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The by of work is probably felt

most exquisitely by those who don't

Some manifestations of strenuousness are painfully remindful of St Vitus's dance.

Men who cannot get along well with one woman, would have a lovely time in Salt Lake City.

That man who confessed to a murder he didn't commit shows that some men just can't help lying.

but how many people read the Bi-

Ssh-h.—Boston Journal.

"This is above all a reading age,

A cablegram brings news that there is to be less liberty in Russia. How can there be less than nothing?

The bearded lady is said to be But she was also said to be a We can never tell what to belady.

A comb has been invented that will not tumble out of the hair. Most combs would stay put if they were not

Sixty-four divorces were granted in New York one day recently, and a whole lot of people were left unsatis fied even then.

An English syndicate is forming a cotton trust in Mexico, so, you see, some of them get away from New Jersey after all.

The report that Gen. Corbin is writing a book with the alluring title "Me 'n' Kaiser Bill" lacks verification. but it may be true.

The Connecticut bull that got drunk on apple mash and broke his neck in charging a tree, had no more sense than lots of people.

The St. Paul postoffice officials have a pair of garters which were lost in transit. We had not supposed that garters were mail matter.

In Wisconsin barbers are arrested for shaving men on Sunday. In some places there are barbers who should be arrested for shaving men on week days.

There is a general impression that the man who offered to do the William Tell act and then lost his life was destined to meet the foolkiller sooner or

There is a discussion on now as to what Noah and his family ate on the ark. Noah probably saw to it that more than two chickens were taken

A Maryland man was shot to death the other day by a hunter. The latter mistook his victim for a wild turkey. That surely is adding insult to injury.

The new cruisers of our navy may not get into battle as quickly as the speedier vessels of some other countries, but they will stay longer after they arrive.

It is claimed that J. Pierpont Morgan has made \$42,000,000 so far this year, in spite of the fact that he has been off a good deal and refused to work overtime.

"Great fortunes are misfortunes," declares Uncle Russell Sage. They are misfortunes which nobody is in any hurry to be rid of, however. Uncle Russell least of all.

Wall street and women were the cause of the downfall of the former private secretary to Gov. Murphy of New Jersey. No man can stand up against that combination long.

A Kansas City boy who had fallen in love with "Little Eva" ran away with an "Uncle Tom" show. This is perhaps the worst disgrace that could happen even to a Kansas City

Mr. Van Alen of Newport, says England is the only place for a gentleman to live. If he intends this as an explanation of his presence in this country, all right; otherwise, it does not matter.

Germany is disposed to laugh heartily over Andrew Carnegie's proposed "United States of Europe." A Scotch joke equal to the provocation of mirth in a German is certainly a most extraordinary incident.

Western book agents have formed a union, and will try to get into the American Federation of Labor. Don'ti worry, they'll get in all right, even if they find it necessary to insert a foot' in the crack of the door.

The Missouri farmer who sent \$2 for a fire escape and received a Bible might prosecute on the ground that the other fellow secured money under false pretenses--if he could prove that there isn't going to be a fire.

Grand Duke Paul Alexandrovitch, the czar's uncle, has been dismissed from the Russian army for marrying the Baroness Pistolkoff. Evidently they have no sense of the fitness of things in Russia. What could be more natural than that of a soldier should love his Pistolkoff?

TIS EXACTLY 5,355

Those Figures Represent Mr. Mickey's Plurality

OTHERS WILL HAVE 14,000

Total Vote of the States is 198,667, and Shows Heavy Falling Off-Superiatendent Fowler Will Have the

Largest Vote of All

Five thousand three hundred and fifwave is J. H. Mickey's majority over of Nebraska. When the vote is canvassed before the legislature in joint convention next January the announcement will be made that Mr. Mickey received a total of 96,471 votes and Mr Thompson 91,116. These are the figures compiled by Secretary of State Marsh and Deputy Secretary Miller. The totals on governor have been verifled and are supposed to be absolutely correct. The total vote east in the state is 198,667, but this may be changed by corrections sent in from various counties. Last year the total vote was 203,152, and two years ago it was 251,005. Last year Judge Sedgwick received 98,993, as compared with 96,-471 for Mickey. uJdge Hollenbeck received 86,334, as compared with 91,116 cast for Thompson this year.

The majorities for the other candidates on the republican state ticket will probably run up to 14,000. The unverified vote cast for lieutenant governor gives McGilton 98,320, Gilbert 87,013, a majority of 11,307 for the republican candidate. The unverified vote for secretary of state gives Marsh 99,128, Powers 85,244, a majority of 13,884 for the republican candidate. State Superintendent W. K. Fowler will probably have a larger majority than any other republican candidate. His vote is also expected to exceed that cast for any other candidate.

HOPE FACTIONS WILL UNITE

Methodists Would Welcome / Union of North and South

An Albany, N. Ys. Nov. 17, dispatch says: At the session of the general missionary conference of the Methodist Episcopal church here today a spirited debate took place on the question of increasing the amount to be devoted to missionary work in the south. It was suggested that it would be advisable to spend the money in quarters where the Methodist Episcopal church, south, was not engaged.

Bishop Hartzel resented this, saying: "It is proposed to force us out of the south while providence in its own time may bring us together with our southern brethren. I do not see that it is necessary to anticipate provi-

dence. "Thank God, the bloody shirt does not wave any longer," said Bishop Walden. "There is no necessity of this doubling up on missionary work. We have two theological schools near the City of Mexico where only one is needed. When you come to talk of provience it should be our business to cultivate the preliminary conditions necessary to a union of the churches so as to be ready for the possible work of providence."

FLY BITE KILLS

Three-Year-Old New York Boy Dies Shortly After Injury

Herrman Kaufman, three years old son of a tobacco dealer living in the Bronx, has died from the effects of a fly bite received recently, says a New ork dispatch. A few hours later a small spot made by the bite developed to a swelling which extended over the entire cheek. The swelling continued to spread until the whole upper portion of the child's body was distended The doctors were powerless to give relief and finally the victim died. playmates say the fly was an ordinary "blue bottle." The physicians believe the insect was infected with erysipelas germs.

Armours Will Rebuild

The Armour & Co. packing plant at Sioux Chy which burned Sunday will be rebuilt at once, according to officials of the company. It is announced that work on the new structure will begin as soon as the ruins cool, and that the new plant will be one of the finest in the west. The losses are now placed at over \$800,000, with \$721,000 insurance. Armour & Co. bought cattle and hogs on the local market and will keep buyers in Sioux City. The purchases will be shipped to plants in other western cities.

Arrested for Murder

News has reached Plattsmouth of the arrest of Mrs. Agatha Barton at Sheridan, Wyo., for the murder of her father-in-law, R. W. Barton. The tragedy, it is claimed, grew out of family troubles. Mrs. Barton's home is in Plattemouth, where she has three brothers and one sister. She formerly taught school at Sheridan.

Deserter Arrested

Joseph A. Janda, who is wanted as a deserter from the United States navy, was placed under arrest by Chief of Police Hyers at Plattsmouth, Neb. Janda was a musician on board the Pranklin, but deserted about three months ago. His home is in Plattsmouth. He will be held pending instructions from the navy authorities.

A call has been issued for a convention to be held in Chicago in February or March to form an organization for the spread of religious and moral education through Sunday schools and other agencies. The call is issued by biblical teachers in the leading educational institutions throughout the

The Ontario cabinet has accepted the proposals of a syndicate, represented by J. E. Egan, of Rock Island, Ill., and Judge Utt, of Chicago, to place 12,000 American settlers on two million agricultural crown lands in New Ontario.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS

The Cream of the News Shortened to Readable Lengths Illinois live stock breeders are is

session at Bloomington. Federal court has ordered the sale of the Champaign & Southwestern

There was a heavy frost in Kansas

and the Santa Fe reports a heavy snow at Nardin, Okla. The sufreme encampment of the

Fraternal Army of America is being held at Springfield, Ill. Two of the Niles, Mich., board and paper company's large mills were de-

stroyed by fire. Loss, \$75,000. The Lake Shore road has posted notices announcing an average increase of pay to its employes of 10 per cent. It is stated in Paris that President Loubet will visit America in 1903, accepting an invitation to visit the

St. Louis exposition. Mrs. U. S. Grant, widow of ex-President Grant, is in feeble health, and the members of her family are apprehensive of grave results.

The New York Central railroad has increased the wages of its 15,000 employes by from 8 to 10 per cent. The increase means the addition of nearly \$1,000,000 to the pay-roll.

Mrs. Fred Curtis of Fairmont, Neb. fell down stairs while attempting to bring down a trunk, breaking the left arm near the shoulder. It is quite a serious accident as the lady is in poor

United States District Attorney Summers of Omaha has been instructed by the president to investigate the charge of colonizing "army widows" for the purpose of securing possession of public lands now under fence by cattlemen.

A. D. Hopkins has just returned to Washington from an extended trip to Arizona, southern California, northern \$daho, the Puget sound country and the Black Hills, where he made investigations of the damage done to timber by insect pests. In the Black Hills about 600 million board feet of yellow pine has been killed by the pine destroying beetle.

Canadian lumber men who are in touch with what is going on at Washington in Canadian government circles are alarmed over the rumor that a duty of \$4 per 1,000 feet will be levied on Canadian lumber entering the United States. It is said that the measure is intended as a reprisal for the action of the provincial government of Ontario and Quebec in placing an embargo on the export of pulp wood.

On a slippery field with drizzling rain pouring down from start to finish, the Nebraska football team defeated the Knox college eleven by a score of 7 to 0. It was mud ball but the playing was so good and the competition so keen that though the men slipped about in each other's grasps like eels, few bad plays were made and not a fluke occurred. Nebraska's showing this year will probably give her a place in the college conference next year.

Through the instrumentality of the Colorado humane society, Colorado's representatives in congress will introduce at the next session a bill creating a national bureau of child and animal protection. The idea is to establish a national body to do work throughout the country similar to that now accomplished by the state organizations. The bill prepared by the Colorado society creates a board of three, to be appointed by the president, to meet in Wash-

A war of extermination has been de clared against dogs and cats in Argentine, Kan., because they are believed to be in a large measure responsible for the epidemic of smallpox that prevails there. A wholesale slaughter of the animals by police, sanitary officials and citizens has begun. It is claimed that smallpox germs are carried from infected homes in the hair of dogs, and n the fur of cats. tI is planned to close the schools of the city and to discontinue church services until the disease

s stamped out. The ranchmen in the vicinity of Alliance, Neb., are having considerable trouble with wolves. A pack recently made their appearance known by killing cattle and sheep. A great number of catttle have been found lying dead on the prairies, partially eaten. Several parties of hunters have gone in search of the wolves, which are nearly as large as a yearling calf, but have failed to kill any. The ranchmen have organized and an effort will be made to exterminate the animals before any great damage is done.

Through the inventive genius of Mr. L. E. McCahan of York, Neb., and the granting to him of letter patent upon his harvester attachment, a combination bundle carrier and shocked, it has been made possible for his attorneys to negotiate with capitalists for the organization of a corporation with a capital of \$125,000, of which one-fifth will be owned by Mr. McCahan and 50 per cent of all stock sold and certain dividends as they are declared. As a matter of a little pin money he will receive \$20,000 from the corporation for

The bureau of forestry, to which is entrusted the preparation of plans for the management of the national forest reserves, and the military timber reserves, has recently extended its work to cover the conservative handling of the timber on the Indian reservations. The secretary of the interior has made a request to the secretary of agriculture for advice as to the cutting of timber upon the allotted land of the Bad iver and Lac Soeur d'Oreille Indian reservations of northern Wisconsin and the ceded lands of the Menomonee reservation. The timber is to be cut and sold and the proceeds to go to the Indians. The bureau of forestry will have charge of the cutting, and will see to it that the timber is taken out in such a way as to do the least harm to the forest and to insure a good reproduction.

Proceedings will be commenced in the courts at Omaha at once to require the removal of all fences on the public lands in Nebraska. The order was is sned on the strength of affidavits and reports made by Col. John S. Mosby, who has been investigating the conditions in Nebraska for the past month.

Three shots were fired at the king of he Belgians at Brussels Saturday morning as he was proceeding to the cathedral to attend a te deum in memory of the late Queen Marie Henrietta. No one was hurt. The would-be assassin was an Italian named Rubino. He was arrested.

ROBBER IS SHOT PLACED TWICE IN JEOPARDY

Express Messenger H. W. Sherwick Prevents a Holdup

COMPANIONS DISAPPEAR

Attemped Robbery of a Colorado South ern Passenger Train Near Trinidad,

Col., Frustrated by the Cool-Headed Man From Texas

could.

A Trinidad, Col., Nov. 18, dispatch says: Four masked robbers held up passenger train No. 7 on the Colorado & Southern road, twelve miles south of here, tonight. One of the robbers was shot by Express Messenger H. W. Sherwick of Fort Worth, Tex.

The robbers flagged the train and as it slowed up they ran alongside of the engine and covered the crew with revolvers.

They then compelled Engineer John Guilfrit to alight and after placing a sack filled with dynamite under the baggage car and attaching a fuse to the explosive they ordered Guilfrit to ignite the fuse. This he attempted to do several times, but for some reason the fuse would not burn.

During this proceeding the robbers kept up a fusillade of shots in the direction of the train for the purpose of intimidating the passengers.

While they were preparing to rearrange the dynamite and fuse Messenger Sherwick, after extinguishing the lights in his car, quietly opened a side door in the car far enough to admit a gun barrel and fired a tthe nearest robber. The latter fell in his tracks. His startled companions picked him up and quickly disappeared in the woods nearby. None of the passengers were molested. The sheriff of Las Animas county immediately organized a posse and is now in pursuit.

WORST FOR TWENTY YEARS

Volcano on Island of Hawaii in Violent Eruption

A wireless message received at Honolulu from the island of Hawaii states that the volcano Kilauea has broken out in the most violent eruption for the past twenty years. Kilauea has shown a mild intermittent activity since the outbreak of St. Pierre

Governor Dole has issued a call for an extra session of the senate to consider the removal of public officials accused of embezzlement and other misconduct and the appointment of their successors. It is held that Governor Dole has not the power under the law to remove a public official or suspend him, and the senate will be asked to adopt an amendment in the laws conferring such power.

r New York with Admiral Robley D. Evans on board, arrived on the 8th and the battleship Oregon arrived yesterday. The New York came from Yokohama and made the trip in ten days and twenty hours. The Oregon steamed slowly from San Francisco in ten days. Both vesssl will remain here about two weeks. Owing to the failure to dredge Honolulu harbor, the Oregon was not able to enter, but anchored off the channels where coal is being sent to her.

The opening of three or four thousand acres of public land in Hawaii under the homestead titles has been decided upon. It is said that a number of families in the Dakotas are considering emigration to Hawaii as farm-

CALL THE MINNESOTA CASE

Suit Against Northern Securities Company of New York

A New York, Nov. 18, dispatch says: The hearing in the action of Minnesota against the Northern Securities company began in this city before Frederick G. Ingersoll, the special examiner appointed by the state of Minnesota, which contends that the position of the Northern Securities company in regard to the railroads involved is in violation of a state law against the

merging of parallel lines. The legal representatives present on behalf of the Great Northern railway were M. D. Groves and C. W. Bunn and ex-Judge G. B. Young, general counsel of the Northern Securities company The Great Northern Railway is principally concerned in the hearing.

The state of Minnesota was represented by its attorney general, W. Douglass and his assistants, W. D Munn and George J. Wilson of St. Paul. As no witnesses were ready the hearing was adjourned until tomorrow.

When the hearing was called, Mr. Munn suggested that the testimony of J. J. Hill, president of the Great Northern; C. S. Mellen, president of the Northern Pacific; W. P. Clough, vice president of the Northern Securities company; Charles Steele and George W. Perkins, of J. P. Morgan & Co., and that of J. Pierpont Morgan, given in the Peter Power case, be made a part of the record in the present hearing. This suggestion was adopted, as was also a later one that certain exhibits used in that case be admitted in evi-

By this agreement the prominent men mentioned will not be called to testify.

Young Cubans

In accordance with instructions of the directors of the San Diego, Cal., chamber of commerce, President W. L. Frevert has sent the following letter to Secretary of the Treasury Shaw at Washington:

"Our attention having been called to the detention at New York of certain Cuban children destined for the Raja Voga school at Point Loma, we desire to state that in our opinion the school conducted by the universal brotherhood is properly managed and that the children attending the same are well cared

Case From Philippines Carried to Supreme Court

The first case originating in the Philippines to be brought to the attention of the supreme court of the United States was presented November 17, when Attorney Clark of this city in behalf of Thomas E. Keyner, moved for leave to file a petition for a writ of certiorari to the supreme court of the Philippines to bring the case to the na-

tional supreme court for review. Keyner is a citizen of Minnesota, engaged in the practice of law in Manila. He was arrested in 1901, on the charge of swindling, but was acquitted by the court of first instance. The case was then appealed to the insular supreme court by the prosecuting attorney. Keyner moved to dismiss the appeal on the ground that under the laws then in force in the Philippines the United States is not entitled to an appeal in a criminal case from a finding of not guilty and a judgment of acquittal.

The motion was overruled and Keyner at once began the present proceedings, contending that he was about to be put in jeopardy for the second time contrary to the constitution of the United States. He sets up the temporary government act of congress of July last as the basis for his request that the court take jurisdiction.

Solicitor General Richards said the matter was of importance and was given two weeks to reply to the motion. He will resist the motion on the ground that Keyner's first trial was before a judge only and not before a jury and that therefore there was no violation of the constitution of the United States as alleged.

THE HOTEL IRMA

Buffalo Bill's New Hostelry Opened in Proper Shape

Several interesting features marked the opening of the Hotel Irma at Cody. Wyo., built by Col. W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) at a cost of \$100,000 and named by him in honor of his youngest daugh-

ter, Miss Irma Cody. Colonel Cody and Miss Irma led the grand march when the festivities began, six hundred guests from all parts of the west and northwest following the leaders. Before the banquet which marked the climax of the festivities Colonel Cody announced the engagement of Miss Irma Cody to Lieut. Charles Armstrong, of the Tenth United States cavalry, a young officer who won honors in the Philippines.

Colonel Cody's guests included Governor Savage of Nebraska, and Col. Frank Powell of St. Paul, Minn. Other guests were present from Lincoln, Neb.

The Hotel Irma is located in the heart of the Big Horn mountains, fifty miles from Yellowstone park.

LEFT TO ARBITRATORS

Prospect of Settlement of Strike at

Bloomington, Ill. A Bloomington, Ill., Nov. 18, dispatch says: The management and employes of the Bloomington & Normal street railway system yielded to public pressure and agreed to submit their differences to a board of three arbitrators, other by the men, and these two to se-

lect a third. The board will meet Tuesday evening to discuss the conflict, and will make a report later in the week. Pending the submission of this report, all of the employes agree to return to work, and the cars commenced running again. In lieu of all other provisos, the company agreed to an increase of 10 per cent in wages, but the employes insist that the original articles agreement be lived up to. It is believed that the efforts towards a compromise

Bad Fire in Mine

will end successfully.

Advices received in Butte, Mont., say that a flerce fire is still raging in Senator Clark's famous United Verde mine in Arizona. Carbonic acid is being forced into the depths in great volumes, and with the mine opening closed it is hoped this gas will finally quench the fire.

The capture of Fletcher Frankiin in Ottumwa, Ia., on charges of horse stealing and murder reveals the existence of a gang of horse thieves, with headquarters in that city which has been operating in southern Iowa, Missouri and Kansas.

HERE AND THERE

"Charity" Wiggins, the mother of Blin 1 Tom, the negro musician, is dead.

She was 102 years old. The Swiss bundesath has appointed Fernand Du Martheray to be Swiss M. Du minister at Washington. Matheray is now secretary of legation

at Rome. About two hundred delegates from all parts of the country and Canada are in attendance at the national conference of the Brotherhood of St. Paul Paul at Buffalo.

Wilson Hall, a Kentucky farmer, was shot and killed by Ben Chenault. a negro, at Foxtown. Feeling is running high and the officers are preparing to prevent violence.

An insurrection has broken out in northern Siam owing to the alleged exactions of the government agents. There have been several encounters between troops and insurgents.

A call has been issued for a general meeting of the distillers of the country to be held at the Galt House, Louisville, Ky., Tuesday, November 25, to discuss the feasibility of organizing a mutual fire insurance company to write whisky risks exclusively.

Eighteen Egyptians were killed and many injured at Cairo as the result of an explosion of nitro glycerine in a magazine situated near the citadel.

Generals Delarey and Botha have decided to abandon their proposed tour to the United States. General Delarcy in an interview says they intend to return to South Africa to meet Colonial Secretary Chamberlain at Pretoria.

Royal assent was given to all the bills relating to Charles T. Yerkes' "tube" railroad plans for London. The bills providing for the construction of the roads cover an aggregate of one hundred miles of underground and surface tracks.

STATEBUYS BONDS

Furchase Gold Bearing Securities of Massachusets

WANTS COURT TO APPROVE

Test Case to Go Before Supreme Judges -It Will Be in the Form of a Writ

of Mandamus Against State Treasurer Stuefer

The courts will be resorted to by the state administration of Nebraska to enable it to purchase \$300,000 of bonds of the state of Massachusetts. This is one of the biggest deals ever undertaken by the state and if accomplished will be the means of investing every cent of the uninvested educational

funds in the treasury. Attorney General Prout has decided that the investment is legal, but to make absolutely certain of the validity of such a transaction, it is deemed best to bring a test case in the supreme court. A writ of mandamus will be asked for November to compel State Treasurer Stuefer to pay the money for the bonds. By this means a bo_1 fide case will be placed before the court.

So far in the history of Nebraska no state administration has ever thought of buying bonds issued by another state. This unique point was first brought up several months ago when an offer for bonds issued by Tennessee was made to the board. The offer was not seriously considered because of the general standing of the state behind the securities. When the old Bay state bonds were offered the subject at once became interesting. That Massachusetts, one of the states of the east, should have bonds that could be bought by a western commonwealth, was one of the surprises to the board. As its securities are considered equal to government bonds, the matter was looked into, the attorney general gave his opinion and the offer has been accepted.

The board that made the deal comprises Secretary of State Marsh, Land Commissioner Follmer, Treasurer Stuefer and Attorney General Prout. The bonds are gold bearing bonds bearing 3 per cent interest and run forty years without option. They are in the hands of a broker and cannot be bought from any other source. They can be bought on a basis of about 3 per cent.

As county bonds are hard to find and so much complaint is made that the educational funds are not invested, the board is exceedingly anxious to make the purchase and close up the biennium without a cent of uninvested money in

Girl Tries to Commit Snicide Miss Edith Eastman, a student at the

Institute for the Blind at Nebraska City, attempted to commit suicide, but was discovered in time to frustrate her plans and save her life. She was sent to her home at Campbell, Neb., to be cared for by her parents, as it is feared that she has brooded over going blind uch of late that she is losing mind.

Two Inchesof Snow at Geneva

About two inches of snow fell at Geneva Thursday night, the first of the season. The weather is fine and the snow melting rapidly. Winter wheat is in fine condition. A large per cent of the corn crop is in the crib.

THE NEW IN BRIEF

From one to two inches of snow fell in northwestern Kansas, along the line of the Rock Island system.

The furniture factory of Kilgour Bros., at Beauharnois, Quebec, has been destroyed by fire. Loss, \$100,000. Rain changed to snow in St. Paul, and reports from other northwestern points indicate that it is generally

The buildings of mine No. 8, belonging to the Parke County Coal company at Rosedale, Ind., burned. Loss, \$50,000.

The imports of France for the last ten months decreased \$876,600, and the exports for the same period increased The association collegiate alumni in

convention at Washington admitted new branches from Ann Arbor and Muskegon, Mich. The official returns of the election in Pennsylvania show that Penny-

packer, republican, had a over Pattison, democrat, of 156,410. It is officially announced that the demands of the engineers and firemen of the Grand Trunk railway for in-

creased wages have been met. Ambassador Choate unveiled the memorial window to Bishop Simpson in Wesley's chapel at London, the gift of the American Methodists to the mother chapel.

The proceedings in ouster, brought by the attorney general of Missouri against the alleged packers' combine, were continued to the January call. The purpose of this continuance is to allow the special commissioner more time in which to take testimony and report.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Taylor awarded to W. O. and C. G. Barton, of St. Louis, the contract for the erection of the government building at the Louisiana purchase exposition to be completed January 1, 1904. The contract price is \$268,980.

The strike of crane en at the Shoen-berger (Pittsburg) plant of the American Steel and Wire company was settled, the company conceding the demands of the strikers.

The Bolivian military expedition of two thousand men, being fitted out to operate against the Brazilian revolutionists in Acre, cannot arrive at its destination under four months.

Bishop John Jansen, of the Catholic diocese of Belleville, Ill., has resigned his bishopric and as soon as he is released by the pope, he says, he will retire to a Franciscan monastery to end his days in seclusion.