

OTHER POWERS OBJECT.

China Gives Reasons for Not Signing Treaty.

RUSSIA FORMALLY NOTIFIED

Li Hung Chang Gains Displeasure of Emperor by His Pro-Russian Sentiments in Regard to Proposed Manchurian Agreement—Effectual Blow to Russia.

Peking, April 4.—The Chinese government has formally notified Russia that China, owing to the attitude of the powers, is not able to sign the Manchurian convention.

"It is China's desire," says the formal notification, "to keep on friendly terms with all nations. At present she is going through a period which is the most perilous in the empire's history, and it is necessary that she should have the friendship of all."

"However much she might be willing to grant any special privilege to one power, when others object, it is impossible for the sake of making one nation friendly she should alienate the sympathies of all the others."

Li Hung Chang says this letter settles the matter definitely and that Russia was formally notified to the same effect March 28.

Prince Chang asserts that every Chinaman, except Li Hung Chang, was against signing the convention.

LEAVES PEKING FOR GOOD.

Believed That Li Hung Chang Will Make His Departure Permanent.

Washington, April 4.—Although no official notice has reached here of the reported departure of Prince Li Hung Chang from Peking for Shanghai, the officials are inclined to believe it is true, and that Li Hung Chang is really leaving Peking for good and because the emperor is displeased with his conduct of the negotiations. It was known here that when Li Hung Chang was made one of the peace envoys that he was pro-Russian in sentiment, but there was no cause for complaint on that score until the Manchurian treaty came up for consideration.

It is believed by officials here that Li has proved so earnest an advocate of the Russian cause and has so strenuously worked for the signing of the agreement that his own government has felt obliged to deprive him of power to further that agreement. If this understanding is correct it is believed that an effectual check has been administered to Russia in her designs upon Manchuria, for it is thought the emperor of China would scarcely have acted in this summary fashion had he not received assurances of support from some of the other powers.

SATISFACTORY TO GERMANS

Italian Premier Assures Them of the Continued Friendship of That Country.

Berlin, April 4.—The Lokal Anzeiger understands that the conference between the imperial chancellor, Count von Buolow, and Signor Zanardelli, the Italian premier, at Verona yesterday, which was of considerable length, was intended to remove the false impressions created by insinuations in the French press regarding the relations between Italy and Germany.

The paper interprets the meeting as proving the continuance of thoroughly friendly relations between the two countries and says that the leaving-taking of the two statesmen was cordial.

In official circles it is admitted that while the meeting at Verona was accidental, Signor Zanardelli being on his way to his country estate, the relations between the two countries were discussed. Signor Zanardelli, it is said, gave entirely satisfactory assurances.

Japanese Press Still Belligerent.

London, April 4.—"The Japanese press continues very belligerent," says the Yokohama correspondent of the Daily Mail, writing yesterday. "Count Okuma, formerly premier and now leader of the opposition, declares in the course of an inclusive article that Japan must assert herself or the work of 30 years will be lost. Korea, he says, is not a Russian chattel and Russia's action is a direct challenge to Japan."

Iowa Town Badly Scorched.

Fort Dodge, Ia., April 4.—The city of Lehigh, 16 miles south of this city, was nearly destroyed by fire yesterday, all the business houses being burned, with but one exception and that a saloon. The fire originated in the rear of the hardware store of H. W. Ross and is supposed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion.

Russia Cuts the Italians.

Toulon, April 4.—There is much comment here at the strange and unexpected order received by the Russian admiral to leave Toulon with a fleet in order to avoid meeting the Italian squadron here. The Russian fleet, which arrived in these waters to participate in the fetes attending President Loubet's visit, probably will sail this evening.

Wages of Laborers Advanced.

Muncie, Ind., April 4.—The Republic Iron and Steel company last night posted notices in their two big mills in Muncie informing the 400 common laborers that wages had been increased from Monday 10 per cent on the day. The increase was unsolicited and comes from the scarcity of men.

Hughes Will Institute Contest.

Topeka, April 4.—Colonel J. H. F. Hughes, the Republican candidate for mayor who was defeated Tuesday by A. W. Parker (Dem.) by 11 votes, announces that he will at once institute contest proceedings.

INDIANS FILE A PROTEST.

Assert They Are Being Robbed of the Timber on Leech Lake Reservation.

St. Paul, April 4.—Red Blanket of Leech Lake, chief of the Bear Island Chippewas and principal chief of the Chippewa tribe, accompanied by a substitute chief, Mah-Che-Gah-Bow (Man Who Moves Standing) and an interpreter, appeared before Governor Van Sant to protest against the manner in which, as Red Blanket asserted, the Chippewas are being defrauded by timber cutters on the reservation. Red Blanket declared, through the interpreter, that white and half-breed lumbermen are now destroying the reservation timber by assuming to act under the provisions of the law permitting certain persons to cut the dead and down timber.

Red Blanket also said that although the Indians have been allotted land in severalty, many of the men do not know where their allotments are situated and cannot find out.

Mah-Che-Gah-Bow said that the tribe supposed that the full-blood Indians would secure work cutting the timber. The work, however, had all been given to the half-breeds and squaw men. Moreover the lumbermen had cut large quantities of green timber in place of the dead and down timber.

PITTSBURG ISOLATED.

Snow Laden Wires Go Down and Train Schedules Are Abandoned as Result of Storm.

Pittsburg, April 4.—Pittsburg was yesterday the center of a snow storm that began early in the morning, continued with great force until afternoon, doing thousands of dollars worth of damage, rendered practically useless for a time every electric wire in the city, suspended all street car travel and in the early hours isolated the city from the outside world.

A heavy rain fell before the storm came and all reports from up river points tell of rising streams, which may bring about a flood here and below. Conservative estimates place the loss at between \$250,000 and \$300,000. Telegraph and telephone companies are the heaviest losers by reason of the fact that their lines reach every part of the storm district.

Early in the morning a heavy, wet snow began falling. It clung to everything it touched and by 9 o'clock all the wires in the city were coated with snow. The trunk lines of the central district were the first to fall and most of the other troubles that followed are attributed to the failure of this service. On Ellsworth avenue, from Amberson avenue to Craig street, the wreck is complete, every pole being down.

The storm passed eastward and all of the suburban towns in that direction suffered. Winklesburg, Bradock, Homestead, Duquesne and McKeesport all report business at a standstill for a portion of the day.

Mount Washington and the other hill tops suffered severely. All railroad trains from the east are hours late, having encountered in the mountains snow to the depth of 12 to 15 inches, which was so wet and clinging that snow plows could not clear the tracks. For a time it was feared there would be a blockade on both the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio roads, but all trains are getting through, though not on scheduled time.

HANNA NOT IN CANAL DEAL.

Denies That He Knows Anything of Morgan's Reported Purchase of Panama.

New York, April 4.—Senator Hanna's attention was called to the report that J. Pierpont Morgan had formed a syndicate to buy the rights of the French Panama Canal company and that in conversation with the president and Senator Hanna Mr. Morgan had advocated the abandonment of the Nicaraguan route.

"Yes, I have already seen that report," he said, "and you may say for me that there is not a word of truth in it. Personally I have never expressed a preference for any route, but as for this story, I have never heard of such a thing. If Mr. Morgan is going into the canal business I am not in his confidence."

Texas Oil Fields Abaze.

Beaumont, Tex., April 4.—A serious fire is in progress in the oil fields. Heywood's well struck a heavy flow of gas last night and it caught fire from a torch in the hands of workmen. The flame shot in the air high above the derrick and continues to burn. This well is 150 feet from the Hamill well, which developed the same gas feature a few days ago. Water, mud and rock are shooting out of the pipe 60 feet high and contact with the flames makes a cloud of steam.

Greeks Storm Smyrna Ghetto.

Vienna, April 4.—At Smyrna, on the strength of rumors that the Jews had murdered a Greek lad for ritual purposes, 10,000 infuriated Greeks stormed the Ghetto. The Turkish troops charged the mob with bayonets, one person being killed and 14 others wounded.

Henderson Given Two Years.

Dallas, Tex., April 4.—H. C. Henderson, the self-accused Cudahy kidnaper, yesterday pleaded guilty to a charge of theft and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Iowa Editors Convene.

Creston, Ia., March 30.—Seventy-five editors from southwestern Iowa were in Creston yesterday attending the Southwestern Iowa Editorial association. Hon. Lafe Young of the Des Moines Capital delivered the address. Practical and technical features of the business were discussed. The meeting closed with a reception in honor of the editors by the Elks lodge.

CUBANS AT A STANDSTILL.

Convention Fails to Adopt Either of Plans Proposed.

HAVANA'S MAYOR RESIGNS.

Starts Lively Competition Between Other Aspirants—Rubens and Quesada Will Not Be Prosecuted for Gas Scandal Charges.

Havana, April 4.—The Cuban constitutional convention took up the propositions of Senator De Quesada and Senator Tamayo regarding relations with the United States, which were yesterday laid upon the table, but only three members voted for the proposal of Senator De Quesada and only six for that of Tamayo. The propositions will be considered at the next meeting Saturday. The question of sending a commission to Washington was not discussed.

Senator Alejandro Rodriguez, who has formally announced his resignation of the mayoralty of Havana, will probably be appointed chief of the rural guard. The vacancy caused by his resignation has provoked considerable agitation in the national party, as two of its members, Senator Zayas and Senator Gener, are endeavoring to get the party's endorsement for the office.

It is understood on good authority that there will be no prosecution in connection with the charges made against Horacio Rubens and Senator Gonzales de Quesada by a director of the Havana Gas company to the effect that they had obtained money from the company by representing that they had influence in Washington to secure a reduction on the tariff of crude petroleum.

THINKS CUBA WILL ACCEPT.

Representative Dabzell Declares Only Politicians Are Holding Out.

Washington, April 4.—Representative Dabzell of Pennsylvania, who has just returned from a two weeks' trip to Cuba, saw the president today and talked with him about conditions there. Mr. Dabzell said he thought there was hardly a man in the island, except the politicians, who did not favor the acceptance of the conditions of independence imposed by the Platt amendment. "But the politicians are disposed to play a waiting game," he said. "I believe they will stand out until congress meets, and then finding that we will not modify our terms, they will accept the conditions. The better element in Cuba favors ultimate annexation with the United States, but I believe a large proportion agree that it would better come after a trial of independence has been made."

Hawaiian Legislature.

Honolulu, March 27.—Via San Francisco, April 4.—The legislature has now completed half of its term of session, and only one bill has reached the governor. This bill is a bill appropriating money for the expenses of the session. In both the senate and house constant debate over small matters have prevented the transaction of business, the senate especially having occupied nearly all of its time in debates over rules and quarrels over the rulings of the president.

The home rulers have many caucuses measures pending, which are beginning to be in danger of failing to pass for lack of time, and they are preparing for night sessions to force the transaction of business. Seventy bills are before the house in various stages, and half as many are before the senate.

Coursing Meet at Abilene.

Abilene, Kan., April 4.—The Abilene Coursing club began the largest meet ever held here yesterday, over 70 dogs being entered, and owners being present from Nebraska, California, Colorado, Oklahoma and Missouri. The grounds are northwest of the city and are enclosed. Eighty jacks are gathered, and promise fine sport throughout the meet. Thirty dogs are entered in the puppy race and about 50 in the all-age stake. The purses amount to \$300. W. O. Thompson of Ohio is the judge of the races and the spectators are numerous. The meet is the first of a series that includes Clay Center, Mankato, Friend, Neb., and other points.

Will Sail From Chicago to Hamburg.

Chicago, April 4.—The new Chicago trans-Atlantic steamship Northwest will sail on its first trip from Chicago to Hamburg, Germany, on April 21. A cargo of agricultural implements and miscellaneous freight will be carried on the first trip. It is expected that the entire voyage down the lakes, the St. Lawrence and across the Atlantic will take only 22 days. The boat and its sister ship will make regular trips to Hamburg after April 24.

Peace Envoy Reported Executed.

London, April 4.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post asserts that the Boers have tried for treason and executed Mr. Decock, the peace envoy who took the offer of peace from General Smith-Dorrien to General Botha Feb. 22.

Peaceful Settlement Impossible.

Canton, April 4.—It is reported here that the viceroy has received a telegram from the court to the effect that a peaceable settlement of affairs is impossible. The viceroy is described as much disturbed by this communication.

China Boasts a Breed of Dog Which Is

virtually known in all occidental lands. The "sleeve puppy," as the tiny creature is styled, is so diminutive that it can with ease be carried in the baggy sleeve of the Chinese overgarment.

REPORT MORE SURRENDERS

MacArthur Also Cables That Charges of Commissary Frauds Are Exaggerated.

Washington, April 4.—A cablegram was received yesterday at the war department from General MacArthur at Manila as follows:

Brigadier General Robert P. Hughes reports surrender at Banga, northwest Panay, March 31, 30 officers, 185 men, 105 rifles. General Kohler reports 21 men and 21 guns surrendered March 31, northern Mindanao.

Commissary frauds, being investigated; not sufficient gravity cause concern; apparently due irregularly sales savings. Press reports incorrect and misleading.

MACARTHUR.

General MacArthur's dispatch, as well as other information received concerning the frauds, leaves considerable doubt as to the exact character of these alleged peculations. General MacArthur speaks of "sales." These sales consist of savings by the soldiers on the regular rations issued, which they are allowed to dispose of for their own benefit. Generally the savings are made a company matter and are disposed of in bulk to the highest bidder. They may be returned to the commissary department and bought in by the government at the same price, but there is no reason why they should not be sold elsewhere if the managers of the company should so desire, as army rations do not pay the usual duty imposed on similar goods used for private consumption, the soldiers could make quite a profit on their savings if they were of considerable amount. Sales from commissary stores, not including the regular ration, are made to officers and men, but only upon a certificate or declaration that they are for personal use of the purchaser.

MAY VISIT AMERICA.

Rumor That Aguinaldo Will Sail for the United States April 15, at Invitation of President.

Manila, April 4.—Chief Justice Arellano, who administered to Emilio Aguinaldo the oath of allegiance to the United States government, says:

"Aguinaldo's action will induce all the insurgents to surrender, and I predict that the islands will be completely pacified by June. Aguinaldo is eager to visit the United States, but when I questioned him on the subject of holding office, he replied that he had no desire in that direction and intended to retire to private life after a trip to America."

It is rumored that President McKinley has invited Aguinaldo to visit the United States and that the former insurgent leader may sail from Manila April 15. General MacArthur, when questioned regarding the rumor, said he had absolutely nothing to communicate.

Fatal Flaw in Maynard Indictment.

Lansing, Mich., April 4.—The case of ex-Attorney General Maynard, who was indicted by the late grand jury of Ingham county on a charge of falsifying pay rolls in his office, was thrown out of court by Judge Weist on the ground that the statute provides as to what shall be considered public money and also designates the officers who shall receive and disburse the same. The court stated that the indictment should have been brought for fraud in order to hold.

Another Naval Gun Accident.

Washington, April 4.—A second explosion of a 13-inch shell in the bore of a naval gun is having the effect of causing some anxiety as to the safety of this type of ammunition. The accident happened aboard the Kentucky. The ordnance officers are very reluctant to talk about these mishaps but assert that in this case the projectile burst just as it left the gun, doing little damage.

Smallpox in Eleventh Infantry.

San Francisco, April 4.—Owing to a discovery of a case of smallpox among the men of the Eleventh Infantry the regiment will not sail for Manila on the transport Kilpatrick on April 5, as had been planned. Two companies of the regiment are to be detained at Angel Island until danger of the spread of the disease is past.

Blizzard in the Panhandle.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 1.—One of the worst blizzards of the season is prevailing in northwest Texas in the Panhandle. Reports from up the Fort Worth and Denver road say snow began falling early yesterday morning and at 9 o'clock was nearly four inches on a level at Quanah. The thermometer registered 25 above. Above that point the blizzard is much worse, the snowfall being accompanied by fierce wind. The storm will have a bad effect on the cattle interests in the Panhandle.

Ice Does Damage at LaCrosse.

LaCrosse, Wis., April 1.—The remnant of the ice in the Mississippi went out yesterday, doing much damage. Large cakes came down with a rush from the upper river, destroying the piers and sheer fence at the wagon bridge. Part of the protection along the levee was washed away. The damage to the city and bridge will be large.

Two Officers Fatally Shot.

Mobile, Ala., April 1.—Detective Morris and Policeman Bressingham yesterday attempted to arrest two convict negroes suspected of the murder of a marshal at Gulfport, Miss. One negro named Davis resisted and shot Morris and Bressingham probably fatally. He in turn was killed. The other negro was captured.

Three Killed in Mine Explosion.

Gallup, N. M., April 1.—There were only three men in the Weaver mine at the time of the explosion yesterday. It was thought that a number of Japanese were entombed, but this seems to have been a mistake. The three as reported, two white and one negro, were killed.

WAR IN THE GRAIN PITS.

Wheat Bears Force Phillips to Sell at Heavy Loss.

CORN KING MEETS CRISIS.

Men Who Are in Opposition to the Bull Movement Succeed in Breaking Prices Two Cents—Young Speculator Expresses Confidence in Corn and Oats.

Chicago, April 4.—A strong effort was made on the board of trade yesterday to crowd George H. Phillips, the "corn king," to the wall. He was driven clear out of the wheat market, but gave up none of his holdings in corn and oats.

The day was the biggest of its kind the board has witnessed in many years, the governing conditions unusual and the jam of struggling, howling brokers and traders cutting antics, filling the public galleries to the limit. May wheat sold down to 71 1/2¢ and closed at 72 1/2¢, a net loss for the day of 2¢. May corn tumbled to 40 1/2¢, the net loss for the day being 1 1/2¢. May oats went to 24 1/2¢ and closed at 24 1/2¢.

Calls for margins were made on Phillips to the extent of nearly \$250,000, all such demands being met promptly. His firm now has nearly \$500,000 up as margins, some of which will be released today. The attempt to snatch the scepter from the "corn king" resulted in further heavy losses to his customers, but Phillips stuck to his policy. At the close he declared he had not been shaken out of his corn and oats and believed they would do better today.

The wheat deal was a different story. Phillips advised his customers to sell and unloaded nearly 1,000,000 bushels early. This wheat showed an average loss of at least 2 1/2¢ a bushel, or nearly \$250,000. The markets were intensely nervous.

After the close he was advising customers to keep "a stiff upper lip" and was acting on that advice himself.

"I believe that corn and oats have had all the break they will have," he said, "and will do better today. I have advice from two dozen points in Illinois and Iowa that farmers have little corn to sell or that roads are impassable and feeders are taking the corn at higher than Chicago prices, and that seedling of oats is already delayed a week. There will be more rains the next week, and if seedling should be delayed until April 15, as is quite likely, you will see oats go up 2¢ a day till people forget they ever sold at 25¢."

Seventh Day Adventists.

Battle Creek, Mich., April 4.—The biennial report of Elder G. A. Erwin, president of the Seventh Day Adventists' general conference, was made yesterday. Elder Erwin said that during the past two years the increase in membership had been 12,504, making the total membership for the world 75,763. The tithes for the same period amounted to \$1,000,195, an increase over the former two years of \$205,311. Books in 14 different languages have been issued by the Hamburg Publishing house.

Judge Weed Attempts Suicide.

Hartington, Neb., April 4.—Judge Benjamin M. Weed, formerly principal of the public schools at Cincinnati, and for four years probate judge of this county, was found lying in the graveyard at noon, a razor in his hand and his throat cut almost to the jugular vein. Letters written to friends show he intended to commit suicide. He was brought to town and his wounds attended to, but his recovery is doubtful.

Fall to Agree on Wage Scale.

Springfield, Ill., April 4.—After a session of five days, the joint convention of miners and operators of the Springfield subdistrict adjourned last evening without reaching an agreement. The miners in the district suspended work yesterday, owing to the expiration of the agreement of last year, by which the drivers and day hands were furnished with oil and cotton free.

Shortage in Postoffice.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., April 4.—Rose P. Duffey, assistant postmaster at Parnell, was held in bonds of \$1,000 yesterday to await the action of the federal grand jury on the charge of embezzlement. There is a shortage in the office of \$1,000. It is a complicated case and there is great excitement at Parnell, where it is believed Miss Duffey, who is a popular girl of 19, is innocent.

Extending Rural Telephone Service.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 4.—Farmers from the northern part of this state, Nebraska and Iowa are holding a meeting here for the purpose of extending a rural telephone service at a minimum cost. It has been agreed to make some large extensions to important agricultural sections, at a cost of \$1 per month to each subscriber.

Missing Man Returns Home.

Indianapolis, April 4.—Peter F. Bany, owner of several business blocks on East Washington street, who disappeared last July and was supposed by his family to have been murdered or to have committed suicide, returned home last night. He has been in a Milwaukee hospital for months.

Plague Corpses Found in Streets.

Cape Town, April 4.—Several plague corpses have been found in the streets and houses, indicating efforts to conceal contact with the disease. The total number of deaths from the plague is 107, including 22 Europeans. There have been 315 cases of the plague.

IOWA'S GENERAL REVENUES.

State Auditor Completes Computation of Taxes Received.

Des Moines, April 4.—The state auditor yesterday completed the computation of the state taxes received on the assessment of 1900 from all the counties of Iowa. The amount collected was \$1,404,828.38 for the general revenues of the state. The legislature appropriated \$1,400,000 and in order to raise this amount a levy of 2.6 mills was laid for state purposes and the returns indicate that the figuring was decidedly close. The larger counties paying into the state treasury are as follows: Polk county, \$50,220.43; Dubuque, \$33,904.48; Linn, \$31,769.42; Pottawattamie, \$31,311.57; Clinton, \$26,421.57. The county contributing least to state expenses is Dickinson, paying only \$5,208.30. Emmet contributes \$6,182.10 and Winnebago, \$6,687.93. The amount received on the 1-mill levy for building purposes at the state university was \$55,000 and the same amount was collected on a similar levy for the state college.

The amount of cash in the custody of the state treasurer is now about \$330,000 and it is expected this will be increased to more than \$1,250,000 during the present month when the semi-annual collections by the county treasurers are turned into the state treasury.

PRAIRIE FIRE RAGES.

South Dakota Farmers Suffer Heavy Losses—Flames Driven by a Forty-Mile an Hour Gale.

Huron, S. D., April 4.—A prairie fire yesterday swept over a stretch of country east of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway, starting a few miles southeast of Virgil and traveling north ten or twelve miles. The burned district is two miles wide. Several farmers suffered heavy losses. Frank Wood lost his house, barn and his supply of hay and corn. Arthur Thompson a barn and the immense sheep shed on the J. H. Conn ranch, four miles north of Virgil, was burned. Thousands of tons of hay were destroyed. The fire was driven by a 40-mile an hour gale.

DOCTORS ELECT OFFICERS.

Tri-State Medical Society Holds Important Session at Keokuk.

Keokuk, Ia., April 4.—The Tri-State Medical society closed its annual session here last night and ended a very important session of the society of doctors from Iowa, Illinois and Missouri. A committee consisting of Dr. J. C. Murphy of St. Louis, Dr. D. C. Brockman of Ottumwa and Dr. Frank P. Northrup of Galesburg was appointed to try to get the next legislature of the three states to pass laws regulating marriage of degenerates and criminals.

New officers were elected and Chicago was chosen for the place of meeting in April next year.

The officers are: President, Dr. J. C. Murphy of St. Louis; first vice president, Dr. Bayard Holmes of Chicago; second vice president, Dr. Emmet Sisson of Keokuk; treasurer, Dr. J. F. Percy of Galesburg; secretary, Dr. W. B. LaForce of Ottumwa.

Minnesota Primary Election Bill.

St. Paul, April 4.—By a vote of 45 to 12 the state senate yesterday passed the house primary election bill providing for the nomination of all candidates except for state offices and for election boards at a regularly called primary election. Candidates for every office, including town, city, county and congressional, are to be chosen on the same day at the primaries, electors voting with such party as they may desire and not being compelled to vote for that party's candidate at the regular election.

Dubuque and Pacific Road.

Dubuque, Ia., April 4.—The Chicago, Dubuque and Pacific Railroad company filed articles of incorporation yesterday. The company proposes to build a line from Dubuque southwest to the Pacific coast. The incorporators are Iowa men.

Rumor of Decision Is Denied.

Columbus, O., April 4.—The rumor circulated that a decision had been rendered in the Woolson-Arbuckle case is unfounded. The supreme court is not now in session, having adjourned last Friday to April 9.

Judge Learn Drops Dead.

Omaha, April 4.—William R. Learn, judge of the police court of Omaha, dropped dead at the police station yesterday afternoon. Apoplexy, the physicians say, was the cause of death.

Muffs were first used by doctors to keep their fingers soft and were adopted by ladies about 1550.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

Mrs. Maria Todd, widow of Ohio's war governor, died at Youngstown Wednesday, aged 88 years.

George W. Thatcher, charged with forging notes to the amount of \$300,000 on the late P. P. Mast of Springfield, O., was bound over to \$10,000 to answer to the grand jury.

Work was begun at Booneville, Mo., Wednesday on the Booneville and Jefferson City branch of the Missouri Pacific, forming what will be known as the Booneville cut off.

At a meeting of the Illinois board of railroad and warehouse commissioners a petition presented by business men of St. Louis and East St. Louis asking that only one inspection of grain be made in St. Louis was granted.

At Marion, Ind., Wednesday, Victor Shultz, a mail carrier, shot and instantly killed his wife, fatally wounded W. A. Eikenberry, a boarder in the family, who attempted to interfere, and then cut his own throat with a razor.