# OUR LAWMAKERS.

The House Appropriates \$75,000 For The New Issane Asylum,

And It Is To Be Located At Norfolk.

Dawson's Cheeky Claims Very Properly Choked Off.

The U.P. Lobbying Against The New City Charter.

A Faint Hope That It Will Be Passed To-Day.

The Last Act Of The Famous School Land Fraud Investigation

THE HOUSE.

Special Correspondence to THE BEE. LINCOLN, February 27 .- The house assem this morning at the usual hour. Several acts days have a tendency to make restless those from the senate were read a second time and ordered for third reading. House Roll 85, the bill which shall provide

development of same was taken from the general file, voted on and ordered engrossed for third reading.

House Roll 404, a bill paying newspaper claims was made special order.

The senate railroad commission bill was read first time by suspension of rules for that purpose. This bill was received in the house regarded as passed. But few points are very favorably and may likely become law amended. One of them provides that in case were favorably and may likely become law as treet is but partially graded, the city shall therefore insuring the state some railroad legislation although not of the kind the people want. The house went into committee of he whole with Mr. Henry in the chair.

Sanate File 62 -To provide for the election of county attorneys was considered and re-orted back to the house with recommenda-ion that it do pass. The committee ross and the house received and adopted the report. The house now devoted some consi erable

time in discussing the advisability of taking particular bills from the general file and have them engressed for third reading. But withthem engrossed for third reading. But with-out arriving at anything definite went again into committees of the whole with Mr. Newcomer chairman to consider bills upon the gen

eral file H. R. 209—Was the first bill to receive attention. This is known as the Daws on relief tention. This is known as the Daws on relief bill, and seeks to pay that pentleman for his own board and that of his family with expenses of keeping his horses and carriages, and also to pay him his expenses for fetching his own letters from the postoffice.

Mr. Bailey supported the bill and said the clause committee refused to allow him to testify before them in behalf of his friend, ex-Warden Dawson.

Mr. Petersin said the committee had thoroughly sifted the matter and had decided Dawson had no claim. It was unjust and a steal.

Mr. Olmstead denied on behalf of the claims committee having choked off everybody from appearing before that committee. This bill

was discarded with six other claims of a simi-lar nature presented by Warden Nobes.

Mr. Kaley said while Dawson was suppos-ed to be warden he was actually a stock raiser and now wished the state to pay the expenses of his farm. Mr. Carr and Mr. Miller opposed the bill and it was ordered to be renorted to the house for indefinite postpanement.

Senate File 18—A bill providing for completion of statutes passed through committee H. R. 173-An insu ance bill enabling persons to co operate for insurance purposes, brought about some talk and was finally in-

H. R. 189-A bill to compel county treasur ers, was discussed and ordered to be favorably

reported to the house.

With the speaker in the chair the house received the report of the committee, and immediately alt r took a recess until 2 o'clock. The following is the petition which Mr. Ri ley yesterday secured Mr Turtle of suppressing in order that the house might not know the feeling of the labor assembly on Stout's To the House of Representatives of the State

of Nebraska, and particularly the Douglas county delegation: Gentlemen-Whereas there is now pending bill (H. R. 235), the provisions of which are ntirely at variance with our principles and pinions of rights and justice, and as we are

sk you to support them: prison shall be built in any ounty having a city of first class. 2. That no contract may be annulled in five years after the termination of the present contract, and in no case is it to be continued for a longer period than fifteen years over the

present contract. 3. That prisons built shall be so built near a stone quarry and convicts shall be worked at quarrying stone. convicts be made to work

large farm, but do not allow Stout or any other person to contract them outside the prison to other parties. 5. That the number of prisens do not ex-ION S. WOODS,

Signed by R. H. HOLMES, H. JEESEN.

. SANDBERG, Committee of Trades Assembly. Mr. Sutherland, the chairman of the house committee on privileges and elections has been having some trouble with the sp aker and the Lancaster ring. The latter have tried to bully Mr. Sutherland but find they had the buily Mr. Sutherland but find they had the wrong man to deal with. The difficulty aross over the bill to extend the term of office of county treasurers which has been introduced mainly for the benefit of Lancaster's county treasurer and is strongly supported by the Lincoln ring. This was before the P. and E., committee, but Mr. Sutherland could not get the Lincoln members of his committee to report. To simplify matters those gentlemen wished the bill engrossed for the they are brought to the established down from ten to five per cent. The monumental surveying sections are amended so as the promotion of Lieut. Greeley, having been the promotion Lincoln ring. This was before the P, and E, committee, but Mr, Sutherland could not get the Lincoln members of his committee to report. To simplify matters these gentlemen wished the bill engrossed for the third reading and wanted to get it through the house report or no report To do thus they needed the bill, and Mr. Sutherland will not give it up. Every influence has been brought to bear on him, the speaker having coaxed and threatened in turn, but ities for as it relates to parties effering or giving bribes.

These amendments were introduced in the parties of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be part of the military force of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be made of the country, but that it should be made purely civil and subject to the civil service should be made of the count

Mr. Sutherland sti I holds the bill in his possession and will not give it up until it is prop-erly reported. As to how the matter will end ere is some speculation.

Afternoon Session. Special Telegram to THE BEE.

Lincoln, February 27 .- At the afternoon ersion of the house the chief topie was the bill providing for a new state insane asylum for which \$75,000 was appropriated. After a long discussion it was decided almost unanimously to locate the new building at Norfolk, This evening the bill to provide for the con-

struction and maintenance of a new state normal school came up for consideration in the committee of the whole. The standing committee had reported the bill with one long amendment to the first section.

Troupe said it was utterly impossible for any one to understand the bill or the amendments, and he moved that the bill be post-

oned until it should be printed.

After some discussion Troupe's motion was

Speaker Field next moved that the bill be printed immediately, and that it holds its place on the general file until so printed.

This was carried and the house adjourned.

### THE SEVATE.

Special Correspondence to THE BEE. LINCOLN, February 27.-The morning ses sion of the senate was a session entirely devoid of interest. The monotonous reading of the clerks, the roll call and muffled answers, Indicated that but little interest was being taken in the proceedings. The balmy, spring-like members of a pastoral tendency, and they ong for the leeks and onions of their native

reath. The joint committee to fix a day for House Roll 85, the bill which shall provide adjourning have had no meeting yet, although for the sale and leasing of the saline lands and this is the thirty eighth day of the session. After further discussion last night, some amendments to the city charter bill were agreed upon. The bill was called up by Senator McShane this morning, the amendments introduced, and the bill engressed for third reading. It will come up for final passage at the next day's session, and as the Douglas delegation in the house have agreed to support the amendments it may be

pay one half the costs and the abutting property owners the other half.

Another provides that the interest on delinquent tax assessments shall be five per cent natead of ten as it now stands.

The clause regarding the bribery of council-men is so amended that the person offering the bribe shall not be held liable, but only the one accepting.

A change is also made in the matter of th

A change is also made in the matter of the new "board of adjustment" making it possible to appeal from the decision.

It is also made possible for the council to order the grade of a street only where a majority of property owners abutting on said street so petitioned.

It is generally admitted by the large Omaha caucus present that the bill as now amended has illuminated the objectionable features and will meet the want of the growing city.

### Afternoon Session

Special Telegram to THE BEE. Lincoln, February 27 .- The senate in com mittee of the whole considered twe've bills this afternoon. Among the number was the board of health. There was some opposition to the last as an expensive luxury and as be-ing unconstitutional. For the first time the lobby was deserted this afternoon, all interest was in the house. The senate adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

### The School Land Fraud Investigation.

Special Telegram to The Bee.

LINCOLN, February 27. -The last act in the chool land fraud investigation was concluded thi afternoon. Kendall was again on the stand. He gave explicit details of the workings of the land commission office. He admitted that the system of leasing [and selling made it possible for a dishonest official or clerk to connive with outsiders to defraud the state, but highly improbable as detection was He said he had not written to hudolph Dorn, of Omaha, before the election offering him \$590 to suppress a further exposure of land frauds in the Herald. He was used to cheap newspaper notoriety and would not pay any sum to suppress anything. Had never written Dorn except concerning his leases. Had most of the correspondence on file. A sub-committee consisting of Mills, Spencer nd Crook was appointed to draw a report which will be submitted to the committee fo adoption to morrow. The report will proba bly call attention to a weak statistic and ex-onerate everybody. So far the investigation ommittee appointed by the Trades Assem- has cost about \$8,000. About fifty witnesses by of Omaha to propose such legislation as will best conserve and protect our interests, we submit the following propositions as mendment: to the said bill (H. R. 235), and asylum investigation have not been so great, but this state can afford very few such lux uries.

> THE NEW CITY CHARTER AINT HOPE THAT IT WILL BE PASSED TO-DAY.

Special Telegram to THE BEE. LINCOLN, February 27 .- A conference was held this morning by a majority of the Douglas delegation with the view of harmonizing

on the charter. All the amendments proposed by McShane were agreed upon by Senators Metz and Clark and all the house members. These amendments cover every objection made by McShane and were by him pronounced satisfactory. He pledged his active and cordial support of the bill which he confidently asserted would be pushed through the

senate by Saturday. M cSbane's amendments cover the payment by the city of half the grading cost where the streets are only partly graded, as well as where they are brought to the established

the reassessment of sewer taxes, and a re-survey and monumenting the city. The delegation, with the exception of Mc-Shane, refused emphatically to receds. They

for passage as amended, but Church Howe and Burr after a hurried conference secured an adjournment until to-morrow.

Howe claims to be co-operating with Shane to have the charter put through, but his actions indicates that he has taken the

ontract to kill the bull by delay.

Nichols, of the Union Pacific, is making a igorous caucas against the charter under the pretext that the proposed monumenting sec

tion is langerous.

John M. Thurston's Italian hand is evidently guiding Nichols, whose real objections to
the charter are against some wholesome prothe charter are against some wholesome pro-visions, for the protection of the patrons of the streets, railroads, electric light, and tele-graph companies. Much indignation is ex-pressed by delegation with one or two excep-tions, that the Union Pacific officials should be permitted under any pretext to lobby against the charter, that does not interfere

### FOREIGN NEWS

THE BRITISH BETREAT. KORTI, February 27.-Bulier's whole force i now within one day's march of Gakdul. They reached this point without casualties. The sick and wounded doing well. Buller ex

pects to reach Korti early next week. LATEST EXPLOSION. LONDON, Februay 27.—Col. Strangeways, commandant of the Royal School of Gunnery at Shoeburyness, and Col. Lyon, head of the official government labratory at Woolwich, wounded at the explosion of the Royal School of Gunnery, died this morning. Each had both legs blown off.

THE AFGHAN FRONTIER.

PETERSBURG, February 27. - The St. Perrisher, February 27.—The Journal de St. Petersburg says concerning the Afghon difficulty: "It is to be hope 1 Earl Dufferio, who is instructed to confer with the ameer of Afghanstan will give the latter wise counsel. If England and Russia are to regard Afghanstan as a buffer to pre-yent frection, the ameer must not make it brand discord or interfere with the ter-mination of the frontier. The fact that the ameer is to have an interview sit that the ameer is to have an interview with Earl Dufferin shows the ameer is dependent on the British policy. Therefore, the British policy is more responsible for the acts of the ameer. It is to be hoped that the moderation and pudence of the English cabinet will prevail in the settlement of the frontier, despite the clamor raised by English that the clamor raised by English cabinets the clamor raised by English cabin statesmen." The Journal concludes this sig-nificant article with the following new polit-teal epigram: "Prestige endangered on the Nile cannot be restored on the Harri road"

LONDON, February 27.—Advices received from Shoeburgness this evening state that three of the men injured in the explosion have lied from their wounds. In the house of commons this evening Henry aBouchere gave notice that he would move

that the house regrets that the militia have been embodied because it indicates a resolu-tion on the part of her majesty's government to interfere in the Soudan by force of arms.
FRANCO-CHINESE NAVAL AFFAIRS. PARIS, February 27.—The government has chartered the steamer City of Paris, of the Inman line, for transport service to China. The French torpedo boats which at Shepos on

the afternoon. Among the number was the bill to create a county auditor, which was being to create a county auditor, which was recommended to pass, also the bill to suppress obscene literature and the bill creating a state board of health. There was some opposition to the last as an expensive luxury and as beto to the last as an expensive luxury and as being meaning the property of the first time the country of the first time the internoon.

LONDON, February 27.—Gladstone, in answer to the protest of the peace society gainst the prosecution of the war against udan, contines himself to a reference to the Soudan, commes numerit to a reference to the many acts of Lord Wolseley to induce the hostile Arabs to cease making war. He points the society to Wolseley's proclamation, to show that the government desired to avoid bloodshed, to establish a native government at Khartoum and to recognize El Mahdi as the sultan of Kordofan if he surrendered the European and Fellaheen prisoners in his pos-

The second of April is now set for the departure of the PRINCE OF WALES THROUGH IRELAND.

He will reside at first at Dublin castle subquently he will sojourn in the south of Ire-land as the guest of Earl Kenmorn, at Kil-

STRANER SUNK AND TWENTY LIVES LOST. COXHAVEN. February 27.-The Swedish steamer Norden was run into by the English steamer Cumberland and sunk. Twenty persons aboard the Norden were drowned, RICE NOT CONTRABAND OF WAR.

Paris, February 27.—The announcement made in the British House of Commons yesterday by Lord Fitzmaurice, under secretary foreign department that France has been notified by England that she could not assent to France's declaration against rice as centraband of war in China, is proving annoying to the French government. It is believed the attitude taken by the British government will produce a tension in the present relations between France and England.

THE MOTION OF CENSURE. LONDON, February 27.—Salisbury's motion of censure was adopted by the lords—189 to

86. Northcotes motion of censure was rejected by the commons - 302 to 288. GEN. BULLER BRACHES GARDUL WELLS.

LONDON, February 27.—Telegrams from Korti innounce that Gen. Buller reached Gakdul Wells safely. Korti mnounce that Gen. Buller reached ooo for the continuation and consplction of the works designated in the last river and the house foreign affairs committee to-day authorized Eaton, Connecticut, to submit to the house a favorable report upon Lefevres bor shall be treated as if the sum of \$250, resolution, calling for retaliatory action for ooo had been appropriated by the bill of last Germany's restrictions upon Americae pro-The house foreign affairs committee to-day authorized Eaton, Connecticut, to submit to the house a favorable report upon Lefevres Germany's restrictions upon Americae pro

The secretary of the interior revoked the circular of Octaber 23d last, issued by the commissioner of the land office refusing to allow the amendments of the pre-emption filings, and homestead and timber culture ap-

plications. The senate bill introduced by Dawes to create the office of assistant chief signal officers, a design of which was to provide for

## WASHINGTON NEWS.

OMAHA, NEB., SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 28, 1885.

insist that the provisions objected to had been fully understood, and would be in the interest of the masses of the taxpayers.

Immediately after the senate had risen from committee of the whole at b o'clock, Senator Metz endeavored to call the bill up

Passage of the Compromise Naval and Harbor Appropriation Bill.

The Senate Pass a Bill For The Purchase Of

Nebraska. Vice President-Elect Hendricks

The Sac and Fox Indian Lands in

Arrives at the Capitol. A Daughter of the Late President Tyler, Blind and Dependent

On Charity.

SENATE. Washington, February 27 .- Hale called up the naval bill but objection to its consideration was made until the completion of the morning business. Hall said in order to avoid an extra se-sion it was essential to give the appropriation tills every possible advance

ent. The naval bill was then taken up and the eading proceeded with.
At one o'clock the unfinished business being

THE ANTI-SILVER COINAGE BILL vas laid before the senate but it was tem porarily laid aside, and the consideration of

the naval bill continued.

McPherson favored building larger cruisers than that provided for, and on the suggestion of Miller, Cala, 'he limit of the maximum toncage for the new cruisers, recommended by the senate committee, was made five thousand instead of four thousand tons, The amendment offered by Hale was agreed

to—the appropriation of \$112,00) for the pur chase of Eri son's torpedo boat, the 'De

di-cussion the bill passed and the senate went they would become the objects of my official into executive session.

Executive session was held at which no action Executive session was held at which no action was taken. When the doors reopened Cameron, Wis., moved to resume the consideration of the house bill limiting the time for presenting claims against the United States.

Morrill called for the regular order, being the trade dollar bill. Morrill said: "After the demonstration made elsewhere" there was a republiked of the section repealing the

no probability of the section repealing the standard coinage act would become a law. He therefore thought it would be well to take a vote on that section without debate and then the senate could dispose of the trade

The French torpedo boats which at Shepos on the fifteenth sank the Chinese frigate Gulguaun, carrying twenty-six guns and six hundred men, and the Chinese Corvette Tcheugking, carrying seven guns ard 150 men, were of English build. The Bri ish authorities at first declined to allow the transfer of these torpedo boats to the French, for far of violating the international treaty existing between China and Great Britain, but finally yielded. GLADSTONE AND THE PEACE SOCIETY.

LONDON, February 27.—Gladstone, in answer to the protest of the peace society existing the prescription of the war against the prescription of the way against the prescription of the war against the prescription of the windows of officers of the single constantly increasing the prescription of the windows of officers of the arms agreed to—34 to 31.

Was Work the trade dollar, prescribed as, "The unit of valcular throats of a dollar, prescribed as, "The unit of adollar, prescribed as, "The unit of valcular throats of a dollar, prescribed as, "The unit of a dollar, prescri bill required the unan

consideration which was refused.

The house message, aunouncing the disagre ment on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, was laid before the senate which insisted on its amendments, and a conerence was appointed.

The house substitute for the river and har

bor bill, appropriating \$5,600,000, was laid before the senate, and having been read once, Cameron, of Wisconsin, objected to its second eading, so the bill lies on the table, not havng been referred to the committee. Morgan asked the unanimous consent t ake up the bill for the relief of Letitia Tyler

emple, daughter of the late President Tyler. The bill would give her a pension of \$50 per month. The lady named, Morgan said, is now blind, and dependent on charity in the city of Washington. No decision was reached for want of a quorum. The vote stood, year 11, pays 17. Adjourned.

Washington, February 27,-Rosecrans, of the committee on naval affairs, reported a bili for the retirement of Gen. H. G. Wright with the present the rank of Major-General on the private calcudar. As the regular order of business the house proceeded to the consideration of the sundry civil bill.

Hoar offered an amendment providing that the money appropriated to aid the New Orleans exposition, be used first in paying the debts, second in the payment of premiums awarded by the exposition. Amendment ad-

awarded by the exposition. Amendment adopted; yeas 208, nays 58.

The bill passed, yeas 168, nays 107.

The senate amendment to the legislative appropriation bill was non-concurred in.

Willis moves to suspend the rules and put upon its passage the bill appropriating \$5,000,-000 for the continuation and concluding of

ooo had been appropriated by the bill of last year. Any money which shall be allowed under this act for the improvement of the Mississippi river below Cairo (except so much thereof as shall be necessary to prevent the works in progress from waste and injury), shall be expended in the continuing and completion of the works in Plum Point and Lake Residues a residue to the end that the riker

Providence reaches, to the end that the plan of the commission for the improvement of the river may be fully tested. Willis briefly explained that it had had been thought best not to allow the present works of the government to go to waste and ruin on ac-count of the lack of appropriations. For this reason he had, after consultation with a numreason he had, after consultation with a dult-ber of gentlemen, brought in a bill appropria-ting \$500,000. The bill was submitted as a compromise, as the discussion of the regular bill would consume valuable time, and might ndanger other appropriation bills and cause

Hiscock opposed the bill, and O'Neill, King and Bayne favored it.

The motion was finally agreed to, sibill passed, 190 to 88. Townshend, from the committee on appro-

priations, reported the postoffice appropria-tion bill, with the senate amendments, with the report recommending concurrence in the same, and amendments. and non-concurrence in the other

The recommendations of the appropriation committee were in each case agreed to seriatim. The clause relative to ocean transportation was not reached.

At 5 o'clock a recess was taken till 8. The evening session is to be for the consideration of pension bills.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

WASHINGTON, February 27 .- Sawyer, of the statistical department of pensions, submitted a tabulated statement to Warner's committee to day, showing that under Col. Dudley's administration the cost of the pension flice was increased about 196 per cent and the work about 8 per cent, compared with the expense of the bureau under his predecessor. THE VICE PRESIDENT ELECT

was expected here at 1:15 this afternoon and was expected here at 1115 this alternoon and at that hour a large crowd, among them the reception committee, had assembled at the Baltimore and Ohio depot to await the arrival of the train. Shortly after 1 however, a dispatch was received stating that the train had been delayed near two hours owing to a long stop over at Camberland.
The Star says that it is stated to day on unquestioned authority that

SENATOR GABLAND yesterday received a letter formally inviting him to accent the portfolio of the department of justice, and the senator mailed his accept-ance. While no doubt has been entertained that Garland would be appointed, it appears that the formal tender of the position did not reach him until yesterday.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT-ELECT ARRIVED in Washington this afternoon. When the train arrived the assemblege at the depot numbered several hundred persons. The numbered several hundred persons. The democratic members of the house from Indi-ans, except Holman and Voorhees, were at the depot, As the committee escorted him to the carriage, the crowd, which was constantly growing, broke into cheers, to which Hendricks responded by raising his hat and bowing. Hendricks was accompanied by soveral gentleman from Indiana and the ladies of his family.

### MR, CLEVELAND'S LETTER. R THINKS IT NECESSARY TO SUSPEND THE COIN

AGE OF SHIVER TO AVERT A CALAMITY. ALBANY, February 27. - The following is he reply addressed by Cleveland to the silver oinage advocates in congress: To the Hon. A. J. Warner and others, members of the With this exception the bill passed substantially as reported from the senate committee of appropriations.

Van Wyck called up the bill providing for the sale of the Sac and Fox Indian reservations in Nebraska and Kansas After a short discussion the sale of the Sac and Fox Indian reservations in Nebraska and Kansas After a short discussion the bill passed substantially as reported by the world become the objects of the moment when they would become the objects of the stroyer.

> are and partial responsibility. Your solicitude that my judgment shall have been carefully and deliberately formed, is entirely just, and I accept the suggestion in the same friendly spirit in which it has been made. It is also fully justified by the nature of the financial crisis, which under operation of the act of congress of February 28, 1878 is now close at head. By compiler 1878, is now close at hand. By compliance with the requirements of that law, all vaults of the federal treasury have been, and are heaped full of silver coins, which are now

WORTH LESS THAN S5 PER CENT

now available for the payment of the gold ob-ligation of the United States, and for re-demption of United States notes called greenbacks, if not already encroached upon, perilously near such encroachment. The he facts which, as they do not adm't of difference of opinion, call for no argument They have been forwarded to us in the official report of every secretary of the treasury from 1878 until now. They are plainly affirmed in the last December report of the present secretary of the treasury to the speaker of the present house of representatives. They appear in the official records of this congress and n the records of the New York clearing house of which the treasury is a member, through which the bulk of the receipts payments of the tederal government and country pass These being the facts, our present condition, our danger, our duty to avert the danger would seem to be plain. I hove you will concur with me and he great majority of our fellow citizens, in deeming it most desirable at the present junc ture, to maintain and continue in use the

mass of our gold coin as well as the mass of silver already coined. This is possible by SUSPENSION OF THE PURCHASE AND COINAGE

OF BILVER. am not aware that by any other method is possible. It is of momentous importance to prevent the two metals from parting com pany, to prevent the increasing displacemen of gold, by increasing the coinage of silver, to prevent the disuse of gold in the custom houses of the United States in the daily business of the people, to prevent the ultimate expulsion of gold by sliver.

Such financial crisis as these events would certainly precipitate, were it now to follow upon so long a period of commercial depres-sion, would involve the people of every city and every state in the union in a prolonge and disastrous trouble. The revival of busi-ness enterprise and prosperity so ardently deared and apparently so near, would be hope lessly postponed.

GOLD WOULD BE WITHDRAWN to its hoarding places and an unprecedented contraction of the actual volume of our curcontract in of the actual volume of our currency would speedily take place, and, saddest of all, in every workshop, mill, factory, store and on every railroad and farm, the wages of labor, already depressed, would suffer a still further depression, by the scaling down of the purchasing power, every so called dol-lar paid into the hand of toil. From these impending calamities, it is surely a most patriotic and grateful duty of the representatives of the people to deliver them. gentleman, with sincers respect, your itizea. GROVER CLEVELAND.

Fears for the safety of Overdue Steamers. pecial Telegram to THE BEE.

New York, February 27.-Great fears ar ntertained in shipping circles for the safety several steamers overdue. The recen heavy storms have played havor with many of the incoming vessels, but the greatest dan ger to ocean steamships is the now unaccount

able presence of immense keebergs in the paths LONGS AND SHORTS way of great steamers. No captain can acway of great steamers. No captain usa ac way of great steamers. No captain cea account for them, but every ressel coming in reports meeting from one to a dozen is ebsage, some half a mile in length. It is feared that many ships have met with discaster from less. Uncerwriters and the best informed in shipping circles are of the capinlen that the freight steamships Preston and Fernander. the freight steamships Preston and Ferro-wood, which sailed from this port January 33 for Avoumouth, and the Clandon, which sailed January 22 for Perth, have foundered, during the continuous gales that occurred in the Atlantic about January 27th last. Referr-ing to the losses, an old sailor said: "It is my belief that heavy seas or ice bergs have disabled these vessels, probably damaging the steering gear in the same way that the Alaska was disabled. It is said to think of the death of all those brave fellows on board. Why, on these through stamers there must have been

a ont ninety men.

Surveying the Nicarauguan Canal WASHINGTON, February 57 -The civil engmeer in charge of the expedition to survey the route of the proposed Nicarauguan canal, reports to the navy department under date of San Juan river, January 31st, the arrival of his party there on the 22d of January, a camp being established near the junction of the San Juan and Sarap qui rivers. Some objection was offered by the authorities of the Costa Rican government to his making any surveys within the Costa Rican territories without further instructions from the government. A special messenger was sent to San Jose for instructions. In the meantime the survey was begun on the left margin of the San Juan river and carried to the other side of Menscal. A careful examination was of Menscal. A careful examination was made of that river and its tributaries for several miles above the mouth, which satisfie him of the impossibility of raising the waters of that river for a caual by a dam at that point. The surveys are being presecuted with encouraging signs of success.

### Shot by a Justice of the Peace. Correspondence of THE BEE.

VALENTINE, Neb., February 16-Editor BEE: George P. Smith was shot four times with a Winchester rifle in the hands of William T. Comstock, a justice of the peace, in Seven Creeks precint, this county. The shooting took place about fifteen miles east of Valentine on the Niebrara river at 9 o'clock

The trouble arose because Mr. Comstock, after complaint being filed in his office by neighbors, obtained some food and clothing for Mrs. Smith and family who were in destitute circumstances from our county commissioners, and Smith, coming to town yesterday and hearing of the matter, called upon the commissioners and asked an explanation, whereupon Smith was made sign a note for \$56,00, the amount of groceries and clothing cent to his familshing family. Smith was enraged at Comstock for interfering in his family affairs, and swore vengance and said the world kill Comstock on sight. This morning early Smith took his sight. This morning early Smith took his shotgun and went gunning for Comstock the latter being out hunting deer met Smith when

a duel commenced with the above result.

There are no tears shed in this community for Smith for he has been a bully in these

for Smith for he has been a bully in these parts for some time.

Mr. Teller, special agent of the interior department, has been after Smith recently for having entered a pre-emption in Holt county and taking a other pre-emotion on the Niopara river where he was killed, and he has been residing on a homestead for the last few months at Boiling Springs Ranch, where he jumped part of the claim owned by Dr. Murphy, who was recently killed west of here.

The citizeus here were talking seriously of mobbing Smith, because he tried to eject Mrs. Murphy and her weak family from their land.

### OBSERVER. A Big Loss on Wheat,

St. Louis, February 27—Something of a flurry was produce on changa to day by the report that Ben W. Lewis, a wealthy man, and at times a heavy speculator in grain, had failed. Inquiry showed that Lewis was long was long on wheat to a large amount, and concluding not to lose any more money, he ordered his broker to sell him out, which was done. Upwards of 1,000,000 bu hels have already been sold on Lewis' account, and the whole deal will be closed out. His loss in understood to be \$50,000 to \$60,000, which he can easily stand. His brokers are fully sa-

Arab Activity. SUARIM, February 27 .- The activity of the ebels the last two mights was great and effective. They succeeded in wrecking three advanced redoubts without exploding the mines prepared in each

The Illinois Contest, SPHINGEIELD, January 27 .- In the joint session to day the roll was called, the only cast was by Haines, who voted for

Cleveland En Route for Washington. At BANY, Febfuary 27.—Cleveland, his prother, two sisters, and Lamont and family, will leave for Washington on Tuesday merning and a rive in the evening.

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### Sarsaparilla cured him. Salt Rheum

William Spies, Elyria, O., suffered greatly from erysipelas and salt rheum, cansed by handling tobacce. At times his hands would crack open and bleed. He tried wariens preparations without aid ; finally took Head's Sar saparilla, and now says: "I am entirely well." My son had salt theum on his hands and on the calves of his legs. He tack Hood's Sarsaparilla and is entirely cured." J. B. STANTON, Mt. Vergen, Ohio.

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There Was As Enermous Trade In · May (Wheat,

But it Takes a Tamble and Closes at 78 1-2.

Corn Was the Strongest Article On the List.

and Prices Steady. The Hog Market Was Dull From

First to Last.

The Cattle Market Was Quiet

The Provision Market Kept Company With Grain-Dats Followed the Course of Wheat,

### CHICAGO MARKETS. pecial telegram to the Bas.

Chicago, February 27.-Weakness of the nost decided character was one of the main eatures of the morning session on 'change tolay. May wheat took a tumble soon after opening. That was an enormous trade in it, but trades were scattering. It closed last night at 79% and op and this morning at 79c. Then came a sharp advance of Le, which was due to covering done by shorts. After these gentlemen stayed on deck for a little while the longs had their innings and the market broke sharply and heavily, the price of the article falling 14c. The lowest point touched was 78%c and the closing price was 78%c.

vas by tar the strongest article on the list, being remarkably stubborn when c mpared with the fluctuations in wheat. May option closed last-night at 40%c and opened at the same figure. After a rally to 40%c, it went down to 40%c, and closed at 40%c. OATS

generally followed the course of wheat. The generally followed the course of wheat. The weakness in the article was probably due to heavy receipts. Closing at 30gc last night, May options opened to lower, touching 30gc and closed at that figure. The PROVISION

market kept company with grain. May perk-closing last night at \$12.89, and opened to-day at \$12.72\frac{1}{2}. It s ld up to \$12.75, when a decline set in bringing it down to \$12.67\frac{1}{2}; afterward it advanced and tou hed \$12.77\frac{1}{2}, and then the market weakened again and option went as low as \$12.47\frac{1}{2}, and closed at S12 50. There was good trade in lard. It opened at closing price last night—\$7.02\(\frac{1}{2}\)—went down to \$6.87\(\frac{1}{2}\), but rallied to \$6.90 at the close. At the afternoon session May wheat went as low as 78\(\frac{1}{2}\), closing at 78\(\frac{1}{2}\). CATTLE

With the fresh receipts there were fully 70,000 on the market. Kansas City reported 55 cars of fresh and 1,300 left last night, Other markets reported a plentiful supply. Other markets reported a plentiful supply. The general market was rather quiet than otherwise, prices fairly steady as compared with the lowest yesterday Medium and ordinary shipping steers underwent little or no change to day and big heavy steers of 1,500 to 1,600 are yet holding their own, a couple of lots of such making \$6 00@6 25, while ordinary and medium are solling around about \$2,00 and 1,00 and low grades at \$4,30x4,80. 84 90 a 5 00, and low grades at 84 30g4 80; fat cows and bulls are making equally as goo prices as at any time, but low grado stock was rather easier; stackers and feeders, in fair demand and steady; 1,050 to 1,2:0 lbs. \$3 99664 60; 1 200 to 1,350 lbs. \$4 75@ common, \$2 25, 2 90; medium, \$3 00@3 25; good, \$3.60@4 00; stockers, \$8 40@4 10; feeders, \$4 20@4 25.

HOGG With resh receipts there were from 36,000 o 40,000 on sale, and the market ruled dullom first to last, with an uneven and unsatisactory ring in prices. In some instance ales were equally as high as yesterday, but the general market www 10@15u lower and values on all sorts are 35@40c lower than a week ago to-day. There was little or no da-mand from packers, and shippers of heavy orts were entirely out of the market, and many consignments of cho'ce heavy were not offered at all. Shippers of light sorts were buying sparingly and had their own way aboutsorting. One packing firm bought 531 head of light, averaging 135 pounds, at a range of \$4.10@4.25, an average cost of \$4.17. Another bought about 500 head that averaged 155 pounds at \$4.20@4.25. Light sorts to ship west were bought at about \$4.40, and strong light weights would not make over \$1.50@4 60, and among the latter was a lot of about 400 that averaged near y 200 pounds that cost \$4 50. Common and rough paskers sold around about \$4.30@4.50, and air to good at \$4 60@4.70, with best heavy assorted

Prolonging Lafe. FRANKPORT, KY., February 27,-Lioutenant Governor Hindman granted Wm. Neal a respite for thirty days. Neal was to be hanged t Grayson, Ky., to day.

GEATSON, Ky., February 27.-Sheriff Arm strong doubted the authenticity of a telegram which granted Neal a respite of thirty days, and immediately telegraphed for a tion. Heldman responded to save Neal. The guards were aroused and accompanied by a heavy guard started for eastern Kentucky Junction to catch the train for Mt. Sterling. Junction to catch the train for Mt. Sterling. When it became known that Neal had been respited and had started for Mr. Sterling much adignation was expressed by a majority of the people, while a few expressed satisfac-A large crewd came here to witness the

The Mabash Strikers. Sr. Louis, February M. -A. Post-Dispatch Moberly, Mo., special says: Three hundred employes of the Wabach machine shops quit work this morning. Since then they have been holding a secret meeting. They say they will not return to work until the former sahedule of wages is restored, despite the threats of the officials that they will be discharged un-less they return immediately.

Business Failures. New York, February 27 .- Failures last seven days 282 against 250 last west.



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