RED-CLOUD. . . NEBRASKA

CURRENT COMMENT. Hog cholera in its most malignant form has broken out near West Lib-

erty, W. Va. SCHUYLER DURYEE, of Virginia, has been appointed chief clerk of the Patent Office, vice Lipscomb, resigned.

RILLY BIRCH, the once famous min strel, died at his home at Melrose Westchester County, N. Y., recently.

AT the closing of the Exposition a Melbourne, Australia, recently the United States flag was greeted with a regular ovation.

EVICTIONS have been resumed on the Des Moines river lands in Iowa. The dispossessed farmers were reported organizing to repossess the lands and would dely the officers.

On the return of the Postmaster-General from the Cabinet meeting on removed Postal Agent Dimmick at prosecution. New York for leaving his work to at-

A PARCELS post convention between Islands has been signed by Postmaster-General Wanamaker and Mr. Edwards, tone on behalf of the Government of Great Britain.

March, 1889, show an increase of \$100,- kansas for Supreme Court Judges was 000 over the corresponding month last year Receipts at the Philadelphia office for the same period show an in crease of \$13,000.

THIEVES broke into the old State House at New Haven, Conn., the other night and carried away the sword of Society as a relic. It was a presentation sword, studded with jewels and precious stones and valued at \$6,000.

REV. EDWARD K. BEECHER, brother of the late Henry Ward Beecher, who Davis, but later figures showed he lacked was run over by a train recently at 600 of a majority. The Legislature was Brookivn. N. Y., was so seriously in- undecided as "no election" was reported jured that one of his legs had to bes in several districts. amputated. Owing to his advanced age it was feared he could not recover from the shock.

THE French vintage of 1888 amounted to 797,707,000 gallons, an increase of 19,187,400 gallons over the yield of 1887, although being 35,000 gallone less than the average yield of was the cause. the last ten years. Much of the good result of the last vintage is due to American vines.

THE Mexican Congress opened on the 2d. The President in his message said that Mexico's relations with the United States were excellent. He ex- 3,000. presend gratification because the comprehented the fraudulent nature of the Abra Weil claims.

A SENSATION was made at the meet-Ohio penitentiary at Columbus the other morning when Prison Physician Clemmer filed a report charging Deputy Warden Cherrington with out- Democrats 37, twelve yet to be elected. rageously punishing an insane prisoner named George Bates in the duckwill probably result.

GENERAL BOULANGER has issued a fresh manifesto of defiance from Brussels. In replying to the action of the Chamber of Deputies sanctioning his prosecution, he repudiates the charges made against him. In interviews he says he will not disclose the secrets of will decide the question between him and the French Government.

JAMES W. ROMEYN, Consul at Valparaiso, in reporting to the Department of State upon the trade and commerce of Chili, comments on the fact that while the imports into Chili in 1887 amounted to \$48,630,000 but \$3,-0,000 came from the United States. and that while 15,000 vessels entered and cleared at Chilian ports the American flag waved over only 221 of them.

PRINCE BISMARCK, in reply to the birthday congratulations offered him tion. by the Central Manufacturers' Association, said that he looked forward to a continued maintenance of peace. This, he believed, would lend increasing impetus to the present gratifying devel-opment of German industry. In his THE recent hurricane opinion a guarantee of peace was to be cific ocean swept over found not only in the monarchial insti- miles. The American tutions of the country, but also, and in from New South Wales fo a special degree, in the monarchial sentiments of the German people.

Awong the incorporation licenses issued at Springfield, Ill., the other day South Wales for was one to a company with a capital at Aitutaki. of \$65,000,000, and carrying the following "brief" name: "The United staff, Aria, I States Vogel Kazophone and Electrical cife expenses Accustic Floor ward St. C. trometer Power Musical Car Distance Loud Speaking Transfer Instrument Company," Chicago, to manufacture liabilities amount instruments, rent rights and privileges. The incorporators were Wil- Vienna, Posta, Amst. liam Vogel, Adolph Gray and R. H. New York Dukin.

respondent at Samoa, was before the ester & Pittsburgh railroad. The sweep State Department recently and ex- was a thorough one. plained his connection with the evente leading up to the battle of Fagall, caught fire at Denver, Col., the other night, Sought December 18, when the twenty-three German sailors were killed. His cently that the Barings, of London, would testimony completely refuted the charges made against him by the Gerits falling into the hands of Jay Gould.
mans of having fired upon their sailore. The London interests were suspicious of and ordered the soldiers of King the outcome if Gould got control of the Mataafa to do so. The affidavits of Mr. Klein and three of Mataafa's soldiers who were with him at the bat-marriage, leaves all his property to his tle of Fagall, made before the United wife and children. States Vice-Consul Blacklock at Apla, will be taken to Berlin by the Commissioner appointed by the United States.

Wile and calidren.

The South Pacific storm which caused the disasters at Sames extended to Tahiti. At Tonga great havor was created. Many persons were drowned by islands being states.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail.

THE SENATE-EXECUTIVE SESSION. In the Senate on April 1 Mr. Teller offered a resolution that hereafter all nominations e considered in open session, and made a short speech giving his reasons for so doing. The esolution was referred. Several committees were authorized to sit during recess. The Seaate confirmed Louis Wolfley, Governor of Art zona; E. H. Terrill, Minister to Belgium; J. L. Abbott, Minister to Colombia, and a number of other nominations. The President sent in the following among other nominations: William F. Wharton, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary of State; James N. Huston, of adiana, Treasurer of the United States: George H. Shields, of Missouri, Assistant Attorney-General: L. Bradford Prince, to be Governor o New Mexico: James T. Kelley, to be receiver

of the land-office at Bloomington, Neb. Two memorials were presented to the leges in regard to public office for honorably discharged Union soldiers and the other against traffic in intoxicating liquors. Senator Stew-art's resolution in regard to the death of John Bright was haid before the Senate, which after quite a debate was referred. The Vice-President announced that he would vacate the chair during the remainder of the session and Senator Ingalls was chosen President pro tem. In executive session the Senate confirmed all pending nominations and adjourned sine die.

PERSONAL AND PULITICAL GENERAL BOULANGER suddenly disappeared from Paris on the 2d. His enthe 26 it was announced that he had emiss asserted that he had fied to avoid

MUNICIPAL efections occurred extensive-New York for leaving his work to at-tend to political duties at Port Jarvis. erate carried Chicago and St. Louis. Republicans carried Kansas City, Ma, and Kansas City, Kan. At Leavenworth D. the United States and the Leeward R. Anthony, the Republican-Prohibition candidate, was defeated. Fort Scott went Democratic and Cottonwood Falls, Kan., elected an entire female government. At British Charge d'Affaires in Washing- Wichita it was thought Harris, the Liberal candidate, was elected. Republicans elected their ticket in St. Joseph, Mo. At Sedalia the honors were about even. At THE reported earnings of the Balti- Springfield, Iil., the Democrats elected more & Ohio road for the month of their entire ticket. The election in Arcarried by the Domocrate with the usual majorities.

GREERAL BOULANGER after fleeing from Paris, issued a manifesto from Brusseis, in which he said that he would not face a trial before the French Senate, but was

ready to plead before a judge and jury. LATER returns showed the election of R. L. Cofran, Democrat, for mayor of Topeka instead of Metsker, Republican, as Admiral Jouett, held by the Historical first reported, by 204 majority. A Democratic councilman was also elected.

It is reported that King John of Abyssinia has been defeated and slain in battle Tun election in Rhode Island on the 3. was very close. Democrats at first claimed the Governorship for their candidate,

EDWIN BOOTH, the actor, received stroke of paralysis while performing at the Lyceum Theater, Rochester, N. Y., on

the 31. Whitney's late residence in Washington. GENERAL JACOB SHARP has resigned as governor of the Soldiers' Home at Milwanken, Wis., and General Kilburn Knox has been elected his successor. Ili health

THE temperance cause in Canada received a severe blow on the 4th. Twelve counties and two cities in Ontario and Nova Scotia voted on the question whether the Scott Prohibition law should continue in force or not. Every county and town that voted declared that the act should be

withdrawn by majorities of from 200 to NEWS has been received of H. M. Stan-United States Government had fully bey and Emin Pasha up to last February.

They were then on their way to Zanzibar, accompanied by many hundreds of men,

women and children. THE complete vote of Rhode Island for Governor gives Ladd 16,952 Davis 21,250. ing of the board of managers at the Richardson 1,511, Chace 3,435, Davis lacks 548 of an election but has a plurality of 4 398. The Senate stands Republicans 21. Democrats 11, with four to be elected, while the House stands Republicans 23.

ROBERT T. LINCOLN called upon the President and Secretary Blaine on the 4th. ing tub. A legislative investigation and formally accepted the English mission. He will sail for England about May

Ten death of King John of Abyssinia has been confirmed. PRILO REMINGTON died at Silver Springs. Fla., on the 5th. His death was due to billious fever. He was the eldest son of E. Remington, the founder of the great arm-

ory works at Ilion, N. Y.

THE President has appointed Joel B. Erhardt to be collector of customs and his faction, and says that an election Cornellus Van Cots to be postmaster at New York.

MAGGIE MITCHELL, the actress, bes obtained a divorce from her busband, Henry T. Paddock. The main charge was THE funeral of ex-Sub-Treasurer of the

United States, Alexander McCue, of New York, took place in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 5th, from St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church. Secretary of the Navy Tracy was one of the pallbearers. MAJOR ARMES, who pulled Governor

Beaver's nose recently at Washington, it is thought, will be court-martialed. THE President has issued a prociamation for a National holiday on April 30, the centenary of Washington's inaugura-

A SEVERE wind storm v Jackson and other places the 2d. The wind blew fires, and much destruct was driven ashore at wrecked. The crew American ship Ada (Ours. The crew from the British staff, Aria,

failure affects the A SENSATION was created in railroad circles by the removals of all passenger

financially back the Santa Fe to prevent

By a florce wind storm at Chipley, La. | NEBRASKA STATE NEWS. the other evening, the Methodist Church and other buildings were destroyed and

much other damage done. FIRE destroyed the five-story brick building, 38 to 44 Canal street, Chicago, recently. Loss about \$150,000, fairly in-A TORNADO struck the southeastern part

of Bridgeton, N. J., on the evening of the 24 LATER reports of the destructive prairie fires in Datota show that several lives were lost. The farm property destroyed was immense. A wind storm accelerated the flames which proved so destructive.

Swirt's packing house, Chicago, took fire on the morning of the 5th, resulting in a loss of \$100,000. REV. CHARLES SIDNEY HURD, lately

of the Palmerston Unitarian Chapel, Boston, committed suicide in London, Engiand, on the 4th. He left America March 15 last and in a letter mentioned his difficulties as the reason for taking his life. A collision between freight trains occurred recently at Brown's Cross Roads, Tenn., on the Nashville & Decatur rail-

road. Both engines and sixteen cars were

totally wrecked and Ernest C. Green and M. L. Eby, brakemen, were killed and Albert Finch, fireman, was severely hurt. A BAILIFF was shot dead at Coleraine, County Londonderry, Ireland, recently The murdered man had charge of a farm from which the tenant had been evicted. Over fifty employes of the Government printing office at Washington have been

laid off because of the adjournment of Congress. One hundred and forty Alsatians have seen fined 600 marks each for failing to report for service in the German army. Ex-Goverson CROSEY, of Montana Pacently threatened to sue Russell B. Harison, son of the President and in 1887 president of the Montana Live Stock

promised to retract the charges. Two freight trains collided the other norning near Reno. Nev. Harry Wilson, brakeman, and J. H. Mysegarder, a farmer, were killed and fourteen care were wrecked Forest fires have been raging around

Journal Company, for libel. Harrison

Courtenay, Dak. One hundred families vere deprived of absolutely every thing. The losses reached fully \$150,000. MRS. MARY P. TERRY, of Jefferson, Tex., has begun suit at Gainesville, Tex, to re-

cover \$100,000 worth of property at that place sold by her husband without her uthority thirty years ago. THE British man-of-war Callione has arrived at Sydney, N. S. W., all safe from Samos. She reports the floating of the

Nipsic, which was not greatly damaged. THE town of Leola was almost entirely destroyed by the recent prairie fires in BERNARD BLUME and others are under rrest at Brooklyn, N. Y., charged with starting incendiary fires in various places.

Their plan was to rent a building and, af-

the Des Moines riverdands in Iowa were fired on by concealed parties with Winchesters as a warning. No one was burt. It is thought that troops will be needed to suppress the settlers threatening dis-

orders on the Des Moines river lands. New York and Paris, are accused of extensive sanuggling operations. A discharged employe of the firm divulged the crime and the New York manager was placed under arrest and evidences of muggling discovered.

ISAAC RICH & Co. extensive fish dealers of Boston, have failed. Liabilities. \$200,000; nominal assets, \$225,000. A NEPHEW of ex-President Guzman Blanco, of Venezuela, has been arrested while trying to escape to the United

States on a charge of forgeries, by which he secured \$23,000. SEXATOR PLUMB and Representative Peters called on the President on the 5th n behalf of two Kansas men, named Miller and Woods, convicted of having

committed murder in the Indian Territory and sentenced to be hanged. A STORM which demolished many houses and started several fires raged throughout

Southern Hungary on the 5th. THE River Nile was reported rapidly falling and the outlook for Egypt was

It is positively denied at Albuquerque, N. M., that there is any truth in the repor of a deadly fight between officers and train robbers in Arizons. The officers never even struck the trail of the outlaws.

THE cruiser Atlanta, now at Aspinwall, has been ordered by telegraph to New York. It is the intention to send the Yorktown to New York April 20, so that the latest efforts at naval construction may be seen at the centennial celebration. Business fabures (Dun's report) for the seven days ended April 5 numbered 222. ompared with 240 the previous week and 227 the corresponding week of last year.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

A MESTING of the Washington bar was held on the 6th to pass resolutions commemorative of the death of Associate Justice Stanley Matthews.

SECRETARY WINDOW has ordered the dismissal of Captain Herbert Beecher, son of the late Henry Ward Beecher. In 1865 Cleveland appointed him collector of custome at Port Townsend, W. T., but the Senate failed to confirm him. Secretary Manning then appointed him special agent at the same place. It was learned that he was implicated in the Gardner opium smuggling case.

THE doors of the First National Bank of Anoka, Minn., have been closed, P. F. Pratt, the cashier, having ded-

Downger Duchess of Cambridge,

aunt of Queen Victoria, died recently. She was born July 25, 1797.

By an explosion of gas in Halliday's coal mine near Dequoin, Mi, the other evening, several men and boys were MONEY was reported pleatiful on the London Stock Exc benge during the week ended April & All manner of syndicate schemes were being doated. The Paris Bourse were reported firm and active, which was also characteristic of the Ger-

Wos Ewase Per, formerly of the Chinese embassy at Washington and new of Shanghai, advectors the expulsion of every American in the service of China or every American in the service of China-ne a reprinal for the exclusion of China-men from America. In a momerial on the embject he refers with contempt to the American many, which he designs would be powerlass, in an aggressive movement.

THE session of the Legislature, just closed, was the longest in the history of

JAMAS BUSBY, a well-known and muchrespected farmer living three miles from Hastings, committed suicide the other morning by placing the muzzle of a gun in his mouth and blowing the top of his head off. He was forty-six years old and leaves a wife and two children. The loss of a child some time ago and his homestead being contested, made him despondent and the act was thought to have been committed during a fit of temperary insanity.

THE three-year-old son of Dr. H. Scoggins, of Albion, recently fell into a tub of boiling water and was scalded to HAUNSTINE, the murderer, was recently sentenced at Broken Row to be hanged

September 6. He enjoys the distinction of being the first man sentenced to be hanged in Custer County. THE Republicans elected their mayor of Lincoln by nearly 2,000 majority at the late trial of speed for municipal officers. THE barn, live-stock and grain of C. H. Parintun were consumed by a prairie fire

near Grant the other day. Parintun's wife was severely burned while trying to rescue a calf. E. C. MAHER, formerly of Omaha, left his bome in Chase County over two weeks ago for Imperial to receive a loan of \$00. which he secured and left for home early the following morning. He has not been heard of since and foul play is suspected.

THE other morning E lie Waldron, living eight miles west of Central City, started with a team and buggy to fight a prairie fire, taking a loaded shot-gun along. Just as he placed the gun in the buggy it was discharged, the load taking effect in the right arm of his son Willie, aged thirteen, cutting the artery and aimost severing the arm from the shoulder. Surviced and was at once called but before the boy could be helped be bled to death. As Mr. Severya, of Schuyler, was handling an "anioaded" gun the other day it was discharged, the contents entering the leg of his wife below the knee shattering it so seriously that amputation

THE B. & M. depot at Fairmont was burned to the ground the other evening at eight o'clock. The fire was caused by the night operator throwing a lighted match into a lot of oil waste while lighting the signal lamps. The total loss amounted to between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

CAROLINE SCHMIDT, an old lady, only a few years from Germany, committed su cide the other afternoon by hanging berself in a stable adjoining her daughter's residence a few miles from Ponca. She was visiting the daughter.

A FIRE on the farm of John Copley, two miles southeast of Unadilia, recently destroyed two barns, containing a large amount of grain, two head of cattle, several ter insuring the supposed goods, set it on | hogs and one horse. It originated from a prairie fire, which got beyond Mr. Copley's control. A fine orchard was also destroyed by the fire running through it.

THE other morning a masked man tered the residence of R. A. Batty, at Hastings, and pulling a revolver demanded silence. He took Mr. Batty's pants, vest and dressing gown away from him. Mr. Bat: v had about \$14 in his clothes. Mrs. Batty was so badly frightened that she were terribly agilated by their alarming guns are to be of sixteen inch steel and leaped from the window of her room to experience. the top of the bay window below.

A PECULIAR accident occurred on an Ekhorn Vailey train the other day. When the train arrived at Pierce, one of the passengers discovered that his little boy, about six years of age, was not on the cars and had fallen from the train, although no one had seen the accident. The father and the section boss started down the track toward Hardar, expecting to find his mangled body, but to their surprise when near the station, met the little fellow tradging along the railroad tracks towards them apparently unburt.

NORFOLK's school census has been completed, and shows 1,029 children of school age in the city, an increase of over three hundred in the past year.

Two prisoners escaped from the Fillmore County jail at Geneva recently by cutting hole through the roof with a jackknife and have not been seen since. John Miller, alias Thomas Craizer, and John Gabriel, were their names, the former a jewelry thief and the latter a horse thief. THREE children of Jens Jensen, living near Oakland, ate some wild parsnips the

other day, and before a doctor could be summoned the youngest, aged five years, died from the effects of the pois n. The other two recovered.

BURGLARS successfully cracked the safe of Dean & Fairchild at Marquette, recently, and secured about \$100 in cash. Four North Bend men are in the clutches of the law charged with selling liquor

without license. PRAIRIE fires have been doing extensive damage near Ponca recently and several bundred tone of bay and miles of fences have been destroyed. Among the heaviest losers was El Arnold, the fire entirely consuming 15) tons of hav in stack. A fire set by two small boys straved into Major Porter's timber and burned for two days, doing damage to the extent of

THE junior exhibition given at the closing of the winter term of Doane College at Crete was one of the most successful events in the history of the institution.

Beyone the Legislature adjourned Hon. Church Howe introduced resolutions in the Senate which passed, declaring that Certain persons, associated together under the title of the Nebraska Farmers' Alliance, have publicly stated that the financial obligations of the farmers of Nebraska are an oppressive burden to said farmers, and that the general economic condition of the State is the reverse of prosperous," and resolving that it is the opinion of the Senate of the State of No brasta that the so-called Farmers' Alliance, being a private and non-representawe body, bas no right nor title to speak behalf of the farmers of the State; that the recent allegations of certain members of said Ailiance with regard to the eccnomic conditions of Nebraska are untrus a substance and in fact; that the mortgaging of farms has enabled farmers to establish homes; and that if farm mortgages have increased in newly-settled portions of the State they have diminished in older-settled parts

A was named Hanson and his wife attempted suicide near Craig recently by aking large doses of borse liniment, with very prospect of success. They had married only five weeks, and quarels and poverty caused them to agree to

THE Board of Transportation, at a redates finally elected as Secretaries G. I. Giltison, of Wahoo; L W. Gilchrist, of Alliance, and W. S. Garden, of Red

Poper-rungs converts are the fruits of

the revival meetings at West Union. killed in the Barlington yards at Lincoin some road to fortune he wrote an artiste by a train or switch engine. No one saw on "Imperantone London," which was the accident, but it was supposed be wandered into the yards while intoxicated and was run down. He was forty years old paper, it need hardly be enid, was founded and left a wife and six children. THE annual report of the Covington

South SionE City & Dakota City Railway Company shows the value of the property to be \$12,965 S; total ind-business. \$2.00 D; gross carnings \$2.00 D; oper allog expenses 12.32.50. A dividend of 1% per cont. was paid last August. Watta berning rubbish in the yard Mrs. James, a widow seventy years old, was recently burned to death near flaten by her clothes taking fire. SAVANNAH BLAZE

A Million Dollar Fire at Savannah, Ga.

A Passenger Tra u Passes Through a Prob rie Fire-tirent Fire in Pittsburgh-Conflagration in India-Other

Bires.

SAVANNAR, Ga. April 8 - Fire broke on. at seven o'clock Saturday night in the show window of D. H. Hogen's dry goods store while a man was lighting a gas jet. A moment later the fire had run to almost very part of the building and those in it had barely time to escape with their lives. Fire was communicated to the cruckery store of James H. Douglass & Co., immediately back of Hogan's, and soon it was all ableze. The high wind prevailing contributed to the spread of the flames, and there was no possibility of checking them. The building was one of the facest blocks in the city, and its destruction represented a loss, with the contents, of \$1.0.00). The fire then jumped to the magnificent four story tuilding known totally destroyed. The fire next spread through twelve or fifmen brick dwellingbouses, completely destroying them. The air was filed with sparks one of which lodged on the steeple of Independent Freebyterian Church, four or five blocks away. totally destroying it and also its handsome brick Sunday-school building and four or five contiguous dwellings. The total loss amounted to \$1.00 00

The number of the buildings burned is estimated at fifty. The present prospect is that the larger and finer ones will be replaced by new ones equally as good as those destroyed. The sites of many of the interior structures now gone will be covered with buildings that will be a great improvement over the old ones. The loss of the Independent Presbyterian Church and chapel, the Guards' Armory, the Old Fellows' Building, Hainley Building and Horan' & Pouglas block, however, are greatly to be regretted. No loss of life or serious injury to per-

son occurred. A TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE. CHAMBERLAIN, Dak., April 8,-The

people on the passenger train from the East, on the St. Paul road Saturday, had an exciting experience near Mount Vernon. A prairie fire was raging around the track and the engineer not knowing to extent ran into it expecting to run through to safety in a few mem-ats. He found the fire getting worse however, and finally stopped, but could not run back, as the flames behind had made the track unsafe. The passengers and train hands got out and fought the fire, but the danger kept inreasing. Finally the engineer was ordered to proceed, as to remain still would have been fatal. It was feared that the rails were warped, and the passengers expected a terrible accident, but after what comed a long period of suspense too train emerged from the smoke and flames | sides covering the machinery are to be in safety. Several of the passengers, who had encaged in fighting the flames, were besides the protection afforded by the

AGED WOMAN BURNED. widow of the late William Kelty, aged about eighty years feeble and childish, lived in a small house between here and Alikanna Last evening her granddaughter left her alone to come into town. Soon afterward Patev Powers, a boy, saw smoke issning from the windows and gave the alarm, when parties found the old woman lying on the floor with her feet close to the fire place and her body burned to a crisp. Her body and hair were burned off. She lived for an hour in terrible suffering. Her married daughter, a Mrs. Youan, was burned to death in the same house a few years ago.

FIRE IN MISSISSIPPL ABERDEEN, Miss., April & Fire yesterday morning destroyed eight houses on Meridian street with a total loss of about \$30,000 The buildings were frame structares, fire proof, so called by reason of sheet iron fronts and roofs, and were | years to build cheap concerns. Ther were occupied by Drake & Chidister, store and restaurant: C. L. Drake, ment market A. Fieldman dry goods and general merchandise; Louis Piltaski, saloon and restaurant; Sanders & Bros., groceries, and M. Thebude, meal market. The total insurance on the stock and buildings, about \$15,000.

EXTENSIVE PIRE IN PITTSBURGE Pirrantmon, Pa. April &-The extensive sa, shovel and saw factories of Hubbard & Co. were totally destroyed by firegesterday. There were four buildings, all frame, and they burned rapidly. The loss on buildings, machinery and stock will be fully \$500,000, almost covered by insurance. There was an immense quantity of goods on hand, which had been piled up during the winter because of lack of orders. The

The origin of the fire is a mystery. RESIDENCES BURNELL SCRASTON, Pa. April 5-The busine block and residence of Thomas Loftus and the residences of Dr. Travis and Heary McInto-h at Olyphant were burned last night Loss, \$75,000; insurance light GREAT PIRE IN INDIA.

firm gave employment to about 400 mes.

London, April x - A disputes from India eave that hundreds of houses have been destroyed by fire at Surat The loss is placed at £2 0 0 m.

Another Inauguration Viettes. Wassisston, April L - James I. Chris tie, acting assistant doorkeeper of the Senate, died at 6 th yesterday morning. H's death adds another name to the long list of victims of inauguration weather. His friends say that from the cold contracted during the open air ceremonies of that day he never fully recovered. His death was caused by congestion of the

WASHINGTON, April 1.- The President made the following appointments yesterday: Evan N Rand, of Maine, to be appraiser of merchandise to the district of Portland and Falmouth, Ma George C. Storgie, of West Virginia, to be attorney of the United States for the district of West Virginia -A gentleman just returned from a cin

months' residence in London, where he

spent much of his time among the literary men, has some interesting greely concerning one or two of the novelists which will bear repeating. Of David Christic Marray he said: "Marray is one of the interesting men in London. He has bad cent meeting, out of forty-seven candi- the hardest of work to attain his present position. From boyhood he has made his way unaided and like many other writers of fiction he came up from newspaper work and his early journalistic training JOHN C. KLEIN, the newspaper cor
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KANSAS OROPS.

Torras, Kan., April & -- The State Board of Agriculture reports now in from about 30 correspondent, representing 100 coenive stock of all kinds, fruit and grasses in nearly every county in the State are in unusually good condition. In come coctions of Western Kansas wheat made a small growth in the fall by reason of dry weather and the drought being continued into early winter there was much anxiety among farmers with respect to its condition. The winter, however, being extremely mild and later on moisture coming in the form of snow and in March abundant of rain failing, the wheat was brought out in splendid shape. Protably the plant has never shown a more vigorous and thrifty growth throughout the State at this date

than at present The winter being extremely mild and feed abundant stock generally wintered

The increase in area sown to wheat in the State in the fall of 1500 as compared with that sown the previous year is 36 per cent, which gives a total area for the State of 1 330 427 acres on an excess of 257.484 acres over that of the previous year. The per cent, reported winter ceneral condition of the plant as compared with full stand and animpaired

vitality is practically 100 per cent. The area sown to rve in the fell of two varies but little from that some the previous year and the condition of the plant s 100 per cent compared with the average condition.

Live-stock with the exception of a few cases of distenser doing horses and cholera is a mild form among hogs is generally free from disease and in good

The season is reported throughout the State as at least two weeks earlier than usual and the ground amply supplied with moisture and generally in an expellent condition for crops. Chinch bugs are reported in a few counties in the State, but not in sufficient numbers to excite chem among farmers. On the whole the condition of the State is excellent, and farmers are greatly encouraged and hopeful

A NAVAL MONSTER.

Description of a New Coast Defense Vess

to be Buitt by I nele som WASHINGTON, April 5 - The new const defense vessel, bids for which were received yesterday, will be a departure in design from any voted in the nety, and Captain Tichforn, who is acting as chief of the bureau of construction, is confident that she will be the most formidable vessel for her displacement of any in the world and able to spe with any thing afford. She approximates the monitor type and is of 5,000 tons displacement in cruising trim. When she goes into action by taking on monitor ballast she sinks until her dock is but sixteen inches above the water level thus diminishing the size of the target exposed to an opponent. The covered with sixteen inches of armour, the deck will be of steel two inches thick. She will be 216 feet long, 45 feet beam, STRUBBNVILLE, O., April 8.—Bridget, 14's feet deep and has a speed of 16 knots At this speed she can steam 632 miles, but at ordinary cruising speed (about 9 knote) she would travel 2.727 miles without renewing her coal supply.

But the most remarkable feature will be the tremendous power of the armament. In the forward barbette, mounted on a turntable and manipulated by hydraulic power, the yearel will carry a 16-inch rifle, weighing 110 tons and 49 feet longone of the largest guns affect. In the rear barbette there will be a 12-lach riffe, weighing 46 v tons. A Deinch dynamite gun to feet long will project from the bon and in other places the sensel will carry six 33 pounders, three 8-pounders, two 6pounders and four 2 pounders all revolve ing cannon. Rapid firing gune, machine guns and electric search lights on a hoilow steel military must will complete the ship, which will take three and one-half

DESTRUCTION OF LEOLA.

A Thriving Town Wiped Out By the D Buta Fires. ARREDUST, Dak . April 5. The terrific

story of the complete destruction of Leola, the county seat of McPherson County, has tem brought in by courier. Leola was a fine little town of \$100 inhabitants, and the country for miles around was well settled with industrious and thrifty people. It is twenty -600 miles from raifrond and telegraph facilities, and it is difficult to get complete information. Out of thirty places of Business including two banks, two newspapers, two churches, three or four hotels and all lines of twoincer, butfour are left standing and out of from thirty to forty residences less then a doren remain. The loss is practically complete and will reach time The neurance was very light. C. O. 014 and Thomas Ardell are terribly burned and the couriers say they can not live Parties who from across the country to Westport, entrounding country is nearly devastated. Hundredt of farm bouses are in ashes and carrasse of bifact stock are lying along the road. The news continues to come slowly and shows the details of a great disaster. It is probable that not prostently of the damage is yet reported. Editors Herried and Beach, of Looks are in the ety. They will publish their paper in Aleerdeen at present. Nothing definite is known about rebuilding Citizens here held a meeting in the afternoon to take measures for relief. Scores of farmers are without sped wheat, stock, buildings de ich bemgeng de beftebenen ebafebe attef

Edwin Booth Improved. ROCHESTER, N. Y., April &- The condition of Mr. Houth who much improved resterior. House of St.D within and was shordy thereafter visited by Dr. C. it. Hummer who found him able to speak quite plainly. Mr. Booth breakfasted in his room. Mr. Booth, accompanied by his raist, left on the 10:30 o'clock train for Sew York.

WARRINGTON, April -- No approbagain s felt at the Navy Department on account of the United States steamer Brooklyn. of by way of Caps of Good Hope, which thre upper three stories were

two wares.

ALBERT, Ma., April &-About 7:20 Batternes, April & Gettern! Den ange. o'clock Turnlay evening rapid plated has incured a fresh manifests of delegate fring was beard in the direction of too in replying to the action of the Chan w jail and it was even learned that two of Deputies sanctioning his prosent potet and desperate tergiare had drilled a he repudiates the charges made age beir in the wall of the jail and in one him. In interviewe he says he will encouraged him later to me out on an ex- minute more would have compad half not discisse the secret of his faction, but

PROCLAMATION.

ration Proclaimed a National Holiday. Wassington, April 6.- The following proclamation was lasted late yesterday afternoon by the President of the United

States of America: A Proclamation -A hundred years have passed since the Government which mer fore fathers lounded was formally organized. At nice on April 20, 1708 in the city of New York, and in the presence of an exernitizes of the herote men whose patriotic devotion had ind the colonies to victory and independence. George Washington took the oath of office as Chot Magistrate of the new born Republic. This impressive act was preceded at aims o'vicco in a morning in all the churches of the city by practy for God's biessing on the Republic and its first

The contenutal of this Wasteroon event in

history has been declared a general holiday is set of Congress to the end that the people of the Whole country may been in commenced. services appropriate to the day. In order that the joy of the occasion may be associated with deep thankfulness in the minds of the people for all our blessings in the past and a devout supplication to God for their continuance in the future, the representatives of the religious creeds both Christian and Hebres have no mortal and the Government to designate as here for prayer and then kertving on that day Now, therefore, I. Benjamin Barriero, Presi ient of the United States of America in respones to this pione and reasonable request. In commend that on Tuesday, April St at the hour of nine o'clock in the morning the people of the entire country repair to their respective places of divine worship to implore the favor of God that the blessing of liberty, prospertly and pours may

may lead us in the paths of rightecommes an in witness whereof I have herounte set my band and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed Done in the city of Washington this eth des

abide with us so a people, and that His hand

of April A D. 1900, and of the tadependent f the Cented States Lik. By the President | Bunjawin Hausing JANES G. BLAINE, Secretary of State.

SMUGGLING CASE.

A Pine Art House Imports in a Feculiar

10-45 New York April 4-Allard & Sons, a art furniture rare topostries and bear a tran have a tranch combitahment at an Fifth avenue. For seven years this house has engaged in the most barn-faced emug-

gling. For several years the agent for Allard & Sons here was a man named Biossair-Three years ago he was superauled in beir present agent, Paul Roules. Unies Roules's management Blomasire was stead ly degraded until last February he was lischarged in revenge Biografic . m. weeks ago imparted to Special Traces Agent George H. Simmone informat that led to an immediate investigation the firm

Sigmone ones found that emugated goods had been purchased unsuspecially rom this from by some of the wealthirst residents and most liberal art collectors in his city, including William K. Vanter dit, H McKey Twombiy and Orme W. on; also by Robert Garrett, of Haltimare William B. Borden, of Chicago, and many

The schome parened by the firm war is onalga to their New York house called neath the marble tops and in the false paneling, costly portions curtains and rich gobelin tapastries. Customs duties of source, would be paid only on the fugniture. In the Pith evenue store the emuggiel

goods would be removed. l'orchasers were invariably charged an ravagant prices for the articles, with the duties out of which the Government had been swindled added thereto. Time a double fraud was perpetrated. It is not suspected that any one of the purchasers ad the remotest idea that the goods were

smaggled. At seven o'clock Tuesday morning a none, with four other officers went ! Allards' otors, made a raid on the start nd captured a large number of chairs with appointment seats that were found stuffed with rich laces, tapeatries with bronzes, portiores and custains. These chairs were a recent involve and had bebeen unpacked. Yesterday Roules made

a full confession. STATE OF TRADE.

lun's Weekly Bestew of the Countries Frade Increase in Baltrand Enrange NEW YORK April 6 IL G. Dun & Co. weakly review of trade save: Kallina carning show an increase of about 15 per cent. over last year for March, or far w reports have been received, and yet alonis ere lower, though at later quotations parts recovery is seen. Trade at interior posts is dult or quest in nearly all cause though at Cleveland it is fairly eatisfactory; at f lanta it is satisfactory with spring less see well sustained; at Omaha it is me sidered good; of Kansas City improves and of St. Paul trade in dry guels sail lothing levery active. There is improve ment at Detroit, particularly, and immer

a firmer Wood has declined for pearly all qualties except New Mexicon and Tetas. De average of 166 quotations is her own a. The outlook is favorable for a good demand when the new dip appears bebranches of the dry goods and clothing trade, not the least being the account tion of stocks which the even winter and Raw cotton to No stronger in the practed more presents to realize is one here and at Philadelphia and moreiron is offered at 500 to \$1 below the out esponding Northern grades has an emains very dull, and rails have .. mederately without lifting of prime. The allotment for the year has been morean perturbance by the coal market or to provement appears. The sales of motisbroad at about £41 per ton, with no news of settlement between the syndrate a producers, require staggartime from and

de image recours to sail abroad and fear if monetary trustice growing out Paris difficulty, have reduced the price of colles his. The greenge price of all total modition has again declined over with

per cent for the week. KARRAR CITY, Ma., April 6-At 1. this morning Merchant Policemen which a British eleaner reported with a Delaware street, occupied by John X broken shaft sailing for New York. The Donald & Co., paigts and oils. The new enaft was broken while on the China sta-Department and led to her being ordered thrown, and in the mountime the frame bome under sail by way of Cape Horn, the had obtained such headway that belief exciset passage for a sailing resul instead they were wrught under control the of would have been ber course under steam. Fire communicated to the crucket at British rome. All bands were well wy, 646 and 647, the contents of to and she is expected at New York in about | which were badly demagnd by small

water. The lose will be about this

parabon people and the national series in part. The matter eximinated yesterief in the arrest of two ministers and for