, cards and other paraphernalia were also secured by the police. The men by hard rustling were able to gather a total of $250 to assure their appearance in court this morning.

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Standard Oil Interests Absorb Corn Products and Kindred Companies.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Under the terms announced by the Title Guarantee and Trust company today the plan for merging the leading glucose companies of the country provides for the exchange of stock of the Corn Products company on the basis of three of its shares for two shares of the same class of stock of the new company, which will be known as the Corn Products Refining company. The Corn Products Refining company will be organized under the laws of New Jersey, with a capital of $30,000,000 preferred and $50,000,000 common, the same as the Corn Products company. This means a scaling down of the capital of the Corn Products company, of which there is outstanding $45,215,500 common and $27,380,700 cumulative preferred. When the plan becomes effective the Corn Products Refining company will own a majority of the stock of the Corn Products company, the entire capital stock of the New York Glucose company not already acquired by the Corn Products company, the entire capital stock of the Warner Sugar Refining Company and the entire capital stock of the St. Louis Syrup and Preserving company.

The new company will have a net working capital of $5,000,000. E. T. Bedford, a director of the Standard Oil company, will be president of the consolidated company.

PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 8.—It was announced here today by the representatives of the glucose interests, that the plant, the largest in the world, employing 2,500 men, will be opened before spring as the result of the transfer of the stock of the Corn Products and kindred companies to the Standard Oil interests, notice of which was made public yesterday. Plans for the remodelling of the Peoria plant and the installing of new machinery have been prepared and work will commence within thirty days. The plant has been shut down for a year.

GRAFT IN CHICAGO CONTRACTS

City Officials and Builders Accused of Swindling City Out of Five Million Dollars.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—In a search for $5,000,000 graft, said to have been disbursed among builders of water tunnels and sewers in Chicago, an investigation by a committee appointed by the city council will investigate the books in the offices of the comptroller and the commissioner of public works. The inquiry, which will extend over the last decade, was prompted today when Assistant Corporation Counsel T. J. Sutherland declared that grafting on an enormous scale has been possible through a combination of corrupt contractors, broken agreements, bills for "fake" work and connivance on the part of unprincipled officials. He said that at least $5,000,000 could be recovered if suits were brought in the courts.

"SEEIN' THINGS" AT ABERDEEN

Animal Not Classified is Found in Artesian Water Ponds.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—A freak of nature is reported from Faulk county in the shape of two curious creatures which were taken out of the pond from an artesian well on the farm of William Lively. At first the creatures might be mistaken for bullheads, being about the same color, with heads similar in shape to those fish and with fish-like eyes and mouth. But a closer inspection reveals the presence of four legs with feet like those of a frog.

Projecting upward and outward at the point where the gills of the fish would appear are three lobed, triangular sections of skin, thickly covered on the under side with innumerable hair-like tubes, from each side of which finer tubes project, making the under part of the lobes of skin look as though covered with soft black moss or feathers. Apparently the creature breathes through these lobes, for when one of them was taken from the water the lobes dried up and it died.

The tail, which is fully as long as the body of the freak, is thin and tapering, being only about a third of an inch wide at the end. The skin is dotted with round black spots about a sixteenth of an inch in diameter and the skeleton is clearly seen through the skin. The under part of the body is yellowish white. It is stated that the queer fish or animals, or whatever they may be, are found in nearly all the artesian ponds in the vicinity of Faulkton, appearing soon after the ponds are made. No encyclopedias or works on natural history describe any specimen similar to the animals mentioned.

Branson Out of Race.

MITCHELL, S. D., Jan. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Hon. O. L. Branson, who recently announced himself as a candidate for congress before the republican convention, makes a statement in the Daily Republican today withdrawing from the race. Mr. Branson says:

Since announcing my candidacy for congressman I have become convinced that the campaign will require more of my time than I can afford to give and I have decided to withdraw from the race. I take this method of thanking my friends who have thus far supported my candidacy, also the press of the state for so kindly receiving my announcement. While I may not hereafter be active in politics, I expect to support the nominees of the next republican state convention.

Cavalry Keeps Out Sooners.

LANDER, Wyo., Jan. 8.—The military authorities at Fort Washakie in the Shoshone reservation, which will be opened to settlement next June, have been instructed by the War department to establish a cavalry patrol around the reservation to prevent the trespassing of wouldbe "sooners" upon the lands to be opened.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A little son arrived to brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wren yesterday morning. The youngster is a grandson of William H. Huston.

Eric N. Carlson, as administrator of the estate of Andrew Carlson, is suing the Union Pacific Railway company for $5,000 for the death of Andrew by being killed by a freight train on Jones street last October.

The stereopticon lecture on Japan, which was to have been given at the Second Presbyterian church by the Men's club Tuesday evening, has been postponed. The regular meeting of the Men's club will be held as usual.

Ellen Doyle has brought suit against John Franek for $10,000, alleged to be the measure of damages sustained by her while a tenant of the defendant. While living in a house owned by Franek he raised and moved the same, removing the front steps during the moving. It is alleged that when the steps were placed again in position they were not properly fastened and she was seriously injured by reason of that fact.

WRITS FOR ELECTION ISSUED

New British Parliament Must Assemble Within Thirty-Five Days from Today.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—King Edward, who has been absent in the country since Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's cabinet was formed, returned to London this afternoon and held a meeting of the privy council, at which the proclamation dissolving Parliament was signed. Immediately afterwards writs were sent to the returning officers for the election of the members of the new Parliament, which by law will assemble within thirty-five days.

The first polling will take place January 13 at Greenwich, where Lord Hugh Cecil, leader of the conservative free traders, is engaged in a triangular fight for the unionist seat against a liberal and a Chamberlainite. The last poll must close January 27. Therefore, within a fortnight, the verdict of the majority of the electors will be known and the probable life of the liberal government will be measurable. The leaders of the opposing forces mounted the hustings tonight, and cries of the main forces and factions engaged in the combat were heard everywhere. No less than fifteen members of the past and present cabinets spoke in different parts of the country, including former Premier Balfour, Herbert Henry Asquith, Joseph Chamberlain, John Morley, Lord Lansdowne, John Burns, David Lloyd-George and Austen Chamberlain. The issues were clear and the speakers continued to ring the changes against home rule or tariff reform.

PREACHER FAVORS CANTEEN

Pastor Whose Church is Near Fort Sheridan Says Post Exchange is Good Thing.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Rev. George D. Rogers, pastor of the First Baptist church of Highland Park, near Fort Sheridan, today declared himself without reserve in favor of the re-establishment of the army canteen. In a letter published today he says he has made a study of conditions surrounding the army post at Fort Sheridan and has come to the conclusion that the existence of the canteen is the best solution of a difficult problem.

Board of Trade Election.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Walter Fitch was today elected president of the Chicago Board of Trade by a majority of forty-four votes over the rival candidate, John B. Adams.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. Isaac Harris of Dallas, Texas, is visiting his father and family at 1501 North Twentieth street.

Mr. Mortimer S. Lazard, representing S. Kronberg, was in Omaha yesterday completing arrangements for the appearance of Walter Damrosch and his orchestra at the Auditorium on January 25.

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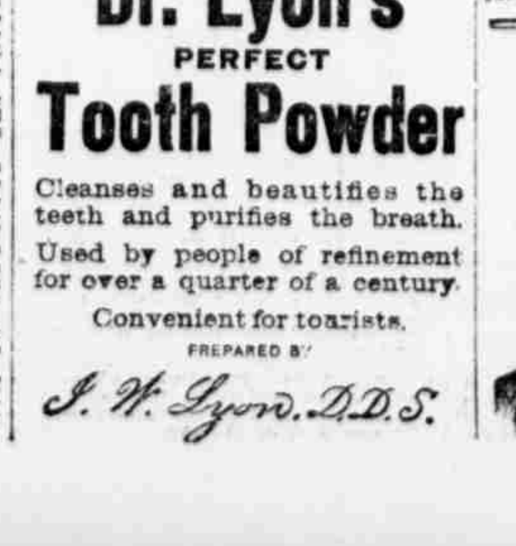

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