EAST BOWND SHIPMENTS.

The total east bound shipments of dead freight from Chicago last week aggregated 52,989 tons, against 54,443 for the pre-

ceding week and \$1,000 for the cor-responding week last year. The total shipments by lake were 63,491 tons, exceeding the rail tonnage by 10,452 tons.

The shipments of flour, grain and provisions from Chicago to the seaboard by the lines in the Central Traffic association aggregated

23,100, against 21,249 for the week previous

homa, he says it is prospering beyond the most sanguine expectations.

CHARLES PRATI DEAD.

The Standard Oil Magnate Passes

Away from Heart Failure.

New York, May 4.-Charles Pratt, the

well known Standard oil magnate and vice

president of the Standard oil company, died

suddenly at 7 o'clock tonight at the com

pany's office, 26 Broadway. He left his nome

n the morning in his usual nealth, but was suffering with indigestion, and at 4 Drs.

Clarke and Paine were summoned to attend him, but he continued to grow worse until

three hours later, when heart failure set in

ness act was to sign a cheek for \$5,000 for the Brooklyn bureau of charities. Mr. Pratt had a family consisting of a wife and eight chil-

dren. He gave large sums for educational

purposes, including \$1,000,000 to Pratt's in-stitute, \$160,000 for an annex to the Delphi

O., academy, and \$150,000 to Emmanuel Bap tist church. His wealth is estimated at more

Ex-Governor Crittenden Stricken.

Kansas City, Mo., May 4.-Ex-Governo

Thomas T. Crittenden was stricken this

wening with a fatal illness. He was taken

suddenly ill after returning from his office Physicians were summoned and after an ex-

unination found that the ex-governor was suffering from a ruptured blood vessel at the

base of the brain, and also from uraemic poisoning. The attending physician says his recovery is impossible. Mr. Crittender

served in the union army during the civi-war as lieutenant colonel, and was elected to

congress in 1872 and again in 1878, and was

TOLD IN TWO LINES.

The archoisnop of York is dying from the

Dubuque plumbers are out for eight hours

The Roman chamber of deputies approved

The Chicago and Milwaukee brewery trus

President Diaz and many other prominent

Mexican officials are suffering from the grip.

Mr. Barnard of the Lick observatory dis

The national democratic convention has

accepted an invitation to make its headquar

During the month of April 31,972 pension certificates were issued, against 14,562 the

Mrs. Runkes died at Milwaukee of trichi-

sis, making the seventh member of the

The London Graphic says it has Baron

Hirsch's authority to deny that he has bought

The Spanish corvette Nautitus is anchored in North river, New York, and her crew is

disiting West Point, Annapolis and Niagara

Dispatches from the island of Martinique

report a serious fire there on April 16, de

troying sixteen buildings and causing on

Mayor Washburne of Chicago proposes to

shut up the gambling houses, close the saloons at midnight and stop the sale of lottery

An opinion from the attorney general holds

hat Masonic and similar organizations can

old property exempt from taxation under

Saturday night in Prince George's county,

Maryland, five children of James Cole, col-ored, were burned to death in a fire which

United States officers made a raid on moon

shiners in the Ozark mountains and captured two members of a notorious gang of distillers,

Gideon W. Marsh and Charles Lawrence

president and cashier of the defunct Key-stone bank of Philadelphia, were arrested

vesterday for conspiracy to make false re-

Judge Schuyler at Easton, Pa., yesterday decided a suit in fayor of the anti-Bowman

ites in the Evangelical church controversy This is the first decision rendered by the

Emperor William, in a banquet speech at

Dusseldorf, said: "As to the home polic which is becoming established, I shall no

deviate a hair's breadth from the course

have adopted. I alone am master in thi country, and no one else."

The American academy of medicine in ses

together with several large establishments.

ands in Pennsylvania for a Jewish colony.

covered the Wolf periodical comet vesterday

Michigan forest fires still rage.

the government's May day action,

case has been settled out of court.

family who died from eating pork.

than \$15,000,000.

and \$3 per day.

ers at New York.

tickets.

courts.

the new law.

destroyed his house.

same month last year.

the western lines of the system.

BOOKMAKERS HAD A HARVEST

Favorites at Nashville Easily Beaten by Comparative Outsiders.

FLYERS ON OTHER RACE COURSES.

Several Surprises on the Knowing Ones-How the I aseball Games Went-Other Sports.

NASHVILLE, & Tenn., May 4.- The second week of the spring meeting at West Side park opened today to but 6,000 persons in attendance and a card of seven races. It was a day of surprises, only two favorites passing under the fire in front. The sporting public was fairly staughtered by the bookmakers. The weather was perfect and the track exceedingly fast. Fayette ran a race in the Baxter court nandicap, going the mile and an eighth in 1:35. The details follow:

First race, purse \$400 for two-year-olds, one-half mile - Wautauga came fast in the stretch and won easily by a length and a haif from Queen Isabelia, Bessie Bistand

third, two lengths away. Time-:5116. Second race, purse \$400, for three-year-olds and unwards, five furlongs,-Maud B. won by a short head. Creole second, Parapet third. Time-1:031,

Third race, seiling purse \$400, for threeyear-olds and upwards, seven furlongs .-Queer Toy won by a length, coming up in the stretch from the extreme last, Koko second, Ludy Lee third. Time—1:30%. Fourth ruce, Baxter Court handicap, \$600 added by Baxter Court, for three-year-olds and upwards, mile and one-eignth. Fayette won tv a short head from Bradolette, Fred

First third. Time-1:55. Fifth race, selling purse \$400, for maiden three-year-olds and upward, eleven-six-teenths Captain Ruby won by a nose from Bob Mctart, Sara third. Time-1:11, Sixth race, purse \$400, for three-year-olds and upwards, five furlongs Mily Young woneasily by a length, Royal Flush second,

Misa Mary third. Time-1: Seventh race, purse \$400, for fhree-year-olds and upwards, seven furlongs—Blue Vail won easily, Atticus second, Lemoine H. third, Time 1:25.

Lexington's Lively Time. LEXINGTON, Ky., May 4 .- A large crowd assembled at the race course this afternoon to witness the sixth day's racing of the Ken-

tucky association. The summary: First race, selling purse \$500, for three year-olds and upwards, one mile—Hamlet (6 to 1) won, Cashier second, Greenleaf third.

Second race, selling purse \$400, maiden three-year-olds and upwards, six furlongs-Princess Glenn (20 to 1) won, Speth second,

sonoma third. Time 1:15% Third race, free handicap, sweepstakes for three-year-olds and up, \$500 added, one mile and seventy yards—Trust (15 to 1) won, Dr. Nave second, Robespiere third, Time—1:4614. Fourth race, the Madden stakes for two-year-olds, \$700 added, by John E. Madden, five furlongs—Gorman (9 to 5) won, Judge Arkell second, Faleira third. Time—1:33. Fifth race, maiden two-year-olds, sixteenths mile-Wagner (6 to 1) won, John Berkley second, Madden third. Time-52.

Washington Jockey Cinb. Washington, May 4.-Racing results at Bennings today

First race, five-eighths of a mile-Mabel first; Hypatia, second; Indiarubber, third

Second race, three-quarters of a mile-Vin tage Time, filly, first; Benjamin, second; Helen Rose, third. Time-1:18. Third race, one and one-sixteenth of a mile-Virgle, first; Gallifet, second; My Fellow,

third. Time-1:51 3-4. Fourth race, one mile-Kyle B, first: Gypsie Queen, second: Sam Wood, third.

Fifth race, one and three-quarters of a mile, hurdles-Hercules, first, Zanbar, second; Lijero, third. Time not given.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Ch'eago Wins a Very Cold Day Game from Pittsburg.

CHICAGO, May 4.-Cloudy and very cold weather kept the attendance away down in the hundreds today, besides making good ball impossible. Pittsburg's errors, especially Miller's, gave Chicago the game. Dahlen's stick work was the feature of the .2 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 4 .0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 3

THOUNTON'S PINE WORK.

Philadelphia, May 4.—The Phillies succeeded in defeating New York today princi-pally through Thornton's superior work in the box. Attendance, 2,032. Score:

Philadelphia......0 0 5 0 0 1 0 0 3— New York.......0 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 0— BOSTON WON AGAIN,

New Yors, May 4.—The Bostons won their first game from the Bridegrooms today at Eastern park, Brooklyn, after a well played and interesting game, Attendance,

VIAU PROVED & WINNER. CLEVELAND, O., May 4 .- The day was cold and a raw wind came off the lake, but 1,000 people saw the game between Cincinnati and Cleveland. The home team won by hitting the ball. Cincinnati could do nothing with their old pitcher, Vian. Score:

Cincinnati ... 2 1 2 6 0 0 1 3 0 0 Cincinnati ... 1 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0

National League Standing. Played, Won. Lost, Per C't Roston Cieveland Chicago Phitadelphia Pittsburg New York Brooklyn

ABERICAY ASSOCIATION.

Lleven Innings Without Result Played

at Philadelphia. PRILADELPHIA, May 4 .- Errors by Corcoran and Milligan and slovenly ball playing by the Athletic nine, sided by free bitting in the

fifth, gave the Baltimore cub nine runs in the first half of the game today. Larkin's home run hit with two men on the bases tied the score in the eighth inning, and neither side was able to score again. After eleven inn-ings the game was stopped owing to dark-ness. Attendance, 1,908. Score:

Haltimore...... 0 2 0 1 6 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 Athletics...... 0 2 4 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0

STIVETTS PINE WORK. Cincinnati, O., May 4.—Stivetts again pitched today, and did remarkably well, only pitched today, and bits being made on his pitches. Hoy made a fine catch in the seventh inning. All the heavy hitting was done in the last innings when eight hits were made, five singles and a two base hit, a three base hit and a home run. Attendance, 500.

COLUMBUS WON EASILY. Course, O., May 4.—Columbus outplayed outsyille at all points and won easity. The third base play and batting of Louisvillo was a feature. Attendance 1,100. Score:

BOSTON'S HARD HITTING. BOSTON, Mass., May 4. Both teams gave fine fielding, but Bastou's hitting was too much for the Senators. Attendance, 800,

American Association Standing Played, Won, Lost, Per Ct Louisville Columbus... Cincinnati... Athletics... Washington...

Off on Its Trip.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 30 .- | Special to THE BEE. |-The Lincoln baseball club left today for Milwaukee, where it will play four games with the Brewers, going thence to St. Paul, Sioux City and Minneapolis, returning here on the 23d inst. The team will be minus the services of Captain Irwin, who was called to Boston yesterday by a telegram announcing the dangerous illness of his little boy. Dave Rowe or Hank O'Day, probably the latter, will hold down first. Oney Patton, who is still suffering from a spiked foot, remains behind. There is some talk of Jack Rowe cov-ering second, with Towney on short, as an experiment. The latter is really Tomney's position, and Jack can play second as well as any one.

Illinois-Iowa League Games. At Quincy -Quincy 12; Aurora, 5. At Ottumwa -Ottumwa, 21; Joliet 3. At Cedar Rapids -- Cedar Rapids, 17; Ot-

THE FORT MEYER DETAIL.

Brief Sketches of the Officers of the Ai th and First Cavalry.

FORT ROBINSON, Neb., May 4.-[Special to The Bee. |-Guy V. Henry, major of the Ninth cavalry, to command Fort Myer, entered the service from the West Point military academy May, 1861, and served during the war of the rebellion as a battery, regiment and brigade commander, being brevetted, for gallantry, captain, major, lieutenant colonel, colonel and brigadier general, the latter of volunteers. He was transferred to the cavalry in 1870, and was engaged in fighting Indians in Arizona, New Mexico, Wyoming and Dakota. At the battle of Rose-bud, Mont., under Crook, he was severely wounded in the face, losing sight of one eye. He was recommended by General Crook for a brevet for gallantry at Rosebud and by General Miles for one during the recent trouble with the Sioux. Beside his military record,

he is the author of several works. Martin B. Hughes, captain Troop K, Ninth cavalry, entered the service from the West Point military academy. June, 1859, was engaged scouting Indians in Texas and New Mexico, and was first lieutenant of Troop D when it went to the relief of the troops durwhen it went to the relief of the troops dur-ing the Thoanbury massacre, for which act of gallantry its captain, Dodge, was made

of gallantry its captain, Dodge, was made major and paymaster.
Charles W. Taylor, first lieutenant, Troop K, entered the service from the West Point military academy, June, 1879, was engaged in scouting Indians in New Mexico, and was in command of the Indian scouts, and during the recent Sioux trouble was with his scouts at the battle of Wounded Knee.

James W. Benton, second lieutenant Troop K. Ninth carniry, entered the service from the West Point military academy June, 1885, was present at the time of the trouble with the northern Indians when Sword Bearer was killed, also march of Ninth cavalry bat-talion and action at White Clay creek, Da-

kota December, 1800.

Peter S. Bormus, captain Troop A, First cavalry, entered the service from the West Point military academy, June, 1870, and was engaged scouting Indians in Arizona, Oregon and Montana and was in the Bannock cam-

paign.

1. F Reynolds Landis, first lieutenant Troop A, entered the service from the West Point military academy, June, 1878, and was engaged in rifle competition, and aide de camp to General Wheaton, acting chief sig-nal officer department of the Columbia, and assistant professor of modern languages at

Peter E. Traub, second licutenant Troop
"A," cutered the service from the West
Point military academy.

Point military academy July, 1885, and was
engaged scouting Indians in Montana. Of the above officers, one was born in the indian territory, three in New York, two in Pennsylvania and one in the District of Columbia. The selections would indicate from the records of the officers that merit rather

REFUSED TO TOAST THE QUEEN. The United States Consui at Van-

than favor governed the detail.

conver Gets Into Trouble. VANCOUVER, B. C., May 4 - United States Consul Jay Ewing, nephew of James G. Blaine, at the board of trade banquot on Thursday night refused to join in drinking a toast to her majesty the queen. When an ex-planation was demanded he said that he as an official representative of the United States, had acknowledged no right to the British sovereign to this courtesy. Hostile feeling sovereign to this couriesy. Hostile feeding against him is so strong that a petition is in circulation asking the authorities at Ottawa to make an inquiry into the matter and to present the circumstances to the American

revernment demanding at the same time Ewing's immediate withdrawal. Father and Child Drowned. OSAWATOMIE, Kan., May 4.-Yesterday afternoon Frank Williamson and child were drowned by the overturning of a wagon while fording a river west of here. The man's wife

DOES NOT APPEAR WARLIKE.

Big Railway Men on the Coming Western Traffic Meeting.

JAY GOULD PREDICTS GOOD RESULTS.

The Wizard and Others Talk Quite Freely on the Subject-Western Passenger Association

Meets Today.

New York, May 4. - Mr Jay Gould sat in his office in the Western Umon building to day and talked to a Sun reporter about some matters which are of great interest to the financial and railroad worlds. "I think," said Mr. Gould, "that the meeting of the Western Traffic association on Wednesday will be an entirely harmonious one. I have heard of no railroads whose action is apt to be of a different character. I think that the association will be productive of great good.

"Do you not think," he was asked, "that before great results can come from the association it will be necessary to start it on new ines-such, for instance, as the establishment of joint agencies for the handling of competitive business !"

"It will not be necessary," said Mr. Gould

"to start the association anew in order to ac complish this. In fact (guardedly) I think it quite possible that the very point of joint agencies will be very seriously considered at Wednesday's meeting. The association should prove a powerful influence for good and the effect of its future actions should be strong. You remember that when it was formed it caused a turn in the tide. It has andoubtedly averted a panic. The interstate commerce commission has declared pooling illegal—that is, the division of money after it has been carned. Indeed, there were grave questions among railroad men as to the legality of this before. The apportioning of traffic is a different matter and the courts have already decided the principle to be a legal one n a somewhat analgous case—the case of an express company making a contract with a railroad for transaction of its business These joint agencies would be independent The head of each one would apportion off the usiness equitably to the roads concerned. I don't see how any trouble could arise through the payment of uniawful commissions by cer tain railroads. In our Southwestern associa-tion we had no trouble of that kind. Weekly statements would be submitted by each o the agencies to the various roads, showing one's share of business. There be no inducement to cut I suppose that the present rates. weakness in the stock market arises from the exports of gold, which have caused a tightness in the money market. My trip to the west made me feel very hopeful. I found the crops in fine condition and the people generally encouraged. I have not sold any stocks and all the securities I hold are inventoried very much higher Instead of being a seller I have been quite an extensive buyer and at no previous time in twelve months have I held so much stock as I now possess I have added to my boldings, especially of Missouri Pacific, and have not sold anything. It is a long time to wait until December 31 and it is impossible to say whether we shall have active money this year, but money will comparatively easy until late in the and even then we may not experience the slightest stringency, especially if Europe buys our breadstuffs, and there are more

than reasonable prospects that it will. I feel convinced that matters are on the mend and that the present is not simply a bull move-ment, but the year will be a bull one." President Marvin Hughitt of the Chicago & Northwestern, speaking on the same sub ject, said: "There will be no trouble in the western association. The meeting on Wednesday will, I think, be a serious disappoint-ment to all who harbored a belief that a chaotic condition of affairs would result from a conference. The railroad companies are a nnit on the question of maintaining rates and

doing business on a sound basis. The Mis souri Pacific matter will not lead to disturb Everything will go peacefully Albert Keep chairman of the Chicago & Northwestern, who will be at the meeting of the Western Traffic association, takes a most hopeful view of the existing condition. He

"There is no reason to expect any disturbance. There will be nothing but good feeling, I think."

President Sidney Dillon of the Union Pacific says that he looks for a most harmoni-ous meeting and thinks there will be a full

attendance. Mr. Coppell, chairman of the Denver & Rio Grande, is of the opion that the meeting of the advisory board of the Westera Traffic association will be harmonious. The different companies seem satisfied, and it is evi dent that the people of the country served by the roads are awake to the fact that it is to their interest primarily that the roads must live. The fate of all adverse threatened legislation is the best evidence that the per ple, shippers and receivers are maccord with the railroads, and though there is ability to do more business, yet there is no cutting of rates and consequently all customers are be-ing treated alike to their advantage.

Western Passenger Association. CHICAGO, May 4.-Much attention attaches to the May meeting of the Western Passenger association, which begins tomorrow, for the reason that everybody expects the Chicago & Alton to raise a great disturbance. Everypody may be greatly fooled unless it becomes necessary for the Alton to defend itself by measures to which it has not here tofore resorted. Officials of the Alton say they will not disrupt the association unless forced to by other lines. Thus far the boycott of the eastern roads has cost them no business and no revenue and they have no reason to complain on that score. If the board of ruiings is confident that the boycott will suc ceed, the Alton corporation is just as confident it will not. A railroad man who sympathizes with the Alton said today that he believed every line east and west would before next Saturday night withdraw Alton tickets and leave that road to shift for itself. But th Alton people are not disturbed. President Blackstone and General Manager Chappel both say they will not sign the trunk line agreement against paying commissions if their road loses every dollar's worth of its through business. They know that their local business is worth more than any eastern road, indeed they hold the winning hand even if through rates go to It is also known that both of lould's roads-the Missouri Pacific and th nion Pacific-have said they would stand by the Alton and see it through. On the other hand it is said that the board of rulings is assuming a more aggressive attitude. Western lines that have undertaken to get the boycott treated as an association matter are informed by this board of rulings that it recognizes no associations west of Chicag that each line must act for itself. If, therefore, the Denver & Rio Grande continues to pose as General Passenger Agent Hopper intimated last week the boycott will be ordered against it also it is understood that a strong effort will be made at the meeting of the Western Passenger association tomorrow to prevent a discussion of the boycott. But a point has been reached where it is believed that the association will place itself on record. It may take some kind of a stand or go to pieces.

point it will go to pieces. AN EASTBOUND POOL Some of the officials of the lines in the Cen tral Traffic association who attended the con-ference with the trunk line managers last week have returned home. From them it is learned that the principal subject of discus-sion at the meeting was the question of forming a pool or an agreement for a division of the dressed beef, live stock and provision traffic among the several competing lines between Chicago and the seaboard. The pur-pose is to fix by arbitration the proportion of this business that each road is entitled to and prevent the manipulation of roads by in suring to each its due share. It was finally decided to establish a division of traffic and ommittee of eighteen was appointed to confer with a committee of shippers at a meet ing to be called by Chairman Bianchard at an early date. The feeling that prevails among railroad officials is that the movement

and if the enemies of the Alton carry their

well known that Chairman Blanchard has for a lang time advocated a division to managers as a legal substitute for a pooling of earnings. A dispatch received here today from Chairman Blanchard an-LOOKS A BIT LIKE MAJORS.

nounces that he will remain in New York this week for the parpose of attending a meeting of the executive board of the Trunk A Well-Posted State Official's Forecast on the Governorship Decision. Line association next Thursday. The meet-ing is for the purpose of settling the ques-tion of freight rates from eastern points to the northwest by the Canadian lines and by way of the Poughkeepsie bridge and the Lehigh Valley road from New England points to Lake Erie and Lake Michigan points.

THE OPINION NOW BEING WRITTEN.

It Will Probably Be Handed Down Tomorrow - How the Judges

Finally Reached an Agreement on the Case.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 4.- Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-It is barely possible that the supreme court will not hand down a decision in the Boyd-Thayer contest tomorrow. Chief Justice Copb, in speaking of the matter this morning said :

an increase of 1,851 tons, and against 37,971 for the same period last year, a decrease of 14,691 tons. The Vanderbilt lines carried 51 per cent of the traffic, the Pennsylvania lines "I cannot see any crying necessity for the immediate handing down of a decision in the 22 per cent and the Baltimore & Ohio 15. matter, but as the people seem to expect it. WESTERN CROP PROSPECTS. we will endeavor not to disappoint them. An General Manager St. John of the Rock opinion is now being prepared, which I trust sland road returned today from a tour over will be approved and handed down tomorrow, although it is possible that it will not until his report the crop prospects were neve the next day. Courts move slowly. better than they are this year and he says that Kansas alone shows an increase in acreage of at least 1,000,000. As for Okla-

At the desg near by sat the chief justice's private secretary preparing syllabi, evidently

those concerning the great case. It appears from reports from reliable sources that Maxwell and Cobb have been somewhat at loggerheads over the matter; that some time since Maxwell prepared an opinion that was favorable to Boyd; that Norval approved of it in the main, but that Cobb sat down on it very foreibly, as he favored Thayer claims.

On Friday last the three justices held a private conference. Part of the discussion of the legal triumvirate has leaked out and it is asserted by a state official who has every chance of knowing that the three judges have compromised on Tom Majors for gov ernor; that Maxwell would not under any consideration hear to Thayer coming in, as his term had ended, but yielding to Cobb's argument as to the alleged illegibility of Boyd, is willing to concede that Cobb is right as long as Thayer, whom he believes has a less claim than Boyd to the position, is not allowed to resume the gubernatorial chair. Cobb, who give up the fight as long as Boyd is conceded to have been an alien when nominated, while Norval, who has been in an embarrassing position because his brother was Thayer's attorney, has feit as though he would be under suspicion in case he favored the ex-governor, finally suggested a compromise on Majors To this the other two judges agreed. To the reporters the judges are very close-mouthed.

Speculating on the Result.

Lincoln, Neb., May 4. - Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- The main topic of conversation in the hotels here tenight is the Boyd-Thayer contest and speculations as to its outcome. John D. Howe, John C. Cowan, Dick Norval, and the other attorneys concerned in the great contest are on the scene in order to know the outcome. All three of the judges of the supreme court are on hand. Justice Maxwell, the latest arrival, coming in on the evening train. Governor Boye shows his usual coolness, but declared that te hopes the case will be ended tomorrow as ne is tired of suspense and wishes to know

whether he is governor or not. Ex-Governor Thayer looks hopeful and has fully recovered from his long vigil in the state house early in January. Tom Majors, state house carly in January. Tom Majors the probable man of destiny, is not in the city, as far as can be learned, but is waiting instead, like Cincinnatus, to be called from the plow. But when in the city last Satur-day the blue-shirted statesman carried the air of a man holding four aces. It is in vain that pointed questions have been fired at the supreme judges. Norval is as shrewd as Cobb parrying such interrogations and saying a great deal without giving any information. Even a gentleman of the sporting fraternity astonished Norval by approaching him and asking for a tin so he could put up bets on it The gentlemen did not get the tip

Waterworks Completed. HEBRON, Neb., May 4 .- Special to THE BEE. |-Hebron's waterworks are finished and in the test today 140 pounds pressure was put on the lines without a break or Water was thrown from the stand pipe pressure ninety feet high, and by di

rect pressure from the fire pump 142 feet high. Old firemen say it has never been equaled in the state. At a meeting of the ity council tonight resolutions were complimenting Engineer A. A. Richardson. The Contest Continued. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 4. - Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- The election con

test case over the police judgeship was called in the county court today but on motion of he attorneys for the defense the hearing was put over thirty days.

Voluntary As ignment. BEATRICE, Neb. May 4. - Special Telegram o THE BEE.]-The millinery establishment

of Mrs. Mary Brown Brooks has closed under a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors who are chicily wholesale dealers in Chicago and Des Moines. Sheriff Jones is now in charge of the concern. The liabinties will probably approximate \$3,000. As sets about \$3,500.

Nor bwestern Editors.

WAYNE, Neb., May 4.—[Special Telegram to Tar Ben.]—The Northwestern Nebraska Editorial association convened here today, the meeting being held in the opera house with a large attendance. Questions relating to the business interests of the newspaper fraternity were freely discussed, and much interest was manifested. The officers of the organization are us fol-

lows: President, William Hughes of Nor-folk; vice president, A. P. Childs of Wayne; secretary, E. F. Gennett of Randolph; as-sistant secretary, W. H. McNeal of Wayne; treasurer, W. H. Morray of Tekamah, The association meets on the first Monday in May and the third Monday in November of year. After adjournment the editors were tendered a reception at the Beride house.

Want More Than Glory.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 4.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. - At the council meeting tonight Mayor Ireland signed the ordinance increasing the pay of councilmen and all city officials. A long petition signed by business men was before him requesting him not to affix his name to the ordinance, but he firmly announced that inasmuch as the bonds and duties of the city officials had thought it no more than right that the pay should also be increased.

Work of an Intendiary.

YORK, Neb., May 4 .- (Special to Tus Bug. | The house of Madame Nora McEwen on the northern outskirts of the city was burned to the ground this morning at o'clock together with the entire contents. The origin of the fire is supposed to be the work of an incendury, as considerable ill feeling existed against the house. The loss is about \$2,500, with \$2,000 insurance, is the second time the woman has been burned out in this city within a year.

Rejected the Petition. DAKOTA CITY, Neb., May 4.- Special to THE BEE. |-At the county commissioners' meeting today a petition was banded in by William Renniger and Mr. Wilbur asking for another investigation. The petition was ead by the commissioners and rejected, as they could see no use of another investiga-tion and think Mr. Welly, the present expert, fully competent to complete the work he has

Thinks He is Punished Enough.

Lincoln, Neb., May 4.- Special Tele gram to THE BEE. -John F. Fuller, recently sentenced to the penitentiary, will bring suit tomorrow for a writ of habeas corpus, as he claims that the time he has already spent in the city and county jails fills the bill and he is therefore not liable for any more punishment. The attorneys of this city are greatly interested in the outcome of

Farmers in Session. Osciola, Neb., May 4. | Special to The Ren.]-A good sized audience met at the court house to listen to an address by Congressman Kem of the Third district. was an open meeting of the farmers' alliance and about two hundred were present. The gentleman gave them a good talk, after which there was a secret meeting of the al

A Large Court Docket. OSCEOLA, Neb., May 4.- | Special to THE

Ber. |-District court commenced here today with more cases on the docket than any other term ever held in this county. There are five cases of divorce pending. Five criminal cases are on the docket, two of them for bootlegging in this temperance village and Stromsburg.

Fire at Wahoo.

WAHOO, Neb., May 4.- Special to THE BEE.]-About 4 o'clock this morning a fire started in an old frame building just north of Travelling Men's Banquet.

met at the Union club rooms this evening for the purpose of arranging details for the traveling men's reception and banquet at the

Bostwick hotel May 29. Stepped Quietly Down. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 4.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Prof. Rakestraw, the newly-appointed superintendent of the institute for the blind, took hold today, and

Hastings, Neb., May 4.- | Special Telegram

to THE BEE. |- The business men of the city

Prof. Parmalee, who has conducted the asy-lum for the last fourteen years, stepped quietly down and out. Ravages of Diphtheria. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 4. - Special

Telegram to THE BEE. |- Diphtheria is getting a new start in the country near this city. There has been one death in the family of J. P. Holmes and three more of his children have it. The house has been carefully quarantined.

STEAMER UNDER SUSPICION.

Strange Actions of a Chilian Vessel in San Diego Harbor.

SAID TO BE AN INSURGENT TRANSPORT.

Rumors That She Will Take on a Cargo of Arms and Ammunition for the Rebels

in Chili.

San Francisco, Cal., May 4. - A special from San Diego says; The Chilian steamer Etata, which came into the harbor yesterday, is still here taking in a large amount of coal and supplies, and despite the fact that her captain claims that she is only a passenger steamer, owned by a New York firm, the opinion is growing here that she is a transport and is after arms and ammunition for Chilian insurgents, and as soon as she is loaded here she will take on board the cargo of the schooner Robert and Minnie, now lying at the Santa Catalina islands, supposed to be loaded with ammunition of war. A big Chilian war vestel is also reported outside the harbor today, apparently awaiting the appearance of the Etata.

The Mexican man of-war Democrata is also in the harbor, and it is supposed she was at-tracted here by the report that the schooner at Santa Catalina is a filibustering craft and that she would call outside the harbor bar of San Diego for a contingent of Lower Cali-fornia invaders. It is said the Democrata will watch both mysterious vessels.

CHILIAN FLOODS.

The Beautiful Valley of Lunzhuana Changed Into a Desert. PANAMA, April 25.—Regarding the floods in

the Lunanuana district of Chili the Lama Opinione Naccional has published the for lowing letter: The beautiful valley of Lunahuana has experienced a topographical change, and that which was formerly a delightful spot is now a desert. Fifteen craters have been continually at work since Sunday, the 22d, throwing out masses which in its precipitate descent and the montrous strength of the current is carrying ruin in all directions and sweeping houses before it, together with their inhabitants and the cattle, vineyards, farms and irriga tions works. All the railroads north and south of Lunahuana have been converted into ditches, through which water is contin-ually pouring, and all communication between Canete and Chincha is interrupted while the bridge across the river has been swept away. The numerous victims who have suffered, the deep impression caused by the destruction of all the irrigation ditches, the fact that it will be impossible to gather the remainder of the crop of grapes, and the certainty that the accessities of life will reach famine prices, lead me to suggest that the government should take steps on behalf of the residents here. Hundreds of families have been left without homes and are camping out on the hillsides, the only crothes they have being those in which they escaped. They are preparing to cross the rayines, as the floods may sweep down upon them at any moment.

DaWitt's Little Early Risers for the Liver.

Remarkable Action of Ministers. Lincoln, Neb., May 4. | Special Telegram to THE BEE. | —Religious circles in Lincoln are all torn up over the action of the local ministerial association, which, through a resolution passed today, expelled Rev. E. H. Chapin from that brotherhood. The only reason given for such a proceedure is that Rev. Chapin is a Universalist, and consequently Evangelical ministers should not affiliate with him. Mr. Chapin has heretofore taken a prominent part in the meetings and other affairs of the ministerial association, and was regarded as one of the leaders. Out of nineteen votes all but six were in favor of expelling the Merchants' hotel, but it was quickly subdued upon the arrival of the fire department. The loss on the building is about \$400 and on Mr. Chapin. Three of the six ballot were blank and the other three in favor of were blank and the other three in favor of the six ballot. ballets retaining him. Two ministers, Rev. Louis Gregory of the First Congregational church and Rev. John Hewitt of the Holy Trinity Episcopal church, were so indignant over the expulsion of Mr. Chapin that they immediately served their connection with the

DeWitt's Lattle Early Risers; only pill to ure sick headache and regulate the bowels.

New County Officials. PREMONT, Neb., May 4. | Special to Tun Bee. |-At a special meeting of the Dodge county board of supervisors today the vacancies in the offices of sheriff and ciers of the district court were filled. James Milliken, the present doputy sceriff and jatler, was chosen to the office of sheriff to succeed James P. Mallon, the new penitontiary worden. The new sheriff will have the pleasure of executing Shepherd and Furst on June 5.

J. M. Shively was selected as the successor

clerk of the court.

of George W. Davy, resigned, in the office of

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It is a well known fact that we never mark goods up. When we advertise anything at a price, that's the price so long as the goods last. We don't sell anything cheap for a day or two, or three, and then raise on the price after that. That may be all right from one point of view, but not from ours. We sometimes advertise an article for say three days,; we do this as we think that that time will see them all gone. Should any remain on the fourth day you're welcome to them at the same price, but that seldom occurs. About a month ago we put in stock a large quantity of unlaundried

WHITE SHIRTS

They are not worth fifty cents, but are worth thirty-five to forty. We find that when a man will pay that price he'll invariably go a little more and buy a fifty center. When any article in our stock don't sell as it should, we've got a happy way of making it. We mark 'er down, way down at once. These shirts haven't sold well. To-day we put the whole lot, about a hundred dozen, all in one pile, and you can take your pick for three days

AT 25C EACH.

At the same time we will offer a hundred dozen splendid unlaundered shirts, made of New York Mills muslin, linen bands and bosom, rein-

forced front and back, worth 75c, at 50 CENTS EACH

We will also offer in our shirt department, over two hundred dozen. handsome fancy Shirts, in all the new cloths, in Madras, Zephyrs, Penangs, Ducks, Flannels. Outing Cloths, Jerseys, Stockinettes, Silk Mixed and pure Silks; In a handsome line of colors, in all sizes, with

nonshrinkable neck bands, with soft or stiff collars and cuffs, "just" as

you like 'em" at a range of prices from 35c to \$3.30. Nebraska Clothing Co.,

Corner Douglas and Fourteenth Streets. OPENED - TO-DAY - - BARTENDER'S - - COATS - AND - WAITER'S - JACKETS

The American academy of mentione in session in Washington elected the following officers: President, Dr. Phineas D. Conner, Cincinnati; vice presidents, Dr. R. Lowry Sibbett, Carlisle, Pa.; Dr. George E. Jackson Pisher, Washington: Dr. Henry M. Lyman, Chicago; Dr. McMurtry, Louisville, Ky. JUMPED TO SAVE THEIR LIVES. Fourteen People Have a Close Call in

a Chicago Fire. CHICAGO, May 4.—Fourteen people were rendered homeless and several narrowly escaped with their lives during a fire that oc curred at 426 Sherman street at 2 o'clock this morning in a two story frame building, the first floor of which was occupied as a black smith shop. The upper floor was occupied as a black-smith shop. The upper floor was occupied by Fred Breen, his, wife and four children Patrick Dwyer and children, and H. C. Crili-ing and wife and four children. The arstarted in the blacksmith shop and the bed ding was immediately wrapped in flames. The occupants were compelled to jump for their lives and reached the street clad only in their night clothes. Crilling was the last to get out and was badly bursed. The loss to the building was \$1,00). The furniture and personal property of the tenants was a

Rain Quenches Forest Fires. May's Landing, N. J., May 4. - Heavy rains

Oma a's School Board. Last night a meeting of the board of educati m, marked chieffy by the many unseemly discussions indulged in among members, was held. It was decided to purchase the Hitchcock lots for the Clifton Hill school site.

Two burned to Death. ROCHESTER, N. Y. May 4.—Early this morning a two-story frame building burned and Herman Stephanaki and his wife perished. The other immates had a narrow escape from death. The fire originated from

a lamp explosion have queuched the forest fires around here and in the vicinity of Pieasantville. Great loss has been sustained by the burning of valuable timber. Much small grain was de stroyed and wild berries ruined

Applications for the position made vacant by the dismissal of Building Superintendent Woolley were referred. A special committee to look up kindergarten schools was ap-pointed.

A very small pill but a very good one. De Witt's Little Early Risers.