

M'COOK TRIBUNE.

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NEBRASKA.

OVER THE STATE.

DODGE county will hold its fair September 24 to 27.

MUMPS are paying respects to the children of Beatrice.

THE charity ball at Hayes Center netted \$1,377.41 for the relief of the drought sufferers.

A FARMER near Randolph, Dan Reissen, has a live pig with eight natural legs and six ears.

JOHN MATTHEWS, an old settler of Hamilton county, died last week of pneumonia, aged 70 years.

TECUMSEH is to have four saloons this year, as it did last. They will pay \$1,000 each for the privilege of dishing up bug juice to citizens.

THE Barclay smoke consuming company of Beatrice closed a contract last Saturday for five boilers with the Kimball Manufacturing company of Chicago.

Buy home-made goods and build up home industries, is a good policy. Farrell Fire Extinguisher, made by Farrell & Co., Omaha; Morse-Coe boots and shoes for men, women and children.

AN old lady living at O'Neill walked to Plainview the other day on her way to Fremont, but her strength gave out and charitable people bought her a ticket so she could ride the rest of the way.

THE Bank of Axtell resumed business last week, as had been previously announced. The deposits were largely in excess of their withdrawals. The community generally expresses the utmost confidence in the bank.

AT a special election held in Tecumseh in which school district No. 32, the city district, submitted a bond proposition for \$9,000 to build an addition to the present high school building, the proposition was defeated by half a dozen votes only.

A MAN giving his name as James Hanks was run over by the train bound F. E. & M. V. train at Leigh, cutting his right leg off at the knee and crushing the left one about half way between the foot and the knee. He died soon after.

Mrs. J. C. Bishop, wife of the county supervisor of Mayfield township, Hall county, was suddenly taken ill, and in an hour or two she was a corpse. Heart disease was the cause. She leaves a husband and six sons. Three of the sons live in the far west.

THE board of trustees of the Institute for the Blind, at Nebraska City, will meet Monday, April 29, to receive and accept plans for the proposed west wing to the institute building, for which an appropriation of \$10,000 was made by the last legislature.

CARLETON, the Dodge county murderer, has taken his place in the penitentiary. He did not appear to be cast down at the prospect of spending the rest of his days inside the walls of the prison, and declared that there was more hope than if he had been hung.

AN Omaha paper says the income tax returns are piling into the revenue office for the last day, and Collector North estimates there will be about 1,500, all told. The time given the Union Pacific receivers by special dispensation to make their returns is May 1.

AN unsuccessful attempt was made to rob the general merchandise store of Killian Brothers at Wahoo, and as the result a young man about 20 years of age is behind the bars of the county jail. He is a stranger in that community. He will have to answer to the district court.

SOME 400 teams left the east end of Boyd county last week for O'Neill after seed. A telegram was received from Alva Rowland of the relief commission to hold teams for further orders. The \$8,250 state warrants have not been sold, and no delivery of grain could be made. S. C. Sample, who went to Omaha and Lincoln with the warrants, wired that there was some kink in both cases.

THERE are many large orchards being set out around Table Rock this spring. Notably among them is one of C. J. Wood, of 1,800 trees, besides a large vineyard of 1,000 vines. H. J. Chapman, five miles southeast, is putting out 2,800 trees, 2,000 of them being of the Ben Davis variety. Pawnee county is destined to become famous as a fruit country.

COURT convened at Rushville last week with Judge Barlow presiding and John G. Mahr reporting. The docket is exceptionally large, having six criminal and 186 civil cases. The most important trial will be that of Fast Thunder, charged with murder. As all the witnesses in this case are Indians the taking of testimony will be tedious.

OXFORD ladies were much annoyed by an ardent admirer of living pictures, who has been making a practice of peeping into the windows of houses late in the evening. One night the intruder was entrapped by two citizens, who gave him some sound advice and let him go. This Nebraska Jack the Peeper is a husband and a father who has borne an excellent reputation in the town.

SOME one made an attempt to fire the town of Oakland. As Frank Pierson and John Danielson were going home from church they noticed a bright light in an empty barn belonging to Lars Lund. It proved to be a fire built of hay and fresh kindling wood. The inflammable material had been placed in one corner of the barn and under the manger and only the prompt discovery and application of water saved the town, as the fire was located right in the heart of a thickly settled portion.

A LINCOLN dispatch says: The State Relief commission still has on hand quite a large quantity of garden seeds received from Washington, and is in a position to supply all demands that may be made upon it. The seed is in excellent condition, fresh and adapted to western soil and cultivation.

THE case against Officers Farly and Warner, of Nebraska City, charged with kidnaping an Iowa citizen last fall, was tried before Judge Eaton. The Iowa officials failed to establish the fact that the officers used force in making the arrest and bringing the prisoner back without a requisition and they were accordingly discharged.

THEY broke into the court house at night and carried off 300 pounds of flour and fifty pounds of meat that was about to be distributed to the needy.

FARMERS at Valley have incorporated for engaging in the sale of the sugar beet and the working up of the product. They place their capital stock at \$5,000, divided into shares of \$50 each.

TWIN brothers who were separated years ago have just discovered each other in Cedar County. A. L. Lundgren arrived from Denmark last week and is now with his brother near Lime Grove. The brothers were separated when only nine weeks old and it was not until last summer that they heard from each other.

QUITE an amount of irrigation will be done in Keith county the present season by means of pumps and reservoirs. Several persons have put in plants near Ogallala and are equipped for irrigating tracts of from five to fifteen and twenty acres. It is believed that by condensed farming and the raising of vegetables, etc., tracts of that size will be as profitable as larger farms producing the ordinary crops.

CHRIS SCHEUMAN, the Seward county man, who swallowed a sixpenny nail some time ago, had an operation performed to remove the obstruction from his stomach. The doctor failed to find the nail, but he discovered that Chris' stomach had become contracted and had otherwise gotten out of shape. A few cuts with a knife put the man's insides in as good shape as ever, and he is now on the road to recovery.

A MAN by the name of Frank Decker, of Stillwater, N. Y., attempted to commit suicide at Whitman last week by shooting himself through the right cheek with a revolver. There are chances for recovery. The man seems to be demented, and did not know until some time afterward that he had shot himself. His relatives are on the way from New York to take care of him. Decker's people are reported to be in good circumstances, and no explanation can be made.

COMMANDANT WILSON and Adjutant Howe of the Soldiers' home at Grand Island register a vigorous protest against the quality of some of the food which contractors are furnishing the old soldiers. These officers say that the home is being supplied with dried apricots that are like the old army hard tack, more remarkable for the size of the worms than for the flavor of the fruit. The goods do not come up to the samples, and the matter has been referred to the board of purchase and supplies.

THE state board of transportation was presented with a complaint from fifty citizens of Prairie Home, Lancaster county, against the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad. The complaint sets forth that the railroad company has closed up the depot and freight warehouse at that place and refuses to do a railroad business at Prairie Home, giving as a reason that the commerce of that point does not warrant it in keeping a station there. The complaint avers that this position of the road greatly injures them in a financial sense.

A BUTTE dispatch says: A report has reached here that a double lynching had occurred in South Dakota, about four miles above the mouth of White river and some sixty miles from Butte. At first the story was not credited here, and as yet no positive statement can be made as to the facts, but there is certainly some ground for believing it to be true. The names of the men alleged to have been made away with are Eugene Powell and Fred Chamberlain, formerly of Keya Paha county, who, it is claimed, have been engaged in the stock rustling industry in that neighborhood and were compelled to leave.

The sheriff of Dodge county received a telegram from the clerk of the supreme court that the governor had commuted Charley Carleton's sentence to imprisonment for life, and at once conveyed the news to the prisoner. The dispatch from Fremont recording the intelligence says: Carleton plainly shows the effects of his two years' confinement. There still remain traces of that careless, unconcerned manner which was so much commented upon during his trial and at the time of his capture, but with the prospect before him of never again seeing the outside world he begins to show a thorough appreciation of his terrible position. He owes his life to the zeal and indefatigable exertion of his mother.

THE case of Paxton & Hershey against the Farmers and Merchants Irrigation company, involving the right of way for an irrigation canal under construction by the Farmers & Merchants company across the plaintiffs' lands, lying some fifteen miles west of North Platte, came up for final hearing in the district court, a decision being given in favor of the defendants. Judge Sinclair, in rendering his opinion of the merits of the case, ruled that the provision of the irrigation act granting right of eminent domain was constitutional. The right of condemnation of right of way for irrigating ditches is by this decision placed upon the same basis as the condemnation of right of way for railway lines.

GENERAL COWIN's opinion that the Omaha charter bill had become a law because the governor had not filed it with his objections in the office of the secretary of state within the time required by law, is creating a good deal of discussion in the metropolis. If the rule holds good that Sunday is to be counted in the five days which the constitution permits the governor to hold bills, after the adjournment of the legislature, then there are two other votes which will be in the same boat with the Omaha charter. These are the Ricketts bill, permitting intermarriage between whites and blacks, and the bill permitting mutual fire insurance companies to organize and insure property in cities and villages.

INASMUCH as no new additions were provided by the last legislature, superintendents of the three asylums have been compelled to send back many patients to the counties from whence they were taken away from the institution. In some cases friends of patients refuse to take them from the asylum, and in others county commissioners desire to send them to the asylum for chronic insane at Hastings, but this is impossible owing to the crowded condition of that institution.

RISE IS NOT GENUINE.

SOME HIGH PRICES NOT JUSTIFIED BY THE DEMAND.

Least Satisfactory Feature of the Trade Situation Is the Increase in Speculative Business—Wool Production Increasing—Week's Failures.

New York, April 22.—R. G. Run & Co.'s weekly report of trade says: "In every speculative department business is growing, but this is really the least satisfactory feature of the situation. Cotton, oil, and wheat climb above the export price, so that the marketing of products abroad must be checked, and money is absorbed which ought to be emptied in productive industry and in distribution of products to consumers. There is no evidence that cotton is in larger demand than it was when the price was a cent lower, but prices have been so low for months that an upward movement was easy without much reason, though stocks here and abroad are 300,000 bales larger than they were at the same date after the greatest crop ever produced heretofore, and spinners here and abroad have taken about 1,600,000 bales more than they have consumed.

The rise tends to prevent the decrease of usage, which is its one reasonable excuse. What has advanced over three cents during the last week, and the western receipts are small, only 1,002,846 bushels, against 1,766,829 last year, but Atlantic ports for three weeks of April have been only 5,666,481 bushels, four included, against 5,680,366 last year, and there is no indication that the foreign demand will increase, while the prospects for this year's crop are considered excellent.

Western receipts are not large, and it would be strange if they were with prices so low but advancing. Exports continue to indicate that the European demand will not be particularly heavy this season.

"Outside of speculative markets the most important feature is the rise in the price of beef, which is largely due to the control of sources of supply by a few strong corporations. There ought to be, but apparently is not, sufficient power in the hands of the government to meet any such conspiracy against the public, and the proposal of Secretary Morton to admit Mexican cattle and cattle from Canada on easy terms for the benefit of consumers is heartily commended, though it is not likely to have much influence.

"In iron and steel the situation is rather disappointing, although the output continues large, and the demand for finished goods does not seem to increase. It is still an open question whether the consumption will support the manufacture at the present rate, which is at least an eighth below the present maximum.

"The cotton mills are encouraged by improving prices and are fairly busy. Sales of wool at the three chief eastern markets have been 13,334,700 pounds for three weeks of April, against 14,022,800 last year, which indicates that the production of goods is at present larger than it has been at any other time for nearly two years, and while foreign competition is seriously felt in some branches, the manufacturers are making a vigorous effort to retain the home market, even in lines which they at one time expected to abandon.

"Failures during the past week have been 21 in the United States, against 23 last year, and 24 in Canada, against 45 last year."

OUTLAWS CAPTURED.

Shots Exchanged and a Sheriff is Probably Fatally Wounded.

Uniontown, Pa., April 22.—The band of outlaws which has been operating in Fayette county and which eluded all the posses which have been sent after them were brought to bay at Kingswood, W. Va., last night and are now safe in the Kingswood jail. The leader, Bill Turner, is still at large. The prisoners are George and William Smitley, Archibald Patterson and George Harvey. They were taken only after a fierce struggle, in which Sheriff Shaw was probably fatally wounded. The final combat was a hand to hand fight in which over fifty shots were fired. Not until the bandits were crowded into a narrow corner and could fight no more did they surrender. Smitley will be held for trial on a charge of murder in case Sheriff Shaw dies.

Williams Called Home.

New York, April 20.—A special to the Herald from Havana says: "Consul-General Williams will leave for the United States at once, having been called there by Secretary of State Gresham. It is thought here he will never come back in his official capacity. It is stated that there is danger of an increase of yellow fever in Havana. Admiral Mendez's fleet of United States cruisers is expected to reach here April 23. No fighting in the interior has been reported."

American Citizens Set Free.

Washington, April 22.—The department of state is in receipt of a dispatch from Consul Brice at Matanzas, Cuba, saying that two American citizens, Justo Genero and Jose M. Caraballo, arrested at that place April 6, were released on the 9th inst. The men were suspected of complicity in the rebellion, and it was owing to the American consul's good offices their case was disposed of favorably.

Revising South Carolina's Laws.

Columbus, S. C., April 22.—Judge Goff of the United States Circuit court at Clarksville, W. Va., has granted an order restraining the supervisor of registration of Richland county, S. C., from exercising the functions of his office and requiring him to show cause before him in Columbia, May 15, why the injunction should not be made permanent.

May Refuse to Open Certain Ports.

Pekin, April 22.—It is understood China has refused to concede Japan's demands in regard to opening certain ports to foreign trade. Li Hung Chang is still in a state of high fever from the effects of his wounds.

End of His Life Drawing Near.

Fairfield, Ia., April 22.—Ex-Senator Wilson was unwell all day yesterday. Physicians say he cannot live another day.

MILLIONS IN A GRAB.

Standard Oil Squeeze Will Net It \$50,000,000.

Chicago, April 22.—The Standard Oil company is declared to be engaged now in the most stupendous operation ever undertaken in its career—to take from the pockets of the American people, through the medium of oil, a sum of money the immensity of which is not realized by the mere expression of it in figures; to acquire as part of its possessions the desirable oil-producing territory of the United States east of the Missouri river, and in so doing to constitute itself supreme and absolute owner of an indispensable fighting and fuel material in this country as it is now detactor of its distribution. There are signs that the gigantic plan will succeed. By the advances made so far in the price of refined oil the Standard has added \$50,000,000 to the value of the product it absolutely owns and will sell to the people.

FOREIGN TRADE FALLING.

Returns for the Last Fiscal Year Show a Reduction of \$10,000,000.

Ottawa, Ont., April 22.—Trade returns for the year ended June 30, 1894, have been issued. They show an aggregate foreign trade of \$220,515,000, as compared with \$240,770,000 in 1893, a decrease of about \$10,000,000. The exports to the United States are said to have been \$7,000,000 less than in 1893. The aggregate trade with the United States, which was \$90,000,000 as far back as 1874, amounted to only \$88,000,000 last year. The aggregate trade with Great Britain, which was \$108,000,000 in 1874, was but \$100,000,000 in 1874. The decline in imports from the previous year was \$5,500,000 and the decrease in duties collected was about \$2,000,000. The Canadian exports of agricultural products fell off from \$22,000,000 in 1893 to \$17,677,000 in 1894.

Representative Hitt in Danger.

Washington, April 22.—The gravest fears are entertained that Representative Robert R. Hitt of Illinois may not live to see the setting sun. It has been known for days that the distinguished Illinois congressman was seriously ill, but as he had been confined to the house since the adjournment of the session and had many ups and downs in his illness it was supposed he was only suffering from an acute attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Late last evening it became known that Mr. Hitt had suffered a severe relapse and that medical aid had been summoned from New York. Friends of the family say there is but little hope of recovery, although the popularity of the Illinois leader is so great and his loss would be so deeply felt that all are inclined to hope for the best.

Champion Dog Dead.

Little Rock, Ark., April 22.—Sir Bedivere, the champion St. Bernard and one of the most famous dogs in the world, died at the Argyle kennels in this city last night of gastritis. Sir Bedivere won the trophies and first prizes at every bench show in which he was entered. He cost Capt. S. A. Pratt, his owner, \$10,000, and was valued at \$20,000.

Arrested for Arson.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 22.—Edward Meredith and Charles Nock were arrested last night charged with arson. Wilhelmine Koepke, the complainant, says the men were around her barn on the Chicago road south of the city Wednesday night. The barn was burned that night and she charges the men having set it on fire.

Tries to Kill His Divorced Wife.

Decatur, Ill., April 22.—Last evening while intoxicated William Kramer shot his divorced wife, Mrs. Emma Bogardus, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Flora Moore, and then shot himself, dying in less than an hour. Mrs. Bogardus is in a critical condition. Kramer was 38, and a son of Abram Kramer, a leading business man.

Prince of Wales to Visit America.

New York, April 22.—In a letter received by a gentleman prominent in Newport society from a friend abroad the Prince of Wales is quoted as having informed the writer he would visit the United States during the races for the America's cup and pass two weeks at Newport.

Think There Will Be Bloodshed.

Lexington, Ky., April 22.—Arguments in the case of the commonwealth against Dick Forman and James Roach, on trial at Mount Sterling for lynching Thomas Blair, were begun yesterday. Conservative citizens fear there will be bloodshed after the trial is over.

Took Their Weapons from Them.

Ottumwa, Ia., April 22.—Five hundred miners yesterday gathered at Clinton, but the mayor and sheriff would not let them enter the town. Learning that a number of Austrians were armed Sheriff Bray went out with deputies and disarmed fifty of them. There may be more trouble.

Falls Unconscious in the Street.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 22.—Ex-Governor Albert G. Porter, who is now 70 years old, had a stroke of apoplexy on North Meridian street at 6 o'clock last evening and was found unconscious on the sidewalk. He is not thought to be in any danger.

Florida Bank Closed.

Washington, April 22.—The comptroller of the currency has received information that the First National Bank of Ocala, Fla., has closed its doors. A bank examiner has been placed in charge. The capital of the bank is \$50,000.

Nebraska Bank Closes Its Doors.

Beaver City, Neb., April 22.—The Furnas County bank failed yesterday and is now in the possession of the state banking board. No statement of assets and liabilities has been made.

Mexican Cattle Stopped in Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., April 20.—The state live stock sanitary commission yesterday quarantined 2,100 head of Mexican cattle at Summit, Cowley county.

JAPAN'S GREAT ALLY.

CZAR WILL ENACT THE ROLE OF BIG BROTHER.

His Desire Is to Obtain an Access to Sea Further South Than Vladivostok—Will Protect the Mikado Against Europe.

New York, April 20.—A special dispatch from Washington says: "Russia was fully aware of and gives secret but hearty approval to the conditions for peace exacted by Japan. This is vouched for on the very best authority in this country. An agreement between Russia and Japan, said to have existed from the outbreak of the war, included a promise that Russia should have access to the sea for its great trans-Siberian railway. Every step Japan has taken is said to have been with the knowledge and approval of the czar, and notwithstanding misleading dispatches from St. Petersburg as to the possibility of that government being displeased it is maintained that should any other European power undertake to prevent the carrying out of Japan's program Russia will stand at Japan's back.

"China, it is asserted, will under the conditions agreed upon throw open to civilization over 100,000,000 square miles of the richest territory in the empire, having a population of over 200,000,000, now practically kept from intercourse with the outside world. Six closed cities, the largest in the empire, are also thrown open, and three great rivers, the Yang Tse Kiang, Canton and Shanghai, are to be free to the commerce of the globe. It is further said that China has promised to consent to extensive river and harbor improvements, including dredging of these rivers for hundreds of miles, so that ships of the deepest draft can reach unknown inland cities and markets."

Another special dispatch from Washington gives an account of an interview with Shinichiro Kurino, the Japanese minister. Asked what would be the effect of the treaty upon China he said:

"Whether China will change her policy is doubtful; but it will probably teach her one good thing—to increase her army and navy strength. She has had a lesson that should not be wasted on her. I cannot see any danger of European opposition. A country will hardly interfere unless it is distinctly affected by our proposed changes. It has no right to otherwise."

Discussing the situation in Japan and the new treaty with the United States Naomoyin Hasuguchi, the Japanese consul in this city, says that the present Japanese tariff will remain in force perhaps another twelve months. It will be revised until treaties are completed with all the nations, and so far compact have been made only with the United States and with England.

CONFLICTING WAR TALES.

One Courier Has It That Three Men Lose Life in Battle.

Guthrie, Ok., April 20.—There are so many conflicting stories brought by couriers from Tishomingo that it is difficult to ascertain the truth of the alleged Indian revolution. John Grayson, a trader, brings information of a bloody battle in which three men were shot dead and five wounded. Another story is to the effect that the full-blood Indians have been persuaded to take up arms against the government by the insurrectionists. Filled with firewater, the Indians are scouring the country, ransacking the homes of the quiet farmers, committing outrages, and otherwise terrorizing the whole nation. Gov. Moseley remains at Tishomingo and is arming hundreds of men who are rushing to the town to put down the rebellion. McGill, one of the insurrectionists, is an old scout and was connected with the Redpath revolution in the northwest.

Captured by Indians.

Pender, Neb., April 20.—Sheriff Mullin left for the Winnebago reservation yesterday to arrest the Indian police. The police got the best of him several miles from here and after handcuffing him marched him off to the agency to Capt. Beck, the agent. At 10:30 the sheriff returned to Pender. He had been taken before a justice and released on bail. He at once secured a posse of six men and started for the reservation, declaring his intention to arrest Agent Beck and all his special Indian police. It is believed the sheriff will be arrested again.

SILVER MEN ACTIVE.

Preparing to Organize Non-Partisan Clubs in the West.

Denver, Colo., April 20.—Governor McIntyre and Senator Teller are leaders in a movement already started to push the organization of non-partisan silver clubs in the west, in accordance with General Warner's suggestion. Senator Teller expressed the belief that the republican national convention would nominate a man who would advocate a single gold standard. He said that the single standard men were organizing, no matter whether they had formerly been republicans or democrats, and they would act in harmony in the future. He advised the organization and concentration of silver forces without delay.

Wants a Formal Treaty.

Washington, April 20.—Secretary Gresham has shown himself decidedly averse to entering upon any provisional arrangement with Turkey to regulate the status of naturalized American citizens who return to that country, although he has been given much trouble to extend protection to them. The reason for the secretary's declination is found in his desire to stop at nothing short of a formal treaty by which the rights of this class of our citizens shall be fully guaranteed.

Howgate Again Arraigned.

Washington, April 20.—Capt. Howgate was again arraigned yesterday on three charges for embezzling government money. He pleaded not guilty and was granted two weeks' time within which to withdraw the plea or to attack the validity of the indictments.

Will Appeal to the Courts.

San Francisco, Cal., April 20.—Fruit Exchange has protested against the decision of the New York board of general appraisers admitting all currants, save Zante product, free of duty. It said the treasury will appeal to the courts from this decision.

LEAGUE MEETING.

Gathering at Cleveland Will Be a Big Political Event.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 20.—The convention of the league of republican clubs, to be held here in June, will be the biggest gathering in the history of the city if not of the state. Charles F. Leach, treasurer of the committee making the arrangements, said that the addresses he received indicate that at least 15,000 strangers will be here. Of this number 2,000 will be delegates. Among the republican clubs of national reputation who will speak at the banquet are Gov. McKinley of Ohio, Gov. Hastings of Pennsylvania, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, Senator Allison of Iowa, and Gen. Horace Porter of New York. Chauncey M. Depew is not expected, as he contemplates a trip to Europe about that time. Neither ex-President Hayes, nor Thomas B. Reed will be here, although they have been urged to be invited, the former being invited upon a committee. Colorado will send a delegation to the convention. It will come on a special train to be known as the "Solid Silver" train.

Ardmore Swept by Fire.

Ardmore, I. T., April 20.—The main business portion of Ardmore, for six solid blocks, on Caddo street, north and south of Main street, was destroyed by fire about 3 o'clock this morning. Sixty business houses were entirely destroyed. The loss will aggregate \$600,000. The United States court and jail were also destroyed. The prisoners were transferred to the Baptist church. The heat was so intense that the vault and safe in the court house were cracked and the court records partly destroyed. The Masonic temple was also burned and families are camped in the streets. A Mr. Neil was so badly burned in the face, neck and breast that he cannot recover.

Pile of Skulls Discovered.

Chilpancingo, State of Guerrero, Mexico, April 20.—A sheep herder named Antonino Vincent has discovered a cave containing human remains near the village of Quechultenango. More than a hundred skulls were counted piled with the bones into one great heap not far from the highway leading from the City of Mexico to Acapulco, on the Pacific coast. The herder's story has been corroborated by others who have been guided to the cave. It is supposed the remains are the ghastly souvenirs of one of the numerous attacks made on travelers and whole caravans of freighters. As yet no clew whatever has been developed which tends to throw light upon the mysterious remains.

Witness Doesn't Like Kentucky.

Lexington, Ky., April 20.—The evidence for the defense in the trial of James Leach and Richard Foreman at Mount Sterling for lynching Tom Blair was concluded yesterday. Today the arguments are being heard. John Pangborn, the principal witness for the prosecution, fearing personal violence from the friends of the accused, left for his home in Georgetown, O., and said he intended to never come back to Kentucky.

Miners Strike Probably Over.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 20.—President McBride, the head of the miners' organization, says the starting of the Wheeling division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at the 60 cent rate probably means the miners' strike in Pennsylvania is over. The agreement under which the miners in Indiana are working will expire a week from Tuesday. It is the understanding that the wages of each state will be fixed irrespective of any inter-state agreement.

Carson Mint to Be Discontinued.

Washington, April 20.—Mr. Preston, director of the mint, yesterday ordered the \$550,000 in gold bullion and 150,000 ounces of silver now in the United States mint at Carson City, Nev., shipped at once to the mint at San Francisco. The inference is that the Carson mint will be dismantled and its machinery shipped to Denver for use in the new coinage mint to be established there.

Eastern New Jersey Forest Fires.

Egg Harbor, N. J., April 20.—The largest forest fire of the season is burning between this city and Pomenaria. A bucket brigade is trying to save property. Several hundred citizens who attempted to fight the fire were forced to retreat by the intense heat. A number of heifers became frightened and dashed through the dense pines. They were so severely burned they had to be killed. The fire is estimated at \$14,000, but the loss is still raging.

"SOUND" MONEY CONVENTION.

Anti-Silverites to Meet at Memphis, Tenn., May 22.

Washington, April 20.—President Cleveland's "sound" money letter is to be followed up by an assault against the center of the free silver lines which will anticipate the Illinois convention. Arrangements have been perfected for the meeting at Memphis, Tenn., Thursday, May 23, of a "sound" money convention to be composed exclusively of delegates from the southern states. It is the belief of the men who are behind this movement that the southern people have been greatly misunderstood, even by their own representatives in congress, and that the silver money movement has not taken a real hold upon the southern people.

Campos Offers Rebels Pardon.

Havana, April 19.—Capt. Gen. Campos issued from Santiago de Cuba a proclamation offering pardon to all insurgents with the exception of the leaders who will lay down their arms and surrender. He has made preparations to immediately pursue the members of the bands who refuse to come under the proclamation, and the war are against them will be waged vigorously.

Vanderbilt Union Is Credited.

New York, April 20.—Society people are greatly interested in the announcement of the probable early marriage of Mrs. Vanderbilt to O. H. P. Belmont. Clubmen say the alliance is certainly ill-advised, while in one prominent quarter it was said there was reason to believe that Mr. Belmont and Mrs. Vanderbilt were married Wednesday instead of Thursday. Private cables, it is said, were received from London which left no reason to question the fact that there has been a marriage. It is felt that the wedding follows too closely upon the heels of the divorce.