PITTISBURG, PENN., April 24.-The brotherhood railroad trainmen have take up the cause of the switchman. Various meetings were held throughout the city, but the most important was held by the brotherhood of trainmen, which takes in the brakemen, firemen, etc. They not only resolved to cling to the switchmen in their demands but also presented grievances of their own to be adjusted. In addition to the trouble now on hand, the car inspectors, freight handlers, car cleaners, clerks in the freight offices, and men employed in the transportation department will present in the morning a list of their grievances. The shopmen employed in the numerous shops about the city will also present certain demands. The situation tonight is all the more grave, in that the men have not been idle, while the railroad officials have up to tonight treated the demands of the men with something like indifference. Grand Master Wilke son says tonight they can call out 14,000 men if necessary and as the entire brotherhood is involved the strike will extend from New York on the east to New Orleans on the west.

Fell Through the Floor of a Burning

CHICAGO, ILL., April 24.-Five firemen were plunged through the floor of a burning building, and three were badly hurt. The fire started just before 2 o'clock in Edward Bodget's saloon and before the fire department arrived the first floor and wood work below were in flames. Headed by Captain Oscar Weisner the pipemen of engine company No. 42 rushed into the second story and directed their streams on the flames. Scarcely had they got to work when the floor gave way and five firemen were piled amid the blazing timbers in the basement. It did not seem possible that they could escape alive, but instantly six streams of water were turned into the debris and the work of rescue began. As soon as the flames were beaten back the imprisoned men were dragged into the street. Captain Weisner was severely burned about the head and neck and Pipeman Charles Heine was burned about the hips. William Callaghan was insensible from a blow on the head and is thought to be internally injured. The other two firemen es caped with but slight injuries.

CHICAGO, ILL., April 24.- A watchman near the Rush street bridge heard a splash in the water shortly before midnight last night, and running to the solved by the imposition of high rates wharf found a bat and bundle which probably belonged to the man who was in the water. Grappling irons were at once used, but the body could not be found. The hat left on the dock contained a card marked "C. R. Davidson with James A. Miller, insurance agents, 149 and 179 LaSalle street." A railroad ticket to Ravenswood was also in the hat. The bundle contained an old pair of shoes. The Rush street bridge tender had seen a drunken man carrying a package wandering about with two rough looking individuals about 11 o'clock. It looked to him as if the drunken man was being towed about by the two toughs for the purpose of getting a chance to rob him.

Shot his Victim.

Louisville, Ky., April 24.-A report comes from Cattlettsburg that Colonel W. S. Smith, manager of the lumber company near Pineville, shot and killed Frank Phillips. Philipps, when he first met Smith some weeks ago, charged him with being the man who, during the war, had his father arrested and sent to prison. This Smith denied and apparently satisfied Phillips. That night, however, Phillips sought out Smith's quarters and shot him while in bed, inflicting a painful but not dangerous wound. When Smith recovered he got from Govenor Fleming of West Virginia requisition on Govenor Buckner for Phillips's arrest. Under authority of Governor Buckner Smith attempted to arrest Phillips, when the latter was killed.

To Consider the Secret Lodge System. CHICAGO, April 23. -A national convention to consider the secret lodge sys-tem opened in West Madison hall today, Prof. Henry C. King of Oberlin college presiding. A large number of delegates are in attendance. The opening hour was occupied with devotional exercis The convention has been called because to quote one of its promoters, "during the past year events of national import ance have fixed the attention of people as never before, upon the extent and power of the secret lodge system. The Grosin murder in Ceicago, the investi-gation of Mormon acts in Salt Lake City and the uprising against Jesuit inton have been a new revel m to the multitudes of the danger lurking in this system.

New York, April 24.— Editor Edwin his of the evening Post waived

## FIRE RACING.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 22.- A tele phone message was received last night about 9:30 o'clock from Harrodsburg saying that a fire was raging which threatened to destroy the business portion of the town. It is impossible tell the extent of the damages. It originated in Cardwell's drug store and opera house, and quickly spread to adjoining buildings, completely distroying the following: A. Bedwise's restaurant, no insurance; Matteny & Potet, dry goods, total loss; H. J. Woods, confectionery, partial loss; G. C. Bottoms, sa loon, total loss; Hanford, James & Co., dry goods, complete lose; Smith & Witherspoon, drugs, complete loss.

These business houses are situated on the east side of Main street. The fire then spread to the west side completely destroying J. Gladscomb's saloon, Henry Morgan's barber shop, the Western Union telegraph effice and about five other buildings in the block were burned. It is supposed that the opera Louse was set on fire by small boys. The loss

will reach \$100,000 ar \$150,000. At 1:45 this morning word was re ceived that the fire was under control having burned all within its reach. No Cefinite news can be learned of the fire but it is reported that half of the town troduced the same bill in the senate. is burned.

It can be Remedied.

NEW YORK. April 22. Secretary Rush is about to issue an address to the farmers of the country explaining how the depression in agriculture can be remedied. He attributes the present state of affairs in part to the carelessness in culture and says that in these days of world wide competition a successful farmer must be as well trained and care ful in business as the stock operator and his equal in intelligence and generaledu-

The secretary also thinks that the farmer does not study the market reports as carefully as he should, and recommends that he avail himself of the information supplied by the agricultural departments. He thinks that farmers should not acquire more land than they can profitably cultivate.

After touching on the question of mortgages, transportation, middle men, gambling in farm products and combinations to control the market, the secre tary makes a long argument in favor of higher duties on farm products. He gives tables to show that our imports of agricultural products amount to \$266 -273,738, the greater part of which probably \$250,000,000 might be with prope encouragement produced on our own soil. He thinks that the problem can be of duty on agricultural products.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 24.-Fire was

Paul street at 2:30 this morning and an street and the Happ block and New Osborne house caught fire simultaneously, but by the good work of the fire department the flames were prevented from doing much damage on that side of the street. The total loss is estimated at \$170,000, distributed as follows: Wagner building owned by John G. Wagner, \$50,000; Weaver, Thomas & Eddy, coffees, teas and spices, \$8,000; Langstow, Fowler & Co., furniture manufacturers, \$25,000; J. W. Nailer, shoe 220,000.

Oklahoma's Anniversary. KANSAS CITY, KAS., April 24.-A year ago yesterday Oklahoma became part of the public domain. The anniversary of the event was celebrated throughout the country. In every city public meetings were held to give expression to the feelings of the settlers.
At Oklahoms City, instead of rejoicing. there was mourning over the death of Captain Couch. His funeral occurred at noon, and brought together a large concourse of people. Today had been decided upon by the "Cherokee boomers" as a fitting time to move on the Cherokee strip. No raid occurred, however, the settlers having detirmined to obey President Harrison's order and keep off the Indian lands until formally opened to settlement by congress.

Over Fifty Acres of Timber Destroyed. HARBOR CITY, N. J., April 24 .- Over fifty acres of heavy timber have been iestroyed by the forest fires which is raging about two miles from this place and over 600 acres of pine have been laid in ashes. It is supposed the fire was started by a band of gypsies who located there. The flames are progres northward but have passed this s and clouds of smoke are seen rising in the direction of Elwood at which point great damage is being done.

NASAUA, N. H. April 24.-A cyclor onsiderable violence swept over the outhern part of Litchfield township Monday afteenoon. The Iwath of the orm was two rods wide and cut a cl ond. Very listle of value was in the form except a corn barn which was recited and a number of out buildings hick were shaken or overturned. A to eld was slightly in jured.

City of Mexico, Mex., April 23.-At the conclusion of a bull light at Guad aljars on Sunday a part of the amphitheatre collapsed, precipitating thous ands of spectators to the ground. The scene which followed was terrible Those who had not been hurt by the fall, trampled over hundreds of the bruised and injured, intensifying their suffering. The police, with the aid of the uninjured spectators, succeeded in rescuing the wounded from beneath the debris. While no deaths are reported many persons have received injuries which may prove fatal.

faced to Grant Retail Liquor Licence WASHINGTON, Pa., April 22 -In court here today Judge McIlvaine, in a lengthy decision refused to grant retail liquor license in this county. The county has been prohibition for the last twenty-five years and much effort has been made to secure a license law. It is said that C. A. Bailey of the Hotel Main will appeal to the supreme court.

To Increase Silver Bullion. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22 .- Mr. Dorsey of Nebraska introduced a joint resolution in the house this morning directing the secretary of the treasury to ncrease the silver bullion purchases to the maximum amount authorized by the laws of February 18 1878. The res

olution was referred. Mr. Plumb in

Negotialations are still Pending. CHICAGO Ill., April 22.-Yesterday wa an extremely quiet day with the striking carpenters. Some few employers were reported to have men at work tak ing advantage of the fact that on Sunday the strikers would stay at home and make no attempt to keep them from working. Negotiations are still pending between the council and the new bo ses' association and the outcome is uncertain. Another conference is to be held this afternoon between the asso cirtion committee and the carpenters' council, but it is hard to predict the outcome of the conference-

## LABOR'S DISCONTENT.

NEW YORK, April 24.—The local semblies of the Knights of labor along the line of the New York Central rail road have been talking for more than week of striking because of grievances against Theodore Voorhes, the general superintendent. Officials of the road have uniformly denied that there was any cause for a strike or any expectation of it, but leaders of local assemblies keep on talking strike all the same mployers who are enrolled in these assemblies on this end of the line are mainly switchmen and train hands with, it is said a few firemen. The latest of these assemblies to move in the matter is local assembly 692 whose members are employed at the Grand Central Stadiscovered in the Wagner block on St. tion here. According to its officers the tention and that of other employes to begin a general strike unless their demand was complied with.

The statement of grievances drawn up at this meeting asserts that superintendent Voorhes has systematically reduced the working force of the road and thereby crippled its efficiency and done great injury in many individual cases Kirk, shoe manufacturers, \$48,000; L. B. | They cite one instance where, early in April Mr. Voorhes ordered a discharge of a flagman named Coagrove, who for a long time has been stationed in Rock madufacturer, \$13,000; E. E. Maller, cut near Garrison's Point. At 4 o'clock New Osborne house, \$20,000; John Hapn, the next morning a rock weighing 25,000 pounds fell into the cut upon the tracks. Congrove aroused his wife and sent her in her night clothes to Garrison's to warn the express train which was about due, while he started in the opposite direction to stop the freight train. He did not succeed in stopinig the fre.ight and a wreck of fifteen cars was the result. His wife stopped the express train, however. General Manager Toucey sent Mrs. Cossgrove a check for \$100 and reinstated her husband for life. The men declare that Voorhes has reduced the running force between New York and Buffalo more than 400 men? The number of flagmen they say has been reduced one third. President Depew says the reductions are only those made every spring and Mr. Voorhee is only carrying out the orders of his superior.

> No News Received. New York, April 24.—No news been received at the Herald office of the alleged accident to James Gorden Bennett's yacht Namounia, which is described in the cable dispatch published here this morning. The dispatch, which is dated from Nice says the Namouniawas struck by a violent storm in China see and three of her crew dashed overboard and that the yacht succeeded in getting to a small Chinese pors where she now is and Mr. Bennett himself was on board. Mr. Bennett was at Cairo when last heard from about two weeks ago. He was then either with his yacht or about to join

Shopper—You may give me a dollar's worth of those strawberries, please.

Dealer-Sorry, ma'am, but we don't slice strawberries. I'll sell you a whole one for \$1.50— New York Sun.

## STATE NEWS.

NEBRASKA.

A new building association is being organized at Hebron.

Tennis will be the favorite game Hastings this summer.

A Jefferson county farmer has planted twenty-five acres of corn.

The Hastings incane asylum will soon eceive thirty-five more patients. It is reported that hog cholera has

made its appearance in Holt county. A grain buyer at Hebron has bought 220,000 bushels of corn since November. Valley county has had four suicides since February 1, two women and two

A branch of the state business men's ably good. asociation has been organized at West

Editor Hamilton of the Plainview Herald has been appointed marshall of that town.

A republican City man has commended the manufacture of "lemon beer" in wholesale quantities.

The trial of E. Rosewathr of the Omaha Bee for disturbing Helen E. Gougar's meeting, commenced at Tekamah yesterday.

The Hemmingford Headlight says: Our country has had the best wetting during the past ten days that it has ever received since it was settled. The Davenport creamery manufac-

tured and shipped 231,750 pounds of butter from April 1 1889 to April 1 1890. How is that for local manufactory. The boiler and iron for the water works standpipe at Minden have arrived

and every thing is being put in readiness to crowd the work as fast as possible. A prominent merchant of Brownwell by the name of Nase, as the result of la grippe, after being able to be up and around, died very suddenly Saturday

At Chadron the other day a petition asking the continuance of the tariff on sugar was hurridly circulated and received fifty signatures in a short time.

John Harris of Garrison was attacked and severely bitten by an enraged stal hon the other day, and would heve been killed had not assistants come to his rescue.

The Stromsburg Republican says that the report of the Odd Fellows of that place will build a new hall in the near future is erroneous. Osceola is the place to have said building.

State papers are calling the attention of township assessors to the law passed by the legislature of 1889, exempting all persons drawing pensions from the government from poll tax.

Among the labor saving devices which have recently come under the notice of the editor of the Sargent Times is the plan of hitching a harrow to a sulky and riding on the sulky while harrowing.

Monday morning fire broke out among the cribs and elevators of McAleer sasembly last Sunday voted substantial- Bros. at Ansley and before it could be hour later the south end of the block ly to demand a dismissal of Superin- extinguished distroyed the entire plant, Loss about\$10,000.

> During the mining excitement in Keya Pana county the people of Springview are determined not to be in the rear. A man named Tarket found a general. finespecimen of silver bearing rock in his cellar a few days ago.

Quong Lee, a Chinese laundryman of Plattsmouth sent for his wife and children and when they arrived at San Francisco last week the custom house [Henry Hilton and Joseph Waters, theofficials refused them admittence and he is out \$195 as a consequence.

Steps are being taken looking to sale of the York college property to the Ursuline Sisters of Peoria, Ill. If the property falls into the hands of this order, as it doubtless will, a college and good one will be started at ouce.

Two boys named Brown and McMullen while herding cattle near Shelton ate what they supposed were artichokes but which proved to be something of a pois onous nature, resulting in the death of Brown. McMullen received medical assistance and recovered.

The sheep at the corral are being sheared and the clip represents a nice Minden Gazette. Say there are 3,000 slight. sheep, averaging five pounds of wool at wenty cents a pound. The profit from wool alone amounts to at least \$3,000.

The Fairbury Gazette tells tell this Two of William Tonnemaker's boys, who live east of town a few miles, went out gunning last Saturday and killed wenty-one rattle snakes, some of them having from twelve to eighteen rattles nevertheless.

John Rystrom who was accidentally shot in the knee, died at his home in Stromsburg ten days after the accident the direct cause of his death being hem orrhage. The deceased was a native of Sweden and one of the oldest settlers in the county. He leaves a wife and four

It is claimed that more forest trees are shipped by Jefferson county nurseries than from any other county in the union. Boeley & Krider have shipped 2,000,000 trees this spring. Carpenter & Gage about 28,000,000, Hurlbert & Jack-

Red Cloud has been called to mourn the death of one of her oldest residents. having resided in Red Cloud for twenty years and supposed to be one-hundred years of age, says the Superior Journal. It was a parrot owned by one Dr. Tulley. This parrot was years ago owned by Spaniards and when brought to the above city conversed in Spanish altogether. Americanized and at the time of its death was quite a fluent talker of the English language, and was one of the most valuable birds of that kind in

COLORADO.

America.

Work is progressing rapidly on th state ditch at Canon City.

The mining prospects for the season about Ouray are reported to be remark-

J. M. Button of Cleveland, O., is in Trinidad negotiating for the rolling mill of that city.

The county comissioners of Larimer

have appropriated \$750 in aid of the next annual fair in that jurisdiction. F. L. Williams pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery at Golden and was sentenced to six years in the peniten-

tincy. The commissioners of Cheyenne county appropriated \$250 out of its contine gent fund to be used in advertising its

J. F. O'Donnell has purchased a one fifth interest in the Muscovite lode mining claim in the Cascade mining district; consideration, \$10,000.

The Las Animas county farmers' alliance is in favor of the Australian system of voting and nator Stanford's government land loan scheme.

its county, with 200 never failing artesian wells and a heavy snowfall in the over the question of irrigation.

The new flouring mill at Meeker is nearly ready for business. It is 125x100 feet, three stories high, and built entirely by local subscription. It is filled up with a complete flour mill system of machinery by Allis & Co., of Milwaukee, and has a capacity of from fifty to seventy-five barrels per day.

President Chauvena of the state school of mines recently made an analysis of samples of the newly discovered coal near La Le Veta, and in the report said: "The composition is nearly that of the true anthracite. It may in fact be classed as anthracite, though higher in volatile matter than the anthracites of Pennsylvania."

Kansas,
The output of the Pitteburg smelters last week was 22614 toos.

The Harper state bank of Harper has been organized with a capital of \$50,000 Work has been commenced on the tracks of the Pittsburg electrical railroad company.

William Gastine, aged sixty, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary by judge Foster at Topeka Saturday for fraudulently obtaining a pension.

Reports continue to come into Atchison to the effect that wheat in that vicinity is being destroyed by worms, although the destruction is said not to be

Anson Elliot, who was brought back to Council Grove to answer to the charge of forging his uncle's name to a \$500 note was bound over to the district court at an examination Saturday.

ological students, and George Chalmers and William Higgins, literary students have been expelled from Garfield university at Wichita for unbecoming conduct. A fellow student acted as a spy. James Garreit, serving a six years' term in the Leavenworth penitentiary from Topeka, Kas., was found dead in his cell. The deceased was subject to fits, and it is supposed his death is the

Burglars broke open the safe of E. B Robinson, lumber dealer at Olathe, Saturdsy night, but secured nothing. They then broke open the safe of M. R. Harris, another lumber dealer, where they got \$15. Three tramps have been ar sum of money for the owners, says the rested on suspicion, but the clue is

result of one of these

Cargo Taken Away .

New York, April 23. -The Inman steamer City of Berlin arrived Sunday and in a hurry to unload, commenced work this morning without a permit from the custom house. Two inspectors were present but allowed the work to go on. A large amount of the cargo was taken away before the custom house aunesc This is a snake story, but true, thorities discovered it, when they immedistely seized the vessel. The inspec tors were suspended. The penalty for the offence is forfeiture of the goods and a heavy fine. The City of Berlin will be tained until the case is settled.

Under Pales Pretons

WHEATLAND, CAL., April 23 .- Detecive Bradshaw of Iowa arrested this evening Aaron Smith of Des Moines, Is., on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. Smith owned a few head of fore leaving sold the stock to four different parties , taking their notes for the same. He discounted the notes and re-alized \$1,100, with which he and his famson, S. M. Barnes, George Galbraith and alized \$1,100, with which he and his fam-discharged. His attorney will demand ity came to California. Bradebaw starts a trial for him on the bease stealing for Iows with his prisoner tonight.

## TRAIN WRECKED

The Switch Rall had been Unbelt

Des Morses, Ia., April 23.- The midnight eastbound Rock Island pe train was wrecked last night at East Phirtsenth street, and several persons njured, one seriously. The a occurred at the switch of the Winterset branch and was undoubtedly the result of malice. The switch rail had been unbolted from the bar which holds it so the switch could be thrown without moving the signal standard. An iron bar was fastened through the bolt hole in the rail so that it could be pulled by a man standing by the side of the track. The fact that the engine and the first cars passed safely over the switch, shows that the rails were not moved till they passed. The first cars behind the smoker was thrown from the track and upturned. It was deposited on the side and badly smashed. The front trucks of the next coach left the track and also that of another. One of the cars was thrown

There were eight or ten passengers in the smoking car and all of them were more or less injured. One of them was A. Trimmer of Anita. He was badly cut about the head and somewhat bruised. A man, William Piper, a former brakeman of the Rock Island. was found lying by the track. His head was bruised and cut and he was injured internally. Among the passengers in the sleeper were two ladies who were badly bruised. They were Mrs. E. M. Post of Omaha, whose leg. shoulder and arms were bruised, and Miss Carrie Schaff, who was on her way from a visit The Saguache Seatinel thinks that in Omaha to her home in Adrion, Mich. Other passengers were jammed promiscously among the seats and against mountains, has no occasion to worry the sides and top of the car, but no one was badly hurt

> The Pan-American Tour. ATLANTA, Ga., April 23.-The Consti-

ution says that the crowd from Washington on the southern pan-American tour was made up merely of the private clerks and the valets of the delegates and that the failure of the principals to come saves the people here some embaressment. The same journal censures Secretary Blaine for leaving the south out of the original programme when the delegates were really in the party. Quarries Started.

JOLIET, Ill., April 23.-A general lay off of quarrymen in the Des Plaines quarries was started yesterday in consequence of the carpenters' strike, Sanger & Moody leading by laying off 100 men. It will extend to all quarries and materially affect other business which depends upon carpenter wor . In the progress of general building.

seavilla Chosen Minister of the Interior NEW YORK, April 23.-Messrs C. R. Flint & Co. received the following cable from Buenos Ayres this afternoon: Sesvilla has been chosen minister of the interion; Virburu, minister of finance; Alcorta, minister of agriculture; Leaville, minister of war; Sarnz Pena, minister of foreign affairs. Mr. Pens is delegate from the Argentine Republic to the Pan-American conference

Railroad Difficulties Unsettled New York, April 22 .- The railroad difficulties here are still unsettled. It has been decided to order a strike at 6 o'clock next Tuesday evening if the railways do notmean while make satisfactory conces sions. This statement is made on authority of the grand vice chief of the Federal Order of Rairroad Employee, who says the strike will extend from New York to Chicago.

Everything Working Smoothly. WASHINGTON, D. C. April 22.-Assisant Secretary Tichenor and Solicitor lepburn have returned from New York where they have been visiting for several days past putting the new emigraion machinery into operation. Colonel Tichenor says everything is working smoothly and satisfactorily and when the new force are thoroughly familiar with their duties, business will be transacted more extensively and more speedily than under the old employes and old

Admitted to Ball WASHINGTON, D. C. April 22 .- Chief Justice Bingham of the supreme court of the District of Columbia today admitted C. E. Kincaid to bail in the sum of \$20,000. Kincaid has been confined in jail for some time past charged with the murder of ex Representative Taul-

Fire in Moline Buggy Works MOLINE, ILL., April 22. - A fire started n the wood working department of the Moline buggy company at 3 o'clock yes-terday afternoon, and after destroying t and the blacksmith shop agreed to the wood work department of the Sechier carriage company, which was also seriously damaged. The loss is \$20,000, covered by insurance.

Been in Jail; Kloven Me CHICAGO, Ill., April 22.- Frank Woodruff was formally discharged from the indictment for complicity in the mur-der of Dr. Cronin, in Judge Howe's court yesteday The fact that stock in Des Moines and on the day be-been in jail eleven months and ore leaving sold the stock to four differ-that three full terms of court have passed since he demanded a sepecate trial was the ground on which he was charge at this term of court.