## COUNCIL BLUFFS DEPARTMENT.

MINOR MENTION.

Mrs. S. A. Josselyn has returned from a winter's visit with her son in Clinton, Mo. The Knights and Ladics of Security will meet this evening at the Royal Arcanum hall. Regular meeting of Bluff City lodge, No Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, this evening.

The Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias this evening has been postponed pdefinitely. The Enterprise club will meet Tuesday

afternoon in Superintendent Paulson's office in the court house at 2:30. C. H. Gilbert, carpenter shop foreman at the School for the Deaf, has received the sad news of the death of his father in New

England. Two-seated open top carriage for sale; only used a few times; good as new. Also good double carriage harness. Will sell cheap.

625 Broadway. Misses Emma and Lizzle Rhondes of the School for the Deaf have been enjoying an Easter visit from their mother, Mrs. F. P. Rhonden of Shenandoah.

Elliott Alton, former manager of the Dohany theater, has turned his attention to newspaper work and has become proprietor of the Fort Madison Chronicle. Regular meeting of Bluff City lodge, No.

71. Ancient Free and Accepted Matons, this evening at 7:30 sharp. Visiting brethren cordially invited. By order of W. M. Remember the musical and dance at Odd Fellows hall this evening, given by Park & Glen Avenue division of St. Paul's guild. Admission, 25 cents; dance ribbons, 25 cents. The entire number committee of both Re-bekah lodges will meet in Independent Order

of Odd Fellows pariors Wednesday afternoon, April 21, at 3 o'clock. Very important busi-What has the "Eagle" done? We have made an art of the laundry business. We give the public the best work that pure water, soap and skill can produce. 724

Wanted-A man with general acquaintance in Council Bluffs, to canvass for a well known Omaha establishment. State experiand references. Address F 54, Omaha Bee, Omaha.

"A Haggage Check" will be presented at the Dohany on Saturday. This is one of the newest of the farce comedies and is prescatted by a competent company. During the course of the piece some very clever spe-cialty work is indulged in, with late songs

The water has fallen in Lake Manawa in proportion to the decline in the river and the general effects of the flood can be appreciated. The water was eight fet deep around the bath houses on Manhattan beach, but the houses remained in their old loca-tion on account of the tons of sand that had been carried into them by the waves. The big pavilion that is built on piling in the water in front of the beach, and which afforded some interest by its pecu liar gyrations, has settled down upon its original foundation and appears to have weathered the assaults of wind, water and big waves with but little damage. The waves did considerable damage to the beach on Sunday night. They rolled up on the beach to the height of eight feet and somewhat changed its topographical character. No damage was done at all on the north side of the lake, except a slight derange ment to Colonel Reed's toboggan slide The waves washed away the sand and loosened the piling sufficiently to allow the structure to creel over several degrees

C. B. Viavi company, temale remedy, Med ical consultation free Wednesday. Health book furnished. 326-327-328 Merriam block.

N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 250. Wanted, gilt-edge farm and city loans in small or large amounts. Lowest rates and quick money. Lougee & Lougee, 235 Pearl.

Efforts at Sale a Fallure. Sheriff Morgan made an effort yesterday to sell the drug stock of Paul G. Schneider, which was seized under a judgment secured by D. W. Archer for \$416. The stock had been appraised at \$3,700, and it could not be sold for less than twe-thirds of the amount. The highest bid was \$555, and after crying it until he was hoarse the officer was obliged to adjourn the sale. By the provisions of the law it can now be sold one-balf of its appraised value sherif had a very unpromising crowd to sell the stock to. Outside of one or two attorneys interested in the case there were only two or three express drivers, several newsboys While the and some street arabs present. officer was calling for \$1,000 bids the audience got together and counted up its available combined purchasing power. It amounted to just 76 cents. The crowd poked a good deal of fun at the sheriff while the attempted sale

W. C. A. Hospital Report. The. Women's Christian association pre-

sents to the public a report for the month of April, which reveals a steady progress in hospital work. The finances are in a better condition through the efforts of the treasurer, Mrs. Sarah B. Rohrer, and the auditors, Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. O. W. Butts. Many obligations were lifted, including the liquidation of the second mortgage. Each depart-ment, under the supervision of its chairman, is systematically working to live up to the prescribed aim. From the reports given at the meeting, the following items are taken: Number of patients admitted during April, 15; charity, 3; died, 1. The financial re-ports showed: Cash on hand, March 1, \$55.56; money from hospital patients, dues, service of nurses, etc., \$483.06; disbursements, \$337.49. Cash on hand April 1, \$145.57. In the commissary department the con-signors were: Mesdames H. S. Jones, F. S.

Day, W. W. Wallace, J. L. Pugh, F. G. Schnoor, J. H. Pace, E. B. Morehouse, V. Batten, A. Louie, C. R. Frank, George Lipe, James McMillen, P. G. Montgomery, J. N. Casady, J. J. Steadman, G. L. Wycoff, John Lindt, J. R. Bell, Charles Sanderson, W. G. W. C. Estep, Fred Sperling, Charles Hammel, Lucius Wells, Otto Voegler; total, The daily donations were: Dishes, coffee,

apples, butter, eggs, milk, cream, oysters tomatoes, lemons, fruit, jelly, clothing, old linen. The relief committee shows help given to twelve families during the month W. Wallace superintends this department and was assisted by the following Merdames Devol, McMillen, Huston, Il. Lucas, Travis, N. M. Pusey, Van Derveer. The donations consisted of money, food, fuel, old and new clothing. d furniture. The public is asked for contributions for the sick and needy card addressed to Mrs. W. W. Wallace, Bluff street, will receive immediate attention.

MRS. LAURA MACBRIDE,

Corresponding Secretary. Damage to Early Fruit.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., April 19.-There was a remarkable change in the temperature here last night, the mercury dropping from 76 to 26 degrees in a few hours. Ice formed half an inch thick. Early fruit was damaged somewhat.

## Blood Humors

crusted, pimply, or blotchy, whether simple, scrofulous, or hereditary, from infancy to age, speedily cured by warm baths with CUTICURA SOAP, gentle anointings with CUTICURA (ointment), the great skin cure, and mild doses of CUTICURA RESOLVENT, greatest of blood

Is said throughout the world. Porran Dave AND Cunn. Cour., Saie Props., So-ton. "How to Cure Every Blood Humor," free. FACE HUMORS Falling Hair and Baby Blam-

## MILLER WAS JUST STARVING PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Commission of Insanity Develops the True Nature of His Ailment.

HUNCER HAD UNBALANCED HIS REASON

Worry Caused by Loss of Employment and the Sufferings of His Family Brings Him Near the Asylum.

known character. He was taken into custody on Saturday night by the police, who fourd him wandering about the streets gazing heavenward and talking in an incoherent manner. He appropried to all who passed upon special plans which he had originated and which was coming to him from a far usation missioners yesterday to be examined for insanity,

Justice Vien appeared before the council and which was coming to him from a far away land laden with the choicest treasures and the finest of visuads. The investigation is the special messenger of a number of people. The condition was brought about by lack of nutrition and mental anxiety on account of his failure to obtain employment. He is 26 years old, with a wife and three small children. He has been without employment for a long time and during the winter himself and family have suffered for lack of food. Some of the man's neighbors have ascertained that for days he has gone almost entirely without of his mind, of which the airship was a prominent one. Another, was that food would be and to amend it by nor away to his comfortless home. Of late all kinds of vagaries have taken possession of his mind, of which the airship was a prominent one. Another, was that food would be for the fact that the man's condition was brought about by lack of nutrition and mental anxiety on account of his failure to obtain employment. He is 26 years old, with a wife and three small children. He has been without employment for a long time and during the winter himself and family have suffered for lack of food. Some to the ordinance changing the method of fixing the liability of people who desire to dig up the street pavements was taken up and discussed at length. An attempt was made to refer the ordinance again to the committee of the whole and to amend it by increasing the bond and fee for the private of the settlers and the townsite company, respectively.

The office of street commissioner. The message he bore was in the shape of a protection of J. M. Hardin to the council's election of J. M. Hardin to the council's election of J. M. Hardin to the council so the council's election of J. M. Hardin to the council's election of J. M. Hardin to the council sate that subthers of the Sixth ward who objected to the council's election of J. M. Hardin to the council's election of J. M. Hardin to the council's election of J. M. Hardin to the council sate that the man's in the s all kinds of vagaries have taken possession of his mind, of which the airship was a prominent one. Another was that food would come to his barren table if he struck the table the right number of blows at the proper time, and for days past he has spent his time pounding his table through the day, muttering incoherent charms, and his nights gazing into the sky for the phantom airship. The charge of insanity preferred by the vas also sent to the city officials to interest themselves in the man's welfare to the ex-tent of aiding him in securing employment.

ONE SCHOOL WAS DROWNED OUT. Effects of the Flood in East Omaha

Officially Noticed. The Board of Education held its regular nonthly meeting last evening and dispatched the usual routine business. The flood situation in East Omaha was brought to the attention of the board officially by a communication from Member Spruit of the cachers' committee, announcing that the school house there had been drowned out and that the teacher had found herself to be without a place to teach or pupils to instruct. In this contingency the com-mittee had transferred her to this side of the river and had given her temporary employment in one of the new rooms in the North Eighth street building. The board approved the action and agreed that she should remain until the waters subsided and the East Omaha school building again became accessible to the pupils. Member Moore, from the committee on grounds and buildings, reported that the

furnace in the High school building was worn out and that the boilers would unloubtedly be condemned at the next official inspection. The committee was instructed to make investigations and report it the next meeting of the board. A number of architects were present nd submitted plans for the \$5,000

tion ordered to be made to the Twentieth M. avenue building, and the board held a lengthy conference with them at the close Sims, from the committee on text books. reported favorably to the purchase of \$330

his report was concurred in. Superintendent Hisey recommended the purchase of additional maps and globes for the use of the schools, five eight-inch globes ain't good, we don't want him." for the ward schools and one twelve-inch Another lengthy petition from globe for the High school. Also the purchase of five additional commercial maps, the whole to cost \$236. The secretary and superintendent were directed to procure

liplomas for the graduating class. The question of doing away with the usual graduation orations and essays was settled in favor of the abolition of the practice and the substitution of one well known speaker.

The announcement was made that th oupils of the High school were planning for a "Shakespearean" reception to be given about May 14. Miss Webster, one of the eachers in the High school, has had published a volume containing about for the purpose. The proceeds will be used to defray the expenses of the graduation Superintendent Hisey reported the enroll-

ment as follows:

enrollment for the seventh Total enrollment for the last month., 3,877

Average number belonging for seventh Average number belonging for last

Average daily attendance for seventh Average dally attendance for last

NOTES FROM THE DISTRICT COURT Mrs. Ella Peabody Secures Divorce

and Allmony from C. C. Peabody. Judge Smith took up the divorce docket furing a lull of a few minutes in the district ourt yesterday and heard the evidence that Mrs. Ella Peabody presented in support of her claim for absolute divorce from Clarence Peabody. No defense was made and the divorce was granted. The only question considered at length was the sufficiency of the notice to the defendant. Peabody is a nonresident, and service was obtained upon him by accident. Judge Smith held that such service would not be sufficient to bring him within the jurisdiction of the court, the court's orders. Peabody has considerable property here and the court granted the plaintiff \$50 to pay attorney's fees and \$20 a month as alimony until further orders. The decree also specifies that judgment may be entered from time to time for the amount as it becomes due and his property can be seized to satisfy these judgments. The plaintiff was also granted the custody of her three children. The grounds upon which the divorce was obtained were desertion and

nonsupport. The greater portion of the day was umed in hearing the arguments in the case f A. U. Wyman, receiver of the lowa and Nebraska Insurance company, against the late Joel Eaton, to recover payment for about \$7,000 of the stock of the concern, which he

neld during his lifetime. A demurrer was submitted by the defend ant in the case of Lizzie Smith against John Linder. The suit is to recover the differ-ence between the amount of a mortgage held by Linder upon some saloon property, and the amount it brought when it was sold under foreclosure. Linder held the mort-gage to secure a claim against the Smiths and when the property was sold he made the serious mistake of raising in his bid the amount of his mortgage by over \$700. The nortgage called for \$2,300, and Linder for tot to take a memorandum of the amount When he came to bid in the property he had the impression that the amount of the claim was \$3,000, and he made his bid a rifle over that figure and got the property. The saloon people now come into court and

sue him for this difference.

Appointment of Hardin as Street Supervisor is Objected To. There was a full attendance at the meet ing of the city council last evening, the auditors being about evenly divided between the advocates of the construction of new sidewalks in various parts of the city and the supporters of a hot remonstrance to the election of J. M. Martin as street supervisor The broad claim was made that Mr. Hardin was not even a citizen of Council Bluffs; that he had surrendered his citizenship here

ent manner. He announced to all who passed in a communication to the council recombined that he was looking for the approach mending the city to find employment for of an airship that had been constructed william Miller, who was before the commissioners vester day to be examined for in-

The charge of insanity preferred by the sidewalks in that portion of the city and man's brother was not sustained and the that their children were obliged to wade recuring an order on the county poor fund are no walks on any of the avenues in that locality. The walk was ordered. A sidewalk was also ordered on the east side of Tenti street between Avenues H and I. The contract between the city and the New Nonparell company for printing the new orlinance books was submitted. It calls for the printing of 250 books to be bound in cloth and 100 in leather at \$1.50 a page. It

> page.
> PAVING RESOLUTION REJECTED. A resolution was introduced by Alderman Graham ordering the pavement of North Main and Bryant streets from Broadway to Washington avenue, but the resolution was

the Franklin Printing company at 85 cents a

relected. Alderman Pace introduced a resolution directing the street commissioner to distribute city work as far as possible among the labor-ing men, giving the preference to men with families. Alderman Casper objected to the resolution, because it interfered with the better practice now in vogue of giving each man two days' work, and his objection was sus-The city clerk was instructed to advertise

for bids for supplying the ice used by the city during the summer. The agreement between the park commis-doners and Leonard Everett for the new right of way into Fairmount was presented and referred to the committee on streets and

Bonds of the newly appointed officers selected by the council were presented and approved, with the exception of that of J. Hardin, street commissioner. This was referred to the committee of the whole. The bond of Sam Dobson, poundmaster, was objected to, and the discussion that followed said that while he was paired with Senator Thurston, he understood that the junior senworth of supplementary reading books, and bert explained that the bondsman objected to was "one of your good democrats." don't care," said Casper, "if he is a goo lemocrat or a d-d poor republican. If he

Another lengthy petition from laboring ien and others asking for the retention and re-election of W. G. Morris as street ommissioner was presented and placed or file. John Oleson was granted a license to conduct a saloon at 1025 East Pierce street The city engineer was instructed to con work on Indian creek as far up as Oak street by the construction of dams or

he upper end of the creek. City Attorney Hazelton reported the result of his mission to Des Moines to secure a modification of the general incorporation law affecting the charters of cities and owns, which he regarded as satisfactory, with the provision requiring blennial in-stead of annual elections. He was sure the Shakespearean characters, which will be used | legislature would not agree to any change n this provision.

The committee on fire and lights was instructed to advertise for blds to supply 1,000 feet of new fire hose. A new floor to be constructed of hard Total enrollment for seven months... 4,339 burned brick was ordered to be laid in No. Total enrollment for six months... 4,232 2 hose house, the firemen to do the work if

the city supplied the material. The council adjourned to meet as a committee of the whole next Monday night.

Polished oak sideboards this week \$8.50 at Durfee Furniture Co., 205 and 207 B'way.

Real Estate Transfers. The following transfers were filed yester day in the title and loan office of J. W

hicago, Rock Island and Pacific Rallway company to Maria, Lizzle and Kate Kelly, nel, nel, 13-77-38, w d. and Kate Kelly, nel nel 13-77-38, w d.

Same to same, nel nwl 13-77-38, w d.

Guardian of Marcus De Groat to S J
H Boysen, und 1-5 lot 2, block 2,
Hughes & Doniphan's add, d.

Heirs of M De Groat to S J H Boysen, to 2, block 2, Hughes & Doniphan's add, d.

J J Stewart, executor of A Cochran, to Ovide Vien, lot 15, block 3,
Mynster's add, d.

Same to Leonard Everett, executor, elg nwl 13-75-44, d.

Same to Nancy I Cronen, lot 23, block 32, Central sub, d.

J E F McGee and wife to Virginia Jeffers, part lot 9, block 3, Grimes' add, q c d. 175

Eight transfers, total.....\$ 4,254 of

Electric Bitters. Eletric Bitters is a medicine suited for my season, but perhaps more generally needed when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and slugbut it would make his property subject to gish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilous fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial posion. Headache. digestion, Constipation, Dizzines yield to Electric Bitters. 50c and \$1.00 per bottle at Kuhn & Co., Drug Store

Easter Services at Red Cloud. RED CLOUD, Neb., April 19.-(Special.)-Yesterday was an ideal Easter day and several churches celebrated with special services. The Congregational and Baptist churches were nicely decorated and the children of the Sunday school in each presented exercises from special leaflets. The Christian pastor, Rev. Mr. Hussong, and the Methodist Episcopal pastor, Rev. Mr. James Mark Dar-

ley, preached special Easter sermons, Wreck on Great Northern KALISPEL, Mont., April 19.-A Great Northern eastbound passenger train struck a broken rall near Bear creek, east of here tonight. Both engines broke loose and were hurled down the side of the moun-tain. Four of the trainmen were hurt, En-gineer Smith badly.

Movements of Ocean Vessels, April 19 At Gibraltar-Arrived-Ems, from New York, for Genoa. At Boston-Arrived-Cephalonia, from Liverpool.
At New York—Arrived—Werkendam, from Rotterdam.
At Leghorn—Arrived—California, from New York.

Attorney General Vandevanter Listens to Some Townsite Arguments.

to this city and southeast through the above towns. President Stickney has figured on this line for some time and wants MAJOR PICKLER GETS SOME DISCOURAGED to build if suitable encouragement is ex-

Complains that the Places He Wants Are Being Filled by Others While He is Left to Walt, or p

WASHINGTON, April 19 .- (Special Telegram.)-Assistant Attorney General Vandelast fall by moving his family to another city, and had only returned this spring to become a candidate for the position. The friends of Mr. Hardin pointed out the fact that he had been a citizen and taxpayer vanter of the Interior department today examined William Miller yesterday. Miller and could not lose his citizenship because the son of "Sport" Miller, a former well he had sent his family away.

The contest involves about 130 and could not lose his citizenship because he had sent his family away.

The contest involves about 130 and could not lose his citizenship because the had sent his family away. townsite entry for the benefit of its people, and defendants claim it under homestead entries. The questions involved are whether the land was subject to townsite entry, and whether it was lawfully entered as townsite before the homesteaders made entry. The decision of the commissioner of the general land office was in favor of the

that South Dakota republicans are to be left out in the distribution of patronage outside of the state. National Committeeman Kittridge of my state is in the city, and I hope

Mr. Kittridge's visit here at this time i ostensibly to fight the confirmation of N Johnson, who has been nominated as agent for the Sisseton Indians. He will also take up with the comptroller of the cur-rency the matter of the Sloux Falls National

omething will come from his visit."

SIOUX CITY FIGHTS OMAHA. Omaha and Sioux City got mixed today in the senate over Senator Allen's amendment to the Indian appropriation bill providing for a supply depot at the former place, and for a time it looked as if the whole matter might be crucified. The senator from Nemicro and the senato cloth and 100 in leather at \$1.00 a page.

was approved and placed on file in the face of the opposition of Alderman Casper, who lows to become manifest sometimes, gathered lows to become manifest sometimes. ing Senator Carter's suggestion to his amendment. Senator Gear of lowa, when Senator Allen offered his amendment to the Indian bill, directing the secretary of the nterior to establish within sixty days after the passage of the act a warehouse for In-dian supplies at Omaha, moved to substitute Sioux City, and proceeded to outline the advantagez which that city had over Omaha. He stated that Sioux City had the same rates as Omaha and that it was in closer proximity to Indians than Omaha. This Senator Allen denied, and at once debate took a wide range, involving the question of railroad facilities of both places and the opportunity for the distribution of supplies. So they had it back and forth, Allen defending Omaha, Gear standing up for the Iowa town on the Missouri, until Carter offered an amendment vesting in the secretary of the interior the right to supply from Omaha such Indian tribes as in his judgment will be best served from that point, which Allen accepted. Gear moved to lay the whole matter on the table, and on yea and nay vote being taken, Allen's amendment prevailed, 27 to 17, with Carter's suggestion incorporated. The following western senators voted with Allen: Harris of Kansas, Heitfeld, Pettigrew, Roach, Warren and White. Senator Tillman, who voted

> ator from Nebraska would also vote the sam Senator Allen introduced pension bills for . Francis Hopper of Omaha and Captain Robert H. Palmerson; also a bill to remove the charge of desertion from the name of Frederick W. Joslin of Clarks, Neb., for Senator Thurston, who is absent in the south with his family. Senator Allen also offered ommunications relative to tariff matters om Prof. Henry B. Ward and George E. McLean of Lincoln, relative to duty of foreign books; from Hugh Murphy of Omaha regarding asphaltum, in which Mr. Murphy oes into the history of the Barber Asphal ompany and its manner of doing business He also introduced the resolutions of Far agut post, No. 20, favoring the ratification of the arbitration treaty.

Hall Hitchcock of Tecumseh was ad nitted to practice before the supreme court odav. Fourth class postmasters appointed Nebraska today were: C. C. Boslow, Hen-derson, York county; Mrs. L. M. McKinnon. Hickman, Larcaster county; R. A. Glenn, Hildred, Franklin county. J. D. Slusher Hildred, Franklin county, J. D. Slusher was removed from the Hickman office. J Wilson was appointed at Dayton, Sheri-

DULL DAY IN THE LEGISLATURE.

dan county, Wyo.

session is Nearing Its End and There is Little Work on Hand. DES MOINES, April 19 .- (Special Telegram.)-Little was done in the legislature today. The close of the session is at hand, and the work will from this time forth consist mainly of acting on conference committee reports. In the senate the bill on municipal organ-

izations was read all the afternoon, and a great number of amendments were offered. none of them being acted on, but going ove be printed. In the lower house the afternoon was

devoted to reading the bill on cities under special charters. No vote was reached. Another hearing will be held tomorrow evening on the Cheshire amendment, and representatives of the telegraph, express and sleeping car companies will debate the mer-its of the amendment with the members who favor a change in the laws. It is believed now that the amendment will be

Manufacturing will come up again in the house Wednesday, and despite the threats of democrats to vote against the senate measure, its friends say every democrat will over for it and that it will pass. The changes that the democrats are demanding with the design of making the bill more liberal, are not likely to be granted.

Fools the Foreign Farmers. ATLANTIC, Ia., April 19.-(Special.)-The Danish and German farmers, of this locality are considerably disturbed, owing to a de mand for pay for some fruit frees purchased a short time ago. The farmers are unable to understand English, but say they were told that the pay for the trees would be taken out in the fruit raised from them. But now they are confronted with a signed contract demanding the pay for the trees upon de Several farmers have been caught for large amounts of money, which they were not expecting to pay till, tail, and are placed at a disadvantage. It is a Council Bluffs firm that made the deals through agents.

Mason City Railroad Scheme. MASON CITY, Ia., April 19.-(Special Telegram.)-James Hill and Hamilton Brown are behind a railroad scheme to give Mason City and Des Moines closer connections Their plan is to build from Clarion to Webster City, twenty-two miles, and from Webster City to Boone, thirty-three miles.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

There they would connect with the Des Moines, Northern & Western. The Mason City & Fort Dodge would be utilized between Mason City and Clarion. Citizens of Manley, Bristow, Benizette and Coldwater met here tonight to formulate plans to have the Great Western build from Manley

tended. The towns will vote a bonus. TRAINING IN THE FIRE STATION.

Pugilist Preparing for a Fight in Des Moines Engine House, DES MOINES, April 19.—(Special Tele gram.)-The city council was called on to consider the question of prize fighting today. Alderman Tone offered a resolution, which was adopted, looking to the investigation of the matter of using the city fire stations with matched to fight here in the near future and word had reached the council that Assistant Fire Chief Scarberry is training and will sec ond O'Donnell, and that he is being trained in the East Side central station house. A committee of three was named to look into the matter and it has been found that these statements are substantially true, and a great sensation has been stirred up. The committee is likely to make recommendations discharges from the forces.

Mall Boxes on the Street Cars. DES MOINES, April 19.—(Special Telegram.)-The experiment of collecting mail from street cars was tried for the first time today. Ordinary mail boxes were placed on the sides of about a dozen cars, being all that ran on four of the city lines, and letters could be dropped into them whenever the car stopped. About 700 letters were gathered up, which was twice as many as had been expected the first day. The success of the scheme is believed to be assured. Mexican Investment Company.

DUBUQUE, Ia., April 19.—(Special Telegram.)-Cleveland, O., capitalists today incorporated the Mexican Investment and Man ufacturing company of Dubuque, authorized capital, \$5,000,000, to receive concessions from Mexico, raise coffee, cotton and fruits build railroads, bridges, canals, sewers, factories, business colleges, hospitals, hotels and sanitariums.

Gets Damages in a Smaller Amount CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., April 19.-(Special Telegram.)-In the district court today, i the case of Mrs. Francis Fry against Mrs. Jane Stinson, for \$10,000 damages for aliena-tion of her husband's affections, the jury returned a verdict giving the plaintiff dam ages in the sum of \$1,500,

EGGS ON WHITE HOUSE LAWN Hundreds of Children Make Merry as

the Annual Festival. WASHINGTON, April 19.-The annual egg-rolling festival in the white house grounds, which always occurs on the Monday following Easter, took place today. It was an ideal day, warm and balmy. Thousands of merry, laughing children, with varicolored eggs, began trooping into the grounds before 10 o'clock, accompanied by their parents and nurses, and by noon there were fully 5,000 children on the spacious lawn in the rear of the executive mansion, rolling eggs, rollicking up and down the hills and playing about the fountain. It was a very & Lake Michigan Railway company in dis democratic gathering, white and black tots obedience of an order of the circuit court for playing indiscriminately together. A stand for the Marine band was erected in the grounds just south of the main veranda. strike and those of the other line were in At 3 o'clock, when the Marine band began to play, there were fully 15,000 people in the gounds. Mrs. McKinley, with Mrs. Saxton the circuit court for the northern district gounds. Mrs. McKinley, with Mrs. Saxton at her side, sat at the window. She was joined for a few minutes by the president, who nodded his acknowledgements to the frantic waving of thousands of handkerchiefs. The band played patriotic and lively airs until 5 o'clock. At 6 o'clock the Yale Glee club entertained the president and Mrs. McKinley and the other occupants of the white house with an impromptu con-

REMOVING CIVIL SERVICE BAR. Pension Agents Wish to Select Their Own Clerks.

WASHINGTON, April 19 .- A movement is understood to be in progress having for its object the revocation of that part of the civil service rules which applies to the clerical force of pension agencies. The extension of the rules to the agencies became operative July 15, 1895, and under the provisions an agent cannot employ or remove an employe without the approval of the commissioner of pensions. It is asserted that this is an in justice to the agents, as well as depriving the administration of much patronage. The objectors contend that the sgents, who are heavily bonded in amounts ranging from \$75,000 to \$150,000, should be allowed to select those to whom they entrust the work and for whom they are held responsible. Thus at Columbus, O., and Topeka, Kan., it is pointed out that the agents cannot select any of the clerks who sign checks during the year representing many millions of dollars, for which the agents are held liable. There are 500 clerks affected by the extension of the rules referred to.

EX-PRESIDENT WINS BOTH CASES. Supreme Court Decides Two Indiana

Cases. WASHINGTON, April 19 .- Two cases recently argued in the supreme court of the United States by ex-President Harrison were today decided by that court and both in favor of the contention of the ex-president. One of these cases involved the right of the city of Hammond, Ind., to annex land belonging to Caroline M. Forsythe, which she resisted. She sought to enjoin the collection of taxes and after failing in the state courts took the case to the federal courts. In these courts she also failed and the decisions below were affirmed by today's opinion. The other case was that of the City Railway company against the Citizens' Railway company of Indianapo-lis. In this case the court decided that the charter of the City company did not expire until 1901. The contention of the perpetuity of the charter was not passed upon

Another Pacific Roads Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—Senator Butler of North Carolina today introduced a bill supplemental to the subsidy acts of the Union and Central Pacific railroads. It recites the failure of the companies to meet their obligations, that by the terms of th acts such failure is to operate as a forfeiture of all property rights and franchises and directs the attorney general to cause such forfeiture to be enforced. The secretary of the treasury is directed to take possession of the roads and the land grants in their possession, and the United States shall own the roads, operate them as a continuous line, and charge such rates as shall pay ex penses and maintain a sinking fund. The secretary is directed to fund any bonds paramount to the rights of the United States and to ascertain the cost of purchasing such lines owned by the Central and Union Pa-cific as shall be necessary for the maintenance of a continuous line from Omaha or Kansas City to San Francisco, or the cost of constructing such lines as may be necessary for this purpose.

Butler Will Not Be Here. WASHINGTON, April 19 .- If the populist party, or any portion of it, assembles in convention at Nashville on July 4, as is now proposed, Senator Butler, the national chairman, will not be present. may quote me as saying," he remarked "that any populist who does attend defies the regular organization of

Jones and Hell Pick Plums. WASHINGTON, April 19 .- W. A. Jones of Wisconsin and Robert V. Bell of Maryland have been offered and have accepted the respective offices of commissioner and assistant commissioner of Indian affairs.

Decision in Railroad Strike Case. WASHINGTON, April 19.—The supreme court today affirmed, in an opinion delivered by Justice Brown, the decision of the circuit court of appeals for the Sixth circuit in the

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ase of the petition of James Lennen for writ of habeas corpus. Lennon was a loco-motive engineer on the Lake Shore & Mich-igan Southern railroad, and as such refused to haul the cars of the Toledo, Ann Arbon of Ohio. He immediately filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, which was successively denied by the courts below, and their ction was sustained by the supr today. The case originated in 1893 and at tracted wide attention.

Selects the Consul of Berlin. WASHINGTON, April 19.-The president oday informed Representative Bartholdt of Missouri that Julius Goldsmith of Mil-FOR ALL FORMS OF FEMALE WEAKwaukee, Wis., had been selected for consulgeneral to Berlin. Dally Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, April 19.-Today's statenent of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$225,383,008; gold reerve, \$154,659,546.

Republican Senatorial Caucus WASHINGTON, April 19 .- The republican mators were in caucus today nearly two DR, SEARLES & SEARLES. 119 S. 14th St., ours, and adjourned when the senate met vithout reaching any agreement.

Deaths of a Day. ST. LOUIS, April 19 .- Rev. James Brook pastor emeritus of the Washington and Compton Avenue Presbyterian church, is lead, of bright's disease. He is as well known in England as in this country. ceased has been in St. Louis ever since 1858 and for thirty-seven years was paster of the Washington and Compton Avenue Presbyterian church. For twenty-three years Dr. Brook was the editor of The nagazine published in Chicago, and devoted o the maintenance of the inerrancy of th pible and the defense of the doctrine held by the pre-millennial school. In his other literary work he produced seventeen books and 200 tracts. His wife, formerly Miss Susan Oliver of Oxford, O., and three daugh-

ters, survive him. COLUMBUS, Neb., April 19.—(Special.)-Mrs. Finan, aged about 80 years, died Sat-urday evening at the residence of John Elston, of general debility and old age. She had lived in this county for over thirty years and was considered as one of the old marks. She has a son and a daughter living n the western part of the state who have CALHOUN, Neb., April 19 .- (Special.)-

Mrs. Hanmer, an old resident of this place, but for the last year a resident of Blair, died there Saturday. The funeral services were held in the Episcopal church of that place. The remains were brought here for DES MOINES, April 19 .- (Special Tele gram.)—Harriet V. Ankeny, aged 97 years died late Sunday evening at her home is this city. She had lived here since 1864 and in the county and city had nearly 200 de scendants, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She had been for many years tho veteran of all the early settlers. She had

ban a century old and probably would have done so, but she suffered a fracture of onhip as the result of a fall. MANY PERSONS ARE DROWNING

or ten years said she would live to be more

Can Only Be Reached by Boats and Boats Are Not Obtainable VICKSBURG, Miss., April 20.-Major J H. Willard, United States engineer, received a dispatch at midnight from the master of the steamer Florence, ordered last night to Coon's Landing, La., to rescue flood sufferers, asking him to send all the skiffs obtainable by the first steamer, as people are drowning and cannot be reached ccept by skiffs. Coon's Landing le thirty-five miles from this city and is being

ooded by Biggs crevasse. Go Headlong Over the Falls. MENOMINEE, Mich., April 19.-Two un nown men were blasting on some staging tt Michigamme Falls on the Michigamn iver drive when the staging broke ar he men went headlong over the falls. Tr addies have not yet been recovered.

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