The First Democrat

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 12.-Goveror Altgeld, the first democrat to occupy the executive chair of Illinois forty years, was inducted into office at 2 o'clock yesterday. The ceremony took place in the representative hall before both houses of the

legislature. The governor in his inaugural ddress recommended the immediate repeal of the present compulsory education act and the enactment of a measure lacking the offensive features of the existing law; that the pocketing of interest on public moneys be stopped and the payment of officials for their services by a per cent of the amount of money they handle; the elimination of partisanship from the mangement of the state public institutions; arbitration in the cases of strikes and lockouts; a policy that will tend to the building of good roads in every county in the state; the establish ment of many industries for such employment of convict labor as will interfere as little as possible with the markets and outside labor and industries, and more thorough legislation against the employment of child labor in factories and shops. It is estimated that over 30,000 people were present from all parts of the state to celebrate the event of inaugurating the executive.

Saved From Lynching

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan., 12. - A special to the News from Chestertown Md., says that four of the eight negroes under sentense to be hanged on Friday, have been respited. As soon as the report became current, the lynching spirit, which has been so manifest, but held in check by the belief that Governor Brown would not interpose, asserted itself, and it is stated that there will be trouble. Governor Brown is in Baltimore, but he declined an interview until later.

WILMINGTON, Del., Jan. 12 .- The Every Evening has received the

that Governor Brown sent iceboat interpreted as meaning that the Latrobe and fifty militiamen to patient was better than he had been the boys sentenced to be hung. when Dr. Johnson left him his con-Excitement runs high." It is presumed the four boys have had their expected. He continued to take sentense commuted, and they were nourishment. While he was willing to tynching.

Hung Himself.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 12.-Abel Powell, a convict at the penitentiary committed suicide yesterday by hanging. The man was confined in "the solitary" at the time. When put in solitary confinement the pr soners are usually, as was Powell, yesterday, hand cuffed. A rope is attached to the the early part of the night. cuffs and one end fastended to the wall of the cell. Powell got the rope loose from the cuffs, and out of this made the noose with which he strangled himkeeper soon after the act was com-This keeper talked to him about half an hour before, and Warden Mallon had seen and talked with him but a short time previous to that,

Powell was employed in the cooper shop, and while he had not been regarded as a desperate man, he was stubborn. When he talked to the warden yesterday he told him that he was undergoing punishment for 'loose He said he could not make the hoops tighter, when the warden tried to get him to say he would do so. The coroner was notified, and late yesterday afternoon impaneled a jury and inquired into the cause of death. The verdict was returned in accordance with the above. No blame was attached by the coroner to the officials or Warden Mallon, and nobody regrets the unfortunate affair more than the latter gentleman. Powell was 23 years old and was received at the penitentiary last June. He was indited in the Douglas county district court of purglary and sentenced for three years.

LARMIE, Wyo., Jan. 12.- There was a riot at the state penitentiary at 6 o'clock ast evening. Six desperate characters ng conducted from the broom op to their cell rooms, when Tom en, a seven year man, sent up from at county for grand larceny, at-Warren Briggs who was standng at the doorway and exclaimed: -, we are not going to stay more any longer." At the same instant another of the gang, named Archer, who served a term in the Lincoln penatlary under the name of McCo alt him a' powerful blow on the side of the bead, knocking him prosts se entire six then started riggs when Guard Steward and Ed n, a son of the lesses of the "pen, und on the scene with Winchester of lifing on the rioters, four led to their cells, but Madd ot through the right side and y wounded, while Archer susflesh wound in the right

Blains Botween Life and De WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan 11-1 o'clock Doctors Johnson and Hyatt gave out a statement reciting that "lifr, Blaine passed a comfortable day until 6 o'clock last evening when he became not so well, and he is still losing

strength." The family were gathered in the reception room just across the hall from the sick man's chamber. fearing the worst and receiving no comfort or encouragement from the physicians. As the hours were away, however, Mr. Blaine maintained about the same degree of vitality, and seemed to rally slightly. The doctors informed the family that their patient was sleeping quistly and there were no in-dications of immediate dissolution, and advised them to retire. They did so. and Dr. Hyatt went home, leaving Dr. Johnson in charge of the patient, Dr. Johnson left the house for his own home to gain a few nours' needed rest. Before leaving to made the following statement:

"Since I o'clock Mr. Haine has rested fairly well. He has dept almost continuously, and is now more comfortable These is no immediate danger of

Joseph A. Manley of Agusta Me., who came to Washington to see Mr. Blaine, walked over to the Arlington. on the way he told a reporter that Mr. Blaine had passed a peaceful night. The family was encouraged by the marvelous recovery, under conditions which seemed to prelude hope. Mr. Manley said he believed it possible for Mr. Blaine to live several weeks yet, but admitted that the circumstances of the case were so he might die at any time.

Senators Fry and Chandler and Congressmen Boutelle and Hitt were among the callers, and all reported Mr. Blaine as resting very comfortably. No hope is, however, held; by the family that the improved condition of Mr. Blaine is anything more than a temporary suspension of the ravages of the disease, that must sooner later end in dissolution.

Dr. Johnson returned to the house and remained with Mr. Blaine half an following special from Clayton, Del.; hour. As he left the house he said Mr. "Information just received stating Blaine was better, and that was to be Chestertown, and carried away Hurtt, at any time since the last relapse, Mr. Emery, Benson and Bainard, four of Blaine was resting very comfortable taken away to save them from state that Mr. Blaine's condition showed improvement, he would not go so far as to as-ert that improvement would be maintained.

Dr. Hyatt called and remained with the sick man for an hour. When he emerged from the house he said that Mr. Blaine had rallied from the relapse that occurred at midnight and he believed him to be practically the same condition as that noted during

Big Fire in Beston.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 11.—Three alarms have been running in for a large fire in the buildings 217 to 219 self. He was found by the cell house Federal street. Height Bros. & Co. Corshl & Co., wool, and Patterson Bros.' market, occupy the building.

Later-The firemen are battling fiercely with the flames, but, despite heir efforts, the fire is spreading south and east, and promises to be an extensive conflagration. The loss will be large. Ladderman Filzerald of company 6

was seriously injured srom an electric wire. District Chief Mullen of South Boston has been buried under the walls of Height Bros,' building, and it is reported that four firemen have been crushed in a similar manner. It is now known that five men are in

jured but none killed. The fire burned over 25,000 feet of land. Height Bros. loss, it is estimated, will reach \$75,000, and the aggregate loss \$1,000,000. The fire started in Height Bros. from, it is said, the explosion of a boiler. The flames spread rapidly along Federal to Sumper street and as a result eight or ten buildings are badly damaged and several others completely burned out. District Chief Mullen fell from a ladder and was badly injured.

Murder and Arson.

CCTTOR PLANT, Ark., Jan. 11.-The odies of Reuben Atkinson, his house keeper and child were found yesterday in the ashes of their home, three miles south of here. They had been murdered by negro cotton pickers and the ouse set on fire to hide evidence of the crime. Last night Paul Stubbs and Henry Aller were arrested on suspicion and the latter made a confession stating that Stubbs planned the murder for the purpose of securing \$600 which Atkinson had in the house. The feeling against Stubbs and Aller is running high, and this scarcely possible they will escape lynching.

Credit Foncier Declining. PARIS, Jan. 11.—The Bourse is very much depressed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., San. 10.—Dr. Charles Eastman, the Indian whom Elaine Goodali married, and who is eleian at l'ine Ridge, is in pecause he has been ordered

PARIS, Jan. 10.-The new proc peneral W. Tennon, has summoned thirty-one witnesses for the great Panama trial which began today. The parties on trial are: M. Charles De Lesseps, director of the Panama Canal company; M. Marius Fontane secretary general of the company; M. Gustave Eiffel, the distinguished engineer. Charles De Lesseps caused three English directors of the Suez Canal company to be summoned as witnesses in his behalf. The indicement against the accused charges that Charles De Lesseps Fontane and Co tu have employed fraudulent means to pursuade people to believe in the fallacious enterprises and imaginary influences of credit, thus causing divers persons to remit subscriptions that would not otherwise have been given. The accused are also charged with misappropriating, or expending with a view to prejudice the intere ts of the bondholders, effects and money given into their charg, as trust deposits for specific purposes. M. Gustave Eiffel is indicted as an accomplice in the alleged swindling operations, and is accused of having received a share of the sums of money unlawfully procured from the public.

Placting the Pre ident.

TOPEKA, Kas., Jan. 10.—The ten Weaver and Field presidential electors who cast their votes yesterday were elected by a plurality of 5,874 over the Harrison electors. The popular vote for Weaver and Field was 163,111; for Harrison and Reid, 152,237; for the third party prohibition candidate, 4,-549. There were no Cleveland and Stevenson electors nominated, the democrats voting for Weaver and Field

St. Paul. Minn., Jan. 10 .- The nine republican presidential electors met in the governor's office at noon yesterday and cast their votes for Benjamin Harrison. The popular vote was Harrison, 122,736; Cleveland, 100,579 Weaver, 30,308; Bidwell, 14,079.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 10 .- Twentytwo members of the Ohio electoral college voted for Benjamin Harrison for president and one for Grover Cleve land. The highest vote cast by the respective political parties at the presi uential election in November was: Republican, 405,187; democratic, 404,115. prohibition, 26,012, people's party, 14,-

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 10,-Th twenty-four electors of the state of Illinois met at noon yesterday and cast their votes for Cleveland and Stevenson. The popular vote was: Cleveland, 326,281; Harrison, 299,288; Bidwell, 25,-870; Weaver, 22,207.

Very Poor Marksmanship

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 10 .- The case o. Seth G. Morgan, formerly business manager of the Davenport, (Ia)Gazette. accused of criminally assaulting little Bessie Montgomery in his law office in this city, culminated yesterday after. noon in a shooting affair, the father of the wronged girl firing three shots at Morgan, none of which took effect.

Montgomery is in jail and Morgan has disappeared. Morgan was arrested on a charge of criminal assault on the When officers went to Montgomery office, they found the young girl there and the story as published in the morning so wrought up Mr. Montgomery that he took a revolver and started out to kill Morgan. But for his poor aim a tragedy would have resulted. The town of Highlands in which the parties live is terribly worked up over the affair, and Morgan will not dare to show himself there, in the present candition of the public mind.

Convicts Kacane

ATANTA, Ga., Jan. 10,-One of the most sensational escapades in the history of the Georgia convict lease system occured at Coal City Thursday night. It is a mystery that has completely baffied thepenitentiary officials. When the convicts were called out missing. There seems to be absolutely no trace as to how they gained their freedom. Lansdowne was a member of the famous band of murderers and incendiaries known as Honest Men's Friends and Protectors. His brother was killed in an attempted escape from the penitentiary a year ago.

Collided with an Engine

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 10 .- Five perons were injured at a late hour Sunday night in a collision of a street car and a New York, Pennsylvania & Ohio locomotive at the Union street crossing. A Newburg motor line car going toward the city was crossing the track at a high rate of speed. The approach to the track on Union street at that point is down grade. The motor man lost control of the car on account of the slippery condition of the rails and it dashed into a freight engine, which was crossing Union street. The motor car was badly wrecked.

Fighting Organied Labor

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 10 .- The anagement of the Vandalia railros ermined to follow the example of the Pennsylvania and discharge all reight handlers who refuse to leave beir unions. B. F. Kenedy, chairman Oity Freight Agent Perry, who disharged the men, says that all the milar policy and that a determine and is to be made against every dis

CHESTERTOWN, Md., Jan. 14 .-Charles Brooks, Moses Brown, Flotcher Hugh Dempsey, district master work-Williams and Frisby Comegys, the man of the Knights of Labor; J. M. murderers of Dr. J. H. Hill, were Davidson and Robert Beatty, charged

nanged here at noon yesterday. Contrary to what was generally ex-pected by every one, Chestertown, outside of the jail precincts, passed a quiet and an uneventful night. The streets of the little city were almost entirely deserted, except by the posse sum-moned a coup e of days ago by Sheriff l'iummer. These guards, in twos aud threes, armed with guns, rifles and pistols, patrolled the streets nearly all ight long, and until the execution took place. Business during the morning was almost entirely suspended. But the streets were crowded with sleighs and other vehicles filled with merry couples who did not seem to have a thought of the four miserable. wretches confined in the damp basement cells at the jail. Efforts were made during the night by Samuel F. Hill and Walter F. Hill, the father and brother of Dr. Hill, and others to seek confessions from the four negroes, but each man stuck to his story and absolutely denied all knowledge of the crime.

Shortly after 11 o'clock Sheriff Plum-

mer began the first preparation for the executions. The members of the posse who were inside the jail, the reporters and the twenty witnesses allowed by law, crowded into the corrider, where they were admonished by the sheriff to get ready. Watchman Stocks opened the four doors and two deputies entered each cell and handcuffed and pinioned its occupant. The sheriff then ordered the crowd in the corridor to stand back and the short march to the scaffold commenced. Brooks led, with Comegys next, followed by Williams and Moses Brown. The sheriff was waiting on the scaffold for the men and he silently motioned each of them to his position. The heavy awkward looking cotton nooses with their tremendous hangman's knots were soon arranged about the necks of four men after the black caps had been pulled over their faces and their legs bound at the ankles. At 12:30 o'clock the bar controlling the triggers slipped easily along the greased surface. There was a crash as the battoned trap doors fell to the ground and four black bodies shot through the holes. Four murderers of Dr Hill had expiated their crime on the gallows.

HISTORY OF THE MURDER OF DR. HILL On Sunday night, April 23, 1892, while Dr. Hill was on his way in his road cart to visit a sick child a few miles from Millington, his cart was stopped by a band of negroe men and boys. Two of the boys, Frisby omegys and Perry Bradshaw, held the horse. Charles Brooks struck the; doctor on the side of the head with a large stone and Fletcher Williams stabbed him in the neck. His unconcions body was found face down in the road cart by Moses Brown,' Williams and Brooks. The head was shoved under an iron brace and the horse was turned loose in the road and struck several blows to make him run away in order to give the impression that the doctor's death was due to the runaway. The horse after running four miles, turned around and returned to girl sworn out by Miss Montgomery. his stable, where he pawed the ground He was soon after released on bail until Mrs. Hill was attracted by the his stable, where he pawed the ground and going out to cause of the disturbance, found her husband in the wagon as before described, unconclous and dying.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 14.-Interest in the rial of Master Workman Hugh F. Dempsey, who is charged with administering poison to non-union Homestead steel workers, is increasing, and the court room was thronged yesterday morning. George W. Amy, Harry P. Thompson, and L. H. Craig, who had worked in the Homestead mills, and were compelled to return to their nomes on account of sickness, were the first witnesses examined. symptoms were exactly similar. All were treated by Dr. J. L. Campbell, who, being sworn, testified that he had yesterday Scab Lansdowne and six at first treated the men for diarrhoes, other prisoners were found to be The treatment not being successful, he made a more careful diagnosis, and changed the remedies to those used in cases of mineral poison, and the men began to improve, They are not re-stored to health yet. The doctor was certain that the men had been dozed with poison,

Terribly Burned

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 14.-Three perribly burned in a mail fire at 36 Market place yestesday morning. The place was occupied by Rudolph Hirt, the lower floor of the two-story frame building being used two-story frame building being used as a produce store and the upper flooras the residence of Mr. Hirt. The Family consisted of Mr. Hirt, and his wife, three children, his wife's mother and wife's sister. The fire started from the explosion of an oil stove. All the inmates had escaped with the exception of the youngest child. Mr. and Mrs. Hirt rushed into the house and rescued the child, but in doing so Mr. Hirt was fatally burned. Mrs. Hirt and the child was also badly burned.

Governor Turney Very III.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 14 .- There is serious doubt whether Chief Justice Peter Turney, governor-elect of Tennessee, will be able to leave his me in Winchestr and come to Nashrille next Monday to be inaugurated. He is slowly recovering from his serious illness. In the house yesteray a resolution was offered to appoint committee to go to Winchester next forday to be present while the gover-or is sworn at his home by the

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan 13.—The trial of with poisoning non-union workmen in the Homestead steel mill during last August, began here yesterday in a crowded court room. Beatty is accused of having arranged with Davidson and other cooks at the mill to administer the poison, which, it is alleged Dempsey furnished. The serious charge of having procured and dis-bursed the money used in the furtherance of the scheme is also put upon Dempsey. When court opened, Judges Stagle and Stowe were on the bench. Attorneys Porter and Marshall, for the defense, put in a strong plea for post-ponement of the case on account of the absence of important witnesses, but Judge Stowe was inflexible and ordered the trial to proceed. The first case taken up was that of Dempsey. Mr. Breck, who is associated with the district attorney, opened for the prosecution. At the start he said there were a few cases of sickness, but after July 26 there was a marked increase, and on september 8 the sick rate rose sixty or righty over any other previous day, and all along after that the sick rate was higher. The story of the confession was again gone over; how Dempsey suggested croton oil, but they objected, and afterward consented to administer powders that Dempsey said had broken up a Chicago street car strike in a

A Terrible Accident in a Coal Mine. COMO, Col, Jan. 13.—In the King coal mine of the Union Pacific, four miles from here, yesterday afternoon a premature shot blew out the tamping of a charge and igniting the dry dust in the shaft caused a terrific explosion in that part of the mine in which twenty eight men were working.

Only one of the men escaped alive. This one was working by himself at the time at the far end of the slope and was saved by his fortunate position He says the explosion was terrific. He was thrown prostrate, but was unhurt and made no delay in running out o the tunnel to the surface, many time: tumbling, as he ran, over the faller bodies of miners. His escape seems :

The explosion was heard in all parts of the mine and the miners, numbering over 100, hurried to the surface Rescuing parties were at once organized and a telephone call for assistance was sent to Como.

The twenty-seven bodies were tound in the chamber where the premature shot exploded, or in its immedi ate vicinity. Evidently the victimor were knocked senseless by the sho' and asphyxiated by the deadly gas , the bodies were found in all sorts o positions in many cases lying crossed or clasped together. Only elever could be identified, all the others being horribly burned. They are John Tall Robert Blythe, Andrew Anderson, Jos James Antoe Preeti, John Durick Michael Antonetti, Stephen Conti Louis Marieno, Joseph Danana Peter

Mysterious Murder to the Indian Terri tory.

EUFAULA, Ind. Ter., Jan. 13 .- An other cold blooded, wanton double the Indian Territory. Monday night a party of movers camped a few mile west of this city. Several persons were sleeping in one tent. Late at night a party of men supposed to have been drunk rode by and without known cause began shooting into the camp

Eighteen bullet holes pierced the fent walls. One of the deepers was killed ontright and another mortally wounded. He died yesterday morning Some are inclined to think Indians did the shooting while others think it was done by a pease of deputy United States marshals who were riding through the country.

Kansas Still in Trouble.

TOPEKA, Kas., Jan. 13 .- No progress has been made by the arbitration committee that were in session last night to effect a compromise between the two house organizations. Independents maintain they have the only legal organization, and will make no concessions. The committee appointed yesterday to make an investigation of taking testimony and was in session yesterday.

The senate did not attempt to

The senate did not attempt to discuss the house. The senate investigating committee had no report to make. The governor's private secretary appeared on the floor and announced that he had two private and official communications for the senate from the severe. from the governor. The doors and galleries were at once cleared and the nate went into executive session.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.—Grand Army posts from many parts of the country have telegraphed General Butler's relatives here asking that the funeral of the general be delayed so that they can reach Lowell in time to participate. For this reason it has been determined that the funeral at Lowell Shall not take place until fiext Monday.

Rejeicing'Among the Boomers GUTHRIE, Ok., Jan. 13.-Congress man Harvey telegraphed the Daily News last night that the Cherokee strip bill will come up in the house today. The news was received with great rejoicing and the whole city is excited. Couriers have gone to the boomers' camp with the news and they will jollify. Fully 10 000 people are now encamped along the border of the strip and the crowd of anxious home-sectors is augmented daily by new trrivale from every state in the Un-

NEBRASKA NEWS.

The aunual G. A. R. encamper will be held at Fremont February 15 and

Diller has become weary of the bootegger and has substituted a lice

Nearly 42,000 bushels of corn were shipped from Lyons during the month of December.

Frank McClintock, living near Bloomfield, had eight head of hogs stolen from his pen. Mrs. L. M. Cassidy, an elderly lady,

fell from the depot platform at Shelton, badly fracturing her arm. A sneak thief stole a \$150 bicycle beonging to Miss Evaline Brodstone of Superior, and the young lady is justly

John Zuercher of Plum Grove precinct, Pierce county, was taken down to Norfolk last week by Sheriff Littell and committed to the asylum.

Bob Airis is feeding 2,400 sheep at Scribner this winter and would feed more but for the scarcity of hay. His brother Ed is feeding 12,000 at Hooper. Grand Island has abolished gambling on "the ground floor" and now the alluring fare bank is loca ed up stairs. and the latch string always hangs out.

Owing to the lack of dwelling houses n Culbertson Rev. A. J. Clifton and family are occupying the class-rooms in the Methodist church as a residence. Last Thursday, while Charles Brady

of Hyannis was trying to rope a covote near the Aufdengarten ranch his horse fell with him and broke the large bone in his right leg. Asmall band of Pawnee Indians,

with their outfit of pones and dogs, ? e out on their annual begging tour, says a Weeping Water Exchange and spent a few days in that locality. A carload of popcorn raised by Mack

Shelton, south of Wilson, was shipped last week to Chicago to be used at the World's fair the coming season. Another car load will follow soon. A Mr. Shobodony was arrested on a

charge of obtaining a herd of horses upon false pretenses. A. G. Barh-tt entered the complaint and makes affidavit that the charge is true. Frank Colling of Red Willow courty.

while hunting, accidently discharged his gun, the contents striking him in the arm. It is the second accident of the kind in that locality since chickens were ripe.

Mike Holland of Niobrara, while endeavoring to extract a load from one barrel of his shot gun, was shot in the eft hand by the discharge of the other barrel. It shattered his hand badly and a physician was obliged to take off his thumb.

A row took place in Bartley the other night and one of the participants was badly knocked met. He promise suit against two parties for assault and battery and one was sent to jall for seventy-five days and the other was fined \$60 and costs.

The Neligh Leader says a great deal of complaint is made by farmers about depredations of wolves, which are more plentiful this winter than for many years. Jack rabbits are also very numerous and have done much damage to

some young orchards. A young lady fifteen years of age living near Beaver Crossing is six feet and three inches in height, weighs 250 pounds, wears a No. 10 shoe, and, sccording to the local paper "is growing rapidly and bids fair to make a magnificent specimen of what the soil and climate of Nebraska can produce.

A Fairbury paper tells of a farmer who is the meanest man on earth. He came to town to do some trading, bringing his wife and four children. At noon he purchased a can of salmon and five cents worth of crackers for his family, and then went over to the hotel and treated himself to a warm dinner and a cigar.

W. J. Wantz, one of Custer county's best citizens and farmers, upon the event of his son's recent marriage, made him a wedding present of some conse-quence. He deeded him a one-third interest in his stock farm of 560 acres; also one-third interest in thirteen bear of horses, seventy head of cattle, fiftyfive head of hogs and one-third of all grain, hay and farm produce and agricultural implements.

When the Forfolk train was ab mile out of Wakefield Tuesday even ing some person threw a stone through the car window and the fragments of glass flew into the eyes of John Beach of Carroll, who was occupying the seat, Upon arriving at Wayne Mr. Beach immediately called on a physician, who relieved the pain as much as 1 There is strong talk in th

munity northwest of - Quahri Rushville exchar "wolf hunt," It mals have becom bold. Half a do seen together w safety of the famers believe

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