after learning Abli entiment during the recess, will be readyed vote for the Military bill with alacrity.

William Redmond, Parnellite member of the House of Commons for North Fermanagh, has been served with a summens to answer a charge of conspiracy.

A family of eight persons were asphyxia ted in County Tipperary, Ireland. Five children were dead, when found. The parents and the other child cannot survive

A cable from Hague states that the Minister of Marine has resigned his post, the Chamber having refused to grant a credit for the building of three torpedo boats, as had been proposed by that officer.

Cardinal Jacobini has tendered his resignation as Papal Secretary of State, owing to ill-health. The Pope refuses to accept his resignation, but the appointment of a successor to the Cardinal is under discussion

Signor Magliani Minister of Finance, announced in the Italian Chamber of Deputies that the budget of 1885-86 showed a deficit of \$5,000,000. He said he hoped that in the budget for 1886-87 the receipts and expenditures would balance in spite of the increase of appropriation for the army and navy, and that the budget for 1887-88 would show a surplus of \$400.000. He had great confidence in the financial future of the rountry. He then presented a bill providing for the conversion of the 5 per cent stock into 4% per cent.

Lord Randolph Churchill has resigned his seat in the English Cabinet, disagreeing with his associates over an increase of the exwith his associates over an increase of the expenses of the admirality and war offices. The proceedure has created something of a sensation and strengthened the sentiment that a European war is imminent, and that the policy of the governmedt should be to make extra naval air military preparations so that the power of England may be felt on the continent. No other resignation is anticipated, and it is said Lord Hartington will take Lord Churchill's place as leader of the government party in the House of Commons.

### 49TH CONGRESS.

### Wednesday, Dec. 22.

SENATE-It took the Senate but a few moments to dispose of a few routine matters, among them a bill interpretating the Chinese treaty, authorizing the Duluth and Black Hills R. R., to bridge the Missouri river, the resolution inquiring how much customs duties and internal taxes may be decreased without public detriment, and directing a report in detail on the work important to be done under the River and Harbor bill. Adjourned to the first Tues day in January

House-Messrs. Toole, Montana, and Nelson, Minn., secured the passage of the bill granting the right of way through the Indian territory in Northern Mon ana and Northwestern Dakota to the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba railway. After some inquiries and explanations the bill passed unanimously. A bill passed granting a certain portion of the military reservation adjoining that city, to San Antonio. Tevas. Dahate on the Odlahoma, bill passed. Debate on the Oklahoma bill Texas. resumed and when the morning hour expired the House adjourned until the first Tuesday in January.

# MINNE! DTA.

## Minnesota News.

A bold diamond robbery took place at Min-

3 Francis Neller, Jr., of Udolpho, Mower county, committed suicide Monday. He was aged twenty-seven years. He was a was aged twenty-seven years. He was a very estimable young man, and the cause of his strange act is not fully known. Last fall he desired to marry a young lady who was working in his father's family, but his father forbade it and the girl left. It is conjectured that the suicide was the result of brooding over this disappointment.

3 At Winona, James Thompson the laborer convicted of rape upon Rosabel Castleman, a five-year old child. on May 6 last, was be-fore Judge Start to-day for sentence. The motion of the defense for a new trial was denied and Thompson was sentenced to hard labor at Stillwater for life. Thompson is 27 years old and married.

The cold wave of the 27th struck Minnesota and Dakota points a good ways below zero. At St. Paul 25 below, Brainerd 34 to 35 below. Winona below, Watertown, Dak., 40 below, Fargo 35 below, McGregor, Iowa, 35 below.

# IOWA.

Audubon Odd-Fellows have commenced

the erection of a \$10,000 hall.

Dayton has a new pank, owned by some of the richest citizens of the town.

Oskaloosa, Iowa, suffered \$60,000 from fire which broke out at 1 a. m., on the 22nd, in the postoffice, destroying the opera hot Times building, and five other busin houses. The total insurance was \$28,000.

The district schools of Osceola county are adopting a uniform system of school-books.

The citizens of Council Bluffs are trying to secure the location there of a lead-pencil

The President has recognized Olaf Rye Hulfsburg as vice-consul of Sweden and Norway at Des Moines, Iowa Th mayor of Marshalltown fined a man

named Myers 835 for crying "fire" in the opera house the other night.

Audubon county has been sued for \$10,-000 by an opera house company for the refusal to comply with an agreement for the use of the court-house hall a number of years. The board of supervisors is made a party to the suit.

During the services at the Unitarian church in Davenport, Sunday night, a wo man arose without invitation, and excitedly warned the pastor and congregation that they were on the road to hell. She proceeded for some minutes before she could be controlled when it was learned that she had become insane on the subject of religion.

# DÁKOTA.

Congressman Springer of Illinois says he intends to secure, if possible, the passage by the present congress of his bill to provide an

enabling act for the admission of Dakota.

Montana. New Mexico and Washington tery ritories. He will try to have it substituted by the house for some other territorial admission bill when the latter comes up for consideration. He thinks the idea of admitting all at once will prevent opposition on party grounds, as they will be equally divided politically, and the new states will have a voice in the presidential election in have a voice in the presidential election in

#### WISCONSIN.

Oshkosh ice-dealers have begun to cut ice. It is now over nine inches thick.

Local tobacco handlers at Albany, Green county, are making preparations to buy.

W. D. Bailey & Co's creamery at Darien

Wis., was destroyed by fire Sunday night. The insurance rates in some parts of Boscobel, Grant county, are to be nearly doub-

Five of the students recently suspended from the Lawrence university for hazing have been reinstated. The sixth refuses to

#### The Clothes of Japanese Girls.

Japanese young men of fashion visit the girls just as they do in this country, take them out to restaurants, and fill them up with ice-cream. They have balls and parties where waltzing is indulged in ad libitum. The waltz, however, is a recent innovation, but is liked by the Japanese exceedingly. The costumes of the ladies in Japan are more in consonance with the dress-reform movement than those of American and European girls. First of all, no corset is worn. The long silk sash supplies the place of steel and whalebone. This sash is wrapped round and round the waist loosely, and the ends hang down behind. There is no large, elaborate bow pinned against the back, seen in the representation of the "Mikado" on our stage. Some of the ultrafashionable girls of Tokio, however, have adopted a method of making their waists look smaller, according to the European modes, but no corset is used —simply a belt buckled around the waist. The ladies are fond of picking the strings of the banjo, and are up to the strings of the banjo, and are up to the times in a fashion which has been greatly in vogue among the American girls. Japanese girls attire themselves in pretty much the same underwear as American women, but their stockings year just closed were \$1,213.19s, and expenditures \$1,213.16. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President H. L. Loucks, Clear Lake; vice-president, J. B. Faucher, Stuttsman; J. W. Hardin, Aurora; secretary, C. A. Soleburg, Minnehala; treasurer, J. D. Scott, Grant; lecturer, A. D. Chase, Codington. are built more on the order of a mitten for the hand, there being a separate receptacle for the big toe, A very curious fact the reporter gleaned from the interpreter was this: The Japanese think that all Europeans have very old types of faces .- Baltimore News.

### The Longest Reigns.

The longest sovereign's reign of which we have any reliable record is that of Arganthonius, King of Tartessar, in Spain, who occupied his throne for eighty years. Charles Frederick, neapolis 10:20 Wednesday evening. Running | Margrave of Caden-Dourlach, was a a stick of wood through the door handles of Elliot's jewelry store on Nicollet avenue, one man crashed in the window with an axe and another seized a tray containing 24 diamond rings and both jumped into a two-horse sleigh and were rapidly driven away. Pursuit was made but unsuccessfully. The property stolen was valued at \$2,000.

Margrave of Caden-Dourlach, was a ruler for seventy-three years. Louis XIV. of France reigned seventy-two years; and the reign of our George III. lasted sixty years. The reign of Queen Victoria bids fair to become one of the longest on record.

# The Problem of It.

"Little Tommy didn't disobey mamma and go in swimming, did he?" "No, mamma, Jimmy Brown and the est of the boys went in; but I remembered, and would not disobey you."

"And Tommy never tells lies, does

"No. mamma."

"Then how does Tommy happen to have on Jimmy Brown's shirt!

# THE MARKETS.

St. Paul Dec. 28.				
GRAIN-				
Wheat, No. 1 Hard	7434	(a)		751%
Wheat, No. 1 Northern	73	a		73
Wheat, No. 2 Northern	71	(a)		72
Wheat, No. 1 Northern Wheat, No. 2 Northern Corn, No. 2	39	a		391/4
Oate No 9 Mixed	261			27
Oats, No. 2 White	28	(iii		381/2
Barley, No. 2	47			/2
Rye, No. 2	45			
Flax Seed	83			
Baled Hay, upland 7	50	a	7	75
Baled Hay, timothy10	00	(0)		
PROVISIONS-	•			••
Flour, patent84	25	a	4	40
Flour, straights 4	15	a		30 .
Flour, bakers 3	40	í		60
Butter, creamery	28	(a)	•	30
Butter, dairy	20	(w		22
Cheese	121	(a)		13
Eggs. fresh	121 231	(w		25
Potatoes	40	a		43
Dressed Beef, steers	3	(a)		4
Dressed Hogs 4	35	(0	4	40
Veal	5	(00	•	6
LIVE STOCK-		3		
Steers	75	a	4	10
Hogs 3	50	fa		
Sheep 3	00	a	3	25
Minneapolis Dec. 2		_		
WHEAT-				
No. 1 Hard	76	a		761/2
No. 1 Northern	7414@		74%	
No. 2 Northern	73	100		731
FLOUR-		-		/3
Patent in sacks	25	a	4	40
Patent in barrels 4	30			50
Patent at New England		6	•	-
points 5	10	a	5	50
Patent at N. Y. and Penn., points		-		
points 4	90	(a	5	05
Bakers 3	40	a		
Chicago, Dec. 28.		-		
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GRAIN— Wheat, cash		0		221/
Corn, cash	c 36	a		77½ 36¾
Oats, cash	26			2617
		(w		26%
Flor Sand cash		(ii)		
Flax Seed, cash	94	(4)		95 45
Flax Seed, cash				
Flax Seed, cash	94 40 p	(4)	1	45
Flax Seed, cash	94 40 p 00	(u)	1 3	45 30
Flax Seed, cash.  MESS PORK. 11  LIVE STOCK— Cattle \$3  Hogs. 35	94 40 p 00	(4)	1 3 4	45 30 10

Duluth, Dec. 28.

WHEAT-

Milwaukee, Dec. 22.

# DAKOTA DOINGS.

### News Gathered From The Most Reliable Sources.

THE FARMER'S ALLIANCE.

The Territorial Farmer's Alliance closed its annual session at Mitchell on the 23rd, after sitting for two days. The following upon Free Markets was adopted and is to be made a part of the constitution.

Your committee to whom was' referred the Your committee to whom was referred the subject of "Free marketing of grain," beg to roport: That this alliance having already decided to urge the passage of a law permitting the erection and maintenance of flat warehouses, as well as elevators, at the several railroad stations or market places within the territory, the formulating of the necessary bill or amendment properly belongs to the legislative committee.

Second—That we heartily approve of the re-commendation of the president of this alliance, and of the railroad commissioner in the matter of making what is known as elevator receipts negotiable, and recommend that the legislative committee be instructed to memorialize the leg-islature on the subject.

Third-Your committee recommend that the legislative committee recommend the passage of a law requiring the grading of all grain received at public warehouses or elevators, said grading or inspection to correspond with that adopted by the railroad and warehouse commis-

adopted by the railroad and warehouse commis-sion of Minnesota, in order that the proposed negotiable receipts may bear the same grade as in the market in which they are likely to be sold. Fourth - That we do not approve of the reso-lution requiring inspection and weights at the several market places in the territory, the first requiring too much machinery to successfully requiring too much machinery to successfully carry out, as well as for the reason that our pr ducts are marketed outside the territory and amenable to other state regulations; and as to the latter, i. e., weights, that there is already a statutory provision that if enforced would secure the desired result.

Fifth—That in the opinion of this committee that in order to secure a free market, the force

that in order to secure a free market, the farm ers of Dakota must be practically independent of railways and elevators securing for the farmer the same accommodation and rates that are given to elevators, storing their crops them-selves, thereby saving carrying charges on grain by and for which elevators are built and maintained, and controlling in a measure, the visible supply on which markets are based or manipulated, and securing at all times the best

reward for his labor and capital.

At the afternoon session President McLouth, of the agricultural college at Brookings, presented the claims of that institution, and resolutions were adopted relating to the same. The report of the treasurer showed the receipts for the year just closed were \$1,214.98, and expenditures \$1,213.16. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President H. L. Loucks,

A memorial to the territorial legislature was drafted, and President Loucks designated to present the same to that body at the coming ession. A resolution was adopted recommending the organization of an alliance hall insurance company, and the officers were appointed to put the same into operation: President, A. Wardell, of Milbank; vice-president, H. W. Smith, of Sioux Falls; secretary, S. D. Cooley, of Milbank. The next meeting of the territorial alliance will be held at Huron a year hence.

### IN THE MANDAN COUNTRY.

A leading farmer, residing near Mandan, interviewed regarding the prospect for next year's crops, replied substantially as follows: My idea is that we shall have a good crop next year. Last year the country was full of those whotsewed fire broadcast upon our beantiful prairies, and nearly the whole face of the country from Mandan to Medora was denuded of its grasses, leaving the whole 'plain of black desolation. No one can say defintely who was most blameworthy. Perhaps the hunter, or the Indian, or the bone picker, or the iron horse. Denuded of its grasses the whole face of the country was exposed to the scorching rays of fierce autumnal sun of 1885, which, aided by the dry winds of the season, sapped the earth of understood that his remains will be taken to his every vestige of moisture, leaving it so dry that no average team could drive apon or plow in six weeks ago, his mind having given way. He any part of the burned district. Whenever the standing grass was ruined by the flames the land remained full of moisture, plowing was easy and in all such places, even upon newly turned sod, crops matured and yielded a good

\*\*THE MANITOBA GRANT.\*\* harvest. Later on in winter the snow that fell upon the naked earth, having nothing to hold it in place, slid along before the pelting winds unin place, slid along before the pelting winds until it lodged in some remote gorges or deep ravines. Here, when the thawcame and the huge drifts went into liquidation, the waters were not absorbed to any appreciable extent but were hurrled off into the streams and river courses and conveyed beyond the reach of the farmer they were intended to benefit. When the spring of 1886 came the farmer, was conveiled to see of 1:86 came the farmer was compelled to sow his seed in a soil bereft of its entire winter sup-ply of moisture, and as an natural result his harvest was either meager or an entire failure. This season no general fires have occurred and the country has assumed its normal condition and is big with promises for the coming harvest. The standing grasses over the whole face of the country are banked with anow. Whenever a thaw comes the parched land, well covered with snow and too dry to freeze, will drink up the waters with sponge-like a filty. [Could we penetrate like favorable conditions each succeeding year, the West Missouri country, with its su-perior agricultural lands, its pure springs of water, its inexhaustible coal beds and short winters, will offer to the coming settler the best natural advantages. The prairie fire should be a thing of the past, for it is this that works such havoc with our farmers as well as our stock men."

# SIQUE CENSUS.

By means of a great feast Sept. 23, Commissioner Atkins has been enabled to take a very complete census of the Sioux Indians, the results of which are just made public. There are 23,831 entitled to rations on the reservation, of which 5,723 are adult males, 7,455 adult females, 5,320 males under 18, and 5,333 females under 18. The slight decrease all around was expected but the falling off of 2,966 in Pine Ridge is not understood. The following is a summary by agencies:

Crow Creek No. in 1886, 1,023: No. in 1885,

1,061; families in agriculture, 189. Lower Brule, No. in 1886, 1,220; No. in 1885, 1,429; families in agriculture, 106. Cheyenne River, No. in 1886, 2,930; families

Cheyenne River, No. in 1886, 2,930; families in agriculture, 475
Standing Rock, No. in 1886, 4,639; No. in 1885, 4,450; families in agriculture, 1,195.
Pine Ridge, No. in 1886, 4,884, in 1895, 7,650; families in agriculture, 650.
Santee, No. in 1886, 1,122; No. in 1885, 1,086; families in agriculture, 258.

families in agriculture, 258. Rosebud, No. in 1886, 8,026; No. in 1885, 8,293; familter in agriculture, 699.

# MORE LAND CASES.

Secretary Lamar has affirmed the decision of the land commissioner in the case of W. H. Bachman vs. Dorothy Smith, giving the northeast quarter of section 20, town 112, range 63, Huron land district, to the latter. In the case of Alexander Boursel, involving land in section 77% 27, town 151, range 65, Devils Lake land dis-

trict, the secretary reverses the decision of the commissioner, demanding that Boursel give up | lubricant found anywhere in the country. one of the lots in his entry as it aggregated 1763. acres. The secretary holds that, as Boursel came on the land eight years in advance of the came on the land eight years in advance of the surveys, made improvements aggregating in value \$1,000, which would be injured by a surrender, and that the government would gain nothing by the relinquishment of a single lot, he be allowed to keep the land. The secretary has reversed the decision of the commissioner in the case of R. J. Henderson vs. Frederick Helburg, involving the northeast quarter of section 24 town 115, range 53, Watertown (Dak.) land district. He has affirmed the decision in land district. He has affirmed the decision in the case of Bridget Gray vs. Joseph Gilüllan, involving the northwest quarter of section 7, town 107, range 67, Huron land district. This cancels Gilfillau's entry A motion for a review has been filed in the case of H. C. Hansinvolving the southeast quarter borough, section 28, town 156, range 64, Devils Lake land

#### TREASURER BAYMOND'S REPORT.

Territorial Treasurer J. W. Raymond's biennial report gives the following statement of Dak-

	ota finances:		
1	Year ended Nov. 30, 1885-		
•	Balance in treasury	218,667	6
•	Receipts	675,203	1
	Disbursements	893,870	7
	Collected on account of general fund	493,158	3
	Disbursements, general fund	430,692	
•	Received from counties	286,912	
t t	Received from rathroads	159,438	0
t	From other sources	45,649	
-	Disbursements bond interest fund	13.511	
1		191,561	
8	Disbursements for public instructions.	144,170	0
	Year ended Nov. 30, 1886-		
	Balance in treasury	205,749	1
0	Receipts	552 895	

Disbursements... Collected on account of general fund. 502,504 40 
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 530,439 64

 Disbursement, general fund.
 530,439 64

 Received from counties
 310,953 89

 Received from railroads.
 163,045 59
 

The treasurer recommends certain changes in the law governing the calling of interest on bonds, so that the refusal of a county shall not be exempt it from payment of accrued penalty and interest on territorial collections while other counties are paying these claims without pro-

#### RAILROAD PROGRESS

Aberdeen special: The Manitoba track layers are now in sight of this city. It is expected they will reach here by Christmas, and preparations are being made to celebrate the event in a fitting manner. J. M. Egan, general superintendent, and A. L. Mohler, general freight agent, were here a few day's since. They expect to da a large amount of business over the new line, and will erect a fine brick depot in the spring, also a round house, machine shops, etc. The run from St. Paul to Aberdeen will be made in 12 hours, leaving there at 7:30, p. m., and arriving in Aberdeen at 7:30 the next morning. The Chiago & Northwestern are now making connec tions with the Northern Pacific at Oakes. north and south. A large amount of Northern Pacific freight is passing over the line coming

### JUDGE M'CONNEL'S EMBARRASSMENT.

After occupying the attention of the court at Fargo for quitea time the disbarment proceed ings against Ryman and Rourke, two attempts of Lisbon, ended virtually in a verdict for the defense, Judge McConnell deciding to suspend the accused for ninety days. The case has attracted much attention because the complainant was accused for innerly day.

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Maj. Buttz, the present district attorney of Ransom county, and Mr. Rourke is now the district
attorney-elect of the same county. The proceedings were commenced before the election,
ceedings were commenced before the election. and the complications arising since then have been numerous and interesting. Judge McConnell, in rendering his decision, said he had nev-er been as much embarrassed in deciding a case as with this one.

# DEATH OF GEN. TREE.

When Gov. Pierce, at Bismarck was informed of the death of Adjutant General Tree, at Yankton, of softening of the brain, he immedi-ately issued an order expressing regrets, and instructing Adj. Gen. Tyner to take the necesorganization and development of the Dakota Militia.

As its last act before the holiday recess the House of Representatives took up and passed St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba R. R. bill granting the right of way through the Fort Ber-thold reservation in Dakota and through the Fort Buford 'military reservation. The road will run up the Missouri as far as Milk river, and thence to Fort Assinaboine, and then south to the great falls of the Missouri. The President vetoed a general bill last year granting the right of way to any railroad, as no particular line was specified. This bill meets the President's ob-jection and will undoubtedly be approved.

# HURON LAND OFFICE.

Register McFarland, of the Huron land office, has completed his report for November, to be transmitted to the department of the interior. It gives the following figures: Number of preemption filings, 40: homestead filings, 73; timber culture filings, 88; pre-emption proofs cash entry, 85; committed proofs, 27; total number acres newly filed on, 25,417; acres acquired by final proof and cash entry, 26,979.

Adjt.-Gen. Thomas S. Tree, of Sioux Falls, died at Yankton on the 22nd, of softening of the brain. The deceased was very prominent in Grand Army of the Republic circles. The remains were taken to Toledo' Iowa, for interment, with Grand Army honors.

# HERE AND THERE.

Hillsboro is going to have a driving park and race track. It is estimated that there are 18,500,000 scres of land in the territory yet subject to original

The Normal institution at Madison has now of the fire. Gen. Wallace, the author of "Ben Hur," has

been secured to lecture at several points in The Dunseith Herald claims that in the Turmountains beautiful mirages are visible

almost constantly. A herd of fifty antelope was seen in the east part of Campbell county after the recent storm. That is a rare sight of late,

Wolves in Bon Homme county are becoming a dangerous nuisance, and in place of being hunt-

ed they are now hunting the hunters. It is regarded as singular that there should be

in Rapid City only two small tailor shops, while there are nine millinery establishments. The Farmers' Hail Insurance company in Walsh county had over 5,000 acres of wheat ruined, and will pay 75 per cent, of the losses.

The Milwaukee road has just completed a handsome depot at Vilce, formerly Howard, in Minor county, and the citizens are proud of it. The oil taken from the well near Deadwood | party.

at a depth of 575 feet is pronounced the finest

With the opening of the new connection with the South via Oakes and Jamestown, cars of ty and grain are shipped from the south to

The clergy at Grand Forks have petitioned the county board to establish high license for saloons in that county. They do not ask for prohibition.

The winter amusements in Dakota this year will, so far as there are new features, mainly be tobogganing and guessing at the number of

The college at Brookings has nearly two hundred students, representing twenty-seven counties, and will compare with any institution of the kind in the West.

The Yankton Press says thirty-five calves out of a herd of 117 died at Beresford recency, but the experts differed as to whether the disease was pleuro-pneumonia or black leg.

The gambling apparatus confiscated by Judge Church in Brown county was chopped up and what was suitable for kindling purposes was distributed among the poor. The Rapid City Journal wants the fact noted

that farmers were planting in the hills the first week in December. As late as the 10th it says the ground was in good condition for the plow, Bazilla Clemens, of the Cheyenne River agen-cy, who claimed \$4,050 for depredations com-mitted in 1869 by Sioux Indians, was yesterday mitted in 1869 by Sioux Indians, was yesterday awarded in Washington \$1,740 in full satisfaction for his claims.

The legislature will be asked to enact a law requiring the record of all births and marriages, and some papers want added "Notice of Intenas was once required in some of the

The Webster reporter is confident there is coal under that county and that a forture awaits the party who may develope it. There can be no doubt of its great value if there is a good workable vein of it.

Before there was a railroad to the Black Hills. Deadwood paid \$11 a hundred on f reight from Chicago. Now with a road within foot, miles the rate is \$11.40 and there is earnest enquiry why this is thus.

A young man in Emmons county visiting his girl in the country, was caught in the blizzard and compelled to remain three days. The girl's father then insisted that he should wait till a other | preacher could be sent for and the marriage cer-

emony performed. A number of parties from Dakota have gone back to Canada and Wisconsin to spend the winter. They say they have been accustomed to colder weather, and Dakota winters are becoming too mild for them.

It is claimed that the coal found near Minor, on the Manitoba extension in the Mouse river country, is of a superior quality to the Missouri lignite, and that it is found in veins easy to mine. It has not been fully tested yet.

Six persons have recently died at the town of Bijou Hills of inflammation of the bowels, said to be caused by the alkali water used. The men there now have a good excuse for not drinking water, and are not likely to die from its use.

The president of the territorial university at Grand Forks reports that institution on rapidly rising ground having afty-eight students and the most encouraging prospects. Its growth was checked for a time by the wrangle in the man-Stark county on the Northern Pacific west of

the Missouri river, has organized a board of emigration and is using the most energetic efforts to secure a liberal share of the new-comers There is an abundance of government land still to be had there, and it is a fine cattle region.

Now that the Missouri river is frozen over, Indians frequent towns opposite the reservation. It is stated they have much less to sell this year than usual—a few ponies and their old clothes, with an occasional beaver hide or deer skin constituting their entire stock. The town of Oakes is looking up. Prominent

capitalists are looking around there with a view to establishing stock and transfer yards and other enterprises which will bring in money and develop the surrounding country. A delegation from Pierre waited upon Bishop Marty at Yankton on the 21stinst., with the re-Marty at Yankton on the 21stinst., with the request for the removal from Pierre of a priest who

is inculcating doctrines prejudicial to the properity of various gambling games in that city. A few days ago a small herd of deer came into A few days ago a small nerd of deer came into the town of La Grace, in Campbell county, com-ing on the business street within 300 yards o the postoffice. Every man who could get a rife turned out, but the deer did not wait for them and were last seen on a hill half a mile away apparently watching the caravan turning

Parties in Turner county and the Red river valley are attempting to grow apricots. The tree s have lived through the winters and seem to be thrifty, but have not reached the bearing age. A good man y kinds of plums do well in Dakota, but it has been supposed the spricot and peach would not stand the climate.

The artist of Frank Leslie's Weekly, who pictured as an actual scene trains on the North-ern Pacific in Dakota buried in snow drifts thr ee and four feet deep on the prairie, probably took the sketch in summer, as the Dakota division o the Northern Pacific is never seriously obstructed with snow drifts.

In many of the Dakota towns there is quite an influx of persons who have been trying to hold claims without means, and having failed to raise crops, they are forced to leave during the winter. Some of them fail to find anything to do in the towns, and are likely to have a hard winter, possibly having trouble also to hold their claims.

ture will defer the tax paying time, as was done two years ago. In the Red River region taxes are being freely paid, as the people had good crops and can pay at one time as well as another, but in many sections it is nearly impossible for a large part of the land cultivators to pay until they can raise crops.

Most of those who talk of the population of the territory multiply the old settled five. That is near the proportion communities, but the census of 1885 affords an accurate test and shows that in Dakota there is a little less than
4.7 of population to one vote, which applied to
the recent election falls a little below 500, 000
population. Those will do very well for round

Charles Mix has a temperance alliance that 1 making a vigorous attempt to eliminate the liquor traffic in the country. It is asserted in this connection that high license is the best that can be had under the existing law, as it is a leged that in test cases where the country boards have refused license liquor men have always come out ahead. It is a mistake, it is said, that the Dakota law gives local ontion. always come out ahead. It is a mistake, it said, that the Dakota law gives local option Some changes will be asked of the legislature.

It is reported from Clark, Clark county, tha the town marshal was recently taken to smith shop and given a suit of tar and feathers, his offense being writing infamous letters to young girls and indecent exposure of his person. young girls and indecent exposure of his person. The editor of the Clark Democrat says he has read some of the letters, and they are enough to cause the blood of any father to turn cold

# An Oleomorgarine Hug.

A young man at Cedar Springs, Mich. called on his sweetheart one evening and fell asleep in his chair with one arm around her waist. When he woke up he found a churn in his arms and the young woman had disappeared.

A lawn party is pleasant enough unti begins to rain. Then it becomes a forlo