

TO DISPLACE WEYLER

AS SOON AS WOODFORD REACHES MADRID.

Weyler Defends His Act—Destruction of Rebel Resources Declared Necessary—No Pity to be Shown Cubans Who Refuse Spain's Clemency.

LONDON, June 30.—The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon prints the following dispatch from its correspondent at Madrid: "Public attention is engrossed by the appointment of General Stewart L. Woodford as United States minister to Spain. While the government continues to repudiate the intention of recalling General Weyler, I am in a position to reiterate that his recall will be an accomplished fact at no distant date. I learn that in all probability Generals Blanco and Macias will proceed to the island and divide the supreme command, and I have good reason to believe that, coincident with the arrival here of General Woodford, Marshal Martinez Campos will proceed upon a separate mission to Cuba. In accordance with the wishes of President McKinley, Martinez Campos should be the executor of any arrangements possibly reached between Spain and the United States."

HAVANA, June 30.—In an address to the local authorities in the palace of Santiago de Cuba last night, Captain General Weyler said that he was there to pacify that part of the island, and that, though he was strongly desirous of peace, his system of making war was to be rigorous toward the "rebels" who refused to accept the clemency which Spain, through him, offered to them. He added: "Notwithstanding the examples in rigor set by other colonial nations, I attend to the reconstruction of the wealth of the island. This was the purpose which inspired my last decrees, and I propose to continue this policy, although I have been compelled in some instances to countenance destruction, owing to the fact that circumstances have made it necessary in some cases to destroy the resources of the rebels."

The captain general then referred to the sincerity of the Spanish government in its desire to introduce reforms in Cuba, concluding with the remark: "I come to bring peace or war. If the former is accepted, we will then return to the law. But if the latter is desired, behind me come forty battalions of troops." General Weyler will require at least 60,000 more troops to conquer the eastern provinces and hold them for Spain. Colonel Garamendi, a member of Weyler's general staff and private secretary to the commander-in-chief, will go to Madrid this week as the bearer of confidential dispatches to Premier Canovas and the Spanish war department, in which demands will be made for 40,000 additional recruits.

El Comercio warns the government that agents of the American sugar trust are now in Cuba buying up all the best plantations, and urges Weyler to prevent by special decree foreigners from buying or holding real estate here in future. A syndicate of New York men is said to have representatives in Pinar del Rio, purchasing tobacco estates with a view to controlling the leaf market.

SULLIVAN BREAKS OVER.

The Ex-Champion Escapes From His Trainer and Gets Drunk.

NEW YORK, June 30.—John L. Sullivan, who is training under Billy Muldoon for a six round match with Champion Fitzsimmons, has broken away from all training rules. Sullivan got away from Muldoon while they were taking a walk through the streets of White Plains Sunday night, and when his trainer found him again he had consumed so much liquor that he had been put to bed. Muldoon had him later on driven to the training quarters.

Neither of them will speak of the matter, but Muldoon appears to be very much disgusted and put out over it. Sullivan is now contrite, but insists that he feels much better. Notwithstanding the fact that he pulled down his weight very little and that his training has amounted to almost nothing, Sullivan contends that he will be in good shape by next Monday night, and will be fully able to take care of himself in the ring with the champion.

Another new phase of the Sullivan-Fitzsimmons match which threatens to spoil the game entirely came up this morning, when Superintendent McKelvey of the Brooklyn police stated that he will not permit the proposed contest between Bob Fitzsimmons and John L. Sullivan to take place.

Leadville Gambling Exposed.

LEADVILLE, Col., June 30.—Public gambling has probably received its death blow here. Acting under orders from Judge Owens of the district court, a posse of deputy sheriffs raided every gambling establishment in the city, seizing over \$1,000 worth of tables and implements, which will be destroyed. All the proprietors of the gambling houses were arrested. The raid has caused a great sensation, and it breaks up an industry that has flourished here since 1879.

Lavigne Did's Appeal.

PHILADELPHIA, June 30.—Kid Lavigne failed to show up last night at the arena for a fight between himself and Young Griffo. The latter was there, however, and, in place of Lavigne, Martin Judge of this city donned the gloves and for six rounds made a good battle against the Australian. The bout ended, however, in Griffo's favor.

A Jewish Scholar of Note Dead.

NEW YORK, June 30.—Henry Gersonom, a well known Jewish scholar, rabbi and writer, is dead at his home in this city, aged 54 years.

TO CONTROL THE TRUSTS.

Tariff Bill Amendment Agreed to—U.S. Severe Penalties.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The Republican members of the Senate committee on judiciary to-day agreed upon an amendment making it an offense punishable by fine and imprisonment for any person or corporation to monopolize or to conspire with any other person or corporation to monopolize trade in any article protected by a tariff. The finance committee has fixed the duty on coal at sixty-seven cents per long ton. This rate applies only to coal shipped from countries which do not impose a higher rate on American coal. It therefore affects only Canada, the Canadian rate on American coal being the same. There was a strong contention to hold the rate down to that originally fixed by the committee, and even to lower it, but this effort was vigorously contested by the senators from the coal producing states and the latter won.

The committee has also decided to restore paintings to the dutiable list. The House imposed a duty of 25 per cent ad valorem on paintings. This the Senate finance committee struck out, transferring the item to the free list. The committee now returns to the House program, but it is not yet definitely decided whether the rate shall be 30 or 25 per cent.

CONSULAR PLACES.

Church Hows of Nebraska Sent to Samoa—Other Appointments Made.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The President to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate. Church Hows of Nebraska, to be the consul general at Apia, Samoa, and Nukulofa, Tonga; John P. Bray of North Dakota, to be consul general at Melbourne, Australia; Hngo Doneelmann of Wyoming, to be consul at Prague, Bohemia; Louis A. Dent of District of Columbia, to be consul at Kingston, Jamaica. Samuel S. Lyon of New Jersey, to be consul at Osaka and Higo, Japan; Roseville Wildman of California, to be consul at Hong Kong, China.

LOST OFF AFRICA'S COAST.

The Steamship Aden Wrecked and Seventy-Eight Lives Probably Lost.

ADEN, June 30.—The Indian government's steamer Mayo, sent out in search of the missing steamer Aden from Yokohama for London, which was last heard of when leaving Colombo, June 1, for this port, has returned and reports that the Aden was totally lost off the island of Socotra at the eastern extremity of Africa on the morning of June 9.

The captain of the wrecked steamer, some of her officers and crew and seven white passengers of the thirty-four on board were swept overboard and drowned very soon after she ran ashore. Eight lady passengers, nine children, two officers and a few of the Aden's crew succeeded in getting away from the wreck in a boat, but have not been heard of since, and little hope, owing to the bad weather which has since prevailed, is entertained of their safety. The Mayo saved nine of the Aden's passengers and three of the white and thirty-three Mongolians of the steamer's crew, just as the Aden was breaking up.

The drowned and missing include twenty-five passengers, twenty European officers and thirty-three Mongolians of the Aden's crew.

BIG MILLS SHUT DOWN.

Troubles With Labor Cause Thousands to Remain Idle.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 30.—All the open iron mills in the country, the tin plate plants and sheet mills, will close on Wednesday night, and remain closed until the wage scales are settled. No serious trouble is expected, and the failure to adjust the wage schedules before the close of the year is not an indication that a strike is to be inaugurated.

ANDERSON, Ind., June 29.—The National Tin Plate company to-day posted notice of a shut-down on Thursday morning, as per contract of the readjustment of the wage scale. At the same time all the union tin plate factories in the country will close.

The window glass shut-down will cause 15,000 men to lie idle, while the tin plate closing lays off about 1,000 men.

FOR SILVER AND M'LEAN.

Ohio Democratic Hosts Almost Unanimous—Gubernatorial Contest Hot.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, June 30.—The preliminary work of the Democratic state convention to-day showed that it was almost unanimous for free silver and for J. R. McLean, the Cincinnati editor, for Senator.

Robert T. Hough was again the favorite for governor to-day and regarded as the McLean man, but the field made a bitter fight on him, especially the friends of ex-Congressman Paul J. Sorg, who was supported by ex-Governor Campbell, ex-Collector Joseph Dowling, who was removed by President Cleveland for violation of the civil service rules, and other leading conservatives upon the financial question.

Big Strike in the Mollie Gibson.

ASPER, Col., June 30.—At a depth of 1,000 feet a body of metallic ore very strong in silver has been struck in the Mollie Gibson mine, and it is believed that the lost ore chute has been recovered. This discovery caused Mollie Gibson stock to advance 20 cents a share.

Pettigrew in the Senate Again.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Senator Pettigrew was upon the floor of the Senate to-day and was congratulated by his colleagues on his speedy recovery from his recent illness.

SOUTH DAKOTA BANDITS

Bold Bank Robbers Frustrated—Cashier Wounded—One Outlaw in Custody.

DEADWOOD, S. D., June 30.—Four masked men yesterday morning made a desperate attempt to rob the Butte county bank at Belle Fourche. Entering the bank with revolvers drawn, they ordered the customers present and bank officials to hold up their hands. A little hesitancy on the part of Cashier Marble drew a shot from the gun of one of the robbers, which chipped off a large portion of the cashier's right ear and enforced compliance with the command. The safe and counters were relieved of the cash they contained, and the robbers, mounting their horses, which had been conveniently stationed near, rode away.

An alarm was immediately given, and in a few minutes a well mounted and armed posse came up with the fugitives and a running fight ensued which resulted in one of the robbers throwing up his hands and surrendering. The others being better mounted continued their flight, but are now being closely pursued and have very few chances of escaping. The day was favorable for a raid on the bank, as the weather was such that it kept the townspeople off the street, and the robbers had little opposition and had quite a start before the alarm could be given.

There were five men in the party who made the assault on the bank. An unusual display of firearms on their part attracted the attention of A. Giles, a merchant, who surmised that something was wrong and gave an alarm. Giles was made the target for a volley from the robbers' pistols, but escaped uninjured. Pursuit was prompt, the bandits having barely time to unhitch their horses and mount before being surrounded. In the fight that followed Walter Cay of Cay & Sons was shot through the cheek, receiving a painful wound. The outlaws fired right and left while riding out of town, but no one else was wounded. Thomas Day, the captured robber, was overhauled half a mile from town, and is now in jail at Deadwood. He is a stranger in the vicinity. The rest of the gang are now at Bay at the Three V ranch, a few miles from Belle Fourche, where they will likely be captured or killed. It transpires that less than \$75 was taken from the bank, the cashier, Arthur Marble, having slammed shut and locked the doors of the vault at the entrance of the robbers. He was fired on three times, only one shot taking effect. He tried to return the fire, but his pistol failed him.

20 PER CENT ON HIDES.

Senate Agrees to the Finance Committee Rate—Debate on Trusts.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The Senate made good progress on the tariff bill yesterday, disposing of the paragraphs relating to hides, which have been the source of much controversy. As finally agreed on, the duty on hides is placed at 20 per cent ad valorem, in place of 1 1/2 cents per pound, as originally reported by the finance committee. The discussion was protracted, drifting into a general debate on trusts, and from that back to the sugar trust.

Mr. Smith of New Jersey spoke at length against the duty on hides, while Mr. Allen of Nebraska supported the duty. The new paragraph was agreed to—39 to 20—one Democrat, Rawlins of Utah, and several Populists and Silver Republicans voting with the Republicans in the affirmative.

The incidental debate on trusts led to severe arraignment of the sugar trust by Messrs. Caffery and Lindsay and a general discussion of means to deal with trusts by Mr. Hoar.

FOR MILITIA ONLY.

Illinois' New Law Will Shut Out Independent Companies and Others.

CHICAGO, June 30.—The American Volunteers, Ballington Booth's religious organization, will be compelled to change their uniforms because of the enactment of the military code of Illinois by the last legislature; policemen will not be permitted to wear overcoats fashioned after those worn by army officers; the Clan-na-Gael guards will be disbanded; Captain Thomas J. Ford's famous Chicago Zouaves will be required to drop their military trappings, while boys' brigades and semi-military companies throughout the state will be disbanded or the members fined and imprisoned. All of these things are owing to the provisions of article 11 of the military code, now a law, having received the signature of Governor Tanner.

A Missouri Fugitive Caught.

PUEBLO, Colo., June 30.—Theodore Rose, who is under sentence at Glasgow, Mo., for ten years for killing Charles Wells in an election riot in that place last November, was captured by Pueblo police at the Fifth Avenue hotel, after an exchange of shots, during which Rose received a flesh wound in his left arm. The officers were unhurt. He dug his way out of Glasgow jail June 14 and came here June 22, and had been harbored by his sister, a Mrs. McBroom.

Mississippi Negro Lynched.

ABERDEEN, Miss., June 30.—A negro named Harry Gilliam was forcibly taken from the Monroe county jail late last night, carried five miles from town, and hung to a tree in the middle of the big road, where his body was found early this morning. He was accused of having robbed and attempted to assault a white woman.

Another New Guinea Missionary.

BRISBANE, Queensland, June 30.—Another European party has been massacred in New Guinea. No details of the tragedy have reached here as yet.

ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING.

Fremont Man Determined to Steal His Two Daughters.

W. G. Meener, who left the state last November under bonds not to return, was in Fremont Saturday evening and made an unsuccessful attempt to kidnap his two daughters. He was disguised with green goggles and had his hat pulled down over his eyes. Just at dusk in the evening he drove into the alley in the rear of the Miller-Loomis building, where his divorced wife resides with her children, jumped out of the buggy and ran upstairs. His oldest daughter saw him coming and called to her mother that a bad man was coming upstairs. Mrs. Meener ran to the door and recognized the comer and immediately locked the screen door, closed and bolted the other door and ran to a window and shouted for help. Some boys heard her cries and ran to the police station. Meener, failing to gain entrance and hearing the cries for help, ran to his buggy and drove away. He had only gotten into the buggy when Mrs. Meener opened the door with a revolver in her hand, which she expected to use.

The police set out to hunt Meener, but without success. He was arrested last November on a peace warrant sworn out by Frank Dolezal, but was turned loose upon his promise to leave the state. There is still a complaint of arson against him and if caught he will be prosecuted on it.

SUPREME COURT OPINIONS.

Several Important Cases Handed Down Saturday.

The supreme court convened Saturday and handed down opinions in the Lincoln and Omaha charter cases. Two sections of the Lincoln charter enacted by the legislature were declared invalid. They are the sections abolishing the excise board and creating a fire and police commission to be appointed by the governor, and relating to the election of seven councilmen at large. The court also upheld the township organization law, in an appeal case from Gage county. Railroad companies have questioned this law and refused to pay taxes in many counties in excess of 15 mills on the dollar.

The supreme court handed down an opinion in the Omaha charter case, involving the right of newly elected councilmen to hold office. The charter was sustained with the exception of a section shortening the term of police judge. The writ asked for by the old councilmen who desired to hold over was denied and the action dismissed. Judge Harrison wrote the opinion.

BLEW HIS FINGERS OFF.

Lincoln Boy the First Victim of the Cannon Fire Cracker.

The first annual accident with fire-crackers occurred Saturday night when Earl Brown, who lives at 305 South Twenty-seventh street Lincoln, had his left hand blown off. A cannon cracker had been lighted and the fuse burned out without exploding. Another fuse was put in with equal success. Supposing that the fire had gone out the owner gave it to a boy who started into a drug store on the corner of Twenty-seventh and O streets to get another. As he entered the door the cracker exploded shattering his left hand. He was taken to his home where Dr. Reynolds amputated the middle and third fingers and part of the index finger and thumb. The injury is so serious that it is feared he may lose his hand.

Worthless Checks Passed.

Anton Hohman, who has been working on H. W. Niebaum's farm near Fontanelle, is charged, passed two forged checks in Fremont. While the checks bear the signature of Mr. Niebaum and appear to be straight, the cashier of the bank on which they were drawn has refused to cash them without an investigation as to their genuineness. A representative of the firms which cashed the checks has gone to Fontanelle to ascertain the truth. Hohman is well known in the city, having traded here for several months. The fact that he gave the checks at two different clothing stores in payment for a suit of clothes at both places makes it look a little strange, along with the fact that he had two checks made by the same man. He has left the city, but is being shadowed and will be arrested if the checks prove to have been forged.

Held Up.

A man named Biggeman of Crete and two companions were held up by five armed men near the Burlington depot Sunday night and robbed of about \$30. Having no weapons the three young fellows could do nothing but acquiesce in the request to turn over their money. Burglars twice attempted to enter the residence of H. H. Defoi, but were frightened away by Mrs. Defoi.

Left Her Home.

It is reported that a young lady of Fairmont, who has been receiving the attentions of a young man objectionable to her parents, threw her clothing out of the chamber window and then followed them herself, went to the depot and bought a ticket for Lincoln. The young man was at the depot to see her off.

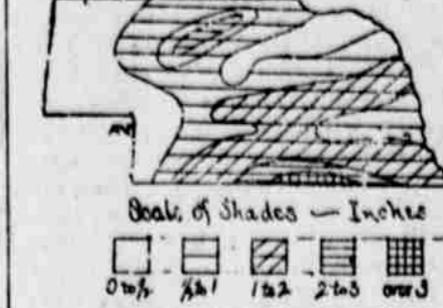
BREVITIES.

Another train load of cattle from the northwest was unloaded at Bradshaw last week for the York county cattle association. They numbered nearly five hundred head and will be fed near Bradshaw.

Over 1,500 people witnessed Professor Brownie make his balloon ascension at Fremont last Saturday evening. It was 3 o'clock before the airship was inflated and directly it soared into the air with the professor. After being in the air two minutes he successfully descended with his parachute.

WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN.

Furnished by the Government Crop and Weather Bureau.



Lincoln, Neb., June 29, 1897.

The temperature of the past week has averaged nearly 2° below normal.

The rainfall has been above the normal in the greater portion of the state; the deficiency occurred in the small area in the northeastern counties and in the extreme western portion of the state where the rainfall was less than half an inch. The rainfall in the southern counties was generally very heavy, being from four to six inches in portions of Webster, Nuckolls, and Thayer counties. The heaviest rainfalls were accompanied by hail, which did some slight damage to crops.

The general rains of the week have improved the condition of small grain, especially oats and spring wheat. The rye harvest has commenced quite generally. Winter wheat is ripening fast and the harvest has commenced in the southern counties.

Corn has made a good growth the past week but is still small for the season of the year, and the stand is thin and uneven. The corn is generally being well cultivated and, except in the regions of heaviest rainfall, is free of weeds. Some of the fields of early planted in southern counties have been laid by.

REPORT BY COUNTIES.

SOUTHWESTERN SECTION.

Butler—Corn making rapid growth; rye harvest begun; oats and wheat short straw but with rain soon will be an average crop.

Cass—Rye ready to harvest, quality and yield good; winter wheat beginning to ripen; spring wheat and oats improved by recent rain; corn has made splendid growth, early planted about ready to lay by.

Clay—Rye ready to harvest and a good crop; wheat ripening; heavy wheat badly blown down in southern part of county and rusting some; corn growing well but not a full stand.

Fillmore—Corn growing rapidly; winter wheat maturing fast, well filled; oats and barley look well; small grain will make good average crop.

Gage—With plenty of rain corn has made rapid growth; some corn laid by; some rye harvested; some damage from hail.

Hamilton—Week favorable for crops; hail damaged crops some in localities. Jefferson—Corn has made an uneven growth and some is laid by; some damage from hail; rye and wheat harvest commenced.

Johnson—Corn growing nicely; wheat nearly ready to harvest; oats look good; some fields of wheat badly lodged.

Lancaster—Corn growing very rapidly; oats promising good crop; winter wheat being cut; sugar beets growing well; more rain would be a help.

Nemaha—Wheat ripening; rye about ready to cut; corn small, but doing well, some laid by; fruit crop promises an abundance.

Nuckolls—Corn growing very fast; wheat nearly ready to cut and looks like big yield; corn fields getting weedy; some rye cut.

Otoe—Some corn being laid by but most of it very small for this time of year.

Pawnee—Hot days with rain almost every night have forced corn along very fast but injured wheat and oats, some wheat lodged and injured some by rust.

Polk—Most fields of corn clean of weeds but some uneven in growth; rye and clover about ready to cut.

Richardson—Corn growing well; some early planted tasseling out, some fall wheat in shock, very fine quality; berries ripening.

Saline—Early potatoes and wheat have been injured by the dry, hot weather; corn has grown well; rye is being harvested, yield good.

Saunder—Corn growing well; small grain suffering somewhat from drought the first of the week but relieved by rains the last of the week.

Seward—Wheat and oats improved; corn still small but gaining some faster than before; hay making in progress; many apples blown off; potatoes small and yield below the average.

Thayer—Wheat about ready to cut, some rye in shock; corn cultivation delayed by heavy rain and some fields getting weedy.

York—Corn has grown fairly well; rye ripening fast; winter wheat turning; oats poor; spring wheat heading out.

NORTHEASTERN SECTION.

Antelope—Showery week, good for small grain; little cool for corn.

Boyd—Corn yet small but good color; wheat heading very short; two good rains; crops of all kinds greatly revived.

—Rye fairly good, some will b out this week; oats and wheat heading out short, but will be about an average crop; potatoes in splendid condition; corn growing fast.

Sarge—Corn in excellent condition; rye cutting begins this week; early potatoes coming in in abundance; raspberries ripening.

Stanton—Rains have helped crops very much; wheat and oats now look fine; corn growing very fast; rye nearly ready to cut.

Thurston—Corn about all cultivator twice; crops looking well.

Washington—Wheat and oats are heading out in splendid condition for full crop; corn is jumping right up.

Wayne—Small grain doing very nicely; potatoes and beets growing well; most of the week too cold for the best growth of corn.

CENTRAL SECTION.

Buffalo—Fine growing week; corn is suckering badly because of this stand.

Custer—Rye ripening fast and promises an unusually good crop; wheat and oats heading, mostly short; some corn laid by.

Dawson—Corn coming on good and mostly in good shape; fine crop of alfalfa nearly all in stack; rye about ready for harvest.

Greeley—Corn growing finely; small grain rather backward, but with the rain of this week will make a fair crop.

Hall—Wheat, rye, barley, and oats fine; corn very uneven, much planted over and late planted very small, stand generally poor.

Howard—Rye ready to cut, generally a good crop; corn small but growing well; this week's rain will bring small grain out well.

Loup—Wheat and oats heading too near the ground; rain needed.

Merrick—Rye harvesting a fine crop; oats and spring wheat spotted; rather dry for small grain; corn growing well.

Nance—Small grain suffered somewhat from drought, but good rain last week; rye good and ripening fast.

Sherman—Winter wheat and rye coming on fast; spring wheat and oats heading short; corn doing better but late.

Valley—Hot weather damaged small grain some, but crop headed quite evenly with good length of straw; corn doing well.

SOUTHWESTERN SECTION.

Adams—Some fall wheat ready to cut; spring wheat and oats heading; fall wheat well filled; some plowing corn third time.

Chase—Corn growing fast; some wheat damaged by hot weather.

Dundy—Rain on 25th; small grain short on account of drought; some corn looks good but average is small and a poor stand.

Franklin—All crops improved; extremely warm; corn growing fast.

Frontier—This week's rain makes wheat a sure crop; corn growing finely; first crop of alfalfa in stack; potatoes good.

Furnas—Rye and winter wheat in progress, yield good; corn has grown well; spring wheat promising a good crop; potatoes good.

Gosper—Crops of all kinds have made rapid growth; will harvest largest crop of small grain ever raised in county; potatoes big crop.

Harlan—Wheat much improved and all small grain above average; potatoes plenty; corn all cultivated first time; hay and pastures fine.

Hitchcock—Rye being harvested, very fine crop; first cutting alfalfa in stack; corn improved but rather small and uneven; potatoes good crop.

Kearney—Rye harvest begun; some pieces of fall wheat ready to cut; small grain practically made; corn looking fine.

Lincoln—Rain has been unevenly distributed in county but generally prospects are promising; ground now generally in good condition.

Perkins—Small grain suffering; corn looks good; rain needed.

Phelps—Small grain headed; second plowing of corn well along.

Red Willow—Small grain looking well; corn growing rapidly.

Webster—Corn making good growth; fine prospect for fall wheat, oats, potatoes and millet; some damage from hail; plenty of rain.

WESTERN AND NORTHWESTERN SECTIONS.

Banner—Corn growing fast; wheat has suffered some from drought.

Brown—Conditions unfavorable due to high wind, heat and lack of moisture; unless rain comes soon small grain crop will be very light.

Cherry—Corn backward; small grain and grass turning yellow in part of county before this week's rain, color coming back again now.

Dawes—Crops have grown fairly well with both corn and oats backward; wheat, rye, and potatoes are looking as well as usual.

Keya Paha—Prospects for wheat good; corn growing nicely.

Kimball—Wheat, oats, and barley suffering for rain.

Logan—Rain has helped crops, but small grain will be light.

Rock—Splendid rains; small grain improved and corn growing fast.

Scotts Bluff—Corn getting exceedingly fast; winter wheat heading out; large amount of alfalfa hay being put up, yield immense, quite fine.

Thomas—Plenty of rain; all crops growing very fast.

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

No Longer Use Green Glass.

It is known, says the London Daily News, that the use of glass of a green tint has for half a century been a characteristic peculiarity of the plant houses at Kew Gardens. In 1888 the experiment was made of substituting white glass for green in the east wing of the tropical fern house. This was the result of the observations of the successful cultivation by Sir Trevor Lawrence of ferns with top exposure to light at Burford, near Dorset. The improvement in the growth of the plants was remarkable. In 1892 a portion of the west wing was also replanted in the same manner and the new temperate fern house was wholly glazed with white glass. The result with the gladiolus and other half-hardy ferns was everything that could be desired. As the result it has now been determined to abandon the future use of green glass altogether.

Missionary Work.

It is the duty of every Christian to help those institutions, and our devotion to God impels us to do missionary work, it being more needed today than ever before. We need a clear vision of human needs to have a deeper compassion for the destitute.—Rev. K. E. Chivers.