

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

ALLIANCE and Hemingford are engaged in the county seat war.

THE North Nebraska Teachers' association met at Fremont on the 1st with a large attendance.

JAMES K. HUNT, an old and wealthy citizen of Syracuse has become insane and sent to an asylum.

THE contract books of the Norfolk Beet Sugar Co., for the season of 1895, have been closed, with sufficient acreage secured to insure a longer run than any previous year.

RICHARD RINGER, a merchant of Friend, who was bitten by a dog several months ago, was attacked recently with what was supposed to be a severe case of grip.

MAXEY COBB, county treasurer, disappeared from Lincoln a few days ago and two days later his body was found dead near town.

LIZA, the seven-year-old daughter of R. L. Townley, secretary of the state banking board, left the family residence at Lincoln the other day to go to the state house on an errand.

RECENTLY there was shipped from Seward by a local stockraiser a train load of fat cattle to England.

A PARTY of eastern capitalists propose to erect a distillery at Fremont with a capacity of 2,000 bushels a day upon condition that they be given a suitable plant convenient to both railroads.

LINCOLN letter carriers are represented to be jubilant over the figures given out by the United States commissioner, who has been examining the claims for overtime since 1896.

MRS. BARRETT SCOTT lately filed suit at O'Neill against the Ancient Order of United Workmen for \$2,000, the amount of a policy held in that organization by her husband.

THE Nebraska Southeastern Educational association at Lincoln elected the following officers: President, S. P. Arnot, Sterling; vice president, G. D. Hopkins, Friend; secretary, Miss Anna Howland, Lincoln; treasurer, E. A. Morgan, Nebraska City.

JOHN WIGGINS, a respected and wealthy farmer living a few miles west of St. Helena, near Hartington, was found dead the other night on the bank of the Missouri river.

MARCH did not go out like a lamb in Nebraska by any means. On the last day of the month the lamb would have found himself overwhelmed by a blizzard had he been strolling around.

A MOVEMENT has developed in Nebraska to contest the right of the government to regulate the liquor traffic of the forts in this state.

A LETTER FROM CARLISLE.

The Secretary of the Treasury Gives His Views on the Presidency.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Secretary Carlisle has written the following letter on the subject of his candidacy for the presidential nomination at the Chicago convention:

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 4, 1895. Charles R. Long, Chairman Democratic State Central Committee, Ky.

Dear Sir: Your favor of March 30, in which you say in substance that many of my friends in Kentucky and elsewhere desire me to become a candidate before the approaching national democratic convention for nomination to the office of president, and requesting me to give some authoritative or definite expression upon the subject, has been materially considered.

Many communications upon the same subject and similar import have been received from friends in different parts of the country, and while very grateful for these numerous expressions of confidence and esteem upon the part of my democratic fellow citizens, I have not been able to reach the conclusion that the existing conditions require me to comply with their requests by authorizing them to announce me as a candidate for the presidential nomination.

While I feel a profound interest in the welfare of my party, I am much more concerned about its declaration of principles than its selection of candidates, because, in my opinion, its failure or success at the election, as well as its capacity for useful service in the country in the future, depends upon the position it takes or omits to take upon the public questions now engaging the attention of the people, and especially the questions affecting the monetary system of the country and the character and amount of taxation to be imposed upon our citizens.

The obligations assumed when I accepted my present official position require me to devote my entire time and attention to the public interests committed to my charge, and I shall continue to discharge the duties imposed upon me to the best of my ability, and in such manner as will, in my judgment, most certainly promote the true interest of the country.

With many thanks for your kind letter, I am, very truly yours, J. G. CARLISLE.

FIRE IN A MUSEUM.

Wild Confusion Among the Freaks and Performers in a Chicago Playhouse.

CHICAGO, April 6.—A fire which bore a very threatening aspect for a time and created a panic, broke out yesterday afternoon in a Clark street dime museum. It being Easter Sunday the two small theaters in the building were entertaining audiences of more than the usual proportion, at least 1,600 persons, who occupied every available inch of space, being present. The audiences at once made a rush for the door and for a time pandemonium reigned. The wildest confusion prevailed among the freaks and performers, but all escaped without injury, many of the actors running into the streets in their stage attire.

A TERRIBLE CONFLAGRATION.

Four Thousand Houses Burned and 30,000 People Made Homeless.

MADRID, April 6.—A terrible fire has occurred at Manila, in the Philippine islands, by which 4,000 houses were destroyed and 30,000 people left homeless. Manila is the capital of the Philippine islands, and has a population of 100,000, or, with the suburbs, 160,000. It is one of the great emporiums of the east. The principal buildings are the cathedral, the palaces of the governor and the archbishop, a beautiful town house, ten churches of different religious orders, several monasteries and convents, the arsenal, three colleges for young men and two for young women, a supreme court, prison, civil hospital, university, a marine and a commercial school, a large theater, a custom house and a barracks.

HOLMES CONFESSES ALL.

The Arch-Criminal Preparing the Story of Twenty Murders Committed by Him.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—H. H. Holmes, the convicted murderer, has made a confession in which he tells how and why he put to death no less than 20 men, women and children. He writes as calmly and remorselessly as he murdered, neglecting no detail. He even gives an account of six murders which he planned, but was prevented from carrying out. It was well known that Holmes put 11 persons out of the world. So when his confession is printed there will be accounts of the violent deaths of nine people whose absence from their homes and their friends has hitherto been unexplained.

A. P. A. AND POLITICS.

Supreme President Traynor Says His Order Will Decide the Next Presidential Contest.

DETROIT, Mich., April 4.—W. H. J. Traynor, supreme president of the American Protective association, has issued a circular to the order at large upon the political situation.

President Traynor declares that the A. P. A. has a cinch upon the presidential situation, and presents an exhaustive plan for the complete political organization of the order, from the primaries up. He urges the various state councils to send their representatives to the supreme council, which meets next month at Washington, pledged to such reforms as the subordinate members of the order most desire, thus avoiding the danger of strong partisans from using the order for their own ends.

HEAVY FAILURES.

The List for the Last Quarter Larger Than Ever Reported for a Like Period.

NEW YORK, April 4.—According to Bradstreet's Financial Review the first quarter of 1895 presents the largest list of actual commercial and industrial failures in business in the United States, those in which liabilities exceed assets, ever reported for a like period. The total (including financial institutions) is 4,512, or 700 more than in a like portion of 1895; 543 more than in 1894, and 1,443 more than in the first quarter of 1893, increases of 18.11 and 47 per cent, respectively.

Business failures in Canada number 781 for the past quarter, against 581 in the first quarter of 1895; with total liabilities of \$5,573,000, against \$4,254,000 last year.

A MADMAN'S ACT.

Kills His Wife and Mother-in-Law Then Attempts Suicide.

CLINTON, Ill., April 4.—At 4:30 yesterday afternoon this city was thrown into the wildest excitement by a double murder and attempted suicide. Ed Polen, formerly employed at the Illinois Central railroad in this city, murdered his wife, formerly Miss Myrtle Green, and his mother-in-law Mrs. McMullen, and then attempted suicide by throwing himself in front of an eastbound freight train. Jealousy is given as his reason for committing the horrible deed.

A GRAND MONUMENT.

Bill Introduced to Commemorate the Services of Private Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Congressman Watson, of Ohio, introduced a bill in congress yesterday appropriating \$250,000 for a monument to be erected in Washington to commemorate the services and achievements of private soldiers and non-commissioned officers and enlisted men of the navy during the late war.

TO HONOR AMERICANS.

Venezuela Will Erect a Third Statue to Sons of Uncle Sam.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—President Crespo, of Venezuela, has taken another step toward the conspicuous honoring of American citizens by issuing a decree directing the erection of a bronze column in honor of the citizens of the United States who aided Venezuela in the first struggle for independence. The decree has just been received at the Venezuelan legation here.

A TRAIN HELD UP.

Three Men Rob the Cannon Ball Express on the 'Frisco Road.

LEBANON, Mo., April 3.—The east-bound cannon ball train, No. 6, on the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad, was held up three miles east of here early yesterday morning by three masked men, and the safe blown open and robbed. The robbers boarded the train at this place and, after reaching the scene of the robbery, held up the engineer and fireman and stopped the train and, with the engineer in front of them, marched to the express car.

The Wells-Fargo & Co. express officials say the amount of money secured by the robbers was only \$1,277. About 100 mounted men are in pursuit of the robbers. Road Agent Bradway is in Lebanon superintending the hunt. Bloodhounds will be put on the trail, and every means known to railroad and express secret service, as well as the local authorities, will be used to capture the outlaws.

VENEZUELA FIRM AS EVER.

Report That Indemnity for Uruan Arrests Will Be Paid Is Denied.

CARACAS, Venezuela, April 2.—A report reaches here from New York that the Venezuelan government here has agreed to pay Great Britain \$5,000 indemnity for the arrests in Uruan. It is claimed from the highest authority that the report is untrue. Venezuela has refused to pay one cent of indemnity for what is known as the Uruan incident as long as England claims the men were arrested on British soil; has refused to do anything in the premises unless England changes the words "British soil" in her demand to "disputed territory."

ONE AS GOOD AS THE OTHER.

Mother and Daughter Exchange Babies Involuntarily at Birth.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., April 2.—Mrs. John Morton, of Irish Valley, was being delivered of a child yesterday when her daughter, Mrs. Hannah Foster, of Trevorton, who was at her mother's bedside, was taken sick suddenly, and also gave birth to a child. Both women occupied the same bed, and the attending physician mixed the babies. One of the children is a boy and the other a girl, but nobody knows which belongs to which mother.

NATURAL COLORS PICTURED.

A Chicago Man's Discovery Promises to Revolutionize the Art.

CHICAGO, April 2.—James W. McDonough, of Chicago, who, according to the records in the United States patent office, was the first American to make a practical telephonic receiver and transmitter, has recently perfected a process by which natural colors are photographed. The evidences of this important fact are actual photographs of landscapes, men, women and paintings, taken with an ordinary camera, developed and printed by every-day processes, but differing from ordinary photographs in that the colors, as well as the lines, lights and shades, are present.

DIAZ ON MONROEISM.

Mexico's President in Sympathy with the United States on This Proposition.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 1.—The Mexican congress opened yesterday. President Diaz's message contains an extended reference to the Monroe doctrine and an emphatic declaration of sympathy therewith. Without entering into the merits of the Venezuelan controversy, he declares that every republic on the western hemisphere should announce that any attack on the part of a European power with a view to extending territory or altering republican institutions should be considered by each an individual attack.

CURED OF CONSUMPTION.

Remarkable Recovery of a Young Woman Through Her Faith.

ELWOOD, Ind., April 2.—Faith and prayer has again wrought a miraculous cure. Consumption in its last stages had placed its destroying mark on Miss Bessie Dean, a young woman well known in the northeastern portion of this county. Suddenly she refused all medical attention, declared that she would be cured through her faith and through prayer. She began to grow better at once, and on yesterday was able to do light housekeeping. Her cure has created intense excitement.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

The Improvement Expected With Spring Weather Beginning.

NEW YORK, April 4.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

The improvement expected with spring weather begins, though in some branches of business scarcely visible. As consumers make spring purchases they must lessen stocks and compel buying. The stocks taken in advance of last summer's demands have been distributed far more slowly than was expected but months of waiting have helped to lessen the load which it is hoped spring buying will clear away.

What has slightly advanced and if late reports of injury from extensive frosts and storms prove correct will advance more, though western receipts continue nearly 50 per cent larger than last year, and for five weeks past have been 13,835,410 bushels, against 8,831,372 last year, while Atlantic exports have been only 6,733,132 bushels, flour included, against 8,435,701 last year. Corn exports are larger and receipts also heavy, but pork has declined 75 cents per barrel.

MOST FIENDISH TORTURE.

Insurgents Strung Up for Days at a Time by Cruel Spaniards.

CLEVELAND, O., April 4.—The stories than have been told concerning the tortures inflicted by the Spaniards in Cuba are more than confirmed by Mr. F. H. Taylor, who has just arrived in this city, after a residence of three years in Havana. In answer to inquiries regarding the truth of the circulated reports he said: "The worst has not been told. I have known of prisoners being strung up by the thumbs at Moro castle and left for days at a time to the mercy of the vicious flies, which were attracted in swarms by molasses, smeared upon the victim's face and chest for that purpose. Many other forms of torture are practiced upon the unfortunate rebels when taken. These outrages against humanity do occur, as any citizen of Havana can testify. In fact, if they would allow some of those persecuted wretches in the Cuban dungeons to testify, stories of fiendish torture could be unearthed which would shock the Christian world."

EXPERT TESTIMONY.

Frank James Tells How to Proceed to Stop Train Robbing.

ST. LOUIS, April 4.—Frank James, a brother of the famous bandit, Jesse James, when asked his opinion of the St. Louis & San Francisco train robbery, said: "When a man engages in the train robbing business he is badly in need of money and will take desperate chances to secure it. All this talk about some men having no sense of fear, and especially when they are making a raid on a train, is all nonsense. I have been in some pinches and there were times when I realized fear, but there was nothing to do but to fight my way out. I am opposed to train robbery and the only way it will ever be stopped is to have armed guards on each train. Two or three would be sufficient, but they should be well armed and be encased in a steel cage of some kind."

THREE INSTANTLY KILLED.

A Terrific Explosion Occurs in the Giles Mine at Ward, Col.

WARD, Col., April 4.—A terrific explosion occurred yesterday in the Giles mine, 1 1/2 miles from this city, in which three men were instantly killed and two others badly hurt. The dead are: James Purmort, married, Mart Branson and Grant Rice. The injured: Jack Gallagher and Louis Smith. When the men went to work they took about 50 pounds of giant powder down in the mine with them, and shortly after they reached the bottom of the shaft and went to work the powder in some unknown way exploded. Purmort and Branson were blown to shreds. This is the fourth fatal explosion in the Giles mine.

INDORSED GOV. STONE.

Democrats at Nevada, Mo., Want Their Chief Executive for President.

NEVADA, Mo., April 4.—Returns from the several democratic township conventions in this county, to select delegates to the county convention to be held here to select delegates to the Sedalia convention, so far as heard from, have selected solid silver delegations and instructed for Gov. W. J. Stone as a delegate-at-large to Chicago. Walker, Harwood and Schell City, the largest towns in the county outside of Nevada, indorsed Gov. Stone for president. The county convention to-day will, without doubt, be solidly for free coinage at sixteen to one ratio.

BOYS EIGHT DAYS ADRIFT.

Their Father, a Schooner Captain, Died in Mid Atlantic, Leaving Them Alone.

CADIZ, Spain, April 4.—On February 18 the schooner Robin Hood, 76 tons register, Capt. Dingle, left St. Johns, Newfoundland for Lisbon with only three persons on board—the captain and his two small sons. Capt. Dingle died when the little craft was in mid Atlantic and the two children were alone eight days on board the Robin Hood with the body of their father. They were picked up and the vessel towed to this port by the British schooner Janning.