

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Senator Teller has come out as a candidate for governor of Colorado. The preparations for the German scientific Antarctic expedition are nearly completed.

Tuesday, April 10, the first anniversary of the great mine strike, will be celebrated at Pana, Ill.

The Clover Leaf railroad was sold at Toledo, Ohio, for \$12,200,000 to Messrs. Harrison and Peyton.

A private dispatch received at Shanghai, China, confirms the report that a British missionary was killed at Kaiping.

Rev. Samuel E. Hewes, the oldest Methodist minister of the Rock River conference, died at Crete, Ill., aged 83 years.

The shah of Persia has appointed Mofakham Ed Dewieh, minister plenipotentiary of Persia to the United States.

The schedules in bankruptcy of Wilham R. Smith, milliner, of New York, show liabilities of \$299,982; assets, \$166,971.

The plan to have Champion James Jeffries fight three men in one night has been abandoned and Jeffries now will fight nobody in Chicago.

T. C. Steele has just finished a life-sized three-quarters length oil portrait of ex-President Harrison, which is to be placed in the Commercial club of Indianapolis.

Senator Allen has introduced a bill amending the national bank act so as to allow banks of deposit to be designated in cities of 25,000 population. The present law requires 50,000 population.

Mrs. Edward Sumner, who was an active organizer of Soldiers' Relief Society work during the civil war, and for many years prominent in Ohio temperance work, died at her home in Cleveland.

A statement of the treasury balances in the general fund exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption March 27, shows: Available cash balance, \$153,595,622; gold, \$98,391,432.

George W. Clark of Macon, Ga., was arrested in Jacksonville, Fla., charged with blowing open the safe of the Perry Loan and Savings company of Perry, Ga., some weeks ago and stealing from it over \$4,000.

Frank E. Bundy, the defaulting city chamberlain of Elmira, N. Y., was arraigned in police court and held for the grand jury in \$10,000 bail, in default of which he was committed to the county jail.

Captain William B. Thomas, Forty-sixth volunteer infantry, having been found physically disqualified to perform the duties of his rank, has been honorably discharged from the service of the United States.

Senator Hoar reported from the judiciary committee the bill fixing the annual salaries of the chief justice of the supreme court at \$15,500, and associate justices at \$15,000; circuit judges, \$9,000, and district judges at \$7,000.

James B. Dill, the New York attorney who has brought harmony and tranquil business relations between Andrew Carnegie and H. C. Frick, the iron kings, will now rank as one of the most wonderful corporation attorneys of the country.

Governor Lounsbury has appointed Friday, April 13, (Good Friday), as a day of fasting and prayer in Connecticut, and says he does so "in accordance with a custom instituted by a generation which feared God and kept His commandments."

Secretary Long has completed the personnel of the navy police board by appointing as members Captain Robley D. Evans, at present attached to the light house board; Captain Henry C. Taylor, commanding the Vermont; Captain Charles E. Clark, commander of the League Island navy yard; Captain Frech E. Chadwick, now on waiting orders, and Colonel George C. Reid, at Marine headquarters in Washington.

The house committee on pensions recommended an increase to \$40 per month in the pension of the widow of Colonel Haskell, who died from wounds received in Cuba; \$35 to the widow of Colonel J. J. Van Horn, who died during the Spanish war; \$30 to the widow of Captain C. W. Royell, killed in Cuba; \$35 to the widow of Commander Horace Elmer of the navy, and \$30 to the widow of Commodore O. C. Badger of the navy.

The retirement of Rear Admiral Day will result in the promotion of Captain Elias Terry, a member of the naval retiring board, to be rear admiral.

Chief Wikie of the secret service announced the discovery of a very poor counterfeit one dollar treasury note, check letter B, series 1891, B. K. Bruce, register.

An epidemic of pneumonia has struck St. Francis' orphan asylum and convent, at Dubuque.

Commandant Crowther, who commands the Transvaal fighting line in the south, reports that he has retaken Ladybrand after the British had been there an hour.

A shipment of \$1,393,080 for the payment of soldiers in the Philippines left the treasury in New York. There were \$600,000 in gold coin, packed in wooden boxes, each containing \$20,000, the same sum in bills, packed in three iron safes, and the remainder, consisting of minor coin, packed in cartridge boxes.

Mrs. Polly Price, a highly respected pioneer resident of Fountain City, Ind., has just celebrated her 100th birthday anniversary.

Prof. G. E. Morrow, for many years head of the department of agriculture of the University of Illinois, is dead at his home in Paxton, Ill.

Harlan C. Allan of Nebraska has been promoted from \$800 to 900 per year in the treasury department.

The Australian premiers have joined in a cablegram to Mr. Chamberlain, declaring that it is undesirable to conclude peace in South Africa, except on terms guaranteeing the absolute supremacy of British rule.

LOSS BY THE BRITISH

Terrible Spectacle at the Scene of Ambush Near Bloemfontein.

CASUALTIES OVER THREE HUNDRED

Boers Captured Seven Guns Instead of Six, as First Reported—Burgers Still Control Water Work—Shot Off Water Supply of Former Orange Free State Capital.

LONDON, April 3.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The Standard correspondent says: "U battery was captured almost as a whole, only one gun being saved by Sergeant Major Martin. The cavalry, unaware that the head of the column had been attacked, were preparing to advance, when the sergeant major rode up and informed the officer in charge of Q battery. The order was given, 'Right about, gallop,' but several men and horses fell. Two guns and forty men had to be left behind under a terrible fire. Five guns in all got out and opened fire on the enemy at 1,000 yards. Kemington's scouts, preceding Roberts' horse, had, it appears, advanced right into the midst of the Boers, who called out, 'You need go no further, you are all prisoners.' They wheeled about, however, and retired at a gallop, losing heavily. Meanwhile early in the afternoon the Ninth division under Colville, and the cavalry division under French arrived from Bloemfontein after a forced march of twenty-two miles. They are now engaging the enemy. The Duke of Teck was in charge of the transport, but is safe."

BUSHMAN'S KOP, April 3.—The Boers who were hidden in the spruit when the British guns were captured yesterday were commanded by Reichman, a German-American.

The Boers retired this morning when they discovered the British scouts, leaving two Dutch military attaches, one of them dangerously wounded, in the hands of the British. All the wounded are doing well.

Everyone agrees that but for Colonel Broadwood's splendid handling of his troops not a member of the force would have escaped.

The Boers are still holding the waterworks and the line of hills behind them. The Bloemfontein water supply has been cut off.

Following the scouts of General French's cavalry division to the scene of battle, this correspondent witnessed one of the most terrible spectacles of the war. Horses lay stiffened in the various attitudes of sudden death, and mingled among them were ghastly human bodies with the wrecks of wagons and food and forage scattered wide. Everything told a terrible tale of surprise and carnage.

It would be impossible to conceive anything more ingenious than the Boer trap and the only wonder is that a single man escaped. On crossing the spruit, where the ground rises immediately toward a grassy knoll, with steep slopes facing the drift, one came upon an enclosure from which it was impossible to fire over the drift. At this point the spruit makes a circular bend, while the south embankment, which is protected by the partially constructed railway embankment, enabled the enemy to pour in a galling fire on three sides, as well as a double tier of fire in front.

When the convoy was first attacked a scene of frightful confusion ensued. The mules stampeded and the wagons were overturned, while the concealed enemy poured in a deadly fire.

When the first battery appeared the Boers seemed desirous of continuing the slaughter and called on the British to surrender. At that moment, however, B battery, which was escaping from the rear of the convoy under heavy fire, wheeled into action and began shelling the Boers with the four remaining guns. The Boers confess that this battery accounted for five killed and nine wounded of their losses.

Early in the afternoon the Boers collected about the convoy, began removing the guns and wagons and permitted the collection of the British dead and wounded. Our actual casualties were less than had been expected. Despite this regrettable incident, it is impossible not to admire the gallant manner in which a part of the little force was able to extricate itself from an almost hopeless position.

Volunteer Killed by a Farmer. ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 3.—J. Shea P. Casey, of St. Joseph, captain company F, Fourth regiment, Missouri volunteers, during the late war with Spain, was shot and killed this morning near Troy, Kas., by a farmer named Edward Young. Casey recently squatted on a small island in the Missouri river, six miles southwest of this city, and fenced in the best part of the land. Young claimed the land and in a quarrel Casey was killed.

Bryan Speaks to 10,000. WHATCOM, Wash., April 3.—William J. Bryan began the second week of his Pacific coast campaign by addressing ten thousand people at an open air meeting in this city. He spoke for an hour and ten minutes, giving the greatest portion of the time to discussion of the Philippine question. He criticized the administration for not extending sympathy to the Boers.

Damascus, said to be the oldest city in the world, dates back 4,000 years. Its population is 200,000.

New National Holiday. LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 3.—General Albert D. Shaw, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, who has just returned from a tour of the south, reached here today. "My trip has been most interesting," said General Shaw. "Everywhere I was greeted by confederate and union soldiers alike. There is no longer any feeling between the soldiers who opposed each other in the great war. The brave men of the north and south are on the same plane."

General Shaw expressed his approval of the suggestion to make confederate decoration day a national holiday.

ADMITS LOSS OF SEVEN GUNS.

General Roberts Reports on the Disaster to Broadwood's Column.

LONDON, April 3.—The War office reports that Colonel Broadwood lost seven guns and all his baggage in the ambush laid for him by the Boers on Saturday. The casualties numbered 350.

The War office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 1:

"I received news late yesterday evening from Colonel Broadwood, who was at Thaba Nchu, thirty-eight miles east of here, that information had reached him that the enemy was approaching in two forces from the north and the east. He stated that if the report proved true he would retire towards the water works, seventeen miles nearer Bloemfontein, where we have had a detachment of mounted infantry for the protection of the works."

Broadwood was told in reply that the Ninth division with Martyr's infantry will march at daylight today to support him and that if he considers it necessary he should retire from the water works. He moved there during the night and bivouacked. At dawn today he was shelled by the enemy, who attacked on three sides. He immediately dispatched two horse artillery battalions and his baggage toward Bloemfontein, covering some of them with his cavalry.

"Some two miles from the water works the road crosses a deep mullah, or spruit, in which during the night a force of Boers had concealed themselves. So well were they hidden that our leading scouts passed over the drift without discovering them, and it was not until the wagons and guns were entering the drift that the Boers showed themselves and opened fire. Many of the drivers of the artillery horses were immediately shot down at short range and several guns were captured. The remainder galloped away, covered by Roberts' horse, which suffered heavily."

"Meanwhile Lieutenant Chestmasters of Hemington's scouts found a passage across the spruit unoccupied by the enemy, by which the remainder of Broadwood's force crossed. They reformed with great steadiness, notwithstanding all that had previously occurred."

"Broadwood's report which has just reached me, and which contains no details, stated that he had lost seven guns and all his baggage. He estimates all his casualties at about 350, including 200 missing."

House Anxious to Know if Act Has Created a Surplus.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—When the house met today Payne of New York, the floor leader of the majority, presented a resolution, which was adopted, calling upon the secretary of the treasury for information as to whether the war revenue act created a surplus and all the details concerning the revenue under that act, with estimates of expenditures. The presentation of the resolution, calling as it does for information which may furnish a basis for the reduction of the war revenues, created considerable interest.

Richardson of Tennessee asked if it covered anything save the internal revenue taxation under the war revenue act.

Payne replied that it did not. There was no division on the adoption of the resolution, which was as follows:

Resolved, That the secretary of the treasury be, and he hereby is, requested to inform the house of representatives whether, in his opinion, based upon such knowledge as he has of the present laws for the raising of revenue and creating and will continue to create a surplus in the treasury over and above the wants of the government, and if so, to what extent at the end of the current fiscal year, and a like report as to the fiscal year ending June, 1901.

Sheriff Can Serve Civil Processes. FRANKFORT, Ky., April 3.—The military authorities today notified Sheriff Suter that he or his deputies may enter the capitol grounds for the purpose of serving processes of a civil nature, but that they will not be permitted to serve any papers of a criminal nature.

J. L. Sutton of Whitney county and W. L. Hazell of Grayson county, who are under \$10,000 bond each, arrived here today. Their cases will go before the grand jury.

FOR THE CHICAGO PLATFORM. National Committee Active in Securing Pledged Delegations.

CHICAGO, April 3.—The Tribune says: The democratic national committee has issued a circular urging that all delegates to the Kansas City convention be "instructed for the reaffirmation of the Chicago platform, and the selection of candidates loyal to it in 1896 and loyal now."

Condition of the Treasury. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, \$156,792,995; gold, \$98,355,054.

"Tallow Dick" En Route to Frankfort. LEXINGTON, Ky., April 3.—Richard Combes, alias "Tallow Dick" was brought here from Beatyville today and will be taken to Frankfort this afternoon. He denied any knowledge of a conspiracy to kill Goebel.

Rude Shock to the British. LONDON, April 3.—The rumors of the capture by the British of the seven guns taken from Colonel Broadwood's force fails to compensate London for the severe shock experienced by the humiliating defeat sustained within a few miles of the headquarters of the British army of occupation. The public is painfully surprised to learn after all that has come and gone that British officers of high position can still neglect precautions which the vilest tyro might be expected to observe and blunder into traps which the observance of the elementary military rules would have revealed.

TRUTH HARD TO LEARN

Reports of the Disaster to British of a Mystifying Nature.

LIST OF CASUALTIES COME SLOW

Army Keeps in "Touch" With the Boers—Roberts Praises the Gallantry of the Men Engaged—A Great Deal of Sickness at Bloemfontein and Elsewhere.

LONDON, April 4.—Fuller news of the disaster to the British army in the neighborhood of Ennas post does not tend to improve matters from a British point of view, but, with the dispatches so mystifying it is impossible to accurately portray the present situation or foretell the ultimate issue of Lord Roberts' attempt to retrieve the defeat.

The War office has posted a dispatch from Lord Roberts, reading as follows: "BLOEMFONTEIN, April 3.—(In continuation of my telegram of March 31.)—There has been considerable delay in getting accurate returns of the casualties, as the action took place twenty-two miles hence, the telegraph cable has been interrupted several times, cloudy weather has interfered with signaling and although there has been no engagement since, the force is continually in touch with the enemy."

"There were many acts of conspicuous gallantry displayed during the day. 'Q' remained in action under a crossfire at 1,200 yards for some hours, the officers serving the guns as the casualties reduced the detachments. Several gallant attempts were made to bring in two guns, the teams of which had been killed, but at each attempt the horses were shot."

"The Essex, Shropshire and Northumberland mounted infantry and Roberts' Horse covered the retirement."

"These covered the retirement of the guns from that position to the crossing of the drift found by the cavalry two miles further south and without the determined attacks of the enemy, who, in some cases, advanced within a hundred yards. 'U' battery of the Royal Horse artillery was suddenly surrounded the drift and the officers and men were all made prisoners without a shot being fired. But Major Taylor and a sergeant major succeeded in escaping in the confusion. Five guns were captured at the same time. Further details tomorrow."

Lord Roberts' dispatch seems to finally dispose of the earlier report of the recovery of the guns and the fact that the Boers remain in occupation of the waterworks is taken as an indication that they intend to make a stand sufficiently long to cover the withdrawal of the guns and wagons to a place of safety, although the absence of definite information regarding the movements of General French's cavalry makes it difficult to estimate their chances of adding this crowning success to the blow already inflicted.

A dispatch from Maseru, Basutoland, dated Monday, April 2, says the earl of Rothesay, who is acting as war correspondent for the Daily Mail in South Africa, and who left there April 1 on his way to Thaba N'Chu, has probably fallen into the hands of the Boers.

EXPLORING MANY ISLANDS. Scientists Return From an Extended Tour of the South Seas.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—Prof. A. Agassiz, who left here several months ago in charge of a party of scientists on board the steamer Albatross, and has returned on the China, will proceed at once to Washington to report regarding the results of his voyage to the South seas. The scientific expedition went first to the Pomolos, exploring the northern part of these islands, a region never before examined by scientists.

After refitting the vessel at Tahiti the remaining portion of the Society islands, as well as the Cook, Savage and the islands of the Tonga group, were explored. After refitting at Suva the Ellice Gilbert and Marshall islands were explored and the island of Guam was visited.

Along its course the Albatross made soundings, those between here and the Marquesas being the first ever made along that route. About 100 miles southeast of Guam a depth of 4,313 fathoms, or nearly five and one-half miles, was found. There are only three deeper soundings, one of them being near Guam. Prof. Agassiz says he examined coral reefs in different parts of the South seas and came to the conclusion that Darwin's theory regarding their formation was untenable. The corals, he says, have grown upon shelves of the volcanic islands.

Boers Hold the Waterworks. BUSHMAN'S KOP, April 4.—The Boers are still occupying the water works, which the British shelled yesterday afternoon, the Boers replying.

Mexico Celebrates Victory. CITY OF MEXICO, April 4.—Yesterday's anniversary of the victory of the Mexican army commanded by General Porfirio Diaz over the imperialist forces at Puebla, thirty-three years ago, was observed as a general holiday, the public buildings being decorated handsomely. The day was celebrated by military maneuvers on the plains of San Lazarus near the city in the presence of President Diaz and hundreds of distinguished guests, cabinet ministers, members of the diplomatic corps and visiting Americans and Spaniards.

Expect a Decision Wednesday. LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 4.—A decision in the governorship case is expected in the court of appeals within a day or so, probably tomorrow. At the conclusion of the argument last night the case was taken under advisement and the judges are now considering the points involved. Pending a decision interest centers in the proceedings of the grand jury at Frankfort, which is expected to return a number of indictments in connection with the Goebel case. The conclusion of the investigation is not expected for fully two weeks.

THE PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT.

Condition of Uncle Sam's Finances by the Latest Figures.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business, March 31, 1900, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$1,112,256,358, a decrease for the month of \$6,629,701. This decrease is accounted for by a corresponding increase in the cash on hand. The debt is recapitulated as follows:

Interest bearing debt, \$1,026,862,140; debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,207,600; debt bearing no interest, \$390,979,613. Total, \$1,419,649,353.

This amount, however, does not include \$720,500,779 in certificates and treasury notes outstanding, which are offset by an equal amount of cash on hand. The cash in the treasury is classified as follows:

Reserve fund in gold coin and bullion, \$150,000,000; trust funds, \$720,500,779; in national depositories: To credit of Treasurer of the United States, \$104,556,700; to credit of disbursing officers of the United States, \$6,075,415. Total, \$1,108,379,783.

Against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to \$801,586,787, leaving on hand a national cash balance, including the reserve, of \$306,792,995.

The monthly statement of the complement receipts and expenditures during the month of March shows the total receipts to have been \$48,726,837, and leaves a surplus for the month of \$16,538,566. The disbursements for the month charged to the war department amounted to \$8,329,053, a decrease as compared with March, 1899, of \$3,300,000; navy department, \$4,413,637, a decrease of \$450,000. For the nine months of the present fiscal year the receipts exceeded the disbursements by \$54,302,000.

The monthly statement of the disbursement of the mints shows the total coinage of the mints of the United States during March to have been \$17,075,688.

The monthly statement of the comptroller of the currency shows that at the close of business, March 31, 1900, the total circulation of National bank notes was \$270,958,068, an increase for the year of \$27,990,751, and an increase for the month of \$21,518,190. The circulation based on United States bonds was \$263,284,230, an increase for the year of \$23,358,241, and an increase for the month of \$19,674,261. The circulation secured by lawful money was \$37,668,838, an increase for the year of \$4,542,510, an increase for the month of \$1,843,990. The amount of United States registered bonds on deposit to secure circulation notes was \$250,091,480, of which those of the new 2 per cent amount to \$97,797,690, and to secure public deposits \$39,931,650, of which \$19,992,900 were the new 2 per cent.

DEWEY IS TO VISIT EUROPE. Will Combine Business With Pleasure During the Trip.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The information was given out at the bureau of navigation that Admiral Dewey will probably visit Europe the coming summer. It was said that he would be accompanied by Mrs. Dewey, his secretary, Lieut. John W. Crawford, and his aide, Lieut. Harry H. Caldwell. While the plans of the admiral have not been fully arranged, it was said that he would sail for Europe about the last of April. As president of the naval policy board, Admiral Dewey, it is said, will combine business with pleasure while abroad, and will inspect the navy yards, ships and the modern vessels of all the leading countries. The policy board will hold a meeting in a few days and agree upon the plans for the summer. The members will discuss the building of the battleships now under consideration, but it is probable that the designs for the ships will not be definitely decided upon until after Dewey's return from abroad, as it is believed that his visit will result in his gaining some information about the armament and guns of the vessels of foreign powers that will be of great value to the board in planning the big vessels to be constructed by this country.

SENATORS NOT FAVORABLE. Opposed to Disturbing War Revenues This Session.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 4.—No disposition is manifested in the senate to disturb the war revenue taxes during the present session of congress. Republican members of the senate committee on finance who are in the city agree in expressing the opinion that the session is too far advanced to justify any effort in that direction at the present time. Some of them say that there is no menace in the present surplus of revenue and they generally agree that as circumstances would not permit the removal of the entire tax it would be a very complicated work to make an equitable adjustment. They say that this work will have to be undertaken at the beginning of a session when undertaken at all.

Cuban Customs Receipts. WASHINGTON, April 4.—The War department today made public a comparative statement of the customs receipts in Cuba for the months of January and February, 1899, with those of January and February, 1900. The statement shows receipts of the island for January and February, 1899, were \$2,014,933, those of January and February, 1900, were \$2,772,619, an increase for the two months of 1900 over the same period of 1899 of \$757,686.

Located the South Pole. LONDON, April 4.—Carston E. Borchgrevink, leader of the south polar expedition fitted out in 1898 by Sir George Newnes, of this city, who with the surviving members of his party arrived on the steamer Southern Cross at Campbelltown, Bluff Harbor, N. Z., telegraphs Sir George Newnes that the object of the expedition was fully attained and the position of the south magnetic pole located. He adds that the expedition reached with sledges the furthest point south of which there is any record, namely latitude 78 degrees 50 minutes south.

LANG IS OUT FOR GOOD

Governor Poynter Will Stand by His Decision of Last Week.

AN APPEAL FOR REINSTATEMENT.

State Board of Transportation Served With an Order Restraining Them From Hearing Complaints About Railroad Rates—Miscellaneous Nebraska Matters.

LINCOLN, April 4.—Governor Poynter will stand by his decision of last week and will refuse to reinstate B. F. Lang of York as superintendent of the State Institute for Feeble-Minded Youth at Beatrice. A delegation headed by Lieutenant Governor Gilbert and Judge Bates of York and Ex-Mayor E. A. Kreisinger of Beatrice, and including about a dozen citizens of York, called on Governor Poynter and pleaded for leniency on behalf of Lang. At the close of the conference, Governor Poynter said that he had no decision other than the one rendered last week.

It has been quietly intimated that unless he was reinstated Mr. Lang would refuse to go out of office until compelled to do so by the courts. Governor Poynter asserts that he has Lang's resignation in writing over his own signature and that he cannot therefore contend that he has any lawful right to the office. Lang has told several of his friends that he has not resigned and that he does not propose to be removed from the office without cause.

Members of the State Board of Transportation were served with a copy of an order issued by Judge Munger of the federal court restraining them from entertaining, hearing or determining any complaint which has been or may hereafter be filed with the board, touching the rates of charge made by the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroads. This order is to continue in force until April 5, when the complainants will move for a permanent injunction. The Board of Transportation is also restrained from making any order fixing or prescribing the rates which either of these companies shall charge for transportation of freight between points in Nebraska and from taking any proceedings for the purpose of enforcing any order heretofore issued.

But little surprise was expressed at the state house when the injunction was served, it being generally expected that the Board of Transportation would be restrained from proceeding with the hearing of the cases pending against the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley and the Omaha roads, both of which were recently continued.

The case of the Business Men's association of Norfolk against the Omaha road has been lost in the mass of railroad rate litigation.

State Capital Notes. LINCOLN, Neb., April 4.—Treasurer Meserve has issued a call for general fund warrants registered from 55,171 to 55,570, payable April 10. The amount covered is \$40,000.

Two of the bondsmen of ex-County Treasurer J. W. Lynch of Platte county were at the state house with a view to effecting a compromise with the state of the claim covering the shortage of that official, amounting to approximately \$13,000. Lynch's shortage was in the neighborhood of \$90,000, of which amount \$17,000 belonged to the county and the balance to the state. The county funds were paid by the bondsmen, but the state has not been reimbursed.

Fell Under the Wheels. COLUMBUS, Neb., April 4.—Martin Jensen, a baker, twenty years old, who has been employed the past six months at Humphrey, stole a ride with a companion Saturday night on the Union Pacific accommodation train, and fell under the wheels at Platte Center. Both legs were badly mangled. He was brought to the hospital here and one leg was amputated soon after midnight. Attending surgeons hope to save the other, but are not sure that they can.

Funds for India Sufferers. CAMBRIDGE, Neb., April 4.—A mass meeting called for the purpose of raising funds for relief of the India famine sufferers resulted in the sum of \$130 being raised by the people of Cambridge and vicinity. This town has always responded liberally when appealed to for the relief of suffering humanity.

Mexican War Veteran Dead. GRETNA, Neb., April 4.—John Fallon, an old citizen, died of heart failure at the home of his daughter at Waterville, Kas., Sunday morning. The remains were brought to this place this morning and buried in the Catholic cemetery. Mr. Fallon was a veteran of the Mexican war.

Wm. Fuller is Bound Over. O'NEILL, Neb., April 4.—William Fuller had his preliminary hearing in the county court upon the charge of statutory rape of the person of Ivy Mount and was bound over to the district court in the sum of \$1,500. The defendant is about 18 years of age and the complaining witness a year younger. They are both residents of Stuart and highly connected. The alleged date of the crime is July, 1899.

Dodge County Mortgage Record. FREMONT, Neb., April 4.—The following is the mortgage record of Dodge county for the month of March: Chattel mortgages filed 143, amount \$43,743.11; released 155, amount \$33,797.63. Farm mortgages recorded \$3, amount \$139,356.30; released 51, amount \$94,724.20. Town and city mortgages recorded 40, amount \$4,399.00; released 26, amount \$19,399.73. The amount of farm mortgages recorded is greater than any month since registers of deeds have been required to keep a record of them and are principally purchase money mortgages and renewals.