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QUEEN VICTORIA AKRIVES IN LONDON.

The Journey From Windsor-Cheers by Countless Thousands Greet Her Majesty -Statesmen Received Seats Go Begging-After Amerchists.

London, June 22 .- At noon to-day Queen Victoria and attendant members of the royal family left Windsor eastle and drove through gorgeous decorations to the railway station, which was literally hidden by scarlet and gold streamers, flowers and palms. The new queen's train was in waiting, with the locomotive decorated with gold leaf and the royal arms and colors on front and sides. The train was composed of six carriages, connected on the American vestibule system. The queen's carriage, which is fiftyfour feet long, occupied the center of the train. It weighs twenty-seven tons and is mounted on two bogie trucks swung under double hung suspension guides.

The start for London was made at 12:10 o'clock, and for almost the entire distance the train passed between scattered groups of loyal people. Every station of the Great Western between Windsor and Paddington had been decorated. The railway employes stood at the salute, while the plat-forms were crowded with cheering

Paddington station was grandly decorated, and the state carriages from Buckingham palace were at the end of the covered way. As soon as the Queen had taken her seat in the carriage the Life Guards drew up in front and rear, and a roar of cheers proclaimed to assembled thomands beyond that she had arrived. Before starting a loyal address was presented by the Rev. Walter Abbott, vicar of Paddington, and chairman of the Paddington vestry, who was accompanied by the two members of Parliament for Paddington. The queen handed to Mr. Abbott a written reply, expressing gratification at the generous instincts of her people toward the poor, sick, aged and young, which produced such re-markable results. The late prince consort, like herself, the reply continued, manifested great interest in charitable institutions and her children shared that feeling, which formed not the weakest tie between herself and

The first triumphal arch was a handsome, castellated structure in imitation of gray stone covered with ivy, and bore the motto, "Thy hearts are our throne." The second arch was at the bottom of the Edgware road. It was covered with crimson cloth, flowers and flags, and bore the motto "God bless our queen,"

COUNTLESS CHEERS.

Throughout, the route was tenanted by an immense assemblage. Every window had its occupants, every roof its sightseers and every available space in the street and square, sidewalk and gardens, and even trees and railings of the parks were black with people. The queen drove slowly to gratify her people, and there was conthe crowds selected Buckingham palace as the most interesting point to view the proceedings as the gathering of the envoys and their suites and the Indian officers invited to luncheon, to be afterwards presented, had already begun at noon. The police were kept busy attending to fainting women. but the crowds were in the best of humor. A number of Americans, armed with kodaks, had stationed themselves opposite the palace gate, and somebody in the crowd shouted, "Now, Yanks, three cheers for your mother," raising a roar of good humored laughter.

On the right of the palace gateway the Duchess of Connaught and her shildren and some of the Battenbergs awaited the arrival of her majesty. A few minutes before I o'clock a hoarse roar of cheering in the distance ansounced the approach of the queen. The cheering grew in strength until it smounted to a deafening storm as the sovereign reached the vicinity. The Jusen was dressed in black and bowed slowly to the right and left, to the genetings of the subjects. She looked eased, did not wear spectacles and appeared not more tired than any lady of her age might be expected to be.

The queen, after she entered the palace, proceeded to her private apartments for luncheon, and the royal and other guests had lunch in the state supper room.

RECEPTION TO ENVOYS.

This afternoon at 4 o'clock in the throne room of Buckingham palace Her Majesty received the imperial and royal envoya The queen at 9 o'clock entertained

st dinner ninety of her most distinruished guests and then went to the grand salon to receive the diplomatic corps and some of the more distinruished of the special guests. Here again the scene was brilliant in the extreme.

Ohio Iron Furnaces to Reopen

Youngstown, Ohio, June 18. - Within a short time three iron furnaces in the Mahoning valley which have been out of blast for some time, will reopen.

Its Labors Ended

WASHINGTON, June 17. - The universal postal congress, the fifth convention of the kind in the world, finished its labors to-day after a closed session lasting several hours. The next sessison of the congress, the sixth sextennial one, will be held at Rome, Itally, in February, 1903.

Missouri Editors in Nashville. NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 22.-Yesterday about fifty members representing the Missouri Press association reached this city on an annual outing. They will remain five days and then so to Lookout mountain.

SEATS GOING BEGGING.

The Speculators at the Queen's Jubilee Not Doing Well.

In spite of the enormous crowds in London seats to view the procession o-morrow are almost going begging. Many of the city syndicates to-day are listributing seats gratis among their lisappointed shareholders. The rayesterday trebled the rate of their fare has also had a setback and they in many cases to-day reduced prices to the regular rates.

ANARCHISTS.

bombs in Paris and the arrival in England of many foreigners known to be is to be begun on the Atlantic seaboard. tive. The whole route of the procesamined, especially the bridges and the at points where available men for seastands in their vicinity. Socialist and Anarchist leaflets treating the jubilee in threatening terms have been issued. One of them describes the Queen's ency. At present the navy is several reign as "sixty years of cowardly wars | hundred men short, and the departfor gold on ignorant and defenseless ment is anxious that the vacancies savages," and as "an increase of the wealth of Great Britain, but not for the mass of working people, whose condition is worse than sixty years ago." The leaflet also says: appalling mas of lunatics sent to the asylums yearly have been driven mad by the stress of the difficulties of life during Victoria's glorious reign."

IRISH COMMONERS PROTEST.

The House of Commons was crowded to-day when the first lord of the treasury, Mr. Balfour, moved and Sir William Vernon Harcourt, the Liberal leader, seconded an address of congratulation to the queen upon the sixtieth anniversary of her accession to the throne. Mr. Dillon, chief Irish parliamentary party, protested in vehement language. He declared that the attitude of himself and his party was that they would not vote in favor of any amendment, but would vote against the adoption of the address in which the Irish could not share.

Mr. John Redmond, the Parnellite leader, amid laughter from the Conservatives and Unionists, moved an amendment to the address and caused an animated scene. He protested against Great Britain's rule in Ireland and asked the house to adopt an amendment that it deemed it a duty to place on record that during the sixty years of Her Majesty's reign, Ireland had suffered grievously from famine, depopulation, poverty and the continued suspension of constitutional liberties, with the result that the Irish were discontented and disaffected and unable to join in the celebration. James O'Kelly, Parnellite, member for North Roscommon, seconded the motion.

Stories of His Loss of Mental Powers-The infirmities of Age.

New York, June 22. - The Washington correspondent of the New York tween Kansas City and Chicago, re-World, in an article stating that Secretary of State Sherman was succumbing to the infirmities of old age, says given out, but according to reports that the Hawaiian incident has started from Chicago the amount the company lapses of memory and failing mental rolls will approximate \$80,000.

The article says that the stories of known to nis colleagues when he sat in the Senate and were called to Mr. McKinley's attention when he was making up his cabinet. The President, however, so the story goes, wanted to provide a place in the Senate for Mr. Hanna, and believed that by selecting efficient assistant secretaries the State department could be successfully conducted with Mr. Sherman as its nominal head. Mr. Sherman was expected to retire voluntarily at an early day, owing to his growing infirmities, and by that time the President's personal friend, Mr. Day, would be competent

to conduct the Secretary's work. The Evening Post, in an article on the same question, said that a person called upon Secretary Sherman to ask him about the Hawaiian treaty. "You must read my report upon it in order to see where I stand. It is a great thing. It is my child."

Within twenty-four hours after making this statement Mr. Sherman is quoted as informing a well known diplomat in the presence of several witnesses, and to their great astonishment and chagrin, that he considered the whole Hawaiian business a huge mistake.

Bicked Under a Freight Train. SALINA, Kan., June 22.-Elmer Bailey of Waverly was run over and killed by a Union Pacific freight train yesterday. It is said a brakeman named George Callahan kicked him off the road under the car. Callahan was arrested at Ellis and brought back here this morning charged with manslaughter.

Many Hurt by a Bad Sidewalk. CHICAGO, June 22.—A decayed side-walk collapsed in front of \$45 South Union street last evening, carrying 100 persons, most of whom were children, ten feet to the ground below and into ten feet to the ground below and into a foot of stagnant water. Quite a number were injured, and Annie Herhospital this morning. The others mann, aged 18, may die.

Many St. Joseph Women Seek Divorce St. Joseph, Mo., June 19.-There were 163 women in the corridors of the courthouse yesterday afternoon, principals and witnesses in divorce cases, waiting for the calling of the cases. Many of the women brought cases. Many of the women brought struck Smith under the ear, causing their children and ate lunch in the concussion of the brain and almost inwaiting rooms.

A Meteor in Central Kansas

Wichita, Kan., June 22.-From vaconsiderable alarm.

Secretary Long Planning to Increase the

Number of Native Born Seamen. WASHINGTON, June 22. - A large proportion of the seamen now in the navy are of foreign birth, and while there probably would be no disloyalty in case the United States should get into a war with a foreign power, still the same amount of patriotism which would exist in case they were all native Americans could not be expected from the present crews.

Secretary Long has given this mat-ter consideration, and it is said that steps are already being taken to large-Owing to the recent explosion of ly increase the number of Americanborn seamen in the navy. Recruiting connected with Anarchy, the Scotland, the great lakes and probably on the Yard authorities have been very ac- Mississippi. Engineers and firemen are the class of men to be recruited from sion to-morrow has been closely ex- the river. Efforts are now being made manship duty would be most likely found, to ascertain how many could be obtained for duty in case of emergcould be filled at a moment's notice.

The ordering of the Marblehead the Grand Banks of Newfoundland i said to be for the purpose of arousing enthusiasm among the many American fishermen there by allowing them to inspect the vessel. Even if few enlistments are secured at present, it is hoped that the enthusiasm among the fishermen will make them ready to enlist in case of war.

CHICAGO'S REFORM PARTY

The Citizens' Movement Reorganized

With High Ends in View. CHICAGO, June 23.—The Citizens' party, which made a great struggle last spring to elect a man as mayor who was not allied to any machine organization, and who it was believed would honestly conserve the interests of the people, has perfected a new organization. Its plan does away with the political machine, the brace primary and the packed convention. The platform favors public ownership and declares that corruption must be suppressed. The new organization begins with the people of each voting precinct. They form a precinct club, and the precinct officials elect the ward committeemen. Various methods are provided for the removal of party officials in case they fail to follow the desire of a majority of the members of the party. The lay members of the party are to have a voice in the nomination of candidates, and a ballot card system of voting for nominations has been arranged which will effectually prevent machine nominations by the officials of the party.

SANTA FE'S LOSS \$80,000 IS MR. SHERMAN FAILING? Trip of the Pay Car Over the Line-10 Was a Revelation.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 22.-The pay car run last week by the Santa Fe Railway over its Chicago division beturned to Topeka Saturday. The result of the investigation has not been fresh rumors regarding Mr. Sherman's has been robbed of by padded pay

The pay car left Chicago last Tuesday and paid west to Marceline, Mo. the secretary's failing powers were From there it went over the St. Joseph branch. Then it went back to Marceline and paid between that place and Kansas City, reaching Topeka Saturday evening. Between Chicago and Kansas City it paid only the section men and other gang hands The checks for the trainmen were left at the division points as usual, but on the St. Joseph branch trainmen and all were paid from the car. Assistant General Superintendent Turner and Chief of Detectives Kinney were on the car and attended personally to the work of handing out the checks.

SAYS IT'S A PLOT.

Governor Atkinson Talks of the Indictment of His Amanced.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., June 22. Governor Atkinson said to-day that he was fully aware of facts connected with the indictment against Mrs. Myra Camden, and that there were no grounds whatever to sustain the charges. He characterized the affair as an attempt on the part of some of the heirs of Mrs. Camden's late husband to harass her, and said that one of these heirs bad made threats that Mrs. Camden should never marry the

Governor Atkinson also said that the sharge that Mrs. Camden had been indicted for making false returns of her property to the tax assessor was not true. He said that he would see that the whole matter was thoroughly ventilated and that his prospective wife's persecutors would be brought to account. He was emphatic in stating that the marriage would take place according to previous arrange

Buffalo Fire Victims.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 22.—Fire last aight partly destroyed the home of Joseph Melenskie, in East Buffalo, and

ennot live Killed by a Pitched Sall.

SARATOGA, N. Y., June 22. -Austin Smith, aged 18, of Sandy Hill, was killed yesterday while playing base ball. Smith was at bat when Edward McGin as pitched a curved ball, which

stant death.

Glass Factory Burned MUNCIE, Ind., June 3 .- The win rious parts of Central Kansas come reports of a large meteor which swept
across the northern sky last night,
illuminating the heavens and causing
and the loss is \$100,000. The town has no fire protection.

AMERICANIZE THE NAVY. JOE BARTLEY IN JAIL WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN.

JURY FINDS HIM GUILTY AS CHARGED.

Verdict Given After Seventeen Hours Deliberation-He is Not Admitted to Ball-Offset of \$50,000 Allowed by the

The Bartley jury reached a verdict at 10:05 o'cleck Tuesday morning, after being out since 5:30 p. m. Monday. The jury found the defendant guilty as charged in the third count of the information, of converting the money of the state to his own use as an individual while holding the office of state treasurer, the amount of the embezzlement being fixed at \$151,884.75.

The verdict convicts Bartley of the embezzlement of \$151,884.75, instead of the amount of \$201,884.75 with which he was charged, the jury allowing Bartley credit for the check for \$50,-000 drawn on his personal account in one hundredth meridian. the Omaha National bank June 4, 1895. and payable to his account as state treasurer in the same bank, and which the defense traced through that bank to the First National bank of Lincoln, and thence to six state depositories.

The jury was out seventeen hours and took so many ballots that no count was taken of the total number.

After the jury had been discharged Judge Baker remanded Bartley to the county jail for sentence. Attorney and offered bail for Bartley's appearance, until a motion for a new trial sould be heard. Judge Baker, howrelieve persons before their trial, when they are under the law presumed to sets that assumption aside and he be-lieved it was out of his province to ac

cept bail.

He was taken in charge by Sheriff
McDonald in person, and will be given one of the separate rooms at the jail. He was not removed to the jail for some time as he asked the privilege of sending some telegrams and writing several letters. It is probable that his meals will be furnished him from the outside, as his friends will not allow him to be subjected to the ordinary jail fare.

Bartley did not appear to be much moved by the verdict, apparently expecting it. To a reporter he said: These are the happenings of a life, and must be taken as they come.

Bartley has three days in which to file a motion for a new trial. This time will expire Friday, and it is possi-ble that the motion will be argued Saturday next.

In case the motion for a new trial is overruled, sentence will be passed. The penalty is from one to twenty-one years imprisonment and a fine of twice the amount of the embezzlement.

Bartley is confined in the southeast corner room of the jail. He showed little or no nervousness at his confinement, which will probably continue only a few days, as, in case the pro-posed motion for a new trial is over-ruled, the case will at once be appealed and bail will be offered the supreme court pending the appeal.

OFFICERS CHOSEN.

Governor Holcomb Names His Appointees For Two Institutions.

Governor Holcomb made appointments Monday preparatory to assuming control on behalf of himself and the board of public lands and buildings of the home for the friendless and the industrial home for women at Milford. The governor appointed Mrs. C. S. Jones of Lincoln superintendent of the home for the friendless. Dr. Lenore Perky, also of Lincoln, was appointed physician. The following were selected to serve as the visiting and advisory board: Mrs. W. M. Morning, three years; Mrs. J. E. Miller, three years; Mrs. A. C. Ricketts, two years; Mrs. A. H. Weir, one year; Mrs. L. W. Pomerene, one year, all of Lincoln.

Mrs. A. M. Edwards of Fremont was

appointed superintendent of the Milord home and Dr. Alma L. Rowe of Beaver Crossing was appointed physician. The visiting and advisory board consists of the following: Mrs. Norris Humphrey, Lincoln, one year; Mrs. F. M. Hall, Lincoln, one year; Mrs. C.W. Bain, Seward, two years; Mrs. E.

the Metropolitan Curia

Bishop Thomas Bonacum of the Lincoln diocese has received word that the papal ablegate, Monsignor Martinelli, at Washington, has reversed the decision of the Metropolitan curis and decided in favor of the bishop. Fathers Murphy of Tecumseh and Fitzgerald of Auburn have been ordered to vacate their missions and pay the costs of the suit.

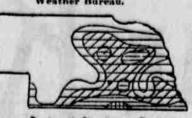
Father Fitzgerald of Auburn received the decision of Mgr. Martinelli in the matter of the appeal of Bishop Bonacum from the decision of the metropolitan of Dubuque by Father Baart. Martinelli reverses in toto the decision of Father Baart and fully sustains the

contention of the bishop of Lincoln.

The order of Mgr. Martinelli requires from Father Fitzgerald of Auburn and Murphy of Tecumseh obedience and submission to the ordinary of the Lincoln diocese, a transfer of present incumbents to other charges of equal grade; the payment of expenses of \$69 incurred at the Lincoln trial and half of the expenses of the trial at Dubuque; must pay the bishop dues for 1894; also for the erection of the bishop's house, etc. And further they shall spend twenty days in spiritual exercises in a monastary designated by Mgr. Martinelli. The sentence also directs that the priests shall not carry the matter into the newspapers.

The priests will appeal to Rome.

Furnished by the Government Crop and Weather Bureau



Scale of Shades - Inches

Lincoln, Neb., June 22, 1897.

The past week has been a very warm one; the daily mean temperature has averaged 5° above the normal, the excess varying from 2° in the western seetions to 8° in the Missouri valley.

The rainfall has been about normal in the central counties and below the average in the extreme eastern counties and that portion of the state west of the

The past week has been another favorable one for the growth of corn; the crop has pushed forward rapidly but continues small for this season of the year. Much of the corn has been cultivated the second time and the cornfields are generally very free from the weeds.

The week has been rather dry for small grain in most parts of the state. In the greater portions of the eastern sections. except in a few southern counties, the oats have been injured by drought and Mahoney objected to this procedure a full crop will not be harvested. Spring wheat has also been somewhat injured. Oats and spring wheat are heading with very short straw. Rye and winter wheat ever, said that bail was intended to are nearly ready for the harvest. Rye is generally an excellent crop. Winter wheat is very uneven. The first cutting be innocent, but a verdict of guilty of alfalfa is nearly completed; an excellent crop and generally harvested in good condition.

REPORT BY COUNTIES SOUTHEASTERN SECTION.

Butler-Corn has made a rapid gain in condition; rain needed badly for all growing crops; a little rust on winter heat; spring wheat and oats rather short straw.

Cass-Extremely hot weather has injured wheat and oats to some extent and potatoes cannot make a full crop; corn has made rapid growth but is still

quite small for the season.

Clay—Corn mostly plowed for the second time; rye is beginning to ripen; fall wheat good; spring wheat is heading out in good shape. Filmore-Corn growing finely; fall

wheat looks very promising; cherry crop unusually large, other fruit promising a Corn growing rapidly and small grain

ip-ning fast; oats, timothy and wheat, all headed out; good corn weather. Hamilton—Corn has made good crowth and is looking reasonably well; ome complain of thin stand; rye good; arvest will begin soon.

Jefferson—Most corn plowed twice,

generally clean and growing well, oats would be benefited by rain; small grain looking well.

Johnson—Corn has made good growth; some 17 inches high; rye nearly ready to harvest; wheat damaged some y rust and wind.

Lancaster-Corn quite backward; all rops suffering for lack of rain. Nemaha-Good week for killing weeds;

vheat and oats look well but are needng rain; corn growing well. Nuckolls-Corn growing fast; cultiva-tion of corn delayed by rain; wheat and oats doing well but some complaint of

Otoe-Corn growing rapidly, mostly sultivated second time; oats heading well; potatoes and small grain in west part of county need rain.

Pawnee-Favorable week for all growng crops. Polk-Corn making rapid growth;

rather dry for pastures and meadows; wheat rusting a little; oats heading short; big crop of cherries. Richardson—Small grain needs rain but is doing well, some fields of wheat

ready to cut; very hot week.

Saline—Hot, dry week, potatoes and small grain have been injured somewhat; corn where worked has grown rapidly. Saunders-Corn growing very fast and is unusually clear of weeds; potatoes rather late; most flax sown; late cherries a good crop;strawberries below average; apples blighting some.

Seward-Winter wheat and rye are suffering very much for want of rain; in fact everything except corn is being

A. Gilbert, York, three years; Mrs. A. Gilbert, York, three years, Mrs. A. Appointments for both institutions are to take effect July 9 when the new law will go into effect. A matron at each institution is yet to be appointed. York—Corn has a good color and is growing fast; oats heading out quite short; small grain needs rain; cherries and abundant.

NORTHEASTERN SECTION. Antelope—Corn growing fast; small grain looks better; local showers in some parts of county with plenty of rain,

Boyd—Dry and warm; good growing weather, but rain needed badly; wheat will head short; corn very small yet. Burt-Dry week, but everything is growing well; early planted corn being inltivated second time; small grain needs ain to joint and head.

Cedar-Wheat and oats never looked better; corn growing fast; rye about full grown and promises full crop; potatoes

Cuming-Corn growing fast; small grain doing fairly well, but will be rather bort of straw.

Dakota—Very favorable week; slight damage from high winds. Dixou—Local showers and hot weather have improved corn and all vegetation; sultivation of corn first time well along; apples fair.

Dodge—Dry and warm; oats are suf-

ering most for want of rain and can not to full crop; pastures drying up badly. Dougles—Hot and dry; rain needed, the light scattered showers not sufficient for the needs of crops; fruit pros-

pects good.

Holt—Corn growing fast and looking ine; meadows and pastures good; small grain uneven, some fields good others

Madison-More rain needed; wheat and oats very short in straw; corn

though late is doing well.

Pierce—Hot week; rain needed; corn growing well but late and poor stand; small grain in northern part of county

needing rain. Platte-Rye is beginning to turn and will make about an average crop; some fields of winter wheat heavy, others poor; corn has grown fast, small grain needs more rain.

Sarpy—Spring wheat and oats head-ing; corn growing well: early potatoes need rain badly; apples blighting; cher-ries ripe and abundant.

Stanton-The extreme heat of the past week is beginning to show its effects on crops; rain is needed.

Thurston-Good rain on the 18th, some hall but no damage to crops; corn poor stand; small grain looking well. Washington-Potatoes need rain but overything else seems to be doing nicely; new potatoes are in the market. CENTRAL SECTION.

Buffalo-Corn is doing nicely; clover and aifalfa good and cutting in pro-gress; small grain is rather short and thin.

Custer-Rye turning; fall wheat head-ing; corn looks fine; all crop prospects excellent except in localities in north part where rain is needed. Dawson-Cultivators all busy and

corn growing fast; some alfalfa cut with bulk of crop yet to cut; pastures good. Hall—Small grain fine and stands up well; most of the beet fields are a splendid stand; everything growing fast.
Howard—Fine growing week; rye
ripening; spring wheat heading; corn
growing fapidly; fine week for all vege-

tation. Loup-Recent rains greatly improved crop prospects; corn late but good color, cultivation begun; ryo filling well;

potatoes just coming up.
Merrick—Corn doing well; small grain suffering from lack of rain.

Sherman-Wheat and barley heading; Valley—Small grain and corn growing very fast and in the best of condition; alfalfa harvest commenced.

SOUTHWESTERN SECTION. Chase—Corn is growing very fast and for most part is free of weeds; wheat looks well; first cutting of alfalfa in

Dundy-Wheat and oats heading out and corn growing well; rye good; no rain this week and it is beginning to be

Franklin—In north part of the county crops need rain, plenty of rain in south part; fall wheat ripening in spots; corn small. Frontier-Corn growing finely; rye ready to cut; first crop of alfalfa cnt;

wheat doing well; a little rain needed for small grain.

Farnas — Corn growing immensely, generally free from weeds; rye heavy crop and beginning to turn; first crop of

alfalfa mostly in stack. Gosper-Warm weather and good showers have forced all crops ahead: never saw such prospects for crop of small grain before.

Harlan-Rye ripening; alfalfa mostly in stack, fine crop; corn growing nicely; wheat and oats improved; some cultivating corn second time. Hitchcock-Wheat, rye and oats fine;

corn has made rapid growth; grasshop-pers are doing some damage in locali-Kearney-Winter wheat in most prom-

ising condition; spring wheat heading and needs rain to make it; corn growing finely.
Lincoln—Some grain burned; grass good; corn growing well.

Red Willow-Rye and wheat doing

well; corn growing rapidly; mulberries and early cherries ripe; potatoes doing Webster-Winter wheat doing nicely; spring wheat coming into full head; rye

ripening; corn has grown rapidly; good week for killing weeds WESTERN AND NORTHWESTERN SECTIONS. Banner-Corn growing well; wheat and

grass needs rain. Cherry—Corn small and growing slow-ly; small grain needs rain.

Cheyenne—Good growing week; corn is doing well but wheat needs rain; alfalfa being harvested and a full crop.

Deuel—Full crop of alfalfa being harvested; wheat needs rain; corn doing

Keya Paha—Needing rain badly; corn growing well; wheat and oats good where grasshoppers have not injured the

Kimball-All crops growing rapidly, but rain is needed. Rock-Corn cultivated for the first

time; early potatoes in bloom.
Scotts Bluff-Corn making a fine
growth, beans coming up well; alfalfa
hay being cut and the crop is a very heavy one. Thomas-All crops need raid badly.

G. A. LOVELAND, Section Director, Lincoln, Neb. EVIL SPIRITS.

Queer Ceremony That Frightened Bavarian Villagers. In the little village of Egmanting,

in Bavaria, a curious nocturnal exhibition has lately taken place. A few minutes after midnight there suddenly appeared in the village a party of 150 armed men, mostly peasant proprietors, driving apparently some imaginary specters before them. Presently every man discharged his firearm. Many of the inhabitants who were indoors, behind strong barriers, trembled at the thought of the carnage that must have ensued.

Then a specially appointed person recited the "Record of Deadly Sins" by way of exorcising the spirits of evil supposed to be hovering about. As a rule, nobody dared venture out; but one more bold than his fellows did open his door and expostulate against such unwarrantable disturbance of the night. But the firing party heeded him not. This ceremony of exorcising the evil spirits from the village continued for an hour. And as suddenly as the party had arrived so suddenly did they disappear. There was a strong smell of powder in the air, but not a trace of brimstone.

Plenty of Water Yet.

Those who declare that the earth is gradually drying out and that within a few centuries every drop of water will have disappeared from our planet, will find consolation in the announcement that the water line has arisen one foot all around the gulf of Mexico since 1850.