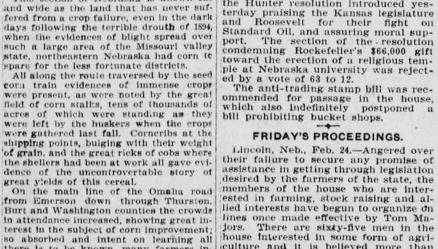


At one of the recent lectures by Pro-fessor George Kirchwey, dean of Co-lumbia Law college, New York, the students were uneasy. There was some-thing wrong in the air. Books were dropped, chairs were pushed along the floor. There were various interruptions, The newses of all were on edge The The nerves of all were on edge. The members of the class kept their eyes on the clock and awaited the conclusion of the hour of the lecture. The clock beat Professor Kirchwey by per-haps a minute, but at the expiration of "Wait a minute," objected Professor Kirchwey, "don't go just yet. I have a few more pearls to cast."

It has been seriously asserted by many people that we are naturally lighter after a meal, and they have even gone the length of explaining this even gone the length of explaining this by the amount of gas that is developed from the food. Average observations, however, show that we lose three pounds six ounces between night and morning; that we gain one pound twelve ounces by breakfast; that we again lose about fourteen ounces be-fore lunch; that lunch puts on an average of one pound; that we again lose during the afternoon an average of ten ounces, but that an ordinary dinner to healthy persons adds two pounds two ounces to their weight.

According to statements made by experts at the Midland Institute of Min-ing Engineers, our coal measures are at ing Engineers, our coal measures are at last beginning to show signs of com-ing exhaustion. There would be, in-deed, some scarcity were not deep min-ing much more largely resorted to. Forty years ago there were only twelve pits exceeding 1,500 feet in depth, now the number is nine times as great, while in twenty instances the depth ex-reeds 2000 feet. This tanning of the ceeds 2,000 feet. This tapping of the lower beds makes good the loss con-sequent on the exhaustion and disuse of the shallower common and disuse



in attendance increased, showing great in-terest in the subject of corn improvement; so absorbed and intent on learning all there is to be known, many farmers in-sisted on going with the train to the next lecture point in order to get additional in-formation that could not be given by each of the speakers owing to the brief time allotted to the lectures in telling their story of how "to make two ears of corn grow where one grew before.

ing this section of the state so prominent-ly before the world as a crop producing

ly before the world as a crop producing district far above the average. This section of Nebraska is known far

and wide as the land that has never suf-

fered from a crop failure, even in the dark days following the terrible drouth of 1894,

when the evidences of blight spread over such a large area of the Missourl valley

state, northeastern Nebraska had corn to

Some exceptionally large crowds were in attendance, especially at Pender, Lyons, Oakland, Craig, Bloomfield and Tekamah, where in each instance the attendance of farmers exceeded 300. At Oakland there were 584 present and at Tckamah 496.

FIRE IN CHURCH.

Panic Was Narrowly Averted by Cool headed Priest.

their failure to secure any promise of assistance in getting through legislation desired by the farmers of the state, the members of the house who are inter-ested in farming, stock raising and allied interests have begun to organize dn lines once made effective by Tom Ma-jors. There are sixty-five men in the house interested in some form of agri-culture and it is believed more than fifty of them can be induced to join the combination. Farmers constitute a minority in the

THURSDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 23.—The house of representatives this morning adopted the Hunter resolution introduced yes-

senate, but an effective combination in the house could bring the senators to time by holding up senate bills as long as the members of the upper house prove recalcitrant. Two meausres desized by the farmers are the binding twine factory and a rate-reduction bill. The senate does not like Speaker Rouse's dictation. He has notified the senate that the house proposes to ad-journ at the end of sixty days, whether the senate is ready or not. The house is the senate is ready or not. The house is two days ahead of the senate, and ad-journed till Monday, so that the senate might catch up. The senate, instead, adjourned today after recommending Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 28 .- Fire broke out in the Omaha water bill for passage. Governor Mickey signed the bill pro-viding for six supreme court commissioners, but no appointments will be made until April 1, when the appropriaion becomes available.

eral four-horse wagon loads of this specie will be seen making its way from Valentine to the Rosebud agency. Hollow Horn Bear will represent the Brule Sioux in the inaugural arade. STABBED BY HIS SON.

on sales of lands under former treattes.

Since the two payments will likely be

made during March, and in silver, sev-

ttempt to Stop Fight of Two Brother. Disastrous to Parent.

North Loup, Neb., Feb. 28 .- H. W. Trefren, a farmer living on Davis creek, about nine miles from here, is lying in a dangerous condition as the result of

a ungerous condition as the result of wounds inflicted by one of his boys with a pocketknife. Two of the boys became engaged in an altercation about a calf. The quar-rel was fast merging into a genuine fight, and Mr. Trefren interposed to stop the trouble, when one of them turned on him with the knife and cut and stabbed him in three places. One of the wounds is in the muscles of the right arm, one nearly severed the muscles of the left thigh. But the most serious one is a stab in the lower abdo-men, which penetrated the bowels.

ROBBED CHILDREN.

Man at Lyons Also Forged Three Checks on Their Father.

Lyons, Neb., Feb. 28 .- It develops that the man calling himself O. T. Harris, who, the evening of January 19, broke open the savings bank belonging to the children of Peter Brix, securing about \$4, had also forged Mr. Brix's name to three checks—one of \$15 and two of \$10 each—and cashed them at the Farmers bank here. The man was at that time working for Mr. Brix, who lives about eight or nine miles northwest of here. Mr. Brix and his wife west of here. Mr. Brix and his wile went out for a visit to neighbors one evening and left the man with the chil-dren. The children went to bed, while he still sat by the light reading. He had gone when Mr. and Mrs. Brix re-turned, but it was not discovered that the small bank had rifled of its contents until later. The total amount se-ured by him was \$39.

committed in the most fashionable part of Michigan boulevard, at a time when the avenue was filled with pedestrians and carriages. Herman, after killing the young woman, made his escape, and committed suicide in a lodging house at 3165 Archer avenue by shoot-ing himself through the brain.

The young woman was returning from the St. James parochial school, where she frequently acted as sub-teacher, when she met Herman, who had evidently been waiting for her. What passed between them is un-known, but suddenly Herman seized the girl, drew her close to him and fired three times. One bullet passed through her brain, one tore off a finger of her right hand, and the third The crime was witnessed by a score-

The crime was witnessed by a score of people. A large number of officers were at once detailed to search for Herman, but nothing was found or heard of him until it was learned that he had killed himself in a room in a lodging house on Archer avenue. Herman became infatuated with the girl through hearing her play at the

girl through hearing her play at the St. James Catholic church, where she acted as organist, and had for a long time annoyed her with his attentions, constantly urging her to marry him. Herman had been a member of the Chicago police force for several years, acting as a "plain clothes man." For about one year he has been on a furlough.

THE CORPSE OBJECTED

"Let Me Down Easy, Boys," It Begged, but a Ventriloquist Was Found to Be Responsible.

Denton, Md., March 1.—Sam Johnson, negro ventriloquist of Queenstown, is kely to find that talk of certain kinds a negro ventriloquist of Queenstown, is likely to find that talk of certain kinds

Vote Vindicates the Flor-

ACQUITS ON ALL COUNTS

vict. a Strong Majority of Votes Was Regularly Cast in Favor

by that the case was not decided on its merits, but on prejudice. The vote on the first count of the indictment was guilty, 33: not guilty, 49, and was cast as follows:

Washington, March 1 .-- Voting on the impeachment case of Judge Swayne began at 10:10 today on the first article. which charged Swayne with certifying a false claim for expenses. The vote was: Guilty, 30; not guilty, 49. The detailed vote follows:

Guilty-Bacon, Bailey, Bard, Eate, Berry, Blackburn, Carmack, Clark of Montana, Clay, Cockrell, Culberson, Daniel, Foster of Louisiana, Gorman, Kittredge, Latimer, McCreary, McCum-ber, McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Mar-tin, Money, Morgan, Nelson, Newlands, Overman, Patterson, Pettus, Simmons, Stone, Tellaferro, Teller-53.

Stone, Teliaferro, Teller-33. Not Guilty-Alger, Allee, Allison, An-keny, Ball, Beveridge, Burnham, Bur-rows, Clapp, Clark of Wyoming, Crane, Cullom, Depew, Dick, Dietrich, Dilling-ham, Dolliver, Dryden, Dubois, Elkins, Fairbanks, Foraker, Foster of Wash-ington. Frye, Fulton, Gallinger, Gam-ble, Gibson, Hale, Hansbrough, Hey-burn, Hopkins, Kean, Kearns, Lodge, Long, McComas, Millard, Penrose, Per-kins, Platt of Connecticut, Platt of kins, Platt of Connecticut, Platt of New York, Proctor, Quarles, Scott, Smoot, Spooner, Stewart, Warren-49.

Votes on Other Charges.

The vote on the second and third articles, being similar charges, result-ed in each case, 32 guilty, 50 not guilty. Clark of Montana voted not guilty on the second and third articles. The on the second and third articles. The fourth and fifth articles related to Swayne's use of a private car of the Jacksonville, Tampa and Key West Railroad company. The vote was: guilty, 13: not guilty, 69. The senators who voted guilty were: Balley, Berry, Blackburn, Carmack, Cockrell, Culber-son, Daniel. McLaurin, Martin, Money, Morgan, Newlands and Pattus.

Morgan, Newlands and Pettus. The sixth article charged Swayne with non-residence in the district. The vote was: Guilty, 31; not guilty, 51. The seventh article was similar to the

sixth. The vote was: Guilty, 19; not

arily, keeps down the price of coal to its former level.

Graham county jail at Clifton, A. T., is the strongest jall in the world. It comprises four large apartments hewn from the solid quartz rock of a hillside. The entrance is through a box-like ves-tibule built of heavy masonry, and equipped with three sets of steel gates. Some of the most desperate criminals on the southwest border have been con fined in the Clifton jail, and so solid and heavy are the barriers that no one detained there has ever escaped.

For the first time since 1762 the an-nual meeting of the Society of Friends, the Quakers, will be held, this year, outside of London. The "allurements of London" have, it appears, proved too much for the degenerate delegates of the present day. "Why," said a Quaker of high standing, "Friends, of the present day. "Why," said a Quaker of high standing, "Friends, members of old Quaker families, have been known to drive up to the meeting house in motor cars!"

During 1904, exclusive of warships, 712 vessels of 1,205,162 tons gross (viz., 613 steamers of 1,171,375 tons and 99 sall-ing vessels of 33,787 tons) have been launched in the United Kingdom. The warships launched at both government and private yards amount of 37, of 127 175 tons displacement. The total output of the United Kingdom for the year has, therefore, been 749 vessels of 1,-

332,337 tons.

The important part which rivets play in the construction of modern steel steamships is well illustrated by the fact that in the new Cunard liner Car-onia, the largest ship ever constructed in Great Britain, no fewer than 1,800,000 rivets were used, the total weight rep-resented being about 600 tons. The greater part of the riveting work was done by hydraulic power.

At a dinner given by an English no-bleman an old gentleman rose to pro-pose a toast, and, though his opening sentence was enthusiastically plauded, it was enthusiastically ap-plauded, it was evidently not quite what he had intended it should be. "I feel," said he, "that for a very plain country squire like myself to address this learned company is indeed to cast pearls before swine."

The merchants of the United States, despite the preference shown to this country in the form of lower duties, are more than able to hold their own with British merchants in the Cana-dian trade. They furnish Canada with about 60 per cent. of all the foreign goods she buys, while we only sell her about 25 per cent.

The thickness of armor on modern warships is truly astonishing. The side varies from sixteen and one-half inches thick at the top of the belt to nine and one-half inches at the bottom. The gun turrets are often protected by armor from fifteen inches to seventeen inches thick.

Londoners are demanding seats for tramway conductors and drivers. Two hundred doctors have certified as to the evils of constant standing and that seats would not prevent these men from doing their work properly is indi-cated by the fact that in Australian electric ars seats are allowed with it i results.

the Sacred Heart church during service and the 800 people comprising the congregation were thrown into a frenzy, which, but for the presence of mind of Rev. Father Thomas Walsh, must have resulted seriously

While Father Walsh was in the midst of his sermon a puff of smoke came through the floor and was almost instantly fol-lowed by huge flames in the center of the church.

The congregation arose as one person and made for the doors. Not a cry was heard, but the throng of people, a ma-jority being women and children, was ter ribly frightened. Several women fainted and children fell under foot

Father Walsh held out his hands imploringly. "Be calm," he commanded. "Go out, but go out slowly. There's no danger if order is preserved.

His advice was heeded and none was eriously hurt.

The fire started from the furnace in the basement and burst forth without a moment's warning. The interior fixtures and a portion of the church were badly dam-aged, but the local fire department by aged, prompt work saved the building. The smoke was so dense that the firemen could not enter, but were forced to fight the flames through the windows. Hundreas quickly gathered at the scene

the fire, many being anxious for their children or other relatives, but fortunately here were no casualties,

LARGE BRIDGE GONE.

Ice Gorges Play Havoc on the Platts River in Nebraska.

Lincolu, Neb., Feb. 28 .- Ice began moving in the Platte river and with the water high, the result, it is feared, will be serious. At Fremont a gorge fifteen feet high piled against the big wagon bridge connecting Dodge and Saunders counties, and 300 feet was carried away. Back wa-ter has cut off the suburb of Englewood from Fremont and that place is an island. The Northwestern railroad bridge west of Fremont is still intact, but in danger. At Schuyler four spans of the Burling ton railroad bridge over the Platte was torn out and the Burlington bridge at Columbus is in a shaky condition. Trouble is feared on the Platte as far east as Ashland, where the ice began to break up last evening. High water and ice gorges are causing trouble on other Nebraska steams. At Crete the wagon bridge across the Blue river was carried away completely and another gorge is forming lower down the stream. The Manhattan branch of the Unon Pacific is still tled up because of the loss of its bridge over Bear creek. near Beatrice, and the Burlington and Rock Island have a force of 100 men with dynamite to protect their bridges across the Alarming reports reached the Burlington

headquarters late last night about the con-dition of the Platte river at Ashland. An ice gorge formed just above the bridge. covering twelve or thirteen spans. The ice is very heavy and the river was reported high and threatening to overflow back of the gorge. Later in the night the ice be-gan piling up and at 11 o'clock it had extended the length of a dozen spans. The vater was rising rapidly.

will kill them.



Cotner University Orator a Winne, with Lawlessness,"

of Lawlessness."

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 21.—Hugh Lomax of Bethany, representing Cotner-university in the state oratorical contest held here won first honors and will represent the Nebraska colleges at the interstate contest, to be held in Indiana. at which the colleges of eleven Missis-sippi valley states will be represented. Mr. Lomax had for his subject "The Battle With Lawlessness," in the development of which, from a general statement of lawlessness past and present, he went on to show that still there were honest men and brave defenders of the right, whenever the critical time of their need came. The judges gave him five first points out of a total of seven. Joseph Tuma, representing Nebraska

Wesleyan, was second: A. J. Dunlap of Hastings college, third; Elias F. Stan, Grand Grand Island college, fourth; Chase E. Baskerville of Bellevue college, fifth; Fred L. Hall of Doane. sixth, and John Cavenaugh of Creighton, seventh. The judges were: On thought and composition, Mrs. W. G. Whitmore of Valley, Rev. Mr. Marsh of Lincoln and H. F. Rose of Lincoln; on delivery, Rev. M. M. Long, Professor A. V. Thomas of Kearney and Mr. Brown of Thicago.

READY FOR EDITORS.

Large Attendance Expected at Stats Press Association.

Kearney, Neb., Feb. 21.-A meeting of committees of the Kearney Business Men's association was held to compare final notes on arrangements for the meeting of the Nebraska State Press meeting of the Neoraska State Press association in this city next Tuesday and Wednesday. The association is sparing neither money nor effort to make the meeting one of the most en-joyable ever held in the state. The business sessions will be held in the as-sembly room of the Midway hotel sembly room of the Midway hotel

FOR MURDER OF HIS SON.

Plea of Self Defense Set Up in Behalf of John B. Boese in District Court. Nebraska City, Neb., Feb. 18.—In the dis-trict court the trial of John B. Boese, charged with the murder of his son John charged with the murder of his son John B. Boese, jr., was begun. Boese is charged with murdering his son during a family quarrel at their home in this city last fall. The defense will try to prove that the father shot in self defense.

Killed by a Passenger Train. Linwood, Neb., Feb. 21.--Frank Bar-tunek, aged 40, was killed by one section of the Hastings passenger, two miles west of here. He leaves a wife and five children at Rockville, Neb.

A Premonition.

Killed by a Train. Nebraska City, Neb., Feb. 28.-M. A McCartney of this city was struck by a train at Syracuse and instantly killed. He tried to cross the track ahead of the fast moving train. His father and mother are both very ill and it is feared his death will kill them.

ICE LEAVING RIVERS.

Conditions on Loup River in Nebraska Are No Worse.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb, 28.—Conditions on the Loup river, on which gorges have formed at Ravenna and Pleasanton, are no worse tonight. The ice is running freely, but it is feared a big gorge will form further down the stream, and railroads are taking precautions. Two spans of the Union Pacific

bridge over Bear creek, near Beatrice, were taken out by the ice, completely bridge tying up this branch of the Kansas division. The Manhattan passenger tying up this branch of the Kansas division. The Manhattan passenger is stalled for the night. All the small streams in southeastern Nebraska are high. Ice on the Platte has not begun to move and the critical time will ome when it does.

SAD STORY OF ABUSE.

Deserted by Her Husband, Then Ill

Omaha, Neb. Feb. 28.—Mrs. Madge Landmesser, deserted by her husband two months ago at Atlantic, Ia., told fine of \$1 and costs on a charge of drunkenness, to which he pleaded guilty.

When the husband deserted her, said Mrs. Landmesser, the brother-in-law became extremely sympathetic. He roundly denounced his brother and de-lawed that he would provide for the clared that he would provide for the woman and her little boy until her hus-band could be sent back to her. On this plea he urged her to come to Omaha, This was seven weeks ago. Dur-ing this period, Mrs. Landmesser claims, Art has refused to work and has lived off the earnings of the wom-an, whom he persuaded to accept employment in a second rate restaurant Yesterday she gave him \$2.50 to go an employment agency and find work, as he promised to do. Instead he bought liquor for himself and for his sister-in-law's 2-year-old boy. Last night the baby was seriously ill from the effects of copious draughts of beer. Mrs. Landmesser secured his arrest on a charge of being drunk and abus-ing his family, which was in fact the family of his brother. This morning however, the woman was not inclined

KILLED BY OFFICER'S BLOW.

Had Been Drinking and Was Struck

Had Been Drinking and Was Struct After Attacking Marshal. Fairbury, Neb., Feb. 28.—City Mar-shal Charles Franz struck and instant-ly killed John Sullivan, a laborer, aged 45. The fatal blow was delivered with the bare fist or the back of the hand, as one report has it. It is said that Sullivan was drunk and became abus-ive when the marshal ordered him to ive when the marshal ordered him to go home, finally striking the officer. The latter then retaliated, with the result stated. Sullivan leaves a wife

is not cheap. Sam used his talent to break up a funeral; some negroes were frightened, the interment delayed, and Sam is in jall facing a fine. Resplendent in a stovepipe hat and

Prince Albert coat, Sam joined the mourners on the way to the cemetery. The imposing raiment led to the belief, among the other negroes that Johnson was a visiting parson, and great respect was shown him .

As the pallbearers were about to low-er the coffin into the grave a voice, apparently coming from the coffin, said: "Let me down easy boys." The pallbearers prepared to decamp.

"Lower me gently, you charcoal umps," the voice continued. "If I've chumps," the voice continued. "If I've got to be buried I want to lie comfortably

That "finished" the pallbearers and everybody else but Sam. Sam staid be-cause he couldn't run for laughing.

The joke was too good to keep; Sam told it and the sheriff got him.

CAN FOR STANDARD.

Kansas Attorney General Thinks He Sees a Way to Drive Monopoly

Entirely from State.

Topeka, Kan., March 1.-Attorney General Coleman will commence quo warranto proceedings in the supreme court to oust the Standard Oll com-pany from Kansas. He has been in conference with Governor Hoch for sev-eral days. The ouster writ will be asked for on the ground that the Standard Oil company is a trust oper-ating in Kansas in violation of the state anti-trust laws. The recent acstate anti-trust laws. The recent ac-tion of the United States court in the Smiley case, upholding the Kansas anti-trust law, gives the officials con-fidence enough to make the move against the Standard.

FOUND WRONG BODY

Casket Dug Up in France Proved Not to Contain the Remains of John

Paul Jones.

Paris, March 1.- The preliminary exemination which Ambassador Porter is making for the body of John Paul Jones, the naval hero of the revolutionary war, recently disclosed a lead cof-fin. The name plate on the coffin was much corroded, but the inscription has finally hear desirated about the second second much corroded, but the inscription has finally been deciphered, showing that it was the coffin of an Englishman buried May 5, 1790, two years before the death of Jones. Consequently the coffin will not be opened. The search continuous mathematical search continuous continuous search continuous contin

opened. The search continues. The finding of this lead coffin has the ad-vantage of establishing that those vantage of buried in buried in the Protestant cemetery about the time of Jones death lie in the vicinity of the present excavations

NEW STATEHOOD MOVE

One State Rider Added to the Indian Appropriation Bill to Help

Oklahoma.

Washington, March 1.-Senator Balley today introduced an amendment to the Indian appropriation bill, creating one state of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

The vote: Guilty, 31; not guilty, 51. The twelfth and last article was the contempt case of Oneal. The vote was: Guilty, 35: not guilty, 47. This acquitted Swayne of all the charges.

Decree of Acquittal.

At the conclusion of the voting the presiding officer, Platt, directed the sec-retary to enter an acquittal upon the records, and the court adjourned without day.

Judge Swayne was not in the senate during the roll calls, but was in the president's room, just back of the chamber. The result of each ballot was sent to him and his attorneys.

The senate agreed to the conference report on the army appropriation bill without debate. The bill carried a provision relating to retired army officers, affecting the pay of General Miles. The naval bill was then considered.

The house today agreed to the con-ference report on the army appropriation bill. This passes the bill. Th dry civil bill was then taken up. The sun-

LAW IS UPHELD.

Federal Supreme Court Sustains the Texas Anti-Trust Law-Bars

Them from State.

Washington, March 1.-The supreme court of the United States today decided the case of the National Cotton Oil company vs. the State of Texas, involving the Texas anti-trust law. The decision sustains the lower court, which found the company guilty under that law, and held that it had forfelted its right to do business in the state.

Detailed reports of this decision will probably prove that it is one of the most important, if not absolutely the most important, in recent years, in giv-ing states the power to deal with com-binations in restraint of trade. Texas has enacted an extremely rigorous and highly intelligent code of anti-trust laws, which, among other things, aim at denying all privilege to do business in-side the state to corporations which do not comply with the state's laws. The trusts held that this law was worthless, and would be set aside by the courts. If, as appears, the federal court has broadly sustained it, it means that Kan-sas can legislate the Standard Oil entirely out of Kansas, Minnesota can legislate the Northern Securities out of Minnesota, and any other trust can, by proper steps, be driven out of any state vith whose laws it does not comply.

WANTED ---- A PREACHER

Peoria Church Wants One of 35, L Mixer, Evangelist, Crank, Lodge

Man, Etc.

Peoria, Ill., March 1-. The trustees of Peorla, H., March 1—. The trustees of the Christian church, a large and in-fluential congregation, have decided the pestor they will call to fill the vacancy in their pulpit must have the following seven qualifications: Not over 35 years old; must be married; an evangelist; a lodge man; a mixer; a crank, and willing to assume the bur-dens of his flock. dens of his flock.

The man whom this paragon is to-G. B. Van Arsdale, who recently resigned after a five years pastorate.



and children.

to prosecute.

treated by Her Brother-in-Law.

the police a pitiful story of the brutal-ity of her brother-in-law, Art Landmesser, who, however, escaped with a