RETIRE FROM WEPENER

Relief of Col. Dalgety Finally Accomplished by Gen. Brabant.

THE ENEMY FLEES NORTHWARD

Lord Roberts' List of Casualties Prior to the Occupation of De Wet's Dorp-The Chances for Catching Retreating Boers is Decidedly Slender.

LONDON, April 26 .- It is officially announced that Wepener has been re-

A dispatch from Capetown brings the information that the relief of line of retreat northward. Colonel Dalgety was accomplished by General Brabant.

The war office has issued the following from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 25, 5:25 p. m.:

"The enemy retired from in front of Wepener last night and this morning fled northeastward along the Ladybrand road. Their number was between 4,000 and 5,000.

Lord Roberts has telegraphed the following message to the war office: "BLOEMFONTEIN, April 26 .- De-Wet's dorp was occupied by Chermside without opposition at 9:30 o'clock this morning.'

The war office has issued Lord Roberts' list of the casualties prior to the occupation of DeWet's dorp, showing that Captain Denny of the Thirteenth hussars was killed and that a captain, two lieutenants and twenty-two men were wounded. Captain Prothero, who was wounded at Karreefontein, has since died.

It is now apparent that the chances of Lord Roberts' catching the retreating Boers is very slender. The Boers have everywhere retired at the first pressure of the British advance and the hope that General Rundle would be able to induce them to remain at DeWet's dorp until they had been forced to fight has been disappointed.

No attempt was made to pursue the commandos retiring from Wepener, Everything now depends upon the progress of General French's cavalry brigades, but they are entering a very difficult, hilly and practically unknown

ONE NEW CASE OF PLAGUE

Surgeon in Charge at Honolulu Hopeful Regarding Situation.

WASHINGTON, April 26.-The surgeon general of the marine hospital service has received a report from Surgeon Carmichael, in charge at Honolulu, under date of April 9. He says that since his report of March 9 one new case of plague has been discovered. The recent declaration of the secretary of chael says, are encouraging. Only one detention camp was open, there were government to fix a time limit for the two convalescents at the pesthouse, American occupation. but no other case. No new cases had been reported from the other islands.

ENGLAND WILL STAY OUT

Will Let Other Powers Press Demands-Has Enough Trouble.

LONDON, April 26.-Inquiries made at the British foreign office confirm the dispatch from Constantinople to the Associated Press, saying that in view of the steps taken by the united States regarding claims arising out of the Armenian massacres, the ambassies of Great Britain, France, Austria, 10aly and Germany have asked their governments to instruct them as to their similar claims. It is also learned the British government has not answered its ambassador's request for instructions and contemplates individual ac-

SIOUX ARE DISCONTENTED

Worked Up Over Cut in Rations and Delay in Paying Interest Money.

FORT YATES, N. D., April 26 .-There is great uneasiness and bitterness of feeling among the Sioux Indians here over the policy of the Indian bureau. Suddenly and without explanation the rations have been cut in half and the money from the sale of hides and the annual interest money has not been paid to them. They hold this to be directly in violation of the treaty. Letters are being received by the Sioux here from the Pine Ridge Sioux urging that if peaceable means fail to secure treaty rights there is nothing left but to fight for them.

Queen's Last Day in England.

DUBLIN, April 26.-Queen Victoria spent what is practically her last day in Ireland very quietly. Though she drove out this afternoon she did not visit any institutions. Her majesty will leave the viceregal lodge at noon tomorrow, and after a short train journey to Kingstown will embark on board the royal yacht and, escorted by the channel fleet, will sail for England. It is expected the queen will arrive at Windsor Friday morning.

Carter Starts for Prison.

NEW YORK, April 26.—Oberlin M. Carter, once a captain in the United States corps of engineers, was a passenger tonight on a parlor car of a Pennsylvania railroad train, westward bound. In charge of a military guard he is being taken to the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where he will serve out what remains of his sentence of five years imprisonment for

Wright Guilty of Murder.

MUSCATINE, Ia., April 26.-The tury in the case of the state against George Wright tonight returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree and fixed his sentence at life in the penitentiary. This was Wright's second trial. Last July Wright shot and killed Mrs. Nellie Crippen the young wife of a planing mill foreman. The crime was committed upon the eve of the departure of the woman and her husband for a new home in another state, the fatal shot being fired while the woman stood in the doorway

THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR

British Unable to Advance Because the Boer Forces.

LONDON, April 25.—All attention is centered on the interesting though complicated situation in the southeastern portion of the Orange Free State from which developments of the utmost importance must ensue in the THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE DEFENSE near future. General Rundle, it would seem, has found the Boers confronting him at DeWet's dorp in stronger force than he cares to engage, and so he is marking time pending the arrival of supports. While General Rundle is preparing to strike DeWet's dorp Generals Brabant and Hart are pushing along the frontier of Basutoland, where they will be able to frustrate any attack on General Rundle's right, and Generals French and Pole-Carew are hastening from Bloemfontein to bar the Boer

In the meanwhile the burgher forces occupying Thaba N'Chu are in a position to fight a delaying action, giving the Boer forces at DeWet's dorp and Wepener time to retire in case of de-French must dispose of this Thaba N'Chu force before he can reach the rear of the Boer forces opposing Generals Rundle and Brabant, otherwise

his flank will be open to assault. The Boers driven out of Leeuk kop will probably rally at Thaba N'Chu, where a stiff fight may be exchanged Should the British fail in this attempt to bring about another Paardeberg it must immensely affect the larger issues of the war, as it will undoubtedly lead to a persistent repetition of the guerrilla tactics which have been largely responsible for the penning up of Lord Roberts at Bloemfontein for so many weeks.

TAKING OF TWELFTH CENSUS

Twenty-five Months Given in Which to Complete It.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25 .-The census law requires that the enumeration of the population, of deaths and of the manufacturing, mechanical and agricultural products of the United States shall be taken and the results published not later than July 1, 1902that is, in three years and three months after the law was passed and in two years and one month after the field work begins. This time limit was set because of criticisms upon the tardiness with which the results of the tenth and eleventh censuses were published.

CABINET WILL NOT RESIGN

Propose to Hold on Regardless of General Rivera.

HAVANA, April 25 .- The members of the cabinet called upon Governor General Wood today and informed him that after long consideration they had decided not to resign because of the victim was a white girl and the case | agriculture, General Rivera, that Cuwas fatal. The propects, Dr. Carmi- bans of all political classes should join in a demand upon the United States

DOES NOT WISH TO RETURN

Noland P. Hill Will Fight Nebraska Requisition.

TACOMA, Wash., April 25.-Noland P. Hill, former professor in Puget Sound university, who was arrested charged with bigamy, will fight requisition and ask for his release under

habeas corpus. Sheriff Mencke, who is here from Blair, Neb., has not yet obtained extradition papers owing to the absence of Governor Rogers from Olympia. He says Hill's first wife is in Blair to press the charge of bigamy.

Perry and Kempff Take Charge. WASHINGTON, April 25 .- According to cable advices to the navy department Read Admiral George C. Remy assumed formal command of the Asiatic station at Yokohama Lot Friday. He hoisted his flag on the Brooklyn and relieved Rear Admiral Watson of the command of the naval forces on the Asiatic station. It is assumed that in accordance with the orders of the department Rear Admiral Louis Kempff took command of the second division of the Asiatic squadron at the same time. He will use the cruiser Newark as his flagship and will confine his operations to Chinese waters.

Look for Important Move.

WARRENTON, Monday, April 25 .-Shelling was resumed this morning, the fire being directed at the British river redoubts, which are steadily being pushed forward. The Boers appear to be in stronger force down the river and the Yeomanry patrols are frequently "sniped."

Dewey Favors Submarine Boats. WASHINGTON, April 25.-Admiral Dewey and Rear Admiral Hichborn today, to the house committee on naval affairs, expressed approval of the Holland type of submarine boats, particularly for coast defense purposes and for the moral effect such a mysterious engine of warfare would exert.

Views of the Committeemen.

NEW YORK, April 25.-Following is a summary of the replies from twenty-three democratic national committeemen to the Journal and Advertiser's questions regarding the campaign issues and candidates:

Anti-imperialism as a leading issue. 21: anti-trusts as a leading issue, 21; money question as a leading issue, 16: anti-militarism as a leading issue, 6. Chicago platform will be reaffirmed. 20; noncommittal as to Chicago plat-

Remove Bar From Dancing. NEW YORK, April 25 .- Methodist ministers from the New York conference will go to Chicago next week to urge before the general conference a revision of the rules prohibiting dancing, card playing and theatre-going. Dr. George P. Mains and Dr. Joseph Pullman, both delegates to the __icago conference, advocated the proposed modification at the weekly meeting of | years past and he avers that it is the the Methodists. Rev. Dr. J. J. Reed, | most profitable crop that a farmer can pastor of the Washington Square Methodist Episcopal church, precipitated last year, which discouraged so many, the discussion by a speech on "New Mr. Brown states was the wettest in Light on an Old Subject, or Paragraph 248 of the Discipline."

|STANDARD OIL MATTERS

The Case Soon to Come Before Supreme Court for Hearing.

Attorneys Will Argue the Demurrer of the Monopoly to the Complaint Filed by the State-A Case That Attracts Widespread Attention.

LINCOLN, April 30.-The case of the State of Nebraska against the Standard Oil company will come up for hearing before the supreme court Tuesday on a demurrer filed by Attorney General Smyth, the object of which is to strike out two clauses of the defendant's answer which attack the constitutionality of the Nebraska feat, and it seems as though General anti-trust law. James M. Woolworth and Frank L. McCoy will appear for the Standard Oil company and Attorney General Smyth will present the side of the state.

The questions to be discussed are of a legal nature, all touching upon the constitutionality of the act under which the suit was instituted. In the demurred just filed Attorney General Smyth holds that the attorneys for the defendant have placed a wrong interpretation upon the law and insists that for this reason clauses 6 and 7 of their answer should be stricken out. The consideration of this proposition will delay the final hearing of the case for several months and if the attorney general is overruled the state's cause of action will be seriously crippled. The attorney general contends that there is nothing in the anti-trust law or its title which is contrary to the constitution, but the answer of the defendant cites several specific points of alleged unconstitutionality and three more which are held to be contrary to the constitution of the United

This case has attracted widespread attention, for upon its decision depends the course to be pursued against trusts in other states. James M. Woolworth has been employed as additional counsel for the defense and preparations are being made by that side of the case for one of the hardest legal battles ever fought in the supreme

Taxes Against Railroads.

LINCOLN, April 30.-The Nebraska railroad maps for 1899 have been delivered at the state house and are ready for distribution from the office of the transportation secretaries. The maps, besides showing the boundary lines of all counties, judicial and congressional districts, contain a lot of interesting railroad statistics touching upon taxation, value and cost of operation of railroads in Nebraska.

The total amount of taxes assessed against the railroads for 1899 is \$1,-099,460.12. Lancaster county heads the list of counties in the valuation of taxable railroad property, the taxes assessed ins county amounting to \$52,297.63. In Douglas county, next on the list, the taxes assessed in 1899 amounted to \$32,427.21. In Wheeler county the assessment is \$367. During the year eighty-five persons were killed and 243 injured. The total compensation on all Nebraska railroads for employes was \$8,987.529 and the total operating expenses were \$15,094,-

Death of Fremont Soldier.

FREMONT, Neb., April 30.-Mr. J. A. Bateman received word of the death on a transport of his son. Howard F. Bateman, of Company H, Thirty-ninth United States volunteers. It is thought that he had been discharged for sickness and was on his way home. His is the second death among the eight Fremont boys who enlisted in the Thrity-ninth, the other being that of Private W. B. Nelson, who was killed in action. Bateman was 27 years old and had resided here with his parents, clerking in his father's grocery for about six years. His remains were buried at sea.

Arrest Defaulting Treasurer

FREMONT, Neb., April 30 .- News was received here of the arrest at Green Bay, Wis., of Henry Hoetfelker, the sefaulting treasurer of Webster township. Hoelfelter left for parts unknown in September, 1896, and when his books were examined his accounts were found to be short several thousand dollars. He owed Dodge county about \$2,300 and a nearly equal amount to Webster township and the school district of Dodge. This shortage was made good by his bondsmen, one of whom was his father-in-law. and ever since that time they have made strenuous efforts to get a trace

United Mutual Hail Insurance Associa-

The United Mutual Hail Insurance association of Lincoln, paid April 18. \$6,767.00 on losses in addition to what has already been paid, making a total of \$12,832.00 more paid on losses than any other company doing business in the state, and on an income of \$29,-542.00 less than the next largest company. The report of the insurance department for 1899, shows that the loss by hail was 22 times greater than all other losses combined on farm property.

Syndicate for Sugar Beets.

FREMONT. Neb., April 30 .- A syndicate of citizens, with Frank Brown as superintendent, is putting in seventy-five acres of sugar beets east of town. Mr. Brown has been in the beet raising business for a number of raise. The exceedingly wet season thirty-two years, and the it will re- friends at the depot, bidding them farecur is wholly improbable.

TWO OF THE SIX ARE DEAD.

And the Third of the Wilcox Train Robbers is in Jait.

Wilcox train robbery on the Union Pacific, about a year and a half ago, a never-ceasing search has been kept up by the Union Pacific to catch the six men who did the job. Two of the six are now beneath the sod and a third one is in jail at Cheyenne awaiting trial. The first located was Lonny Logan, alias Lonny Curry, at Dodson Mo., who was killed while resisting arrest. The second one was Bob Lee, alias Bob Curry, arrested in Cripple Creek, and now at Cheyenne. The third is the one known as George Curry, who, realizing the danger of get ting out into a busy world, contented himself with remaining in the mountains and sage brush of the west. Finally he went to cattle rustling and the latter part of last week a posse got after Curry and his partner and a them on Green river about seventyfive miles north of Green River station in Utah. Curry began the shooting, but the posse finished it. When Curry's body was picked up he was soon identified as one of the Wilcox robbers from the widely published description of him and his peculiar facial make-up. His face was so much "dished" that a ruler laid from forehead to chin just touched the point of his nose.

Preservation of War Relics.

LINCOLN, Neb,. April 28 .- An ele gant oak case for the preservation of war flags and relics has been placed in the office of Adjutant General Barry at the state house, this city. It is a massive case reaching nearly to the ceiling and is richly carved, with heavy fluted oak columns at each corner.

Plate glass on four sides will be put in and the case will be placed a few feet from the wall so that silghtseers may pass on all sides to view the contents. As the case will be hermetically sealed the battle flags and other perishable articles are expected to keep for ages. The battle flags of Nebraska regiments that served in the war of the rebellion are now in tatters, and it was deemed best to secure a more perfect case than the old one now in use. These flags and the flags of the First Nebraska volunteers in the Spanish-American war will be the chief objects of interest to visitors at the state house. When the glass is placed in position the relics will be put on exhibi-

An Insurance Problem.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 28.-Auditor Cornell has encountered a new question in the line of insurance business. The Union Life Insurance company of Omaha was organized under the Nebraska law that requires a deposit of \$100,000 with the auditor for the benefit of policy holders. The deposit was made, but one year ago the company consolidated with the Royal Union Life Insurance company of Des Moines, Ia., and the latter company has taken up many policies of the Omaha company. The Royal Union company now wants Auditor Cornell to surrender to it from the deposit an amount equal to the reserve due on the policies taken up. This amount does not exceed \$4,000, but Auditor Cornell considers the principle involved of importance and he will not give a decision until he consults Attorney General Smyth.

Bombarded by Hail.

PAPILLION, Neb., April 28.—Papillion and Sarpy county were visited with a terrific hail storm. Hail stones fell as big as teacups and window lights on the south side of nearly every building in town were smashed into smithereens or cracked. The roof of the union station was punctured in several places. People who were so unfortunate as to be driving at the time had a struggle with their horses and teams, several runaways being reported.

Child Dies From Poison. CREIGHTON, Neb., April 28.—A sad case of poisoning occurred here wherein three children of Sam Stewart were poisoned by eating wild parsnips. The doctors were called and the lives of two of the children were saved. The other was too far gone to be helped and died in a few hours. One of the sad features is that the father is lying at the point of death with cancer.

Acquitted of Charge of Rape.

ALMA, Neb., April 28.-Everet Anderson, who was charged with attempting to rape Anna Anderson near Ragan, Neb., was acquitted. Much interest was taken by the citizens of Ragan, but the case was highly colored. the verdict being satisfactory to the people in general.

State Capital Notes.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 28.-General Barry returned from Geneva, where he mustered in company G, First regiment, Nebraska National Guard. The officers of the new company are Burton Fisher, captain; Charles B. Hyde, first lieutenant; Arthur B. Hannes, second lieutenant.

Sheriff Power of Douglass county called at the state house. He brought an insane patient to the Lincoln hospital for the insane. Mr. Power said he did not know when he would take Cernay, the South Omaha man from the penitentiary, where the prisoner was placed to keep him away from a mob bent on hanging him for attempting a criminal assault upon a little girl.

Beatrice Gets Encampment. BEATRICE, Neb., April 28.—Mayor

Jackson received a message from Major Allan L. Brown at Lincoln, stating that the offer of Beatrice to provide for the University cadets' annual encampment had been accepted. The encampment will be on the Chautaugua grounds and will consist

of four battalions numbering between 250 and 300 cadets, together with the University Cadet band. They will be in camp May 19 to 22, inclusive.

Off for the Paris Show.

SCHUYLER, Neb., April 28.-John Dolezal and family and Adolph Wavra of this place left yesterday, via the Union Pacific, for the Paris exposition. They will stop on their way at Washington, D. C. There were a host of

KILLED HIS WIFE

OMAHA, Neb., April 28.—Since the Then Turned the Weapon On Himself With Fatal Results.

A TRAGEDY IN NEMEHA COUNTY

Charles Smith, Former Inmate of an Insane Asylum, Carries Out a Threat Made Many Months Ago-Verdict of the Coroner's Jury-Various Matters From Nebraska Here and There.

BROWNVILLE, Neb., April 26 .-Coroner Dilion held an inquest upon the body of Mrs. Smith, and after a full investigation reached the decision that she had come to her death by means burch of stolen cattle, overhauling of a pistol wound inflicted by her husband, Charles B. Smith, he being insane. After killing his wife Smith shot himself in the temple and abdomen and will die. Smith has been subject to fits of insanity for some time and when thus afflicted he was quairelsome. At the suggestion of his wife's family he was placed in an insane asylum in Kansas a little over a year ago and has made threats that he would shoot all the parties interested in sending him there. He was also insanely jealous of his wife, who was a most worthy and respectable woman. Smith, realizing that he must soon die, called Charles Schants, his father-in-law to his bedside, and gave him a purse containing \$200, telling him to take it and use it for the benefit of his little boy, seven years old, who is thus suddenly bereft of both father and mother. It is understood that at the inquest Smith admitted that he did the shooting. Charley Schantz, brother of Mrs. Smith, arrived from Denver. At this writing Smith is still alive, but is getting weaker, and it is thought he cannot last more than forty-eight hours ..

Charles Smith is a son-in-law of Le present mayor of Brownville, Charles Schantz, his wife having been Louise Schantz. Her parents, brothers and sisters now all reside in Brownville. They have one child, a boy about ten years of age. For several years past Smith and wife have resided in Kansas. Smith has been weak minded for a considerable time, and was discharged from the asylum at Topeka, Kas., about March 1 of the present year, and came to Brownville about the 15th of March. They formerly resided in one of the northwestern counties of Kansas, and on account of Smith's condition Mrs. Smith's father had spent considerable time in Kansas the last year or two.

Ravages of the Elements. WYMORE, Neb., April 26.-The most perfect cyclone cloud ever seen here spent its force in the heavens three miles southeast of the town. The cloud was a regular funnel-shaped twister, which seemed to form about five miles southeast. It traveled due north over the prairies striking the ground at intervals, at which time to would plow the earth up in chunks and carry it along.

John Traunich, a German farmer living thre miles east of here, was working in the field when he first noticed it. He ran for his home, about 30 yards distant, and warned his family, who went to the cave. He stood and watched the twisting monster approach his home, but when 150 feet in front of him it tore up the ground and carried dirt and debris high in the air over his home.

A report says that a windmill was carried over a half mile high, but this cannot be verified and so far as known no person was injured and no serious damage done.

Wymore Gets Reunion.

WYMORE, Neb., April 26.-It is now a sure thing that the next annual reunior of the Southeastern Nebraska Veterans' association will be held in Wymore this year, some time during the month of August. The reunion was held here last year and was attended by thousands of people. More than \$2,000 was expended in entertaining the guests last year. The reunion this year will be conducted on a larger scale than last.

Called to Washington Position. TECUMSEH, Neb., April 26.-Chas. S. Brundage of Tecumseh has received an appointment to a position in the

postoffice department in Washington D. C., with a salary of \$1,200 per year. He will leave for the capital city at once. Mr. Brundage has been deputy postmaster here for the past two year, is a young man of excellent business qualifications and his many friends rejoice with him in his good fortune.

Had Been Swindled on Grain. BELLEVUE, Neb., April 26.-John Rudolph, who committed suicide by hanging on a farm near Papillion, was crazed through loss of money. He had sold grain to swindlers who paid him in checks that proved worthless. The swindlers, it is reported had operated from Millard, Douglas county, and had skipped out after fleecing their victims. Rudolph's loss was several hundred dollars.

Cashed a Bad Cheek. GRETNA, Neb., April 26.-John

Harder, a young man of Millard, who bought grain at that place for the Omaha Elevator company, cashed a forged check at the Gretna bank of Spearman, Snodgrass & Co., for \$626 .-06. The young man had no difficulty in getting the money, as he had a plausible story made up, and he was also quite well known here.

Tax for Liquor Agents. TEKAMAH, Neb., April 26.-It is proposed by the city council of Tekamah to tax al foreign distillers or liquor dealers who keep agents in this city taking orders for intoxicating opposition, but will meet with strong liquors to be delivered in original obstacles in the senate. It is learned packages. This city has not licensed that Senator Allison is strongly opsaloons for several years and the au- possed to the measure and will opthorities have vigorously prosecuted pose it on the ground that it will boot-leggers. Now a large business is being done through agents and much liquor is shipped in small packages. It is the intention to either break up this business or force the dealers who profit by it to contribute to the municipal funds.

THE MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Quotations From New York, Chicago South Omaha and Elsewhere.

SOUTH OMAHA LIVE STOCK. SOUTH OMAHA, April 30.-CATTLE-Something like fifty or sixty loads of cornfed beeves were on sale. Among the number there was quite a good many right good fat cattle. The market as a whole did not present any new features of importance and the whole story could be told by calling it a good, steady and fairly active market. if anything, the heavy cattle were the best sellers. steers, \$3.00975.10; steers and heifers, \$4.75; eows, \$2.25974.80; cows and helfers, \$4.00@4.30; heifers, \$2.50@4.65; buils, \$5.15@ 4.25; stock cows and helfers, \$2.2504.75; stock calves, \$2.7504.85; stockers and feed-

ers, \$3.5065.00; stags, \$3.1564.30. HOGS—The early bids were generally at \$5.35 for the best mixed hogs, with now and then a bid of \$5.375-265.00 for some-thing extra good and heavy. Shortly aser the market opened buyers lowered their hands and began talking \$5.37\265.35 for good loads, some buyers giving it out that they wanted a drove of hogs to cost not to exceed \$5.32½. In other words were be-gan bidding 5@5% lower. Sellers were determined and held on, so that eventual-ly buyers who really wanted the hogs were forced to pay prices that on an average were 5c lower than yesterday.

SHEEP-Quotations: Clipped wethers, \$5.35\(\alpha\)5.60; clipped yearlings, \$5.55\(\alpha\)5.25; clipped ewes, good to choice, \$5.00\(\alpha\)5.25; fair to good clipped ewes, \$4.50\(\alpha\)5.00; good to choice western wooled lambs, \$6.854 .00; fair to good western wooled lumbs, \$6.50@6.85; good to choice clipped lambs, \$6,0066.35; fair to good ellpped nambs, \$5.50

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE. CHICAGO, April 30.-WHEAT-No. 2

CORN-No. 2, 39%/039%/040%e; No. 2 yellow, 394@395@404c.
OATS-No. 2, 244@244c; No. 2 white, 274@314c; No. 3 white, 264@284c.
RYE-No. 2, 534c.
BARLEY-No. 2, 41@415c.

SEEDS-No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, \$1.3. Prime timothy, \$2.35. Clover, contract grade, \$7. PROVISIONS-Mess pork, per bbl. \$11.75@12.80. Lard, per 100 lbs., \$7.20@1.35 Short ribs sides (loose), \$6,9597.20. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), \$6.7597.00; short

NEW YORK GRAIN MARKET. NEW YORK, April 20.—WHEAT Local shorts were best buyers and the market dosed firm at 1/2/2%c net advance. May, 73 1-16/273%c; closed at 73%c; September,

clear sides (boxed), \$7.50@7.60.

74 74%c.
CORN—Closed firm at 4424%c net advance. May, 45 5-16245%c; July, 45 45...
45 7-16c; closed at 46%c; September closed OATS-Spot, quiet; No. 2, 28c; No. 3,

279c; No. 2 white, 29°c; No. 3 white, 29c, track mixed western, 28'a29°c; track white, 29@34c. Options neglected, closing dull at %c decline. No. 2 white, May, closed at

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK. KANSAS CITY, April 30.—CATTLE— The few beef cattle offered soon sold at strong prices; stockers and feeders strong to 10c higher; native steers, \$4,50%5.05; stockers and feeders, \$4,00%5.50; butcher cows and heifers, \$2,30%4.00; canners, \$2.50 fed westerns, \$4.1564.90; Texans, \$3,606(4.05) HOGS-Good active packing demand at

steady prices; heavy, \$5,3595.15; mixed, \$5,2595.40; lightweights, \$5,9095.30; pigs, SHEEP AND LAMBS-Trade slow, pric es weak and lower; Colorado lamrs, \$6.95; clipped muttons, \$1.70%,25; stockers and feeders, \$1.79%5.10; culls, \$1.90%4.75.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET. CHICAGO, April 38.—CATTLE—Butcher stock, strong; natives, good to prime steers, \$4,90%5.85; poor to medium, dell \$4.3564.80; selected feeders, strong, \$4.25 95.05; mixed stockers, steady to slow. \$3.4094.00; cows, \$3.0094.50; heifers, \$4.259 1.85; canners, \$2.296(2.90; bulls, \$2.996(4.30; calves, \$450m6.50; Texans, receipts, none, steady, Texas fed steers, steady, \$4.90m Texas bulls., firm, \$3.25/03.75

HOGS-Average 5c lower; top, \$5.00; mixed and butcher, \$5.005.55; good to choice, heavy, \$5.4965.50; rough heavy, \$5.2565.35; light, \$5.2965.4515; bulk of sales. SHEEP AND LAMUS Shade easier good to choice wethers, \$5,2505.69; fair to choice mixed, \$4,7505.25; Western sheep, \$5,4005.60; yearlings, \$5,7060.25; native

lambs, \$5.50@7.25; western lambs, \$5.00@ PRINCE OF WALES TOUCHED.

Acknowledges Congratulations on His

Recent Escape. LONDON, April 30.—The Prince of Wales acknowledges the sympathies and congratulations from all parts of the world on his recent escape from assassination, in a letter just made

public as follows: "I have been deeply touched by the numerous expressions of sympathy and good will expressed to me on the occasion of the providential escape of the Princess of Wales and myself from the danger we have lately passed through. From every part of the globe, from the queen's subjects throughout the world, as well as the representatives and inhabitants of foreign countries have these manifestations proceeded and on my return to this country I received a welcome so spontaneous and hearty that I felt I wa sthe recipient of the most gratifying tribute of genuine good will. Such a proof of kind and generous reeling is, of course, most highly prized by me and will forever be cherished in my memory. ALBERT EDWARD.

BOERS TO WINTER IN NATAL.

Kaffirs Told to Give Them Pasture or Move Out.

LADYSMIH, April 30.-The Boers are making preparations for spending the winter in Natal. They are visiting all the Kaffirs within the occupied sphere, demanding the payment of hut taxes and informing them that they must not pay the Natal government in the future, but them.

The Boers are bringing their stock from the high veldt into Natal for winter grazing, and have intimated to the Kaffirs that they require the grass for their animals and that the natives must work for them or remove south of the Sunday river.

The enemy are busy on new positions north of Elandslaagte. It has been ascertained by means of range finders that they are not less than 15,000 yards distant from the station and colleries, therefore they are beyoud the reach of our guns.

WASHINGTON, April 30.-It now

The Free Homes Bill.

seems certain that the free homes bill will pass the house without serious dissipate \$50,000,000 of the public money. The friends of the bill, including Representative Lacey, chairman of the house committee on public lands, say that the amount involved in the proposition will not ex-

ceed \$20,000,000, if that much.