AN INGLORIOUS END.

Old Warship Kearsarge The Wrecked in the Gulf.

The Destroyer of the Robel Privateer Alabama Strikes a Reef and Is Lost -Her Officers and Crew Saved.

FATE OF THE KEARSARGE.

COLON, Isthmus of Panama, Feb. 9 .the coast of Nicaragua, and by this unless charges were preferred and sustime with a moderately heavy sea pounding her on the ragged coral edges of the shoal is a total loss. Rumors of the wreck reached here two days ago and were confirmed Wednesday by the appea ance of Lieut. Frederick Brainard and a portion of the war vessel's crew.

The Kearsarge struck "head on" early on the morning of February 2. She had left Port au Prince January 30 for Blewfields, Nicaragua. When the vessel struck the reef it was soon seen that she was doomed and all hands were ordered to the boats. Five days' provisions were taken and the erew ordered to proceed to the island of Old Providence, a few miles due west of Roncador.

From that point Lieut. Brainard with the first cutter, went to Colon for assistance, that being considered wiser than asking any help from Blewfields under the present circumstances. Lieut, several weeks, is a usurper. Brainard reported to the American consul that none of the officers or crew were surprise when told at noon that the missing and not a man injured in the courts had decided in Mrs. Lease's favor wreck. He admits that the vessel is a total wreck

sarge. When the New York and De. take. All he would say was that the troit were dispatched to Rio, it was question was by no means finally demade the flagship of the North Atlantic cided as to whether Mrs. Lease would squadron and Admiral Stanton, after remain in office. the secretary of the navy had acted on his report of the salute of Mello in Rio bay, was ordered to proceed to Port au Prince and transfer his flag to the Kearsarge and assume command of the station.

The Kearsarge was one of the oldest vessels in the navy with a splendid history. The event with which the vessel is most closely associated in the public mind was its gallant fight false, and I propose to make them prove any with the Alabama, the confederate privateer, near Cherbourg, France, June 19, 1864. As the Merrimac, which was destroyed by the Monitor, had Texas Desperadoes Ditch a Passenger inflicted untold damage on sthe commerce of the inland waters and along the coast of the United States, so the Alabama had preyed upon the comdesired.

MRS. LEASE WINS. Supreme Court of Kansas Decides She

Can Remain on the State Board. TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 10.-Mrs. Mary E. Lease has won her case in the supreme court, which decides that the governor cannot remove her as a member of the state board of charities, of which board she remains president. The court was unanimous, the populist member concurring with the republicans. The court held that Gov. Lewelling had no The wooden corvette Kearsarge of the authority to appoint a successor to Mrs. North Atlantic squadron is lying Lease, who was appointed for a term "broadside on" on Roncador reef off of a year and confirmed by the senate,



tained, and that J. W. Freeborn, who has been sitting with the board for

Gov. Lewelling showed undisguised in the tenure of office case. He declined, however, to express any opinion Admiral Stanton was on the Kear- or to say what course he would next

> A reporter saw Mrs. Lease just after the decision. She said:

"I had intended to resign my place on the board as soon as this decision was handed down in my favor, as the salary is a mere pittance, but I have changed my mind and I propose to hold my place at all hazards. My reasons for this are simply these: I am informed that it is a plan of the administration to bring charges against me for bribery in the letting of contracts for supplies of the state institutions. All such charges are charges they may prefer or hold their peace."

WRECKED BY ROBBERS.

Train and Fire on the Crew.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 10.-Thursday night at the high bridge over White Oak bayou train-wreckers removed the merce of the union on the high seas. rails and fish-plates on the Missouri, Even after the confederate navy had Kansas & Texas railroad. When the been practically annihilated the Ala- passenger train came along the engine bama's commander, Capt. Semmes, con- passed safely over but the baggage tinued his depredatory work, and the and mail coaches jumped the track and destruction of the vessel was greatly rolled down the bank, followed by the smoker, which landed on top of them. The Kearsarge was 214 feet 6 inches The wreck presented a frightful apin length, with 38 feet beam and a pearance. Joe Elliott, a brakeman, depth of 16 feet. She contained two en- was sent back to flag a freight train gines of 400 horse-power and 1.030 ton- which was soon due. He had not pronage. Her armament consisted of two ceeded a hundred yards when a volley 11-inch smooth-bore guns, one 30- from ambush was fired upon him, Four bullets took effect in his body. The crew The Alabama was one of three Brit- in the meantime, aided by passenish piratical cruisers which under the gers, were at work extricating the men confederate flag preyed upon American | buried in the wrecked cars, and feared merchantmen. She was 200 feet long, to go to the flagman's rescue. He, 32 feet beam, 17 feet depth and 600 however, crawled, bleeding and horse-power, with 1,150 tonnage. She wounded, back to the train. In the carried one 7-inch Blakely rifle, one 8- mail car was Lou Morris, the agent, inch smooth-bore 68-pounder and six badly bruised, and with several bones 32-pounders and had about 140 officers broken. His first thought was and men, against about an equal num- of his mail and he requested the reporter to go by the post office Early in June the Alabama, after a and notify them that he had a big run prosperous cruise in the southern At- of registers. H. Hatton, the express lantic and Indian oceans, returned to messenger, was found in his car with northern waters and put in at his ribs broken and in a critical con-Cherbourg, France. The Kearsarge, dition. J. W. Carter, baggagemaster, Capt. John A. Winslow, then lying was injured about the head and interat Flushing, L. L, sailed for Cherbourg nally. A relief train was made up to watch the Alabama, and on June here and sent to the scene. The 15 her commander received a note wounded were brought in and are in

USED DYNAMITE.

Burglars Blow Open Safes in Lima and Deshler, O.

The Standard Oil Offices in the Former Place and a Bank in the Latter Are the Victims-The Theives Escape with \$1,200.

CRACKED TWO SAFES.

LIMA, O., Feb. 9.-One gang of robbers committed two burglaries Tuesday night and Wednesday morning, the first being in the office of the Standard Oil company in this city and he other in the bank at Deshler, a small town just south of Lima. In both cases dynamite was effectively used and the sums obtained approximated \$6,000 in each instance.

At 11 o'clock Tuesday night the safe crackers entered into the Standard Oil office by way of a rear door, which they pried open. Once inside they pulled the blinds down and went to work. They drilled a hole through the top of the doors and put in a charge of dynamite. The big doors were torn off and the room was badly wrecked. Papers were found all over the place, some of them once valuable being so badly charred as to render them valueless. The steel box in which the money was kept was pried off and the burglars took it with them. This box contained all the money and valubles and has not been found. It is not thought the thieves stopped to open it in the city, as they must have feared detection, for the office is in one of the thickly inhabited parts of the city. The explosion was heard by many citizens, but it being near the railroad yards no attantion was paid to the

noise. From the scene of their successful labors the robbers evidently went to Deshler, concealed or opened their box of treasure and then planned another and more daring raid. They entered the town's bank without being suspected and worked uninterrudteply. Dynamite was exploded in fresh-drilled holes and the noise and concussion were heard and felt in nearly every house in town. There was a rush of citizens and it was found that the thieves had gained an entrance to the bank through a back window. This was left open and was broken. The robbers drilled into the safe with evident ease and honeycombed the door of the vault. Their dynamite then came into play. It was laid around the "burglar proof" safe. The big steel box could not resist the force of the explosive and was easily blown open.

The men obtained about \$4,000 in gold and \$1,000 in silver. When the safe was blown up \$3,000 in paper money was destroyed, being blown into fine pieces. The town postmaster had deposited in the vaults, according to his usual custom, all of his stamps and money. There were about \$500 worth of stamps and \$1,000 in cash. He is a heavy loser, as all disappeared. where. A dark lantern was discovered ing down a large number of smoke- are situated at Sigua, Cuba, where it a mile or two north of the town on the stacks and fences and doing a lot of owns other property, including 714 tracks of the railroad. The tracks of miscellaneous damage in various parts miles of railroad, with complete equipthree men are also noticeable for sev- of the city. The most serious damage eral miles in that direction. There reported was from the vicinity of they are lost sight of and nothing more Sarah and Finney avenues, where a is known of their progress. The greatest excitement exists in street car wires burned up and caused Deshler and all the surrounding coun- considerable excitement. try, where the news rapidly spread. It INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 12 .- Reports the Tylers, the Bullits and the Clarks, is a remarkable fact that though many from different parts of the state indipersons reached the bank a few mo- onte that a terrible windstorm swept ments after the explosion none of the over Indiana Friday. At this point a robbers were seen, and their identity steady gale was blowing all the afteris unknown. The bank is one of the solid institu- alarming strength. At 6 o'clock the breath of anything else being involved. tions of the county and has a reputa- wind became almost a hurricane. It The improvements in the Cuban mines tion of carrying a good many dollars in mowed down signs and shook build- swallowed up \$500,000 and the slump currency. There was a vault sup- ings, but subsided almost immediately. in business did the rest. posed to be proof against all the PEBU, Ind., Feb. 12.-A terrible windvault generally dismantled and blown trees and wires. to pieces are all that remain of the MENOMINEE, Mich., Feb. 12 .- A terinterior, and the building is consider- rific wind and snowstorm raged from ably damaged. The total loss to the early morn and continued with increasbank is about \$25,000.

BIG DROP IN WHEAT.

Lowest Point Ever Reached in Chicago, New York and St. Louis.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12 .- Not since the stormy days of last summer, immediately following the collapse of the Cudahy deal, has there been such intense interest on the board of trade as that of Friday. This time everything centered in wheat, which sold down with a rush to a level which a few months ago, if predicted, would have been considered simply ridiculous. The pit was filled with a surging mass of brokers, and at times the situation was nothing less than panicy. Happily there was no failures, although the strain on many operators must have been intense.

May wheat broke 2 cents, which, added to fractional declines during the serions weakness of the earlier days of the week, made a net shrinkage in values of 4 cents since last Saturday night, the month named registering the low point of 60% cents. Never before since there has been speculative market has May wheat sold at a figure so low. Time and again within the last few months has the record been broken, but the decline of Friday was considered by all as serious in the extreme.

Corn was remarkably steady considering the action of wheat, but provisions broke sharply, May pork selling off to \$12 a barrel and rallying but feebly.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.-Great excitement ruled in the wheat pits of the New York exchange Friday. Again the low record for May wheat was broken, amid scenes of the wildest excitement, at a price hitherto unknown in the history of the cereal. Point by point wheat continued to drop until just after 19 o'clock the unheard of figures of 65% for May wheat in this market and 60% for Chi-

cago were reached. The caused tremendous liquidation of long wheat and brokers fairly fell over one another in wild efforts to sell. The wires between here and Chicago were kept hot with selling orders for New York account. Within ten minutes of the close there came a pause, the excitement was checked and a sharp reaction of just one-fourth of a cent followed, which price was the final one of the day. The aggregate losses

last three months will, it is said, exceed \$6,000,000. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 12 .- From opening to close at the Merchants' exchange Friday wheat declined steadily until 57% cents for the May option was reached. the lowest point ever touched here. There was little excitement, but some brisk covering by shorts. One speculator bought about 250,000 bushels early in the day at around 59 cents and other shorts covered on the way down.

of New Yorkers in wheat during the

FIERCE STORMS.

LITTLE CHANGE.

No Decided Improvement in General **Business** Shown

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

"Improvement in business still appears in many directions, but it seems to be in part balanced by loss in others. The gradual gain, which began some time ago and was strengthened a little by the success of the treasury loan, has scarcely answered expectations. Reports of resumption of work continue to indicate that the industries are doing me than in December, and yet the record of their actual gain is disappointingly small. The marked increase which appears in offerings of commercial paper has almost wholly ceased, and the accumulation of unemployed funds continues so that indorsed mill paper has been taken at 2% per cent. The bond operation has not advanced stocks nor stimulated speculation, and the lowest price ever known for wheat has been recorded. Doubtless the un certainty which remains, with the tariff bill yet in the senate and currency measures of importance pending in the house, has some hindering influence, but there is still seen an increase in the demand for many kinds of goods because of the exhaustion of the stock in the hands of the dealers by a consumption which, though less than usual, is nevertheless more than in any other country.

"Crop reports were expected to cause a great advance in wheat, but the price has dropped to 63% cents cash, the lowest point ever known in this market, and both here and at Chicago May wheat has gone lower than ever. The fall in wheat for the week was 2 cents, with sales of 8,000,000 bushels in one day and 14,000,000 for the week. Sales of corn were small and the price declined less than a cent. Hog products and coffee were substantially unchanged

"The volume of domestic trade does not materially increase, exchanges indicating a decline compared with last year of 19.5 per cent. elsewhere and 34.9 per cent at New York. The carnings of railways in January were 12 per cent smaller than last year.

Textils manufactures are gaining a little. Inquir; discloses larger stocks of cotton goods held by dealers than was supposed, and quite a large proportion of mills likely to close before ong unless orders increase, but the number reported starting is again several times the number reported closing.

"Foreign trade does not improve, domestic Saviour, West Philadelphia. exports at last falling below those of the corresponding week last year, though for the year thus far the increase is 7 per cent., while the imports are 40 per cent less than last year. "The failures for the week were 385 in the United States, against 222 last year, and 60 in

Canada, against 44 last year, several being of more than ordinary importance.'

FAILS FOR A MILLION.

The Sigua Iron Company of Philadelphia Goes Under.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12 .- The Sigua Iron company of this city, but incorporated in West Virginia, has gone into the hands of a receiver. The liabilities are over \$1,000,000. The actual amount of assets which might come into the hands of the receiver chancel rail was occupied by these are said to be \$100,000. The assets immediately procurable from debtors, it is stated, are \$10,000. The floating debt is placed at \$185,000, and it is stated that among the liabilities are an issue of \$500,000 debenture bonds. It is related that the company is in default as to the payment of 6 per cent. on the bonds maturing December 1, 1893. The latter default amounts to \$15,000.

MR. CHILDS' FUNERAL.

Impressive Ceremonies Over the Dead Philanthropist's Remains. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8.-George W.

Childs' remains were laid at rest in the Drexel mausoleum in Woodland cemetery beside those of his closest friend and business companion, Anthony J. Drexel, who died but a few months ago. Almost inseparable in life it was deemed fitting that they should rest together in death, although it was not known that any request to that effect had ever been made by Mr. Childs. It was at first intended to have the funeral services private, but, yielding to the request of many friends, Mrs. Childs finally consented to a public funeral and the services were held at 1 p. m. Tuesday in St. James Protestant Episcopal church, which is directly opposite the residence of the dead philanthropist at Walnut and Twenty-second streets, and of which Mr. Childs had been an honored member and vestryman for many years.

A brief service for the family and immediate friends was held at the house before the public service at the church. At its conclusion those present were given an opportunity to take a last look at the face of the one they loved, and from which death had not effaced the generous, kindly look. Then the casket was tenderly borne out from the white marble mansion and across the street to the church, where it was placed on a bier in front of the chancel rail.

The services in the church as well as those at the residence were conducted by Bishop Potter, of New York, assisted by Bishop Whitaker, of Philadelphia, Rev. Joseph H. Blanchard, rector of St. James' church, and Dr. William B. Bodine, rector of the Church of the

Among the pall-bearers were the following:

J. Pierpont Morgan, New York: John R. Me-Lean, Washington: Cornelius Vanderbilt, New York: Gen. Horace Porter, New York, Judge Edward Patterson, New York: Col Frederick Grant, New York; John Bigelow, New York: Enoch Pratt, Baltimore Reverdy John-son, Baltimore: Gen. Felix Agnus, Baltimore; Charles F. Mayer, Baltimore; E. P. Wilbur, Bethlehem, Pa.

The black cloth casket was literally covered with pillows and wreaths of roses, lilies of the valley and other flowers. Such a display of flowers was probably never before seen at a funeral in Philadelphia. Nearly all the available space behind the tributes of loving friends. Pillows, wreaths, crosses, broken columns and many other designs were displayed. Each department of the Public Ledger sent a different piece and there were offerings from numerous friends in this city, New York, Washington, Baltimore and other cities.

The services at the cemetery were private and very brief. There was a prayer, the casket was placed in the The Sigua Iron company was incor- crypt prepared for it, Mr. Paul cast prated April 28, 1890. The authorized upon the coffin the symbolical handful capital is \$5,000,000, of which \$1,000,000 of earth, and the mortal remains of Sr. Louis, Feb. 12.-A furious wind- has been paid in. No dividends have George W. Childs had been consigned to the tomb.

pounder rifle and four 32-pounders.

ber on the Kearsarge.

from Capt. Semmes, of the privateer, the hospital. announcing his intention to fight the Kearsarge. This pleased Winslow, and consequently at 10:20 o'clock Sunday Loss of Life and Property in Louisians morning, June 19, 1864, Commander Winslow saw the Alabama standing out from Cherbourg harbor, accompa- swept over the northwestern portion of nied by the French ironclad Couronne Mississippi late Thursday afternoon and followed by the English vacht Deerhound, which served as tender to Plantations were devastated, farmthe Alabama. The Kearsarge put to houses were wrecked and the sea for a distance of 7 miles, put about debris scattered over the counand steered straight for the Alabama, try for miles around. The telewhich opened fire at a range of 1 mile.

Winslow ordered more speed and the Alabama fired again, doing little dam- the stricken district, but it is known age. At a range of 900 yards the that two lives have been lost. On the Kearsarge sheered and opened a broadside on the Alabama, but Semmes did not seek close action. The Kear- William Brady and wife (colored) sarge forced the Alabama into a circular | movement, throwing the Alabama far- blown down, killing the woman ther from shore and cutting off escape. instantly. Her husband was blown The Alabama's firing was rapid but wild, and the Kearsarge's heavy guns were trained on her waterline, while the lighter ones swept the Alabama's deck.

The effect was astounding and on the seventh trip round the Kearsarge the Alabama was winted and, setting sails, tried to reach shore. Her speed was retarded and a few well-directed shots from the Kearsarge brought down her flag. She hung out a white flag, but two minutes later resumed firing, when the Kearsarge renewed her raking fire, steaming ahead and lying across bows. Then came the surrender, and twenty minutes later the Alabama sunk and her survivors were rescued by the Kearsarge and Deerhound, on which Semmes, who was wounded, took passage. The Kearsarge lost but three men.

GEORGE W. CHILDS' WILL.

He Bequeaths All His Property Absolutoly to His Widow.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 10.-The will of George W. Childs has been admitted to probate. The document is very short and was "executed on Au- of commons recess at Biarritz, gust 1, last, one month after the the French watering-place on the death of Anthony J. Drexel. Mr. Childs bay of Biscay. According to the bequeaths his entire estate to the correspondent, Mr. Gladstone stated widow absolutely. The executors are that he had no intention of re-George W. Childs Drexel and James W. signing office He had decided to Paul, Jr., and they placed the valuation fight the house of lords to the of the estate at 'over \$100,000 real and bitter end, and was ready to show that Townsend. Braddock was at once treasure the assassins took two horses be hanged March 16 for the murder of over \$100.000 personal."

DEATH IN A CYCLONE.

and Mississippi.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 10 .- A cyclone and laid waste everything in its path. graph wires were prostrated and it is impossible to obtain particulars from plantation of Col. W. L. Nugent, 4 miles northeast of Greenville, Miss., were in their cabin, which was several hundred feet and received serious injuries. The cyclone passed through Washington and Bolivar counties, thickly populated with prosperous farmers, and it is feared the death list will be a large one when the details are known.

PORT HUDSON, La., Feb. 10 .- A cyclone passed through this locality at 7 o'clock Thursday morning and left death and destruction in its wake. The first place it struck was on Mrs. S. A. de Lambres' plantation, formerly owned by Gen. Hueston. A negro child was killed and six other negroes injured. The damage on this place amounts to \$5,000. The cyclone next struck the Chambers place and destroyed five cabias. A negro girl was seriously wounded and four or five slightly injured.

GLADSTONE WON'T RESIGN.

He Says He Intends to Fight the House of Lords to the Bitter End.

PARIS, Feb. 10 .- The Patrie publishes an interview had by one of its correspondents with Mr. Gladstone, who is spending part of the British house children. the future belongs to the democracy.

DISASTER IN FRANCE.

A Railway Train Wrecked and Seven blocked. It is the worst storm ever door was finally broken open the Lives Lost.

PARIS, Feb. 9.-The train which left memory of the earliest settlers. this city at 11 o'clock Tuesday night DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 12 .- A heavy heavily laden with passengers for Bel- storm of wind and rain passed over gian points was derailed soon after the state of Michigan, doing coumidnight at a point just this side of siderable damage to farm buildings. Complege, 52 miles away. Twelve Dundee, south of here, reports coaches rolled over and down an em- that wind accompanied by hail bankment atop of the engine, which did great damage there. The twofirst took the awful plunge. Seven story brick building of Joseph Robbers Force a Kentucky Man to Dis dead bodies were taken from the wreck S. Hiltons was almost a total wreck, and twenty persons were extricated the wind taking the second story comjust in time to save them from death pletely off. The German church is by steam or fire. also badly wrecked. Reports from the

Among the twenty injured are three western part of the county show big whose life is despaired of. One of them losses through that section. Many is an American, whose name is not persons were slightly injured by falling gagging the family, proceeded known, the words "Herkimer, N. Y.," debris.

on his traveling bag being all by which OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 12.-Omaha was badly snowed in Friday, much the his nationality is determined. The cause of the wreck is not known, heaviest fall of the season, about 10 but the closest investigation is being inches being recorded, all of which fell his feet in the fire, holding them there made. The engineer and his assistant, between 3 and 8 o'clock in the mornboth of whom escaped comparatively ing. Business was prostrated all uninjured by being thrown from the day and most of the street-car train before it plunged down the bank, lines were more or less block-

but are held pending an investigation. walk to their work. The unemployed die.

at Rescue hall were turned out to work Fell Dead. OSAGE, Ia., Feb. 9.-John Birran fell upon the streets shoveling snow-250 dead from excitement here while try- responding and ten refusing. The ing to save the house of John Fordham storm seemed general all over the state and as far west as Cheyenne. from fire.

Dies at the Age of 109.

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Feb. 9.-Lucy

age of 109 years. Her memory of events before the present century was

good. She came here in 1826. Persons Snoderly, aged 91, one of the wealthihere over 70 years old corroborate her est farmers of Union county, Tenn., and story as to her age, and say she was his wife, aged 70, were murdered in an aged woman when they were little their bed Thursday night by two burg-

Killed a Sherlff.

ilton Dickson was killed near here by burglars and was forced to assist in Braddock, the murderer of Constable the search for money. Not finding the shot dead by deputies.

Much Damage In s of Western States.

There is little trace of the men any- storm swept over the city Friday, blow- ever been paid. The company's mines ment, and a pier capable of loading a 3,000-ton steamer in ten hours.

> number of electric light, telephone and cause of the men connected with it. The Sigua is one of the enterprises of who are well known in Northern Pacific noon, which toward evening developed schemes on hand. There is not a

crooks in the country, and in- storm struck this city at 2 o'clock Friside of that a steel safe which day afternoon. A number of large was the pride of the town and the store buildings were unroofed. A boast of bank officials. Great pieces of brick barn was demolished, numerous bank bills, lighter shades of silver and factory stacks were leveled. Great gold certificates, plaster, brick and a damage was done to small buildings,

parents had gone to call on a neighbor and had been absent but a short time. A passer-by noticed flames in their ing 'ury. Several lumber piles and a house. He gave the alarm and numler of sheds have been blown every effort was made to save the down. Street travel is completely little ones, but without avail. When the experienced on Green bay within the

flames were beyond control. The house was completely destroyed. The bodies of the children, charred beyond recognition, were found in the debris. It the table.

BURNED OFF HIS FEET.

TWO BABIES CREMATED.

in Their Father's House.

close Where His Money is Hidden.

BARBOURSVILLE, Ky., Feb. 12.-On Leatherwood creek, Cumberland county. Wednesday night three men entered in need of assistance 59,311 answered the home of James Clayton, who does not believe in banks, and, after to compel him to tell where his money was hidden. They fired pistols close to his head, choked him, burned him with hot stones and finally stuck until they burned to a crisp. This final-

Gold Reserve Intact.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 .- The gold reserve of \$100,000,000 is once more practically intact, it requiring only \$6,256 to make it absolutely so.

Killed by a Falling Elevator.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12. - An elevator in Sprague, Warner & Co.'s wholesale grocery building at the foot of Randolph street dropped from the fifth floor to the basement with lightning speed Friday afternoon. Two men were in the elevator at the time. Michael Laughlin was instantly killed and Paul Stern seriously injured. Both

John Hart to Hang March 16. has been sentenced by Judge Shaw to

FATAL GAS EXPLOSION.

A House Blown Up in Indianapolis-One Dead, Five Fatally Injured.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 8 .- At 1 o'clock this morning the building at the corner of Yieser street and Madison avenue was totally demolished by a natural gas explosion. It is supposed that the gas had accumulated in the cellar, and finding its way railroad affairs, who have developed through the floor above ignited at a West Virginia and the Shenandoah val- gas jet or open fire place. As soon as ley, and who have a dozen great the explosion occurred an alarm of fire was turned in, which brought the department to the scene. It was understood that six persons were in the debris. The building was occupied by Louis Keuhler, who, with his wife and four children, occupied the upper portion of the house, and below there was a saloon. Children of Bert Croman Burned to Death At 2 o'clock the firemen had taken out the entire Keuhler family, one dead of Bert Croman, together with his two and the remaining five fatally injured: BLOOMBURG, Pa., Feb. 12 .- The house The dead child is Rosa Kenhler, aged small children, was burned at Light 12 years. street, a small village near here. The

Fatally injured: Charles Keuhler, aged 7; Louis Keuhler, Jr., aged 9; Louis Keuhler, Sr.; Mrs. Louis Keuhler; Julius Keuhler, aged 13.

NEW YORK'S UNEMPLOYED.

A Partial Census Shows the Number in the Tenement Districts to Be 67,280.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. - Mayor Gilroy has received from President Seth Low, of Columbia college, the tabulated census is supposed a lamp either exploded or of the unemployed taken by the that it was accidentally knocked from police. The returns show that in 48,-681 families visited one or more persons are out of employment. The families consist of 206,701 individuals, of whom 78,023 are reported to be busy at work, and the actual number out of work is said to be 67,280-52,592 males and 14,688 females. To the question if "yes" and 9,370 "no."

PERISHED IN THE COLD.

Deaths from Exposure During the Bligzard in the Cherokee Strip.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Feb. 8 .- The body of Walter Shaller, of Woodward, was found in the Chevenne and Arapahoe reservation, where he had been hunting. He ly conquered Clayton, who told where | froze to death during the recent blizthe money was. The robbers got \$1,- | zard. Word has just reached here that 800 and then escaped on three of Clay- of a family living in the western part are unable to account for the accident, aded. Probably 10,000 people had to ton's horses. Clayton will probably of the strip the mother and two children perished and the father and a son were so badly frozen that it is feared they will die. They were living in a mere shanty with no fuel and lay for some days after the storm before being discovered.

Contessed and Was Lynched.

WEST SUPERIOR, Wis., Fet. 8 .- Andrew Pikkarien, a Russian Finn, was lynched at Ewen, a small village near here, Tuesday night. Pikkarien was arrested for assaulting a child at Bruce's Crossing and taken to Ewen, where he was placed in the village jail. He admitted his guilt, and fifty citizens wearing masks surrounded the frail structure in which he was placed to lynch him. Officers protested, but to no avail. The jail doors were smashed in ROCKFORD, Ill., Feb. 12. - John Hart and the culprit dragged out. A ropa was placed about his neck and he was dragged 80 rods to a railroad trestle,

where he was hanged.

dered in Bed.

from the stable and made their escape. his two sisters.

Evans died here Tuesday night at the An Aged Tennesseean and His Wife Mur-

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 12.-Henry

lars. A grandson of the old couple, aroused by the pistol shots, went to were employes of the company. WHARTON, Tex., Feb. 9.-Sheriff Ham- their room and was captured by the

SLAIN BY ROBBERS.



