WOULD-BE TRAIN ROBBERS.

Chief of Police Seavey Makes an Important and Timely Capture.

THE CITY HALL WORK STOPPED.

The Lutheran Synod's Excursion -- Another Cable Line -- Interesting Railroad Gossip-South Omaha News .. Other City Matters.

Would-Be Train Robbers. A nicely designed plan to rob the Missouri Pacific train which left Omaha at 9:10 o'clock last night was neatly frustrated by the efforts of Chief of Police Seavey, and the would-be robbers are now in the city jail. The facts in the case are these: A gang of robbers have infested this city for several months past. Their work so far has been in holding up citizens on dark streets. Yesterday, however, they enlarged their field of operations and decided to embark in the train robbing business. Chief of Police Seavey gained a clue to their plans, It was arranged that six of the men who compose the gang were to board the train at Walnut Hill or at West Side. Lew Foley and Ed Harrigan were to take charge of the engine. Tom Harri-gan and George Wilson were to board the express car while Mike Lane and the sixth man were to look after the mail car. The train was to be run to the gulch near Brookline, when the passenger cars were to be detached at a signal from the engine and the mail and express cars run on to a convenient place and robbed. The chief of police at once set to work upon his clue and had plans laid for the capture of the crooks while in the act of committing the crime. By some means the robbers obtained information that the train out last night would be a light one. They then held a consultation at a well-known resort of crooks in the city and decided to postpone their further work until to-night, when they would either carry out their plans for rob bing the train or else go on a genera house robbing expedition and then leave the city. A meeting was appointed at the Tivoli garden, on Ninth street, at 11 o'clock last night. Chief Seavey, being apprised of these facts, abandoned his first plans and decided to arrest the men. Accordingly, soon after 11 o'clock, Cap-tain Cormick, Captain McDonald, Sar-ment Mostyn, and Olicer Horrican and geant Mostyn and Officer Horrigau en-tered the Tivoli and found the men above named seated at a table quaffing lager and in close conversation. were all arrested and placed in jail. Th capture of these crooks was neatly 1 and executed under Seavey's direction, all of work of detection and work capture of the men being accomplised in a very few hours. The prison ers are a very hard looking set and several of them are well know to the police. This is especially true of Lew Foley who was arrested two years ago for complicity in the robbery of Duke's hardware store. Further developments in the case are ex pected to-day.

THE SYNOD'S EXCURSION. How the Lutherans Spent the Day at

Lincoln and Beatrice. Yesterday the Lutherans synod indulged in a recess and devoted the day to an excursion to Lincoln and Beatrice. The members and many of the friends who are entertaining them in this city met at B & M. station at 7:30 a, m., but the start was not made until 8 o'clock, arriving in Lincoln two hours later on a special train of seven passenger coaches. There were excursionists, a number somewhat in excess of what was expected by the Lincoin people, so that about one-third of the visitors failed to obtain seats in the carriages, which had been provided to show them the sights of the city. It had been whispered that dinner would be served in the skating rink, and thither the unfortunates wended their way. Arriving at the rink they found that there is no misfortune without its compensation, for they were bountifully served by the ladles who had prepared what an Omaha man declared to be a "square meal." By the time they had finished their dinner the carriage began to arrive at the rink and all who desired had an opportunity to take their turn in looking about the city. The badges which were worn by the tourists were a sufficient recommendation to pass all of them over all street car lines, and so all had an opportunity to see places of interest. After dinner the large M. E. church opposite was opened, and with many of the citizens the entire company gathered therein and listened to short addresses by a few of the visiting clergy-men and other prominent citizens of Lincoln. After a few words by Rev. Dr. Rhodes Gov. John M. Thayer was intro-duced. Remembering his cordial words of welcome at the opening meeting in Omaha the members of the synod greeted him with prolonged applause, which was repeated many times during his brief address.

Rev. Dr. Ort. president of the general synod, responded to the governor's speech in his usual happy manner. Hon. A. J. Sawyer, mayor of Lincoln, Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D., followed, the former bidding a cordiat welcome, the latter giving some interesting reminiscences of his early observations of western life. Postmaster Watkins followed with a

humorous speech which was received with continuous laughter and applause These pleasant exercises were cut short by the necessity of hurrying to the train, which started for Beatrice twenty min utes after the appointed time. At 3:10 o'clock the company excursionists ar rived in Beatrice where ample provision had been made to convey the entire party about the city in carriages. The real object of the excursion was to show the Synod the site which the city of Beatrice desires to offer for the proposed

estern Lutheran College. A quarter section adjoining the town directly on the east has been staked off into streets and lots. Four blocks, covering sixteen acres, a the highest point on the tract, and af-fording a view of the country for fifteen miles around, has been set apart for the college building and campus, and they offer also a quarter interest in the lots on the rest of the tract, together with \$25,000 in money. They hold out also some considerable prospects of future endowment of the college.

In response to loud calls, Rev. G. W.

Enders and Rev. Dr. Ort in turn stood on the driver's seat of a large carriage and made short speeches commendator of the proposed location, after which of the proposed location, after which procession of carriages, covering over a mile of roadway in close order, started out for still further discovery of objects of interest, driving in all directions until about 5 o'clock. Supper was furnished by the excursion committee at various hotels and at the opera house. After supper a large as-semblage of people gathered in the opera house and listened to speeches by several

gentlemen.

Hou. E. O. Kretsinger, mayor, said:
"It is my distinguished duty to bid you a
hearty welcome." He then paid a glowing tribute to the character first of Martin
Luther and his followers and then to the
greatness of the state of Nebraska and the city of Beatrice. He urged the claims of that place as the proper location for

Boy. Dr. Ort, president of the general

synod, said that in the name of the gen-eral synod he returned hearty thanks for the reception the visitors had met. For a long time we have desired to visit your state. We have come, we have seen, we are delighted. Our people own the state of Pennsylvania, have a mortgage on Maryland and fair plantation in New York, we have settlements in Ohio and Illinois, We are coming to Nebraska and we hope We are coming to Nebraska and we hope to become possessors of many of your fairest acres. We are to be found almost everywhere. We have come here to see what you have shown us. We value it only as it pertains to higher interests. We are concerned in a kingdom that is not of this world. We have come here simply to see what we can do to promote the kingdom of Christ. We found colleges and build churches. Christianity is the only hope of the west and the world. Again I express to you the heartiworld. Again I express to you the heartiest thanks for the reception which you have extended to me and my flock. You

Hon. N. R. Gribles said; are welcome to come and if you come to Beatrice. Your people are the ones who first settled this country. If more of you come you will prosper as we have. You may go anywhere else and you will not find any landscape more beautiful than that which you saw from the proposed site of the college. We want this college here under the auspices of your great educating church. Luther began the education of the common people, and his followers can best carry on his work. This is proven by the fact that the people of Germany are an educated people. hope you will come here and establish this We will then give you a still warmer welcome.

Rev. Dr. Rhodes, of St. Louis, said: We bid you all hail. Our hearts are affected at your generous hospitality. We congratulate you on your beautiful name. It has reminded us of our youth when we were looking for the as yet unknown. We congratulate you on your tact, per-severance and pluck. We congratulate you that you are aware of the fact that a city in the west without a Lutheran college is not of much account.

Rev. J. H. Detweiler said that once he had visited Beatrice and found his way through the streets at night. To-day, so large had the city grown, he lost himself in the day time. He thanked the people for their hospitality and expressed his appreciation by saying that in the event of the location of the college at Beatrice, he would do all he could to make it a success, especially as the city had a tem-Dr. Rhodes moved that the thanks

of the assembly be given to the people of Beatrice and all who were engaged in the arrangement of this excursion. This was adopted with a rising vote amid great applause. As it was now nearly an iour past the time appointed to start back to Omaha the excursionists went hastily to the station, and four hours afterward arrived safely in Omaha at midnight. They are unanimous in the conclusion that they had enjoyed an experience such as no previous general synod had ever dreamed of. The city of Beatrice can step to the head of the class The synod will resume its business ses sion to-day, and continue during the evening. The delegates are beginning to manifest a disire to start for their homes.

RAILROADS.

S. H. H. Clark Here - The Missouri Pacific-Omaha Washout.

General Manager Clark, of the Mis souri Pacific, arrived in Omaha yesterday morning. He occupies his special car and is accompanied by Mrs. Clark. His business here, as he stated last evening. is of a general nature, although particularly directed toward the new depot which the company will soon erect on its property between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets. The steam shovel, which is at work now, is tearing great scoops of earth out of the high bank, and the dirt house in constantly moving cars. area around the round house will be filled high enough to prevent any danger of an overflow and to give an excellent yard.

The plans of the depot, which will be erected upon the site of the excavation. are not entirely completed as yet; but it is contemplated that the building will cost not less than \$75,000 and be of stone and brick with terra cotta trimmings.

It is believed, too, that Mr. Clark's present visit has some connection with he operation of the Belt Line, and that some important improvements in the operation of that line are to be made The statement was made yesterday that he had also come here for the purpose of presenting a proposition to the business men for the construction of a road to Yankton and even further north. This was stated by Mr. Clark last evening to be erroneous, and so tar as he was in-formed, the Missouri Pacific had no intention of extending its system north-

WASHOUT ON THE OMAHA. A somewhat serious washout of the track of the Omaha road occurred on Thursday night about six miles above Blair caused by the rising of a dry creek which was suddenly swollen into a torrent by the heavy rainfall. About 1,000 feet of the track was displaced or carried away. As it was practically impossible during the heavy rain and strong gusts of wind to keep lanterns alight, the track inspector did not go out. As a consequence the first discovery of the washaway was made by a fracth train coming south. The engine freight train coming south. The engine and seven cars were ditched. The fireman jumped and the engineer followed him as the locomotive ploughed into a soft bank of mud and sand. No very expensive damage was done. Superintendent Jaayres left yesterday morning for scene of the washout and had not re-turned up to a late hour last. night. He had the track in passable condition, however, by the time the passen-ger train leaving in the afternoon had to go northward and the train due here in the evening arrived but a few minutes

UNION PACIFIC. It will be yet two weeks before General Manager Potter arrives. When he comes back he will, among other things, inquire into the privilege of the company unde the inter-state commerce law as regards courtesies to newspaper men who are, by reason of their positions on widely read papers, able to extend to the road compensating courtesies.

Mr. Callaway's return is one of the uncertainties of the future. He is by this time, probably, in Alaska. His observations of that valuable possession of the United States will unquestionably be of considerable interest. A gentleman who has lived he a number of years, said yesterday: "It may be that Callaway's visit to Alaska really means something which will anenterprise. It is an open secret that seven or eight years ago a plan for con-struction of a railroad to Alaska was submitted to the management of the Union Pacific, and pronounced, upon careful examination, to be feasable. The only troublesome question was, will it pay? The development of the Alaska gold fields and fisheries since then is be-lieved to have solved the query.

The Omaha road will commence soon to erect a new depot at Florence, on the James Flanagan, formerly section fore-man for the Omaha road at Blair, has been placed in charge of its Omaha yard in place of John Farrell, who has re-

May 27, 1874, Loren and Inger Maria Madsen were married in Vensyrel, Den-mark. Yesterday Laren filed a suit for divorce in the district court, giving adul-tery as the grounds for desiring a separa-tion.

Another Grand Success of the Opera of the Fairy Queen.
The truth must be told. On the first night of the "Naiad Queen" there was but a small audience at the Boyd. Tuesday evening, the house was three-quarters full. Last night, it was packed. To have been otherwise, the audience would have reflected upon Omaha. To-night, there ought to be even a greater attendance. The piece is one which appeals to all tastes, save, possibly, that of the grotesque. From the beginning to the close, setting aside its scenic beauties, it is a succession of beautiful arias and choruses which enchain the audience. These musical gems are not orginal. They are electics from the best known works in existance. Every one is familiar

to the audience, and, although it has been heard a thousand times before, under the new order of affairs, its petition reaches every heart. To explain this attraction in detail would require the space beyond that of a local article. Yet it must be said that nothing has ever so strongly appealed to the feelings of our people. The whole performance must be seen to be appreciated. Beyond this fact. no greater announcement could be made. The programme for this great production is as follows:

Stalacta—Naiad Queen

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Mrs. J. Stewart White
Clementia—Goddess of Mercy. Anna Merkel
Astræ—Goddess of Justice. Barbara Merkel
Mabel Dean—A Child of Poverty

Edith Crandell
Dukie Bryton—A Daughter of Wealth...

Bertha Stelnhauser Nocturna—Goddess of Night.

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Freedonia—Goddess of Liberty.

Mrs. J. L. Kennedy
Constantia—Goddess of Faith. Allie Pratt
Zaneta—Queen of Gypsies. Edith Davis
Vivanna—A Merry Zingara. Rose Brady
Oskaletta—Gypsy Fortune Teller.

Georgia Boulter

Synone.... | Maids | Hattle Fleming |
Laberta | of | Helen Copeland |
Delucia | Honor | Clara Jones |
Sylvides—Queen of Fairies | Edna Donahue |
Perlu—Queen of the Sprites | Bertle Balbach |
Queen of Spring | Lizzie Zimmerman |
Queen of Summer | Nannie Briggs |
Lizzie Adder | Sadie Badger |
Sadie Badger | Sadie Badger |
Sadie Badger | Sadie Badger |
Sadie Badger | Sadie Badger |Clara Dixon
.....Alice Parker
...Blanche Rowley Berda Sylva Queen ...Blanc Neta Lea-A Child of Tender

Reposa Attendants of Amy Robinson Nelleta Nymphs.

Nelleta | Queen of the | Dora Groff
Ada | Train Bearers of the | Minnie Ellis
Ava | Queen | Lizzie Campbell
Zulie... | Leaders of Winter | ... Etta Brown
Arleo... | Nymphs. | Mollie Caraby
Vastus—Sentinel of the Queen I. M. Treynor
Sam Trusty—A Boatman... Wm. B. Downing
Lesparto—King of the Dryads
Lakondo—King of theGypsies Chas. H. Bowen
Lerna... | Leaders of the | Joe Bosworth
Lycaon | Dryads. | Arthur Joplin
Joe Loveless—An inconsiderate lad
Arthur Lee—Anorphan...... George Meegs
Roy Guilford—A great favorite. Earl Decker
Paul Fielding — A courageous lad
Herbert Morse
Morto... | Pages of the Queen | ... Sam Burnes

Morto. | Pages of the Queen | ... Sam Burnes Lespur. | Pages of the Queen | Albert Egbert The same piece will be produced again to-night. A large audience will be again

ANOTHER CABLE LINE.

The Cable Tramway Co. Commence Work on Leavenworth Street.

Leavenworth street seems to be in spe cial favor with railway companies just at present. The Motor Railway company began the work of laying raits on the street a few days ago and were stopped by the board of public works Yesterday morning it was discovered that the Cable Tramway Co. had also made an attempt to get a foothold on this thoroughfare. On Tuesday the contractor in charge of the cable work called upon City Engineer Tillson and asked that he be furnished the profile showing the proposed grade of Leavenworth street. Mr. Tillson refused to furnish this information. Tuesday night or very early yesterday morning a force of men were put to work on Leavenworth street west of Twentieth street digging trenches and placing rails for the cable line. The fact was brought to the attention of the chairman of the board of public works, who went to the scene and ordered the men to cease working. He was referred to Mr. Johnson, president of the Cable Trainway company. Mr. Johnson at first seemed disposed to have the work continued, but ordered it stopped when the chairman of the board of public works threatened to take the case before the district court and ask for an injunction restraining the company from further work. The work of the cable company is someting of a give-away in being an indication of the company's intention to build a cable line on Leavenworth street. BE POLISHED OFF THE DRESSER

A Young Man Makes A Raise in Ladies' Jewelry.

Mr. Morrell, proprietor of a drug store at Sixteenth and Chicago streets, sent a young man who had frequently purchased materials for his occupation from him around to his house, 320 North Fifteenth street, to polish Mrs. Morrell's piano yesterday afternoon. While the young man was at work Mrs. Morrell went over to her husband's drug store and was gone about ten minutes. As soon as she returned she discovered that the young man had suspended his work on the piano and had turned his attention to her dressing bureau. He had gone, also, in the meantime. The articles which are missing are a pair of gold earings, a watch and chain and \$14 in money. The oss is about \$100.

Mr. Morrell describes the young man as about 22 years of age, blonde mustache and blue eyes, thin coat and vest and woolen shirt. He had a check for a trunk at the Galt House, presumably in St. Joe or Louisville, where there are notels by

The articles stolen were valued because of their associations, and Mrs. Morrell feels very badly over the loss.

CURIOUS AND KNOTTY QUESTION The Saloon Accusers of Council Bluffs -is There Jurisdiction?

A. P. McLane and H. Danilee, who were arrested a few days ago on charges of bribery and perjury and were dis-charged by Justice of the Peace Anderson, were again discharged by Police Judge Berka, before whom, on re-arrest, they had been re-arraigned, yesterday afternoon. Last evening they were again arrested. The case will eventually, again arrested. The case will eventually, it is believed, get to the supreme court. The prisoners are men who made complaints against twenty or more saloon keepers in Council Bluffs. They then entered into some sort of an agreement, it is charged, with the accused saloon keepers to skip out and fail to appear for a consideration of \$750; and they received, it is also charged, as a portion of this money, \$30 in Omaha on Friday last. At the time they made affidavit that

the informations to which they had sworn in Council Bluffs were false. The question to be decided is that of jurisdiction of courts in this state over transactions which originated in Iowa.

Work Stopped on the City Hall. Work has been stopped again on the new city hall building. Contractor Edward J. Brennan, who has charge of the work on the assignment made by Regan Bros., the original contractors, appeared before the board of public works yesterday and asked for the privilege of making changes which the board could not allow, and the work has been stopped until some settlement of the present difficulty can be effected. The change asked for by Mr. Brennan was that he might be given the privilege of substituting lime stone for Colorado sand stone in the outer walls of the building. The board took the matter under consideration and decided that, with their present understanding of the terms of the contract, they could not allow the change to be made The contract between the city and Messrs, Regan Bros. specifies that the walls of the building shall be constructed of Colorado sandstone. Mr. Brennan states that he cannot perform this part of the contract. The Union Pacific has raised the freight rate on stone so that he cannot get material on the ground for the amount which he is to receive for the construction of the building. The board of public works takes the position that it cannot allow any change in the specifications, and is not responsible for changes in freight tariffs, but must hold Regan Bros. or their bondsmen according to contract. The work on the bulding has hung fire already until there is no hope of having the hall completed before the middle or perhaps the last of next year.

South Omaha News. Business at the stock yards has been very heavy of late. Mr. Branch, of the Union Stock yard bank, says that yesterday's business was the heaviest since the bank was organized. Some idea of the volume of business transacted at South Omaha may be gained from the fact that that bank did a business yesterday of over half a million dollars. Even this does not represent all the business of the yards, as some other banks get a portion, but the bulk is transacted at the Union Stock yard bank, as it is located in the Exchange building, adjacent to the ofices, and is most convenient to live stock

has agreed to lay one mile of track at least, beginning at the north line of the city, within a year. They will also agree to lay not less than one mile each year until the track shall have reached the southern limit of the city, provided the council will give them the right of way through the streets. It is proposed to lay the track from the north boundary of the city south to Q. street, where it will turn west and run to Fowler place, thus connecting the two wings of the city. Several public spirited citizens have

been engaged in raising money, by subscription, to be used in grading streets. This far \$900 have been secured, which it was proposed to expend in grading 24th, 25th and 26th streets between O. and L. streets. The city council however is backward about giving the necessary permission for the grading to be done. Most cities would be proud of such enter-prise, but then a city council is always a ard load to bear, and South Omaha will earn sooner or later to bear her burden. The work on the foundations for the Swift packing house is progressing as rapidly as could, be expected with the means at hand.

After Powell's Accomplice. Requision papers from Governor Thayer upon the governor of Minnesota for the person of James J. Hartigan have been returned, the governor of Minnesota holding that there was not sufficient evidence to warrant the accusation that Hartigan was present, as accessory to the crime of forging a check, and was an ac-complice of Ashbury F. Powell. Yester-day Dr. Dinsmoor and Attorney Bartlett were before the district court clerk filing a new information for another requisition upon Governor Gilman. Two affidavits from Depot Policeman Green and Lalor Starry, clerk of the Windsor, have been made, which show that Hartigan was here, received part of the money and conspired to defraud Dr. Dinsmoor.

Two Railroad Accidents. Freight Conductor Mallory was squeez ed quite badly at South Omaha on Tuesday night, while he was engaged in coupling ears on No. 18. No bones were broken but he was laid up for a time. Charles Rhen, a brakeman on the Union Pacific. He attempted to to jump on the caboose of an east bound train which had 47 cars and had started. He was thrown and quite badly hurt.

A Runaway. A fine team of bay horses ran away yesterday from in front of the Merchants' national bank. As they dashed around the corner of Farnam and Fourteenth Officer Dempsey sprang forward and succeeded in catching one of the animals by the bridle. It was a good stop.

He Was Hilarious. Quite a crowd gathered near the Foureenth street entrance to the Paxtor yesterday afternoon, attracted by a hi-larious individual who was throwing articles out of the second story window to the danger of passers-by. Officer. Dempsey and Whalen reported the mat ter to the hotel clerk and the jubilant individual subsided.

At Great Week at Castle Garden. New York Commercial Advertiser The biggest week of the year at Castle Garden is usually the third week in May but this year the fourth week has beater it. Already to day 2,595 steerage passengers have landed at the garden, and still another ship is expected. It no more come, however, the total for the week will be 15,884, which is decidedly the biggest week of the season. Including to-day 161,821 persons have been landed at the garden this year, thus making 1887 memorable as one pithe greatest years for immigration in the history of the

A Wide-Awake Town. Halley (Idaho) Times: One man knocked down, two others kicked in the stomach, Deputy Speriff McPhee laid up by a kick in the groin, several big faro games running, also several poker games, at one of which there was over \$500 in the pot, a good house at the theatre—all this last Saturday Svening in this city would seem to indicate that times are getting livelier.

It is a Curious Fact That the body is now more susceptible to benefit from medicine than at any other season. Hence the importance of taking Hood's Sarsaparilla now, when it will do you the most good. It is really wonder-ful for purifying and enriching the blood, creating an appetite, and giving a healthy tone to the whole system. Be sure to get Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is peculiar to itself.

Steamship Arrivals. HAMBURG, June 8.—[Specal Telegram to the BEE.]—Arrived—The Rhaeteria, from New York. QUEENSTOWN, June 8.— Arrived — The British King, from Philadelphia.

Only Caught One Fish. PROSPECT HOUSE, June 8 .- The president trolled industriously to-day, but caught only one three-pounder. The arrangements for departure to-morrow are about as decided upon yesterday.

A BRILLIANT EVENT. Marriage of Congressman Burnes

Daughter to Elias S. Gatch. St. Joseph, Mo., June 8,- | Special Telegram to the BEE. |- Katherine Burnes, adopted daughter and niece of Colonel James N. Burnes, was married this evening to Elias S Gatch. The ceremony was performed at Ayr Lawn, the country seat of the congressman four miles south of this city. The bride has for at least two years been a leading belle of St. Joe and the groom is a prominent grain merchant of this city, being one of the firm of Windham & Gatch. The fete prepared by Colonel Burnes has never been equaled in this part of country. The entertainment provided was on the most elaborate and costly scale. The grounds were magnificently laid out and lighted. Before the ceremony the guests, numbering about 2,500, were served with ices, and champagne flowed like water. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. L. Lawler, of the First Baptist church, assisted by Dr. James Runcle, rector of Christ (Presbyterian) church, and Father Francis Graham, paster of St. Patrickie church (enthedial). pastor of St. Patrick's church (cathedral), The presents were undoubtedly the most magnificent and costly ever bestowed upon any one in St. Joseph. Letters of regret were received from President and Mrs. Cleveland, Samuel J. Randall, John J. Ingalls, Senator Cockrell, Governor Hill of New York. Governor Martin of Kansas, Senator Vest, J. G. Carlisle, Frank Hiscock of New York, William M. Evarts and other prominent men. After a month's tour in the cast

A WHEAT BLOCKADE. Chicago Elevators Full and No More

residence in this city.

Room Obtainable. CHICAGO, June 8.-The Inter Ocean tomorrow will say: The regular Chicago elevators are now practically inaccessible to grain, while prices for wheat are up and more shipments are coming. There is estimated to be 28,000,000 bushels of regular storage room in Chicago, and there are 22,000,000 bushels of grain in store. The average daily business of handling the and shipments of grain is about 2,000,000 bushels. This leaves 4,000,000 bushels storage room yet unoccupied, but this is all well held and unobtainable by the shorts. The result of this closing of facilities for storage has of this closing of facilities for storage has been to close up two railroads for receipts of grain, and possibly three roads more will be so blocked as to stop handling it. The result has been to bring the matter before the directors of the board of trade, and they have appointed a committee to see if some means cannot be adopted to prevent a paralysis of trade here. With a few more western roads blocked up, and notice of stoppage served upon shippers the board of trade might as well shut up. The wheat clique could send the price up to a Si a bushel and have it all to themselves. Prominent members of the board blame the blockade to the railroads. They propose to have declared "regular" at the next meeting of the directors all the small warehouses in the city. The main remedy in view, however, is to take main remedy in view, however, is to take measures through the state board of warehouse commissioners to compel the railroads to provide terminal facilities for all the grain

A CONSPIRACY OF CONDUCTORS. The Kansas City Cable Car Company

Robbed By Employes. KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 8 .- | Special Telegram to the BEE. |- The details of a wellorganized combination of cable car conductors to rob the Kansas City Cable Railway company were unearthed to-night, resulting in the detection of six of the conspirators and of the principal, H. C. Jillson, a discharged gripman. About four weeks ago the company discovered that the bell punches had been tampered with and an investigation has revealed the fact that Jilison had solved the combination which unlocked the register dial of punches, enabling each conductor in the ring to rob the company of from \$5 to \$10 a day. The punch is different from the one used on horse cars, the register dial being completely enclosed in steel and locked in a manner something similar to a safe combination. The dial has two hands, one indicating every fare punched up to sixty, the other each sixty fares received. Jillson would not reveal the combination, but would open the dial case for the conductors, who visited in a room he had hired, and manipulate the hands the combination which unlocked the register to show whatever number of fares received he chose. Six conductors were arrested to-night, but will be released without prosecu-tion. Jilison, who formed the conspiracy, left the city yesterday, but the detectives have him located end he will be brought to Kansas City to-morrow. The company esti mates its loss at between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

International Typographical Union. BUFFALO, June 8 .- At the morning session of the International Typographical union convention Mr. Ogden presented resolution that nine hours constitute a day's work except on morning and evening papers. Wilkins, of Boston, moved that a committee Wilkins, of Boston, moved that a committee be appointed on female cheap labor. Adopted, A resolution was adopted endorsing the action of New York union No. 6, in which they protested against the denunciation of the New York Sun by a clique in the Knights of Labor. There is a strong feeling in opposition to the Knights of Labor. The mere mention of the Home Club is a signal for trouble. At the afternoon sesson D. P. Boyer, of Ohio, was re-elected chief organizer.

Messrs. Daniels, of Indianapolis: Ogden, of Cincinnati, and Keoken, of St. Louis, were elected delegates to the next convention of the American federation of trades. Kansas City was chosen as the place of meet-Kansas City was chosen as the place of meet-ing for the next year's convention.

Escaped From the Mormons. NEW YORK, June 8.-[Special Telegram to the BEE. |-Eleanor Paston arrived here from the west to-day. She says she, with sixteen other young women, were .brought from Cornwall, England, by Elder Bascom. of the Mormon church, and were taken to Salt Lake City. Miss Paston and a friend Salt Lake City. Miss Paston and a friend named Emily Clegg were assigned to Elder Bascom. They didn't like the looks of his other wives and made their escape from the house before the ceremony of "sealing" them took place. Wondering about they met Elder Junius F. Wells, who took pity on them, dressed them in men's clothes, gave them money and put them on board a train for the states. When at a safe distance they made known their sex to some ladies, who litted them out with clothes. At Omaha a lady took a fancy to Miss Clegg and provided a home for her. Miss Paston came on here, having a friend in Brooklyn. vided a home for her. Miss Paston here, having a friend in Brooklyn.

New York Republicans Confer. NEW YORK, June 8 .- The republican club of New York met to-night and listened to a report from its committee on national affairs. The committee advised that the club do not anticipate the action of the republican convention by any premature action, and added these words: "A conference with the leaders of the Irish-Americans who voted for Blaine in 1834 discloses that they will again vote for him and prefer his nomination to that of any other man." The report of the committee was adopted with one negative vote. The committee appointed to consider the national convention of republican clubs reported that 100 clubs in various parts of the country had been communicated with and all favored such a convention. report from its committee on national affairs such a convention.

An Indian Council. EAUFAULA, L. T., June 8 .- A large number of delegates from wild and civilized tribes of Indians are attending the council now in session here. Hon. S. H. Burge, resident of the council, made the opening president of the council, made the opening address, advising all to adopt the ways of civilization and urging the wild tribes to establish schools and churches. Other prominent men among the tribes spoke in the same line of thought. Representatives of the Sac and Fox. Comanche and Wichita tribes alluded to the recent land law and said it did not suit their tribes. The subject will be thoroughly discussed to-morrow.

No Prospect of Settlement. PITTSBURG, June & .-- A Connellsville special says the conference of the Knights of Labor and amalgamated miners to-day re-sulted in the widening of the breach between the two organizations, and a settlement of the coke strike now seems as far off as ever

Off for Europe. NEW YORK, June 8 .- Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Blaine and two daughters sailed on the steamer Ems for Southampton this morning.
William O'Brien sailed this morning on
the steamer Adriatic.

THE BIRTH OF BURNT CORK.

"Jim Crow" Rice and His Wonderful Suc-0088

THE FIRST MINSTREL COMPANY

Origin of the Old Virginia Minstrels-Dumbleton's Screnaders and Other Old Timers-The Author of Dan Tucker.

Chicago News: No one has done so much to preserve the records, record the history and chronicle the rise and fall of negro minstrelsy as Charles T. White, himself an old performer, a man of great experience, wide observation and intelligence. For over forty-five years he has faithfully kept a diary of the happenings in the world of minstrelsy, recorded the formation and disbandment of companies, the first appearance of every member, jotting down anecdotes and personal reminiscences, and kept account of those who died or left for some other nent men. After a month's tour in the east the newly married couple will take up their calling. The Daily News is to-day enabled to present a few of Mr. White's personal recollections of the earlier and more important pioneers in this unique line of entertainment. They can be depended upon as accurate, for they are not dimmed by the mists of age and memory, but are transcripts from his diary made in the early days of burntcork amusements. CHARLEY WHITE'S STORY.

"The earliest intimation I can find in which individual negro business was done in character and met with a response of popularity was in Boston, December 30, 1799. Russell's Boston Ga zette contained an advertisement of the performance. The first piece was "Oronoko, or the Royal Slave." At the end of the second act there is a Song of the Negro Boy, in character, and this was given by Mr. Graupner, a member of the old Federal street company. The famous pantomime of "Gil Bias" had been introduced that Christmas week and, although the house was hung with mourning at the time on account of the recent death of Washington, such was the applause given to the Song of the Negro Boy that he had to bring in his little bench and sing the song over and over again. In 1815 we hear of Pig-Pie New York. George Nichols, a clown, Bob Farrell, Sam Tatnall, Bill Kellar, Barney Burns, Enom Dickson, Tom Blakeley, George W. Dixon, George Rice, Frank Brown, Charley White, John Stan-ford and other actors and circus people appearing in negro character, singing the negro melodies of the day or doing breakdowns on platforms in circus rings. John Smith, Juba and John Diamond, the latter a card of Barnum's, also were

popular. The late T. D. Rice (known as Daddy Rice) is the acknowledged father and founder of the Ethiopian comedy. He at once filled the bill, and every theatre that he played in as well, and sustained his success for thirty years afterward. Rice was born in the city of New York, May 20, 1808. He learned the trade of a ship carver, joined a dramatic association, and went to Kentucky under the management of N. M. Ludlow, a well known western actor and manager. While a member of this company he dis played considerable talent as an imitator of the negroes in their pecularities and eccentricities, and was at length an-nounced to make his first appearance

in the city of Louisville. Prior to this, however, he had played both in New York and in the west, many low comedy parts with success, but not until he comnenced his negro singing and burlesque operatic performances was he considered of sufficient note to render his name attractive. In the fall of the year 1832 he made his Ethioplan debut at the old Bowery theatre, New York, in the character of Jim Crow.
'I wish I was de president ob dese United

States, I'd lick molasses candy, and swing upon de gates, Wheel about and turn about, and do jes so; And ebery time I wheel about I jump Jim

"This character, both on account of its novelty and the excellence of its representation, attained a popularity un-equalled by anything of its kind before or since. Rice during that season is said to have brought more money into the Bowery treasury than any other Ameri-can performer during the same period of After a most successful career in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and other cities, he visited England in 1836, and performed with great applause at the Surrey (London), as also in Dublin and Cork creating a furor unprecedented even in the annals of the British stage, and almost literally driving for a time from the boards such favorites as Macready, the Woods, and other distin-guished performers. While in England he married a Miss Gladstone, the oldest daughter of a former manager of the Surrey theatre. He soon after returned to his native country, appearing at Wallack's National theatre, corner of Church and Leonard streets, New York, on the 17th of October, 1837, in his specialty, the 'Virginia Mummy.' For many years sub-sequently Mr. Rice was eagerly sought after by the managers and played as a 'star' in nearly every theatre in the Union His popularity, however, waned in his latter days, though he appeared, eliciting much applause, as late as 1854. Stricken finally with paralysis, his death occurred after a season of prolonged suffering, in the city of his birth, September 19, 1860, at the age of 52.

"Many suppose that negro minstrelsy originated in the palmy days of "Daddy" Rice's existence. That was not so, and Rice never was associated with a min-strel band. There was a number of burnt-cork artists, as alluded to in the preceeding, that were doing negro spec-ialty acts at various places in the counsome with the banjo, some without it, others having for their principal attraction only some negro melody such as 'Coal Black Rose,' 'Such a Gittin' Up-Stairs,' 'Gumbo Chaff,' and one or two others of less popularity.
THE FIRST MINSTREL COMPANY "It was while Dan Emmett and Frank

Brower were at the Bowery amphi theatre in December 1842, that the idea of a minstrel company was first put in motion by the following person Dan Emmett, Frank Brower, Billy Whit-lock and Dick Pelham, who all immediately went into a thorough course of rehearsals at the boarding Emmett, 37 Catherine street, New York. The cause of their organization was simply to make up a combination of negro fun for one night only, which was expressly for the benefit of Pelham, who at that time was dancing between the pieces at the Chatham theatre. Their rehearsals were sufficiently encouraging to satisfy them that they had indeed found a novelty. They styled themselves the Virginia minstrels, made their debut at the above-mentioned was early in February, 1843,) and were received with deafening plaudits. During the same week they played one night for the benefit of Mr. John Tryon, then manager of the Bowery amphithea Their performance here met with astonishing success, so much so that they were secured by Messrs. Welch & Rockwell, then managers of the Park thea tre, New York, at which place they performed two weeks in conjunction with the great dancer, John Diamond. This was about the middle of February, 1843. and after this they proceeded to Boston, where they played six weeks with won-

derful success. They then returned to New York and performed at the old Park theater under the management of Welch & Mann's circus company. EXPORTING THE FUN-MAKERS

EXPORTING THE FUN-MAKERS.

"Having now fairly introduced their novelty, and expecting every day to meet with opposition here in Yankeeland, they determined on a trip to England, where all idea of rivalry was out of the question for a time at least. Accordingly, with Mr. George B. Wooldridge at their head, they immediately embarked for Europe. They arrived in Europe on May 21 and gave two entertainments at the Concert rooms, Concert street, Liverpool. From thence they proceeded to the Adelphi theater, London, at which place they performed six weeks in connection with Professor Anderson, the great wizard of the north. great wizard of the north.
After this engagement Mr. Richard
Pelham left the company. The remainder organized in connection with Joe Sweeney, who had just arrived in the country, and in this way they traveled through Ireland and Scotland for six months with success. The company then disbanded and Whitlock returned to America. The others seen followed him. America. The others soon followed him, with the exception of Pelham, who remained in England up to his death, in October, 1876. Another company ar-rived in Europe from Boston, known as the Ring and Parker minstrels.' They performed in Liverpoot and Boston while the Virginia minstrels were playing in

One of the members of the company personated the character of Lucy Long which evidently must have been original with them. The rival party afterward performed at the Garrick Street theatre, London. They arrived in Liverpool in three or four weeks after the Virginia minstrels. On the return of the Virginia minstrels to America they found, as they had anticipated, minstrei companies in abundance all over the country. Band after band was organized almost every day with various titles, and many of them passed away almost as suddenly as an April shower: A vast improvement, how-ever, had been made in the minstrel business notwithstanding its short existence.

BIRTH OF THE COLORED SERENADERS. "Dumbleton's Ethiopian serenaders was probably one of the most unique organizations among the first bands started in the spring of 1843, and con-sisted of Frank Germon, tambo, George Harrington, banjo: Moody Stanwood, ac-cordion, and Gilbert W. Pell, bones. This band played in Baltimore in 1844. They also played in Washington before President Tyler and cabinet, and then went down to New Orleans. They returned to New York in the spring of 1845, and shortly after went to England, where they played before the guess and axial an played before the queen and royal family, the duke of Wellington and others of the nobility at Arundel castle by com-mand of the queen. This party returned in 1848 and opened at Palmo's opera house, October 4, of that year. After playing thirteen weeks they disbanded. Pell took Juba, the real negro dancer (perhaps the best) and Tom Briggs, the great banjoist of that time, and returned to England with them the same year. All of this party are now dead. It was this band who first introduced black coat and pants and white vests for the introductory performance. The Dumbleton party while in England played at the St. James theatre for one year and eight months.

"Among the great banjo players and one of the original starters of negro minstrelsy was Daniel D. Emmett, who has done good work for the minstrel fraternity, perhaps more genuine musical nuggerisms than any other man. Uncle Dan, as he is familiarly called, was born in Mount Vernon, O., October 20, 1815, and has consequently passed his three score and ten. While with the Bryant's minstrels in New York city, he wrote these peculiar airs: 'Root Hog or Die,' 'Boatman Dance,' 'High Daddy,' 'Old Dan Tucker,' 'Dandy Jim,' 'The Other Side of Jordan,' 'Old Aunt Sally,' 'Dixie's Land,' 'Early in de Morning,' 'Over de Mountain,' together with a wonderful collection of walk-around devens Some have asserted that Lee dances. Some have asserted that Joe Sweeney, a native of Louisville, Ky., was about the first to make the banjo famous as an accessory to negro comical ties. I am sure he was among the early ones. Earl Pierce, Tom Briggs, Dave Lull, Tom Vaughn, Frank Stanton, Billy Whitlock, High Rumsey and Pupsey Keenan, all flourished successfully shortly after.'

Home Mission Work. SARATOGA, N. Y. June 8 .- The sixty-first anniversary meeting of the American Home Missionary society continued to-day. Secretary Barrows reviewed the work of the year. The society employed 1,571 missionaries, an increase over last year of 102. They serve 3,063 churches and preaching places, with 2,100 Sunday schools. having 130,000 members. They organized during the year 135 new churches, with 112 houses of worship, and brought 63 to a self-supporting condition. A new and notable feature of the work has been the employment of thirty-five evangelists, the result of whose labors has been so encouraging that the number has been so encouraging that the number will be increased. The feature of special interest this year is the great extension and success of the work among French, German, Scand inavian and Slavonic immigrants.

VIENNA, June 8.-The inhabitants of Lele, in the flooded districts, have been rescued in boats and now are camping around Make, where thousands of men are working with frantic energy at the dykes. The water is within 300 yards of town and the place is doomed unless the flood soon subsides. The government has sent funds to relieve the im-mediate wants of the sufferers.

Pool Selling Legal. NEW YORK, June 8 .- The test case made yesterday to determine whether or not the law which forbids pool selling in this state except on race tracks will prevent pool sellers from taking commissions in this city to make bets on tracks, was decided legal to-day, the court holding that the practice was not contrary to law.

Murdered By Indians. Tucson, Ariz., June 8 .- Word was received here this morning of the killing of Mike Grace and the narrow escape of Billy Williams and Billy Lee from Apaches at Tom-pova Gulch, eighty-live miles south of Crit-tenden. The Indians evidently have separ-ated in parties, one of which is already in

Swift Michigan Justice. SANDBEACH, Mich., June 8 .- Michael Morris, who was arrested Saturday for murdering his uncle and forging deeds to the farm, was to-day sentenced to the penitentiary for life. His wife will be placed on trial soon

for complicity. The Miners Adjourn. CINCINNATI, June 8.-The miners convention to-day adjourned to meet at Cleveland on the second Wednesday in August, 1888,

Officers and executive board for National district assembly No. 185 were elected to serve until the next annual meeting.

NEW York, June 8.-The commissioners of emigration will at their meeting to-morrow take action on pauper immigration from Ireland. There are at present on Ward's Island more than 100 immigrants sent out by the British government.

Notice to Contractors.

Bids will be received by the under-signed until June 15 for the erection of a one story frame and brick basement church building with steeple, dimensions 36x62 feet. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of P. J. Creedon, ar-chitect, 3d floor opers house building. The rights are reserved to reject any or all bids. H. HANSEN. Box 359 Sec. Danish Lutheran Church