

# THE DAY'S DOINGS

## SUMMARY OF LATE NEWS BY WIRE.

### WAR IS INEVITABLE

#### ENGLAND AND THE BOERS LIKE TO FIGHT.

So Think the Leading Officials of the Transvaal—Mexico Likely to Retaliate Against the United States—Other Items of Interest.

**Transvaal Looks for War.**  
A London dispatch from Cape Town says that the Het Dageblad, the Dutch newspaper, declares that leading officials of Transvaal speak openly of war with England as inevitable.

South Africa is a mass of unrest. The agitation which has been confined to the Transvaal and Cape Colony is spreading beyond those countries and now threatens to involve the whole vast region south of Zambesi. The existence of these troublous conditions has been for some time within the knowledge of the colonial office. But the strictest injunctions of secrecy have been laid on the entire staff, and nothing leaked out until the simultaneous publication this week of news of revolts in Bechuanaland and Delagoa Bay.

Both outbreaks are potentially serious. The Bechuanaland difficulty is closer to England, because immediately within the British sphere of influence. There the occupying troops have come into direct conflict with Galkwa, one of the most capable of the native chiefs, a gigantic and daring black, who has been suspected of plotting mischief.

With an outbreak in Rhodesia but recently repressed, with outbreaks in Gambia and Bechuanaland now in full swing, it is natural that Englishmen should hesitate to take a false step in the campaign to crush the Boer oligarchy, which has been resolved upon. Should a war come with the Dutch, it would be extremely embarrassing to be menaced in the rear by a widespread native revolt.

#### MAMMOTH OHIO CAVE.

#### Believed to Be Greater Than Kentucky's Great Cave.

The discovery of a vast subterranean passageway at Castalia, Ohio, has caused many visitors to inspect the new cave. The cave situation is the source of Castalia Creek, and extends underneath the town. Entrance as yet has been made with difficulty, but the splendor of the interior is marvelous when shown by the illumination of torches. The state geologists will inspect the cave this week, after which the opening will be enlarged. It is believed the cave is connected with the Perris Cave, at Put-in-Bay, and also with Flat Rock Cave, which would make it extend over an area greater than that of the Mammoth cave.

#### MEXICO TO RETALIATE.

#### May Bar American Hogs and Packing House Products.

The framers of the Dingley bill are much interested in a semi-official report from the City of Mexico to the effect that a retaliatory tariff bill is to be introduced in the Mexican congress this week. It is stated that in view of the practically prohibitive duty on Mexican cattle provided by the Dingley bill the Mexicans will pass a prohibitive duty on American hogs and packing house products, which comprise one of our most important articles of export to Mexico.

#### CANNOT GET CROSBY'S BODY

#### Weyler Refuses to Let Marriott Go Beyond the Lines.

Gen. Weyler replies to Gen. Lee that he cannot grant permission to Mr. Marriott to go beyond the lines to secure the body of his colleague, Mr. Crosby of the Chicago Record. Gen. Weyler says he would like to oblige in the matter, but he is not willing to assume the responsibility of protecting Mr. Marriott where he cannot do so. Mr. Marriott went a week ago to the Spanish line nearest the scene of Crosby's death.

#### Part Held to \$80,000,000.

William Schermerhorn of Berrien, Ind., has just been advised by the state department at Washington that he is one of seventy heirs to an estate of \$80,000,000 in Germany, and that the division of it will be made at once. Mr. Schermerhorn is a farmer and the news of his good fortune is gladly received.

#### Japanese Warships for Hawaii.

The government of Japan has decided to send two warships to Hawaii, stopping meanwhile, all emigration. The Japanese press is urging the government to take a firm attitude toward the Hawaiian and American governments.

#### Lamont Declines to Be Interviewed

Daniel S. Lamont, ex-secretary of war, has arrived in New York from abroad with his family. He declined to be interviewed as to his reported selection for the presidency of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

#### Eight Persons Killed.

While mass was being said in a church near Castres, France, in the department of Tarn, the roof collapsed. Seven women and one man were killed and thirty persons were seriously injured.

#### McKinley in Washington.

President McKinley and party returned to Washington Monday.

#### Ask the Government for Work.

Hundreds of unemployed workmen gathered in front of the Parliament buildings in Toronto the other day and asked the Ontario government to provide work for them so that they could keep their wives and children from starvation.

#### Seized by the British.

A dispatch from Cape Town announces that the British have secured Inyack Island, at the entrance of Delagoa bay, and a squadron of warships from that port will proceed there to take possession of the island and proclaim it British territory.

## ORTH CAROLINA COLLISION.

### Three Persons Killed and Six Badly Injured.

The northbound Florida special on the Southern Railway, No. 36, and local southbound passenger train, No. 11, collided at Harrisburg, a small town thirteen miles north of Charlotte, N. C., killing three persons and wounding six.

The northbound special was late in leaving Charlotte, but was given the right of way, its orders being to pass the local train at Harrisburg, where there is a siding. No. 11 had slowed up preparatory to making this siding, and was but 100 yards from the north end of the switch when the express running forty-five miles an hour, dashed into it. The two engines came together with a terrific crash, which resembled the sharp crack of thunder. Just previous to the collision Engineer Tunstall applied the air brake and jumped. Many of the passengers on No. 36 were thrown from their seats, but none of them were hurt. The two express cars on the northbound train were shattered into thousands of pieces, and soon after the accident the postal car of the local caught fire, but by the use of chemicals the flames were extinguished.

#### THE WEEK IN TRADE.

#### Statistics of Commercial and Financial Failures for the Quarter.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Out of 4,006 failures, with liabilities of \$90,752,561 in the first quarter, 74 banking failures covered more than a fifth of the amount, \$12,774,560, and 3,945 failures, with liabilities of \$5,947,892, or nearly three-fifths, are classified according to branches of business, leaving only 587 failures and less than a fifth of the liabilities, \$12,069,019, in branches of manufacture or trade not specified. A sudden collapse in the wheat market, exceeding 3 cents in a day, appears to have no other cause than a belated perception that past accepted estimates reports of yield and consumption, official and otherwise, have been misleading. In spite of floods, which must have materially affected the prospect, cotton has only advanced an eighth during the week. Receipts thus far still indicate a supply of American considerably greater than has ever been consumed in one year, but uncertainty about the coming crop induces much buying.

#### MOODY ON INGERSOLL.

#### Famous Evangelist Noncommittal About Pope Bob.

Dwight L. Moody, who is in St. Louis, was asked Friday what he thought of Robert G. Ingersoll, who is billed to lecture in that city.

"Why don't you ask me what I think of Corbett," asked the evangelist, in a slightly nettled tone.

"I never saw Ingersoll in my life. I don't know a thing about him. He does not interest me in the least.

"So he's going to lecture on 'Truth, is he?'" continued Mr. Moody. "Well, that's what I have been preaching for thirty years. I preached it last night in my sermon on 'Sowing and Reaping.' That is the truth, and you cannot get away from it. You go to Ingersoll when he gets here and show him my sermon on 'Sowing and Reaping.' If he denies anything in it let me know. I'd just like to see what he'd say about it."

#### Life-Savers Avert a Disaster.

The schooner W. T. Chappell of Alpena, Mich., lumber laden and with a crew of five men, anchored off Au Sable in the northeast gale. Shortly afterward both anchor chains snapped in the fierce seas and the schooner was driven before the gale in a helpless condition for several miles. She was finally sighted by the life savers at Tawn Point, about four miles above the station. The lifeboat immediately started to the rescue, and, after a long struggle with wind and sea, succeeded in reaching the helpless boat. The life savers were successful in working the schooner into East Tawas.

#### "Bob" Kneeps Free.

The trotting mare Bethel or Nellie Kneeps, which was seized when Robert Kneeps, the horseman, recently released from a German prison after serving a sentence on the charge of ringing, was arrested, will be sold by the government at public auction. The lowest bid which will be admitted is 15,000 marks.

Kneeps was released from prison on Thursday. Seven months of his nine months' sentence was deducted in view of the fact that he had already been in prison for that period.

#### Fishermen Resist Sheriff.

The sheriff and a force of deputies went to Jones Island, near Milwaukee, for the purpose of evicting a family named Mushe from premises claimed by the Schlitz Brewing Company. The islanders turned out several hundred strong and drove the sheriff and his men away. They returned with re-enforcements, charged and captured the premises, but not until they had been doused with water hot and cold, and with water seasoned with red pepper. Clubs were freely used and several shots were fired.

#### Bryan Gets a Bad Fall.

Hon. W. J. Bryan was injured at St. Augustine, Fla., by the caving in of the piazza from which he was speaking. Nearly 400 men and women were precipitated about twenty feet to the ground, and many of them were injured, but none fatally. Mr. Bryan was picked up unconscious and removed to a physician's office, where an examination revealed that he had received no injuries of a serious character.

#### Referred to Congress.

Secretary Long has referred to congress all papers relating to armor plate bids opened Thursday. He recommends that authority be given to readvertise and make contracts for armor not exceeding \$400 a ton.

#### Brown Wagon Works Fail.

A receiver was appointed Saturday at Dayton, Ohio, for S. W. Brown & Co., proprietors of the largest wagon and carriage wheel works in the country.

Burmah's whole system of state railroads, 1,000 miles in length, has been bought up by a syndicate for \$30,000,000.

## TALL SYCAMORE DEAD

### EX-SENATOR EXPIRES SUDDENLY IN WASHINGTON.

Mr. Voorhees Had Been in Poor Health for Several Years—The Mississippi River Passes All Previous Marks at New Orleans.

#### Ex-Senator Voorhees Dead.

Daniel W. Voorhees, ex-United States senator for Indiana, died at 5 o'clock Saturday morning at his home in Washington. He had been in poor health for several years, suffering from rheumatism of the heart. His friends therefore expected to hear of his death suddenly. Last reports, however, were that he was showing signs of improvement. His death, therefore, while not entirely unexpected, came with a shock.

Daniel Voorhees was 76 years old, and prior to his retirement from public life on March 4 last he was for many years one of the most picturesque figures in the senate. He was born in Ohio, but was taken by his parents in his infancy to a pioneer home in the Wabash valley of Indiana, with which, under the sobriquet of the "Tall Sycamore of the Wabash," his name has since been associated throughout a long and honorable political career. The funeral was held Monday at Terre Haute, Indiana.

#### THE HIGHEST EVER KNOWN.

#### Mississippi River Passes All Previous Marks at New Orleans.

Advices from New Orleans Monday state that the Mississippi River gauge fluctuates between 18 and 18.2 feet. This brings the record up to 1.1 of a foot higher than given by any official data compiled. The river is certainly booming, and in spots the water washes over the "aprons" of the levees, making extensive deposits of mud. The authorities, however, deny any additional apprehensions, and are resourceful in combating any inroads made by the river, rapidly applying temporary barriers of sacks filled with earth, and such other devices as appear most expedient. In the adjoining parishes of St. Bernard and Plaquemine the levees suffer most from wave washes, but the officials charged with the duty of maintaining the embankments in good shape are straining every nerve to keep out the water. The present dry weather is a godsend, and the rain soaked levees are drying quickly, facilitating improvements. In spite of the rising river the situation can be described as satisfactory.

#### ANOTHER PEARL BRYAN CASE

#### Head and Headless Body of a Woman Found in Illinois.

Boys passing through some woodland five miles northwest of Mt. Vernon, Ill., Monday, found a woman's head lying near the public road leading from Mt. Vernon to Riverview. They reported their discovery and a party was organized for a search for the body. It was found 200 yards from the spot where the head lay, with the flesh stripped from the bones, both the trunk and head being so badly decomposed as to make recognition impossible.

The testimony at the inquest went to prove that the body was that of a woman who was in that locality early last November. She refused to divulge her name, but said her home was in Carmi, Ill., and that she was going to St. Louis. The theory is that another Pearl Bryan murder has been committed. It is said a suspected party left the country about the date of the woman's disappearance.

#### GYMNASTIC FESTIVAL.

#### Immense Attendance Expected at the Coming St. Louis Event.

St. Louis is busily preparing for the members and visitors who will attend the twenty-seventh festival of the North American Gymnastic Union, which is to be held there May 6 to 11. Probably 10,000 members of the various gymnastic unions of the country will be in attendance, and it is thought that nearly 100,000 visitors will be in the city during the week. The fair grounds have been rented for the year's festival and most of the exercises will be held in the big field within the race track. The Central Passenger Association has granted a rate of one fare for the round trip from all points in its territory.

#### Illinois Central Earnings.

The gross receipts of the Illinois Central from traffic for the month of March were \$1,736,161, an increase of \$1,330 over the same month of last year. For the eight months ended March 1, 1897, the excess of receipts over operation and taxes was \$4,715,126, a decrease of \$639,947 for the receipts in excess of the expenses during the same period of the preceding fiscal year.

#### Gen. Fullerton's Body Found.

A dispatch received by the Baltimore and Ohio officials in Washington from Cleveland says that the body of Gen. Joseph S. Fullerton of Washington, has been found in the river, eight miles below the scene of the Oakland wreck, in which he was killed about three weeks ago.

#### Leaves a Fortune to the Church.

By the will of the late Miss Winifred Martin, who died at the Hotel Altamont, Baltimore, April 4, nearly, if not quite, \$1,000,000 is bequeathed to various Catholic churches and charities in Maryland and California.

#### Colorado Shooting Affray.

A shooting affray occurred at McElroy's Hall, Altman Colo., Monday evening, in which Jack Cox instantly killed Bob Daly, and wounded Harry Miner and Sam Lashley and was then shot fatally.

#### No Free Library for St. Louis.

The measure providing for a tax for a free library building in St. Louis was lost at the polls. A two-thirds vote was necessary. The vote was 17,000 short of that number.

#### Durrant to Die June 11.

Theodore Durrant was for a second time on Saturday, sentenced to be hanged for the murder of Blanche Lamont in San Francisco. The execution is fixed for June 11.

## ALABAMA TORNADO.

### The Town of Arlington Hit by Another Twister.

Telegrams from Ozark, Ala., and Valdosta, Ga., crossing the ill fated town of Arlington, Ga., show that this section was visited Saturday by another tornado ascending the Apalachicola Valley and sweeping northward with terrific force to the confluence of the Chattahoochee and the Flint Rivers, where it divided, in one direction going toward Ozark, where timbers were uprooted and houses blown to pieces. Several lives were lost, among them Mrs. Powers, who was caught beneath the falling timbers of her house and crushed. Her husband was unable to save her and was himself badly hurt, but he rushed off through the blinding rain and intense darkness for assistance. The rest of the family were rescued, among them a baby three weeks old, whom the mother protected at the loss of her own life.

The second section of the tornado was deflected upon the Flint valley, breaking across south Georgia and passing through Arlington, where but a few weeks ago nine children were killed in the ruins of their school house. Reaching Valdosta, the storm became intensified in fury and trees were blown down in every part of the city.

#### INSURED FOR \$1,000,000.

#### Mrs. Stanford Takes Out the Largest Life Policy Ever Issued.

Mrs. Leland Stanford signed the contract Friday in San Francisco by which her life is now insured for \$1,000,000. The policy is said to be the largest ever issued, and was written by a company of New York. By the terms of the contract Mrs. Stanford is to pay an annual premium of \$170,000 and upon her death \$1,000,000 will be paid by the company to the Leland Stanford, Jr., University. Should she live ten years and continue her annual payment of premiums the university will receive at her death \$2,000,000 instead of \$1,000,000.

#### Opening Grant's Casket.

The work of opening the steel casket containing the remains of the late Gen. Grant was begun Friday. The outer case which inclosed the casket is fastened by 150 bolts, the heads of which are nearly one inch in diameter. The heads must be drilled through and pounded down before the case can be opened. It was estimated by the men in charge that the work would take about three days to perform. The public will not be given an opportunity to view the removal of the casket. That will be done under cover of night and at an hour which will not be made public.

#### Freight Train is Blown Up.

A Big Four freight was annihilated by an explosion at the Belt junction at Indianapolis, Ind. The trouble probably originated in a car loaded with whisky. The car had a hot box. After the terrific explosion a fire company rushed to the scene, but the entire train of fourteen cars was destroyed. The trainmen escaped injury, but Otto Crenshaw, who was sleeping in one of the cars, was pinned to the burning floor.

#### Bids Asked for Torpedo Boats.

Proposals were invited by the secretary of the navy Saturday for the construction of three 30-knot torpedo boats. The boats must be completed within four months of contract. The bidders are left ample scope for original ideas as the department prescribes in its circulars only the barest outlines of the crafts for the construction of which congress has appropriated \$800,000.

#### Nashville Invites King of Greece.

The executive committee of the Centennial Exposition at Nashville, Tenn., has adopted a resolution inviting the King of Greece and the royal family to visit the exposition, and expressing sympathy with Greece in her present crisis.

#### Ashland Wilkes Sold for \$7,500.

At the horse sale in Lexington, Ky., recently, Ashland Wilkes, a famous trotting stallion 15 years old, and sire of John R. Gentry, 2:00 1/2, was sold to Brook Cussy, Lexington, for \$7,500. He sold at a private sale a year ago for \$5,000.

#### Australian Ball Tossers Arrive.

The Australian baseball players, on a tour of the world, have arrived at San Francisco. They will play the opening game with the Olympics next Sunday.

#### MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.50; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.00 to \$5.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 64c to 65c; corn, No. 2, 22c to 24c; oats, No. 2, 15c to 17c; rye, No. 2, 29c to 31c; butter, choice creamery, 17c to 19c; eggs, fresh, 9c to 10c; potatoes, per bushel, 20c to 30c; broom corn, common growth to choice green hurl, \$25 to \$80 per ton.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 87c to 89c; corn, No. 2 white, 25c to 26c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.25; wheat, No. 2, 91c to 93c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 20c to 22c; oats, No. 2 white, 18c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 30c to 32c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$5.25; wheat, No. 2, 86c to 88c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 26c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 20c to 21c; rye, No. 2, 37c to 39c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$2.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 83c to 85c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 24c to 26c; oats, No. 2 white, 20c to 22c; rye, 26c to 34c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 86c to 87c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 23c to 24c; oats, No. 2 white, 16c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 34c to 35c; clover seed, \$4.55 to \$4.65.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2, 34c, 65c to 67c; corn, No. 2, 22c to 24c; oats, No. 2 white, 19c to 21c; barley, No. 2, 28c to 33c; rye, No. 2, 32c to 34c; pork, mess, \$7.75 to \$8.25.

Buffalo—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 82c to 84c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.50 to \$4.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 76c to 77c; corn, No. 2, 28c to 29c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 23c; butter, creamery, 15c to 21c; eggs, Western, 9c to 10c.

## STATE OF NEBRASKA

### NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

**State Auditor Has Issued His Annual Statement on All Insurance Companies Doing Business in the State—Other State News.**

#### Fire Insurance Business in 1896

The auditor of public accounts of this state has issued his annual statement of the risks written, premiums received, losses incurred and paid by fire and other insurance companies, except life and accident. The report is for the year ending December 31, 1896. The report shows that joint stock fire insurance companies wrote risks amounting to \$89,739,366.28, receiving therefor premiums amounting to \$1,377,686.48. The losses for the year reached \$553,188.09, and the losses paid for the year, \$629,609.50.

Nebraska farmers' mutual insurance companies wrote \$10,427,092.92 received an income of \$7,880.53, and paid expenses amounting to \$29,554.09. The losses paid foot up to \$55,232.76, and the amount of insurance in force is \$21,939,938.84.

Miscellaneous companies wrote \$12,166,537.62 in risks, received \$70,304.26 in premiums, and paid losses amounting to \$16,706.82.

Nebraska mutual companies, two of which are at Omaha and two at Falls City, wrote \$581,988.69 in risks, received \$32,553.75 in premiums, and incurred \$158.70 in losses.

#### College Students Suspended.

Considerable excitement prevails among the college students at Crete, owing to the suspension of four students. About three weeks ago a crowd of about twenty, being refused admission to a fellow student's room, proceeded to remove the obstructions and make a friendly call anyway. A door, which stood in the way, suffered slightly and the faculty ordered four of the miscreants to pay \$5 into the treasury for the damage done. This they refused to do, on the ground that all were equally concerned and should stand the expense. They offered to replace the old door but this was refused. The four boys were then suspended. The student sympathy is with the boys.

#### Sell Pies to Buy Base Balls.

In connection with the regular weekly session of the High School Literary at North Loup, a "pie social" was held, which not only resulted in an extraordinary amount of amusement, but also netted a neat sum to the committee which had the affair in charge. The pies were auctioned off to the highest bidder, some of which sold as high as 75 cents each, the average being about 25 cents. An element of interest was added by selling by number, the purchaser eating with the woman who baked the pie, and some surprising revelations followed the completion of the sale. The proceeds will be used to purchase athletic appliances for the use of the school.

#### Shiloh Veteran Association.

The fifth annual meeting of the Shiloh Veterans' Association was held at Stromsburg. About 100 visiting veterans were there from different parts of the state. An elegant supper was furnished by the Woman's Relief Corps, after which the concluding exercises were held at the opera house, which was filled to its utmost capacity by eager listeners. Rev. J. H. Pressen gave the address of welcome. The principal speakers were John Lett Benedict, Dan Brown, C. B. Couch, C. Anderson, George B. France of York, A. C. Swartz Bryan, Pitt B. Herrington and several others. The old officers were re-elected for the ensuing year.

#### Strike a Mighty Flow of Water.

Some persons in the west end of Chase County have been experimenting with an artesian well. When this got down about 115 feet they struck water which flowed out of the top of the well, the hole being ten inches in diameter, with force enough to throw up large sized stones that were dropped in the well. The flow is about 800 gallons per minute. A number of other wells will be put down in the county, and if a like success is had the question of irrigation in that county will be solved.

#### Diphtheria Scare at Ashland.

There is considerable excitement at Ashland caused by a case of diphtheria in the county, three miles south of that town. The wife and two married daughters of Randolph Bryan visited a married daughter in DeWitt recently, and the eldest girl took the black diphtheria and died there. The mother and youngest girl returned home. Now the younger girl has been taken with a severe case of it. The town people fear it will spread and precautions are being taken.

#### Injunction Stands for the Present.

Judge J. R. Thompson of the district court at Grand Island, rendered his decision in the injunction case of the members of the Shelton lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen against Grand Master Tate of that order. The decision is temporary against the grand master, as it specifies that the injunction shall stand until the appeal of the Shelton lodge from the decision of the trial court at Wood River is decided.

#### Plays with a Gun and Is Killed.

While Newton Chapman of Archer, a young man about 20 years of age, with two other companions, was in a barn fooling with a gun, it was accidentally discharged. The load entered the hip joint, fracturing the bone. Young Chapman died shortly after the accident.

#### Judge Getts Is Exonerated.

Among the cases tried at Osceola was that against Judge C. W. Getts, who was charged with taking illegal fees and mutilating the record. The jury's verdict was that the man was not guilty and there was no cause for the complaint.

#### Found Not Guilty of Forgery.

The trial of Swan Benson at Osceola, who was charged with forgery, ended with a verdict of not guilty. The costs in the case will be over \$500. This was the first criminal case tried by the new county attorney, John Tongue.

#### Nebraska Men Lost in Wyoming.

Word has been received to the effect that two of the Johnson boys were found dead north of Cheyenne, Wyo., and as the other two have not made their appearance they are thought to have been frozen to death. The boys on their way from their home near LaGrange to Cheyenne with hogs and were caught in the recent storm.

#### Governor Offers a Reward.

Governor Holcomb has offered a reward of \$200 for the arrest and conviction of the murderer of David Jones, killed March 12 in Gage County.

## AMENDMENT IS LOST.

### Canvass Shows that It Lacks Many Votes.

The recount of the ballots cast for the constitutional amendment relating to an increase in the number of judges of the supreme court has been finished and the legislative commission finds that the amendment failed to receive a sufficient number of votes to make it a part of the constitution of the state.

The legislative commission found, according to its recount, that the amendment had received 97,644 affirmative votes or an increase of 13,065 over the number of votes returned to the state canvassing board last November. The commission finds that 37,029 votes were cast against the amendment, or 867 votes less than returned last November. The total vote of the state as returned by the commission was 230,361, as against 220,795 as discovered by the state canvassing board last fall.

The fusion majority in the legislature has held from the first that the amendment required but a majority of the votes cast for senators and representatives. The commission finds that the total vote cast for senators was 201,375 and for representatives, 203,552. If based upon the total number of votes cast the amendment lacked 17,537. Based upon the total vote for senators it lacked but 3,044. Based upon the total vote for representatives it lacked 4,133