HIS FIRST SPECULATION.

A Man Who Gambled in Stocks Without Knowing What He Was Doing. "I never speculate," said a man who has acquired a fair share of the world's goods, and who enjoys them as much perhaps as any other man similarly situnted. "And yet I made my first real start on a speculation. I won at it and quit ahead of the game, as gamblers say. I have remained ahead of that

game ever since. "It was out in California that I was led into my speculation. It was in the days when mining stocks went up into the sky like rockets and came down like sticks, just as certain men wanted them to do. I went out there to make my fortune, but in some way it would not make. I really believe in luck, for I did have the worst possible kind of luck, and then of a sudden, but will

come to that later. "Have you ever heard of the man who was so poor that he always carned his breakfast; ate it; earned his dinner; ate it; earned his supper; ate it; and then alept where it did not cost anything? Well, I was a good deal poorer than that man, for I ate my breakfast and then earned it. It was demoralizing, you may be sure. But I happened to meet a man in San Francisco who was making a big stir out there in those days. He was throwing stocks wherever he pleased, and that meant everywhere. The way that man made money took everyone's breath away. For some reason he took an interest in me-perhaps it was because I could not make a cent where he could make millions.

" 'Young man,' he said to me one day, "do you want to make some money?" "I thought I did. I thought it so emphatically that I impressed him with

my earnestness.
"'Well,' he said, 'give me one hundred dollars and I'll fix it for you so that you can make something.' "'A hundred dollars!" I said. 'If I

had a hundred dollars I'd get out of this country. I haven't one hundred cents.' "You haven't, eh? Then I'll lend it to you.'

"I never could pay you," I said. "Yes you can. You can pay me some day. Just sign a note for it. Business is business, you known. Then go away and don't ask any questions. ust keep still till I get ready to talk. "I went away, no richer and no poorer, save that my name, which wasn't worth anything to anybody, was at the end of a note for one hundred dollars.

"I did not know much about stocks and I did not care much about them. I only knew that there was a madness in the San Francisco market a few days later. Some stocks went up and some went down. The stocks went up out of sight. Then a hurricane struck the whole market and blew it away. "A few weeks later I met my friend.

"'O, by the way,' he said, 'I have a note of yours in my pocket.'
"'Yes,' I gulped, feeling the strings of my heart tighten, 'but I can't pay it

now. I warned you--" Never mind about that now,' he

said. 'Here's your note. Now I'm going to give it back to you on one condition -that you promise me never to speculate again.'
"I made him the promise.

"'Young man,' he said then, 'you have been in the biggest hell's game that ever was played in this market. You have won. I knew you would win. That's why I let you try it. But, young man, and he raised his hand, pointing eloquently with his finger, 'you never in the world could have won it if you hadn't been on the inside. That's why I made you promise.'
"Then he looked at a memorandum,

wrote me out a check which made me speechless, and sent me away. I do not to this day know what is the process of gambling in stocks."-N. Y. Tribune.

PEASANT LIFE IN SICILY.

A People Noted for Their Sobriety and Industry.

One of the elements of progress among the peasantry is the conscription, whose from the poor miner, goes to the conti- peal nent and comes back amazed at the difference between the style of life and culture at home and abroad. He is looked upon as an authority, insists on the children's being sent to school, knows all about provident societies, and yet has lost none of his love for his native island. So strong is this lov that Sicily figures last on the list of Italian emigration, and though the figures have slightly increased of late years they do not amount to six thousand for the entire island.

When Italy shall embrace the American or Swiss system of national defense and abolish standing armies which are her ruin financially, Sicily will probably take her place first on the list of "high farming" countries in Europe, for her sun and soil remain her own, her children are among the hardest toilers and most frugal livers on the face of the earth; drunkenness is unknown among peasants, even when they have wine at will; and as far as crime goes, though great, it is on the decrease—including always and everywhere the mining populations.—Sig-nors Vedova Mario, in Chautauquan.

Unfailing Symptom. "Judging from the dress and general appearance of that couple that has just t aboard, it's a case of bride and bridegroom. They are starting on a wedding tour."

"That may be, but they've both been married before."

"How do you know?"

"Can't you see she's carrying all the bundles?"—Chicago Tribune.

-Tomson-Does your wife open your letters, Johnson? Johnson-Never, unless they are marked private. - Seattle oundings.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

OMAHA, Neb., June 1 .- Daniel Farrell, Jr., an Omaha jobber, and his ship-ping clerk, Edward H. Sharp, were placed under arrest yesterday on an in-dictment found by the federal grand jury, charging them with violation of the inter-state commerce law.

Mr. Farrell, in explanation, said the case, as he understood it, referred to a carload of sirups and jellies shipped to Salt Lake City. He said the transac-tion was entered into between his shipping clerk and an inspector of the Western Railway Weighing association without his knowledge. The inspector, Mr. Sharp asserts, hinted that he might be induced to manipulate the rate, and asked: "How much will there be in it for me?"

An agreement was finally reached, after some dickering, that the inspector should receive \$10 for his part in the

The car in question was loaded with about 22,000 pounds of jellies and 7,000 pounds of sirup. It was billed as a car-load of sirup. The saving by the incorrect billing was 20 cents per 100 pounds.

Mr. Farrell discovered what his clerk had done, and instructed the clerk to make out a correct bill of lading, and the local freight agent of the Union Pacific corroborates this statemert For some reason the car was sent through on the manipulated bill. Mr. Farrell is of the opinion that this was done at the instance of George Carman, of Chicago, the superintendent of the Weighing association, who, he believes, was back of the whole affair and laid a trap to involve him in trouble.

Mr. Farrell charges Mr. Carman with a conspiracy, and has been advised by his attorney that he has a case against the Chicago man, which, he says, he will push.

Nebraska at the World's Fair. SEWARD, Neb., May 29.-Having received at the hands of the commissioner general, a commission as one of the three superintendents of Nebraska's agricultural exhibit at the Columbian exposition, I will most cheerfully answer all correspondence and shall aim to be among you many times to counsel with you and render you all the assistance in my power.

The following are the names of the counties of my district: Seward, Butler, Polk, York, Fillmore, Thayer, Nuckolls, Clay, Hamilton, Hall, Adams, Webster, Franklin, Kearney, Buffalo, Dawson, Phelps, Harlan, Furnas, Gos-per, Lincoln, Frontier, Red Willow, Hitchcock, Hayes, Dundy, Chase, Perkins, Keith, Deuel, Obeyenne, Kimball, Banner, Scotts, Bluff. Address all communications to me at Seward, Neb.

W. W. Cox, Superintendent.

Miscellaneous. BROKEN Bow is to have a vinegar factory. G. W. Wint a putting up a new ele

vator at Bartley. FARMERS are well along with corn planting all over the state.

MAYOR BEMIS has signed an ordinance icensing gambling in Omaha. HENRY HASLIP, aged 18, was crushed to death under a field roller at Herman. EIGHTEEN pupils of the Indian school

at Genoa ran away. They were recaptured. PLATTSMOUTH claims that her cigar factories amount to more than those of

Omaba. J. D. STODDARD's residence at Republican City burned recently. Loss, \$3,000;

insurance, \$1,500. THE Nebraska City starch works has shipped a carload of starch, 20,000

pounds, to Denver. MISS PAULINE KEEFER, living near Papillion, has been taken to the asylum,

erazy from religion and overwork. THE post office at Beatrice is to be removed from the Masonie block to the corner of Ella and Fifth streets, in the

Auditorium building. Ex-President S. S. St. John, of the defunct Commercial Savings bank, of Kearney, has been arrested at the instigation of one of the depositors. The bank is charged with receiving deposits when the president and cashier knew the institution was insolvent.

THE jury in the case of St. Joseph's Catholic church of O'Neill against Meals & McVay, contractors of Omaha, returned a verdict for the church, placing the amount for which the bondsmen are very name they once abhorred. The liable at \$13,400. It is understood that Sicilian peasant, a very different being the attorneys for the bondsmen will ap-

THE following superintendents of departments for Nebraska at the world's fair have been appointed: Frank A. Barton, Pawnee City, education; E. Whiteomb, Friend, apiary; and designated Commissioner Seth P. Mobley, Grand Island, charge of the Nebraska Press association.

THE reunion committee has received official notice that a fare of one rate for the round trip has been made for the coming reunion. Tickets will be on sale August 29 to September 1, good till September 5. In addition to this tickets will be sold September 2 to all points within 100 miles of Grand Island.

SECRETARY OF STATE ALLEN has been officially notined by the United States agent of immigration at New York that party of immigrants have landed at crushed. His injuries are fatal. that port and that their destination is Nebraska. The Nebraska towns for which these immigrants are bound are Omaha, Wahoo and Oakland. The ship in which they traversed the Atlantic was infected with small-pox, and the notice is sent out in order to prevent all possible danger from the disease spread-

ing in Nebraska towns. THE Kansas City & Beatrice \$50,000 railway bonds have been the victims of another injunction suit. J. S. Brinkworth brings suit at Beatrice against City Treasurer J. S. Grable to restrain the payment of the interest coupons of bonds clipped before the special assessment or tax had been levied. Judge Bush granted the temporary restraining

As train No. 5 on the Union Pacific

CONVENTION HALL.

Dedication of the Building at Minneapolis to the Republican Convention - J. Slout Fassett Temporary Chairman.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 7 .- The republican convention hall of '92 was opened to the general public last night and was an event long and pleasingly anticipated in local and musical circles -a grand concert by a chorus of 1,000 voices supported by the Second regiment band of Chicago. A vast audience, numbering over 12,000 people and filling every seat for distances as far as the eye could reach, surveyed the in-spiring scene, which bids fair to become memorable political battle ground. Striking changes have been made in the interior appearance of the exposition building, which is the boast of Minneapolis.

Surrounding the walls on every side rise seats in tiers, giving to the hall a greater width than depth, with rectangular corners. The decorations as prepared for the convention are very simple but very beautiful. At four con-



NATIONAL CONVENTION BUILDING.

festooned under old gold hangings and patriotic effects. The hall may be considered to be half as large as was the old, unwieldly, temporary structure built at Chicago for the republican convention of 1880. In that hall the convention sat lengthwise of the building. Last night, however, the stage, with its great military band, its piano and its 1,000 voices, spreading and retreating to the eastern upper walls, filled an entire breadth of the chamber.

At 8 o'clock upon the conclusion of the overture of the opera of Rienzi, the audience was well seated and received the opening number with every evidence of delight. Various choruses and solos preceded the speech of Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, whose coming was hailed with such an uproar as only many thousand persons can make.

When the night session assembled the Harrison men made their fight in the national committee on Fassett and the result was twenty-nine votes for Fassett and ten for Cullom. Mr. Fassett will be temporary chairman of the navote and shows that Blaine men are in control of the committee. The defeat was accepted and the nomination made unanimous.

The following have been selected officers of the convention:

Temporary secretaries - Charles W. Johnson, Minneapolis William Arthur Polk, Ohio: Cardon Lake, New York: Gen. Lee, San Francis co; Joseph G. Brown, Pennsylvania W. P. Brownlow, Tennessee; A. S. Clark. Massachu-Assistant secretaries-T. F. Simons, Califor-

nia; P O. Churchman, Delaware; Aaron Brad-shaw, District of Columbia; Charles Hopkins, Ohio: A. W. Monroe, Maryland; C. S. Morris, Kentucky; J. W. Dimmick, Alabama: James Blaine Walker, Montana: T. V. McAllister, Mississippi: Otto Gramme, Wyoming
Reading clerks—C. F. Hanev, Minneapolis:
J. H. Stone, Michigan: John S. Kenyon, New
York: H. S. Oliver, Ohio: Charles Curtiss,

Kansas: Charles Partridge, Illinois: Thoma B. Miels, Wisconsin: W. E. Riley, Kentucky. Official stenographers—Theodore C. Rose, New York; James F. Burke, Pennsylvania.

A MILL DAM BURST,

And Swept Thirty Houses From Their Foundations at Union City, Pa.

ERIE, Pa., June 7.—Last evening Clark's mill dam at Union City burst and a wall of water swept through the town carrying thirty houses from their foundations. While many persons were badly hurt none lost their lives. Hundreds of horses and cattle were drowned. The damage will reach not less than \$100,000.

The towns of Garland, Pittsfield, Columbus and many other places are under water. At Pittsfield the operator, J. E. Mead, stood at his post and worked his instruments with the water three feet deep in the office and the building surrounded by the roaring flood.

Blocked With Snow. CHEYENNE, Wyo., June 7 .- A rotary snowplow was required for clearing the Union Pacific line between this place and Laramie. About Sherman, the summit, drifts 15 feet deep had formed in the cuts. From 3 o'clock yesterday morning until 10 in the forenoon this point was impassable, and trains were held on either side. With the rotary were fifty shovelers brought from Laramie. Cnow fell early yesterday morning.

His Fatal Sleep Under a Car. TEXARKANA, Ark., June 7 .- Early yesterday morning James Ruffin, a colored laborer, crawled under a box car and took a nap, when a train came along, hitched on to the box car and took it along. Ruffin was terribly cut up, but was not killed outright. Both arms were cut off and one shoulder

The Daltons Secured 86,000. RENO, Ok., June 7 -- Agent Ashly, of the Darlington agency says that the Daltons got over \$6,000 in holding up the Santa Fe at Red Rock. He says he has his information from an inside Santa Fe source. The report that the robbers secured \$60,000 Indian annuity money was purely a fiction.

New York, June 6.—The exports of specie from the port of New York last week amounted to \$2,358,715, of which \$1.847,565 was gold and \$511,150 sliver. Of the total exports \$1,500,000 gold and \$502,700 silver went to Europe and \$347,565 gold and \$8,450 silver went to the West Indies and South America. The imports of specie during the week were \$50,396 of which \$4,200 was gold tried to board the train and was thrown between the depot platform and train and the wheel ran over his left wrist. His arm was amputated.

CONGRESS.

of the Proceedings of Both

Houses the Past Week.

The senate was not in session on the 3d....
After some morning business the house went into committee of the whole on the post office appropriation bill. The pending amendment was that offered by Mr. Blount, of Georgia, reducing by \$2,349,000 the appropriation for transportation by ratiroad routes and providing that the postmaster-general be authorized to readjust the compensation to be paid after July 1, 1803, for transportation of the mail on railroad routes by reducing the compensation to all railroutes by reducing the compensation to all rail-roads for the transportation of mail ten per cent from the rate established on the basis of the average weight fixed and allowed by the act of June 17, 1778. Rejected-57 to 124. Pending action the committee rose and the house ad-

THE senate was not in session on the 4th ... The post office appropriation bill was before the house. On motion of Mr. Henderson, of North Carolina, an amendment was adopted authorizing the postmaster-general to provide for the transportation of official matter to any government department over raliroads or by express companies when he can do so at a say ing to the government and without detriment to the public service. The committee then arose and reported the bill to the house and it was passed. The Hatch anti-option bill was then passed. The Hatch anti-option on the sensa-brought up, soon after which came the sensa-tional news that Mr. Blaine had resigned. The house was in more or less confusion and ad-journed without action on the bill.

CHARACTERISTIC duliness prevailed in the senate on the 6th. The consular appropriation bill was brought in and laid aside, and Mr. Vest addressed the empty benches on the bill to place wool on the free list. No action was taken....The house passed the Hatch anti-option bill. The senate amendments to the river and harbor bill were non-concurred in and con ferces appointed. A bill was passed appropriat ing \$50,000 for a pedestal for a monument to Gen. W. T. Sherman. The senate amendments to the navy bill were non-concurred in. Bills were also passed admitting New Mexico and Arizona to passed admitting New Mexico and Arizona to the dignity of statebood. The legislative ap-propriation bill was brought in and passed un-der suspension of the rules. A resolution was introduced calling for the adjournment of con-gress on Monday, July 4. Referred.

THE dipolenatic appropriation bill was be-fore the senate on the 7th Mr. Hale explained that the amendments recommended by the committee on appropriations as to envoys ex-traordinary and ministers plenipotentiary were simply re-establishing the status under the existing law. Those amendments were all agreed to, including the following: Increasing from 225,000 to \$36,000 the appropriation for the com-mercial bureau of the American republics; in creasing from \$60,0 0 to \$80,000 the appropris tion to meet unforeseen contingencies in the dip-lomatic and consular service, and striking out the provision that part of the amount shall be paid in settlement of any claim of any foreign power: inserting an item for \$65,000 for the share of the United States in the expense of a preliminary survey for a continental railway inserting an item of \$50,000 in addition to \$175, 000 heretofore appropriated for the internation al boundary line survey between the United States and Mexico, increasing salaries of consula-general at London, Paris, Havana and Rio Janeiro from \$5.000 to \$5.000. The bill was then passed...The aggricultural appro-priation bill was reported in the house. The urgent deficiency bill was considered in com-mittee, but without action the house adjourned.

In the senate on the 8th Mr. Call gave notice of his intention to address the senate June 15 on his resolution for an investigation as to whether railroad companies interfere with the election of United States senators. The penwill be temporary chairman of the na-tional convention. This was a test and referred to the committee on appropriaand referred to the committee on appropria-tions...The house was in committee of the whole on the agricultural appropriation bill. On the committee rising the bill was passed. Mr. McRae again called up his bill amending the act of September 29, 1890, forfeiting certain lands granted for the purpose of aiding in the construction of railroads. No quorum being

resent the house adjourned.
THE senate had a short session on the 9th but accomplished a good deal of business. The urgent deficiency bill was passed. The legis-lative and agricultural bills came from the house, also the New Mexico and Arizona statehood bills, all of which were referred to committees. Morgan and Jones of Arkansas spok on the silver question. The senate then ad-journed until the 13th....In the house Mr. Coates, of Alabama, called up a bill modifying proof of the loyalty during the war of the rebel-lion as a pre-requisite to being reported or ad-mitted to the pension rolls of any person who would otherwise be entitled thereto: nor shall proof of lovalty be necessary in any application for bounty land, where the proof otherwise shows that the applicant is entitled thereto: provided that no soldier restored or admitted to the pension roll shall not extend to any per-son under the disability imposed by the four-teenth article of the amendment of the constiproof of the loyalty during the war of the rebeltution. Passed. Mr. E. B. Taylor summoned up the bill defining the crimes of murder in the first and second degree and manslaughter in places and on waters under the exclusive juris-diction of the United States. On motion of Mr. Culberson a bill (originally introduced by Mr. O'Nell), of Missouri.) was passed permitting poor persons to sue in the United States courts upon affidavits, and authorizing the court to appoint counsel. Adjourned.

WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS.

A Delegation at Minneapolis With a Mem MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 9.-No

convention is complete in these enlightened days without the woman's suffrage movement coming to the front for agitation, and the tenth republican national convention is no exception

to the rule. A memorial has been presented to the convention, and a delegation has asked for a hearing before the MRS. G. C. CARLETON. committee on resolican party to declare for female suffrage, and claims indorsements from

lutions. The memorial asks the repubthe G. A. R., trades assemblies, Farmers' Alliance, Industrial Union, Knights of Labor, in all representing a million of voters.

Mrs. G. C. Carleton, of Wyoming, who is here as a delegate, is the first woman delegate to a national convention.

Mr. Gould Still "Out West." PUEBLO, Col., June 10.-Mr. Jay Gould and family quietly slipped away in his special car to be gone several days. It is stated that Mr. Gould has only gone down the road a short distance to avoid the political disturbance on the wires that interferes with his private busi-Assistant General Manager Smith, of the Missouri Pacific, is expected to arrive to confer with him.

A Governor for Lynching. BARNWELL, S. C., June 9.—Under the grove of trees where eight negroes were brought from the county jail in December two years ago, lynched and riddled with bullets, Gov. Tillman made the sensational utterance at the first meeting of the democratic state campaign, yesterday: "There is only one crime that should bring on the lynching," he said. "I, as governor, would head a party to lynch any negro that would criminally assault a white woman."

The Mississippi delegates to the Chicago convention are uninstructed, but said to be for ex-President Cleveland.

RENEWING FURNITURE.

Valuable Suggestions for the Use

In almost every household there are articles which, as far as utility goes, are just as good as new, but which are defaced, faded or shabby-looking merely because the finish on them has been worn or otherwise injured. To throw these away or pile them in the garret is an out-of-pocket sort of economy, and one which wise housekeepers will not indulge in, except for good and sufficient

It is a very easy matter to reconstruct, renovate and refit household belongings, and if the few necessary appli ances are kept ready at hand, the task is neither unpleasant nor tedious, but rather amusing. A bright-witted and economical housewife, not long since, invited one of her friends to what she called a "painting party," the friend being the only guest. An attic room was fitted up with a bench, paint pots and brushes, and here the visitor was invited to seat herself as a spectator at the evolution of a very old-fashioned and almost hopeless-looking bedstead. It was a four-poster-a genuine old-timer. While it was badly scratched and not by any means in a presentable condition, it had great possibilities.

The old, scratched paint and varnish were speedily removed with sand-paper, which was not a difficult operation, as all of the posts were turned. Then the pieces were carefully dusted off and coated with white enameled paint. The operator had tried the enamel such as is sold in the stores, and found it answered admirably; but as it was much too costly for use in any quantity, she tried a plan of her own, which answered the pur-

pose very well. Some white lead was mixed with very fine coach varnish, thinned with turpentine until of the proper consistency, and this was used in place of the enamel. It made a heavier body, and worked quite as easily, but required much more time to dry. The first coat seemed to sink into the wood, and filled up all of the cracks and crevices. When this was perfectly hard, which required some days, it was sand-papered off with fine sand paper until perfectly smooth, care being taken not to rub too deep, as only the roughness and possible specks or bubbles in the paint were to be removed. This finished, a coat of enamel, made quite thin with turpentine, was applied. A number of articles were worked over in this way, some of them receiving three and others but two coats of the

One piece had to have four coats before it was satisfactory. There are many persons who would like to use enamel paints, but, like the party mentioned, find them too expensive. When this is the case, the best white lead, as it comes from the keg, may be mixed with good varnish until smooth and somewhat pasty. Fine turpentine should then be added, to put it in working order. A comfortably thick coat at first, well dried and sand papered, then one or more thinner coats, will put in admirable condition any article of furniture not hopelessly battered or broken. After the first coat is on, putty should be mixed quite soft, and, with a putty knife, all holes, deep seams or cracks should be filled and carefully smoothed off. If this is done,

paint, the difference in the wood regu-

lating the amount of paint required.

Y. Ledger. Walking Dresses.

the paint will cover

In answer to the protest made by practical women against long skirts for the street, Felix has designed several robes trotteuses or walking dresses of woolen stuffs, made with a round skirt that comes near to the ground, yet just escapes touching. The back is cut bias, in the popular fashion, and it is rounded off at the foot to avoid the necessity of lifting or of tucking up. A favorite model has this skirt of flax gray serge, which is easily brushed, and does not spot, ornamented with applique festoons of dark green velvet. A blouse waist of plisse surah of dark myrtle green shade is confined by a Russian belt of silver and gold galloon fastened by a Kremlin buckle. A Figaro jacket of the gray serge, with large sleeves trimmed with green velvet, is worn over the blouse when in the house, but is replaced for the street by a longer casaque of serge, with revers, collar, and cuffs of green velvet. Similar dresses are made in dahlia serge, the violet rouge shade now so popular in Paris, with trimmings of black velvet.—Har per's Bazzr

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CATTLE-Best beeves	3 40	64	4 15	
Stockers	2 00	(th	3 15	
Native cows	2 01	60	8 65	
HOGS-Good to choice heavy	4 50	65	4 83	
WHEAT-No. ? red	80	60	82	
No. 2 hard	72	1460	74	
CORN-No # mixed		1410		
OATS-No. 2 mixed	32			ÿ
RYE-No. 2	60			ľ
FLOUR-Patents, per sack	2 00	60	2 20	
Fancy	1 90		1 95	
HAY-Choice timothy	7 00		8 50	
Pancy prairie	7 00		7 50	
POULTRY-Spring chickens	16		18	
BUTPER-Choice creamery	11		10	
CHEESE-Full cream	12		13	ü
EGGS-Choice	11		12	
POTATOES-New	85		91	ľ
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CATTLE-Fair natives	3 10		4 40	
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HOGS-Heavy	4 5		4 70	
SHEEP-Fair to choice	4 50		5 10	
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