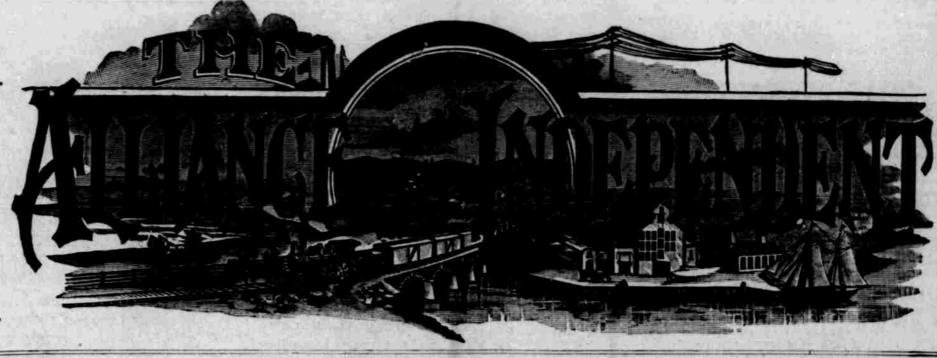
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And You Won't Miss it Far. Outrages and Compounded Villainies Perpetrated

CORPORATION

To Prevent the Passage of a Just and Reasonable Measure, H. R. 33.

The Legislature.

Do the people of the state realize the true nature of the drama, the closing act of which is now on the stage at the state house of Nebraska? For twenty years the corporations and their hired tools have been playing the part of heavy villain.

In every previous act success has crowned the effort of the villain. But you know in the last act of every well dragged to justice.

the corporations have exhausted every district court to come to Toledo, and outrageous trick and dish norable device known to them

finally reached in the regular order signing their positions. Monday afternoon. Then bagan the death struggle of corporation tyrranny railroad employees are engaged in pubin Nebraska.

The first move of the railroad tools was a call of the house. Two republi- their relations with the companies. can senators, Tefft and McDonald were This ruling is equivalent to saying that absent. The dead lock began at about the employees shall not have the liberty to 5 c'clock Monday evening and was not permanently raised for twenty hours. venience of the employer to discharge them. The faithful eighteen camped in the state house rather than yield an inch to individual liberty which capital has althe conspirators.

Tefft and McDonald having been years. Now capital goes back on this brought in, a short recess was taken. At three o'clock the struggle was resumed. The reading of the great bill began. At short intervals the reading was interupted by motions to re-commit and long-winded debates thereon. The chief actors in these dilatory proceedings were North and Mattes, democrats, without acknowledging their responsiand Moore and Pope republicans. Finally at ten o'clock Tuesday

cured the floor, and boldly announced that he would talk till noon Wednesday, or till he was exhausted. Inasmuch as he was about two-thirds full of whiskey, it only took two hours to exnaust him. Then it was found that Jahn, a republican member, was ab-Hahn is said to have gone to Hastings. the United States in his inaugural? Wednesday morning found the deadlock still in full force.

THE IMPEACHMENT.

forenoon, the senate was still in the system of the government dead lock. But Speaker Gaffin took the on leave of absence, came in. Of course the house alone constituted a majority of the convention and had power to

The committe was ready to report the articles of impeachment, but it was thought best to adjourn over till nal integrity are struggling in the face

AFTER BENTON,

The house investigation committestimony on which to impeach Tom Benton along with the rest. The reme very damaging testimony has

It is the general impression that he is the biggest boodler in the gang. No time for adjournment has yet been fixed. The end is not likely to be reached before some time next week

## RANK DECISIONS.

A pair of outrageous decisions recenty made in United States courts in important labor cases was so ably written up by our friend Kelley of the Dodge County Leader last week that we reproduce the article entire:

When will the crisis come? To what extremities will capital go?

The reform element has been denounced for everything imaginable; but when the candid reader observes the auda-cious steps taken by plutocrats to effect the overthrow of organized labor he cannot but recognize therein the elements of primeval tyranny. Organ'zed capital, convinced by experience that in organized labor it has found an adversary worthy of its steel, now seeks to undermire and destroy organized labor by abrogating the common law and substituting in its stead the farfetched opinions of corporate judicials. The engineers and firemen on the

Toledo, Ann Arbor and Northern Michigan railroad have been on a strike. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers endorsed the strike and ordered their engineers to refuse to handle Ann Arbor freight. The ford made application United States circuit court, requiring the Brotherhood to release the engineers from compliance with the brotheryou know in the last act of every well hood rule. The order was granted by regulated drama the right must prevail Judge Taft The road then ordered and the villian, shorn of power, yet the engineers to take out Ann Arbor struggling and defiant to the last, is cars. The engineers resigned their positions and upon hearing of this "at-torney for the Lakeshore telegraphed So will it be in this case, but not till for Judge Ricks, of the United States

brought him there by special train. The judge on arriving at Toledo, immediately had the eight engineers and For nearly two weeks after the victory firemen, who had committed the crime of six. of the railroad bill become certain, by of resignation arrested and brought bedilatory tactics, by fillibustering and de- fore him. He then delivered an opinion, which by common account of the lays, by outrageous rulings of the man press of the country is declared unprewho disgraces Nebraska in the position cedented, to the effect that they must of Lieutenant Governor, the bill was show cause why they should not be cases the license question being the without the least danger of injuring

> The theory of the opinion is that lic service and are unable legally to quit that service until the court determines when and where they shall sever resign when they see fit to do, but shall continue in the service, until it suits the con-

Furthermore this is a usurpation of ways heretofore conceded to the working man. 'Let him quit if he desires,' About 1 o'clock on Tuesday both has always been the cry for these many and endeavors to coerce the employed into its service and still retain the privilege of fixing the terms of the employment. In other words, the railroads, telephones, telegraphs and street railways are asking the protection of state and federal courts in enforcing private contracts under pretense that they are public carriers and servants, bility to the government. The rule to be good must work both ways.

The opinion of the court is rank in night the reading of the bill was the extreme and shows to what depths the principle of government ownerwas nearly completed. Then North of degradation some courts of our made another motion to recommit, se- country are being plunged by corporate greed. Only a love of country, such as is possessed by the working people, prevents a crisis.

# NOBLE WORDS.

Republicans and democrats are fond great party leaders. But where can sent. The conspirators demanded a they find wiser or grander sayings than call of the house, and the senate set- these uttered by Governor Lewelling of and that is what corporations charge tled down to make another night of it. Kansas, the first populist governor in against the anarchists."

> "The state is greater than party, bu the citizen is greater than the state

If old men go the the poorhouse and When the date for the joint conven- young men are sent to prison, tion to reassemble arrived Tuesday something is wrong with the economic

The ""vival of the fittest" is the bull by the horns and called the con-vention to order. The secretary of the such philosophy most give place to a such philosophy must give place to a brotherhood.

It is the province of government to protect the weak, but the governments of today are resolved into a struggle of masses with classes for supremacy and bread, until business, home, and perso-

ner and Van Housen, have been taking abiding faith in human government, And in the beautiful visions of a coming time I behold the abolition of parerty.

safety bit, with the compliments of the of the Alliance Publishing Company. manufacturer, Dr. L. P. Britt, of 37 to be on their guard against this man College Place, New York. It is a Forcis, and the publishers of the Farmbeauty, and looks as if it could accomplers' Allience Leader. lish all the Doctor claims for it. For the benefit of those of our friends who Manager advertising department Alli-WHEN you write to one of our adver- are interested in horses, we will keep tisers, he sure to mention THE ALL! the bit in our office where we will be ANCE-INDEPENDENT, pleased to show it at any time. pleased to show it at any time,

For Two More Years -- The People's Choice Triumphantly Elected

AND THE EXCISE BOARD TOO.

Weir's Majority About 300 -A People's Victory in Beatrice

### Tuesday's Results.

favor law and order, and good city government. Mayor A eir, the populist grow in some localities, so it is difficult candidate for mayor has a majority to form a correct estimate of its condi of from 200 to 500. Brown, one populist candidate for the excise board, is for an order from Judge Taft, of the surely elected, and Hargreaves, the other candidate, seems to be "in it." Most of the other offices are conceded to the republicans.

Weir's victory is complete. He carried every ward in the city but two, the First and Second.

### BEATRICE.

Schultz the citizen's candidate for mayor, was elected over Walker, the republican candidate, by 300 The republicans only get two councilmen out

### OVER THE STATE.

In most Nebraska towns political lines were lost sight of, and the election the most viciously inclined horse may turned on local issues, in a majority of issue. High license is generally a win- him, or danger to the driver. Its

### ENGINEERS AS PLAINTIFFS The Federal Courts Asked to Force Receiver to Make Contracts.

MACON, Ga., April 5 .- The hearing Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, asking Judge Emory of the United States court to compel the receiver of the Central railway of Georgia to make contracts with its engineers, came for hearing yesterday and R. W. Patterson appeared for the engineers. Assistant Chief Youngson of Cleveland, of the brotherhood, was in attendance. The Central railway representatives were H. C. Cunningham of Savannah and Marion Ermin of Macon. Powderly on the Ann Arbor Decision.

SCRANTON, Pa., April 5.-General Master Workman Powderly had not a lengthy letter of excuses. The bits seen the decision in the case of Engin-arrived; I pronounce them a good bit. eer Lennon at Toledo until his attention was called to it by a reporter, when he said: "The decision shows, as I have said before, that ship of railways is being recognized by the courts. While the decision is law, (who is 73 years), and myself. Our apparently against the men, it emphasizes our position that the government has the right to supervise the railroads. Now it is a poor rule that won't work both ways. The interstate commerce law was passed for the purpose of controlling the railroads but up to of pointing to the wise sayings of their date no railroad has paid any attention to the law. An anarchy of the worst kind has prevailed. By that I mean a total disregard for the law,

# World's Fair Carpenters Not Out.

CHICAGO, April 5 .- The strike of 1,000 carpenters scheduled to take place to-day at the world's fair grounds father was the happlest man you ever to enforce discrimination against nonunion men, turned out a dismal failure, less than a hundred quitting work. The leaders attribute the failure to be misunderstanding, but the real senate, and two senators, who were out government which recognizes human file weakened at the firm front prereason seems to be that the rank and sented by the exposition officials.

# Caution Advertisers.

One F. W. Ferris has deceived advertisers by making fraudulent contracts on blanks taken by J. M. Thompson from the Alliance Publishing Company, Wednesday at 4 o'clock, and that was of positive want in the family. Feed a and representing that he is employed tiger regularly, and you tame and make as advertising solicitor for said company | truly, him harmless; but hunger makes tigers and signing advertising contracts as agent for said company, and turning in I have a dream of the future. I have the contracts to the publishers of the composed of Barry, Lock- an enduring faith, the evolution of an "Farmers' Alliance Leader," the new paper started last month by Burrows & Thompson, who accept them and insert the advertisements according to the space ordered therein. Ferris is not We are just in receipt of an automatic now, nor has he ever been in the employ

> EDGAR A. MURRAY. ance Publishing Company, publishers of THE ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT

> but not the Farmers' Alliance Leader

HALF A CROP IN ILLINOIS. A Large Part of the Wheat Area Was

Winter Killed. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 5 .- The Illinois state board of agriculture's crop report for April says: The wheat at seeding time resulted in a decrease in the area of wheat seeded as compared with the crop harvested in 1892, of a little over 15 per cent, so that area which went into winter quarters was 1,568,280 acres. In the north-ern division of the state 22 per cent of the area is reported winter killed, in the Central division 32 per cent and in the Southern 13 per cent, or an average for the state of 22 per cent. With one or two exceptions all the counties reporting unusually large injury are in the Central section. The area now growing is 1,223,536 acres, The election in Lincoln resulted in a or 60 per cent of last year's acreage. complete triumph for the people who The injury done was entirely by win-

ter killing. Wheat has scarcely commenced to tion, but its present appearance indicates about 73 per cent of an average crop at this season. The April 1 condition in the Northern division is 77 per cent, in the Central 63 per cent and in Southern Illinois 80 per cent.

Winter rye has not suffered so much from the severe weather of the last winter as wheat Little over 11 per cent of the area seeded was winter killed, leaving 132,022 acres for har-

### A Humane Contrivance.

The attention of our readers is called to the advertisement which appears on be brought under immediate control operation is automatic-shutting off his wind. By its use, horses that are otherwise comparatively valueless because of vicious habits may be made to become very valuable. It has the of the petition of the National strongest endorsement of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, and of hundreds of the best horsemen throughout the world. Its owner has medals from the American Iusti tute-1889, and from the Paris exposition of the same date. Below is a copy of a letter received by him from Mrs. D. W. Frisby, of Beatrice, Neb.

> BEATRICE. Neb., March 28, 1890. Dr. L. P. Britt; Dear Sir: Indeed I must confess that I have acted in a most unbusiness-like manner, and in order to partially exonerate myself, must ask your patience in reading quite I have recommended them to all parties having horses boarding in the stable with us, but every one had a bit that they considered better, at a much cheaper cost—the J. I. C. bit. They think different now, after what might have been the death of my father-inhorses are very high-spirited and liable to run away at any time I took my father to drive with these horses. We met on the road a steam wood-sa -ing machine which they took fright at They seemed to leap through the ar My father was driving. I saw that they were getting the best of him, so I leaned ferward and took hold of the lines: but not until after the carriage had struck against a watering tank at the side of the road. I stopped them They have almost immediately. mouths like steel and it takes two good, strong men to hold them with any other bits. We all consider a runaway with your bits impossible. My saw, and felt that the bits had saved his life, and said that your name should be resounded throughout the length and breadth of the land, as he was satisfied that the bits were the only humane device by which the horses were checked, and as a token of esteem and high regard for you and the good work you are doing, he requested (before his death, which occurred on the 4th of this month, from heart trouble) that I send you the band of gold with glittering This, I hope, will in a measure genus. appeal to your patience with me for my excuses and delays 1 am, yours very truly, Mrs. D. W. Fritsby.

N. B. The band of gold was a ring containing ten diamonds and a sapphire. the original of which is on file at my office. Can anyone doubt the value and merit of the automatic safety bit? L. P. BRIFF, M. D.

# Stole Rather Than Beg.

NEVADA, Mo., April 5 .- A Mrs. Oli ver of Monte Valio township, this county, was arrested charged with atealing lard and chickens from a neighbor. Her defense was that the erime was a necessity, as she could get no work and had to steal, beg or starve. She would not beg.

Take the ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT.

# DEATH ON THE RAIL.

Mate Historial Dociety

PASSENGER AND FREIGHT COME TOGETHER.

## FOUR KILLED AND MANY INJURED

Glen Vernon, an Illinois Mining Village, the Scene of a Disastrous Wreck on the Jacksonville Southern Railroad-Caused by Negligence of Trainmen - A Disastrous Explosion.

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill., April 5 .- A berrible railroad accident occurred at \$:15 o'clock last night on the Jacksonville Southern railroad about three miles south of Edwardsville, near Glen Vernon, a mining village.

No. 29, a local freight going south, and No. 10, a passenger accommoda-tion going north, collided, completely wrecking the freight train, both engines and one passenger car. Four men were killed and a number of others seriously injured.

### A TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

An Engine of the Choctaw Coal and Railway Blows Up Killing Four Men. MCALESTER. Ind. Ter., April 5 .-Choctaw Coal and Railway company another page of this issue, of Dr. L. P.
Britt's automatic safety bit, a most humane device for subduing that most useful animal, the horse. By its use Henry Landis. The cause of the explosion is unknown. Several cars were

# IMPORTANT TO SETTLERS.

The Supreme Court Upholds the Court of Oklahoma in a Land Case.

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- The supreme court yesterday announced its construction of the proclamation by the president and the act of congress in 1889 opening to settlement the Creek Indian reservation in Oklahoma. They contained provisions that "any person who may enter upon any part of said lands prior to the time that the same are opened to settlement shall not be permitted to occupy or to make en-try of such lands or lay claim thereto."

Alexander F. Smith, a railroad employe living at Edmond station at the time the lands were opened, entered a quarter section; this right of entry was contested by Eddy B. Townsend and decided in his favor by the local land officer, but on appeal the commissioner of the general land office, the secretary of the interior and the district and the supreme court of Oklahoma successively affirmed Townsend's entry and Smith appealed to the supreme court of the United States. Justice Brewer announced the decision of the court in an opinion reviewing the facts and the law in the case, concluding with the statement that 'anyone who was within the territorial limits at the hour of noon on April 22, was, within both the letter and spirit of the state, disqualified to take a homestead there-Judgment of the Oklahoma supreme court affirmed.

# NO RACING FOR CLAIMS.

Secretary Smith Says the Opening Will Be Conducted On Another Plan. WASHINGTON, April 5 .- "Yes, we heard late Saturday," said Secretary Hoke Smith yesterday, "that the Cherokees had accepted the terms proposed for the purchase of the Cherokee outlet. The interior department is now bending every energy to the work of getting matters ready for the opening. Of course, I cannot say even approxi-mately just when there will be the opening, but this point I decided on. There will be no race for the land this time. The cripple on foot will stand equal show with the man the Kentucky thoroughbred. Every man shall have an equal chance with others and be absolutely prevented from getting anything better than an equal chance. Those men who have been spying about in the strip, scouting out the most eligible locations, will not profit by it nor stand any better chance than those who never saw or set foot on the land

"No, I cannot tell what method will oe adopted by the department in allowing settlers to select their locations. We have not got it thought out yet. But I am determined that it will not be the race-horse method.

# A Noted Rabbi Divorced.

Sr. Louis, Mo., April 5 .- In the circuit court here to-day a divorce was granted Rabbi W. H. Sonneschien, one of the murder of George Cameron, and the most prominent of his race and creed in this country, from his wife Resa Sonneschein, also prominent in Jewish and literary circles, now living in Chicago. Mrs. Sonneschein did not contest the decree, which was granted on the ground of abandonment.

BURNED FAR FROM LAND.

A British Steel Ship Destroyed in the Pacific-Stateen Men Missing.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5 .- The fourmasted steel ship King James, coal laden from Newcastle to San Francisco, has been burned at sea, 200 miles from San Francisco.

Yesterday a boat containing sixteen men from the ship landed at the Conception light house and are being cared for by the light keeper. They reported that March 19 a vapor was discovered arising from the hold of the ship and the hold grew gradually hotter. Water was poured down the hatchway, but without avail. For alevan days the grew fought the fire eleven days the crew fought the fire, but last Thursday a terrific explosion tore up the deck in all directions and flames shot high into the air.

flames shot high into the air.

The crew were forced to take to the boats and remained near the ships until Friday, when they started for Point Conception. The crew, thirty-two in all, occupied two boats. The captain took' thirteen men, two apprentices and his 16-year-old son. The first mate, two apprentices and thirteen men filled the other boat. Point Conception was 250 miles away and the ception was 250 miles away and the boats started for that point. Saturday a gale came up and separated the

The mate's boat arrived at Point Conception safely, but nothing has been seen of the captain's boat.

### MICHIGAN ELECTION.

Republicans Elect Their State Ticket. Gains in Democratic Centers.

DETROIT, Mich., April 5 .- Sufficient returns to base a reliable statement of yesterday's elections in the state have not been received, but there is no doubt of the election of Hoover, Republican, to the supreme bench by a plurality of 10,000 or over, and the publican candidates for regents

have won a still greater victory.

In the old Democratic stronghold, such as Wayne and Saginaw, the Republicans have made great gains. They have captured Grand Rapids, Ann Arbor, Manistee, Lansing and other cities formerly Democratic. The Democrats elect mayors at Ypsilanti and Port Huron, overturning Republican majorities. All the proposed constitutional amendments have undoubtedly carried, the opposition being inconsiderable.

A light vote was polled throughout the state, due to general apathy and bad weather. In this (Wayne) county the Republicans have apparently captured everything in sight.

# ALLEGHENY CITY ABLAZE.

Building After Building Swept by Fire-Factories and Dwellings Faring Alike. PITTSBURG, Pa., April 5 .- A big fire is raging on South Canal street, Allegheny. It started in Godfrey & Clark's warehouse, a four-story building, shortly after 3 o'clock and spread rapidly to Eberhardt & Ober's malt house. elevator and warehouse adjoining. At 3:30 o'clock these buildings were

still spreading, with a high wind blowing. The entire department is at work and Pittsburg has been asked for help. The loss to Godfrey & Clark is \$65,000 and Eberhardt & Ober \$100,000. At 3:40 p. m. the fire had spread to twelve duellings and all are burning.

entirely destroyed and the flames were

At 4:30 three other buildings were burning and the flames were spreading toward the river.

# A GREAT BANK COLLAPSES.

The Commercial of Australia Suspends-Branches at Many Points Affected.

MELBOURNE, April 5. - The Commercial bank of Australia has suspended payment and the shareholders have been summoned to consider personals for the reconstruction of the bank. The affairs of the concern have been in bad shape for some time and the collapse had been expected. The paid up capital of the bank was \$6,000,000, while the subscribed capital was \$15,000,000 and reserve fund \$3,750,000. The bank had branches in London, Edinburgh and Glasgow and in all the principal cities and towns in Australia

# WORSHIPERS KILLED.

Frightful Accident in a Russian Church

at Gudria During a Storm. VIENNA, April 5 .- A dispatch from Sofia states that a Russian church at Gudria, in the Caucusus, collapsed during a terrible storm and more than 100 worshipers were killed.

# Respite for Murderer Smith.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. April &-A telegram was received to-day announcing the fact that Governor Stone hed granted a respite until Friday, May 12, to Tom Smith, the negro who was to have been hanged next Tuesday for other negro.

New subscribers are coming in very rapidly considering the season of the