When a baby smiles in its sleep it is the mother's fond belief that an angel is kissing it. No woman attains the supreme joy of womanhood until she knows the caressing touch of a first-born's fingers. No woman knows the supreme sorrow of womanhood until she sees her baby in the cold embrace of death.

Thousands of women daily achieve womanhood's supremest joy, only to meet, a few days or weeks or months later, its supremest sorrow. This is because so many babies are born into the world with the seeds of death already sown in their little bodies. If a woman would have healthy, robust children, strong and able to withstand the usual little illnesses of childhood, she must "look before she leaps."

If a woman will take the proper care of her health in a womanly way, during the period of prospective maternity, she may protect herself against much pain and suffering and possible death, and insure the health of her child. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the greatest of all medicines for prospective mothers. It acts directly on the delicate and important organs that bear the burdens of maternity and make them strong, healthy, vigorous and elastic. It allays inflammation, heals ulceration, soothes pain and tones the tortured nerves. It banishes the usual discomforts of the expectant period and makes baby's advent to this world easy and almost painless. It insures an ample supply of nourishment. It is the greatest known nerve tonic and invigorator for women. All good dealers sell it. Say "No" and stick to it when urged to accept a substitute said to be "just as good as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription."

"I had miscarried twice and was so weak I could not stand on my feet," writes Mrs. Minnie Smith, P. M., of Lowell, Lane Co., Oregon. "I took two bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and now have a healthy baby and am stronger than for twelve years."

The quick constipation-cure — Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Never gripe. Accept no substitutes or imitations.

PLEA OF SPAIN'S QUEEN

Address From the Throne Rouses the Patriotism of Her Subjects.

OPENING OF THE CORTES.

Asks All Parties to Unite In Defense of Their Country—Insurgents Suspend Hostilities—Don Carlos at Ostend. Almost a Panic at Porto Rico.

MADRID, 20.—The Spanish cortes were opened this afternoon. The queen regent read the speech from the throne. She reviewed the situation, and referred to the efforts of the pope for peace.

The queen regent announced that she had summoned the cortes to defend Spain's rights. Her majesty appealed to the Spanish people to gather behind her son's throne.

The queen regent read the speech with the little king on her right. There was great enthusiasm.

The opening of the cortes was a magnificent sight. All the wealth and beauty of Madrid gathered in the senate, where every available foot of space was occupied.

Woodford Preparing to Depart.

MADRID, April 20.—All is quiet and orderly here and nothing unusual has occured. Two policemen are stationed at the corner of the street upon which is situated the residence of the United States minister, General Stewart L. Woodford, who began yesterday preparing for his departure from Madrid.

The crews of the Spanish squadron at Cadiz vowed before the shrine of the Virgin never to return unless victorious.

The newspapers of the Spanish capital this morning were eagerly bought. They are very war-like in tone.

The Liberal, which is the organ of Senor Sagasta, the premier, heads its leading article today with the single word "War," and says "the resolutions passed (by congress) are tantamount to a declaration of war. Spain is fearlessly and unitedly prepared to defend her rights, single-handed and abandoned by the powers, but fortified by the justice of her cause."

The Imparcial contrasts the manner in which the United States and Spain enter into the conflict, saying: "The aggressor is noisy, insulting and clamorous, and the aggrieved is reserved, calm and self-contained."

The public generally accept the situation without apparent concern. The United States vice consul here has resigned.

Almost a Panic at Porto Rico.

ST. THOMAS, April 20.—The food question is daily growing graver in Porto Rico. The people are panicky over the prolongation of the suspense, and there are frequent disorders. At Carolina there was a demonstration amounting to almost a riot, in which 1,500 people participated. It was a protest against the rapacity of the merchants. Everything combines to increase distress of the people. The tariff is excessive; exchange is going higher daily; the products of the island are steadily decreasing, and many merchants are unable to replenish their stocks.

To Land Spanish Subjects at Havana.

NEW YORK, April 20.—Spaniards in humble circumstances, residents of this city, were amazed last night when they learned that the Spanish government meant only to give free passage as far as Havana. The indignation at such a course was widespread in the local Spanish colony. It was pointed out that for the impecunious Spaniard to leave the city where his right to life and police protection is guaranteed, and be landed in a town which will be starved or shelled, or both, within a few days, would be to place his life in jeopardy.

Miles to Co-Operate With Gomez.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The statement is made on high authority that Tomas Estrada Palma, the representatives of the Cuban republic in this country, in company with one of the brigadiers of Gomez' army, has been in consultation with General Miles today, arranging for co-operation in the conduct of the campaign in Cuba against Spain. This is taken as a virtual recognition of the Cuban republic. It is stated that Palma was summoned here for this conference.

Insurgents Declare a Truce.

NEW YORK, April 20.—A dispatch to The Herald from Havana says: It is reported from Matanzas that the insurgent government of the province, at the head of which is Pedro Betancourt, chief of all the insurgents there, has issued a circular suspending hostilities throughout the territory under his command.

Rush of Applicants For Enlistment.

LONDON, April 20.—The rush of applicants for enlistment in the United States army or navy was continued today. Between 40 and 50 English and Irish sailors or soldiers applied for enlistment at the United States consulate this morning.

Don Carlos Arrives at Ostend.

OSTEND, Belgium, April 20.—Don Carlos, the Spanish pretender, accompanied by a numerous suite, has arrived here. It is understood that the pretender will remain at Ostend for sometime to come.

Movements of Spanish Ships.

ST. VINCENT, Cape Verde Islands, April 20.—The Spanish cruisers Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo arrived here at noon to reinforce the Spanish fleet in these waters.

Watson For Congress.

BROOKEVILLE, Ind., April 20.—The Republicans of the Sixth district today nominated James E. Watson for congress. He is "the man who beat Holman."

Corn Going to California.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—California at present offers a good market for the corn of Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas. Large shipments of this cereal are now coming west. The needs of the cattle in central or southern California, and particularly the failure of this year's barley crop, are the reasons for the increasing demand for corn.

Senator Walthall Dying.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—Senator Walthall (Miss.), who has been critically ill for several days, is not expected to survive during the day. His physician announced this morning that there was not a chance in one thousand for his recovery.

Edward Bellamy Improving.

DENVER, April 19.—Edward Bellamy, since his relapse last Saturday, has been improving, and his condition is not now considered dangerous. Mrs. Bellamy is now sick in consequence of close attention to her husband.

Gladstone Is Near His End.

LONDON, April 19.—The malignant growth from which Gladstone is suffering has now begun to affect the right eye. It is regarded as quite possible that his illness may have a mercifully sudden termination.

Force Senate to Yield.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—The house after one of the hardest and most desperate fights in its history succeeded in forcing the senate to yield the main contention in the war resolution, the independence of the existing government in Cuba. With that exception the house accepted the senate resolutions. The Republicans who joined the Democrats to concur in the senate amendments entire rallied 14 votes at one time and on every vote thereafter the vote dwindled. When the final vote was taken shortly before 3 a. m. 310 votes were cast for the declaration upon which we are going to war, if war it is to be. Six votes only were cast against it. They included five Republicans and one Democrat.

The resolution as agreed to is as follows:

Joint resolution for the recognition of the people of Cuba, demanding the government of Spain relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba and to withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters and directing the president of the United States to use the land and naval forces of the United States to carry these resolutions into effect.

Whereas, The abhorrent conditions which have existed for more than three years in the island of Cuba so near our own borders have shocked the moral sense of the people of the United States have been a disgrace to Christian civilization, culminating as they have in the destruction of a United States battleship and 266 of its officers and crew while on a friendly visit in the harbor of Havana, and cannot longer be endured as has been set forth by the president of the United States in his message to congress April 11, 1898, upon which the action of congress was invited; therefore, be it,

Resolved, First—That the people of the Island of Cuba are, and of right ought to be free and independent.

Second—That it is the duty of the United States to demand, and the government of the United States does hereby demand that the government of Spain relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba and withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters.

Third—That the president of the United States be, and hereby is directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States and to call into actual service of the United States the militia of the several states as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.

Fourth—That the United States hereby disclaims any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction or control over said island, except for the pacification thereof, and asserts its determination, when this is accomplished, to leave the government and control of the island to its people.

Dreibund Proposes a Plebiscite.

LONDON, April 19.—It is reported that the dreibund, or triple alliance (composed of Germany, Austria and Italy), acting upon the suggestion of Italy, has proposed to the powers a plebiscite, under which the population of Cuba should be allowed to vote for the form of government under which they shall live.

WALKER TO SUCCEED ROOSEVELT.

Knowledge of Retired Officer to Be Made Use Of.

NEW YORK, April 20.—Rear Admiral John G. Walker, retired, may be the successor of Theodore Roosevelt as assistant secretary of the navy, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald. Rear Admiral Walker has been a member of the naval strategic board and is thoroughly in touch with the plans of attack and defense prepared both by the war and navy departments. His experience in command of two naval squadrons, his handling of delicate matters in the past, and his general and varied knowledge of naval requirements peculiarly fit him, his friends declare, for appointment as Mr. Roosevelt's successor.

Provision Rate War.

ST. LOUIS, April 20.—The Missouri Pacific will place in effect a rate of 5 cents per 100 pounds for packing house products, car lots, and fresh meats straight or mixed car loads, from the Missouri river to St. Louis, and 7 cents to East St. Louis. This rate will apply from Omaha, South Omaha, Plattsmouth, Nebraska City, Kansas City and intermediate points. This is the lowest cut yet announced in the provision rate war from the Missouri river.

Weak Stock Market.

NEW YORK, April 20.—The local stock market received its cue from the tone of the foreign bourses, and at first prices were lower all around, with the losses quite substantial in some of the specialties. Subsequent transactions showed some recoveries, but the undertone was decidedly heavy, and values soon gave way to the lowest.

A Shooting Tournament.

LINCOLN, April 20.—The shooting tournament yesterday attracted much interest, although the squalls of wind made the targets fly very erratic. Ten matches, each at 15 blue rocks, were shot, the highest average being made by John W. Garrett of the Pike's Peak gun club.

MILITARY AND NAVAL ACTIVITY

War Department Decides to Enlist Only the Militia at First Call.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Military and naval preparations continued yesterday with unabated vigor. Seven fleet steam yachts suitable for navigation in Cuban waters were procured and several bids for steam colliers were made. Arrangements are making to utilize a number of the powerful converted smooth bore guns, survivors of the late war, as armament for the auxiliary cruisers.

Many agents for ship owners were at the navy department offering to sell craft to the government, but the prices are said to be excessive and no purchases were made. The important event in the war department was the decision to enlist only national guardsmen under the first call for troops, which will be very gratifying to the militiamen.

Some idea of the cost of transporting troops may be formed from the fact that it was necessary to allot $1,000,000 to defray the expenses of the movements already ordered. Reports from all over the country indicated that the movements were going on with the most gratifying celerity. A picturesque reminder of the warlike conditions was presented right in Washington by the departure for the south of the Sixth cavalry, and Secretary Alger, busied as he was with official tasks, managed to take time to get to the station to see them off. An allotment of funds for a balloon service shows that the war department does not propose to ignore any of the latest scientific aids to warfare.

Patriots' Day Observed.

BOSTON, April 20.—Patriots' day was observed yesterday in the usual way in this city and in the nearby places which figure in the history of April 19, 1775. The old North church on Salem street was decorated with flags on the outside and its interior was draped with the national colors and plants from the city's green houses added to the adornment. The lanterns were hung from the belfry last night as on the memorable occasion when they gave the signal to Paul Revere. During the afternoon the Daughters of the Revolution held services in the churches, commemorative of Paul Revere's famous ride. The principal attractions outside of Boston were at Lexington and Concord.

Forecast of Railroad Decision.

CHICAGO, April 20.—The railroads have the opinion that the supreme court will this week declare that the Joint Traffic association is an illegal organization and they are already proceeding to manage their affairs without any reference to it or its orders. Instructions have been quietly passed around among the railroads to contracting agents that they need pay no attention to the rules of the Joint Traffic association in securing their business and the result was that there was a lively general scramble for business in which contracts were made for handling grain between Chicago and the Atlantic seaboard as low as 10 cents.

Will Pay Soldier Employes.

ST. LOUIS, April 20.—It is announced that many of the St. Louis banks, trust companies and big business houses will follow the example set by similar institutions in New York, is guaranteeing the positions of such of their employes as are ordered or volunteer for service in the coming war. Some of the leading institutions, it is announced, will also pay to the families of the employes during their absence the salaries due the latter.

Pythians Volunteer.

PORTSMOUTH, O., April 20.—The Tenth regiment, uniformed rank, Knights of Pythias, has offered its services to Governor Bushnell in the event of war with Spain. The regiment comprises about 500 drilled men divided into six companies, located in this city and surrounding towns, and two more companies are being organized. The regiment is commanded by Colonel Cook, whose headquarters are in Ironton.

Encourage Patriotism.

DETROIT, April 20.—The National Express company has sent to all its officers notice that all employes who are members of militia companies or other military bodies or may be called to active service in the prospective war will be allowed half pay during their entire term of service and all who return alive will be reinstated at full pay either in the position he vacated or in one carrying equal compensation.

Cleveland Club Boycotted.

CLEVELAND, April 20.—A boycott has been declared on the Cleveland baseball park by the Building Trades Council and Knights of Labor. The boycott is made owing to the refusal of President Robison of the Cleveland team to give a contract for making extensive improvements on the grand stand to contractors employing union men or who observe the eight hour law.

Kansas and Oklahoma Wheat.

TOPEKA, Kan., April. 20.—Reports from all sections of Kansas and Oklahoma agree that the prospects for a magnificant wheat crop exceeds that of any year for 10 years. The central and western part of Kansas is covered with green and the earth is thoroughly soaked by the recent heavy rains.

Deadlock Broken.

PORTSMOUTH, O., April 20.—The Republicans of the Tenth Ohio district last night on the 1,477th ballot nominated S. J. Morgan of Jackson for congress to succeed Congressman Fenton, who is serving his first term. The convention was in session a week.

Former Commissioner Lane Dead.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 20.—Hector D. Lane, formerly commissioner of agriculture of Alabama, and president of the American Cotton Growers' association, died at his home in Athens, Ala., today from the effects of a stroke of paralysis.

Missouri Taxes Foreign Companies.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 20.—Superintendent of Insurance O'Rear today levied taxes against foreign insurance companies doing business in Missouri. The total tax is $283,304.17 on $11,608,249.89 premiums received by the companies. The tax is an increase of $13,933.86.

Woodmen Protect Members.

ROCK ISLAND, Ills., April 20.—The executive council of the Modern Woodmen of America, in session here, decided today that any of its 30,000 members could enlist in support of the government of the United States in a war with Spain without invalidating their insurance.

New York Stock Market.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Late strength in yesterday's New York market failed to reassure London holders and American securities there fell from a fraction to two points before the opening here. Prices in New York responded with sharp declines, the leading internationals losing a point or upwards. In no case, however, was the decline fully to the London parity. Pacific Mail was conspicuous in the list for a slight gain.

ARMY BILL IS PASSED.

House Authorizes the President to Call For Volunteers.

MILITIAMEN ARE WANTED.

Arrangements Made by the War Department For Transportation of Troops to Cuba—Movement of Soldiers From the West.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—There was a tremendous demonstration in the house immediately after the reading of the journal, when Mr. Pruden, the president's executive clerk, announced the president's approval of the Cuban resolutions. The gallaries cheered and the members on the floor applauded vigorously. The speaker, with difficulty, suppressed the ovation, when the announcement was greeted.

Mr. Hull asked unanimous consent for the consideration of the bill he introduced yesterday at the request of the war department authorizing the president to call for volunteers. He explained that the committee had agreed to the measure at a special meeting this morning. It was a very urgent measure he said. The secretary of war had appealed to him this morning to press it, and he had just had a message from the White House saying that the passage of the bill today was imperative. Mr. Hull said that the committee had made only one important change in the bill as prepared by the war department. That change reserved to the governors of the states the power to appoint company and regimental officers, which the bill as drawn, conferred upon the president, and was in harmony with the law of 1861.

The house in committee of the whole debated the army volunteers bill at some length. Representatives Cox, Sayers and other Democrats supported it. Representative McMillin failed to carry an amendment to reduce the enlistment term from three to one year. The bill was then passed.

In time of war the army is to consist of two branches, the regular and the volunteer army, the latter to be maintained only during the existence of war, while war is imminent and is to be raised or organized only after congress authorizes it. All enlistments for the volunteer army are to be for three years unless sooner terminated.

Concerning the national guard it is provided that when the members of any company or regiment of the organized militia shall enlist in the volunteer army in a body as such company or regiment, the regimental and company officers in service with the militia organization thus enlisting may be appointed by the president subject to an examination as to fitness and capacity, to be officers of corresponding grades in the same organization when it is received in the service as a part of the volunteer army. The troops in time of war, whether belonging to the regular or volunteer army or to the militia are to be organized into divisions of three brigades, each brigade to be composed of three or more regiments, and when three or more divisions are assembled in the same army the president is to organize them into army corps, each corps to consist of not more than three divisions. The president is to appoint in the volunteer army not exceeding one major general for each organized army corps and division, and one brigadier general for each brigade, to be selected from the regular or volunteer army or the militia.

Transportation of Troops to Cuba.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Arrangements are being made by the war department for the transportation of troops from southern ports to Cuba, and it is expected that they will be perfected tomorrow. Colonel A. S. Kimball, chief quartermaster of the department of the east, will open bids at New York today for the charter of steam vessels for this important service. The government will have no difficulty in securing a sufficient number of first class steam vessels of good speed for the transportation of the army to be sent to Cuba.

Allen's Bond Resolution.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The following resolution was presented by Senator Allen: "That in the opinion of the senate no circumstances can arise in the relations of the United States of America and the kingdom of Spain that will warrant an increase of the interest bearing bonded indebtedness of this government, or that will in any manner interfere with the reform of the financial affairs of the United States on lines laid down in the national People's Party platform of July 1896." The resolution went over under objection.

Troops Receive an Ovation.

CHICAGO, April 20.—The Third infantry, 650 strong, en route from Fort Snelling, Minn., to Mobile, arrived in this city at 4 a. m. Thousands of people greeted the soldiers at every station through Minnesota and Wisconsin. At Lake City, Minn., the soldiers were loaded down with flowers. Most of the regulars were asleep when their trains reached Milwaukee, but the cheering and music brought them out, and they remained up until the trains reached Chicago.

Movement of Troops From the West.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Three special trains, in charge of Major Hathaway, from Fort Niobrara, Neb., reached here on the Chicago and Northwestern railway this evening. The troops consisted of 30 officers, 520 men and 86 horses. They left immediately for New Orleans.

Express Sympathy For Spain.

LONDON, April 20.—The afternoon papers of London today, while generally friendly to the United States, express a certain amount of sympathy with Spain.

Bad Crash at Rio Janeiro.

NEW YORK, April 20.—The World's correspondent in Rio Janeiro telegraphs that the large firm of Lemos, engaged in the importation of petroleum, machinery and other American products, has suspended payment, with heavy liabilities. Several banks are involved.

Lee For Governor of Cuba.

KEY WEST, April 20.—Cuban clubs of Key West are to request President McKinley to appoint General Lee the first territorial governor of Cuba. This is to be done as an evidence of Cuban appreciation of Lee's administration of the affairs of his office in Havana.

Joyce Is Acquitted.

MARYVILLE, Mo., April 20.—The jury in the case of John Joyce, who has been on trial here for over a week, charged with having murdered R. C. Montgomery on the streets of Maryville, Dec. 21, returned a verdict of acquittal.

Decree Against American Fruit.

VIENNA, April 20.—A decree was published today forbidding importation of American fresh fruit, plants, etc., in cases where the examination at the port of entry results in the discovery of traces of the San Jose scale.

READY FOR THE CONFLICT.

Plans For Army and Navy Are About Completed.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—The bulk of preparations for action are about completed, and the work is now reduced to perfecting details. The army is being mobilized, and all that remains is to insure the prompt supply of all classes of equipment, and, as was stated at the navy department today, the market has been gleaned of available vessels, and it now comes to manning them and perfecting methods of communication and co-operation. General Greeley, in charge of telegraph and telephone communication between sea coast fortifications, announces that this work is in a gratifying state of forwardness.

Superintendent Kimball of the life-saving service has conferred with Assistant Secretary Roosevelt on employing the men of the coast service in a regularly organized system of reporting war vessels sighted at points remote from ordinary ports of entry. Such a system will be a valuable adjunct to the regular observation service. A novel departure in naval practice is the formation of a marine battalion, which will accompany the North Atlantic squadron, and will be used in landing operations. The quartermaster general's department of the army is rushing work on tents and tent equipage. A consignment of tents has been allotted to the militia of the states under the act of congress. The war department will need about 200 men as packers for the mule teams now being collected by Captain Thomas Cruse, at Jefferson barracks.

Pella Bank Decision.

CHICAGO, April 19.—Judge Grosscup in the United States circuit court, handed down a decision in favor of R. R. Beard, receiver for the First National bank of Pella, Ia., against Milmine, Bodmann & Co., and C. B. Congdon & Co., stock brokers, in Chicago. The suit was brought by the receiver to recover funds which F. R. Cassatt, president of the bank, had paid to the brokers before the failure of the bank in order to speculate on the board of trade. The decision of Judge Grosscup, unless it is reversed by the higher courts, establishes a precedent in recovering bank funds spent in such a manner. The grounds for bringing the suit were that the defendants knew the money was being lost and should have ascertained whether it belonged to Cassatt or to some institution with which he was connected. About $23,000 is involved.

Packing House Rates Stand.

CHICAGO, April 19.—Official notice has been filed by the Rock Island road cancelling its former notice of its intention to restore the rate on packing house products from the Missouri river to Mississippi river crossings and Chicago April 20. This notice makes it impossible for any advance on this class of freight to go into effect until after 10 days' additional notice has been given. A meeting of the interested lines will be held in St. Louis Thursday to see if some agreement cannot be reached to have all cut rates on this commodity withdrawn. Should that conference fail the Santa Fe will reduce rates to the same basis as the rate on packing house products.

Civil Service Law Upheld.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—In the United States supreme court an opinion was delivered by Justice Harlan in the cases involving the constitutionality of the civil service law of the state of Illinois. The case involved the application of the law to the superintendent of police requiring him to supply a list of vacancies, etc. He refused to comply, taking the case into the courts upon the plea that the law was contrary to the federal constitution. Justice Harlan's opinion affirms the opinion of the state court and sustains the constitutionality of the law. The decision was based on the fact that the case did not present any federal question.

Trap Shooting Tourney at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, April 19.—Thirty-eight crack amateurs from different parts of the country are at Dupont park, near this city, participating in the most important amateur trap shooting tournament ever held in the west. William S. Sergeant, the Missouri champion, shot in every event, and carried off the honors in the first day's shooting, with an average of 92 per cent. Graham of Kalamazoo, Mich., was second with an average of 91 per cent, and Tripp of Indianapolis third, with an average of 88 per cent. Dr. Knowlton of New York made a run of 25 straight in the 7th event.

Indian Prisoners Uneasy.

DENVER, April 19.—Telegraphic orders were received from Washington yesterday by Colonel Volkmar, adjutant general of the department of Colorado, directing that a detachment of 30 cavalrymen from the Seventh cavalry stationed at Fort Grant be dispatched at once to Fort Sill to guard the Apache prisoners of the government. It is said that since the issuance of the mobilization orders the Indian prisoners have displayed considerable uneasiness and that an outbreak among them is feared.

Business Block Destroyed.

HOPKINSTON, Ia., April 19.—Fire destroyed the main block in this place last night, and swept away property to the value of $30,000. The flames originated in a small shop at the rear of the grocery store of Reed & Petrie, and was soon beyond control. Buildings in the neighboring blocks caught fire, but were finally saved. The cause of the fire is a mystery, but it is generally believed to have been incendiary.

Drunken Man Run Down.

AMES, Ia., April 19.—Sylvester Bryant, while intoxicated, attempted to walk from this city to his home in Nevada. He was caught on a bridge by a Northwestern train and instantly killed.

Old Muddy on the Rise.

SIOUX CITY, April 20.—The Missouri river at Sioux City rose seven and one-half feet yesterday, and the indications are that it will go some higher. The current is very rapid at this point and it is feared some damage will be done before the water recedes. Inroads are already made on the banks on the Iowa side of the stream, and the government dykes do not seem to be of much protection.

Kansas Populists.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 20.—The Populist state central committee met here today to select a place for holding the state convention. The date has already been fixed for June 15. Five towns want the convention: Topeka, Wichita, Hutchinson, Pittsburg and Atchison. Indications point to the selection of Topeka.

Needed For Sea Duty.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The United States naval attaches in Berlin and Vienna have been recalled by the navy department. The attaches are needed for sea duty. All naval officers not now on fighting ships or needed at navy yards have been ordered to Washington for immediate sea duty.

Spring Medicine

It is true wisdom for everybody to take a thorough course of Swift's Specific just at this season of the year. The blood is sluggish and impoverished, and the system is full of impurities which should be eliminated. In addition to thoroughly cleansing the blood, and toning up the system so as to avoid loss of appetite and a general run-down feeling in the spring, S. S. S. so strengthens and builds up as to fortify against the many forms of dangerous illness that abound during the hot summer season. It is a very small matter to take this precaution but it insures health and strength all summer. Swift's Specific

S.S.S. For The Blood

is far ahead of all other remedies for this purpose. It is a real blood remedy which promptly purifies the blood and thoroughly renovates the entire system, tones and strengthens the stomach, and renews the appetite. It is the only safe tonic, being purely vegetable, and the only blood remedy *guaranteed* to contain no arsenic, sulphur, mercury, potash or other mineral substance, which is of so much importance to all who know the injurious effects of these drugs. Nature should be assisted by nature's remedy, S. S. S. Take S. S. S. and be well all summer.

Gives Summer Health

PURE LAKE ICE.

As usual, I am again prepared to furnish the people of North Platte with a superior quality of lake ice. I have an abundance of it, and my customers are assured a full supply throughout the season.

Orders left at Streitz's drug store will receive prompt attention.

Wm. Edis.

The best **5C** CIGAR IN TOWN

Can be found at.....

J. F. SCHMALZRIED'S.

Our Ten-Cent Cigars are the equal of any.

Your attention is invited to our fine line of Chewing and Smoking Tobaccos and Smokers articles.

Legal Notices.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued from the District Court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, under a decree in an action wherein Samuel Greene is plaintiff and Nellie C. Keiner, Henry F. Keiner, Nellie C. Keiner, formerly Nellie C. Freeman, guardian of Ada Freeman and William M. Freeman, and Jacob J. Myers are defendants, and to me directed, I shall on the 7th day of May, 1898, at one o'clock p. m., at the east front door of the court house in North Platte, Nebraska, sell the following described real estate at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said decree, to-wit: Lot four, (4), in block one hundred and twelve (112), in the city of North Platte, Nebraska, as the same is platted in the office of the county clerk of said county.

The amount due on said decree being $206.80 and $59.11 costs and accruing costs.

Dated North Platte, Neb., April 4, 1898.

TIM T. KELIHER, Sheriff.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at North Platte, Neb., April 4th, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at North Platte, Neb., on May 11th, 1898, viz:

EDWIN EASTON,

who made Homestead Entry No. 17780, for the south half of the north west quarter and lots 3 and 4, section 2, township 14 north, range 30 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Worthley, Frank Ebele, Walter K. Covell and Charles Keene, all of North Platte, Nebraska.

a5-6 JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

ORDER OF HEARING.

THE STATE OF NEBRASKA, } ss.
LINCOLN COUNTY.

At a county court held at the county court room, in and for said county, April 5th, A. D., 1898.

Present A. S. Baldwin, County Judge.

In the matter of the Estate of Robert M. Dowell, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of Sidney J. Dowell praying that Administration of said estate may be granted to him as administrator.

ORDERED, That April 25th A. D., 1898, at 9 o'clock A. M. is assigned for hearing said petition, when all persons interested in said matter may appear at a county court to be held in and for said county, and show cause why the prayer of petitioner should not be granted.

A. S. BALDWIN, County Judge.

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NOTICE.

A. E. Dameron and —— Dameron, wife of said A. E. Dameron, defendants, will take notice that on the 11th day of April, 1898, John Burch, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, against said defendants and James A. Dameron, Mary Dameron, and the State Bank of Curtis; the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by Rachael A. Brittingham and Jeremiah Brittingham to the plaintiff upon the north half of the northeast quarter and the east half of the northwest quarter of section thirty (30) in Township (9), north of Range twenty-seven (27), in Lincoln county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of a promissory note dated August 26, 1893, for the sum of $600.00 and due and payable in five years from date thereof, the time of which payment being extended by agreement between the plaintiff and James A. Dameron and Mary Dameron to August 26, 1896, that there is now due on said note, mortgage and extension agreement the sum of $652.00, for which sum with interest from April 26, 1898, plaintiff prays for a decree that defendants be required to pay the same or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 30th day of May, 1898.

Dated this 11th day April, 1898.

JOHN BURCH, By E. N. Maxwell, Attorney.

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NOTICE.

U. S. Land Office, North Platte, Neb., March 25, 1898.

Complaint having been entered at this office by Oscar H. Bradley against Lewis E. Grandstaff for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 17961, dated April 8, 1893, upon the north half of the northeast quarter, the east half of the northwest quarter section 22, township 19 north, range 27 west, in Lincoln county, Nebraska, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 14th day of May, 1898, at ten o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at North Platte, Neb., March 26th, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at North Platte, Neb., on May 5th, 1898, viz:

WILLIAM H. H. PEARSE,

who made Homestead Entry No. 15768 for the north half of the southeast quarter and the north half of southwest quarter of section 22, in township 11, north, range 31 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Samuel Eisele, Henry C. Welch, Dora Goedke and Fred Goedke all of Somerset, Neb.

JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

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WILHELM MULLER,

Who made Home Stead Entry No. 16194, for the ne ¼ sec. 20, tp 14 n, r 29 w.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: William Schutt, John Saltow, George W. Long, and Richard Pittman all of North Platte, Nebraska.

JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at North Platte, Neb., March 26, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that Lemon B. Bernhart has filed notice of intention to make final proof before Register and Receiver at his office in North Platte, Neb., on Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1898, on timber culture application No. 12,364, for the northeast quarter of section No. 35, in township No. 15 north, range No. 30 west. He names as witnesses: John Beyerle, Ad Beyerle, Charles Hoen and George E. Hurlin, all of North Platte, Nebraska.

m27-6 JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. Land Office, North Platte, Neb., March 31, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that Albert W. Mathewson has filed notice of his intention to make final proof before Register and Receiver at his office in North Platte, Neb., on Saturday, the 14th day of May, 1898, on timber culture application No. 12212, for the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter and lots 4, 5 and 6, in section 6, in township 12 north, range 32 west. He names as witnesses: Edward Springer, George D. Mathewson, Thomas Carey and E. Lauder, all of Brady, Neb.

27-6 JOHN F. HNINMAN, Register

NOTICE.

To Dennis T. Allyn, non-resident defendant: You are hereby notified that on the 9th day of April, 1898 Annie E. Allyn filed a petition against you in the district court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a divorce from you on the grounds that you are of sufficient ability to provide suitable maintenance for her, have grossly and wantonly and cruelly refused and neglected to do so, for two years last past ending June 4, 1897, and also asks for the custody of the three minor children the issue of said marriage. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 30th day of May, 1898.

ANNIE B. ALLYN, By her attorneys, Davis & Ridgley.

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ANNIE B. ALLYN, By her attorneys, Davis & Ridgley.

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APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Matter of application of Henry Waltemath for Liquor License.

Notice is hereby given that Henry Waltemath did upon the 3d day of April, A. D. 1898, file his application to the city council of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, for license to sell Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Liquors on Lot 4, Blk 103, Spruce street in the city of North Platte, Lincoln county, Nebraska, from the 1st day of May, 1898, to the 1st day of May, 1899.

If there be no objection, remonstrance or protest filed within two weeks from April 13th, A. D. 1898, the said license will be granted.

HENRY WALTEMATH, Applicant.

The Tribune newspaper will