

CHARLES W. CHAMBERLAIN SETTLING \$25,000 BANKRUPTCY OBLIGATIONS.

COPPER STOCK HELPED IT

Former Exceter, Mo., Merchant's Bills Outlasted 14 Years Ago, but His Determination to Win Is Successful.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—Charles W. Chamberlain, 55 years old, who suffered business reverses while running a country store at Exceter, Mo., 21 years ago and availed himself of the bankruptcy act while \$25,000 in debt, has recouped his losses by investments in copper mine stock, and this week will pay back the last of his indebtedness, outlived 14 years ago.

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Unwillingly, Chamberlain told a reporter the story of his failure and arduous struggle to overcome his obligations. Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain have four children, a son in St. Louis, one in Fort Smith, Ark., and two in Los Angeles.

Man Steps to It Too Long. As a proprietor of a general store at Exceter, Chamberlain at first was a success. But he "stepped to it too long" he said, and at the age of 42 found himself impoverished, with a wife and four children and debts of about \$25,000. His creditors were chiefly wholesale houses in St. Louis and Chicago from which he bought his stock.

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JUDGE GIVES MAN OWN COAT. Plea of Scantly-Clothed Prisoner Moves New York Magistrate. NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—James Rice, homeless, admitted in the center street Police Court that he walked into the Tombs in a state of mind approaching stupefaction.

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MASHER REMEDY IS FOUND. Chicago Police Stab in Christmas Crowds to Protect Girls.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Police Captain Halpin has assigned one of his huskiest detectives to mingle with the Christmas crowds and protect girls from "mashers." The detective is armed with a large needle, and when he discovers a "masher" ogling a girl, moves alongside and jabs the needle an inch or so into the leg of the offender, depending largely upon provocation.

MULES IN GREAT DEMAND. Sale Brings \$60,000 When 300 Head Go in Missouri Country.

FULTON, Mo., Dec. 11.—The season's first big sale of Fall Callaway County mules, known as the "Big Sale," was held here today. Charles Dunn and Franz Robnett disposed of 300 head to a St. Louis mule firm.

POPULARITY AT ZENITH. Two Men Dance Gaily Among 100 Women at Teachers' Hop.

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ABSTRACTS OF TITLE. PROMPT SERVICE at reasonable prices. Pacific Title & Trust Co., 7 Cham. of Com. ACCORDION FLEATING. N. STEPHAN—Hemstitching and scalloping, 1000 N. Grand, phone 100. MOUNTAIN ASSAY OFFICE—Laboratory and ore-testing works, 2nd Morrison st. ATORNERS. J. H. GREENE—General practice, abstracts, contracts, collections, injuries, etc. Removed to new office, 107, 109, 110. Selling 500,000, 500,000, 500,000.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS. Mitchell, Lewis & Steyer Co., Morrison and 2d. ARCHITECTURAL WIRE & IRON WORKS. Furbush Bros. & Co., 23 Columbia. AUTO AND BUGGY TOPS. DUBUQUE BUGGY TOP CO., 200 2d st. AUTOMOBILES. Mitchell, Lewis & Steyer Co., Morrison and 2d. AUTO LAMP AND RADIATOR. PORTLAND AUTO LAMP CO., 310 Alder st. BAGGAGE CHECKED AT HOME. Baggages, 1000 N. Grand, 1000 N. Grand. BARBER SUPPLIES. Lewis-Steiner Barber Supply Co., 10th-Mor. BICYCLES, MOTORCYCLES & SUPPLIES. DAYTON CYCLES, 247 4th st. BREAD BAKERY. Royal Bakery, 12th and Everett. BREWERS AND BOTTLERS. HENRY WEINBERG, 14th and Burnside. CARRIAGE WORKS. PORTLAND CARRIAGE WORKS, 109 North Fourth Street. CASCADIA BARK AND GRAPE ROOT. KAHN BROS., 191 FRONT ST. CEMENT, LIME AND PLASTER. F. T. Crose & Co., 46 Fourth St. COFFEES, TEAS AND SPICES. F. L. CLOTT & SON, 111 N. Front st.

AMUSEMENTS. HEILIG THEATER. 11th and Morrison. Special Matinee Today 2:15. "BOUGHT AND PAID FOR". BAKER THEATER. Main 2, A 2560. The Famous Baker Film Series. "A MAN'S WORLD". COLUMBIATHEATRE. Main 2, A 2560. "SEA WOLF". LARSON. In this city, December 16, Ma-thilda Larson, aged 39 years, wife of W. J. Larson, died of a heart ailment.

BAKERY. M. J. WRIGHT—22 years' practice, U. S. and foreign patents. 900 Dekum bldg. BARRISTERS. F. A. TROTT, 222 North Second. BOOKSELLERS. H. M. HARRIS, 222 North Second. CROCKERY. H. M. HARRIS, 222 North Second. DRUGGISTS. H. M. HARRIS, 222 North Second. ELECTRICIANS. PORTLAND WOOD PIPE CO.—Factory and office near 24th and York sts. ENGINEERS. PORTLAND WOOD PIPE CO.—Factory and office near 24th and York sts. FURNITURE. PORTLAND WOOD PIPE CO.—Factory and office near 24th and York sts. GROCERIES. W. P. FULLER & CO., 12th and Davis. HAT AND CAPS. THANNHAUSER HAT CO., 32-33 Front st. HOUSING. PORTLAND WOOD PIPE CO.—Factory and office near 24th and York sts. IRON WORKS. PORTLAND WOOD PIPE CO.—Factory and office near 24th and York sts. JEWELRY. PORTLAND WOOD PIPE CO.—Factory and office near 24th and York sts. MECHANICALS. PORTLAND WOOD PIPE CO.—Factory and office near 24th and York sts. PAINTS AND VARNISHES. RAMSBERG & CO., 10th and 11th.

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MORTGAGE LOANS. Western Bond & Mortgage Co. Commercial Club Bldg., Portland, Or. WHO HAS GOT BRAINS. Mortgage Loans. CITY AND FARM LOANS. C. M. ZADOW. CITY AND FARM LOANS. JOHN E. CRONAN. CITY AND FARM LOANS.

REAL ESTATE. BEAUTIFUL ROOMS. WEST SIDE BUNGALOW. FIVE ACRES WANTED. MORTGAGE LOANS. WESTERN BOND & MORTGAGE CO. WHO HAS GOT BRAINS. CITY AND FARM LOANS. REAL ESTATE. BEAUTIFUL ROOMS. WEST SIDE BUNGALOW. FIVE ACRES WANTED. MORTGAGE LOANS. WESTERN BOND & MORTGAGE CO. WHO HAS GOT BRAINS. CITY AND FARM LOANS. REAL ESTATE. BEAUTIFUL ROOMS. WEST SIDE BUNGALOW. FIVE ACRES WANTED. MORTGAGE LOANS. WESTERN BOND & MORTGAGE CO. WHO HAS GOT BRAINS. CITY AND FARM LOANS. REAL ESTATE. BEAUTIFUL ROOMS. WEST SIDE BUNGALOW. FIVE ACRES WANTED. MORTGAGE LOANS. WESTERN BOND & MORTGAGE CO. WHO HAS GOT BRAINS. CITY AND FARM LOANS.