CHAPTER XVII- POSTINUED. "Go after him," eries Taker, 'and don't let your eyes be off of aim until I see you again. Remember, watch him like a hawk."

The servant stands open mouthed

With an ampry ery, the detective pushes him ashle and hurries towardle library. Too Inte

A pistol shot sounds out apon the

Taker opens the deor.

In the light of the gas, which the wretched man must have lit upon enter ing the room, he sees the figure of Ad rian Dyke stretched out upon the floor in his right hand a revolver, still smoking, from his mouth the life blood gushing out in torrents dyeing the rich

The dying man smiles a grim smile as he sees the detective.
"I have escaped you." he gasps, the

blood gurgling out of his mouth, atmost preventing speech. "You-did not-watch-me-close

'nough-God help-' He is dead.

Taker stands in the door and gazes upon the lifeless form. Then with compressed lips turns and leaves the bouse, leaving James Potter bending over his dead master, tears in his eyes.

As he walks along the road, his hat pulled down over his eyes, his collar turned up, he mutters.

some who are fools: there's one in the house there. He plotted but hadn't the nerve to play loser; well, some folks may call it retribution, p rhaps it is. They'll attend to him all right, I must see what Rogerson is doing.

#### CHAPTER XVIII.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF SCHOOL

The clocks in the neighborhood have just struck the hour of midnight, led off by the heavy booming of the one in the tower of the court-house, followed by the tinkling of musical clocks, the chiming of metallic clocks, the striking of all, big and little, in the houses of all the good people of West Chester.

The sound arouses Heari Gareau from his reverie. He has been sitting before his desk, a number of medical works before him studying, reading up all the world's best authorities on diseases of the stomach. He has read until his mind has drifted off upon other topies, and has remained in profound meditation until the striking of the clock in the court-house tower has aroused him.

Twelve o'clock," he murmurs: "midnight. The time has come; I will searcely be disturbed now."

He sees to the fastening of the shutters, the lock of the door, all secure: then he goes to his desk, pulls out one young man with admiration. of the drawers and takes therefrom a flat moroeco case. He opens it; the light of the lamp reflects upon the contents-a case of surgical instruments. He examines several of them carefully. then reclosing the case he takes the lamp and goes into the adjoining

Although the night is warm there is a blazing fire in the stove. The air is neavy with heat. The doctor sets down his case of instruments and turns to an object which occupies a long, narrow table in the center of the room; an object covered with a sheet, He reverently : emoves the covering: a nude corpse lies revealed, the body of his partner and benefactor, Dr. Witbur. He gazes upon it with a sad, tender smile playing around his sensitive, expressive mouth; gazes upon it with love in his brown eyes, murmurs as he gazes.

'My last sad duty will soon be over, dear master. Here in the silence of night shall your wishes be carried out. No careless hand shall touch your sacred form. No heartless student of your honored profession shall gloat upon the discovery (if such will be made) of your strange malady. I shall do it alone. Here, unwatched, unseen, save by your eye in spirit land and the ever and all-seeing eye of God. shall I do as you have bidden me."

Ble prepares his instruments, arranges the light and basins which surround the table and then takes up a scalpel. A few deft, skillful cuts, showing the hand of the experienced demonstrator, of the scienced surgeon. and the stomach is last open. works rapidly. The contents of the stomach are taken out and placed in a basin, then the study of the organ itself. A light overspreads his handsome face us he studies—a light of

triumph and satisfaction. A few muttered words then be turns from the subject and writes hastily in a small book.

He has discovered the cause of the doctor's malady. He then turns to the contents of the

basin. The rain is pouring down on the roof outside. The storm is raging. 'An awful night," he motters, and proceeds with his work.

It is nearly completed. He is about to dispose of the ghastly contents of the basin when he sees something that arrests him, that causes him to set lown the vessel and remove something

A small, almost round object, not half-digested food not any portion of the organ itself, but a foreign substance, a strange thing to find in a man's stomach. A ball of paper!

Astounded-curious, he puts it by the stove to dry (for it is soft and puipy, from the julees of the stomach) then carefully straightening it out, exweising extreme care not to tear it, he

examines it. He falls back in his chair, gasping for breath, bewildered, surprised be-

yond all measure? For, faintly upon the nearly destroyed paper, almost illegible, he sees the marks of a lead pencil, the familiar marks of the dead man's handwrit-

Some parts of it cannot be traced. He aurries into the next room -the office and puts the paper under a powerful microscope. An. he can read it

all or enough to slow him what is written, and he stands gazing in wonder upon the strange discovery.

It is the missing I af from the doc-

or a note-book! He stands engaged in thought for many minutes, unheeding the lapse of time, not noticing the sound of the var of the elements outside, only thinking of the scrap of paper before him. his mind beset with many curious con-

"How came this paper in the place I found it? rings through his brain. He must have torn the leaf from his note-book and swallowed it. But why: it must have been shortly before his death, for it would have been entirely destroyed if it had been there two hours while the organs of digestion

were performing their functions He rends the paper again. Suddenly he atters a cry of eager joy.

"I have found it," he cries, "found the solution, for here upon this paper is recorded the fact that the child born to Alice Dyke was a female: that to Concad Gardner a male. Adrian Dyke testified at the inquest that his child was a male. He must have lie l. They have changed the children, he knew that the record was in the note-book. determined upon possessing it, followed my good old partner, and in some way aroused his suspicions. Perhans in the struggle the doctor tore out this leaf and swallowed it. Adrian Dyke got the book, but that for which he com-There are some men who are men. Imitted the murder effectually cluded his grasp. That must be the solution of mysterious problem. How won-

derful are the works of the Almighty! He takes the note-book from his pocket and carefully places the missing leaf in its place.

'It will be a terrible witness against Adrian Dyke," he mutters. Rap, tap, tap! Some one is at the

door. The doctor turns in surprise. Who can want him upon such a night: It must be something serious to bring any one out in the storm.

He lays the book upon the desk and goes to the door.

He throws it open A man, heavily bearded, dripping with rain is standing outside. The wind is howling fariously, driving the rain in sheets in at the open door.

"I want to se Dr. Garean," says the stranger, with a slight foreign accent-Henri starts. Where has he heard that voice before? He looks intently in the man's face, it is unfamiliar, he

cannot place it. "tome in." he says abruptly, "I shall be washed out." The man shrugs his broad shoulders, and shaking himself like a dog, enters the office.

"I am Dr. Gareau, what do you want. The man looks upon the handsome

"You Dr. Gareau?" he asks. "Who

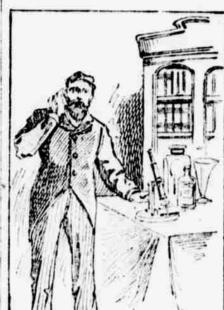
would have thought it; you have improved with age Improved with age! What can this man mean?

"Well, state the object of your visit," he says curtly. "I am engaged. have work to do." The wet, dripping stranger drops into a chair a chair before the desk

"It will take me some time to tell you why I came to see you at this unseasonable hour, so you had letter compose yourself to listen."

the speaks calmly, almost insolently, The young physician fushes with an-

"I have no time to hear anything you have to say, do not wish to be an-



TIT IS THE MISSING LEAF. noved with you. If you come upon business please state it briefly: If not shall be obliged to show you the

The strange visitor shrugs his

shoulders. "Turn me out in the rain, els? Well, guess you won't do that. Your greeting is not a very cordial one, but think you'll decide to allow me the privilege of staying here all night, at any rate, when you know who I am."

The young man stands aghast. Such assurance! Such impudence! Can the man be mad? Perhaps he is an escaped lunatic, who has seen the light s'dning over the glass transom of the office door, and has determined in his mad brain to seek a harbor of refuge here. But no, the eyes that are roving compla ently about the room are not wild, the words are not discerneeted and rambling. Besides, he has asked to see Dr. Gareau. He most have come there upon some business,

with a fixed purpose. He answers the self-satisfied strung-

er contemptuously, coldly, 'I admire your assurance. It is only equaled by your impudence. There is not much likelihood of my inviting you to remain here, for if you do not state your business in one minute, I shall throw you out of that door. His voice is angry and foreible as he

tip;shea The stranger rooks at the door as if meant, and then says:

"As I said before your greeting is not very cordial. Well, I won't harbor any malice on that account, it is not to be expected. You did not know was coming. It has been twenty years since you saw me. I am probably changed. Twenty years does change a man some. It has worked miracles in you. Look at me, my boy, don't you recognize something familiar about me? Ain't there something in my general appearance that you have seen before? Think."

The easy, quiet, impudent words of the man cause a feeling of siekening borror to creep into the young man's heart. Twenty years! Much has happened in that time. His mind unemsciously goes back over all those years. A fearful thought comes to him, a thought that causes his brain to reel. The man is watching him. A cold,

hard smile comes to his bearded tips. "I see you are thinking," he says calmly, 'are beginning to think about right. Well, I'll help you. I don't mind giving your memory a lift. Don't you remember a man who, n little over twenty years ago was taken from you, to be buried alive in a dungeon, a man who was sentenced to twenty years nard work in the Eastern penitentiary? Ab. I see you do: well, I am that man. 'I am your

With a cry of norror and anguish the son falls back in his chair. His father! This coarse, brutal wretch the author of his being, the parent whom he feared in those days of childhood: crept to his miserable pallet to escape, when he had heard his reeling footsteps on the walk! the heartless criminal, who in a fit of drunken anger had struck down his nother, his white-faced, hard-working mother! He has forgotten his existence, has never dreamed he would return, and now he sits mockingly before him. claims him as his son, comes to claim the shelter of his roof. Horrible, hor-

"You don't seem glad to see me even now. I rather expected you would throw yourself on my breast and say. Welcome home, father, hustle out and trot in the fatted calf and so on. But instead of that you seem to shrink from me, you seem paralyzed with Not a very agreeable homecoming, I must say. Not a very filial greeting after all these years.

The mocking words of the man arouse him; he recovers himself with

an effort, and says. "You have never been a father to me, have never done aught to arouse any feeling but horror and loathing in my breast.

"I've never had a chance, I've been in jail nearly all your life. You have never learned my good qual-

The young man shudders. "You were sent to prison for the

"Perhaps you look on it like every one els does. You don't know what I had to put up with-her scolding tongue, her abuse. I will admit the devil got the upper hand of me. If I had not been loaded I wouldn't have struck her I didn't intend to hit her pounds, against 10,250,550 last year so hard, anyhow. By God, I've paid and 12.502,550 in 1893, but higher Twenty years of hard labor has made it square."

hard, as he hears the words of his concessions, so that manufacturers brutal parent. He must get rid of have the more difficulty in meeting him. He must be bribed to keep away from him. He determines to act diplomatically. Conquering his re mainly because supplies exceed expugnance, he says

"Without doubt you have suffered. We will not recall the years that have Why did you come here?"

"Chat's better! Now you speak more like a son. Well, I'll tell you, Henri, I never would have come near you if I had not been forced to. I got out of 'quay' nearly three months ago. I got a little job of work in the year, including stocks brought over, city, mighty hard work, too-long much in excess of the world's needs. city, mighty hard work, too-long shoreman, but I lost it over a week ago, and you know I ain't much of a lage has the more power to depress saver, so I had no money. I knew you were here. I found it out by looking in the State directory. So I came to you to help me out. Let me stay here to-night, fix me in the morning send me a little dust once in a while and I'll never trouble you. I found you year, and 61 in Canada against 51 last bad turned out a 'saw-bones,' and was pretty well thought of, and I know I ain t much of a father to be proud of.

o I'll keep away from you. The young physician rises to his feet. It will be easier than he has the clearances at the cities named and thought. He has dreaded that this man would insist on living with him. or in some way disgracing him. Yes. he will give him money-anything in reason as long as he does not intrude

his unwelcome presence upon him. 'It shall be as you wish," he says. You shall remain here to-night, in the morning I will give you money, and you will return to Philadelphia upon the first train.

"All right. Now as I'm sure you'll take me in, I guess I'll remove my coat.

He rises and prepares to do as he has said. As the coat falls back, the glitter of a watch chain catches the son's eye, a heavy chain of solid work manship, of peculiar design. He springs toward his father, in another moment he has dragged the watch, to which the chain is attached, from the pocket of the vest. One look at the ease, and then he turns fiercely, savagely, upon the man who stands cowering before him.

Where did you get this watch and hain?" he hoarsely demands. "Can't a man have a 'super?"

"Where did you get it? Come, tell me. No evasion! Answer me plainly. bong it it from a man in the city.

He brought it from England. "You fle! This watch was the property of my partner, Ezra Wilbur. It was upon his person the night he was murdered. If you cannot explain to me satisfactorily inside of ten minutes how it came in your possession, I shall have you arrested as the murderer of the man who has been more to me than you ever were a father!

(To be Continued.)

Bright Prospects. Old Gentleman-Little boy, why are you idling around the street during senool hours, and, still worse, smoking and chewing tobacco, and acting like a young tough generally, instead of studying your lessons and trying to be a little gentleman? Hoy-Wot yer givin' us?

Old Gentleman-Remember, the time is not far distant when you will have to earn your own living. Boy-Thas all .ight. I'll live in & Fif Avernoo house an' have a steam vacut. I'm goin inter polytics.

INTREPID DR. NANSEN IS HOMEWARD BOUND.

sends a Message, Which, However, Does Not Say Whether the Pole Was Reached Mrs. Nansen Has Received No Word From Het Husband.

Loxbox, Feb. 15 .- The Beltish consul at Archangel, the capital of the Russian government of that name, telegraphs a confirmation of the report that Dr. Nansen is returning from the North pole. This is regarded as conclusive that the Norwegian explorer is homeward bound, even if he did not reach the pole.

Dispatches from different parts of the continent indicate great interest in the news from the North pole, which is generally credited in European capitals. Dr. Nansen's wife and relatives, however, did not believe the announcement which come through Kouchnareff, the agent of Dr. Nansen, near the month of the Lena river, residents of which locality frequently visit New Siberia. They have received no word from the explorer.

According to the opinion of Arctic experts here, when the Fram left the Kara sea in 1893 she may have found the sea northwards free of ice and pushed on until she was locked in. They add that she then may have been allowed to drift until the expedition came to land near the pole and that Or. Nansen and his party may have returned in sledges to the Siberian islands. At the Siberian islands it is believed Dr. Nansen and his companions may have been stopped by the

Dr. Nausen wrote to Baron Toll from Yugoro straits, saying that he expected to return to Koteny, Siberian islands, where dogs have been await-

#### DUN'S WEEKLY REVIEW.

The General Business Situation Does Not Meet Expectations. NEW YORK, Feb. 17 -R. G. Dun &

Co.'s weekly review of trade says: The weather still hinders business and continued closeness of money follows the prolonged inaction of Congress, but confidence increases,

The demand for boots and shoes is still disappointing. Several factories have closed and few are working full time, belief in lower prices still prevailing, although further reductions have been made in most lines, amounting, since January, to 1 to 6 per cent. Textile work shows bittle change, though the cut in print cloths to \$2. murder of my mother, you deserved and a general concession in brown and bleached staples, averaging for the whole list quoted six per cent since January 1, induced more buying which the known accumulation of goods ahead of demand has hindered.

Sales of wool have been small for two weeks of February, 9,320,700 prices abroad, sustained by heavy shipments of goods to this country, in-The son feels his heart growing cline holders of wool here to make the competition.

Produce markets tend downward. etations. Wheat has declind with Western receipts 3,022,306 bushels, against \$75,100 last year, while passed we will look only at the future Atlantic exports for two weeks have been only 3,639,195 bushels, against 2,721,344 last year.

Corn is a shade lower and both pork and lard a little lower. Cotton receipts, at this season never large, still indicate a supply for the current crop so that the prospect of increased acreprices, and spot cotton has declined an eighth for the week. Exports in Janpary were \$,653,566 less than last year, though prices were 45 per cent higher. Failures for the week have been 321 in the United States, against 270 last

Bank Clearings. NEW YORK, Feb. 17. - The following table, compiled by Bradstreet's, shows the percentages of increase or decrease as compared with the corresponding

week last year: Clearings Inc. Dec 61,494,955 | 10 1 70,2 9,048 22,190,040 9,844,496 | 22,31 4,52,664 | 29,39 2,144,656 1,289,555 | 14 2 35,752 496,138 2,7,96 New York Chicago St. Louis Kan-as City

UNCLE SAM'S NAVY. Eight New Vessels Will Be Ready for

Commission July 1.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17, - Owing to the rapidity with which the work of constructing naval vessels is being pushed, eight ships will be added to the naval list for commission before the first of July. Ninety-seven per cent of the work on the battleship Massachusetts has been completed, while on the double turret monitors Puritan, Terror and Monadnock the work done is represented by 91, 98 and 99 per cent respectively. battleship Oregon is so far advanced that only the per cent of the work remains to be done. As for the three gunboats building at Newport News, the Nashville, Wilmington and Helena. though 26 per cent of the work is yet to be done, the builders are sure that the ships can all be in commission before July 1.

## NO APOLOGY OFFERED.

Dunraven Acknowledges the Receipt of

the New York Yacht Club Decision. Lexpox, Feb. 17 .- The purport of Lord Dunraven's replies to the New York Yact club were obtained this afternoon. The letter to Mr. Phelps is the most important. It treats in detail the finding of the committee, but no apology is offered to the New York Yacht club for the failure of his lordship to substantiate the charges brought against Defender. Lord Dunraven clings to the evidence he sub-mitted to the committee.

---- nimself that it is the one DID HE REACH IT? GEN. GREELEY DUBIOUS. The Ex-Arctic Explorer Talks About the The Report From Nausen.

Washington, Feb. 17. The message from Archangel confirming the report of the return of Nansen, from the North pole, does not amount to a con-The latter, with the possible exception of Commodore Melville, who is denomination, temporarily absent from Washington, is better posted than any other official in Washington upon the characteristies of the North Siberman coast, which he has visited on a government mis-sion, being charged with the distribution of rewards to the natives who aided the survivors of the unfortunate

Jeanette expedition. Said he: "This confirmation from Archangel is as if we had a telegram from Portland, Me, confirming a story from Sandy Hook."

General Greely took a similar view. and held that it was inconceivable that the same story should emanate from two places so remote from each other as are Irkutsk and Archangel. He knew of no way in which news of Nansen's approach to the mouth of the Lena delta should reach Archan-With the aid of a chart General Greely indicated the great distance between the two places. He showed that if it was really true that news of Dr. Nansen's movements had reached the mouth of the Lena and had so worked up the river to Irkutsk, then it was improbable that the same information could have reached Archangel. Then, too, there was the same lack of detail about this last dispatch that had been noted in the first, and this absence of even a hint of where Nansen was, or how he was

communicated with, easts suspicion in

his opinion on both reports. Arch-

good connections with the outer

important Russian town, with

angel, said General Greely, is a large

world, and if such news had reached there, he saw no reason why full details were not obtainable. He called attention to another point, that if Nansen had really emerged from the Polar regions, anywhere off the Siberian coast then he has himself disproved the correctness of the theory upon which his expedition was embarked. It would show that instead of their existing a current across the pole, there was a current that swept him up from the neighborhood of Bennett island to the pole and then turned back and returned him to his starting point. General Greely not unuaturally thought this state of affairs was hardly possible, Certainly there was no scientific evi-

dence of the existence of such an obliging current as this, and, therefore, notwithstanding the Archangel story, General Greely stood unshaken in his disbelief in the return of Nansen as described. WHAL BE DIFFICULT TO VERBY. Lieutenant Schoutz declared that if the story from Irkutsk was true, then Nausen was sighted or heard from off the Lena river delta away last summer. From Irkutsk to Yakutsk, which is the most northerly Russian post of any significance, is a distance of about 2,000 miles and communication is had only by sleds or in summer by rafts down the River Lena. From Yakutsk to Ust Yansk at the mouth of the Lena, Mercy hospital. where the Russian trader is said to have heard from Nansen, is a distance of 1,500 miles through an unbroken wilderness and the means of communication are reindeer or dogs.

quired for the trip, and any news coming from Ust Yansk of Nansen would very old, declared the lieutenant. He explained the difficulties that might be encountered in an attempt to trace a rumor. The natives who may have sighted the Arctic explorer could not concerve the nature of his undertaking, and owing to their dense ignorance it would not be possible for them to transmit an intelligible account of the event. The natives of the Siberian islands were stricken with terror at the signt of the steamer Vega, which had a hunting party in that region, and they hid themselves in the ice for months afterwards.

only travel between Yakutsk and Ust

Yansk is by a few half breed traders.

who go to the latter point early in the

winter and stay through until the next spring. Many months are re-

## ANDREE'S EXPEDITION.

Three Governments Interested in the Scheme for Travel by Balloon.

LONDON, Feb. 17. -- Advices from Stockholm are that the foreign ministry has received promises from the governments of Great Britain and Russia to give all the assistance possible to Prof. Andree's projected balloon expedition to the North pole.

Clements R. Markham, president the Royal Geographical society, is sending a circular to Canada, with a drawing of Prof. Andree's balloon, asicing the Dominion authorities to take every step possible to have the balloon watched for, and reported, if seen, to the British Government. The Hudson Bay company will bear the cost of the distribution of a large number of these circulars in the north-

ernmost districts of the Dominion. An official of the Royal Geographical society says a large sum of money has been raised to help Prof. Andree's scheme, which is thought to be

McKinley First Choice; Allison Second. FAYETTE, Mo., Feb. 17.-In mass convention William McKinley was declared the unanimous choice of Howard county for president, and Allison of Iowa second choice. The meeting declared in favor of one State convention, and unanimously favored the re-nomination of Hon, John P. Tracey for Congress from this, the Seventh, district.

Cook County Republican Primaries. Chicago, Feb. 17. -- Primary elections were held yesterday in all the wards of Chicago and in the country towns in Cook county for the election of delegates to the Republican county convention to-day. There was no objection to the "machine" plans and they carried the day.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.-For Oklahoma and Indian Territory-Fair and warmer; southwesterly winds. For Missouri-Continued fair and

warm; southwesterly winds. For Kansas -- Fair; colder in northern portion; winds becoming northCHICAGO'S BIBLE

Book Is for Use in the Public

Schools and Is Non-Sectarian. Cuicago, Feb. 17.—The new Bible prepared for use in the public schools has been completed and will be submitted to the board of education for firmation in the opinion of General approval. The aim of those who com-Greeley and of Lieutenant Scheutze, piled the book was to prepare a work that would be unobjectionable to any

I p to 1871 the Bible was regularly read in the public schools of thicago By some it was approved, but others entered a protest so strong that it eventually prevailed and the readings were discontinued. A few years ago a movement was begun to reinstate the Bible.

The book which has just been completed is the outgrowth of a suggestion made by Professor David Swing, that a committee consisting of members of the Protestant, Catholic, Jewish and other denominations compile a book for the use of school children made

up of selections from the Bible. For the convenience of children and better to facilitate the work, the book is graded in its arrangement. Those selections appearing first on its pages are adapted to the needs and intellectual standards of the lower grades of the grammer school, the latter part of the book being better suited for more mature minds. Quotations are given in the book to show that men differing widely in religious belief, ranging from Professor Huxley to the Pope, have indorsed just such a scheme that has been carried out.

#### HELD FOR MURDER.

Marion Asbell Sent to Jail Without Bail

at Oswego, Kan., for Wife Murder. Oswego, Kan., Feb. 17.-The preliminary examination of Marion Asbell, accused of murdering his wife on January 28, closed yesterday afternoon, the defendant being bound over to the next term of court without bail. The examination was held in the opera house, in order to accommodate the throng which had assembled from

the adjacent towns and country. Asbell was once the champion wrestler of Kansas: is rich; has served a term in the penitentiary; has been tried for perjury and other offenses; has had two wives, both dead, and is now accused of killing Bertha Whitehouse, another step-daughter, whose mysterious death occurred several

#### . BRUTAL FOOTPADS.

An Old Man Assaulted and Robbed and

Left to Die Under a Trestle. Four Scorr, Kan., Feb. 17.-H. S. Bramwell, nged 85 years, was assaulted by two tramps on a Memphis railroad trestle about 8 o'clock last night. He was knocked down and fell through the trestle to the ground twenty-five feet below. One leg was broken and he sustained other injuries from which he may die. The tramps robbed the injured man, and left him where he had fallen. About 4 o'clock this morning, after lying helpless for about eight hours, his moaning was heard by the night watchman of the Fort Scott Hydraulic Cement works, who summoned aid and removed him to

# KANSAS POPULISTS.

Two Conventions Decided Upon by th

State Central Committee. TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 17. - The State central committee of the People's party last night issued calls for two State conventions, the first to be held at Hutchinson March 18 to select national delegates and the second at Abilene August 5 to nominate State officers, The basis of representation for the Hutchinson convention will be one delegate-at-large for every county and one for every 300 votes east for Lewelling in 1894. For the Abilene convention, one at large for every county and one for every 250 votes cast for Lewelling in 1894. This will make a convention of about 500 delegates at Hutchinson and about 600 at Abilene.

Withdraw in Favor of Buchan. LAWRENCE, Kan., Feb. 17.- W. J. Buchan has secured the support of the Douglas county delegation for Congressman O. L. Miller to run in sucession. Buchan was here vesterday and all arrangements were made, the Douglas county candidates withdrawing. Caucusing for several days ended last night with a unanimous vote for Buchan.

Morphine and Disappointed Love. GUTHRIE, Okla., Feb. 17 .- Miss Stella Zorne of Cooper was found dead in her bed at her mother's home Thursday morning, with an empty morphine bottle at her side. Disappointment in love was the cause of the deed.

## NEWS IN BRIEF.

Representatives of the Southwestern Millers' association are in Washington hustling Congressmen for reciprocity laws on export of bread-

The new 4 per cent bonds are not so much in demand in the open market. The Nebraska Probibition convention declared for free silver at !6 to 1. A blacksmith shot and killed an officer at Frankfort, Ky., and was him-

self slain. The Keller family were acquitted of the murder of Clara Shanks at Terro Haute, Ind.

Champ Clark says that he will probably be a candidate for congress in the Ninth district. The Roentgen rays are to be used in

an attempt to locate a bullet in a Louisville man's skull. Judge Richard H. Clark of the

leorgia supreme court was found dead in his hotel room in Atlanta. Governor Bradley promises to send troops to protect Jackson and Walling

if they are taken to Newport, Ky. The Nevada Electric and Gas Company has filed suit against the city of Nevada, Mo., for \$4,000 alleged back pay for lighting the streets.

Miss Minnie Edson was asphyxiated in the home of C. A. Rahe, the New York match manufacturer, under peculiar circumstances. Rahe is under arrest and can't secure bail.

Prince Boris of Bulgaria was baptised into the Greek church.

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