OVER THE STATE.

WEST POINT has reduced the dog tax from \$3 to \$1. NORTH PLATTE has of late had quite

a religious awakening.

THE Valley county teachers' institute will be held at North Loup March 3. FRED MOWERS, a student of Bellevue college, died suddenly of typhoid fever. OSCEOLA'S new Methodist church, costing \$11,000, was dedicated on Sun-day last.

A Anderson, a Norwegion, was run over and killed by the cars in Omaha

EVANGELIST NATHAN has been arousing a good deal of religious interest in North Platte.

THREE men named Betts, Grover and Shafer were arrested at Tekamah Sat-

urday night for hog stealing. Albert and George Jones, of Sarpy county, were convicted of selling hay and compelled to pay a fine and costs.

THE farmers' institute in Burt county was well attended. Many questions of interest to farmers were ably discussed. Six hundred people attended the banquet at Alliance held in honor of the consolidation of two land offices at that

THIEVES broke into the Rock Island freight house at Beatrice and stole therefrom a keg of whisky and a caddy

OLLIE BROWN was arrested in Hastings for being incorrible. She pleaded guilty and was committed to the reform school.

Lincoln citizens are protesting ainst the erection of a high school at this time. They desire to wait until money matters are easier.

M. L. EATON, a leading physician of Fairbury, died last week from an at-tack of the grip and pneumonia after an illness of only a few days.

A FARMER near Cozad lost a wagon load of corn while crossing the Platte river bridge. The team shied and spilt the load, wagon and all into the raging

THE old established dry goods house of O. W. Baltzley of Crete was closed by the sheriff under chattel mortgage in favor of the First National bank of

How. J. A. Core died at Pawnee City last week. His death has been daily expected for over a year. He formerly resented Pawnee county in the leg-

HAINES MEYERS of Falls City has sued John R. Smith, a prominent horseman of the same place, for \$5,000, damages claimed by the allenation of his wife's THE roof of the large barn of Fulton

& Troxell at Beatrice collapsed the other day from the weight of snow on its surface, entailing a loss of several hundred dollars. THE prosecuting witness in the Toliver case on trial at Nebraska City has been arrested in Rockport, Mo. Sheriff Heverule went to Lincoln to secure

requisition papers. THE proposition to issue and sell bonds in the sum of \$25,000 was sub-mitted to voters of the school district

of last week. There were 291 votes for the bonds and 18 against. AT MURDOCK, while playing indoors with his brother Willie the 7-year-old son of A. Seabel fell on the floor, break-

ing his right leg above the knee. The fracture was a square break. NLEY SKEEN of Verdigree dropped his mitten in a well, and in trying to recover it he lost his balance and fell

into the water. He didn't perish but he had a mighty cold bath. THE Hasting Irrigation, Canal and Power company has submitted a propo-sition to the city council asking for an

election to vote upon the question of is-suing bonds in the sum of \$75,000 to the THE public school at Oakdale has

d colosed for a few days on account of four or five cases of scarlet fever being reported among the school children, but as there are no more cases school will open again soon. HAINES MEYERS of Richardson county

has filed a petition in the district court charging John R. Smith, a prominent orseman, with criminal conversation with Vernie Meyers, plaintiff's wife and asking \$5,000 damages.

BEATRICE is again overrun with sneak thieves and tramps. Several cases of petty thieving are reported, the apparent object of the thieves being to get a five or ten days' lodging in the city jail until the cold weather has passed.

THE other day the court house at Falls City was found to be on fire in the treasurer's office. A furnace was recently put in and from this the floor was ignited. Had this happened at night the house and records would have certainly been destroyed.

AT Grand Island while Al Trumbull was cleaning his gun his 5-year-old son picked up a pistol and pulled the trig-ger. The shot took effect in his right hand, lodging in the wrist. A surgeon was called and extracted the ball. No serious results are looked for.

SETH HOYT of Callaway rode to Lodi on his wheel, and while cutting a wide wath among strangers one leg of his pantaloons was caught in the wheel and torn clear off before the crash A local paper describes the situation as rather embarrassing.

A. J. McPEAK, ex-treasurer of Furnas ounty, was last week acquitted of the charge of embezziement. tion claimed a shortage of \$10,000. The case has excited widespread interest, in that it was believed in some quarters to partake of persecution, growing out of politics.

Why go to Texas, dear reader, asks the Laurel Leader, when we have such fine weather in Nebraska as we have had the past few years? Why, these wa.m days make the young boys think that it is May, and they want to pull off their shoes and stockings and go have footed. barefooted.

Lincoln's birthday was fittingly cele brated at Crieans by patriotic citizens. Camp 54, Nebraska Sons of Veterans, was duly organized under the supervis-ion of Colonel McArthur, commander of the Nebraska division, with an enrollment of forty charter members, which is the largest in point of numbers, over mustered in the state.

THE Krug beer warehouse at Wilber was burned Sunday. Also an ice house and some other adjacent small build-No insurance. Loss, \$2,500.

NEBRASKA gains another cadet in the military academy at West Point through the appointment of the president of the son of Gen. G. B. Dandy, now chief quartermaster of the department of the Platte at Omaha. The state has now four cadets at West Point, and young Dandy will make the fifth.

PORTER JOHNSON, an old farmer living in the west edge of Cedar county, who was shot in a family quarrel some four weeks ago by his son-in-law, C. E. Ellott, is dead. Elliott is out on bail, but will probably have to go to jail again until the next term of the district court, February 27, when he will

have his trial at Hartington.

A TRAIN consisting of twenty cars left Table Rock with 299 head of cattle for Liverpool, England. A year ago last June local shippers sent quite a large shipment and the results seem to have justified them in making another trial. trial. The cars are the most approved style of cattle cars, most of them being the Canada Cattle company's property.

THE remains of C. C. F. Hayne were brought from Denver to Schuyler the other day. Mr. Payne was the Union Pacific express agent in Schuyler many years. He left there two years ago and went to Carbon, Wyo., where he was taken sick some time since and was afterwards removed to the Union Pacific hospital in Denver, where he died.

CUYLER SCHULTZ, the Hall county murderer, who a year ago killed his neighbor near Doniphan, and some time ago was granted a chance of venue to Howard county, arrived in St. Paul last week escorted by the sheriffs of Hall Howard counties. He was conducted to a cell in the jail where he will remain under the care of Sheriff Kendall until the time of his trial.

THE B. & M. engine house at Fairmount burned last week. The fire was first discovered in a box where tools, waste and oil were kept and before anything could be done to save the build-ing it was all in flames. The engine being out on its run the house was empty. The building is a total loss. This is the second time in the past few

years that the engine house has burned.

JACK MCKANE, a well-to-do farmer living four miles northeast of Edgar, was found dead in bed by neighbors. From appearances he had been dead several days. McKane was a bachelor, living by himself The neighbors had seen no one around for several days, and the stock being in a famished condition, attracted their attention. Upon nvestigation they discovered the dead

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER A. H. CHURCH, Grand Army of the Republic, has issued an order in relation to the arrangements for transportation and other accommodations of delegates at-tending the seventeenth annual encampment of the department of Nebraska, which convenes at Lincoln, Wednesday, February 21. A rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip over all roads in Nebraska has been

At a meeting of the farmers of Dodge county held at the office of M. M. Coad a farmers institute was organized, with officers as follows. M. M. Coad, president; R. D. Kelly, secretary, and Clark Sigafoos, treasurer. The secretary was instructed to procure the best lecturers in the state to act as instructors. A finance committee composing some of the best farmers of the county was named and a committee on music appointed.

HON. JAMES A. COPE, of Pawnee City died last week after an illness of more than a year, attended by a great suffering. Mr. Cope represented that county in the lower house of the legislature two terms. He held many important positions in the county and was one among the leading citizens. The funeral was under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity. The Grand Army of the Rupblic and Ancient Order of United .Workmen also accompanied his

remains. WILLIAM H. CLARK closed his term of service last week as register of the land office at Lincoln and turned over his office to his successor, John W. Ferguson. In his closing letter to Commissioner of the General Land Office Lamereux, he said: "I herewith transmit the receipts of my office as register of the United States land office at Lin-coln, Neb., which I this day turn over to the Hon John W. Ferguson, who has been commissioned by the president of the United States as register of this

The facts about the killing of William Smelter by J. W. Argabright, says an Auburn dispatch, are now pretty generally known and the sentiment of the people here and in the neighborhood of he two families has taken a decided change in favor of Argabright. His father, who is quite well-to-do, is tak-ing an active part in the defense of his son and will see to it that he does not lack for counsel in this matter. Smeltzer was quite well-to-do, and his family will also employ eminent coun-sel to assist the prosecution and the trial promises to be a very stubborn

JOHN D. MARSHALL, the man whom the Cass county authorities had under arrest for having more wives than the law allows, has departed for unknown parts. His preliminary hearing was et before Justice Archer, but he preferred to leave his bondsmen to suffer, and left the county, Marshal married a highly respected widow living south of Plattsmouth without having taken pains to rid himself of his first wife. Peace reigned untill wife No. I learned of the existence of wife No. 2, whereupon disturbance arose. Wife No. 1 made a complaint against Marshall for bigamy. He was arrested and lodged in the county jail. Friends came to his rescue and bailed him out, and now they

suffer the consequences.

While practicing in the gymnasium at the state university, a probably fatal accident happened to Otis Dayton, a student and member of the class of '98. With a companion he was performing the "flip flop," a feat which is per-formed by one placing his foot in the hands of anohter, clasped in front of him, and with a spring the actor is thrown over his companion's head, completing a somersault in mid-air and alighting on his feet. Dayton is quite an athlete and had often performed this difficult feat with his companion, Anderson. He was just doing it for the fourth time when, in mid-air, he seemed to stiffen out and failed to throw his feet around and struck heavily on the mat on his neck and head. An examination showed that his spinal column had been dislocated and he was partially paralyzed

THE HOUSE IN A DEADLOCK.

An Hawalian Resolution Offered Bland's Bill-No Quorum WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 .- At the open-

ing of the session of the house this morning, Mr. Cummings, chairman of the committee on naval affairs, presented as a question of privilege, the report of his committee on Boutelle's resolution calling upon the secretary of the navy to inform the house by what authority his instructions were issued placing the armed naval forces of the United States and the use of its ensign under the control of Special Envoy James H. Blount and also to furnish the house with copies of all orders, directions, instructions or official suggestions issued by him since March 4, 1893, concerning the movements of the naval forces at Hawaii. He explained that the committee recommended the passage of the resolution amended so as to call for all orders from March 4, 1892, in-

stead of 1893.

Mr. Boutelle urged the importance of the resolution which he said, had already been delayed six weeks. The information called for by it, he thought, should have been before the house when the Hawaiian resolutions

were being debated. Mr. Bland moved to go into the committee of the whole on the silver de-bate. On the rising vote the Bepublicans and the opposing Democrats declined to vote, and when the result was announced—99 to 0—Mr. Tracy made the point of no quorum.

The ayes and nays were demanded. It was very apparent from the outset that Mr. Bland would be unable to get a quorum to-day. The vote resulted—140 to 5, thirty-four less than a quorum. Mr. Bland moved a call of

WILL FIGHT FOR KANSAS. National Women Suffragists Decide to

Push the Sunflower State Campaign. WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 .- The National Women Suffrage association is session here has formally determined upon a Kansas campaign and members express confidence that this year will see at least one more star added to to their suffrage flag, which Wyoming

was first to adorn. As soon as the campaign in New York closes, which will be April 28, Miss Anthony and the Rev. Anna Shaw will go to Kansas and open the campaign there May 4. Mrs. Laura Johns has painted a glowing picture of the chances in Kansas.

This morning the delegates were tardy in gathering. The reports of the credential committee and of the treasurer were on the programe for consideration this morning, but Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, having these matters in charge, said that owing to delays in receiving credentials of members and the treasurer's books, she was unprepared to submit the reports. The convention then listened ports. The convention then listened to the corresponding secretary of the association, Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery. She said that the advances had been great. She referred to the Colorado victory and said that New York women were organizing the grandest campaign for equality of rights that the country had yet seen. Looking further away the past year was made memor-able in woman suffrage annals by the giving of franchise to the women of New Zealand and by their eager and enthusiastic entry into political life at the late election when one-third of the votes were cast by the women and when the proportion of defective bal-lots was smaller than ever before. In England, the women had in spite of the government opposition, been endowed with the parish councils fran-chise in company with several classes of men now enfranchised.

WHITE FACED HORSE.

After a Remarkable Experience He Con fesses to Killing Four Men.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 17.-Information has reached here from South Dakota to the effect that White Faced Horse, the Sioux buck who was implicated in the murder of four white men on White river near Pine Ridge, last winter, will be arraigned before Commissioner Hoover at Gettysburg, S. D.

White Faced Horse, in escaping the Indian police under Old American Horse, who arrested Two Sticks and his boys at Nowater's camp, was severely wounded and was in almost a dying condition when he reached agency at Standing Rock. There Sisters of Charity nursed him back There the life. He professed religion, joined the Catholic church, and confessed his share in the murder of Bennett, Kelly, Royce and Brown. Last week United States Marshal Cogley arrested him at Standing Rock, and he is now at Gettysburg. His formal trial will be held at Sioux Falls.

Desperadoes Come to Grief.

TRINIDAD, Col., Feb. 17 .- Kit Carson, ir., son of the famous scout, who re cently killed his mother-in-law, but escaped conviction for murder, A. B. Brannam and H. W. Kent, undertook last night to terrorize the little town of Starkville, a coal mining camp, two and a half miles from here, in the style of early days, by flourishing their guns and making desperate threats against the inhabitants. They were arrested and sentenced to ten days each in jail for carrying concealed weapons.

The National Labor Holiday.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17. - The subcom mittee of the house labor committee reported in favor of setting aside the first Monday in September as a national holiday, it having been found that this day is observed in nearly all states that have a labor day. The report was approved by the committee and a bill to carry it into effect will be reported to the house

The Rev. George W. Baxter of Knox-ville, Iowa, has been formally ex-pelled from the Presbyterian church. He will form a new church.

Mrs. Andrew Foy, who had been the principal witness against Daniel Coughlin, has sued her husband for divorce. She claims he has deserted her ever since she testified in the trial.

Lish Hendricks, a young man who lives near Pineville, Ky., saw Marler hanged last Frilay. saw Bob young fellow is now almost a raving maniac. He is haunted by the vision of the murderer dangling at the rope's end and is afraid to be left alone in

THE TOWN SITE FIGHT ACAIN

SENATE AMENDMENTS REJECT. ED BY THE HOUSE

AFTER A LIVELY AND BITTER DEBATE

The Confusion Was So Great That Business Was Several Times Suspended to Enable the House to Get to Order Mr. Simpson on Colored Cololonization - No Quorum for Silver.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The bill to ompel the railroad companies of Oklahoma to erect stations at government townsites was sent to conference by the house this morning after an hour of fierce conflict. When the bill was laid before the

house Mr. Wheeler promptly moved nonconcurrence in the amendment and asked for a conference. The semicircular open space before the speaker's desk was crowded with members in a moment, and such confusion prevailed continuously thereafter that 'business" was several times suspended to enable the house to proceed intelligently. Charges and counter charges of fraud, bribery, corruption and lobbyism were made.

Mr. Hopkins of Illinois first moved oncurrence, but afterwards withdrew it at Mr. Reed's request. Mr. Wheeler attempted an explanation of the question, while Messrs. Cannon of Illinois and Wilson of Washington joined in antagonizing the original bill. Mr. Wheeler with the Registration of the tensor of the tenso Wheeler vigorously assailed the Rock Island road, pronouncing the contest one between it and 5,000 people, whose all was staked on the result. Mr. Warner of New York went to Mr. Wheeler's aid and promply routed Cannon and discomfited Wilson.

Then Mr. Simpson got five minutes and made the first clear exposition of the subject matter. If the amendment were adopted, he declared that the Rock Island road would corruptly control the county seat election by importing colored men for that ex press purpose. As evidence of the wickedness of the railroad he said that 7,000 colored men had been brought into his district to defeat him because the railway companies were afraid he would expose their cunning schemes. There was a chorus of "oh's" at this from the Republican

side. Mr. Clark of Missouri followed. was especially severe on the Rock Island road, original in his illustra-tions of existing conditions and bitter against the railroad lobby and those susceptible to its blandishments.

Mr. Dunn of New Jersey spoke in behalf of the settlers and Mr. Cannon pooh poohed for five minutes all sug-gestions that the Rock Island would interfere in elections for county seats. In brief he was of the opinion that railroad companies were altogether too selfrespecting to think, of such

Mr. McRae closed and in much confusion and disorder the question went to the committee on conference. where the issue will be bitterly dewhere the issue will be bitterly de-bated, the speaker appointing Messrs. Wheeler of Alabama, Kilgore of Texas and Avery of Michigan con-ferrees on the part of the house. After some further routine business

After some further routine business the fight over the silver seigniorage bill was resumed and Mr. Bland moved to go into committee of the whole on the bill and pending that motion moved that all debate be limited to one half hour. The Republicans and Democratic opponents of the measure repeated their tactics of vesterday and refrained from votof yesterday and refrained from voting, and again the motion was defeated, 157 to 3, for lack of a

Mr. Bland moved a call of the house. This developed the presence of a quorum and then at 2 o'clock by special order the remainder of the afternoon was devoted to eulogies upon the life, character and public services of the late Representative William Lillie of Pennsylvania, and then adjourned.

MORGAN'S HAWAIIAN REPORT.

The Senate Investigating Committee Conslder the Matter-All Kept Secret.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 .- The senate sub-committee which has been investigating the Hawaiian question was in session for several hours to-day and it is understood that the entire time was devoted to listening to the reading and discussing Mr. Morgan's report, which had been completed. What, if any, changes have been or will be made in the report by the full committee, no one outside of the members can say and they decline to make any statement. All that can be learned is conthered from a statement made as gathered from a statement made few days ago by a member of the committee that Mr. Morgan was in accord with the views of the administration on the Hawaiian question, but those who remember how ardent an annexationist he has always been are inclined to the opinion that he will at least find some words of exuse for the course of Minister Stevens if he does not indorse the method he

Messrs. Gray and Frye, represent-ing respectively the views of the ad-ministration, and the views of those opposed to this position, are known to be quite radical and it is difficult to conceive how any man can write a re-port which will be accepted by both. Messrs Butler and Sherman, the other members of the committee, have not been so outspoken. The belief of those who know Senator Morgan is that his report will be conservative, but will not be lacking in forceful expression and decided statement.

NOTHING FOR NEW BUILDINGS.

Congressmen Seeking Postoffice Structures Virtually Give Up All Hope.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. - Congressmen in whose district buildings for postoffices or custom houses are wanted do not look hopefully to this congress for the fulfilment of their desires. The Fifty-third congress has a re-

markable record on the matter of public buildings for, up to date, no bill for a new building has passed the house and but one has been reported from the committee on public build-

responsible for this record. There has been no lack of bills for public buildings even in the face of the general understanding that few would be authorized. At the beginning of the special session they came in thickly, but have steadily fallen off since then, though there are now 123 before the committee.

While the committee on public

buildings has held numerous meetings it has not yet decided to make favorable report on any building bill but has authorized the purchase of land and the erection of a government printing office in Washington at a cost of \$1,500,000. In this instance the committee did not lean toward undue economy, for Chairman Bankhead contended economy in the long run would best be gained by the erection of a build-ing which would hold the entire government force of printers and need no additions or extensive repairs for many years. He had determined to make the printing office the main work of his committee and to push it through if possible.

To Save Ten Kearsarge Guns.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.-Lieutenant J. A. Smith, United States navy, has presented to Senator Chandler and Representative Blair, who have prepared a bill to cover the matter, a plan for rescuing the guns and armament of the Kearsarge, indorsed by T. M. Stoddard, who commanded the eleven inch guns of the Kearsarge during the engagement with the Alabama, and who is now in the wrecking business at Norfork, Va. He estimates that an expedition could be fitted out to rescue the Kearsarge for about \$12,000.

Pushing Immigration Inspection.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 .-- Representative W. A. Stone is determined to push his bill for changes in the immigration laws which will compel intending immigrants to secure certificates of fitness from United States consuls at the ports from which they sail after undergoing rigid examina-tion, and has secured its reference to the judiciary committee, the immigra-tion committee having decided to give the present laws a chance.

A Tax on Sugar Petitioned For.

Boston, Feb. 19 .- A petition to the senate finance committee has been circulated in this city a few days past, and has been signed by many leading Democrats asking for the retention of the one-fourth of a cent a pound duty on sugar, provided in the original Wilson bill by the ways and means committee and abolished by the house. Among the more prominent signers are ex-Governor William E. Russell, Josiah Quincy, Amos W. Stetson, C. C. Josiah Quincy, Amos W. Stetson, C. C. Jackson, Moses Williams, F. B. Sears and Robert L. Butler.

Peffer's Religious Turn.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. - Senator Peffer, who last Sunday prayed at the Moody and Sankey meeting, will tomorrow night address the young people of the Foundry Methodist Episcopal church in this city. He is becoming quite prominent in religious work in Washington.

HE LOCKED IN THE COURT.

A Buffalo Postoffice Robber Overawes Officers and Others and Escapes.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Leroy (arris, alias John H. Heart, accused of postoffice robbery on preliminary examination to-day, retired to the lavatory for a moment. Returning, he electrified the commissioner and all the room by leveling a revolver and crying: "Hands up." Each one present put up his hands and Harris walked to the door, opened

it, still keeping his pistol pointed to-ward the astonished court, and passed out. He coolly locked the door from the outside and took the key.

United States Marshal Watts jumped to the window and fired three shots to attract attention and others shouted lustily. Finally a janitor was aroused, who opened the door and released the captives. Murdered and His Body Burned.

YELLOW SPRINGS, Tenn., Feb. 19 .-John Monday strangely disappeared recently and it now develops that he was murdered for his money and his body burned, as human bones and ashes have been found near where he was last seen alive. He had \$700, which he had just received from his father's estate.

Yellow Fever on the Newark.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 19.—Yellow fever broke out on the United States war ship Newark Thursday and yesterday Admiral Benham ordered it to go to the Rio de la Plata, where the temperature is cooler and where the disease may be more easily checked. The men on the other ships are so far doing well. He Pounded Assassin Prendergast. CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—George Craig, the

released from the county jail dungeon to-day, where he had been confined for severely pounding his cell mate, Prendergast, the assassin of Mayor Burned While Praying.
MOBILE, Ala., Feb. 19.—Miss Augusta, daughter of ex-Mayor G. M. Parker, was burned to death last night.

murderer of little Emma Werner, was

While kneeling in prayer by her bedside a kerosene lamp near her upset and exploded and the blazing oil enveloped her. A Physician Held for Horse Theft. GUTHRIE, Ok., Feb. 19.-Dr. R. L. O'Neil, once a prominent physician in

Southern Kansas, was brought in here last night on the charge of horse stealing in the Osage reservation. A Statue of Napoleon Blown Down. BOULOGNE, Feb. 19 .- The statue of Napoleon which was erected here in 1854 by Englishmen has been blown

down and broken to pieces. J. W. Crawford, county attorney of Lincoln county, Oklahoma, formerly a prominent Grand Army man of Missouri, has been suspended from office on the charge of malfeasance. FAIR BUILDINGS GOING.

Another Grand Structure Wiped Out by Fire.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15. - Fire, undoubtedly of incendiary origin, was found burning at 11 o'clock this morning in the Grand Colonnade between the Agricultural building and Machinery hall at the world's fair grounds, near the point at which the firemen made a fierce fight against the flames last week. When first seen the flames week. When are seen the names were crawling up the pillars. Quickly they mounted higher and higher and the fire grew hotter and more danger.

ous.

The first alarm was soon followed by a second call but before the additional engines could reach the burning structure its destruction and that of the large buildings adjoining on either side was threatened. Another call was sent out and all the available engines in Woodlawn and Hyde Park were soon hurrying to the scene. Drifted snow on the grounds made the work of the firemen slow and before sufficient streams were directed toward the burning structure its timbers were cracking in a rapidly spreading blaze.

Starting at a point nearly back of the Egyptian obelisk, the fire spread east and west. The light woodwork offered little resistance to the flames and the pillars and ornate roof decora-tions along the colonnade were soon in ruins. Three groups of animals in statuary standing on the roof were destroyed.

Firemen were hampered not only in reaching the colonnade by the snow, but it delayed them in fighting the blaze. It was difficult to move the heavy engines and the lines of hose heavy engines and the lines of hose were clogged in the snow. The engines drew a water supply from the canal and no difficulty in this was encountered. Shortage of coal, however, was some disadvantage, as the supply wagons made slow trips.

Some twenty firemen were under the main part of the colonnade when Fire Marshal O'Malley, fearing that the central portion of the structure would fall, ordered them out. They had barely drawn away from the place when the top of the colonnade was seen to rock for a moment, and the next instant it fell crashing to the ground, carrying with it the magnifi-cent quadriga, by Wagner, that adorned the central part of the top of

adorned the central part of the top of the colonnade.

Manager E. R. Graham of the grounds and buildings, directed that the smaller colonnades, connecting the Machinery hall and Agricultural buildings, be destroyed to keep the flames from reaching those buildings. The fire damaged the Assembly hall in the east portion of the structure, and threatened to reach the rooms on the threatened to reach the rooms on the west side occupied by Artist Frank Millet as headquarters for his department during the fair.

The fire was practically extinguished before 2 o'clock after a hard fight, and the great buildings were saved.

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The Itata Claim Must Be Paid. WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The mixed commission which has been considering the claim of the South American steamship company against the United States government in the now famous States government in the now famous Itata case, has rendered a decision, overruling the demurrer interposed by Judge Shields, counsel of the United States, to the claim for 47,000 pounds damages. This demurrer was based upon the claim that the seizure was made with probable cause, the Itata being in the employ, temporarily, of the Junta government of Iquique.

NOMINATING M'KINLEY.

Republican Clubs of Ohio in Convention Name Him for President.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 15 .- Governor McKinley was nominated over and over again in the convention of Republican clubs of Ohio here yesterday for president of the United States, and when he appeared in re-sponse to an invitation and addressed the club briefly the delegates wildly cheered him. cheered him.

To Examine West Point Candidates. WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.-Boards of officers have been appointed to meet on February 28 for the examination of appointees to West Point at the following places: Fort Warren, Mass.; Governor's Island, N: Y.; Fort Me-Henry, Md.; Columbus Barracks, Ohio; Fort McPherson, Ga.; Jackson Barracks, La.; Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Fort Sheridan, Ill.; Jefferson Barracks, Mo.; Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; Fort Snelling, Minn.; Fort Douglas, Utal; Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo: The Presidio, San Francisco; San Diego, Barracks, Cal.; Vancouver Barracks,

LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS Quotations from New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and Elsewhere. OMAHA.

 Oranges—Florida
 65

 Potatoes
 190

 Beans—Navy
 190

 Cranberries—Cape Cod, per bbl 6
 60

 Hay—Per ton
 5

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 20

 Onions—Per bu
 5

 Hogs—Mixed packing
 5

 Hogs—Heavy weights
 2

 Beeves—Feeders
 2

 Steers—Fair to good
 3

 Steers—Westerns
 2

 Sheep—Lambs
 3

 Sheep—Natives
 2

Wheat-No. 2 spring
Corn-Per bu
Oats-Per bu
Pork
Lard
Hogs-Packers and mixed
Cattle-Com. steers to extra Sheep-Lambs. ST. LOUIS.

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Wheat—No. 2 red. cash.
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Hogs—Mixed packing
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