

No comrades march with him to-day Along the narrow village streets. The last of all his regiment, No soldier face his vision greets.

In trenches rude their bodies ile,
And glitt'ring stars lone vigils keep.
No more the bugle call to arms
Shall rouse them from their dreamless

To others happier fate awards Repose beneath their native clime; And now the mounds above their dust Take on the green of glad springtime.

By loving eyes their graves are watched, And loving bands fond off rings bring Of roses, lilles, violets, No fairer flowers deck bier of King.

But while no comrades keep him step, The veteran treads not alone The way that to, God's acre leads Past fruitful fields with daisies strewn.

A iad of soldier ancestry Strides by his side—a drummer true— And troops of happy children bear Their tribute to the Boys in Blue,

With heads uncovered, bended low, They pay the meed to valor due. The simple prayer, the glist'ning tear Proclaim their faith and love anew.

The last of all his regiment,
All honor to this passing type.
The last of that Grand Army host
For Death's grim harvest soon shall ripe.

matters straight before I go." There were for their country." So in villages n consultations between husbands towns, and cities, monuments were built and wives, which usually ended in the in honor of the men who died fighting for father's going out, stern faced and silent, their country. And one day each year and the mother, dry-eyed, but with quiv- was set apart to keep fresh and green the ering lips, seeking her own room, with memory of the brave soldiers, and it has eyes that showed she had been weeping. been named "Decoration Day," because

> It comes to us of to-day like a strange, tragic dream, this memory of a war o more than three decades ago, when the sound of shot and shell rent the silence and peace of the beautiful summer days, and there was a vacant chair in the home f every patriot in the land. Then the oldiers were divided into two factions. the boys in blue and the boys in gray. Now they are united in one band-those that are left-and they are all boys in gray. Time has given them their unb-

Southern women gave to our country s first Memorial Day-the women of

dier dead on April 26, 1866. The first formal services in commemors tion of the soldiers who gave their lives

Grand Army of the Republic. The first State to take legislative action on Memorial Day was New Jersey, and New York was the first State to make it a legal holiday. Congress adjourned as

On the first occasion when the order was general for an observance of the day, which was that proclaimed by Gen. Logan, there was a great display of soldiery, and most pathetic scenes were witnessed, for the scars of war were yet fresh. At Arlington, where 15,000 soldiers reposed, Gen. Garfield-afterwards President of the republic-made an oration that melted all who heard it to tears It was not only a magnificent tribute to the dead, but a classic and valorous lesson of encouragement to the living. It was on that occasion that he uttered this

"If silence is ever golden, it must be here beside the graves of 15,000 mes, whose lives were more significant than speech, and whose death was a poem the music of which can never be sung.

proken soldiars, made of lead, buried in the garden bed, lovely flowers o'er them play, this is Decoration Day, a Round Table.

PARADAGEARAS Rebraska Hotes & overwhelming Majority Pavor Recogni-600000000000

The Salvationists at Nor.olk are playing to fall houses.

Sound corn is worth 20 cents a bushe in Nebraska City. The saloon at Homer closed its doors

for want of patronage. The sentiment at Mason City is large-

ly adverse to county division. Bellwood furnished, 900 bushels of corn for the India famine fund.

Jefferson county enthusiasts are try-

mischief to fruit trees near Lexington. The Lyons school board contemplates adding another year to the course of

Broken Bow has nine physicians, and still there are people who complain of ill health.

study.

Several railway employes at Ravenna were bounced for taking on too much Butler, Carter, Chandler, Chilton,

is being listed this year owing to the ateness of the season.

A pair of colored evangelists have unphere of South Omaha.

Sothenburg were almost entirely destroyed by the heavy frost. Complaint is made that young van-

dals at Imperial frequently def. e the tombatones in the cemetery. John Cronin of Cherry county is slow-

y recovering from a gunshot wound reseived while out hunting ducks. The annual teachers' institute of Paw-

nee county will be held in the high school building at Pawnee, June 14 to 25. Rock county farmers offer a standing

A hand of gypsies are camped near

George J. Warren has stepped down and out from the management of the Red Cloud Argus and D. C. Jenkins is a w the editor.

The cattle ranges in the hills northhast of Bayard were never in better conlition than now. Cattle are getting fat from off the excellent grasses.

W. I. Cramb, a Burwell stock dealer, J. George Gibson did. was slugged and robbed in St. Louis reently. The robbers secured a gold watch and a small amount of cash.

Six years ago Paul Gyerson of Custer sounty sent his wife to Denmark for reatment. She has recovered her notary public, nealth and he has gone to bring her

This is the season of the year, says year, prior to his admission. the Pawnee Press, when a man feels | Sax Francisco, May 21 .- Chief of ike a fool if he leaves home wearing an Police Lees, in an interview, denounced overcoat, and later, feels like a fool if he

Charles Groves, who was convicted at the present term of the district court of burglarizing M. F. Gamble's store at murdered as a fake conceived at the Ponca, was sent to the penitentiary for time of the trial and brought forward

A Litchfield man got so hard up, says the Mason City Transcript, that he went to Kearney, hunted up a hole in the sidewalk, fell into it, and then sued the city for \$200. More than sixty applications have al-

ready been filed for positions in the Nelson public schools. About forty of these are from teachers who aspire to the position of principal. Jacob Short of Washington county

was driving cattle to Blair when the mule he was riding fell and the rider picked himself up only to find that his Royalston National bank, is missing, toshoulder was dislocated. The Dawes county commissioners pro-

pose to employ an expert to go over the books of county officers since the organization of the county. It is hinted that several steals may be uncovered.

The Loup Valley creamery of Burwell shipped 1,000 pounds of butter recently, and came within a half cent of topping the Boston market, which goes to show that the quality is O. K.

A bad case of cutting up of Indian s arbs took place at Ponca reserve Monday night of last week, says the Niobiara Pioneer, in which a spade was freely used to scalp a drunken squaw. The law against selling Indians liquor is not as well enforced as when there was no law.

Mr. Adams, precident of the Superior cattle company of Nuckolls county, seems to be rolling in clover, or alfalia. Heretofore the company has been renting lands for grazing purposes and has found that from three and one half to four acres of grass land was necessary for each head of cattle. This spring the company has 400 acres of three-year-old alfalfa, and after 400 head of cattle have grased thereon for some time it has been decided to all another 400 head in order to keep the clover from growing over 400 sores of alfalfa.

A petition has been signed by fiftythree free holders out of ninety-eight who live in the Lincoln and Dawson county irrigation district asking that a tax be levied to pay up the indebtedness

of sald district and to stop the canal. A little daughter of J. F. Warper, travelling with her parents in a prairie schooner from Missouri to Banner county, fell from the wagon near Lexington and the front wheel of the heavily loaded wagon passed over her breast, injuring her hedly, but probably not fatally. SENATE PASSES RESOLUTIONS.

WASHINGTON, May 21 .- The long and exciting debate on the joint resolution recognizing the existence of a state of war in Cuba and declaring that strict neutrality shall be maintained by the United States passed yesterday afternoon by the decisive vote of 41 to 14. The announcement of the vote was received with tumultuous applause, which drew from Senator Hawley an emphatic protest against ', mob demonstrations." The resolution passed is as follows:

Resolved, etc., That a condition of ing to organize a county base ball league. public war exists between the govern-William Parish is in jai: at Ponca ment of Spain and the government procharged with stealing \$50 worth of pork, claimed and for some time main ained Cottontail rabbits are doing much by force of arms by the people of Cuba, and that the United States of America shall maintain a strict neutrality between the contending parties, according to each and all the rights of belligerents in the ports and territories of the United States."

The vote on the final possage of the resolution was as follows:

Yeas-Bacon, Baker, Bate, Berry, Clark, Clay, Cockrell, Cullom, Davis, An unusually large percentage of corn Deboe, Foraker, Gallinger, Gorman, Hansbrough, Harris (Kas.), Heitfeld. Jones (Ark.), Kenney, Lindsay, Mc-Bride, Mantle, Mason, Mills, Morgan, dertaken to purify the moral atmos- Nelson, Pasco, Pettigrew, Pettus, Pritchard, Rawlins, Shoup, Stewart, Fruit and early garden vegetable near Thurston, Tilman, Turner, Turpie, Walthall-41.

Nays-Allison, Burrows, Caffery, Fairbanks, Gear, Hale, Hanna, Hawley, Hoar, Spooner, Wellington, Wetmore, White and Wilson-14.

Light on the Durraut Case.

MONTE VISTA, Cal., May 21 .- W. T. Bryant, an aged inmate of the soldiers' home at this place, yes'erday made the following sworn statement:

"My name is William T. Bryant, I am sixty-three years old. I have lived in exard for evidence leading to the con- California since 1849 up to March 1. viction of people who set out prairie 1896. I am familiar with the location of the Emanuel Baptist church, in which Blanche Lamont was murdered. I was North Platte. The omnipresent fortune in the church the night of the murder. teller is earning victuals for the whole I saw Rev. J. George Gibson with a woman in his arms in the body of the shurch, going toward the south corner of the church. I heard him say: "This kills that evidence.'

"I know Rev. Gibson perfectly well. heard the woman groan a number of times as though in mortal agony. I make this statement as an act of justice to an innocent man. Theodore Durrant did not marder Blanche Lamont, but Rev.

(Signed) WILLIAM T. BRYANT." The witnesses of the signature are Commander S. M. French of the home and E. W. Garettson, and Mr. Bryant's oath is certified by Harvey W. Green,

Bryant has been in the home but a few months, having resided in Denver a

the story told by Mrs. Schwaetzer to the effect that she had seen Minnie Williams with Rev. J. G. Gibson upon an Oakland ferry boat the day before the girl was now for the purpose of creating a doubt in the mind of Governor Budd. Mrs. Schwaetzer added to her story by stating that Minnie Williams had told confidently that she was secretly married to a professional man, and further that the girl had told her something about Blanche Lamont. What this latter statement was she declined to tell until she could see Theodore Durrant in his cell at San Quentin and talk with him.

Bank Manager Missing.

Boston, May 21 .- Albert M. King, a nineteeen-vear-old messenger of the gether with about \$20,000 in cash and a \$10,000 United States certificate, not negotiable except between banks.

King started for the clearing house at 10:15 yesterday morning to settle the balance against the bank, and on the way, according to instructions, transacted their business, involving something like \$45,000. As he did not return to the bank by 1 o'clock the officials grew anxious and made a search for the messenger, beside notifying the police, but up to the present hour they have been unable to ascertain his whereabouts. King has been employed at the bank about two years, coming highly recommended and his honesty was never questioned. He has carried as much as \$100,000 of the bank's money at a time on previous occasions and has never lost a dollar. He lived with his lather, who is employed by the South End National bank.

Murdered in the Indian Nation, who arrived here last night reports the killing of Judge Freeland Marshall and Captain Berryhill, chief of the Creek light horsemen, by a band of Texas cowboys. They, with other Creek officials, were engaged in cutting down unlawful asture fences near Gkmulgee Wednesand smothering the poor brutes while they graze. At all events the company propose to pasture 800 head of cattle on others of the light horsemen were badly

Crown Prince Not fled.

ATHENS, May 21 .- M. Ralli, on behalf of Greece, has notified the crown prince of the conditions of the armistice concluded at Arta, adding:

"Impart these conditions to the com-manders of the Turkish forces; declare from this moment you suspend bostilltice and will only recume them in the event of an attack; disclain all respons-ibility for any violation of the armin-tice and invite the Turkish commandeth to exepend all hostilisies."

STRONG TALK

Senators Make Bitter Speeches Against "Mad Dog Weyler."

TALK OF SENDING WAR SHIPS TO CUBA

Our Consula Declared to be in Danger and it is Time They Were I retected. Warships are Kendy to go to Cuba.

WASHINGTON, May 20 .- Another stirring debate on Cuba occurred in the senate yesterday. It was of the give and take order, with sharp parliamentary fencing. The main speeches of the day were made by Senators Foraker of Ohio, Cannon of Utah, Lindsay of Kentucky and Hoar of Massachusetts.

It was in the first speech of any length made by Mr. Foraker since he entered the senate and in addition to this the Ohio senator is one of the Cuban subcommittee of the committee on foreign relations. He spoke in favor of a reference of the resolution to the committee, but on general question declared his purpose of supporting the resolution recognising Cuban belligerency when it should be reported by the committee.

Mr. Cannon was bitter in his denunciation of Spanish atrocity, characterizing the captain-general of Cuba as "that mad dog Weyler."

Mr. Lindsay declared if the informstion furnished by United States consuls was so shocking as to subject them to danger of assassination if their name were disclosed, it was time to send warships to Cuba and to terminate all diplomatic relations with that country.

It was developed in the course of a colloquy between Senators Foraker, Morgan and Vest that the state department had withheld the names of United States consuls reporting on the serious condition of affairs in Cuba because it might lead to their massacre. Mr. Vest declared that this presented the most serious phase of the subject, as it was time to protect our officials with warships if their personal safety was threatened for making reports to their government.

CHICAGO, May 20 .- A special from New York says:

Behind the movement for the passage of the Cuban belligerency resolution is solemn pledge made by the Cuban junta to its most active supporters in congress that four effective men-of-war flying the Cuban flag are only awaiting this recognition to take to the sea. These vessels, it is declared, will be obtained in England and it is asserted arrangements have already been perfected by which they will be manned, thoroughly equipped and be ready to sail the very cognized.

HAVANA, May 20 .- La Lucha editorially impeaches the accuracy of the consalar reports as to the distress of Americans in Cuba, upon which President McKinley's special message to congress was bared, and questions whether there are actually 600 hungry Americans in the island

Domokos, May 20 - (Turkish Headquarters before Domokos.) - A great battle, fought well into the night, is not ended. The combat can only be descirbed se indecisive. The fighting raged from early morning until long after dark. When the last dropping shots were passng over the field the advantage did not appear to rest with either side. The reeks maintiaged their positions, having acquitted themselves so well as to have earned the hearty praises of the Turks. They resisted with stubborn endurance the determined attacks of the Ottomans through the livelong day, and till held their entrenchments at nightall. The Turks made a supreme effort

ate last evening, but it was met with the utmost bravery upon the part of the Greeks and failed. The Turkish losses were heavy. The left division of the Furks was engaged from 9 o'clock in the morning and appears to have succeeded in forcing back the Greeks right wing.

Before night the Greek abandoned all heir positions. Two and one-half divisions of the Turks are now pursuing the

Young Man Disgraced.

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 20 .- Fred Lucas. handsome young man, arrived here iast February. He sought the best soclety and was very active in church work, took expensive quarters at the Ford and invested money in a local telephone enterprise. On Monday night he left in custody of an officer from Indianapolis, representing an eastern savings institution, which young Lucas is accused of having defrauded out of a large sum. Lucas and his father, MUSKOGEE, I. T., May 21.—A courier Thomas L. were in the abstract business at Huntington, Ind. They were accused of having raised loans of \$30,000 upon abstracts of property wherein the name of Fred Lucas was substituted for that of the name of the real owners.

Liotel Burned.

MILWAUKER, Wis., May 20 .- The Peantain house, the largest summer hotel on Delaven lake, was entirely destroyed by fire yesterday morning.

Trampe are Suspected.

Merricallo, Ky., May 20.-News has just reached here of the cremation of a larmer named Thomas Biddle, his wife and three children, living on White Oak creek, across the line in Tennesses, Monday night. Some tramps asked per-mission of Biddle to build a fire in his been to keep warm during the night.
Budle retused and ordered them to
ligare. The house was burned that mand
origins and Biddle, wife and three children were burned to dooth.



His face is bronzed by unmer's suns.
His locks are white winter's snows.
His form is bent, his e. is dim.
For war and age have left their woes.

Yet bravely steps the veteran,
And proudly beats the old, worn drum.
To him no music half so sweet
In days gone by or days to come.

DECORATION DAY.

A Story for the Little Ones. NE bright Sunday morning in April, many years ago, the telegraph wires could be heard repeating the same things all over the "Tic, tie; tietie: t-i-c, tie, tietie: ic, t-i-e; t-l-c, t-l-c,

they called out, and the drowsy elegraph operators sat up in their chairs as if startled by the words the wires were saying. Any looker on could have seen that something dreadful was

est among the operators trembled. Then came the rapid writing out of the fearful words that the slender wires had uttered, the hurrying to and fro, and messenger boys were seen flying to the great newspaper offices and the homes of the mayors of the cities, and to the churches where the people were already beginning to assemble. For the deep-toned Sab-bath church bells high up in the steeples had been ringing out their welcome to all, even the strangers in their midst, "Bim, baum, bim," they sang, which everybody knew meant, "Come to church, dear people. Come, come, come." And the people strolled leisurely along toward the churches. So one family after another

played such soft, sweet music that everybody felt soothed and quieted by it. In many of the churches the prayer was over, the morning hymn had been sung. when a stir and bustle at the door might have been noticed, as the messenger boys, excited and out of breath, handed their yellow envelopes to the ushers. First one and then another read the message, and from some of them escaped in a hushed whisper the words, "Oh, God! Has It

come to this?" And all looked white and awe-struck. The head usher hurried tremblingly down the aisle, and, without waiting for the clergyman to finish reading the announcement of the week, laid the telegram upon The clergyman, somewhat surprised,

girneed at the paper, stopped, gasped, holding on to the desk, us if he had been

erate tone, as if it were an effort to steady is voice, "I hold in my hand a message rom the President of the United States." en his eyes dropped to the paper which ctill held, and now his voice rang out and loud as he read, "Our flag has upon. Seventy-five thousand anted at once. Abraham Lin-

There were gatherings in the town balls

And when little Robert tooked up earnpapa is going away, my dear-papa is going to the war, and may never come back to us. But you and I must be brave about it, and help him get ready." And if Robert answered, "Why is he going to the war? Why does he not stay at home with us? Doesn't he love us any more?" then mamma would draw her boy to her and, putting her arms around him, and looking into his eyes she would say, "Yes, my being told by the wires. Even the braydarling, he loves us, but he must go. Our country needs him, and you and I must be proud that he is ready to do his duty." Then Robert would go to his play, wondering what it all meant, just as you would have wondered if you had been



nore awful than anything you ever dreamed of. Men were shot thousands, and many who did not loss their lives had a leg shot off, or an arm so crushed that it had to be cut off. Still struck a blow by some unseen hand. The congregation knew that something terrible they bravely struggled on. It was for their beloved country they were fighting stop heating as they leaned forward to and for it they must be willing to suffer, catch his words. or to die. Then the men who had not been killed or who had not died of their sufferings came marching home again. many, alas, on crutches, and many who knew that they were disabled for life. But they had saved their country. And that was reward enough for heroic hearts.

and in the churches and school houses all land, are permitted to go to the graves of over the land. The newspapers were the dead soldiers and place flowers upon read hurriedly and anxiously. them.

estly into his grandmamma's face and asked, "Why does mamma not eat her breakfast?" grandmamma replied. "Your

Then came the terrible, terrible battles,

filed nto their pews, while the organist

"YOUR PAPA IS GOING AWAY, DEAR."

returning soldiers, for she knew that her loved one was not with them, and many little children learned in time that their dear fathers would never return to them. Then by and by the people said: "Our children must grow up leving and honor-

on this day all the children, all over the Birth of the Day.

The blue was mingled with the skies, And we were boys in gray.

Alabama, who paid tribute to their sol for the Union was on May 5, 1868, by order of Gen. John A. Logan, who was at that time commander-in-chief of the

a mark of respect to the memory of the men who had died fighting their country's

Men in Gray Predominate

"It has often been said of the veteran soldiers, when they have appeared on parade, as upon Decoration Day," said an observer, "why, how many young men there are among them but that cannot be said many years longer. There are still to be seen in the ranks numbers of mea