

## TWO GREAT STORMS.

### Fury of the Elements on Tuesday and Thursday.

Terrible Havoc Wrought Throughout the Northwest—Minnesota and Wisconsin Bear the Brunt—Ohio and Indiana the Center on Thursday.

#### THE WORST FOR YEARS.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 18.—The great storm which swept over Minnesota and western Wisconsin Tuesday night was the most severe since the cyclone of April 14, 1886, crushed eighty-six lives at St. Cloud and Sauk Rapids. So far as reported only four people have been killed, but the loss to buildings, crops, bridges and railroads by wind, hail, lightning and flood will foot up an enormous sum. The downpour of rain for a given period was the greatest ever known.

#### Young Trout Killed.

HUDSON, Wis., May 18.—The heavy rainstorm of Tuesday night has caused Willow river and Trout brook to overflow their banks, causing a damage of over \$50,000. H. T. Drake, of St. Paul, owned a private trout hatchery and has lost 70,000 yearlings and 50,000 fry, valued at \$20,000. F. O. Cray and others of this city owned another like hatchery and lost 300,000 fry and 20,000 yearlings, valued at about \$20,000.

#### Chickens Beheaded.

CARTHAGE, Ill., May 18.—A cyclone at Denver, in this county, destroyed a number of farm buildings, fences and fields of grain. One hundred chickens had their heads cut off as smooth as if by a knife. No one was injured. The cyclone cloud resembled a balloon with a twisting rope hanging below it.

#### In Indiana.

LEBANON, Ind., May 18.—A cloud burst in the vicinity of Dover, 6 miles west of this city, about midnight Tuesday night, and the entire country is flooded to a depth of from 2 to 10 feet. Wolf and Sugar creeks, which were but small streams, are now rushing torrents of water from 1 to 3 miles in width. The new iron bridge which spanned Wolf creek on the Crawfordville road, 10 miles west of here, gave way about daylight Wednesday morning. The crash was distinctly heard a mile away. Numerous wooden bridges and culverts were destroyed and the roads are impassable. Hundreds of rods of fences and dozens of small buildings were washed away. The damage to growing crops and the loss by drowned live stock will be very great, and, while it is impossible to estimate the damage until the waters recede, it is known that it will reach many thousands of dollars.

#### More Dams Burst.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 19.—A Hudson (Wis.) special to the Dispatch says: The Jewett mills dam, besides the new Richmond and Burkhardt dams, have gone out, causing much damage. Several bridges are out, including the Tower bridge, which cost originally \$25,000, and has now been made useless. Superintendent Scott, of the Omaha railroad, is here and estimates the damage to that road in washouts and otherwise at upwards of \$75,000. Loss will reach \$1,000,000.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 19.—Reports from the districts visited by storm and flood indicate that the loss was heavier than first reported and will reach at least \$1,000,000. All the railway lines entering St. Paul except the Chicago Great Western and Minneapolis & St. Louis employed all the idle men they could find in repairing bridges and tracks washed away by the torrents which swept down every river and brook in this section on Tuesday and Wednesday.

#### Every Bridge Gone.

MAIDEN ROCK, Wis., May 19.—Rush river overflowed its banks during Wednesday night and the raging torrent carried everything before it. Every bridge from the headwater of Rush river to the outlet in the Mississippi has been swept away. Both flouring and sawmills were ruined and the total loss will reach \$100,000 in this county. At least a dozen farmhouses along Rush river were washed away.

#### Killed by a Cyclone.

KUNKLE, O., May 19.—A cyclone passed one-fourth mile west of here at 4:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, killing five persons, fatally injuring two others and slightly wounding several more.

#### When It Occurred.

The scene of the cyclone is a hard one to describe. Houses, fences, trees and obstructions of all kinds in the path of the storm have been carried away and nothing left to mark the spot where they stood except holes in the ground.

The scene of devastation is about one-quarter of a mile wide and 6 miles in length. The great funnel-shaped cloud traveled in an irregular southeasterly course, the greatest damage being done about a mile from where it rose and passed on east.

#### Furious Hailstorm at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., May 19.—The worst hailstorm that has visited this city in years raged here for nearly an hour Thursday afternoon. The storm was accompanied by heavy rain, thunder and lightning. Many of the hailstones were as large as hens' eggs and were driven before a brisk south wind. Thousands of windows all over the city were broken, greenhouses were wrecked and several runaways resulted from horses trying to escape the bombardment of ice. The damage will amount to several thousand dollars.

#### Grain Beaten Down.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 19.—A wind 2:30 rain storm with hail passed over this city at 8 o'clock Thursday night. It blew down a few trees without serious damage to the city. Great damage is reported from the section southwest of Indianapolis. At Patriot, in Switzerland county, hailstones as big as snowballs shivered trees and pounded the wheat into the earth. Six inches of ice fell in places.

DECATUR, Ill., May 19.—A damaging hailstorm prevailed here Thursday afternoon, the hail in some cases being as large as a man's fist. On the south side of buildings all of the glass was

shattered. Even heavy plate glass was not proof against the volley. Stock suffered badly. The courthouse, city hall and schoolhouses suffered. Several chunks 14 inches in circumference were found. The damage is extensive.

#### A TEMPLE BURNED.

Flames Once More Destroy Dr. Talmage's Tabernacle in Brooklyn.

BROOKLYN, May 14.—Just after services at noon Sunday and while Dr. Talmage was shaking hands with members of his congregation fire burst out between the pipes of the organ and within ten minutes the big tabernacle was doomed to total destruction. Adjoining the church was the Hotel Regent, eight stories in height, with a frontage of 90 feet on Clinton avenue and extending back 200 feet to Waverly avenue. The fire spread from the tabernacle to this hotel and then to the dwelling houses on Greene and Waverly avenues, opposite the tabernacle. The wind carried the blazing cinders in such quantities in a southeasterly direction that dwelling houses in Washington avenue, two squares away, and also the Summerfield Methodist church were set on fire by them; but the greatest loss on any one of these structures did not exceed \$15,000. The total loss, however, reaches over \$1,400,000. Dr. Talmage said that he thought electric lights caused the fire, as it did that which destroyed the last tabernacle on Schermerhorn street.

#### MISSOURI DEMOCRATS.

Synopsis of the Platform Adopted by the State Convention.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 17.—In the democratic state convention on Wednesday the majority report of the committee on resolutions was adopted by a vote of 423 to 109. This report embraces Bland's 16 to 1 ratio plank. The convention gave rousing cheers and Bland is overwhelmed by congratulations. A synopsis of the platform follows:

As adheres to the old platform, and declares for special privileges to none, believes in tariff for revenue only; denounces the McKinley act as a culminating outrage of taxation; advocates the income tax; demands gold and silver coinage; insists on the repeal of the federal election law, and pledges the party in the state to resist the introduction of religious faith into political belief.

Francis M. Black was nominated for supreme judge, W. T. Currington for superintendent of public instruction and J. H. Finks for railroad commissioner.

#### DID NO GOOD.

Cleveland Conference of Miners and Operators Accomplishes Nothing.

CLEVELAND, O., May 19.—The conference of coal miners and operators came to an end Thursday, nothing having been accomplished. All offers of compromise were rejected and the miners declared their belief that any agreement that might be reached would avail nothing, as there were so many operators who refused to join in the conference and would not be bound by its action.

President McBride said he was willing to have a vote taken on the compromise offered by the operators, but he would guarantee that the miners would be unanimous against it. He said:

"There can be no compromise along the lines of starvation wages. The miners make no threats, but they stand together, peacefully, earnestly and determined as ever, and will go on, fighting the present fight and prepared for future fights."

#### SHEEP FROZEN TO DEATH.

Thousands of Them Perish in a Snowstorm in the Mountains.

SONORA, Cal., May 18.—The snow, rain and wind storm that prevailed in the Sierra Nevada foothills during Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday was most fatal to sheep. The road from Sonora up to Strawberry Station, a distance of 32 miles, is lined with dead sheep. The storm was unusually severe for this time of the year, and the sheep having been sheared were in an unfit condition to meet the wintry blasts. In the ravines and beside the bowlders along the road the dead animals are piled two and three deep. Up to this date some 40,000 sheep have entered this country en route for the mountain ranges, and as all of them were caught in the storm it is a low estimate to say that one-third of them have perished.

#### VOTE TO INCREASE PENSIONS.

House Committee Favors Veterans of the Mexican and Indian Wars.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The house committee on pensions voted to report to the house a bill increasing the rates of all pensioners of the Mexican war and Indian war from \$8 to \$12 a month. Representative Caminetti (Cal.) had introduced a bill to give this increase to Mexican war pensioners, and the committee decided to extend it to the Indian war survivors. But one member of the committee opposed the measure, taking the ground that it would open the door for a service pension to survivors of the civil war.

#### A Bath of Fire.

BRADFORD, Pa., May 15.—The barrel house at Emery's refinery in this city took fire Sunday afternoon, presumably by spontaneous combustion, and was destroyed. A tank car holding 4,100 gallons of benzine burst with a mighty roar. In the frantic rush to escape what seemed to threaten a horrible death men, women and children were thrown down and trampled upon. Thirty-five of the firemen were burned so that the skin peeled off their faces and hands and the hair was singed off their heads and faces.

#### To Be Hunted Down.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The senate passed a resolution to investigate the charges of attempted bribery, of the alleged contribution of funds for campaign purposes by the sugar trust, of the reports that senators have speculated in sugar stock and all other charges deemed worthy of consideration.

#### Fatal Result of a Quarrel.

PHILADELPHIA, May 17.—Herman Friedman, 33 years old, of 998 North Second street, was killed by Joseph Kinderman during a quarrel. Kinderman was arrested. The ladies of

## G. A. R. VETERANS.

### The Encampment at Rockford, Ill., Gets Down to Business.

Commander Blodgett's Address—Officers Report on the Growth of the Order—Ohio Ex-Soldiers Elect a President.

#### A BUSINESS SESSION.

ROCKFORD, Ill., May 17.—The Grand Army of the Republic of the Department of Illinois, in serried ranks, had possession of the streets on Tuesday afternoon, and the great parade in which 2,000 or more battle-scarred veterans participated was the most imposing and inspiring spectacle ever witnessed in northern Illinois since the days when the boys in blue marched to the front in defense of their country.

ROCKFORD, Ill., May 18.—The G. A. R. of Illinois opened its business session with a short address from Maj. Blodgett, who was in the chair.

#### Annual Address.

At the afternoon session the annual address of Commander Blodgett was delivered. He made an eloquent plea for thorough and careful investigation before suspending members for non-payment of dues.

He urged that every member of the order, of whatever political faith, exact from their candidates for representatives and senators in the next legislature a pledge to vote liberal aid to the

the G. A. R. elected Emma Kennedy, of Beren post, as president.

A resolution was adopted requesting the boards of education to set aside the Friday preceding May 30 for memorial day in the schools. Sandusky was selected for the next encampment, and Ohio's vote will be for Louisville, Ky., for the next national encampment.

About 5,000 participated in the parade and Gov. McKinley was the big man of the affair, being cheered all along the line of march. Col. Fred Grant was introduced in the convention and was given a grand welcome. Delegates to the national convention were advised to support Louisville for the 1895 meeting.

#### THEY PROTEST.

Notable Anti-Breckinridge Gathering at Lexington.

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 16.—The meeting at the opera house Monday afternoon to protest against Breckinridge's candidacy was attended by an enormous crowd. The speakers were: Judge Durham, comptroller of the treasury in Cleveland's first administration; Gen. Sam Hill, adjutant general of Kentucky under Gov. Buckner, and Prof. McGarvey, of Kentucky. Scores of leading women occupied boxes and seats in the house. Over the stage was a banner inscribed: "The Honor of the Ashland District Must and Will Be Preserved." Monday was county court day and the city was crowded. The best people of Lexington and Fayette county turned out, and the meeting, from a standpoint of



COLUMBIAN MUSEUM AT CHICAGO.

The picture represents the main entrance to this unparalleled public museum, which was founded by Marshall Field, the famous Chicago merchant, who contributed \$1,000,000 toward its establishment. The building to be used for the museum is known to the people of the country as the Art Palace of the World's Columbian Exposition at Jackson Park. The museum will be formally opened to the public on Saturday, June 2, 1894.

Soldiers' Orphan's home at Normal. With reference to pensions he said:

"The pension roll is, and should be, a roll of honor; that it is the duty of every soldier to report to the government any case within his knowledge where a pension is being paid which has been obtained by fraud."

#### Reports of Officers.

In the afternoon the reports of officers were submitted. That of Adj. Gen. Spink showed that on December 31, 1893, there were in good standing 608 posts, with a membership of 30,962.

For the first term, ending June 30, 1893, there were gains of 1,533, and losses from all sources of 2,295. The statement for December 31, 1893, showed gains of 1,430 and losses 2,162. On that date there were in good standing 559 posts, with 29,531 members, five posts having been suspended since the last encampment, and \$10,479.25 expended for charity.

#### Disposed in Charity.

W. H. Brydges, of Elgin, department inspector, gave a review of the work of his office for the year. He inspected 440 of the 599 posts, which have 25,583 members in good standing and dispensed \$12,171.29 for relief since the last encampment.

One of the events of interest of the day was the election of Maj. George S. Roper as a delegate at large to the national encampment. It was an especial compliment, because the regular election does not take place until today.

Bloomington was chosen as the location of the next encampment.

#### G. A. R. Ladies.

The ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic elected Mrs. Z. E. Winslow, president; Mrs. Quenton, of Aurora, vice president; Mrs. Mary E. Polk, of La Grange, junior vice president, and Mrs. Hume, of Chicago, treasurer.

#### Their Choe.

ROCKFORD, Ill., May 19.—The business of the day in the G. A. R. encampment was the election of officers. It resulted as follows: Department commander, H. H. McDowell, Pontiac; senior vice commander, E. A. Keeler, Irving Park; junior vice commander, J. B. Inman, Springfield; medical director, Dr. W. P. Pierce, post 115, Hoopston; chaplain, Rev. Frank C. Bruner, post 129, Urbana. The delegates to the national convention were instructed to vote for Col. Lawler for commander in chief. Mrs. M. R. M. Wallace, of Chicago, was elected president of the Woman's Relief Corps.

#### Ohio Veterans.

CANTON, O., May 16.—The twenty-eighth annual encampment of the department of Ohio, Grand Army of the Republic, was formally opened Tuesday morning. After the formal exercises Department Commander Williams submitted his annual report. He made a plea for service pensions. He maintained that a soldier's discharge certificate should be sufficient evidence to obtain a pension certificate. His report showed that the amount per capita tax paid national headquarters for 1893 in excess of the preceding year was \$17,953.

CANTON, O., May 17.—The grand army encampment on Wednesday elected E. E. Nutt, of Sidney, as department commander. The Woman's Relief Corps elected Sarah D. Winans, of Troy, as department president. The ladies of

morality, was a tremendous success. The opera house was filled and 500 people were turned away.

The women's resolutions were as follows:

"Whereas, W. C. P. Breckinridge has announced himself a candidate for reelection to congress from the Ashland district, notwithstanding his confession on oath of flagrant and habitual licentiousness and hypocrisy; therefore,

"Resolved 1. That we, women of Lexington and Fayette county, Ky., do solemnly protest against his nomination as the representative of this district.

"2. We believe that such an endorsement of W. C. P. Breckinridge at the polls would be a disgrace to Kentucky, a shame upon manhood, an insult to womanhood, a sinful example to youth and a menace to both society and the home.

"3. We earnestly implore our fathers, husbands and brothers to wipe out the stain that W. C. P. Breckinridge has brought on the fair name of the Ashland district."

The resolutions passed by the men are similar except that they recommend the calling of similar meetings in every county in the district.

CHICAGO, May 15.—Directors of the Union League club voted on Monday to expell Congressman W. C. P. Breckinridge from honorary membership. This action was unanimous among those directors who were present at the meeting. President Wilson was not present. Breckinridge is given one month in which to prepare his defense if he cares to hand one in. It is not believed that he will do so. The action of the directors is believed to be generally satisfactory among the club's members.

#### HEAVILY FINED.

Chicago Election Commissioners Punished for Contempt of Court.

CHICAGO, May 18.—To pay a fine of \$1,000 and to remain in jail until such fine be paid was the penalty imposed by Judge Chetlain on Election Commissioners P. H. Keenan, A. W. Hutchings and Henry Schomer for refusing to obey the court's order to submit to inspection by the grand jury the ballots cast at the April election in the twenty-second precinct of the Twenty-ninth ward. The proceedings were dismissed as to Chief Clerk W. A. Taylor, because it had been shown that he had no authority over the ballots. The respondents were not in court and an order of commitment was at once issued and sent to Sheriff Gilbert, instructing him to arrest the contumacious commissioners and lock them in jail.

#### BOSTON SUFFERS.

Six Hundred Tenement Families Rendered Homeless by Fire.

BOSTON, May 16.—A cigarette butt thrown into a pile of waste paper under the "bleachers," or twenty-five-cent seats, in the Boston baseball grounds Tuesday afternoon started a fire which destroyed more than 140 buildings occupying about sixteen acres of land in the crowded tenement house section of the south end. The money loss is \$500,000, and in all other respects the conflagration is the most terrible that Boston has seen since fifty acres were burned over in 1872, for more than 600 families are homeless, and they are the kind of families who seldom indulge in the luxury of fire insurance.

## A MAY SNOWSTORM.

### Heavy Fall of "the Beautiful" in Parts of Michigan and Wisconsin.

CHICAGO, May 19.—Dispatches from a great many towns in Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa and Minnesota tell of remarkable fall in the temperature and freezing weather. Fears are expressed of heavy frosts and consequent damage to fruit and growing crops.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 19.—Fruit men are considerably worried over the danger of a killing frost. Friday afternoon snow fell here at intervals, while farther north there was a heavy snowfall. At Lake City and Cadillac the snow is 6 inches deep. The temperature in the northern part of the lower peninsula is now at the freezing point. Most of the orchard fruit could now resist a severe frost, but the smaller fruits are in great danger.

PORT HURON, Mich., May 19.—The damage to the fruit crops in this section by the hailstorm Thursday will be heavy. Nearly all the buds were picked off by the hail and those that remain are seriously injured. Wheat and rye were driven into the ground and water-soaked and the damage will be heavy.

ASHLAND, Wis., May 19.—The old portions of Ashland's breakwater are almost demolished, the sea breaking entirely through at three different places and wrecking it the entire length, so that it will have to be rebuilt. The new portion stood well. The damage will probably reach \$75,000.

KEWAUNEE, Wis., May 19.—The last of the heavy rainstorms ended Friday morning in a blizzard of snow and hail.

No mail has arrived from the south since Thursday owing to the tracks of the Green Bay road being washed out. Farmers report the pea crop totally ruined.

LA PORTE, Ind., May 19.—A cyclone swept over the southern part of this county Thursday night near Kingsbury. Henry Spigler's barn was demolished and the owner, who was standing therein, instantly killed. At Wellsboro a freight car was blown across the main track of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad in front of the incoming milk train and a bad wreck resulted, trains being compelled to go around by other roads.

ELWOOD, Ind., May 19.—Property to the value of \$10,000 was destroyed here by the storm. At Franklin, 5 miles south of this city, the Smith City iron works, in course of construction, were destroyed, with a loss of \$10,000.

KOKOMO, Ind., May 19.—The roof of the furnace of the Diamond plate glass works was blown off Thursday night, and Zion church, 4 miles east, was destroyed. The damage in the county will exceed \$100,000.

DETRIQUE, Ia., May 19.—The spectacle of snow falling after the middle of May was seen Friday morning. After several days of extreme hot weather, resulting Thursday in prostrations by sunstroke, the mercury sunk from 90 degrees to 42 degrees inside of twelve hours.

NEW YORK, May 19.—Southern New Jersey experienced a thunderstorm Friday night. Fourteen houses were struck by lightning in Bridgeton, three at Cedarville, four at Newport, two at Dutch Neck, seven at Vineland and several in Millville. Several barns were struck and burned to the ground. Z. Johnson lives in the southern quarter of Bridgeton and the lightning ran down the chimney of his house and prostrated all the occupants. Such was the force of the storm and the rain came down in such torrents that the earth was washed away in many places and the gas and water pipes were laid bare.

#### KEEPS UP.

Trade Shows Soundness in Spite of Depressing Influences.

NEW YORK, May 19.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

"The obstacles to improvement do not lessen. The strikes of coal miners and steel workers have not ceased, but have caused the stoppage of numerous works this week and an embarrassment to some railroads. The conference at Cleveland, exhibited much angry feeling and wide differences that had been expected and seems to render agreement more distant. Proceedings in the senate do not indicate that the latest form of tariff revision has made speedy final action more probable. Yet the recuperative force of the country is so great that observers are constantly amazed at the volume of business being transacted, the tonnage being transported, the number of orders resulting from it, and the general soundness of trade, notwithstanding influences which in any other land would produce dire disaster."

"The soundness of the commercial world is shown in the ultimate importance of failures, the liabilities reported for the second week of May amounting to only \$1,957,385, of which \$1,499,932 were of trading and \$457,453 of manufacturing concerns. The failures this week have been 23 in the United States, against 27 last year, and 21 in Canada, against 14 last year."

#### IN THE INTEREST OF SILVER.

Pan-American Bimetallist League to Meet in Washington.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Several hundred delegates are expected to be present at the convention of the Pan-American Bimetallist league which meets in this city next Tuesday. They will come largely from the west and south, with a possibly a few from the east, four from Mexico, two from the Central American states, and two from Brazil. A delegate is also expected from New Zealand. The league is striving for the adoption of a silver dollar that will pass current between the United States and the Central American countries, which, it is argued, will result in stimulating trade relations between them.

#### Affairs in Nicaragua.

NEW YORK, May 18.—A special dispatch from Managua to a morning paper says: The troops had to be called out in Leon Wednesday to help the police put down a riot. Four soldiers and three policemen were killed. Six leaders of the mob were arrested and shot. President Zelaya has been frightened by President Cleveland's determined policy. It is the general belief that the patience of the United States is about exhausted, and that President Cleveland will not stand any more murmurings of American citizens, but if provoked will occupy the country.

## WILL TIE UP THE ROADS.

### The American Railway Union to Aid the Miners in Their Strike.

COLUMBUS, O., May 19.—There is a new factor in the great miners' strike, as shown by developments here. It is the outcome of the failure of the operators and miners to agree to a settlement at Cleveland, and the fear on the part of the United Mine Workers' union that some of the men may be induced to return to the mines by the promise of a scale that might be personally satisfactory to them, but would not receive the sanction of President McBride, who desires to present an unbroken front to the opposition. The new factor is the American Railway union. On Friday F. W. Prentice, an organizer of the order, said that Eugene Debs, the great organizer of railroad men, would be in Columbus to-day, and with President McBride would address a meeting of railroaders and push the objects of the American union. Asked what programme had been laid out to assist the striking miners, Mr. Prentice said not a ton of coal should be hauled out of the Hocking Valley until a settlement was made with the strikers. Every road should be tied up, and if the operators did succeed in getting the men to go to work in opposition to the desires of President McBride and the United Mine workers not a bushel of it would be marketed, for the American Railway union would be in full control of every road before the Ohio operators, who are to meet here next Wednesday to arrange to open the mines, even if the men were ready to return to work. He said the entire power of the American Railway union would be invoked in behalf of the miners and coal trains would be stopped wherever the order had a footing unless some fair settlement of the pending trouble was made. This move means trouble if the scheme is carried out. The Baltimore & Ohio, Hocking Valley, Toledo & Ohio Central, and in fact every road carrying coal in this section is largely represented in the membership of the new order, and it is believed within a week every railroad man running out of Columbus will be enrolled.

CLEVELAND, O., May 19.—Before leaving their homes the miners met for consultation. The subject of continuing the strike and plans to make it effective were thoroughly canvassed. They will resist all attempts to settle by districts, and bring pressure to bear on the non-union miners now at work to induce them to join the strikers. Their leaders announce that there will be no compromise. The operators will attempt to settle the strike by districts. Pennsylvania operators will hold a meeting in Pittsburgh next Monday, and Ohio operators will meet in Columbus on Wednesday. Mines are now being opened in central Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Illinois.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 19.—The coal operators, after contemplating the failure to secure a settlement of the strike at the conference in Cleveland, have arrived at the conclusion that a mistake has been made in the assumption on their part of a defensive position in the matter. Feeling confident that they can accomplish more by making an aggressive stand, they have announced their intention to fight. The railroad operators will hold a meeting Monday afternoon. At this conference ways and means to break the strike and bring about a general resumption will be discussed. All of the operators in this end of the state have been asked to attend, and besides adopting a mode of procedure they will fix upon a price for mining. The operators say their intention is to introduce some new men into the mines and to arm them with rifles. If they are interfered with the men will be ordered to shoot. Many of the miners are anxious to return to work at the prevailing prices and postpone the strike until the organization is in better shape. This feeling of restlessness, the operators think, will create a break after the first mine is started.

#### FOUND GUILTY.

Dr. Meyer Is Convicted of Poisoning at New York.

NEW YORK, May 19.—The jury in the case of Dr. Henry Meyer, who is accused of having poisoned Ludwig Brandt, came into court and rendered a verdict of murder in the second degree.

The penalty is imprisonment for life. A motion for a new trial was entered. Dr. Meyer was accused of poisoning Brandt in order that he might profit from the latter's life insurance. Brandt had married Dr. Meyer's wife, supposing her a single woman, whereas she was in reality the doctor's confederate. It was expected that she would receive the insurance and then sue and the doctor would enjoy it together. It is alleged that the doctor had been guilty of similar crimes before.

#### Fate of Western Train Stealers.

SALT LAKE CITY, U. T., May 19.—The trial of H. E. Carter and twenty-six others for seizing an engine on the Union Pacific railroad at Lehigh last week ended Friday. Judge Merritt sentenced Carter to five days' imprisonment and a fine of \$100. Another leader got five days' imprisonment with \$25 fine; another five days with \$10, and seventeen others five days' imprisonment.

#### Failure in Chicago.

CHICAGO, May 19.—S. E. Dunham & Co., moderate traders on the board of trade, particularly in provisions, have announced their suspension. Speculation on the part of the members of the firm is supposed to be the cause of the failure. Other houses will not be seriously affected by the suspension. Dunham & Co.'s liabilities are about \$15,000.

#### Death from a Boiler Explosion.

RAY CITY, Mich., May 19.—The boiler in F. C. Ross' planing mill exploded Friday afternoon killing George Clogson and fatally injuring five other men,