CURRENT COMMENT. Four torpedo boats are to be sent by England to Nova Scotia and the Barbadoes for duty.

THE CEAR of Russia has decided to make Theodosia the future commercial port of the Crimes.

SENATOR GORMAN has been chosen chairman of the Democratic Senators in place of the late Senator Beck.

Jupou Gunison, of Erle, Pa., has decided in a damage suit that common tickets are not good on limited trains.

THE Common Council of Chelsea, Mass., has reconsidered its vote to petition the Legislature to change the name of the town because of the expression "dead as Chelsea."

Trade have adopted a memorial to Congress asking that the United States steamer Michigan be replaced by a new and suitable vessel. JUDGE STEWART, of Baltimore, Md.,

THE directors of the Chicago Board of

has delivered an opinion in the case of Stevenson Archer, ex-State Treasurer, in which he held that Archer can not be tried for embezzlement. HERREN WAREHOLD, Haspelmath and

Leuby, officers of the German navy,

have been convicted of receiving bribes from contractors and have been sentenced to terms in prison. THE famous Ogden residence, which escaped from the North side fire, Chica-

go, in 1872, is to be torn down to make

way for the great Newbury library. The building was a landmark. CHARLES RANDOLPH, ex-secretary of the Board of Trade of Chicago, who disappeared some time ago, is at Portland,

Ore. He could not tell how he left Chicago, his mind being a blank. THE race between Kemp and McLean for £200 a side and the sculling championship of the world took place on the

Paramatta river, near Sydney, N. S. W., recently. It was won easily by Kemp. A contract has been signed between the German Government and the East African Steamship Company, which will receive 900,000 marks annually for a line

of steamers from Hamburg to Delagoa

HON. J. G. CARLISLE was nominated to succeed Senator Beck by the Demoeratic caucus at Frankfort, Ky. All the candidates withdrew, excepting Carlisle and Lindsay, the final ballot resulting as follows: Carlisle, 72; Lindsay, 43.

R. H. M. SISTARE, a member of the broker firm of George K. Sistare Sons, which recently failed, has been arrested in New York. Richard Herkshere, of Philadelphia, on whose warrant he was arrested, says he had \$112,000 worth of bonds which were embezzled.

THE steamship Werra, of the North German Lloyd Company, has reached New York, having on board Director Strauss, of Vienna, and his well known it is said, succeed him. orchestra. There are forty-six in the party. A party of friends and admirers, among whom was the Austrian viceconsul, went down the bay to meet the party and bid them welcome.

SEVERAL of the St. Petersburg newspapers express surprise at the war-like enor of the speech made by Emperor William at the banquet at Koenigsburg. after his pacific speech from the throne at the opening of the Reichstag. The papers express especial surprise at the nature of the speech when it is considered that his Majesty is making prepsituation as far as Russia is concerned to justify the tone of the speech.

Ax authorized person near President Diaz says that those favoring the abolition of the duty on paper used in printing are bringing a strong pressure to bear on the Mexican Government, but that the Government will not accede to a total exemption from duty, although it will reduce the tariff. The American, General Sturm, has obtained a concession for a paper manufactory, granting free entry to the first material used in manufacture. It is believed that he will be obliged to sell paper at a reduced price. Others are demanding the same privileges accorded him.

THE libel suit of \$10,000 brought by Attorney Albert Knettles, of Minneapolis, Minn., against the Pioneer Press was thrown out of court by Judge Hicks in favor of the newspaper. The point in question was whether a newspaper had the right to publish a statement or a question when that statement was libelous in itself, even though the publication of it was accompanied by no malice. Judge Hicks decided that it had such right and that the fact of the matter being privileged exempted the newscompelled to rest its case on the truth of the privileged publication.

INTRIGUES for the succession to Mr. Gladstone are at the present moment very active, writes Edmund Yates. Mr. Gladstone was taking very little part in the business of the House, and, therefore, it was necessary that the claimants for the place should put themselves much in evidence. All that was settled, he believed, was that Lord Granville would be shelved with Mr. G'adstone and that Earl Spencer would become titular leader of the party. The mortally wounded in his office by rivalry between Sir William Vernon Alphonse J. Stephanie. Reynolds was Harcourt and Mr. Morley has been temporarily arranged by assigning to the member for Derby charge of the opposition to the Tithes bill and by giving to member for Newcastle the same function with regard to the Land Purchase

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail.

CONGRESS. In the Senate on the 12th Fenator Hoar, In the Senate on the 12th Fenator Hoar, from the Judiciary Committee, reported back the House amendment to the Senate Anti-Trust bill with an amendment. The Fenate bill fixing the times and places for holding Federal Courts in Kanaas was reported and passed. The Silver bill was then taken up and Fenator Jones, of Nevada, opened the debate in favor of his bill. Before the conclusion of his speech the Senate adjourned... The House had a lively session in Committee of the Whole on the Tariff bill, which was still under consideration at the which was still under consideration at the

time of adjournment.
In the Senate on the 15th a petition was presented from Philadelphia business men remonstrating against the increase of duty remonstrating against the increase of duty on dress goods made wholly or partly from wool. After reports of committees Senator Davis, from the Pensions Committee, reported back the House substitute for the Dependent Pension bill, and moved a non-concurrence and conference, which was agreed to. The Senate then resumed consideration of the Si ver bill and Senator Jones (Nev.) continued his remarks in favor of the bill, at the conclusions remarks in favor of the bill, at the conclu-sion of which Senator Jones (Ark) addressed the Senate in opposition.... After the dis-position of routine business in the House debate on the Tariff bill was resumed, and Mr. Butterworth (Ohio) created somewhat of a sensation by his peculiar remarks and views on the tariff question. But little progress was made before the House adjourned. WHEN the Senate met on the 14th Senator Wilson (Iowa) reported a bill from the Judicary Committee subjecting imported liquors to the provisions of the laws of the several States. The bill is intended to meet the late decision of the Supreme Court. After several Fenators had expressed their views on the subject, the regular order was demanded, and the Silver bill was taken up and Senator Teller spoke in its favor. Feveral bills, of a local or private nature, passed and the Sen-ate adjourned... When the House met, on motion of Mr. Morrill, of Kansas, the House insisted on its amendments to the Dependent Pension bill and asked for a conference. The Tar ff bill then came up as unfinished business and was debated until adjourn-

AFTER the reporting of bills in the Sen-AFTER the reporting of bills in the Senate on the 15th the Silver bill again came up as unfinished business and renator. Teller continued his remarks in favor of the free colnage of silver. Senator Coke also spoke in favor of the free and unlimited colorage of silver and against the bill as reported. The debate occupled the cotire session. When the House met Mr. McKinley, from the Committee on Rules, reported a resolution providing for the consideration of the Tariff bill each day until Wednesiav noon, in Committee of the until Wednes lay noon, in Committee of the Whole, when the bill and all pending amendments shall be reported to the House. This was antagonized by the minority but the previous question was ordered and the resolution adopted. A Conference Com-mittee on the Dependent Pension bill was appointed, and debate on the Tariff bill con-finued. Pens on bills were considered at

the evening session.
THE Senate on the 16th further considered the Silver bill, the question being on Sena or Plumb's amendment that no funds available for the payment of the public debt shall be retained in the treasury in excess of \$110 000. om Senator Pl mb in a vigorous speech ad vocated the amendment, and Senator Sher-man opposed it. After a long discussion the bill went over and the Senate Sdjourned... After passing the Senate bill authorizing the registration of census mail matter the He use resumed the Tariff bill and a lively discussion was kept up during the entire sitting At the evening session seventy one private rension bills passed.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL. TEXAs Prohibitionists have nominated

full State ticket.

Major Wissmann bombarded Lindi May 10 and captured the town.

SENATOR BROWN, Georgia's Senator, has failed to appear during this session | ALPHEUS BULL. President of and it is generally understood that he Gould & Curry mine, was drowned near will resign on account of continued ill San Francisco recently. health. The present Governor of Georgia, General John B. Gordon, will,

Tue Parnellites snatched a victory in second reading of the Irish Agricultural division. The Government's usual support was absent when the measure was

SENATOR WOLCOTT, of Colorado, was married at Buffalo, N. Y., recently to Mrs. F. M. Bass, daughter of the late crease of 33.3 compared with the corre-James H. Metcalfe.

the Oklahoma nominations. REV. SAM SMALL has announced him-

THE Senate on the 14th confirmed all

leaving the election a walk over for Vaux.

at Porto Allegro recently. It was sup- heavy. been wounded. THE President has approved the Okla-

homa Townsite bill. NELSON H. DAVIS, Brigadier-General United States army, died on the 15th.

He had just arrived at Governor's Island. N. Y., to visit friends and was apparently in good health. On entering General Tomkins' office he was stricken down by an apoplectic fit and expired.

JUDGE DRUMMOND, who was succeeded world. by Judge Gresham in the United States Ill., aged eighty years.

young English artist.

MISCELLANEOUR

THE Kentucky Derby at Louisville on the 14th was won by the Kansas City horse Riley, owned by Corrigan and ridden by Murphy, defeating the favorite, Robespierre, by nearly two lengths.

Ir is reported that Jumes Bell, a Cherokee, living near Vinita, I. T., paper from it, and the paper could not will be the first person to test the forty-third section of the Oklahoma bill as it applies to Indians becoming citizens of the United States.

Eight inches of snow fell in North Dakota, doing the wheat crop much

THE suspension of the extensive brokerage firm of Doran, Wright & Co., of New York and elsewhere, has been formally announced. Liabilities to its bucket shop patrons, \$300,000; assets, nil.

CLINTON G. REYNOLDS, a lawyer, of 69 Wall street, New York, was shot and the legal adviser of Stephanie's mother and had placed certain property out of the reach of the assassin, who was a

spendthrift. THE Irish tenants' defense fend has reached £60,000 and has been closed. County Cork people subscribed £8,000.

THE sentence on Commander Me-Calla, of the Enterprise, was three years'

suspension. The pecuniary effect was loss of half pay, or about \$1,400 a year. POINONED sausage caused the death of Mrs. Clem Ehlers, of Ivanhoe, O. Two

of her children are seriously ill. Tits case against James Campbell, president of the Window Glass Union, for importing English workmen in violation of the Alien Contract law resulted in an acquittal.

Tax immense flour mill of the Winona (Minn.) Company was burned recently.

The loss was \$365,000. THE striking miners at Bilbao, Spain, indulged in another riot on the 15th.

C. M. WHITTAKER and J. M. Stubbs were crushed to death under a huge piece of granite near Monrovia, Cal., by the breaking of a derrick.

FIRE in San Bernardina, Cal., destroyed the West Coast Lumber Company's mill and lumber, causing \$90,000

THE Typographical Unions of Minneapolis and St. Paul have demanded ten hours' pay for nine hours' work, which

has been refused. CASTAWAY II., a rank outsider, won the Brooklyn handicap on the 15th.

A CAVE in occurred in mine No. 8 a Ashley, Pa., on the 15th. A number of miners were entombed with no hopes of their recovery alive as choke damp accumulated.

THE wife and daughter of President G. Stanley Hall, of Clark University, were found dead in their bed at Worcester, Mass., recently, accidentally suffocated by illuminating gas

THREE children playing in an excavation for a cellar at Seventh avenue and Fifteenth street, Brooklyn, were killed by falling earth recently.

THE French Board of Trade returns for April show an increase in imports of more than a million dollars and an increase in exports of more than four millions.

Two river drivers near Moose river, Maine, were recently killed and three others were terribly injured by the explosion of a keg of powder in an old cabin in which they had taken refuge from a storm and built a fire.

Business failures (Dun's report) for the seven days ended May 15 numbered 212, compared with 209 the previous week and 242 the corresponding week of last year.

THE report concerning three actors of the Nat Goodwin Company being killed in a railroad wreck in Montana proved unfounded. A member of the company, Miss May Duffee, had died and this had delayed the company, causing the false

Towski, in Western Siberia, has been almost destroyed by flood and fire. CUBA is troubled with drought.

Ox the river Oder, near Ratisbon, Silesia, a ferryboat loaded with passengers was crossing, when it suddenly capsized and thirty-six of the people were drowned before assistance could reach them. All the passengers were children who were returning home from a confirmation service.

THREE men were drowned near Yorkville, Pa., while fishing from a boat. By a collision between a pay-car special and the rear end of an accom-

modation train at Tuscola, Ill., a lady was fatally and other persons slightly hurt.

THE union stonemasons and bricklayers of Joliet. Ill., have struck for eight

hours and increased wages. THE Berlin Tageblatt says it is a sigthe House of Commons on the 14th, the niflcant fact that visits of foreign newspaper writers and other recognized vis-Laborers' bill being agreed to without a iters to Friederichsrue have been very frequent of late.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

CLEARING house returns for the week ended May 17 showed an average insponding week of last year. In New York the increase was 36.0.

Money was plentiful and discount was 15 @1 in London during the week self as a candidate for the Georgia ended May 17. Railway securities were arations to attend the maneuvers of House from Fulton County.

The Russian army at Krasnoe Szelo. The Republicans decided not to put allowing companies to split ordinary up a candidate in Randall's district, stocks. The Continental bourses were reported active, though uneasiness was expressed over the effect of tariff and THERE was a small outbreak against financial changes pending in America. the Brazilian Provisional Government | The Havana sugar market was dull and

> pressed after a number of persons had THERE hundred Russian Jew tailors of Philadelphia have struck for the recognition of the Cloakmaker's Union and for the discharge of American girls.

By the explosion of one of the boilers of a steamer at Marseilles, France, three sailors were killed and four badly in-

jured. GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN, the eccentric.

arrived at New York on the 18th, well ahead of time on his trip around the JAMES CARR, father of President Rob-

Circuit Court, died recently at Wheaton. ert Carr of the West Virginia Senate, is taking steps to begin suit as one of the It is said that Henry M. Stanley is heirs of the A. T. Stewart estate. He engaged to Miss Dorothy Tennant, a slways knew of his relationship to Stewart, but did not think there was

any thing in it until lately. Ax anti-Semitic meeting was held at Halle, Germany, at which Deputy Somenberg was the principal speaker. Rioting broke out between Socialists and anti-Semitics and the meeting was dis-

solved by the police. Ar the next Papal consistory three new Cardinals will be created. It is reported that the Argentine loan will be arranged in England.

Ir is again asserted that J. F. Goddard, third vice-president of the Santa Fe, has retired. MARGARET ISABELLA, daughter of Hon. James G. Blaine, was married to

Walter Damrosch, son of the late musician, at Washington on the 17th. THOMAS MCCERANE, consular agent of the United States at Portsmouth, England, has committed suicide at South

sea castle, near there, by shooting him-

self with a revolver. THE Senate on the 17th passed a bill appropriating \$300,000 for a statue to tieneral Grant. An exciting day was passed in the House, Mr. Bynum, of Indiana, introducing a personal matter when the tariff was under consideration and using some strong expletives, which caused an uproar and led to his censure before the bar after a vote of 126 to 103

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

An unknown man about thirty-two years of age, who had been vainly looking for work, recently laid down before an approaching train at Dunbar and before the engine could be stopped he was killed. The coroner decided it to be a case of deliberate suicide.

ABOUT four o'clock the other afternoon severe storm of wind and rain visited the central part of Burt County, doing considerable damage to bridges, buildings and live-stock. School had not closed at Valder school house when the storm came upon them, and it was only a few minutes before the rising water compelled the children to escape to the hills for safety, and shortly after the abandoned school house was washed into Silver creek.

During a heavy storm the other night August Sweitzer and Herman Bauman took refuge in a vacant house near Crowell. The house was blown down and Sweitzer seriously and Bauman

slightly injured. THE Farmers' Alliance of McCool is having the York County records overhauled in order to ascertain the expense of running the county during the last two years under the commissioner system and the two years just past under the supervisor system.

DANIEL CASEY, a prosperous farmer near Brainard, quarreled the other day with James Racidon, a neighbor, over trespassing, and Racidon assaulted the other with a club. Next morning Casey met Mrs. Racidon on the road and killed her with three shots from his revolver. He then surrendered to the authorities. THE other morning Fred Williams, a

railway switchman, went home at Omaha slightly intoxicated and was chided by his wife. He kissed his child, went into the next room and killed himself with a revolver.

THE Supreme Court has decided the celebrated Elmwood elevator case. About a year ago the Farmers' Alliance at Elmwood appealed to the Missouri Pacific for the right to erect an elevator on the right of way at that place and was refused. It then carried the case to the State Board of Transportation and secured an order on the company to comply with the request. The company refused to obey, and Attorney-General Leese, on behalf of the board and the Alliance, appealed to the Supreme Court for a writ of mandamus to compel the railroad company to respect the orders of the board. The court granted the writ, thus sustaining the action of

the board. THE four-year-old son of Gilbert Kesslers, of Cordova, was recently watching his mother make soap, and when she went away he took a saucer, as he had seen her do, and put it in the kettle when his clothes caught fire and he was burned to a crisp before his father could reach him.

MRS. ANNA BARZAK, wife of a well-todo farmer living in the northwest part of Dodge County, committed suicide the other day by jumping into a well ferty feet deep. She had for some time previous shown signs of insanity.

THE State Medical Society, recently in session at Beatrice, elected the following officers for the ensuing years President, D. A. Waldon, Beatrice; firstner: second vice-president, H. D. Lowrey, Lincoln; secretary, W. L. Hildreth. Lyons; treasurer, W. M. Knapp, Lincoln; corresponding secretary, L. A. Merriam, Omaha. Lincoln was selected as the place of holding the next meet-

WHILE hauling a load of hogs to town the other day Will Farnsworth, residing near Springview, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. The bolt stripped him entirely of his clothing.

A BARN at Madison was struck by lightning and entirely destroyed the other day. Crops in the vicin'ty of Tobias were

badly damaged by a late hall storm. THE school house at O'Fallon, containing Mrs. Robinson, the teacher, and seven pupils, was blown over during a recent storm and all the inmates were

badly bruised. WHILE the little son of M. A. Kief. living near Rushville, was recently in the act of unharnessing an ox the animal was struck and killed by lightning. The boy was severely shocked, but is apparently as well as ever.

A came of Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps have been mustered in at Lyons.

THE young ladies of Greeiey Center are raising funds for a public library. A NUMBER of human skeletons have been discovered near Berwyn. Custer County, a short distance from the place where three skeletons were unearthed several weeks ago. The bones are said to be those of white people, and it is generally believed they were Mormon emigrants who were massacred by Indians.

Six inches of rain and a foot of hail recently fell at West Point Bridges were washed away, some crops were entirely destroyed and the mill property was badly damaged.

Work on the free wagon bridge across the Platte at Louisville will begin at once. It will probably be finished in time to have a celebration in honor of

the event July 4. Eighteen fat hogs were stolen from the stock yards of John Nies, at Neligh. the other night.

Ir is stated that a large number of the banks of the State have been violating the State Banking law relating to real estate investments and rediscounts, and prohibiting the combining of two kinds of banking under one capital.

ALVIN Metitime, a horse thief, and Frank Becker, held for highway robbery, recently escaped from jail at Wilber by cutting the bars of the cage with a saw. A reward of \$100 is offered for their arrest.

W. L. Goven's blacksmith and wagon shops at Shelby were recently destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$2,000.

A sumprise at Schuyler filled with ninety tens of baled hay burned the other night. 1.088, \$6,000.

SILVER in paying quantities is declared to be an assured fact in Keya Paha County, another vein of ore having rose originally from the ocean and recently been struck. formed an island.

POWDER EXPLODES.

Over Thirty Lives Lost at Havana, Cubs.

Awful Death of a Man in Quicksand-Great Fire at Toledo-Sallors Drowned Off Ireland-Etc.

HAVANA, May 19 .- At eleven o'clock Saturday night a fire broke out in Ysasi's hardware store. In a short time the flames reached a barrel of powder in the building and a terrific explosion followed, by which the whole structure was blown to pieces and many persons were killed.

Among the dead are four fire chiefs. Senors Musset, Sensoviech, Oscar Con:11 and Francesco Ordenez and the Venezuelan Consul, Senor Francisco Silva, who happened to be in front of the building at the time of the explosion. In addition to the killed over 100 per-

sons were injured. The explosion caused the wildest excitement throughout the city and thou-

sands flocked to the scene of the disaster. The Governor-General, the civil Governor and principal authorities of the city were promptly on the ground and did every thing in their power to aid the injured and calm the grief-stricken relatives. Several houses adjacent to the wrecked building were damaged by

the explosion. Gangs of men are at work on the debris. Many human limbs have been taken from the ruins. The relatives of missing persons supposed to be in the ruins are gathered on the spot and as the bodies are brought out the scenes are most distressing.

The conduct of the authorities is the subject of universal praise. The highest officials have incurred personal risk in conducting the search for the dead. and have offered the use of their own carriages to convey the injured to the hospitals.

Ysasi, the proprietor of the wrecked hardware store, has been arrested. Up to the present time the number of the dead is thirty-four.

SHAFT ON FIRE. SHAMOKIN, Pa., May 19.-The Neilson shaft is on fire, having caught from the burning timbers of the breaker. which was destroyed last Friday night. The lower levels are filled with gas. Twenty-five males at the bottom of the shaft are dead, and nineteen on the top levels will probably be suffocated.

At ten p. m. the fire in the Neilson shaft had assumed a serious aspect. The fire is known to be in No. 12 vein at a depth of 1,200 feet, but its extent can not be determined, as no one can visit that level and return alive. Smoke and foul air were noticed issuing from the air source of No. 12 level at four p. m. The nineteen mules were in the 750 foot level. The breaker fire destroyed the boilers and one fan.

Yesterday steam facilities were obtained, and a fan started to ventilate the mine, but failed to drive out the gas

cur if it reaches the fire. PERISHED IN QUICKSAND.

cells, night dispatcher in the New York post-office, was killed by the caving in of a well on his place at Woodside, Long Island. Mr. Parcells was repairing the well, when it partially caved in, burying him nearly to the neck. The quicksand continued to run down and the ef- first Monday of September of each forts of neighbors to extricate the year. unfortunate man only increased his danger. A rubber tube was procured and placed in Mr. Parcells' mouth, so that he could breathe after the sand had covered his head. After several hours' labor, the sand was cleared away again, but it was found that Mr. Parcells had been unable to retain the tube in his mouth, and had been choked to death. He was one of the leading citizens of Woodside. He leaves a widow and six children in comfortable circumstances.

TOLEDO FIRMS BURNED OUT. Tolkbo, O., May 19.-Early in the morning fire broke out on the third floor of the Crescent Candy Company's establishment in the Hiett block, Superior street, which speedily spread to the wholesale grocery of Wood & Mausey, next door. There were six hundred boxes of firecrackers and roman candles in the stock of the Crescent Candy Company and the explosion caused the flames to spread with great rapidity. All four stories of the candy store were destroyed and the wholesale grocery stock is nearly a total loss. The losses are: Crescent Candy Company, \$59,500; Mausey, \$84,-

AN EXTENSIVE WRECK.

JOLIET, Ill., May 19.-An extensive wreck was caused on the Alton about two miles this side of Wilmington, at Prairie creek. Twenty flat cars loaded with cinders are piled in confusion at the place named. The engine jumped the track, tearing up the rails for a long distance. No one was reported injured.

HOTEL BURNED. ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 19.-The Osborne Hotel, this city, caught fire and was partly consumed yesterday morning. The hotel was but recently opened for the summer season and is one of the largest in the town. There were thirty guests, but all escaped unharmed. The house will be immediately rebuilt.

SIX DROWNED. Loxpox. May 12 .- The steamer Harold, bound from Bilbao to Glasgow, has foundered off the Irish coast. Six persons were drowned.

San Francisco, May 18.—Bogoslov.

the Alaskan volcano that blazed and smoked for a time about seven years ago, is again in eruption. February 17 and 22 there were signs of great activ-

ity, smoke and flames pouring from the crater and rising to a great height. The sky for weeks was clouded with ashes, which fell in liberal showers in the town of Iliutiuk, forty-four miles away. To those who saw the eruption it seemed that a piliar of fire and smoke was fully fifteen miles high. Biogoslov

THE ANARCHISTS.

A Morement to He Made For Their Release From Prison.

CHICAGO, May 15.-Preparations have been made to attempt to secure the release from the penitentiary of the convicted Anarchists, Fielden, Schwab and Neebe, by a method heretofore not binted at in the case. In a short time an application will be made to Judge Gresham for a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that the prisoners are detained without due process of law. No less an authority than General Benjamin F. Butler says that the effort will almost beyond doubt be successful, the opinion being based on the expression of the United States Supreme Court in the proceedings heretofore brought before that body. "Hen" Butler is a regularly retained associate counselor in the

The Anarchists' lawyers say that the writ of habeas corpus will be asked for on the ground that after the sentence of death was passed upon the condemned Anarchists and Neebe was doomed to spend fifteen years in the penitentlary, the case was appealed to the Supreme Court, where the finding of the lower court, with the sentence of death for Spies, Parsons, Lingg, Fischer, Engel, Schwab and Fielden, was affirmed. The prisoners were not taken before the Supreme Court to hear the affirmation of their sentence and their lawyers were not even notified to be present. The claim is made that this is a breach of their constitutional rights and that the Constitution even goes so far as to say that a sentence of death rendered in the absence of the prisoners is not due process of law. General Butler writes under date of May 10: "After giving sufficient examination to the record in the case of Fielden, I have come fully to the conclusion that such action is erroneous in that it was an attempt to take his life without due process of law. I therefore advise very strongly your taking a writ of error to have such procedure corrected by the judgment of the Supreme Court of the United States, if any technical objections are made, to the Circuit Court, for a writ of habeas corpus for Fielden, because under that writ the facts, as well as the law, can be discussed and forms are of no consequence when they stand in the way of the due course of justice. Of course, the decisions of these questions will relieve any of his fellows who are suffering from the same errors if decided as I believe they must be, save the men whose lives have been taken without due process of law."

KANSAS JUDICIAL DISTRICTS.

The State Divided Into Two Districts-Provisions of Senator Plumb's Hill. WASHINGTON, May 14.-The Senate has passed Mr. Plumb's bill to fix the time and places for holding Federal Courts in the district of Kansas. It

divides the State into two districts, to

be known as the First and Second division of the district of Kansas. The Second division will include the Counties of Sedgwick. Cowley, Butler, in the upper level. The mine is making Harvey, McPherson. dice, Ellsworth, gas fast, and serious explosions will oc. Barton, Rush, Ness, Lane, Scott, Wichita, Greeley, Hamilton, Kearney, Finney, Garfield, Hodgman, NEW YORK, May 19.-James H. Par- Pawnee, Stafford, Reno, Kingman, Haskell, Grant. Stanton, Morton, Stevens, Seward. Mende. Comanche, Harper, Barber and Sumner, and a term of the Circuit and District Courts shall be held at Wichita on the

The remaining counties embraced in the district are to constitute the First division and the terms of the Crenit and District Courts are to be held at the

time and places now prescribed by law. The fourth and last section of the bill provides that all civil suits and proceedings now pending in the Circuit or District Courts of the district of Kansas and which would, if instituted, after the passage of this act be required to be brought in the Second division of district may be transferred by consent of all parties to the Second division of the district and there be disposed of in the same manner and with like effect as if they had been there instituted; and all process writs and recognizances relating to such suits and proceedings so transferred are to be considered as belonging to the term of the Court in the Second division of the district in the same manner and with like effect as if they had been issued or taken in

THE PICKLER BILL

reference thereto originally.

The Farmers' Atliance Heard on Hohalf of Sub-Treasuries Based on Staple Prod-

WASHINGTON, May 14.-A delegation representing the Farmers' Alliance appeared before the Ways and Means Committee to advocate the passage of the Pickler bill to create sub-treasuries in d ferent parts of the country for the reception of staple crops produced by farmers. The spokesman was C. W. Macune, chairman of the legislative committee of the Alliance and editor of the National Economist. He said they did not ask the enactment of any unconstitutional measure, but sa the great debtor class, as the men who had gone out in the West after the war and laid the soil under contribution with borrowed money, they protested against the contraction of the currency at a time when their debts became due and asked that the conditions be restored to what they were when the money was borrowed. They asked justice, pure and simple.

Lexner. May 14 - A dispatch to the Times from Vienna says that the removal of Prince Bismarck decided the Caar to reverse his policy of an alliance with France and to revert to the policy of forming an alliance with Germany. The Cear, it is asserted, always distrusted the stability of the French republic, but it was impossible for him to agree with Germany while Bismarck was in office. It is thought probable that the meeting of the Coar and the Kaiser at Krasneemi will result in a compact which will altogether change the grouping of the European Powers.