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Floods.

DETROIT, March 25.-From all over

floods after last night's severe rainstorm

that caused losses that will reach into

hundreds of thousands of dollars. Rivers

everywhere are greatly swollen and the

creeks are taking on the proportion of

rivers. Severe damage is reported from all

along the Grand river, the Kalamazoo and

St. Joseph rivers are out of their banks.

the Flint river is flooding the cities along

Towns further up Grand river report

of the town is under water. The Grand

and Flat rivers, which join there, are so

ewoolen that they meet in Main street,

one mile from their regular confluence

rescued by boats. At Lyons the water is

Grand river is raging fifteen feet above

nean low water, baving risen nearly s

foot in four hours. There is every pros-

pect that the rise will continue, as re-

ports from up-stream indicate the break-

ing up of the ice and thereasing volumes

industries of the city are situated along

the banks of the river and the continued

rise, which now seems certain, will mean

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., March 25 .-

and Battle creek are the most serious in

of basements and lower floors, while many

and their owners are getting out in the

district with boats, It is feared that the

Four hundred houses are surrounded by

losses from the flood will reach at least

history here, and the flood has caused

heavy damage. The Lake Shore railroad

viaduct is under three feet of rushing water

and all trains are delayed. The Kalamazoo

street bridge went out during the night

Gasoline floating down on the flood from a

leaking tank ran into the boiler fires at the

along the river were caused by slaking lime

At all three the firemen fought the flames

KALAMAZOO, Mich., March 25 .- As

result of last night's torrential rain the

Kalamazoo river rose thirteen inches and

today ap area half a mile square in the

hooded from one to six feet. Several fac-

tories were compelled to close by the high

water and about 300 men are out of em-

ployment. In the flooded district the resi-

dents are setting about in boats, many of

the houses being submerged to their second

SAGINAW, Mich., March 25 .- Streets in

recorded. 21.7 feet above low water mark,

Much stock, however, has been destroyed.

Trains Are Delayed and Heav

Loss of Stock is

Feared.

ST. PAUL, March 25.-The Northern Pa

ific, Great Northern and Soo lines had a

in those states for more than thirty hours.

The ratiroad wires are down and the trains

nore or less blokaded. A party of execu-

tive and traffic officials which left St. Paul

Wednesday is blockaded somewhere in

The north coast limited, which left St.

BIHMARCK, N. D., March 25 .- As a re-

suit of a severe blizzard which began last

night there are drifts from three to six

feet deep. It is feared there will be heavy

losses of stock, many cattle having gone

into the storm weak from the severe winter,

GRAND FORKS, N. D., March M .- A bils-

Packing House Men Quit.

Trains are delayed.

Paul vesterday, is tied up at Dickerson.

hard time of it in North Dakota and Mon

section known as the river bottoms is

in water waist deep

heavy rain.

in this city by high water.

three feet deep in the village streets.

SINGLE COPY THREE CENTS.

Entire Upper Mississippi Valley Enffers from Its Effect.

CHICAGO ALSO SERIOUSLY AFFECTED

St. Louis and Territory Adjacent Among the Worst Eufferers.

MANY ARE INJURED IN WRECK OF HOMES

Property Damage Great Over a Wide Area of Territory.

RAILROADS AMONG WORST SUFFERERS Tracks Washed Away and Telegraph

and Telephone Lines Prostrated in Every Direction.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., March 25.-The sembly adjourned yesterday afternoon. wind and rain storm that awept over here erty damage, injured many persons and seriously crippled the local and interurban Creates Trouble by Opposing Loubet's street car traffic, but no fatalities have been reported. Among the injured are: Thomas Dorris, hurt under debris of

Mrs. Thomas Dorris, hip and arm broken and injured internally. Frank Dorris, son, left foot crushed off.

Philip Riplinger. Six Riplinger children, all hurt in overturned house.

Louis Kaiser, struck by brick.

James Wood, hurt by flying debris. John Linten, bruised.

An old land mark, known as the Custom mills, occupied as a boarding house by a dozen miners, was blown down. The occupants escaped with bruises.

turned and Riplinger and his six children the speaker added, France was sacrificing were rescued from the debris. All were At the aluminum works of the Pittsburg

Reduct on company, one building, containing machinery, was demolished and the electric light plant was badly damaged. The entire west wall and part of the roof of the Suburban railway substation was demolished. Plank sidewalks were

broken off, and all over the city homes were damaged. Much Damage at Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 25.-Further details of

the damage caused by last night's storm in the suburbs of Chicago were obtained today. At Washington Heights several persons were injured, and houses were blown down or unroofed. In Morgan Park and Fernwood the storm reached the proportions of a tornado. Five houses were unroofed, another blown from its foundation and miles of telephone and telegraph poles were blown down. graph wires blocked the Rock Island and Pan Handle railway tracks. Sidewalks were wrenched from their place and thousands of yards of fences scattered through

the streets. of Peter Mellen and Mrs. R. Ray had daughters were in bed when the storm struck. In an instant the roof was carried away and the terrified women were

The Ray cottage was 200 feet away. Mrs. Ray and several friends were in the parlor when the roof of the Mellen house crashed upon their dwelling, wrecking the upper story. A number of other houses and stores were badly damaged.

Traffic on the Calumet Electric Stree railway and the Chicago Electric Traction company, operating between Blue Island and Auburn Park, was tied up for hours. Almost every house in Burnside was damaged by the storm. Chimneys were blown down, roofs torn away, and there was scarcely an unbroken window left in the suburb. No one was injured, so far as the police were able to learn. The water this portion of the city rose about six inches in the storm.

South Chicago Feels Storm.

In South Chicago the storm continued through the night, sweeping down telegraph poles and flooding a part of the tic squadron, arrived here yesterday. The Fred Brunk of South Chicago and his wife, Rebecca, were severely injured when the roof of their dwelling was blown off. Both were struck by bricks. At seventy-fifth street and Railroad ave-

nue the wind blew the roof from a build ing occupied by Brown & Co., coal dealers, and hurled it against a car on the Calumet Electric line, filled with passen-The car was knocked from None of the passengers was in-

At Daupin Park the Illinois Central station platform and roof were torn up by the wind and thrown across the track. stopping traffic for some time. The situation in Dauphin Park is serious. acres of land are under several feet of water already and sidewalks in the south end of the town are submerged. Last night's storm added materially to the gravity of the situation.

age there is put at \$15.000. The wind put an end to the Rogers Park street car service in North Clark street Between Devon and Greenleaf avenues fallen trolley and are light poles and tangled and broken wires stopped all traffic during the night and caused the calling of policemen and firemen to prevent fatalt ties. Throughout Lake View considerable damage was done by wind and rain.

Houses Slown Down. JOLIET, III., March 25.-A score of house barns and small buildings collapsed. Windows, chimneys, sidewalks and fences all

over the city suffered. WHITEHEATH, Ill., March 25 .- The Unirersalist church, Murray's elevator and Flanagan's hotel have been blown down in a storm. The Methodist church was unroofed and several houses lifted off their foundations. Many telephone and telegraph wires are down.

MRS. BOTKIN'S CHOCOLATES Witness Testifies that Caudy Could

Not Have Been Poisoned by Copper Kettles.

SAN PRANCISCO, March 23 -- In the Botkin murder case today former Lieutenant of Police Colby testified that the various exhibits in the case were carefully guarded by him during the time they were in the possession of Chief Lees.

Prof. Price, the chemist who examined the checolates received at Dover, said that it at his wife's head. He secured a rope there is no arsenic in verdigris from candynakers' copper kettles, which Attorney Knight intimated might have poisoned the

Former Postoffice Inspector Irwin testia should reach Doyer, Dela on August & | Years

Republic of Panama Turns Its Attention to Aiding Sufferers

offered for sale.

from Fire.

Owing to the fire at Bocas del Toro. March 6, four government secretaries have been sent there by President Amador to study the means to be taken to repair the damages sustained by the town, the loss being about \$500,000. They sailed from Colon last night upon the United Fruit company's steamer Preston, taking with them some relief supplies for the inhabitants, who suffered from the confiagration. President Amador yesterday gave a bannet to Second Vice President and former Governor Obaldia. William W. Russell, the retiring secretary of the United States legation, recently appointed minister to Colombia: Colonel J. R. Shaler, superin-

last night caused a large amount of prop- BONI DE CASTELLANE MAKES SCENE.

tendent of the Panama Railroad company;

Senor Arango, and other prominent per-

Visit to Rome.

PARIS, March 25 .- Count Boni de Castellane (republican) created a scene in the Chamber of Deputies today. When Foreign Minister Delcasse asked for a credit of \$90,000 to defray the expenses of President Loubet's visit to Rome, the count said it was understood that the president would not visit the pope and yet would visit the representative of the dynasty who had despoiled the papacy. M. Brisson, president of the house, interrupted the speaker, declaring that his words were an insult to the French nation. Amid great disorder the count continued speaking. He asserted that M. Loubet's visit was to be made to a king who owed his throne to Free Ma-The home of Philip Riplinger was over- sonry. In seeking the friendship of Italy, the friendship of the vatican. Several deputies replied to the count.

M. Delcasse, in supporting the credit, made a significant allusion to the Franco-Russian alliance which brought out much enthusiasm. He said M. Loubet's trip to Rome was another evidence of the rapproachement between nations which began with the alliance with Russia and the blown away, telegraph and telephone poles | faithful, continual maintenance of that alliance. This was the first allusion to the Russian alliance since the beginning of the war in the far east, and in view of the efforts in some quarters to weaken the alliance the statement of the minister for foreign affairs was considered important. The foreign minister did not reply to the criticism of Count Bonl, but credit was

> voted by an overwhelming majority. TURKEY AGREES TO THE PLAN.

> Reaches Understanding with Austria as to Police Force.

LONDON, March 25 .- According to the dispatches received today from Constantinople, the porte and the Austro-Russian embassies have reached an agreement in regard to the organization of the Mace-oupon by the emperors of Russia and Ausbeen alleged to be mebilizing troops, will be in full operation.

In an interview at Sofia, March 24, Boris Sarafoff, the Macedonian leader, said his party intended to await the result of an introduction of the reforms before launching a fresh insurrection.

GOES BACK ON HIS OWN OFFER.

Chicago Man Gives Up Proposition to

Raise the Maine, HAVANA, March 25.-The Cuban govern nent has discarded the offer of George Richardson of Chicago for the raising of the United States buttleship Maine, because he has neither furnished a guarantee or signed a contract for the execution of the

Newark at Colon.

COLON March 25 .- The Newark, flagship of Rear Admiral Sigsbee; Montgomery and Detroit, of the United States South Atlan-Olympia, flagship of Rear Admiral Coghlan, Castine and Newport, of the United States Caribbean squadron, and two torpedo boat destroyers, left Colon yesterday homeward bound.

Empress Does Not Favor Alliance. LONDON, March 25 .- The Telegraph to day prints a dispatch from its Shanghai correspondent which says that the empress

downger has negatived a proposal made by Generals Yuan Shi Kai and Ma that China conclude an open alliance with Japan, in view of Russia's repeated violations of Chinese territory west of the Liao river. Germana Repulse Hereros. BERLIN, March 25 .- A cable dispatch

was received today from Colonel Leutwein, the governor of German Southwest Africa, announcing that a fight occurred at Omat-The total dam- ako mountain March 16, which resulted in the Herreros being repulsed, with the loss of ten men killed. The German loss was two men killed and two wounded.

> MANY PATIENTS ARE EXPOSED Fire in a Michigan Hospital Sends Sick People Into Deep

which broke out in the Delta county hospihere were unroofed by the storm. Many tal caused a panic among the sixty patients, many of whom were forced to leave the building by means of ludders and fire escapes, clad in night robes. Some whom were thought to be at the point of death were compelled to stand outside in deep snow for half an hour before shelter could be found for them in neighboring homes.

The fire was under control within an hour, but it is feared that many of the patients who are suffering from typhoid fever will never recover from the effects of the exposure.

THUNDER DETHRONES REASON During Heavy Storm Husband's Nerves Are Unstrung and He

Tries to Kill Wife.

ST. LOUIS, March E .- During the heavy storm that swept over St. Louis a terrific peal of thunder shattered the nerves of Julius Hamm and he suddenly oprang to and tried to cast it about her, cowboy fashion, when lightning flashes illuminated ed that a package mailed here on August The couple have been married for thirty

Establishment of Signal Corps School Depends on Conference Acti PANAMA, March 25.—By recent decree the Second battalion of Panama troops on the Isthmus is disbanded, leaving only one battalion under the colors, and the vessels forming the Panama navy are ceived Than Government Promised Them in Any of the Trenties.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March C.-(Special Tele- its banks and a serious flood is threatened gram.)-The house conferces on the mill. by the Saginaw river. Dams and bridges tary appropriation bill have disagreed to have gone out along all of the streams. ground that as it is new legislation and Rapids, Kalamazoo, Battle Creek and Lansthe house should have an opportunity to ing. At Niles the residence section near pass on it. This item, which was inserted Front and North Second streets is flooded. the Signal corps to 1.22 men, nearly double floods and washouts. the present complement. Upon the passage GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 25.-The of this item depends whether Fort Omaha flood situation is very serious here today. shall be rehabiliated and made a permanent Owing to the rapid rise of Grand river, school and garrison for the Signal corps. Which is now three inches above the high sons were present. The legislative as-The house conferees stated that personally water mark of three years ago, at least they had no objection to increasing the Sig. forty of the largest factories in the city nal corps, and they believed sat when the have been obliged to close, and thousands ouse was brought face to face with the of men are out of work. Busements of all proposition that it would direct the con- the large buildings in the wholesale disferees to recede from the disagreement, trict are flooded and the damage is already recognizing the necessity for such increase. Major Hull, chairman of the military af- of the residence district is under water fairs committee and chairman of the house and people are using rafts to go about. conferees, openly favors the increase, and Three lives have been saved at Wealthy has pledged himself to do what he can to avenue. A man who came floating down bring the house to his way of thinking, but the river on a timber was hauled ashore part of the county, did considerable dam- 12 m 27 as the senate has inserted so much new and two boys were taken from a drifting age legislation in the army bill, it was thought cake of ice. but right that the house should have a chance of saying whether it was in accord. with its conferees or whether the senate's amendment should be adopted. The failure of the house conferees to accept an amendment increasing the Signal corps has made it necessary for the senators and representatives from Nebraska to labor for the success of the measure, which will probably be brought to the attention of the

house on Monday. Senator Millard was actively at work on the ...oor house the house nearly all day, as were other friends of the item, and to night it is stated that there is a good chance of the increase being voted by the of water. Nearly all the manufacturing lower branch of congress. Senator Quarles, nember of the senate conference committee, stated today that there were eight ftems of disagreement which the conferees almost entire suspension of manufacturing of the house would submit to that body, many of these items being wholly new leglislation. He believed, however, that the Flood conditions here as a result of the unamendment increasing the Signal corps precedented rise of the Kalamazoo river would be adopted.

No new legislation is necessary to locate the history of the city. All street cars are a school of instruction for the Signal corps stopped by the high water, the barns being at Fort Omaha, as the secretary of war flooded; the three depots, the Grand Trunk, and chief of staff are empowered to do all Michigan Central and Detroit, Toledo & things looking to the betterment of mili- Muskegon, are surrounded several inches tary conditions within the scope of the ap- deep with water and one of three bridges propriations. Assurance has been given connecting the business and residence secthat should the Signal corps be increased, tions of the city has gone out. Owners of as has been recommended by the secretary uptown stores are moving their stocks out of war and general staff, that Fort Omeha will be made the permanent home for the of the downtown stores are already flooded

Indians Get More Than Due.

To kick seems to be proverbial with In. Halamazoo river and Battle creek will con-Among the injured at Washington nian gendarmerie under European officers, dian character. Their association with tinue overflowing their banks until the two Heights were Mrs. Scharpier, who was so it is believed it will not be long before white men has taught them lots of things streams meet. Several bridges over the badly cut by flying glass. The families the reform scheme for Macedonia, agreed which they probably would never have greek went out during the night. known had they been permitted to remain narrow escripes. Mrs. Mellen and her tria at their meeting at Muerzteg, Syria, in the forest primevial. The Ogaliala Sloux last year, in support of which Austria has delegation which has been in Washington for a week and which will accompany Agent Brennan to Pine Ridge tomorrow exemplifies to a degree the reasons for their trip to Washington. They came here to make a protest about a lot of things and incidentally demand what to them seemed their just rights. They came to Washington to protest against the price the tribe received for the Black Hills cession. to present to the president their petition that they be given an increase, in view of the failure to properly execute the treaty of 1876, and yet when the treaties were reviewed by Congressman Burke and the ndian office the Indians were shown to have received advantages not contemplated in any of the treaties, that in fact it was the generosity of the government which has given them such large holdings and a large trust fund. It is true that the treaty of 1876 ceeding the Black Hills was not signed by three-fourths of the male adults, but only by the chiefs and head men, the first treaty made with the Sloux in 1868 having stipulated as one of its provisions that any subsequent treaty made between the government and the Indians should be signed by three-fourths of the male adults. Unknown, seemingly, to the Indians themselves, the treaty of 1889 ceding the land between the White and Cheyenne rivers, cured the treaty of 1876.

As to the protest that the so-called Black Hills treaty, made in 1876, did not pay the Ogalalias any money, this in a sense probably true. The treaty of 1868 provided that it should continue in force for thirty years, but the treaty of 1889, ignoring the fact that there was to be a stop in certain payments for rations, farm implements. etc., really continues in perpetuity the pledges made by the government by other treaties, and the Black Hills treaty is, according to authority in Washington, the very best treaty ever made with the Indlans.

Millions for the Stony Since the Black Hills treaty was ratified more than \$36,000,000 have been paid to the Sloux and since 1868 more than \$55,000,000 have been paid them. When these facts were shown to the delegation American Horse, a member of the delegation and being one of the signatories to the treaty of 1889, there was a look of disgust on the faces of the head men of the Ogalallas. PECANABA, Mich., March 25.-A fire They had no idea that the government kept

so close tab with the several Andian tribes. Then when the president told them that the old men would be taken care of, but that the young men would have to work, it capped the climax of their visit, and it is believed that they are going back home with a much more comprehensive idea of what the government's policy is towards tana today. A flerce storm has been raging the Indians than they ever had before.

Yanktons Have a Kick.

Close upon the heels of the Ogalalla. there comes a delegation of the Yankton Stoux, composed of the very old men of the tribe, Big Tobacco being one of the leaders, with David Zepher as interpreter They come here for the purpose of complaining against the regulations put out by the Indian office. They don't want their children forced to attend the reservation schools; they want their children to go to the district schools, which is interpreted by the Indian office to mean no school. Then, again, they complain that the lease money for their lands is not paid with the alacrity his feet, selzed a lighted amp and hurled which they desire, falling, of course, to recognize that after a lease is made it must he sent to the secretary of the interior for his approval. They also complain that there the room, telling her he was going to kill are not enough Indians imployed at the her. Hamm was overpowered by officers agency, the clause of their treaty being and arrested and taken to the city hospital. that Indian labor at the agency should be (Continued on Second Page)

DISBANDS THE ARMY AND NAVY HOLD UP FORT OMAHA ITEM HIGH WATERS IN MICHIGAN SEVEN MILES OF FLAMES

Buttle Creek, Lansing and Grand Rapids Are Fighting Heavy File Sweeps Southern Holt County for Course of Twenty Miles.

ower Michigan today comes reports of STARTS AT WHEELER COUNTY RANCH Towns of Amelia and Chambers in the Dry Creek Valley Are

> Saved by Fire Lines.

Q'NEILL, Neb., March 5 - (Special Telegram.)-No lives have been lost on account of the prairie ares in Holt county, but a large amount of property has been dethe item regarding the Signal corps, on the Great damage has been done at Grand stroyed, consisting mostly of hay, cattlesheds and winter pasture and a few schoolhouses. The damage will run into many thousands of dollars, and in some localities by the senate, providees for an increase of The railroads are badly interrupted by the has completely destroyed all the feed in the neighborhood. The bitter cold north wind will cause further loss of cattle on account of sheds and feed being destroyed.

The John McCafferty ranch, near Slocum postoffice, had practically everything 12 Editorial. burned but his cattle, and five of them were 13 Start in New Vacation Contest. ost in the fire. In that locality Ab Wilcox 15 Financial and Commercial. lost practically everything, including his house, Ranchmen Fuller, Johnson, Harding, Eanst and others suffered heavy losses; Raymer, Smith and Fullerton lost all but their houses. Thousands of tons of hay very heavy. The entire southwest section was burned on Holt creek, south of Atkinson. Hoppe Bros.' fine ranch on Cache creek was a heavy loser. The fire north of Page, in the northeast

Near Amelia, in the south part of the ounty, the fire spread over a distance five nprecedented floods. At Lowell one-third some ten miles in length, destroying nearly all the hay and feed in its path. At this time it is reported here that all

the fires are out and no further trouble is

expected. Portland reports the west side of the town CHAMBERS, Neb., March S.-The little is under water and many people have been town of Amelia, which was threatened by prairie fire yesterday, was saved. The fire came to within three miles of the town, but the wind shifted and carried the flames another way. The fire burned to within three-quarters of a mile of Chambers, sweeping a strip seven miles wide.

Fires at Other Places.

RED CLOUD, Neb., March 25 -(Special.) -The Miner ranch, a little distance southwest of town, was nearly devastated by a disastrous fire Wednesday evening which started from a spark from an engine. Several buildings were consumed including one set up the plea that Blum is merely a large barn in which was a number of head of stock, which were saved by the workmen. A large grove was also partially destroyed. The buildings on the ranch were insured.

RIVERTON, Neb., March 25 .- (Special.)-In a prairie fire Wednesday August Hundt lost all his buildings on his farm, six miles north of here, except his house. All his forts to subdue the flaures futile.

GIBBON, Neb., March 75 .- (Special.)-Prairie fires from the northwest came over the hills, fanned by a terrific wind, accompanied by dust that filled the air and made it almost impossible to see shortly after neon today. Beebe Brothers' ranch was diing tools, harness, hay and about twenty water and it is believed that the financial hors and a lot of chickens besides miles of fences. The house and part of the buildings were saved by hard work. Although LANSING, Mich., March 25,-The Grand it is five miles from town directly against river has reached the highest point in its the wind over fifty men went from town on receipt of a telephone call for help. The fire was carried half a mile to Overturf's corrals, but guards there promptly put it out The fire split north of Joe Morrow's and the east half took in Ben Griffin's farm. All the buildings were saved except one cattle shed. Had the fire got by Overturf's Gates & Edmonds Gas Engine company's it would have burned Gibbon and most of plant, resulting in a fire that gutted the plant. The loss is \$20,000. Two other fires

the surrounding country. WHIPS ALLEGED HIGHWAYMAN

Missouri Mob Wrenks Summary Vengeance Upon Prisoner at St. Clair.

ST. CLAIR, Mo., March 25 .- Forty masked men, many of them carrying shotguns, broke into the jail here early today and, securing Winn Davis, arrested on the charge of highway robbery, took him from the fall, whipped him nearly to death and then turned him loose.

Deputy Sheriff S. P. Weatherford attempted to stop the mob from entering the the lower parts of this city are covered jail, but the shotguns were leveled at him with water as a result of last night's and he was told that unless he stepped aside he would be riddled. He stepped OWOSSO, Mich., March 25.-One hundred saide. The door of the jail was smashed families have been driven from their homes in and Davis was dragged out, pleading for mercy. The leader of the mob re-

PEORIA, Ill., March E.-The Illinois marked loudly: "We are not here to make trouble, but river today reached the highest point ever we do not intend to have cases from this and is still rising. Much damage has oc- county pending in the supreme court. The prisoner was taken a short distance curred. The dike of La Marsh drainage washing away the tracks of the Peoria scarcely able to stand. He was then told and Pekin Terminal railway and causing to go and to regard his punishment as a a suspension of traffic. East Peoria is warning.

Apparently the mob assisted Davis in his flooded and many residents were compelled to fice to homes of neighbors on higher escape, for the authorities were not able The wagon bridge at Lacon is to find trace of him afterward. St. Clair is a small village eight miles two feet under water, and expected to go out at any moment. A few inches more from Union, where the Rudolph trial is in murder of Detective Charles J. Schumacher rise will plunge Chillicothe in darkness progress,

and cause suspension of the water works HOPE SULLY WILL SETTLE plant. All along the low lands much suffering is reported, but no deaths so far Affairs of Creditors of Cotton Speculator Placed in Hands of BLIZZARD IN NORTH DAKOTA Committee.

> NEW YORK, March 25 .- So far as could be learned in Wall street today, Daniel J. Sully has not fixed upon any definite new offer for his creditors. It seems to be the permit the committee of five named yesterday to represent them and negotiate with Sully through the receivers.

Samuel Untermeyer sold today that had been consulted by tactous interests in staying his execution set for tomorrow. the event of a contest, but from present indications it seems as though a fair offer obviate any necessity for litigation.

HIGH WIND BLOWS IN ARKANSAS Several Persons Reported to Be Injured and Much Property is

Destroyed.

FORT SMITH, Ark., March M.-Passen-Central railroad report a destructive tor. all perished. nado in a strip of country near Spring Hill, gard has been raging here today. All trains Ark. Several persons are reported injured but so far as can be learned no one was CHICAGO, March M.—Several hundred beef luggers and pork butchers at the Union Stock yards have gone on strike. The luggers demand that one of the charged comrades be reinstated, and the pork butchers demand overtime pay, which, they say, has been withheld.

L. W. Seamans of Kansas City, a passenger, says that as far as the eye could reach the destruction appeared complete. Not a tree was left standing and houses

THE BEE BULLETIN.

Forecast for Nebruska-Fair Saturday and Sunday: Warmer Sunday in East Portion.

'nge.

1 Severe Storms Sweep Wide Area. Signal Corps School at Ft. Omaha. Prairte Fires Do Great Damage. Latest News from Scene of War. 2 Review of Situation in Far East Miners to Make Test of the Law. Decides to Impeach Judge Swayne Reves Starts Back to Colombia. 3 News from All Parts of Nebraska

Harrison Pulls Out of the Race. Woman and Child's Narrow Escape Man Dies Just One Day Too Late. 5 Big Church Event Comes to Omnha Many Are Out for Utt's Place. Smyth Firm for Bryan and Silver.

6 Council Binfis and Iowa News. 7 Difficult Feats of Measurement.

S America Pays Statesmen Little. 9 Summary of Troubles of Dreyfus. Ravages Committed by Big Fires. 10 Senators See Chance for Corruption Burton Testifies in His Own Behalf. Il Britt Wins a Hard Battle.

Financial Review of the Week.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Deg. Hour. 1 p. m..... 28 2 p. m..... 30 5 n. m 24 7 n. m..... 23 3 p. m 8 s. m..... 22 9 n. m..... 23 5 p. m 80 10 a. m..... 24 6 p. m..... 31 11 a. m..... 25 7 p. m..... 30 8 p. m..... 28 9 p. m..... 27

miles in width, taking an irregular course BLUM MUST SHOW HIS HAND Plaintiff in Suit Against Distilling Company May Be Examined

by Court.

NEW YORK, March 25.-Upon allegations hat an action brought by Edwin Blum of this city is similar to the Peter Power litigation against the Northern Securities company, several well known capitalists interested in the Distilling Company of America, known as the "Whisky trust," have secured a favorable ruling by Supreme Court Judge Gildersleeve.

In his suit Blum charges that the promoters of the distilling company, which is capitalized at \$125,000,000, made large profits out of the promotion at the expense of the company. The defendants figurehead, being a broker's clerk, Il years old, and moved that he should be examined before the trial to ascertain the real promoters of the suit in order that the defendants might properly answer.

In the affidavits on which the order fo Blum's examination was asked, the defendants allege that Nathan Bliur has more than an indirect interest in the litigagrain, machinery, etc., was destroyed, also tion. Mr. Bijur made application to have fourteen head of calves perished. The the parts of these affidavits referring to wind, which blew a gaie, rendered all ef- him stricken from the records on the ground that they were scandalous. Judge Gildersleeve refused this applica

tion and now has denied Blum's motion to vacate the order. No date was set for Blum's examination

Those named in the suit are the late Wilrectly in line of the fire and they lost their D. MacDona, P. A. B. Widener, William L. fessor of international law at the University liam C. Whitney, Thomas F. Ryan, Henry Eikins, Thomas Dolan, Frederick P. Olcott, of St. Petersburg, is drawing up reguli Anthony N. Brady, Hugh J. Grant, Frederick S. Flower, John I. Waterbury, Samuel M. Rice, Edson Bradley, George L. Sheldon, Howard J. M. Cardeza and P. Leads

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RUMORS as follows:

General Manager Kruttschnitt Save There Are No Changes Other Than Those Announced.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.-General Manager Kruttschnitt, J. C. Stubbs, E. O. McCormick and William Sproule of the Southern Pacific company are now in this city, the latter three having arrived today from Los Angeles. Regarding reported changes among the officials of the road Manager Stubbs said:

"They have all been announced officially Mr. McCormick is going east with me and Mr. Pee is coming here. Mr. Sproule will remain in this city. Rumore of other cated to the Foreign office. changes are without foundation."

"Mr. McCormick will leave here about April 1, to undertake his new duties in Chicago. His appointment dates from that time and Mr. Fee will take charge of the passenger traffic at the same time in this

General Manager Kruttschnitt would neither deny nor confirm the reported changes to be made by him as to transportation directors. It is reported that there is to be no removals or transfers save those occasioned by the succession of by Admirai Cooper that he has decided

COLLINS MAY NOT district, opposite Pekin, went out today, from the jail and flogged until he was Shackled and Guarded Prisoner Testifies in Court and Motion for

New Trial is Made.

UNION, Mo., March 25.-With shackled hands and guarded by armed men. George Collins, convicted of participation in the pected. and sentenced to be hanged here tomorrow, testified today in the trial of William Rudolph, who is charged with participation in the same murder.

Collins detailed the story of the fight with the posse headed by Schumacher, when the attempt was made to arrest had shot the detective.

today for an order on Division, No. 2 number of the projectiles, being armordisposition on the part of the creditors to to transfer the case of George Collins to piercing, have failed to explode. the court in banc for rehearing. The supreme court in banc has adjourned to April 12. This may compel Governor idly repaired. Dockery to grant a respite to Collins,

of settlement would be made which would MINERS MAY BE DROWNED Brenking of Dam Lets Water Into EMPRESS OPPOSES AN ALLIANCE. Mine with Thirty

Men.

BRAZIL, Ind., March 25.-The breaking of a dam at the Excelsior clay works at noon today flooded the mine and imprisoned thirty miners. The mine is filled with gers on a belated train on the Arkansas water and it is believed that the men have

Trading in Merger Stocks

NEW YORK, March 25.—Trading in the tory west of the land a firm attitude perger stocks on the curb was light and counsels patience and a firm attitude.

(Copyright, by New York Herald Co., 1) merger slocks on the curb was light and irregular at the opening. Northern Securities broke 1% points to Sec, but soon recovered half its loss. Great Northern preferred sold at 160 and Northern Pacific opened at 1245 on sales of a few hundred shares. The market hardened soon after the opening.

THANKS FOR

Japanese House of Representatives Expresses Appreciation of Services.

MINISTER OF MARINE MAKES ADDRESS

Says Japanese Navy Has Been Kept Constantly Ready for Action.

MINISTER REGRETS NECESSITY FOR WAR

Intimates that Preparations of Russia Force the Issue.

GREAT BRITAIN'S SYMPATHY WITH JAPS

Issue Bulletins in English, Japanese and Chinese Languages Rejoicing at Victories of the Brown Men.

TOKIO, March 25.-The House of Representatives today listened to a signinuant speech by M. Yamamoto, the minister of marine, and passed with enthusiasm and without a dissenting voice a vote of thanks to Vice Admiral Togo and his officers for their service to the country. When the vote was taken the members of the nous-

arose and cheered the navy. In the course of his remarks the minister of marine said it was no new thing to be prepared for emergency in time of peace, but that since just October the Japanese pavy had been under the necessity of increasing its strength and had been constantly ready for action on sccount of the actions of Russia. This the minister regretted.

Continuing, he said it had been manifest to every observer that Russia had constantly increased its strength in the far east and that had Japan not purchased the cruisers Nishin and Kasaga from Argentine, its naval strength would have been below that of Russia.

Referring to the result of the work of the vice admiral and his fleet, M. Yamamoto told the House of Representatives that to block a port successfully the blockaders should be at least twice as strong as the defenders of the port. said that the latest reports showed that the Russians had four battleships, five crubers and ten torpedo boat destroyers affort at this time, from which it must be concluded that the work of repairing at Port Arthur was being carried forward efficiently. The latest attack on Port Arthur had enabled the Japanese to observe the actual strength of the enemy. Continuing, the minister of marine said

hat while he hoped for a speedy termination of the war, he must warn the members of the house not to be oversanguine. The united efforts of Japan's soldiers and of civilians of high degree, he concluded, would surely carry the war to a glorious and successful termination.

TREATMENT OF PRISONERS OF WAR. Russia Will Render Regulations as

Humane as Possible. ST. PETERSBURG, March 25 .- A special commission of the Foreign office, under the presidency of Prof. De Martens, protions for the treatment of prisoners of war The commission is doing its utmost to render the regulations as humane as possible. They will be based substantially on those in force at the time of the Russo-Turkish war. They cover four main points,

1. The conditions under which prisoners will be held within the zone of operations.
2. The methods of the transfer of prisoners to points of concentration and for dispatch to Juropean Russia.
3. Provisions for quartering prisoners.
4. The feeding of prisoners.

They will receive the same rations as Russian troops. Officers given their parole will be allowed to live in private quarters. Valuables found on prisoners will be registered and kept for them. A list of prisoners captured will be posted

by the general staff and the names of the dead will be communicated to the Foreign office for the information of relatives. The names of foreigners captured while serving with the Japanese will also be communi-

WILL MOVE UNITED STATES SHIP, Admiral Cooper Thinks New Chwang No Place for the Helena.

WASHINGTON, March 25 .- To Admiral Cooper, in command of the naval forces on the Asiatic station, has been left the decision of the question whether or not the lielens or some other United States. naval vessel is to be kept at New Chwang as requested by American interests there The Navy department has been informed C. H. Markham to Kruttschnitt's position. that the conditions are not such as to warrant him in detaining the Helena at HANG New Chwang. If the town is attacked by the Japanese navy the Helena would be in the line of fire, and no neutral ship has a right there if it can get away. The Navy department has cabled him to withdraw the ship, and it probably will leave New Chwang for Shanghal and start for Manila within the present week if the ice continues to soften as rapidly as ex-

> LITTLE DAMAGE TO PORT ARTHUR Englishman Says Hombardment Has

Been Ineffective. SHANGHAI, March 25.-(New York Herald Cablegram-Special Telegram to The Bee.) An Englishman who was a rest-Rudolph and him. He said that after the dent for some years at Port Arthur and has fight Schumacher lay on the ground dead, lately arrived at Shanghai, gives a rosent but he made no attempt to explain who account of the situation there. He says that the houses are too scattered for the A motion was filed in the supreme court Japanese to do much damage, and a large

The Retvizan is the only ship seriously injured and the remainder are being rap

Supplies are ample and the rallway is running freely. He considers the capture of Port Arthur by pesault as impose and that to starvile it would be very diffi-

Negatives Proposition for a Tieur

with Japan. (Copyright, by New York Herald Co., 1964.) SHANGHAI, March 25 .- (New York Herald Cablegram-Special Telegram to The Rec.)-The empress downger has negattved a proposal made by the viceroy, Yun Sha Ki, and General Ma to conclude an open alliance with Japan. In view of Russin's repeated violations of Chinese territory west of the Liao river, her majesty

Russians Regulate Shipping. NEW CHWANG, March 25.-The Liao river became navigable today and shipping

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