

NEWS BOILED DOWN.

WHISPERINGS OF THE WIRE IN FEW WORDS.

Miscellaneous News Notes Gathered From This and Other Countries—Accidental, Criminal, Political, Social and Otherwise—Crisp Condensations From All Quarters.

Monday, Feb. 21.

The Chinese loan will, after all, be made by Great Britain. The Maine court of inquiry will assemble at Key West today. The remains of Miss Willard will be buried at Evanston, Ill. South Dakota cattlemen are stocking their ranges with Canadian stock. The government lien on the middle division of the Kansas Pacific railroad in Kansas was sold at Saline Kansas. March 29 instead of February 22 will be the date of the meeting of the Missouri Bar association in Kansas City. One thousand dollars is offered for the return of papers taken from a New York office of the Sprague Electric company. The new management of the Union Pacific Railroad company has decided to build 500 new box cars for the freight traffic of the railroad. Charles W. Barstow, a St. Louis dealer in paints, oils, naval stores, etc. today filed a chattel deed of trust to secure creditors to the amount of \$100,000. The house on Saturday considered the bankruptcy bill under the order for a final vote at 4 o'clock, the bill to be open to amendment today and debate limited to five minutes each. Former Governor Horace Boies of Iowa will be pitted against David E. Henderson by the democrats of the Third congressional district as their candidate for congressman next fall. A meeting of prominent mining men was held in Salt Lake, at which preliminary arrangements were made for the international mining congress which will be held in that city, beginning July 6. Charles Eliot Norton, the distinguished critic and professor in Harvard University, has announced that, with the end of the present academic year, he will retire from the active duties of his position.

Tuesday, Feb. 22.

One of Kansas City's packing companies slaughtered 7,000 cattle last week. The recent outrages in Armenia by Turks are being duplicated on the Macedonian frontier. An insane man pulled up spikes and disarranged rails on the Union Pacific near Mukwonago, Mo. John J. O'Neill, ex-member of congress from the old Eleventh Missouri district, died in St. Louis. Gen. Booth, of Salvation Army fame was in Kansas City Saturday, leaving Monday for Denver. Attorney General Boyle of Kansas, says the eight hour law does not apply to Policemen and firemen. Frances E. Willard's will provides that her estate, valued at over \$20,000 shall pass into the Temple fund. Near Clifton, O. T. George Sawyer, aged 17, was killed by the accidental discharge of a gun in his brother's hands. The war department is annoyed by sensational rumors circulated concerning activity at the sea coast defenses. The entire line of the Kansas Pacific from Kansas City to Denver was bought by the reorganization committee. In a quarrel arising from an old feud, J. W. Kibbe shot and perhaps fatally wounded W. A. Watson at Nekoma, Kan. Ex-Superintendent of Census Porter thinks the Maine was blown up from without, but it will be difficult to fix the blame.

Wednesday, Feb. 23.

The appropriations committee of the house has agreed upon the sundry civil appropriation bill and it will be reported to the house at once. The British battleship Victorious, which was ashore for some time off Port Said, necessitating its being lightened, has safely traversed the canal. Steps have been taken by the navy department to fill the vacancies in the enlisted branch of the navy caused by the loss of most of the crew of the Maine. President McKinley yesterday addressed the students of the University of Pennsylvania, being given a most cheering welcome. There was a large attendance. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad company resulted in the re-election of all the old officers and directors. Ecclesiastical circles at Great Falls, Mont., are much excited over the disappearance of Rev. Arthur Davies, M. A., temporary pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone have gone to Bournemouth. On the way to Marlborough House and inscribed their names in the visitor's book, thus returning the visit of the prince and princess of Wales. Workmen at the Norfolk navy yard were engaged all day Sunday on the repairs to the monitors Terror and Puritan. The comptroller of the currency has declared dividends in favor of the creditors of insolvent banks as follows: Ten per cent, First National bank of Eddy, N. M.; 15 per cent, Union National bank of Denver. By the term of the will of Miss Frances E. Willard, late president of the W. C. T. U., her estate will pass into the temple fund after the life interests of her secretary, Miss Anna Gordon, and of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary B. Willard, have expired.

Thursday, Feb. 24.

The remains of Miss Willard arrived in Chicago yesterday. Postmaster Karlenun burned to death in his office at Bunceyer, Minn. The new postoffice at Omaha was occupied for the first time on the 22d. At St. Joseph, Mo., footpads held up Rev. Mr. Slaughter, robbing him of \$300. Ignatius Donnelly, the famous Minnesota author, has married his stenographer. Denial is made that the French expeditions are advancing into British protectorate. At Tulsa, I. T., Bud Ledbetter killed a well known desperado while trying to arrest him. The reindeer for the use of the Alaskan expeditions are expected to arrive soon in New York. It is figured out that Spain is not liable if the Maine disaster was accidental or caused by a fanatic. The Duluth, Minn., Chamber of Commerce building was damaged to the extent of \$50,000 by fire. Oscar Gardner, the "Omaha Kid," put Jack O'Keefe to sleep in the eighteenth round at Wheeling, W. Va. Lee B. McFarland, who defaulted in the sum of \$43,000 from the Second National bank at Parkersburg, W. Va., was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. General William Booth, of the Salvation Army, lost, while in Kansas City, the old-fashioned silver watch which was given him by his wife twenty years ago. It was stolen from him. The Paris Temps says: "The inquiry into the loss of the Maine will insure the peace which the fertile invention of politicians and the credulity of the American people were compromising so seriously." The proposed Brussels sugar bounty conference has been indefinitely postponed, owing to want of unanimity between the beet growing powers. It is probable that England will now invite a conference in London.

Friday, Feb. 25.

The Santa Fe considers the agreement to maintain the Colorado rate is ended. Mrs. William C. Whitney's mishap in South Carolina is liable to result in her death. The anti-football ordinance passed by the city council of Atlanta, Ga., last fall has been repealed. A wire and nail trust it is expected will soon be organized in Pittsburg, with a capital stock of \$87,900,000. Silas Baysinger, a Missouri farmer, had no faith in banks. He buried \$1,900 in double eagles and another man dug it up. Thirteen students of Lombard university, Galesburg, Ill., were suspended for participation in a class color fight. Five were seniors. The Vienna correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle reports that there is a serious rising against Japanese rule in Formosa. The Illinois republican state central committee decided that the republican state convention will be held June 14. Representation will be based on the McKinley vote, one delegate for each 400 votes. The Canadian government has decided to permit Canadian goods to be shipped from Vancouver and Victoria in American vessels free of duty by St. Michaels to the Yukon for the coming season. The St. James Gazette says it is informed that Mr. Gladstone will shortly undergo an operation to alleviate the pain caused by necrosis of the bone of the nose, from which it is alleged some of the specialists say he is suffering. Prince Tai Wan Koon, father of the emperor of Corea, died on February 22, according to advices received by the Korean legation at Washington. Prince Tai Wan Koon was king regent during the minority of the present emperor. The minister will go in mourning for a period of thirty days.

Saturday, Feb. 26.

Half of the Chinese loan has been under written. There is talk of an extra session of the Kansas legislature. Fast trains, commencing March 1st, will exact excess fares. The southern states are said to be heartily in favor of a war with Spain. Simond Lazard, founder of the banking firm of Lazard Freres, is dead in Paris. The Maine court of inquiry will hold the remainder of its sessions in Key West. Nearly every county in Illinois sent floral tributes to the funeral of Miss Willard. The counsel general did not advise Americans to leave Havana as reported in dispatches. The condition of Mrs. W. C. Whitney is decidedly critical. She is paralyzed in body and limbs. Presbyterians at Trenton, N. J., celebrated the 120th anniversary of the adoption of Westminster confession of faith. President McKinley is quoted as saying that he does not propose doing anything to precipitate war with Spain. A secret proclamation just issued by the Macedonia revolutionary committee calls upon the people to join in an insurrection. Washington's social season of 1897-'98 closed on the 24th, and in all respects it has been a remarkable one. It began and ended in mourning. Past Assistant Surgeon T. B. Bailey, United States navy, was found dead in his room in Washington under conditions that lead to the belief that he had committed suicide by taking poison. The navy department has given out figures showing the strength of the naval militia up to date. This shows a total force of 4,445 officers and enlisted men, which is a gratifying increase from 3,703 shown by the last report.

THE ALARMIST NEWS.

IT IS DISCREDITED BY WASHINGTON AUTHORITIES.

They are Content to Wait for Intelligence From Proper Sources—Think It Unlikely Matters Sent Out by Correspondents Could Escape Observation by the Court of Inquiry.

It is Fake Journalism.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Undoubtedly there is a quiet feeling manifested at the navy department over the Maine affair as time passes. This is the tenth day since the war ship was destroyed, but the officers are willing to wait in patience until the facts relating to the explosion are fully developed. They are fully on their guard against the acceptance of unauthorized statements of the conditions at Havana and the daily developments, being aware of the efficiency of the precautions adopted by the court of inquiry to prevent the premature disclosure of the proceedings. Therefore the published statement that the explosion has been demonstrated to be of exterior origin by the discovery of the upheaved double bottom of the Maine did not cause much of a stir because the officials could not conceive that the alert members of the court of inquiry and their assistants in Havana had overlooked a fact so important as this, notwithstanding it must have been perfectly apparent for the past week to any one who came near the wreck in case it is true. Captain Croninshield turned up at the navy department today and took the helm in the bureau of navigation, relieving Captain Dickens, who has distinguished himself and earned the thanks of the secretary for the untiring vigilance with which he has managed all of the Maine matters that have fallen upon the navigation bureau, and of the newspaper men for the patience and frankness with which he has met their many inquiries. Captain Croninshield's absence has been made the basis for the conjecture that he has been on secret service for the navy department in Cuba, and color was lent to this impression by the fact that it was not possible until a late hour yesterday to secure from any of the officials a statement of the nature of his business in the south. It was known that he had arrived in Tampa on the Montgomery from the West Indies. The officer himself was not very communicative as to the details of his trip, but he did say that he had been in Domingo. He had gone there on the Brooklyn with his son when the ship started for St. Thomas. While in San Domingo he received news of the disaster to the Maine, and took advantage of the opportunity presented by the appearance in San Domingo of the cruiser Montgomery to make his way back to the United States and to Washington. There was no word from either Captain Sigsbee or Consul General Lee this morning at the navy or state departments. The monitor Terror is lying in Hampton Roads, and it is said at the navy department that it has no orders as yet. The impression is that it will remain in that place, which is one of great strategic value in case of need, at least until the monitor Puritan is ready to take its place. The Terror is almost twice as big as the Puritan, being a 2,000-ton vessel, very little less than the Maine in size. It carries twelve-inch guns in its turrets against ten-inch guns for the Terror, and is altogether the most formidable double-turreted monitor in the world in smooth water. This qualification does not mean that it is unable to keep the sea, but only that from its great breadth and light draft it is so difficult to do good work with its guns in a seaway. It is now having new furnaces fitted to its boilers at the Norfolk navy yard, the crews of the furnaces having come down some time ago, owing to the fact that the boilers are the same that were built for it when it was originally laid down many years ago. It is said at the navy department that it will be ready for services about the 4th of next month.

Mr. Bryan's Opinion.

TOPEKA, Feb. 26.—William J. Bryan, who was the principal speaker at the banquet of the democratic club in Topeka was interviewed concerning the Maine affair. "In my opinion, we should be slow to act in the Maine affair, especially under the trying circumstances which confront us," he said. "Another fact which in my mind impels us to exercise discretion, is that the official investigation of the explosion is now being made. The United States cannot afford to be too hasty in this matter. International questions are involved and it would be a sad compliment to our government were we to openly and maliciously bring about strained relations by our anxiety to locate the responsibility of the Maine disaster. Nothing should be done until the investigation is concluded."

Disastrous Fire at Louisville, Ky.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 26.—The picking, drying and steaming warehouses of the National Tobacco company, situated at Twenty-fourth and Main streets, were totally destroyed by fire this morning. The loss will amount to \$1,000,000, fully covered by insurance. W. B. Duke of New York, president of the American Tobacco company, of which the National Tobacco company of Louisville is a branch, is in the city and witnessed the destruction of his property. He said it would be at once rebuilt.

Deny Any War Preparations.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 26.—The rumor that the government is securing from railway companies estimates of their capacity for moving troops and munitions of war between Atlantic and gulf ports and the interior is officially denied by Vice President St. John of the Seaboard Air Line, whose road is mentioned in the reports. Mr. St. John said today that he is ignorant of any such move on the part of the war department, and as to contracts for moving troops, he had heard nothing of them.

NOTHING HELD BACK.

All Legitimate News is Promptly Given to the Public.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—H. H. Kohlsaat, who is very close to President McKinley, publishes the following in the Chicago Evening Post: "It can be stated positively that neither the president nor Secretary Long is in possession of a single fact or report in regard to the Maine disaster that they have not made public. And while they cannot confirm or deny the sensational stories daily published throughout the country as to the progress of the court of inquiry, they know that none of the evidence or conclusions of the court will be made public in advance of the official report. Every official connected with the investigation into the cause of the disaster to the Maine, from Captain Sampson down to the divers and linemen, is under oath of secrecy. For the time being the divers are under naval discipline. When above water each is attended by a petty officer of the court of inquiry. The Maine itself is sacredly guarded from unofficial approach. "These facts account for the remarkable equanimity with which the American people read the daily sensations from Havana and the stock jobbing forebodings of war from New York and Washington. "This much is absolutely true: President McKinley knows nothing about the wreck of the Maine or the testimony as to its cause that he has not made public. He will not withhold any information when he gets it. He has not come to any conclusion as to whether it was caused by an internal or external explosion. "When he receives the report of the court of inquiry he will know the facts, which he will make public, with his conclusions and policy."

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—A special dispatch to the Chicago Tribune quotes President McKinley as speaking as follows to a senator who called upon him yesterday: "It does not propose to do anything at all to precipitate war with Spain. Up to the present, I do not think war is either necessary or inevitable. I would be lax in my duty, however, if I did not prepare for the future. The situation is grave, and the policy of the administration will be determined almost entirely by the course of events from time to time. There is no necessity of alarming the people, but congress must be ready to assist the administration without making too many inquiries as to the course of current events."

The president and his cabinet unite in the belief still, in spite of all evidence to the contrary, that the explosion of the Maine was the result of an unfortunate accident, but they recognize the fact that the contrary may prove true at almost any hour, and that, if it is shown even inferentially that Spain had a hand in the catastrophe, there will be but one thing to do, and that will be to seize the island of Cuba by force of arms.

Indians Preparing an Outbreak.

CHADRON, Neb., Feb. 26.—No little excitement was caused here yesterday when it was rumored that the Indians at Pine Ridge were causing trouble and preparing for an outbreak. The report came from Pine Ridge, and was brought by a half-breed. He said that there had been for several days a feeling of unrest in the breast of the warriors, caused by the report that in case of war with Spain the troops would be taken from Fort Robinson, and that then would be a good time to make demands for more rations from Uncle Sam. The half-breed, whose name is Fell, stated that while hunting for some cattle he ran into a band of natives, and when they noticed him approaching they stopped him and refused to let him come near. Being familiar with their customs, he is positive that they were in secret council, preparing for trouble, as several of their chiefs were making speeches, which were cheered by the braves.

Deny the Existence of Mines.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—In view of the report that the harbor of Havana contained a system of submarine mines, a statement, around which has centered the chief public interest, in connection with the battleship Maine, Senator du Bose, Spanish charge d'affaires at Washington, makes this statement, which, coming from such authority, may be considered as official denial: "I wish to state on my own official knowledge that no mine exists inside or outside of Havana harbor, nor is there any submarine defense of any kind. The report is so absolutely false and ridiculous that it could only have originated in the minds of those persons anxious to excite the angry passions of both nations for their own miserable ends. I consider the consideration of such a thing an insult to Spain."

New York Gold Imports.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Heidelberg, Eickelheimer & Co., have engaged \$700,000 in gold for shipment tomorrow from France. L. von Hoffman & Co. will import \$750,000 in gold, partly from France and partly from Eog and next week. The National City bank has engaged \$500,000 in gold for shipment from England tomorrow. The increase of the artillery force of the country by two regiments, as provided for in the senate bill, was agreed on by a sub-committee of the house military affairs committee.

Perfect Discipline on the Maine.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Havana says: Captain Sampson's naval board has been able to gain the fullest information showing that an accident through lack of discipline was impossible. This branch of the inquiry brings out that the officers and crew of the Maine were under the strictest discipline, because, although on the surface the visit of the Maine was friendly, Captain Sigsbee had taken proper precaution against hostile action.

GENERAL NEWS AND NOTES.

Simon P. Wolcott was appointed receiver for the Bank of South Baltimore, Baltimore, Md. Assets, \$120,000; liabilities, \$170,000. American Hay Shippers' association was formed at Detroit, Mich., by representatives from the middle states. It will capitalize at \$500,000. Chicago police are looking for John P. Harrison, wanted at Rolla, Mo., for alleged embezzlement of \$10,000 from the Rolla bank, of which he was cashier. Governor Black of New York authorized the extradition to South Carolina of Chris Harris, a negro murderer, arrested in Niagara county, for criminal assault upon a white woman in that state. Secretary Alger has returned from Fort Monroe greatly improved in health, and called on the president at the White House. He walked with a firm step and seemed to have almost completely recovered from his recent illness. The postoffice department has offered a reward of \$300 for the arrest and conviction of the persons who burned the postoffice at Lake City, S. C., and a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the persons who murdered the postmaster at the same time. A special from Vancouver, B. C., says: The large steamer, Pakshan, is fast on Beaconed rock, at the entrance of Nanaimo harbor. Efforts of the tugs to pull her off have thus far been unsuccessful. The Pakshan had just returned from her first trip to Alaska. Prince Tai Wan Koon, father of the emperor of Corea, died on February 22, according to advices received by the Korean legation. Prince Tai Wan Koon was king regent during the minority of the present emperor. The minister will go in mourning for the period of thirty days. Charles Merritt, said to be a discharged postal clerk, has been arrested, charged with having had a hand in the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf hold-up, the night of January 4. A revolver in Merritt's possession is said to have belonged to the Wells-Fargo messenger on the robbed train. The natural opinion of many persons is that the Maine was hit by a torpedo, after which the magazine exploded. In an interview with Thomas Melville, of Brooklyn, who was not injured and was on watch on the quarter deck, he said he felt two distinct shocks. The first was as severe as the second, which blew up the ship. Other survivors are of the same opinion, that it was foul work. Henry Williams, a negro axed 25, shot and killed Miss Ethel Gray, a white girl, shortly after midnight at her residence in Oakland, Cal., and then killed himself. The dead girl was 22 years of age, a daughter of Mrs. H. S. Gray, and was employed as a clerk. The dead negro was a desperate character, and had served a term in the county jail for theft. He is said to have been infatuated with the girl. Great preparations are being made at the Denver stock yards for a large cattle business in the spring. In order to attract shipments the charges for hay and corn, fed to cattle in the yards, have been reduced so as to correspond with the Missouri river markets. Hereafter the charge for hay will be 80 cents per 100 pounds, instead of \$1 as heretofore, and for corn \$1.25 per 100 pounds, instead of \$2. The New York Press says: There is a possibility that the bark Azato, which sailed from this port last week, bound to the Yukon river, may have been wrecked. The Azato carried forty men going to the Klondike and a crew of sixteen. The steamship Kinesland, when twenty miles south-southeast of Barnekat, fell in with a quantity of wreckage. Captain Scott of the Kinesland says the wreckage extended forty miles. A Cherokee, Ia., special says: At Cleburn, a small town about ten miles west of here, Mrs. Elizabeth Wilcox, a widow, 48 years of age, shot and killed her 5-year-old son, Irving. Insanity was undoubtedly the cause of the crime, as the woman was the inmate of a hospital at Independence from July, 1895, to July, 1897. It is said she has labored under the delusion that some one would eventually defraud them of their property, and that the child would be better off dead than alive.

Editor Rule of the Knoxville, Tenn. Journal draws a pension from the United States government, a salary from the city as mayor and a salary as editor.

News for the Wheelmen.

The L. A. W. numbers nearly 2,000 below the 100,000 mark within the last few weeks. In spite of this startling diminution, the maximum of health may be obtained by those who use the comforting tonic, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which promotes digestion and regularity of the bowels. There are in London 593 common lodging houses. Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-Tobacco, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c. or \$1.00. Care guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York. The harder you run up against the devil the more his horns hurt. The Fullness Thereof. Amid the discomforts of life and the fullness thereof, reaching to every family, there is that which can so easily mitigate or entirely cure, the wonder is why we endure and suffer so much. From big pains to little aches, which are the wear and tear of the physical structure of man, there are always remedies good, better and best. The choice should be always for the best as the surest and the cheapest. In chronic or acute suffering with rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica or lumbago or with the minor ailments of sprains and bruises, or of soreness and stiffness, the efficacy of St. Jacobs Oil and the fullness thereof in so many complete and perfect cures make it stand out as the best remedy for pain. Why, then, should we stand on the order of going for it, and not go at once? In numberless cases the aggravations of discomforts and pains are from delay. Why should we suffer? Why is it that a woman can never throw anything straight but kisses? Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, Cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 10,000 testimonials. They never fail. At all druggists, 25c. Sample free. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y. There is only one Latin newspaper in the world. State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1897. (Seal) A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. C. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best. Why does nature put a head on a dude if it abhors vacuum. Beauty is Blood Deep. Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascares Candy stimulates and purifies your blood and keeps it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascares—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c. 25c. 50c. Why does nature put a head on a human kindness taste of the can? To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascares Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C.C.C. fail to cure druggists refund money. If all the good had not died young there would be a lot of cranky old people on earth today. TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. In Chicago there is a hospital for sick and wounded birds. I shall recommend Piso's cure for Consumption far and wide—Mrs. Mulligan, Plumstead, Kent, England, Nov. 8, 1895. If you want to get onto the latest wrinkles in clothes sit on the tails of a damp coat. Crescent Hotel, Eureka Springs, Ark. Opens March 1st. In heart of Ozark Mountains, climate mild and bracing, scenery wild and beautiful. Unexcelled medicinal waters. Excursion rates, through sleepers, via Frisco Line. Address: Manager Crescent, Eureka Springs, or Geo. T. Nicholson, G. P. A., Frisco Line, St. Louis, Mo. New Inventions. A very curious invention was that patented by a German last week, comprising a sleeping bag for soldiers, the bag being light, easily transportable, impervious to moisture and still being properly ventilated. The present war scare will of course, be responsible for a great number of inventions relating to military and naval arms. Inventors applying for patents should be careful to place their inventions in the hands of registered attorneys. We have just received from the printer our illustrated hand book with some one hundred illustrations, which will be sent upon application. Free information relating to patents may be obtained in addressing Sues & Co., registered patent lawyers, Bee Building, Omaha, Nebr. Why don't they keep cyclones locked up in the weather bureau drawers? The Baltimore and Ohio Southern Railway company has adopted a plan of handling locomotive ashes or cinders at terminals and divisional points which has resulted in a saving of expenses. The device consists of large pans holding about 3 cubic yards each, which are placed in the pit and when full are moved by a crane to the car where they are dumped. The machinery is handled by one man and the results have been very satisfactory.