# CURRENT COMMENT.

THE House Judiciary Committee has unanimously reported an international copyright bill.

It was reported from Egypt that General Gordon had been captured by the False Prophet.

THE Springer Committee recently decided to throw open its doors to the public, during its investigations, so far as to admit an agent of the Associated Press to its deliberations.

FRANK LEWIS (colored) was recently tried at Memphis, Tenn., for murder. before a jury composed entirely of colored men, and sentenced to the penitentiary for sixteen years.

GREAT indignation was reported at Cairo, (Egypt), both by the Europeans and the natives, at the apathy of the British Government in view of the recent massacres of troops sent against

A NEW disease, similar in its symptoms to that of Texas fever in cattle, has' made its appearance among horses in McLean County, Ills. One breeder of blooded horses, recently purchased a lot of ponies and had them shipped from Texas. The disease broke out among the ponies and likewise attacked his Norman horses, and it was feared the result might be disastrous.

A TRAIN was recently snowed in on the Rio Grande Railroad, near the little town of Osier, Col., and the passengers were in danger of starving, when two trainmen volunteered to go in search of relief on snow-shoes. After terrible suffering they reached Osier, when relief parties were sent out and relieved the famishing passengers by carrying them provisions-making their way on snow-shoes.

It was reported at Washington that Hon. Tom Ochiltree, the Lone Star Congressman, would soon wed a daughter of Bonanza King Mackey, and that Mr. Ochiltree's recent visit to Europe had occupied by certain settlers and formerly be some connection with the approaching nuptials. A Washington correspondent was malicious enough to suggest, however, that the only thing that threw any

SYKES, the murderer of Kate Townsend, was recently acquitted at New Orleans. The murdered woman was a courtezan worth about one hundred thousand dollars. After her death it was discovered that she had left all her fortune to Sykes. He converted the the bill Mr. Frye remarked that it would enproperty into cash and spent the most of it in liberal fees to lawyers to defend him. It is said a distinguished Criminal Judge resigned his place on the bench to act as counsel in the case. The plea was self-defense, as the woman was shown to be turbulent, and dangerous when

Society circles in Moundsville, W. Va., were recently "all torn up" over the marriage of a well-known young society lady, said to be talented, beautiful and the heiress of considerable property, with a fellow generally known as a tramp. About a month previous, the tramp was engaged by the young lady's uncle, who was her guardian, to do jobs about the house, and the first thing her guardian knew she had eloped and married him, returned and announced that they would settle down. It was stated she did this to spite a recreant lover. It sounds very much like the old story of "biting off the nose," etc.

THE other day a bright little boy only eleven years old, named Francis Divine, was taken to Ottawa, Ill., to be confined in jail for illicit liquor selling in Streator. The Sheriff looked at the tearful little fellow and told the officer he would pay the fine first before putting such an immature child in jail along with professional thieves, burglars and other criminals. The fact was developed that his father was an illicit liquor-seller in Streator, and that the boy was compelled to sell whisky by his unnatural father and mother, for which he was fined fifty dollars. When asked why the father was not punished, the officer said he had fled. The boy was sent back home.

It is said that since the revolution of 1848, Vienna has never passed through such a crisis of anxiety and alarm as it is at present subjected to. The Government professed to be in possession of trustworthy evidence of a plot to assassinate the Emperor. Peaceful citizens were in constant dread of two terrible and detested extremes-the police on the one hand and the Anarchists on the other. Among the list of persons prescribed for sentence to death by the Anarchists were the Emperor and Empress, the Crown Prince Rudolph. the Crown Princess Stephanie, Baron Rothschild, and several editors. Heavy robberies had been committed of the post-offices at Vienna and Pesth. Troops were held under rigid orders to be ready to act at a moment's notice, and altogether the situation was anything but pleasant.

#### A Summary of the Daily News.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

On the 4th, the Chair laid before the Sen ate a resolution from the Legislature of Ohio ransmitted by the Governor, favoring tariff for revenue, limited to the necessities of the Government, economically administered at home and afford protection to labor, and not to create or foster monopo-lies. Petitions from ex-soldiers of the Union army, praying for the enactment of various laws for the benefit of soldiers of the late war, were presented by several Senators Mr. VanWyck offered a resolution, which was agreed to, requesting the Secretary of the Interior to inform the Senate whethe the Union Pacific Company has is sued any new stock, or made an mortgage, pledge, lease, running arrange ment, or other traffic contract, since March 1873....In the House the Speaker announce several changes in Standing Committees at the request of members interested. Upon the cal of States many bills were introduced. Mr Springer, rising to a question of privilege, sent to the clerk's desk a memorial of Richard W. Webb, of New Mexico, present of Richard W. Webb, of New Mexico, present-ing charges against Chief Justice Samuel B. Axtell, of the Supreme Court of New Mexico, and resolutions directing the Committee on Judiciary to inquire into and ascertain whether the allegations contained in the memorial are true. Referred to the Com-mittee on Judiciary.

In the Senate, the 5th, Mr. Coke pre sented as a memorial a joint resolution from the Legislature of Texas, instructing Senators and Representatives from that State to endeavor to secure legislation to re-open the Western trail through the Indian Territory, leased for grazing pur-poses. The Senate resumed consideration of poses. The Senate resumed consideration of unfinished business, the question being the method provided by the bill reported from the Committee on Private Land Claims for the settling of incomplete titles to lands acquired by the United States from Mexico.... In the House Standing Committees reported; among others, Mr. Perkins, from the Committee on Indian Affairs. reported a bill granting right of way through the Indian Territory to the Southern Kansas Railway Company. The House went into Committee of the Whole on the bill establishing a Bureau of Animal Industries.

industries. Adjourned In the Senate, the 6th, the bill passed ar propriating \$777,580 for the completion of the Capitol terraces and stairways connected therewith. In the course of the debate on the bill Mr. Ingalls expressed the hope that the funeral pile at the entrance to the main approach to the Capitol on Pennsylvania ary should be removed to some adjacent cemetery. It was wholly out of place, he said, in the position in which it now stood. People do not go into public places to weep, anyway. After the introduction of bills, the Mexican Land-Grant Title bill came up as unfinished business and was debated until adfinished business and was debated until ad journment....In the House, Mr. Belmont from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, re ported a resolution which was adopted, re questing the President to transmit to the House complete copies of all correspondence between this Government and Great Britain, respecting the extradition of alleged fugitives rom justice that has taken place since the from justice that has taken place since the date of the President's special message to Congress, December 22, 1876. The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the Pleuro-Pneumonia bill, which was debated un-

til adjournment. In the Senate, the 7th, Mr. Van Wyck from the Committee on Public Lands, re ported favorably a bill to relieve the purchasers and settlers on the Denver & St. Joseph Railroad lands. Mr. Hill's billrelating to lands was taken up, and after an amendment by Mr. Cockrell, providing that public domain, the bill passed. The debate on the Mexican Land-Grant Title bill was then redoubt upon the report was the fact that
Mr. Ochiltree himself said that it was

true.

sumed.... After the introduction of bills and
report of committees, the House proceeded to
the consideration of the resolution making
the rules of the Forty-sixth Congress, as
amended by this House, the rules of the Forty-House. During consideration of the rules at Kansas, restricting the privileges of the floor, now granted to ex-members of Congress, was lost by a vote of 117 yeas to 130 mays. At this point the House adjourned for want of a

> In the Senate, the 8th, Mr. Frye reported a new shipping bill already agreed upon by the Committee of Commerce. In explaining able America to take steps to advance any thing done in its shipping interests in the last recover our former supremacy on the ocean Mr. Vest, in behalf of the minority, said, al though they acquiesced in the bill reported, they did not believe the bill touched the main difficulty, which struck down our commerce. Other countries permitted citizens to buy their ships wherever they could buy them the cheapest, and he wanted our own people to have the same privilege. The Senate then took up and passed the Mexican Land-Grant Title the report of the Committee on Rules, which report was finally adopted. After some time spent in consideration of the private calendar the House adjourned until Monday.

## POLITICAL AND PERSONAL

JUDGE COOPER, formerly United States Senator from Tennessee, was recently murdered by Mexican robbers in Chihuahua. THE President has issued his order formally retiring General Sherman.

THE House Judiciary Committee has deided to investigate the charges preferred against Chief Justice Axtell, of New Mexo, by R. S. Webb.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

ABBE GRUSS, editor of the Ultramontane organ, at Strasburg, has been sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment for publishing a libel against the Crown Prince of Germany. A PORTION of Baker Pasha's (Egyptian) forces were recently routed in a fight with his condition was precarious. a detachment of the army of the False Prophet. Baker lost all his camels and munitions of war.

THE Cabinet at a recent meeting, with all the members present, entered into a general discussion of the questions involving changes in the present classification of ate action, and further delay on the part of the Civil-Service. It was thought the re- England to assume control would be nothsult would be embodied in the President's message to Congress transmitting the re-

port of the Civil-Service Commission. In regard to the proposed amendment to the Constitution to permit an export tax on cotton Representative Robinson, of New York, recently said that should the amendment be adopted it will be followed by a proposition to fix the tax at one cent por pound, which he estimates will bring an annual revenue to the Government of \$13,-

THE recent arrest of Dennis Downer at Detroit, Mich., led to the discovery that the robbery of the Pacific Express car on the Wabash Railroad last September was a put-up job, in which the Express messenger, Burt Loomis, was concerned. Loomis and Downer were jailed at Wabash, Ind.

THE rise in the Ohio River on the 7th had reached the point attained last year and the river was still rising. The Ohio Valley was flooded and much damage done. Pittsburgh, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville in a request to Secretary Teller to revoke and other points suffered severely.

Two burglars entered the house of Samuel Norman, at Chillicothe, O., the tory. and the other was arrested

and killed Police Judge Edwards, of Mont- A child also fell from a house into the warose, Col., and wounded City Marshal ter and was drowned. The house of a man Murphy. He escaped.

THE House Invalid Pension Committee recently agreed to report a bill, predicated upon Congressman Morrel's resolution, declaring it unnecessary that soldiers whose

and who served in the war, should be re quired to prove that they were sound in health at the date of their enlistment in

order to obtain pensions. WHILE firemen were recently working on a fire in the factory of Kassmer & Kluchper, at Allentown, Pa., the walls fell outward, killing five and severely wounding

eight firemen. REPORTS from the Upper Elkhorn country in Nebraska were that Kid Wade, leader of a band of Niobrara outlaws and horse thieves, had been hanged by Vigilantes. It is stated that the Vigilantes have headquarters at a place called "The Pen," at the mouth of the Long Fine, and have arrested a large number of men in various parts of Northern Nebraska and taken them to "The Pen," where they were tried and disposed of in some manner. It was said to be positively known they had lynched eleven men and equally sure that others had met the same fate.

THE infant son of Mrs. John George, of Galveston, Tex., was recently drowned in a boiler of water which had been carelessly left where the child had gone to play.

THE town of Lonoke, Ark., was almost

entirely wiped out by a recent fire. THE region of country about Silverton, Col., suffered recently from the most destructive snow storm of the season. The snow was several feet deep on a level, with prospects of being much deeper. Business was at a stand-still, transportation blocked and snow slides reported numerous.

A MOVE was recently made in the Canadian Parliament looking to the impeaching of the Finance Minister for having advanced \$300,000 to the Exchange Bank, of Montreal, last year, when he was aware at the time of making the advance that the bank was embarrassed.

DETECTIVE BROWN, who was investigating the murder of the Crouch family at Jackson, Mich., was assassinated the other

Ar Coshocton, O., on the 8th the flood was at a greater height than ever before known. A lady was drowned and three brothers who were in a boat were struck by drift wood and drowned.

A BILL has been reported favorably by the House Committee on Banking and Currency for the exchange of trade dollars for standard silver dollars at par, by January

THE President has appointed the following Commissioners to the World's Industrial Cotton Centennial Exposition of New Orleans: Charles J. Harrow, of Louisiana, Commissioner; W. J. Hodgsen, Alternate; Wm. F. Goulding, Maine, Commissioner; H. S. Howe, Alternate.

CAPTAIN JOHN SARGENT, of the steamer Harry, recently shot and killed his engineer, William Phillips, on the Sunflower River, at Rolling Fork, Miss. Sargent reproved Phillips for neglecting the boiler and making an explosion imminent, when the engineer attacked him and lost his life. At the examination Sargent was acquitted.

A LATE fire in the Standard Oil Works at Long Island City, N. Y., destroyed oil Sunday arrived there this evening after and other property to the value of \$73,000. A MOVEMENT has been inaugurated at St.

Louis among some of the carrenters and plasterers looking to a demand for an ad- gines and snow-plows succeeded in getting vance of wages to \$3.50 per day during the

CURTIS, the young St. Louis dude who about a year ago ran away with Mrs. Dixon, a married woman, and afterwards deserted her and sneaked back home, the other day eloped with another married weman, Mrs. Wilson, the wife of a grain merchant. Mrs. Dixon never returned to St. Louis after her escapade with Curtis, and it is said fills an obscure grave in Florida.

T. C. Wells, of Lockport, N.Y., recently killed himself at Dallas, Tex. He was sixty-five years of age, and once a prominent merchant of Lockport, but failed and went to Texas to retrieve his fortune. He was unable to find employment, and in such straightened circumstances that the week before his death he subsisted on one meal a day.

## ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

THE principal street of Hot Springs, Ark., was recently the scene of a terrible tragedy between two factions of gamblers. As Frank, Jack and William Flynn, brothers, were riding in a back, a rival faction, seven in number, headed by Alexander Doran, stepped out of a saloon and opened fire on the Flynns from doubled barreled shot guns and Winchester rifles. Jack Flynn was shot through the forehead and died in a few minutes; William Flynn was shot through the breast; Frank Flynn received a shot through the hand; Frank Howell, a friend of the Flynns, who went to their assistance, was shot through the back of the neck and died an hour afteward; Robert Hargrave, a bystander, was shot through the breast, probably fatally, and J. H. Craig, a prominent lumber man, received a charge of buckshot through the back, and

A LONDON paper stated that "England, although opposed to the annexation of Egypt, will be under the necessity of exercising absolute authority over the country for the next five or ten years. The exigencies of the present crisis demand immediing less than criminal."

THE other night J. C. Dent, of the firm of Wells & Dent, druggists, went into his wholesale and retail drug store at Bridgeport, W. Va., a suburb of Wheeling, with an alcoholic lamp. The store had been more than two-thirds submerged and a barrel of gasoline upset, the gas from which ignited and an explosion followed, setting fire to the building. Dent jumped from the second story window, badly burned and in his fall was seriously injured internally. The loss was about \$40,000.

THE House Committee on Post-offices and Post-roads has agreed to report favorably the bill providing that letter carriers be employed in every city containing five thousand inhabitants, and may be employed in places containing not less than two thousand and producing a gross postal revenue of at least \$2,000 per annum.

THE entire Texas delegation have united the order of Indian Agent Miles, closing the cattle trains through the Indian Terri-

other night, when Norman shot one dead | During the late flood at Wheeling, W. A cowboy named Walson recently shot window of her house and was drowned. named McCarty was swept away and he

DURING a late riot at San Juan, in the Argentiue Republic, the Governor was pation in the future. services were accepted by the Government | killed any many others wounded.

#### A DESPERATE COWBOY.

An Exciting Fight on the Streets of Month rose, Col., with a Cowboy Desperado Two Prominent Citizen Shot.

MONTROSE, COL., Feb. 7.

There is great excitement in town to-night over the shooting of City Marshal C. B. Murphy and Judge Edwards, a Justice of the Peace and Police Judge, by a cowboy named Watson, who was bound over in July to the District Court for spitting in the Judge's face. He was fined \$20 and costs, which amounted to about \$115. About dark the Marshal was attacked and shot in the ankle or just above. The man being on his horse, he fired at him, but missed. Several shots were fired by citizens. Returning in about half an hour, the desperado drew his pistol on Frank Mason, when Judge Edwards came up and drew his pistol on Watson, commanding him to throw up his hands. Watson spurred his horse, went a few feet, reined up, took deliberate aim at the Judge and fired four shots, one ball entering about three inches below the left nipple. The town is in arms after the man Watson, who has had more than a hundred shots fired at him. At a corner his horse fell, and persons, thinking he was burt, ran to pick him up, but before they could get to him he was up and on his horse again. The Marshal, Bob Murphy, started in pursuit, but did not overtake him.

Not only did he threaten to kill the three men already named, but he swore he would burn the town, and it is teared by some persons that he may return here yet tonight and undertake it. It is now nearly twelve o'clock and Sheriff Johnson has just called to see your correspondent to give an account of the first attempt to catch Watson to-night. The Sheriff was returning from Colorow, a town between here and Delta, and when about four miles northwest from here he met his deputy, Mr Loftus, with the other officers. They had followed Watson across the Uncompaghre River, but he eluded them. Five armed and mounted men were sent to Baldwin's Cowcamp to look out for Watson, and it is expected that if he goes there he will be captured, as there is but one man there. The camp is twenty-five miles to the northeast of here, where he could get a fresh horse and a supply of cartridges, for which purpose it is expected he will go there, as he has doubtless made up his mind by this time to fight a long hard, and desperate fight. Watson is probably thirty-eight years old, a stout built man with heavy black whiskers, a determined looking face,

#### SNOW-BOUND,

such a man as others would fear.

Railway Train Caught in the Mountains of Southern Colorado-Terrible Experi ence of the Passengers-The San Juan Country Snowed Under.

DENVER, COL., Feb. 7. A special from Durango to-night says that the snow-storm there has abated, but the country is literally snowed under. Snow-slides between Durango and Silverton have completely prostrated the telegraph and telephone wires, and Silverton The Rio Grande train due in Durango on having been tied up for several days. The train-men made renewed efforts to push the train through, and by using several enin this evening. The passengers say they fared better than could be expected under the circumstances.

The train which left Durango on Sunday evening, bound for Denver, after successfully crossing the divide, stuck in a bank a few miles from Osier, a small station on the downward slope of the main divide. All efforts to free themselves proved futile, and preparations were made by the pas sengers to pass the night on the mountains as best they could. Next day the trainmen, assisted by the passengers, put forth their test efforts to cut a way through the banks of snow, but they were unsuccess ful. Provisions on the train were then becoming low. Up to that time the contents of the express car had supplied food for the passengers. Then the fuel gave out, and some uneasiness began to be telt.

Two of the trainmen volunteered to at tempt to reach Osier and get assistance They started out to weather the storm, with the chances greatly against them reaching their destination. They relate their experience as being full of the greatest hard hips and most perilous adventures. They could not follow any trail and struck out overland towards Osier. At times the two men were covered over head with snow. and had it not been for the assistance one was capable of rendering the other, both would have perished. As it was, after hours of the greatest fatigue, they reached the snow-bound settlement of Osier, and informed the citizens of the perilous position of the passengers of the delayed train. A relief party was at once organized and men started out on snowshoes for the train, loaded with provisions. These men were followed by others, and as the first relief party has returned to Osier after having anded their load of food to the distressed passengers there need be no longer any apprehensions of their safety, as plenty of provisions can thus be carried in on snow

Usier is near the famous Toltec Gorge, romantic place, where Eastern tourists are wont to linger in summer and drink in the grandeur of the finest scenery in the Rocky Mountains. All the available engines in Denver and along the line of the Rio Grande have been sent out to assist in the relief of the snow-bound passengers.

## A Block of Houses Sink Into a Collery.

WILKESBARRE, PA., Feb. 7. The Borough of Hazleton, in the lower end of this county, a town of 8,000 inhabitants, was this afternoon thrown into a fearful state of excitement by the caving in of an entire square in the central part of the borough. The drop was about three feet, caused by the giving way of the timbers in Sugar Loaf Colliery underneath. Three or four houses, including a hotel, were entirely wrecked, while numbers of others were more or less injured. The idence of Master Mechanic Clark, of the Lehigh Valley Railroad shop, was utterly demolished. Fortuna'ely no lives were sacrified or anybody injured. It is reported here to-night that grave apprehension exists in Hazleton concerning a further settling of the surface, and much anxiety exts. This is the first town known to have suffered from a cave-in directly in its business center, and it naturally gives rise to much curiosity among residents of other undermined towns to know the exact causes that operated in bringing about the disaster of to-day.

#### Tired of the Business, SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Feb. 7.

Ike Pruitt, the most noted of the illicit whisky distillers of Texas County, this State, yesterday voluntarily surrendered lost \$2,500 in gold. The total loss of prop-erty would reach \$6,000,000.

United States District Court at Jefferson of teas to believe much higher figures will of running an illicit distillery and that he will devote himself to some other occupa-

#### HIS MISSION ENDED.

Death, at Boston, of Wendell Phillips, the Noted Anti-Slavery Agitator - A Brief Sketch of His Life.

Bosron, Mass., Feb. 4.-Wendell Phillips, the great orator, died peacefully at 6:15 o'clock Saturday evening. For the past week he had been suffering from angins pectoris, of which he had had one or two premonitory attacks. Soon after four o'clock Saturday, feeling somewhat easier, he attempted to raise himself in bed. This effort brought on a severe paroxysm which utterly prostrated him, and it became evident that the end was near. He himself knew it, and said so. The pain was partially relieved. but he had not the strength to rally, and gradually sank. He was conscious to the last, and evidently knew all that went on about him until he seemed to drop quietly to sleep. His invalid wife and other members of his family were present during his

The funeral will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Bartol and Rev. James Freeman Clarke, and will take place in Boston to-morrow or Wednesday. Mr. Philips' last public act was the writing of a letter last Monday to Rev. Dr. Miner, urging that a light sentence be secured for Burnham Wardwell, indicted for libeling a sheriff. When married, thirty years ago, Mrs. Phillips was regarded as a hopeless invalid, and the fact that she still lives excites surprise. Wendell Phillips was born in Boston Norember 29, 1811. He graduated at Harvard

in 1831, passed through the law school, and was admitted to the bar in 1834. Three years later he became known to the public as an eloquent advocate of anti-slavery, temperance, and woman's rights reform. His first notable speech, made in Faneuil Hall in December, 1837, was a glowing defense of E. P. Lovejoy, who was murdered by a mob at Alton, Ill., for publishing a radical anti-slavery paper. His burning words were called forth by a speech of James T. Austin, Attorney-General of Massachusetts, apologizing for the mob's bloody deed. As the leading and fearless orator of the Anti-Slavery Society, he was persecuted. and on one occasion was almost mobbed. During the early part of the war, at a meet ing in Cincinnati, he spoke for an hour amid jeers and hisses and a continuous bombardment of eggs and other missiles. He sucmeded William Lloyd Garrison as President of the Anti-Slavery Society. In 1870 Mr. Phillips was the Temperance and Labor Reform candidate for the Covernorship, and received nearly 20,000 votes. At a meeting in Faneuil Hall in 1875 he made a powerful speech in favor of the Louisiana policy of General Grant. The subjects of his addresses have also included earnest appeals on behalf of liquor prohibition, 'prison reforms, and Ireland. While no complete edition of his speeches exists, many of them have been published as pamphlets and widely circulated in both the United States and Great Britain. Mr. Phillips was master of the most graceful elecution, and this, added to a brave and fiery spirit, rendered his oratory almost resistless. and all the upper portion of the San Juan | His actions in public life were always agcountry is shut off from the outside world. gressive and directed, without sparing, to any one whose thoughts did not incline tosymmetrical, while his face showed earnestness and culture. Before an audience he had the self-poise and steadiness of nerve which arose from calm courage and long experience as a public speaker, and from a thorough knowledge of his side of the ques-

## DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

A Discarded Lover Kills the Object of His Affection and Then Himself.

RACINE, Wis., Feb. 4.-At one o'clock Sunday Andrew Johnson, a discarded lover of Bertha Brassman, entered the kitchen of Lepage's restaurant, where she was at work. and, grabbing her by the dress and without a word of warning, sent a bullet through her heart. As she fell he fired s second shot through her back. She ran to the street and fell dead on the sidewalk. Almost instantly Johnson placed the revolver to his heart and fired. causing immediate death. The murderer had been drinking heavily the night before, and continued his debauch till the morning. and a few moments before he completed the awful deed he shot at an acquaintance named Gulbranson, the bullet perforating his clothing. Johnson was reputed to be a erank, and had made threats at various times to murder Bertha and kill himself, and a short time ago pointed a revolver at her. girl's age was sixteer de murdered and that of the murdered nineteen. The immediate cause of the tragedy was the refusal of Miss Brassman to accept a valentine which he had sent to her and seeing her in conversation Friday night with another man In the street whom he supposed to be a ival in her affections. The following was ound in a note-book which was picked up n his room: "The cause of Bertha Brasscan's and my death is a fellow named narlie, who works at J. I. Case & Co.'s". II supposed the Charlie referred to is Charles pinekmann.

## AMERICAN PORK IN FRANCE.

French Economist Arrives Here to Try to Prevent Retaliatory Legislation.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.-M. Leon Chatteau. the well-known French political economist. arrived yesterday. His visit is said to be for the purpose of preventing the United States, if possible, from adopting retaliatory measures on account of the embargo placed by France on the importation into that country of American pork.

To a reporter he said: "The object of my visit is to discuss the question of the suppression by the Government the importation American pork. ean frankly say that public opinion in France is favorable to the free entrance, as formerly, of American meats. Unfortunately the Champer of Deputies voted against the proposition without any facts to justify the action or knowledge of the subject. The true remedy for all this is a commercial treaty between this country and France. Such a reaty does not now exist.

Mr. Chatteau said that he felt compelled to say that France was badly represented here by her agents. Her Consuls were not all well chosen. Some of them did not like the American people, and this agitation on the pork question had in some measure been brought about by the unfavorable reports sent home by these Consuls.

## Advance in the Price of Tea-

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.-There is a good deal of activity in the tea trade at advanced prices. The movement has been stimulated by the formation of an exchange Frankfort, Marshall County, this afterbimself to Deputy United States Marhal
Gum Roper, at Baskett's store, Texas
County, and was brought to this city where,
before the United States Commissioner, he
stated that he had been operating an illicit
distillery and that he still owned the still,
but did not know where it was. In default
of head he was specified by the formation of an exchange
a menth or two ago, at which heavy transactions are made daily. Since December
the price of Japans has gone up six per
cent. and blacks about three cents. The
crop last year was very short, and the proposed law to prevent the sale of adulterated

Frankfort, Marshall County, this afternoon. It is supposed that they have been
dead since yesterday morning. When
found Pennington was lying on the floor of
this barn shot through the head. His wife
was lying near the door of the barn in the
corral with her head manyled as if crushed a month or two ago, at which heavy trans- noon. It is supposed that they have been actions are made daily. Since December dead since yesterday morning. When posed law to prevent the sale of admiterated of bond he was sent to the Cole County jail teas, of which there are probably eight million pounds on hand, has led love holders

Canada's Indian population is estimate t 131,000.

#### THE MISSISSIPPI.

Resolutions Submitted and Adopted by the Riger Convention-Improvement of Wes ern Waterways Recommended The E port of the Commission Approved-A propriations for a Continuance of Wa

The Migaissippi River Convent on reasbled this morning, when resolutions of them to the press of the District, the Commission and others were immediately agreed on W mittee on Resolutions, presented the una nous report of the committee, as follow Your Committee on Resolutions, having east fully considered the various resolutions ferred the n, respectfully submit for your co

sideration the following: WHEREAS, A Convention representing broad area of eighteen States and Territhe people of which are intensely into to the consumer of all the product ry, has a sembled at the na ional card expressly give utterance of the popular des for the continuous improvement and en sion of the great Western water-ways, the

Resolved, 1. That the interests for which

Convention is authorized to speak are ex

to the highest degree of consideration of

commerce between the States as the tion of the general welfare. commerce anected is already one-mit of the of the United States, and more than the nation commerce of the Nation, and large year, a direct and wasteful mount, by way of increased free arce, demurage, wrecks and ter sandbars, stars, treacher mist er of stacles to the on of the Mississippi River an ble tributaries. No exercise than the relief of that comm immense and varied industries whit, from such melless bardens those obstacles to navgeton these great waterways and the they drain was a trumph of earl statesmanship, to restrain their m and direct their resistless en-

2. We earnestly reaffirm the declaration of met at at Louis in 1881, that it is the manicause to be made such improvements of Mis-issippi River and navi at It to butaries shall permanently secure the rate and ea-

achievement of its intest science

statesmanship to complete that

navigation thereof.
Especially is this duty obvious an lour d ready made by Congress in land, amounting nearly 200,000,000 a res, and in bonds is guaranteed of nearly \$100,000,000 more viduals, and which even at the lowest ra tation on a large scale as compared with all for the improvement of more than I don miles of natural waterways, whose freedom from tax or monoply is protected by constrin I unrestricted competition they afford a most efficient check upon exorbitant charges by any other route to the sea.

3. We also emphatically approve the ment by Congress of a Mississippi River Co. step toward permanently opening the Mi work of the commission has passed and of the region of experiment, and fully justified the ially approve their plan for preserving to in and removing all observations, whether natu off any portion of the same. We also declare the system now being successfully prosecuted under the direction of the Secretary of War meets with general approval ought to be continue i under the same syste system of river improvement by a competer commission thus manufacted as to the Messippi should be applied without delay to the Missouri, Oblound other navigable rivers, an

carried on by liberal and regular appropria 4. That in the interest of cheap transports the scaboard, we regard connections between and the great lakes as of great important ought to have regard to the establishment free water communication between the valle of the great river of the West and the tide water East in accordance with recommenda-tions heretofore made by the President of the United States in a special message on this

5. We desire to express our cord al appreci tion and acknow eligement of the browl, pe ways of the West by the Inite i States in his official acts and declara tions from the time of his acression to the high office, the wisdom of Congress in approment of the rivers of the West, at the same tim mendations of the Senate Select Committee o work of improvement be worth dong it worth doing well, and to secure the maghine permanency and economy is its prosecution a uniform system should be a topied and ad-

hered to.
7. We a'so recognize with satisfaction the benefits which have resulted in the nav gation of the Mississippi River and principal tribitaries from the extension of the light housystem thereto, and renew the hope that number of districts and lights therein be creased to such extent as the Light house Board in consultation wit the River Commis sion finds necessary to render the service com-pictely efficient.

8. We approve the action of the Everative Committee on the improvement of Western water-ways, and request it to continue is labors in that direction and for the purpose or which it was formed, until the Misssip River and navirable tributaries are in su condition as the safety of the people and the interest of composee demand and de-erse, and said committee be authorized and requested to take n-oper steps for presenting to Congress a suitable memorial in the sense of foregoing resolutions, and for publishin

vention.

The following supplemental report was also submitted: Your committee, by way of a supplemental report state that the have give thoughtful attention to the various resolut or dy the dangers to navigation resulting in the improper brilging of Western rivers, ass to imperfect and endangered harbors in the friable banks of Vicksburg and other town and cities of the Lower Mississippi. Your committee, how ver, down the matters em-braced in the first set of resolutions to belon?

to the police power.

The Government should be expressly for voked to remove any artificial ob t uniforms the navigation of rivers, while the laster reso lutions pertain to matters clearly embraced within the lawful powers of the River commission, to be exercised as soon as practical of Your committee consider most favorably the surgestion contained in both sets of reso tions, but do not deem them appropriate ma ters for action by way of a general resolution, preferring to call special attention to them in this supplemental report, and not doubting that the proper officers of the Government will take appropriate steps in relation to

Both reports were adopted by acclamation, which elicited great applause.

# A Kansas Tragedy.

ATCHISON, Kas., Feb. 3. Jno. Pennington and wife were found murdered on their farm, five miles from corral with her head mangled as if crushed by some heavy instrument, probably a spade. Pennington sold some hogs on Tuesday, and was supposed to have considera-ble money about him. One of his horses and a saddle are missing. He had recently hired a stranger to work for him, who is suspected of the murder.