NEBRASKA

Panama hats are in as good form as ever for the country, and the fact that they have been dropped by the "great untubbed" has merely served to give them an added fillip toward exclusive-Of course, no man in his sens would wear a panama in town. Next to the panama for the country comes citythe rough straw sailor hat for the city. This will have a black or dark blue ribbon. Fancy ribbons on straw hats, unless they are in the wearer's club of varsity colors, and thus symbolize something definite, are not to be recommended. Frankly, they look a bit silly. With the flannel shirt for knockabout many launderable cotton ties will appear, and in these no pins are worn. The fold collar is the only form that is proper for morning, lounging and "the open." Low cut russet shoes were never appropriate for town wear, but belong in the country with the felt hat and Norfolk jacket.

Investigations made by the department of labor into the attitude of large corporations on the liquor question have recently been made public. Circulars were addressed to large employers of labor throughout the country. Many circulars, as usually happens, were un-answered; but more than 7,000 establishments, employing 1,700,000 persons, took the trouble to reply. In trans-portation lines alone 713 employers replied, representing 458,000 employes. Of those who answered the specific inquiry regarding liquor 5,363 reported that means were taken to ascertain the habits of employes and 1,794 stated that they prohibited, either in whole or 'n part, the use of intoxicating drinks by their employes.

"Johannesburg as a town surprises and disappoints," writes a South Afri-can traveler. "It has been put up in a hurry and is mostly built of corru-gated 'ron. There are finished buildings, mostly in stucco, and innumerable shantles. There are wide streets, but they are all dusty. Commissioner street is the main artery for business. It is there that in imitation of America, skyecrapers have been built, which domin-eer over the town more than the old fort does. Sunday in Johannestown is bonored in the breach and not in the observance. Johannesburg is a young thing yet, not out of its teens, but it apes the manners of centuries."

A huge electro-magnet has been set up in a certain hospital in England. It drew out splinters of steel which had become lodged in the eyes of patients. In one instance it drew out a piece of a hammer head which had been driven into the muscles of a patient's upper arm, and in another case drew out a piece of a cold chisel in a forearm. The success of the magnet is said to have been complete, the fragments of the metal appearing quickly on the pole of the magnet. It is suggested that of the magnet. It is suggested that such an electro-magnet could be of great use in military hospitals for the-removal of pieces of shell-and steel bullets.

Sir William Ramsay believes that it is quite possible that in some cases bread is radio-active. He thinks that the radio-activity would not do any harm, as is shown by the presence of radium in the waters at Bath and at Wiesbaden. In both cases the water has to be drunk on the spot in order to get the full walue of the cure. Sir William Ramsay thinks that this is partly due to the radio-active proper-ties of the water. He is inclined to think that there are radio-active gases in the air. The "freshness" of the air at certain times, he believes, is due to

An English postmaster general would earn the gratitude of plenty of people who are proud to think that England was the first country to print a really fine stamp, if he would somewhat get that country provided with a stamp which did not look cheap and nasty. Why not go back to the splendid old dark reds and dark blues and dark violets and dark greens which dis-tinguished the stamps of the sixties? As to loss, how is it that the people of the United States stand the expense of printing what are at present the best stamps in the world.

While making excavations recently his farm near Galeton for fireclay or brick, R. L. Clark, the well known politician, came on to a peculiar mineral substance, globular-shaped, and on breaking it found a crystallized forma-tion in the center, which looks to him genuine diamond. He has had it examined by several experts, and he has found no one who can see any difference between it and any other diamond. It is hoped that Mr. Clark will realize all the rosy hopes his remarkable find has inspired.

An enormous amount of care and labor and a great length of time are required in the making of the turbines of ocean-going vessels, and it is that renders the building of tur steamships so expensive. The first ocean liner of the turbine type recently made its maiden trip across the ocean. There were no fewer than 1,500,000 separate pieces used in the building of the three turbines by which the vessels were driven.

It might be observed cynically that conditions do not change so much, af-ter all. In "The Practice of Medicine in New England Before 1700," as explained by Dr. Francis Brown before the Bostonian society, it was a fact that "a bold, rash, impudent liar" had a better chance of succeeding in New England than a "cautious and modest gentleman, in the practice of physic."

One of the Russian survivors of the ort Arthur siege narrates that he saw the following announcement on the walls of a street in Dalny: "The commanding officer of the Second regiment of infantry, Colonel N—, has been sentenced to death by a council of war for failure to support a neighboring troop in a recent action. The sentence

The natives of Kikuyu, in the east African protectorate, go about well armed. They carry a stout, ace-of-spades spear, a real buffalo-hide shield, heavy, double-edged short sword, club and several strong stick principal "garment" is a plentiful coat of terra cotta earth, and they wear numerous articles of metal as orna-

One of the developments of Glasmunicipal street car system is providing private early morning cars for bringing home dance parties, car requistioned for such a pur comes at any required hour to the point nearest the place where the dance is being held and takes the dancers to any desired note:

This piece of news appears in a paper published in Port Louis, Mauritius:
"For having stolen 9 cents' worth of charcoal a child, age 15 years, has been sentenced by the district magistrate of Flacq to undergo nine months' imprisonment."

THE O'NEILL FRONTIER ROCKED THE BOAT AND IT CAPSIZED

Three Omaha Boys Thrown Into Lake and All Drowned.

WIND HINDERED ESCAPE

The Bodies of the Dead Boys Were Recovered Shortly After the Fatal Accident-Runaway Match Stopped.

Omaha, Neb., May 3.—While five young men were fishing from a boat in Cutoff lake the boat capsized and three of their number were drowned.

The dead are: WILLARD JOHNSON, aged 18.

GEORGE TEATS, aged 20.
CARL LINDQUIST, aged 20.
When the boat capsized the three
boys now dead started to swin to shore. The wind was so strong that they yere soon exhausted and sank. William Johnson and Rollie Alsman, the other boys, clung to the boat and were later rescued by persons who witnessed the accident. The bodies of the dead boys were recovered. According to Aslman, one of the dead boys began to rock the boat. Standing up he lost his balance and fell overboard, overturning the

RUNAWAY MATCH STOPPED.

Creighton Couple Failed in Effort to

Become Wedded. Norfolk, Neb., May 2.—Telegraph wires and the strong arm of the law enforced by trate parents won a race against cupid between Creighton, Neb.,

and Fairfax, S. D.
Miss Adelaide Clark left home driv-Miss Adelaide Clark left home driving from Creighton to Winnetoon, where she took the train to Fairfax. Arthur Hunt, a harnessmaker, had gone the day before. The girl is 17 and Helm 26 years old. When they applied for the marriage license Judge Allen refused on the ground that a girl so young should have the consent of her parents. A message to Creighton brought an order to arrest the pair, and Sheriff Burns went to Fairfax to bring them home. They were held in custody awaiting the officer's arrival.

HIS STORY COMES TRUE.

Sinn Writes to His Wife of His De-

mise and Later Dies. Omaha, Neb., May 3.—"I sent word to my wife that I was dead, and now I am going to live up to it," said Roger C. Sinn to his nurse at the county hos-

ital. The next morning he died. The story of Sinn's life is a story of a The story of Sinn's life is a story of a struggle with drink, a fondness for which has estranged him from his wife and children and driven him from a once happy home at Lonconning, Md. He was at one time a respected citizen of that place and joined the Masonic lodge at Cumberland, a short distance away. He was also an Eagle. Lately his old friends have refused to have anything to do with him, and a letter from one of them to the Arcade hotel, in this city, where Sinn stayed, hints at some deep disgrace which has overtaken his family on his account.

en his family on his account. Sinn went to Bonesteel last fall to take land, but spent all his money without securing any. He arrived at Oma-ha April 5 without money and stayed eight days at the Arcade hotel. One day the manager, William Hope, was

"Was there a strange man found dead Hope took the message to Sinn, who confessed that he had written to his wife to the effect that he was dead, using the signature of the manager. His idea was that she would send money to pay funeral expenses, and he would use it to go home. He had already written to her several times and she had not designed to notice his letters. she had not designed to notice his let-ters. If he could only get to see her once more, and perhaps obtain forgive-ness for, some of the thing he had done, he would be happier, he thought. Under the circumstances, he thought there were no harm in the ruse he had

land that Sinn was at the hotel alive. No money had come from his wife and no news of her. Sinn became delirious from the excessive use of liquor and was taken from the hotel by the Eagles to the county hospital. He died of delirium tremens, his pet aversion seem-ing to be multi-colored alligators. He was about 30 ears of age and had three children, who were with his wife.

SON KILLS HIS FATHER.

John D. Osborn of Omaha Pays Life for Bad Temper.

Omaha, Neb., May 3.—While his mother was dodging a shower of bricks rained at her through doors and windows by an infuriated husband, Leo Osborn leaped from his bed to protect her and emptied a charge from a shotgun into the head of his father, John D. Osborn. The old man dropped in his tracks without a word and after a few convulsive movements of the limbs there was no action to tell whether or not life was extinct.

The wife, running to where her husband lay, saw that he was yet breathing and tried valuely to call him back to life, while the boy, dazed by the awful consequences of his deed, sat on the bed as one bereft of reason.

Neighbors who heard the shot rushed in to assist Mrs. Osborn and others telephoned to the police station. The wounded man was removed to Clark-son hospital, where he died two hours after the shooting without having regained consciousness.

For fear that Leo Osborn might resist arrest five officers were sent to get him, Sergeant Cook, Detectives get him, Sergeant Cook, Detectives Baldwin and Horne and Officers Vanous and McCarthy. They met with no resistance, for the boy was like one in a dream. In the spot where he had pulled the trigger he stood before the broken door, passing his hands across his dazed head and looking out into the garden where his father had fallen. By his side, against the wall stood By his side, against the wall, stood the shotgun. He suffered himself to be led away to the patrol wagon without

a struggle. BUILDINGS AT AUBURN BURN.

Several Structures Destroyed Early Sunday-Loss, \$5,000.

Auburn, Neb., May 3.-Fire broke out in the billiard hall occupied by R. out in the billiard hall occupied by R. G. Hubbs at this place, but before the alarm could be given it had a good start. The loss is estimated at from \$3,000 to \$3,500, with insurance amounting to about \$2,500. Roberts' loss is estimated at \$1,000, with \$500 insurance. Kahlman Bros.' loss is estimated at \$806, with \$500 insurance. It is understood that R. G. Hubbs had no insurance.

VALUES INCREASED.

Board of Equalization Will Add \$20,-000,000 to Nebraska's Assessment.

Lincoln, Neb., May 1.-It its ex pected that the general assessment roll of the state will be increased \$20,000,000 at next session of the board of equalization. The board will meet Monday, but the sessions may extend through several weeks. This estimate is based on the assertion that the railway valu-

ations are not lowered.

Personal property, mortgages, bank accounts, savings accounts, notes and negotiable paper will be listed with severity this year and orders have already been transmitted to the county assessors. If the classes of property are not valued high enough in the opinion of the board they will be raised

ion of the board they will be raised.

Collateral will have to be listed even in excess of the face value of the note which it secures. Cash will also be sought after and these deviations from the practice of last year as well as the natural increase in wealth points to a welling of the grand assessment roll.

BEEF TRUST CASE.

District Attorney Baxter Goes to Chi-cago to Consult Officials.

Omaha, Neb., May 1.—United States District Attorney Baxter is in Chicago conferring with District Attorney Mor rison on matters pertaining to the beef trust investigation

Judge Baxter left for Chicago, and, although he has gone on business con-nected with the investigation, the ex-act nature of it is not known.

The Omaha federal grand jury, which convenes here the first week in May, will have a number of witnesses to examine on the beef trust question. It is understood that Mr. Baxter's visit to Chicago has to do with the manner in which the local investigation will be

FIVE REASONS FOR DEATH.

Omaha Man Does Not Succeed in End-ing His Career.

Omaha, Neb., April 29.—After crawling into a box car in a remote portion of the Union Pacific yards, John Jones saturated

a towel with chloroform and attempted to end his life. Convulsions, superinduced by the drug, caused him to yell with pain, attracting the attention of yard men to him. The police ambulance was called and Jones, more dead than alive, was taken to police

headquarters.
Dr. Arnold succeeded in bringing him out of danger. Jones acknowledges that he did not give his right name and did not expect to. He said he had five reasons for wishing to die, the main being that the only work he could secure was ditch digging at 15 cents an hour.

His sweetheart, too, had filted him and gone west with a rival suitor for her hand. The third reason was that he want-

ed to kill his rival, but had not sufficient funds with which to hunt him up.

Another one was that his father and mother were both dead, and he found him-self an orphan at 22 years of age. Summing up the whole for a fifth reason, he

concluded he did not want to live any-In the surgeon's room he begged some one to kill him. An empty revolver was handed him and he placed it to his temple and repeatedly pulled the trigger and seemed greatly disappointed because there were no cartridges in the cylinder's.

Jones declares that he intends killing timself as soon as released from jail.

ROBBER TRIED TO ESCAPE.

Holden, Who Shot Cashier of Bank Hid in Prison Yard. Lincoln, Neb., April 29.—William Holden, sentenced to fourteen years in the penitentiary for bank robbery, made a desperate effort to escape from the peniten-

surprised to receive a telegram from Maryland which read:

Eluding his guards, he concealed himself in a bunch of broom handles in the prison yards. He was missed soon after he disappeared and guards were mounted on the walls to prevent his escape. The prison authorities knew that the man had not escaped from the yards and kept watch. He was discovered at 1:50 this afternoon and returned to his cell in the

> Holden is the man who entered the bank several months ago, shot the cashier and escaped. Later he was captured and sentenced to a long term n prison. The wounded cashier recovered.

GRAIN MEN MEET.

Delegates from All Over State Attend Seventh Annual Session. Omaha, Neb., April 29.—The seventh an-

nual meeting of the Nebraska Grain Dealers' association is in session. About 125 delegates are here. The meeting this afternoon is being held behind closed doors. Omaha or Lincoln will be chosen as the next meeting place of the association. The following are the association's officers: James Bell, David City, president; W. B. Miller, Omaha, secretary and treasurer.

NO MURE GREAT BATTLES.

Japanese Statesman Declares There is No Ne of Them Now. Tokio, May 1.—Count Okuma, for-

mer foreign minister, addressing today a committee of the progressive party appointed to succor the wounded, estimated the number of wounded and sick, as a result of the war, at 200,000 to 300,000, and the number killed or died of disease at 50,000. The count warned the people to be

prepared for a lengthy war, and ex-pressed the hope that the continuance of the struggle would not affect na-tional sentiment. Nothing should shake their resolution to continue the war. He criticised the national diplomacy expressing the opinion that efficient and timely diplomatic skill would have prevented the Russian squadron from coming to the far east. The count also expressed the belief that the occasion 'or great battles had disappeared.

EASTER SEASON OPENS.

Three Days of Fasting Without Dis-order as Yet.

St. Petersburg, May 1.—The three days of hard fasting preceding Easter, accompanied by solemn services commemorative of Christ's passion, began Business of every character ceased and all government departments ere closed. The alarming reports circulated dur-

ing the last few days apparently had little effect on the size of the crowds which thronged the churches where the tragedy of Calvary was vividly

Permission has been granted to pub-lish in the capital a Jewish paper in the Hebrew language, to be called the Way. So far as known this is the first time a paper published in Heprew has been authorized in Russia.

Men Are Four.

Men are four, says the old Arab proverb: He who knows not and knows not he knows not. He is a fool; shun him. He who knows not and knows he knows

He is wise; follow him.

He is wise; follow him.

COMMERCE BOARD ASKS FOR A WRIT

Demands That Railroads Be Forced to Obey Its Recent Order.

AS TO LIVE STOCK RATES

Allegation Is That Present Adjustment of Tariffs on Live and Dressed Meats Is Inequitable, That Railroads Won't Obey.

Chicago, May 3.-An injunction to re strain the Chicago Great Western and seventeen other railroads from making a discrimination in prices between shipment of cattle and shipment of meat to Chicago was asked of the

meat to Chicago was asked of the United States court Saturday by District Attorney Morrison.

The petition is based on a recent decision of the interstate commerce commission in the case brought by the Chicago live stock exchange. Being unable to enforce its decision the interstate commerce commission appealed to state commerce commission appealed to District Attorney Morrison and he filed the petition for an injunction. The petition was submitted to Judge Kenesaw M. Landis and he ordered that the defendants be served with copies of the complaint and make answer by June 1.

Complaint Made a Year Ago. On April 3, 1904, the Chicago live stock exchange filed a complaint against the railroad companies, alleging that the rates charged by the defendant companies, carriers of live stock in carload lots from points in Iowa, Missouri, Minnesota and Wisconsist to Chicago, as campared with the sin to Chicago, as compared with the rates charged on the products of live stock, were unjust and unreasonable, and that the raisers of stock were sub-ject to an undue and unreasonable prejudice and disadvantage by reason of the rate charged for the shipment of product of live stock from Kansas City, South St. Joseph, South Omaha, Sioux City and South St. Paul to Chicago and

points east.
On this complaint the commission on January 7, 1905, ruled against the rall-roads. The decision declared that the defendant railroads exacted higher rates for transporting live stock prod-ucts to Chicago from points west, northwest and southwest.

Discrimination Hurts Business. The commission declares that such discrimination is not justified by the difference in cost of transportation or other reasons and subjects the traffic in cattle and hogs at Chicago and other places and those interested therein er places and those interested therein to undue and unreasonable prejudice and disadvantage and gives to the traf-fic in the product of hogs and cattle and the shippers and localities inter-ested in such traffic undue and unrea-sonable preference. The railroads are said to have disregarded this decision, and the rates remained as before.

The railroads named in the bill aside from the Great Western are:

Burlington, Cedar Rapids and North-

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Chicago and Alton. Chicago and Northwestern.
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy.
Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul.
Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific.
Hannibal and St. Joseph.

Illinois Central. Kansas City, St. Joseph and Council Minneapolis and St. Louis, Missouri Pacific.

Missouri, Kansas and Texas. Omaha, Kansas City and Eastern. Wabash. Wisconsin Central.

Prayer of the Bill. After setting forth the proceedings before the interstate commerce commission and its findings the ill recites

the following prayer:
"That on final hearing hereof a decree may be entered granting to the complainant a writ of injunction to restrain the defendants from further continuing in their violation of and dis-obedience to the said order of the com-

plainant, the interstate commerce com-That the decree may be entered recuiring said defendants to pay such a sum of money not exceeding \$500 for every day after a day to be named in such decree, that they shall respective-ly fail to obey the injunction."

RAILROADS GET BUSY.

Heads of the Lines Organize to Defen-"Vested Rights" Against Regulation of Any Kind. Chicago, May 2.-Alarmed at the wave

of public opinion sweeping over the country in favor of government control, railroad presidents are organizing. The defense planned is in the line of a campaign of education through bureaus which are expected to feed the press with

literature on the railroad side.

In addition railroad officials everywhere are expected to seize every means to sow the gospel of non-interference by the government with the rate making power Steps are to be taken to convince the ship pers that their interests lie with the railroad managements, rather than with a commission clothed with the power what is a fair rate and compel its adop-

One eastern railroad president "The railroads are in a life and death struggle, and, of course, we are going to do everything in our power indi-vidually and collectively to defend ourselves and our rights."

A second said: "We have delayed too

long. We should have had an organiza-tion long ago to disseminate our views." The eastern presidents took the initiative some time ago by establishing a bureau under the management of J. H. Maddy, who is also press agent for the Erie. Mr. Maddy has just completed a transcontinental trip from New York to Chicago, the Twin cities, all the Pacific coast cities and back to Chicago by way of New Orleans. The purpose was to visit the newspapers and ask them to use mat-ter setting forth the railroad side.

Following this lead the western presidents have authorized Slason Thompson to employ experts and being a separate educational campaign in the entire western territory. Expense will not be spared,

BRITAIN FOR FRANCE.

English Minister to Morocco Announces That Purpose Is to Support the French Policy.

Paris, May 1.-The British minister to Morocco, Mr. Lowther, in an interview with the Temps correspondent at Tangier today made the official declaration that the purpose of his visit to Fez is to support the French policy in Morocco.

TO BE WEDDED SOON.

Report in Washington is that Secretary of Agriculture Wilson will Go to the Altar.

Washington, May 3.-There is a re newed gossip that Segretary Wilson, the most venerable member of the cabinet, is to be married, perhaps before the beginning of the summer, although no definite announcement has been made. The lady is said to be one of the clerks in the department of agriculture. She is connected with some of the best families of the east, and is a handsome widow of middle age. It is said that the approaching marriage is what is keeping Miss Wilson in Europe. She cannot tolerate the idea of a stepmother, and is said to be taking a special course in music, with a view to taking up classes in the University of lowa, where she taught before he father entered the first McKinley cab-

The Graves Wedding.

In diplomatic circles here there is a good deal of interest in the recent marriage of Colonel C. H. Graves of Duluth, the new minister to Norway and Sweden, growing out of the fact, that his wife, fromerly Mrs. Wright, is a divorcee. It is pointed out here is a divorcee. It is pointed out here that the aged King Oscar is more out-spoken than any European sovereign against divorces and has more than once caused the ostracism of aspirants for honors in the dual kingdom on account of divorce troubles. People will watch to see how he receives Colonel Graves and his new wife, and what the latter will be able to do to overcome the intense prejudice of the king

WILL FIGHT COAL TRUST

Government Ownership of Mines is Plainly Making Progress in German Empire.

Washington, May 2 .- The controversy in Germany over government control of trace is discussed by Consul General. Richard Guenther at Frankfort in a letter to the department of commerce. He

"The annual report of the chamber of commerce of the district of Essen, chief. center of the German iron and steel in-dustries, Krupp Steel works, etc., for the year 1904, has been sent to the Prussian minister of commerce. The report dis-cusses at length the contemplated movement of the government to obtain a con-trolling influence over the coal trade by acquiring coal mines now in the hands of private individuals and joint stock companies. The object is to check the power of the coal trust and to prevent monopo-listic abuses whereby the consumers and the industrial interests may be injured and the miners subjected to rigid rules and low wages.

Fights the Government.

"The Essen chamber of commerce whose members are mostly mine owners and iron and steel manufacturers, takes strong ground against any governmental control of industrial interests, and says:
"The state, already the owner of coal

mines, can, by joining the coal syndicate (trust), exert a moral influence over the latter. But if the state wants to go beyond this and means to check other com-bines and concentrations, then it can only do so with any prospect of success by ex-propriating to a large extent the iron and transportation interests as well as those of mining. It is mainly this consideration which has caused the elementary movement among industrial circles against the attempt of the government to obtain control of the Hipernia coal mines, for this was generally viewed as being but the in-itiatory step toward a progressive acquisition of the coal mines by the govern-

"'In the opinion of this chamber it would prove a futile undertaking to re-sist the movement of economical concentration, and would be injurious to eco-nomic interests. Opinions may differ as to the value of danger of such concentrations, but there is no doubt of the fact that they cannot be averted.'

Calm Is Unanimous.

"Since these statements were made the great strike of the German coal miners has occurred, and, though ended by sub-mission to the miners, no lasting peace has been established. Public opinion has sustained the miners; the government has sympathized with them and promised to redress their grievances by means of ap propriate legislation. The expectation that their demands will be satisfied is what brought about the temporary sur-render and prevented action against the owners of the coal mines. But their enforced submission increased their embittored feeling and augurs ill for a permanent state of peace in the coal mining industry.'

CHANDLER'S JOKE.

New Hampshire Man Gathers in Vice President Fairbanks, but Fails with Shaw.

Washington, May 2 .- Ex-Senator William E. Chandler, president of the Spanish claims treaty commission, has a vein of quiet humor which sometimes proves embarrassing to statesmen with presidential aspirations. His work on the commission doesn't involve much labor, and yester-day while swinging about his office chair he suddenly conceived the notion of drawing out the views of Vice President Fairbanks, Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, and Senator Foraker in connection with the presidency. He prepared an identical letter to each, about as follows:

"My Dear Mr. Secretary Shaw: In my opinion you ought to be the next presi-dent of the United States. Your eminent fitness for the office, your high patriotism and devotion to the principles of the party and your popularity with the people all tend to make you the logical candidate of the party of which you are a most dis-tinguished leader today.
"Wm. E. Chandler.

"P. S.-I have written similar letters to Vice President Fairbanks and Senator Foraker.

"P. S .- Please don't forget me." It is said Vice President Fairbanks took Mr. Chandler seriously. He seeme draw the impression from Chandler's ter that he had notified Secretary Shaw and Senator Foraker of his support of the vice president's candidacy. He warmly thanked Mr. Chandler for his commenda tion and cordial indorsement, and expressed his gratification at the notification

Secretary Shaw answered Mr. Chandler in the vein observed by his correspondent, 'I am glad of your good will, and also glad to see you are broad enough to en-tertain a similar idea of other great men."

ARGUING NAN'S CASE.

Defense Begins Summing Up of State's Evidence Without Any of Its

Own.

New York, May 3 .- When the trial of Nan Patterson was resumed today her counsel, Mr. Levy, formally announced the defense would rest on the state's case, and then begin his closing argu-ment for the prisoner.

TOM PLATT'S IDEAS ABOUT ROOSEVELT

"Obliged to Bear That Bulldog Grin an Hour," He Wrote.

LOVE LETTERS OF A BOSS

Woman to Whom He Wrote Them Now Sues Prominent Men Who, She Aleges, Conspired to Get Them from Her.

Omaha, Neb., May 3.-Miss Mae

Catherine Wood of Omaha-the woman with whom U. S. Senator Platt of New York became entangled in a Washington love affair and whom it is alleged the senator settled with by the payment of \$86,000—has sprung a new sensation involving men in high places.

Miss Wood incorporated Senator
Platt's love letters to her in a book
which she proposed to publish under
the title of "The Love Letters of a

Boss."

She accuses William Loeb, secretary to President Roosevelt, Robert J. Wynn, consul general to London, and J. Martin Miller, consul to Aix la Chappelle, with conspiring to obtain the manuscript of the book, and in a suit filed in the district court here she sues

them for \$35,000 damages.

"The Love Letters of a Boss" was a book never printed. Miss Wood accuses J. Martin Miller of securing the manuscript from her under false promises and afterwards by threats and duress compelled her to give up Senator Platt's letters and to sign receipts for \$20,000 which she never received. Feared Platt Would Marry Her.

Referring to her lawsuit, her book and Senator Platt, Miss Woods said: "Despite the reports to the contrary, I never brought suit against Senator Platt for breach of promise, nor did I intend to do so. I was afraid the senator might agree to fulfill his promsenator might agree to fulfill his promise and marry me, and, if there is any one thing which would be more humiliating or disgusting or lower than to be accused of suing this man for breach of promise, it would be to be obliged to marry and live with him.

"But, say, that book, 'The Love Letters of a Boss,' would have made good reading, and it would have been intensely interesting to the public.

Platt's Idea of Rooseveit.

Platt's Idea of Roosevelt.

"In one of his letters the senator, referring to a luncheon at the White House, said: "'I expect to attend a luncheon at the White House today, and will be obliged to endure that bulldog grin for an hour.'
"And another letter read something

like this:
"Sweet and Lovely: Your letter reconsweet and Lovely: Tour letter reconciled me to the election of Odell, which occurred the following Tuesday. Pray for me; the prayers of the angels availeth

much. "In another letter he referred to a car-riage ride through Central park, saying he hoped 'n the future I could ride in a chariot; that I had glorified and made beautiful his carriage for him the next time he

should use it.
"I don't know whether to think the de-"I don't know whether to think the de-fendants in this suit were in league with Senator Platt when, as I allege, they se-cured the manuscript of my book, or whether thew were employed by enemies of Platt who wished to secure the man-uscript for purposes of their own. How-ever, the facts are that my book was se-cured by unfair means. I once offered to cured by unfair means. I once offered to return all Senator Flatt's ltters to him, but at that time he refused to accept

Didn't Get the \$20,000.

"As stated in my petition, I never brought suit against Platt, and consequently could never have compromised the suit, although it was claimed that I had done so, receiving \$20,000 for so doing. I was practically forced to sign such papers, and also to sign receipts for \$20,000, but I never received any of the money. When I left New York, after my papers were taken, I was handed my traveling expenses and a pass to Buffalo. I still hold the pass as evidence of this. Be that point is all covered in my petition, The sheriff will be watching for Wil-

liam Loeb, the president's secretary, as he comes through Omaha from Colorado with the hunting party. Omaha the papers in this suit will be served on him 'If Mr. Loeb changes his route and goes east through Kansas, it will show that he is a fraid of this case. But in that event I will file suit in some other city where the

defendant can be found. "And they need not think this one suit is all I have; I will soon file others that are indeed more sensational than this

History of the "Romance." The petition filed in the cast reveals much of the history of Mae Wood's relation with United States Senator Platt. It tion with United States Senator Platt. It recites that early in 1903 Mae Wood was engaged to marry "a prominent man in the United States senate, Senator T. C. Platt, 71 years of age," and "who pretended to be desperately in love with her. Because of such engagement she "had received attentions from him which could

only be excused on the ground of said en-gagement," and because of his conduct she "cancelled the engagement on April 15, 1903. It was then that Miss Wood determined to publish Senator Platt's love letters, as "compensation for the peculiar humilia-tion and persecutions she had been sub-

jected to. The petition then recites that the defendants, Robert J. Wynne, William Loeb and J. Martin Miller "conspired with each other" and with Senator Platt or his political enemies, she is not certain which, to secure possession of the manuscript, as well as the original love letters written by Senator Platt.

. Martin Miller, a detective, so the petition recites, passed himself off to Miss Wood as a publisher and she made a contract with him for the publication of "The Love Letters of a Boss," giving him the manuscript and paying him \$25 for ex-

"Decoved" Her to New York.

Miller, the petition goes on to recite, "de-coyed" Miss Wood to New York for "the ostensible purpose of proofreading copy on the book." Miller not only refused to give up the manuscript, but demanded love letters written to her by Senator Platt, as well as letters written to her by Lillian T. Janeway. Miller displayed a United States secret service badge, and threatened to arrest and search her unless she gave up the letters

Thus frightened, Miss Wood, according to the petition, went with Miller to the New York Life building, being "hustled in by the back alley," and introduced to Abraham H. Hummel. ham H. Hummel. After being held "under arrest" for two days by Miller, the petition alleges, Miss Wood surrendered the love letters, and

signed two pretended receipts for \$10,000 each; but that no such amounts were ever paid to her by Platt or any person acting for him.