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RED CLOUD. - NEBRASKA

# CURRENT COMMENT.

NEARLY all the giass works of Souththe ist for two months.

A FORCE of volunteers has defeated the Sanchez band in Cuba, and captured Commander Pedro Estrada.

SECRETARY LAMAR has appointed his son, L. Q. C. Lamar, Jr., as his stenographer and private secretary, to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of E. P. Hanna, made in February

THE Pope has issued an order directing the Ultramontane newspapers published in Rome to maintain a friendly attitude toward the Italian Governmert. This action of the Pope implies an important change of policy on the part of the Vatican.

THE sons of General Garfield appeared prominently in the class day exercises of Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., recently. James R. was one of the Marshals of the day and Harry A. pronounced the oration. His subject was "Socialism," and the address was delivered in a deliberate, manly and attractive way.

FIT was reported that large mercantile houses in Vera Cruz, holding Mexican custom house certificates in quantities were refusing to settle their dues with anything else, maintaining that the Government must recognize its own certificates. The National Bank of Mexico had paid since June 12 twelve million dollars on its notes presented were likely to die. for redemption.

THE managers of the Irish Parliamentary party have issued an address to the Irish electors in England advisence to Liberals at the coming general election. The address says: "As the Tories intimated their disapproval of coercion, do not oppose them at the polls. Indeed, we unhesitatingly say vote for the Tory candidates, as the assurances given by the leaders of the Liberal party are wholly inadequate."

On the shores of Casco Bay, six miles from Portland, Me., in the locality known as Falmouth Foreside, there exists a water course that is unique among the springs of the world. From the bottom of a deep canvon that runs up from the bay through a bed of quicksand that engineers have been unable to sound there comes a stream of water in a volume sufficient to supply a small city, and in chemical purity unequaled by any known water. Neither drouth nor rains diminish or increase its flow.

On June 20, at the close of business in the Dead Letter Office at Washington, in charge of the new Superintendent, J. B. Baird, every branch and subdivision was up with its work, a state of affairs that has not occurred for many years. The ordinary dead letters are now "passed" or disposed of in two days, and returned on the third day. This degree of celerity in the disposal of dead letters has not yet been reached in any other country in the postal union, and has never before been reached in this country.

LIEUTENANT HANNA, with his Apache prisoners, arrived at Fort Bowie, N. M., on the 2d. He did not go to San Bernardino owing to rumors that the prisoners would be taken from him and killed. There was great indignation against the Indians. The squaws were said to be worse than the bucks. They torture the dying and mutilate the dead. The capture of a large quantity of ammunition at the battle of Opulo will greatly tend to shorten the campaign. There are now only about sixty bucks in the Sierra Madres.

MR. LEE WELTZ, a well-known nurseryman of Ohio, has been authorized by the Commissioner of Agriculture to procure in Russia such seeds of timber trees, shady ornamental trees, plants and fruit trees, as in his opinion may be acclimated and made to thrive in our Northwestern States and Territories. Cherries, plums, apples and other fruits of excellent quality and in many varieties, and many kinds of woods flourish upon the steppes of Russia under conditions of exposure which and forest growths of America. Mr. Weltz visits Russia at his own expense. and upon private business, but undertakes this work for the department. which pays simply the expenses of collection and freight.

AGENT STOLTSTERMER, of the Southern Utes, arrived recently at Durango, Col., from his Western trip, and reported that the Indians were very much agitated when they saw their dead companions, who were shot by Park, Philadelphia, were enjoying themlawless cowboys, and that it took a great deal of talking on his part to was tossed in her turn in a rough and tumpacify them and keep them from turn- ble fashion. The affair ended in the arrest ing loose on the cowboys. He says the of Captain Curtis, of the Indianapolis Indians finally started home, agreeing artillery. so let the matter drop. He left the band southwest of Fort Lewis, in charge of his guide, who has to take them to the agency. It was reported that when the guide arrived at the fort station he could not control the Indians and that they had all turned back to the mountains. It seems that the family of Indians who were killed were related to Ignacio, the chief of the South-Utes. The chief was very angry. and was reported as baving said that nless the cowboys who killed the Indians were arrested and given up to the Indians for punishment, he would as the number of Indians slain.

### THE WORLD AT LARGE.

A Summary of the Daily News.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

A. J. DUMONT, late Naval Officer at New Orleans and Chairman of the Louisians Republican State Central Committee, blew his brains out recently at his home in Alern New Jersey put out their fires on giers. Family trouble was said to be the cause of the act.

> Dr. E. M. WILLETT was elected Supreme Medical Examiner of the Catholic Knights of America at Louisville, Kv., on the 30th. R. M. THOMPSON, of Washington and of Nashville, Tenn., has been disbarred from practice before the Interior Department. Dr. Douglas declared on the 30th that General Grant was slowly growing weaker, but that the condition of his throat was better than for weeks. General Grant

> realizes his condition perfectly. HON. WASHINGTON BUSHNELL, ex-Attorney General, died very suddenly at Ottawa, Ill., recently, of heart disease.

> BENJAMIN F. JONAS of Louisiana, was appointed by the President Collector of Customs for the District of New Orleans.

Hev. A. B. LEONARD was nominated by acclamation for Governor in the recent Prohibition convention at Springfield, O. THE election in Woodstock, Eng., resulted in the return of Lord Randolph Churchill. At the close of the polls the votes stood: Lord Randolph Churchill, 522; Mr. Corrie Grant, 405.

JUDGE LAMBERT TREE, State Democratic candidate for Senator from Illinois, has been appointed Minister to Belgium. MALCOMB HAY has tendered his resignation as First Assistant Postmaster General and the President has accepted it. Mr.

#### Hay has for some time been seriously sick. MISCELLANEOUS.

THE Westmoreland County (Pa,) Coa and Coke Company, having a capital stock of \$500,000, has failed. The liabilities were

not known, but are heavy. WHILE unloading the hold of the burned and sunken propeller Blanchard, at Milwaukee, James Porter, Michael Farmer and Dan Sweeney were overcome by the gas which had been generated in the cargo. Porter was taken out dead. The others

THE officers and crew of the French gunboat Renard, wrecked in the Gulf of Aden last month, have been found on an island near lie scene of the disaster.

ANARCHIST Lieske, who murdered Herr Rumpf, Police Counselor, in January last, ing them to vote for Tories in prefer- at Frankfort on the Main, was convicted and sentenced to death.

In the Chicago street car drivers strike on the 1st, several policemen were injured and the cars thrown from the track and overturned by a riotous mob.

An officer committed suicide in Austria recently by placing himself in front of the mouth of a cannon and firing it with a

CONNECTICUT oystermen were recently greatly agitated over the report that a destructive insect had been at work on their oyster beds and that of the 180,000 bushels of seed planted last year about 90,000 have been destroyed.

Under the agreement between Lord Salisbury and Prince Bismarck, the German naval demonstration against Zanzibar has been countermanded. The German squadron has been ordered to abstain from all appearances of hostility.

THE public debt statement for June showed a reduction of \$8,500,000. WHILE Frank Otteo, Minnie Bolton and

two others were on the bay at Toronto Ont., the other evening in a sail boat a strong wind sprang up and drifted the boat out into the lake where it upset and the two named were drowned.

VERY cold weather was reported from the southwestern portion of Virginia. On the 30th of June snow fell in Tazewell County and ice formed in Wythe County, THE jury at Chicago, in the case of the Caruso murder found that Azari, Gelardi and Silvestri were perpetrators of the crime, while Bove and Mercurio, their alleged co-conspirators, were not guilty. TWENTY villages were ignited by light ning and burned in the recent storms in

Austria. Six men were killed while try ing to extinguish the flames. It was reported that Lieutenant Davis had an engagement with the Apaches, in

which he succeeded in killing sixteen and taking twenty prisoners. The loss of whites was not reported.

THE Salisbury Cabinet has decided to entirely abandon coercion in Ireland and rely upon the strict administration of the gen-

THE following United States District Attorneys have been appointed: William Dorsheimer, for the Southern District of New York; Robert P. Shields, of Ohio, for the Northern District of that State; Charles H. Pearce, of Texas, for the Northern District of that State.

THE case of Adolph B. Spreckles, charged with assault to murder M. H. De Young, proprietor of the San Francisco Chronicle. ended in a verdict of not guilty.

In a fight at Stepstone, Ky., the other evening, Dr. James Carter was shot and seriously wounded and a negro killed. The affair grew out of a local option trial.

THE South American Commission recenty had an interview with the President of Chili. The latter was free and outspoken in his remarks, saying that he did not believe in conventions or treaties as making any great amount of trade, nor did he want to give or receive any special favors. The ports of Chili were open to the vessels of all foreign nations alike. The President

favored an international silver dollar. THE east, west and north river districts of Canton Province, China, were reported William Van Voast and so badly injuring inundated recently. There were many

MRS. DUDLEY was sent to the Middletown (N. Y.) insane asylum. THE total number of new cases of cholers reported in the intected districts of Spain

on the 1st was 1,427; total number of deaths, MACKIN, charged with perjury in the Chicago election frauds, was found guilty and sentenced to five years in the peniten-

THE other night some of the militiamen in the National encampment at Fairmount selves, toesing in a blanket. A woman came along and took part in the sport, and

J. S. DANJON, keeper of a general store in Montreal, Can., has failed with \$52,000 liabilities and \$40,000 assets.

STRIKERS in the Cleveland (O.) rolling nills forced the engineers to bank their fires on the 2d. Affairs were three but no other violence was attempted.

Is answer to inquiries from State offiials the Postmaster General has ordered that penalty envelopes can not be used to forward correspondence on State affairs, even when enclosed with matter properly mailable in penalty envelopes.

VERY beavy rains and floods were reported in Southeastern Kanens, extending as far west as Stafford County, where a cyclone wrought some demage. Many dres and other pro have revenge by killing as many whites Two railroad men were reported drowned in Labette Creek, at Parsons.

THEER tons of giant powder were exploded by lightning at Cheyenne, W. T.

Ir was thought recently that on account of defects existing in the bookkeeping of the Navy Department, the Government would adopt the system in vogue in the

British Navy Department. Ir was understood in Washington that the Austrian Government would have to accept Keiley as Ambassador from this country, or the place would be left vacant.

WILLIAM MEINEICKE was banged at Binghampton. N. Y., on the 2d, for the murder of Kate Bredhoff. JAMES McDANIELS, the notorious highwayman who was sentenced at San An-

tonio, Tex., to imprisonment for ninetynine years for robbing the mails, and who escaped from jail soon after, was killed by officers in the neighborhood of San Geronimo on the 1st.

A TORNADO four hundred yards wide inflicted much damage at Santa Rosa, Mexico, recently. Its violence was very great.

Six Canadian raftsmen were drowned near a desert settlement on the Gatineau River, one hundred miles above Ottawa. They were working on a drive when from some unexplained cause their boat upset. THE wholesale liquor house of Schwabacher & Selig, at Indianapolis, was closed by the Sheriff recently. Liabilities, \$75,-000; assets large.

PATRICK CONLEY, who took part in the riot at Chicago, consequent upon the street car drivers' strike, was so severely clubbed by the police that he died.

BOMBAY reports a scanty rain fall so far this season. The prospects are bad. Crops will be bad in Madras and Bengal, but in the central provinces satisfactory results are looked for.

At New York, recently, Edward Hall and Isaac Lawrence were convicted of conspiring to counterfeit the currency of Guatemala. As the miners of shaft No. 1 at What

Cheer, Iowa, were descending to work recently the engineer lost control of his engine and the cage containing eight men was precipitated to the bottom. Charles German was killed and Thomas Ashman and Lee and John Morton seriously injured.

A TRAIN leaving Boston the other evening struck a carriage at Winthrop Junction containing P. J. Olander, his son Frederick, his daughter Clara and a hired man named Leo Millan. Mr. Olander and his son were instantly killed. Millan was terribly injured and died within half an hour. Clara Olander was fatally injured.

THE Comptroller of the Currency has National Banks at the close of business THE business failures for the week ended

July 2 numbered for the United States, 183; Canada, 21; total, 204, against 205 the week previous. A. J. McKenzie, formerly Sheriff of

Rowan County, Ky., was reappointed Sheriff on the 3d. He at once qualified and entered on the discharge of his duties, and arrested Jeff Bowling, John Trumbo, Boone Day, Robert Nesser, James Oxley, Lick Day, Craig Tolliver and H. M. Kitton, on warrants charging them with the murder of Ben Rayborne.

A TERRIFIC wind and rain from the west struck Mitchell, Dak., recently, and damaged houses, the railroad wind mill, the race track and fences. The lightning struck a house six miles north of Mitchell, and killed Louis Lovenger, aged sixteen.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway will probably be completed to the Pacific coast in about seven weeks. Vancouver will be the western terminus. THE Shackamoxon (Philadelphia Bank

officials have been arrested, charged with conspiracy and fraud. A BAND of thirty Greek brigands, beieved to have been formed by a Slav com-

mittee, were arrested while crossing the frontier from Thessaly. A TRAIN on the Kansas City, Springfield & Memphis Railroad went through a bridge

between Arcadia and Liberal, Mo., recently. The conductor, engineer and fireman were drowned. Heavy rains were the cause of the accident.

COMPLAINTS have been received at the Interior Department that the cattlemen who hold leases of lands in the Cherokee Strip, Indian Territory, had forcibly obstructed and prevented the passage of cattle from Texas to the northwest through the Strip. The Secretary has announced that the established cattle trails through the country were free to drivers and that the right of passage would be maintained by all the power of the United States Gov-

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

THE Militia National Encampment at Philadelphia broke up on the 6th. THE overdue steamer Gallia, of the Cunard line, arrived at Queenstown on the morning of the 5th and proceeded to Liv-

THE clearing house returns for the week ended July 3 showed an average decrease of 7.5 compared with the corresponding week of last year. In New York the decrease was 123. The returns showed im-

provement on the preceding weeks. BIG BEAR, the Canadian rebel, was captured near Carlton by the mounted police recently. He said that he and his band were on their way to surrender, having

run out of provisions. According to advices by the steamer Oceanica, the conflagration which occurred May 20, at Toyama, Japan, was of exceptional magnitude, destroying 5,917 houses. No estimate of the loss was given. WHILE a number of young men were firing a brass canon at Fultonville, N. Y., on the 4th, it went off prematurely, killing

ward. A CABLE from Auckland, New Zealand, of the 4th, announced the arrival there of the police department messengers sent from St. Louis a month previous, and the acknowledgment of the requisition for W. P. Lennox Maxwell, who murdered C. Arthur Prelier at the Southern Hotel in St.

Louis April 4, and fled to New Zealand. GENERAL MCCOOK, ex-Governor of Colrado, in a recent letter to Secretary Lapar, maintained that the leases of Indian lands by ca tlemen were illegal, and that the effect of such leases was evil and demoralizing. The Indians had no power to grant such leases, nor had the Interior Department any legal authority to assent to

Ax El Paso (Mex.) special says: The north bound train on the Mexican Central Railway killed a Mexican sheep herder between Basmente and Diaz. The engineer was arrested and conveyed to the Chihushua jail. There were several other Ameri can engineers and conductors in Mexican fails on account of unavoidable accide like that stated, and it was believed that these frequent arrests will result in inter-

A VERY sanguinary mosting of Soc

was held at Chicago on the 5th. The seakers exhorted the meeting to ur guns and pistols, as they would pe he wanted in the near future. The strike on the street railroad was retting worse. A PIRE at Banghok, Siam, May \$1. troyed the saw mill of Grassi Br other property estimated at \$30,000. were recovered. More were believed to be

### NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

FROST blisters were discovered in some parts of Sarpy County after the recent cold

SPRINGVIEW, Keyapaha County, although but three months old, has eighteen business houses and 500 inhabitants.

A TWESTY-POUND meteorite was recently seen to fall and strike in the railroad park at Blair, where it was afterward discovered by the station agent. It struck a tree in its descent.

Lour Ciry, after an exciting campaign. carried the proposition voting a bonus of \$38,000 bonds to aid in the construction of the St. Paul Railway extension to that point by a vote of 942 to 286. MRS. BRINDLE, of South Loup, Custer

cutting her throat with a razor. THOMAS PRICE, of Bennett, has been arrested, charged with attempting to kill Minor L. Hitchcock. Hitchcock, as Constable, was trying to arrest one Canfield for drunkenness, when Price opened fire

County, recently ended her troubles by

on the Constable. AUGUST JELICK, about twenty-five years old, salesman in an Omaha dry goods store, laid seige to the heart of a young girl who had saved up about \$1,200. They were married about two monts ago. The other day, under pretence of going into business, he induced his bride to let him have the money. He then started for Chicago, as he said, to buy goods, and now the young wife mourns the loss of both husband and money.

THE last day of their meeting at Lincoln the Sangerfest made a grand street demonstration. The procession, was made up of the singing societies, brass bands, officers and citizens in carriages, and a representation of trades and business, The Irish societies joined heartily and Patrick Egan, of the National League, marched at the head with girls and young ladies sitting at the feet of the Goddess of Liberty, representing the various States of the Union. The procession was more than a mile in length and the finest witnessed in Lincoln in many years.

LEVI CALKINS, of West Union, recently haltered a fractious colt to lead him home. The colt leaped into the air and jerked the man so suddenly that he struck the ground headforemost, the concussion producing

leath. POSTMASTERS recently appointed in Nebraska: Arapahoe, Furnas County. Thomas McPherson; Beaver City, Furnas Franklin County, John W. Deary; Ewing, Holt County, Joseph N. Kay; Franklin, of 8 points and Kansas 6; while Virginia, Franklin County, C. E. Marsteller; Green- Ohio and Illinois, with extremely low wood, Cass County, S. T. James; Junia a, Adams County, Samuel L. Brass; North Platte, Lincoln County, Adam Ferguson; Plumb Creek, Dawson County, Edward H.

It is stated that Fred Fuller, the cashier of Smith, the absconding dry goods prince of Omaha, and who left with his employer. is the same man who about five years ago was cashier of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Road, and suddenly left, taking with him \$37,000. Fuller resided in Montreal about three years, as the climate of the United States was not congenial to his good health. Smith had known Fuller for years, and knew his man when he engaged him to help through with the scheme which has been so successfully carried out. A DRUNKEN man, who gave his name as Charles Filcher, was picked up on the streets of Omaha the other night and taken to jail where he made two attempts

to hang himself. THE boys in the Kearney Reform School are cultivating ninety acres of corn. A WAGON train drawn by one hundred and twenty oxen was one of the sights in

Rushville recently. THE total amount of attachments on Smith's dry goods stock at Omaha so far foot up to \$110,000. Of this amount over half is in favor of Chicago merchants.

dle at present, owing to a misunderstanding between contractor and builders. A MAD dog scare has started a war on canines in North Bend. THE best day's clean-up of the Fremont

THE roller planing mills at Scotia are

THOMAS LONG accidently shot and killed Peter Westerlandt at Maxwell the other night. The Coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental shooting.

reamery this year showed 2,620 pounds of

A RAFT of creditors swooped down on the store of Messrs. McClintock & Wilson, at Creighton, last week, and made a divy of the stock. Liabilities, \$13,000; assets,

Ir is stated that Orson S. Haskell has thrown up his contract to build the court house at Ord. He had drawn all but \$1,500 of the contract price of the building, and was to complete it by the last of June. His bond of \$20,000 will protect the county. MARK BENNER, a brakeman, was killed by a snow shed on the Union Pacific, near Sherman, the other day. He was standing p with his back about two-thirds turned

when he was struck on the head by a beam and instantly killed. WHILE the passengers were taking their asty lunch at the Lincoln depot the other day, a more interesting event was taking place in a quiet room room near by. Mr. Warren B. Jackson bad arrived from the West and Miss Kate Moorman from the East, and stepping across the street were joined in the holy bonds of wedlock in time

toward the engine, to shield himself from

the smoke which filled the snow shed,

home in Hitchcock County. CHADRON, a lively young town near the and of the Northwestern Road in Sioux County, recently was attacked with railroad paralysis. The story is that the \$125,000. The fire originated in an old owner of the town-site was offered \$1,000 house located a short distance from the mafor the claim, but held out for \$5,000, which chine shops. It was first discovered at 2:30 the railroad company refused to give, and in revenge laid out a town four miles east. From there the new branch will start to the Black Hills, unless the Chadronites make haste to compromise with the rail-

to take the outgoing train for their future

road people. GRAND ISLAND'S population is 6,000, BRINSLEY PUTNEY, after being married thirty years, recently took landanum at Arapahoe and died. He and his wife and ons were going westward, having come from Canada at one time but recently from Iowa. The Putneys were pos of a number of cattle and ponies. had not lived agreeable together, he being a man of most violent temper, and some difficulties with his family are said to have caused him to commit the act which so suddenly terminated his career.

CEDAR County's corn crop is estimated at thirty per cent. in acreage and ten per cent. in prospect. Ponca and Dixon Counties lost \$40,000 by

A noy named Wilson, employed in's Lincola restaurant, lately attempted to start fire with coal oil. While pouring out the oil the Sames followed the streams into the can, and in an instant, before Wilson could realize it, the can had exploded and his lothing was saturated and on fire. By the timely efforts of some of the other employes the flames were extinguished, but not until be had been very badly burned. THE June rice on the Missouri carried on of signt a farm of 700 scree, mostly timbel sear Granger's Mill. The land was owned

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JUNE CROP REPORT.

WASHINGTON, July 1.-While the gen-

Interest to Parmers as Well as Other

eral fact has been published that the winter wheat crop throughout the country has lamentably failed the data upon which this deduction has been drawn has not yet met the public eye. In the advance press report just issued of the June report the Department of Agriculture, the following important facts are shown: "Winter wheat has had an almost unprecedented experience. Calamity has attended its growth from germination to full development. The sowing was delayed in the East and South by drought, and the soil was dry and impacted, while in the Ohio Valley it was in scarcely medium condition. Late and feeble germination and slow growth resulted under these conditions. The April report showed great damage from frost and ice, and referred to the uncertainty of early indications and dependence "on future contingencies affecting growth and ripening." The May report reflected this unpleasant picture, and the continuance of unfavorable weather contributed to further substitution of small grains and corn. The appearance of the Hessian fly in Kansas, and in some parts of California, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Virginia, South Carolina and Tennessee, increased the apprehension of wheat growers. The chinch bug also appeared in Illinois, and grasshoppers in California. THE WORST IN SEVENTEEN YEARS.

The result is the worst official showing for winter wheat since 1868. The general average of condition is 62. In 1881 it was 74, and 75 in 1884, while in the great crop years of 1880 and 1882 it was 99 in June. comparison of returns of May and June show the effect of bad weather, crop substitution and insect depredation in a striking manner. The reduction of a general average of nearly 70 to 62 is a loss of more than 10 per cent. In a few States there has been a slight improvement-of 4 points in Delaware, 7 in Maryland, 1 in Georg a, 2 in Alabama, and 2 in Arkansas, In Texas it was 100, both in May and June. Pennsylvania and West Virginia, elevated regions, which failed to discover the heavy losses experienced until May, give, respectively, a reduction of 13 and 11 points. In North Carolina, where the wheat area is mainly in the more elevated districts, cotton and tobacco monopolizing the tidewater and part of the Piedmont regions. suffered a loss of 10, and Tennessee a diminution of 9 points. In Indiana the reduc-County, John T. Nickerson; Bloomington, tion is 7 and in Michigan 6; Missouri, reported very low in May, shows a reduction figures in May, report a slight decrease fur-

ther in June. FIGURES OF WINTER WHEAT STATES. The returns of June have required an unusual amount of revision and interpretation. There is a possibility of some change for the better or worse during this month, but no probability of any very marked fluctuation. While it is not possible to determine the character of the winter wheat harvest so accurately as it may be shown after reaping and threshing, there is little danger of serious mistake in accepting the present indications as substantially correct. There may be some variations in State estimates, but the aggregate, it is believed, will not vary greatly from the total of the following figures for product of the winter

wheat States: 10,600,000 Tennessee. 1.400 000 W. Virginia. 1 400 (10) ennsylv'nia 14,200,000 Kentucky. 5,500,000 Michigan Marviand San on Indiana rgiula. 22, 100,000 Carolina. Langon Missouri S. Carolina Georgia. 2 950 (m) Kansas 12,000,000 Alabama 1.530,000 California 25,500,000 14,000,000 6,000,000 Texas 1.550,000 Total. Arkansas

The report of spring wh at is more favorable. The disposition last autumn to reduce its breadth, on account of the low price, was checked by the loss of winter wheat area, and later by British-Russian war rumors. Substantially the same area has been seeded as last year; about eleven million acres in Northern New England, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska and all the Territories. The acreage compares with that of 1884 as follows: Maine, 98; New Hampshire, 97: Vermont, 101: Wisconsin, 95; Minnesota, 99; Iowa, 103; Arizona, 101; Dakota, 103; Idaho, 105; Montans, 110; New Mexico, 108; Utah, 102; Washington, 104. The total may exceed eleven million by one hundred thousand or more. The report of condition is quite favorable. It compares with that of last

year in the principal States as follows: THE PROBABLE YIELD OF THE GRAIN.

It is too early to indicate very closely the outcome in bushels, but if the present status shall be maintained, a barvest as follows: Bushels, States. New England, 1200 000 Dakota.... Wisconsin ... 38.500.000 Montana 31,000,000 New Mexico. LODE COM 29 000 000 Ctah 1,610,000 ebraska 300,000 Total Arizona

The indications, therefore, point at present to a crop of about 360,000,000 bushels, which is less by 23,000,000 than the crop of 1881. Future conditions, or misconception of present appearances, or both together, are not likely to change the result more than 10,000,000 bushels above or below this aggregate.

Fire at Treaton, Ma. TEENTON, Mo., June 30 .- The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad Company's machine shops of this place burned early this morning, involving a loss of about person near the premises. By hard work saved, and the fire was confined to the building where it originated. The loss employment.

Cloud Bursts.

CANAJOHARIE, N. Y., June 20 .- A terrific rain and wind storm prevailed throughout the Mohawk valley on Sunday afterno at two o'clock. At Ames so loud a report was heard that people rushed from their houses thinking an earthquake had securred. They were met by torrents of water, which drove them back. Several ersons narrowly recaped drowning. Mrs. High McEvoy and her daughter were deeping in their house and were awakened by water bursting their doors in. They ocreamed for help and Rev. A. T. Worden waded to their house, breast deep in water. He pacified the ladies until they were taken to a place of safety.

Oil -o Pier. NEW ORLEANS, June 30 .- A fire broke at at nine o'clock last night in the illinois Central Railroad oil yards and at midnight was still burning. No information as the extent of the loss can yet be obtain At that hour the fremen were trying to sate a large stationary tank co mends of gallons of oil.

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THE PUBLIC DEST.

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WASHINGTON, July 1-The debt state ment shows a reduction of the dest during the month of June of \$6,500,000. The fellowing is a recapitulation of the debt statement (new form): Interest bearing debt bonds at

IN THE SEC. OF Bonds at 4 per cent. Bends at 3 per cent Refunding certificates at 4 per Navy pension fund at 3 per Pacific Railroad bonds at 6 per 04.003.512.00 1,300,774,000.00 \$1,573,700,000.00 Debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, prin-4,225, 194.75 Debt bearing no interest, old demand and legal tender

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Debt, less cash in the Treasury 1.494,301,011.28 June 1, 1886 Decrease of debt during the month as shown by the state-Cash in the Treasury available for reduction of the debt, seld held for gold certificates actually outstanding. Silver held for silver certificates actually outstanding. United States notes held for

certificates of deposit actual ly outstanding.

Cash held for matured debt and interest unpaid Fractional currency. Total available for reduction of the debt Reserve fund held for redemp-

tion of United States notes,

act of July 12,1882.

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sued, but not outstanding Net cash balance on hand, fotal cash in the treasury as shown in the Treasurer's gen-

THE NEW SHORT LINE. The Directors and Friends in Consultation

at St. Louis.

Sr. Louis, July 1.-The directors an friends of the proposed railroad to be built between this city and Kansas City, called the St. Louis & Kansas City Short line have been in consultation all morning at the Planter's House. The road will probably connect with the line of the narrow guage in St. Louis County, and, crossing the Missouri River near Mawell's Ferry, will run through the country lying between the Wabash and the river. The road is to be 246 miles in length. The officers are: President. R. P. Williams of Fayette; Vice-President General Odon Guitar of Columbia; Secretary, J. A. Cordell of Saline County Treasurer, J. H. Waugh of Boone County. Those present at the meeting are R. P. Wil liams and J. D. Folsom of Howard County. f. B. Harris of Callaway, E. M. Hughes, of Montgomery, Mitchell Castello of St. Charles, J. H. Cordell and A. F. Palmer of Saline, W. B. Steele and E. M. Edward, of Lafayette, J. H. Waugh, Odon Guitar and W. B. Hale of Boone. The line of the road and the matter of engaging engineers were under discussion to-day. It is expected that the engineers will be in the field within twenty days.

CHICAGO ELECTION FRAUDS. Mackin Gets a Sent-ace of Five Years the Penitentiary.

CHICAGO, July 2.—The jury in Mackin perjury case returned yesterday afternoon, having been out exactly an hour, with a verdict of guilty. The punishment was fixed at five years' imprisonment in the penitentiary. As the last words of the verdiet were pronounced Mackin slightly paled and clasped his hands together as if in a spann of pain, but this lested but a moment and he chatted smilingly with his brother, The jury was unanimous from the start as to Mackin's guilt, and there was very little discussion over the term of imprisonment. The delay in reaching the verdict, an bour exactly, came from the fact that the jury sent for and read over part of the evidence. The prisoner was at once taken to jail, where he remarked to a reporter, who had inquired how he felt about the verdict: "Well, you know, me boy, there are great changes come in many men's lives, but we ain't through yet. I'll fight it to the end. The last bridge ion't crossed yet."

Crry or Mexico, July 2 .- The Govern ment has officially notified the Mexican Central Railroad that it must strictly with the terms of its concesand provisions of the general railroad regulations forbidding inequality of freight the United States, cutting under the Mexican freight tariff, can not be permitted. The Government also warns the railroad Road, has resigned, and that Mr. Albion G. Bradstreet, formerly chief engineer of the Tehuantepec Railway and of the East ern and Main Central Houds, is named. He to the building will reach \$100,000 and is favorably known here and has legal will throw about one hundred men out of training and extensive sequaintance with the Government

> Fight with Indiana Townstone, ARIZ., July L.-A. J. Hunck. miner, brought news Monday from From terns, of an engagement between the Indiens and whites, three miles cast of From teras, in which, it is reported, thirty-six Infiane and sixteen Americans were killed. Several were wounded. Yesterday further information was received through Thomas Crocker, from San Bernardine Manch, situated on the trail from Fort Bowie to Senera. He reported an engagement between the entire force under Lieutenant Davis and the Aparhen, Sixteen Indians were killed and from fifteen to twenty taken prison loss to the whites is not given.

Ports Packing. CINCINNATE O. July 2.- The Cin time last year. The total packed to date from March I was 2,475,000, distributed as

ARRIVED AT AUCKLAND.

The Officers After Marwell, the St. L. Arrive in Auch and Int view With the Culprit-He Will Co. Book Without Trouble and "Establ

Sr. Louis, Mo., July 1 .-- The Reput ous of this city has received a special blegram from Auckland stating that I tectives Tracey and Hadger arrived safe in that city on the morning of the ? ult. Mr. Gamble, the American Conmet the officers and gave them all the formation relating to the arrest and tention of Maxwell. The latter a

found in custody and answered fully t

descriptions of him given at the time

the murder. He has been treated w

by the Auckland jaffer and appeared to enjoying good health. He was greatly surprised when the a nouncement of the arrival of the Louis officers was made. They imstely had a long talk with him, which sulted in Maxwell's signifying his linguess to return on the next stame The papers were presented in due to and the requisition promptly actu

edeed. Maxwell's effects and found the fiel glasses bought at Aloe's, the hat bour at Hart & Duff's, a lot of clothing bea ing to Prelier and a number of ago with the alies, "Hugh M. Broks s amped on them.

Maxwell sull insists kill his friend Prelier, and that his nais T. C. D'Augler and not Maxwell. is disposed to waive all rights under New Zealand law for the purpose of exing back here and, as he says, catabi ing his innocence. He had very money when he landed, but had letters introduction to parties in Auckland as Sidney under the name of D'Auri which are believed to have been for from Freiler's letters of introduction people in the same cities. The office and their prisoner will return on steamer Zealandia, which will leave Anckland July 25th, and arrive in Frisc

#### about the middle of August. A POWERFUL AGENT.

A Terrible Explosion of Gas In a Pennsyl vania Coal Mine Causes Wide-Spread De struction and General Consternation Another Explosion Feared.

SCRANTON, Pa., July 1 .- About 1:3 o'clock yesterday morning an explosio of gas which shook the entire city so caused something like a general pani occurred at one of the Delaware, Lacks in the northwestern portion of Scrautor Many persons were startled from their sleep by the sharp shocks, and some thought it might possibly be an earth quake. Those who were abroad wit pessed a dazzling flash of light, and thought it possibly was some of the powfor mills on the mountain that had blown up. The idea of such a terrific blaze and

convulsion being caused by a mine ex plosion seemed incredible. The excite ment in the vicinity of the shaft was mos ntense. The windows of all houses to Park Place, a thickly settled portion of the city, were smashed, and the dwell ings swaved like a ship in a storm. The shalt and its attroundings presented a strange picture. Heavy timbers were flung nearly half a mile away. The massive foundation of the hoisting tower was moved several feet, and all the stoot

boiler house and fan house, were dismaniled. Coal cars were flung from the rallroad track and smashed to pieces, and he entire place was a complete wreck. Engineers and firemen employed in the ricinity of the shaft were badly stunged, but recovered shortly afterward, and the

buildings, including the engine house

wonder is that they escaped with their The Clark velo, in which the explosion ecurred, is one of the worst in the val-Gas blowers, which issue from revices in the cost, and are quite comnon there, sometimes become ignited,

tausing the workmen a good deal of When the fire boss, Tunts Evans, visted the mine on Sunday morning last, ie reported everything all right, but he and not been out of the place fifteen minites before there was an explosion which ore the roof of the hotsting tower. This xplosion dismantled the fan-house, and isabled the fan, and this accounts for he accumulation of gas which exploded with such terrific effect. As the fan is

still idle another explosion is feared. The Clark velo in which the gas acen nulates so rapidly lies at a great depth, seing lower than the three veins known is the Dumond Rock and fourteen-foot trata of anthracite.

DARK AND BLOODY GROUND. nother Battle Berween Kentucky Fac

Mr. Syrating, Ky., July 2 .- Tuesday night about dark a battle occurred at stepstone, a small station on the Cheesseake & Ohio Railway, about seven miles rom this place, in which Dr. James Carer was shot by a rifle in the hands of lames Wineman. The ball struck Carer in the hip, inflicting a serious wound. a negro, whose name your correspondnat was poshie to learn, was shot with a

ofgun in the head, and at last reports Two factions have existed at Stepstone or some time, and the cause of the division seems to be the question of local oprates and that special through rates from lon, which is in force at that place Frank Brown, druggist, was arrested several times for seiling liquor to violaion of his drugglet's license, which only company that it shall investigate cases of permits a sale upon a prescription from alleged freight rate enting, and if proven a physician. Tuesday Brown was tried legally the fixed penalties will be enforced. In two charges and was fined \$25 on one lous were much aroused, and trouble scurred during the trial. Peace was with much effort held until dark, when a teneral first broke out between the riends of the parties. Several shots were fired with the above results. More troutie is apprehended, as each party is that-

Asplaced Mer Bailers

Thor, N. Y., July 2 .- The steam yacht. Otio Smith blow up while lying at the dock at eleves o'clock yesterday morning. The expinsion was tremendous, and shook the houses in the vicinity as if by sarshquake. George Roberts, the eagineer, who was just going on board, was severely injered. No one clas was burt. The fires were banked last night, and the theory of the explosion is inst some malicione person west abourd and closed the doors and fastened down the safety vaive. The boiler was new and los good condition

Down Through a Bridge. Cuncago, ILL., July 1.—At two o'clock. pasterday mornings south bound freight train on the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago Road, crashed through a bridge at Deiphi, Ind. As the coules and tender riphi, lad. As the engine and lender had crossed the bridge a crash was heard in the rear, and all the care, with the exception of the enheave and two others bringed into the river. The care that went down were leaded with lumber. Two spans of the bridge, which was a high one, gave way just after the engine had crossed. One braheman was seriously injured, and another is missing, and is supposed to have gave down with