M'COOK'S REUNION OPENED. Thousands of Veteran Soldiers and Sailors

DESCRIPTION OF THE CAMP GROUNDS.

Throng the City.

Mayor Brewer's Welcome Address-Other Speeches-Prominent Persons Present-Arrangements for the Entertainment.

McCook, Neb., Oct. 6,- Special Telegram to THE BEE, |-The day opened clear and warm and the morning sun shining on Murdock's battery reminded every one that the Western Nebraska Soldiers' and Sailors' reunion was opened. The morning trains were loaded with members of the Grand Army of the Republic and all were taken care of by the various committees in waiting. The reunion grounds are on the slope overlooking the city. Every accommodation has been provided by the committees for the

The flyer brought in General McBride, Colonel Gade and many others, who were driven to the various hotels where dinner awaited them. At 2 p. m. the exercises were commenced on the grounds by a salute from the battery, and Mayor C. T. Brewer extended a hearty welcome to the visitors and the freedom of the city. He said: "Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, ladies and gentlemen . To the old soldiers' families and friends, and all who come to enjoy the festivities of this occasion, McCook extends a hearty welcome. Her desire is to extend honor to those patriotic mer. who, when their country was dishonored, went forth to battle in the cause of freedom and by that struggle, established on a firmer basis that government of the people, for the people and by the people, which we hope may never perish from the earth. Our triumphs of peace exceed those of war. We are, as a nation and people, more interested in the raising of grain and stock with which to feed the world and advance the happiness and civilization of mankind, than in raising and maintaining stand-ing armies to spread death and desola-tion among the children of men, as the military nations of the old world are doing. The trophies of our last campaign in this reunion district this year are fifty to seventy five bushels of corn per acre, twenty to forty of wheat and other cereals, and vegetables in proportion, and the victorious flag of pres-perity waves over every field on which there has been a struggle.

"The only shell to which we are, and have been exposed, is the pumpkin shell. This is a nation of peace in which the military power is always subordinate to the civil authority, and as mayor of this city I extend to you its freedom for the week, trusting you il enjoy yourselves, and should any of attempt to outrun our city marshal and get caught, you will find my latch key hanging

out for your protection."

The response was made by General J. C. McBride. In his usual happy vein he cailed the attention of his comrades to the splendid welcome given them by the city of McCook and promised on their behalf that they would do all in their power to merit the good opinion of their hosts.

The Daisy Stoddard band then rendered several of their excellent pieces. Dr. A. P. Welles, post commander of J. K. Barnes post, then expressed in a few words the hearty welcome of the post to the visiting comrades. Captain Murphin, in behalf of the visiting members of the Grand Army of the Republic, accepted the welcome and the camp was then turned over temporarily to Colonel Gage who will have command until tomorrow, when Commander Teters

Senator M. C. Quinn of Peoria, Ill. the day. made the address of the He called attention to the d of the nation's defenders and to the debt of gratitude that the country owes them and hoped that the day would never come when the nation would forget those boys in bive who preserved the integrity of the union and who, since the close of the war, have done much to make Nebraska the most magnificent state of the age in the whole universe. He declared that while Illinois will not admit that any state is her equal or any city can compare with her Chicago, still Nebraska in her twenty-three years, had pushed far to the front rank of states and for her age she has no equal. In his usual forcible mannor he showed that the poor German has come to this country without a dollar and in a few years has more land, thanks to the gen erous policy of the government, than the petty prince who lorded over him in Ger-He said it is not the thrifty farmer who is crying that the government is going to the dogs but the disappointed office seeker and the genuine American crank. In conclusion the speaker urged the Nebraska farmer to emulate that patriotism shown by the boys blue and push on and make Nebraska one of the greatest states in the union.
This evening, around the campfire, the

boys are renewing old acquaintances and cheering each other with the usual stories. An Escaped Prisoner Killed.

NERBASKA CITY, Neb., Oct. 6.- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-It developed today that the unknown young man who was killed at Union in this county early in August, was Joseph Perris, a prisoner, who broke jail in Madison county in company with Frank Clark. Perris and Clark were stealing a ride on the trucks of a passenger coach when Perris fell and was instantly killed. He was brought here and buried undentified. The whereabouts of his parents are unknown. Clark is still at large. He did not appear to recognize his dead companion while here on the night of the accident, but hurried out of stating that he and only mot Porris at Weeping Water,

Bonds for Eastern Investors.

UNIVERSITY PLACE, Neb., Oct. 6 .- | Spe rial to Tue Bee. |-At the council meeting tast night the first series of bonds issued by this city were sold at \$20 premium. They ronsist of four of \$1,000 each and are issued for funding outstanding indebtedness. They mature in ten years at 7 per cent interest. Mr. Imhoff of Lincoln was the purchaser. The same party bought the two series of school district bonds recently, amouting to \$17,500, maturing in twenty years, paying therefor \$17,500, maturing in twenty years, paying therefor \$350 premium. He is purchasing them for eastern investors.

Burglars at Blair.

BLAIR, Neb., Oct. 6 .- (Special Telegram to Tun Bur. |-Burglars succeeded in blowing the safe at the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway depot here last night. They broke into a bracksmith shop and stole tools with which they drilled into the door and used powder to force it epen. There was nothing in the safe and it was not locked. They left a note to the agent expressing their disgust at the dry hau and saying that if the agent would clear up the tier they would call it square, and signed it Sieux City Corn Palace.

Ponca Shooting Affray.

Ponca, Neb., Oct. 6.-[Special Telegram to Tun Bun. ] -- Ernest Savage, a sewing marhine agent, shot Richard Willard, a horse trader, with a 32-calibre revolver here The ball struck him on the forehead. today. illicting a severe but not dangerous wound It is claimed that the shooting was done by age in solf defense. Savage was arrested the time for his examination has not been

Beaver Valley's Exposition. WILSONVILLE, Nob., Oct. 6 .- [Special Telegram to Tue Beg. |- The third annual meeting of the Beaver Valley Harvest Home and

Exposition society opened here today. The grounds of the society are located in a grove south of town on the banks of Beaver river. The attendance today was not large, but the placing of farm exhibits and garden prod-ucts, machinery and other manufactured articles show that the gathering this year

will be a profitable one. Governor Thayer and ex-Governor Furnas are expected to be present. Eider Howe of Lincoln will address the people tomorrow and on Thursday. Other speakers are booked, among them being State Superiu-tendent Goudy and Captain Henry of Grand Island.

#### NEAL IS DOOMED.

Governor Thayer Gives His Decision

Against the Murderer. LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 6.- Special Telegram to Till Bur. |- Governor Thayer said this morning that Murderer Neal wished another interview with the chief executive, in his request for this second audience Neal declared that when the governor visited him before he (Neal) was under restraint and could not talk freely, as one of the deputy sheriffs was standing near by listening. He therefore insisted that the chief executive should visit him again so that he might have a private interview with him.

Governor Thayer at first concluded to grant the request, but changed his mind and sent his stenographer to Omaha taking the 2:40 over the Burlington. The train governor intimated that Neal had probably slightly exaggerated the truth when he declared that the deputy sheriff or death watch was listening to what was said. The governor said that while he was talking with Neal the two were at one end of the cell room, while the death watch was at the other end, fully fifteen feet away.

The governor's decision reached Omaha on the B. & M. train which arrived at 4:10. It was at once conveyed by special messenger, James Ferris, Governor Thayer's stenographer, to Sheriff Boyd at the Douglas county iall. Ferris reached the jailer's office just as 4:30 and at once turned over the package containing the decision to Sheriff Boyd.

Governor Thayer gives his reasons for not interfering in favor of the prisoner at considerable length.

The work of preparation for the hanging will be pushed forward and everything will be in readiness for the execution by Thursday night.

Neal was informed of his fate last even-

Adams County Fair. HASTINGS, Neb., Oct. 6.-|Special Tele-gram to THE BEE.|-This was entry day of the Adams County fair. On account of rains the entries are coming in very slowly, but all departments are well represented. Many very speedy horses are on the grounds, and

as the track has dried very rapidly some good races are expected. Seven hundred and fifty dollars in speed prizes is hung up for tomor Alleged Counterfeiters Jailed. BEATRICE, Neb., Oct. 6 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE. ]-James, Fred and Zeph Carpenter were given a hearing before United States Commissioner Cobbey this morning on the charge of counterfeiting in

Alliance Elevator Company. DUNBAR, Neb., Oct. 6-[Special to THE Elevator company held a meeting here last night to consider the resignation of M. Slemmons, now proprietor of the elevator. The election resulted in the choice of O. C. Baker

this city. The accused were found guilty

and in default of ball were taken to Omaha

who will take pessession next Monday Gening, Neb., Oct. 6 .- [Special to The BEE. |-The proposed western Nebraska reunion of ex-soldiers and sailors which was to have been held at this point, has been abandoned for the present season. The chief reason is the illness of Captain J. P. Finley,

#### chairman of the reunion organization. CANDIDATE BY PETITION.

Judge Applegate Not Satisfied with

the Convention's Action. BEATRICE, Neb., Oct. 6 .- | Special Telegram to Tue Bge. |-Judge Thomas Applegate, who was a candidate for renomination for judge before the republican judicial convention of the First district, which met in this city yesterday, will come out at the solicitation of his friends throughout the district as a candidate by petition. Judge Applegate's friends do not think he received fair treatment at the hands of yesterday's

Judge Chapman Nominated. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Oct. 6.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The republican udicial convention was held at the Hotel Watson tonight with a full attendance of delegates from Otoe and Cass counties.
Orlando Teft of Cass county presided and
William Pflaging acted as secretary. Judge
S. M. Chapman was nominated by acclamation, John C. Watson was made chairman

and Dr. N. R. Hobbs will represent Cass Later in the night a reception was given to Judge Chapman when speeches were made by preminent republicans.

of this district committee and named C. W. Seymour and Fred New, A. N. Sullivan

Independents in Convention. DUNBAR, Neb., Oct. 6 .- | Special to THE BEE. ] -A large number of independents were here at the opening of the district convention today. Representatives from Cass, Lan-caster and most of the alliances in Otoe county were present. Among the prominent speakers were Tond of Cass county, Senator Charles Van Wyck, and Shull, the campaign lecturer. Thomas B. Stevenson, a Nebraska City lawyer, was nominated for judge. Senator Peffer of Kansas addressed the mass meeting and will speak in Nebraska

Opened in Holt County. ATRINSON, Neb., Oct. 6 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- The opening of the campaign in western Holt county occurred at this place tonight. Hon S. H. Sorenson of ders county spoke in behalf of the ince-

Peffer at Nebraska City.

Nubles A. Cerr, Neb., Oct. 6 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. -As the court house tonight Senator Peffer addressed a very small assembly. The senator made a short speech, owing to the limited sttendance.

# TOOK MORPHINE.

Death of a St. Louis Drummer in a Kansas Toxn

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Oct. 6 .- J. H. Murray of Valley Falls, Man., died here today from the effects of an overdose of morphice. He was a drummer for Simon, Gregory & Co. of St. Louis, and registered at the Continental hotel last night. He was assigned to room No. 13, but he declined to occupy it, stating he dreaded to sleep in a room with that number. He was given another room. He did not appear about the hotel today, and at 2 o'clock a porter was sent to rouse him. Murray was found dead on the bed. By his side was a note in his handwriting stating that he feared he had taken an overdose of inorphine and giving directions as to the disposition of his body

should the everdese result fatally. Steamer Arrivals. At London, Sighted-Denia, Lahn and City of New York from New York, At Philadelphia-Lord Gough, At Antwerp-Rhyneland from New York,

At New York-Friesland from Autwerp.

COLUMBUS JUNCTION'S LOSS.

CELEBRATION OF GERMAN-AMERICANS.

structive Fire.

Fort Madison Thronged with Excursionists Despite the Threatening Weather-Twenty-Five Thousand in Line.

Columnus Junction, Ia., Oct. 6.-(Special

Telegram to Tue Beel-This city was visited

by a disastrous fire early this morning. The flames were discovered in a frame building recently occupied by a blacksmith. The building was situated in the center of the business portion of the city and closely surrounded by other buildings. The fire spread rapidly and on account of water being scarce and hard to get at, the firemen could do but very little towards checking the flames. The Washington fire department were telegraphed, but did not arrive until 2:50 a.m., too late to be of much assistance, The origin of the fire is unknown. The fol-owing firms suffered considerable loss; B. F. Stroh, furniture; G. F. Kein, harness; W. F. Stroh, furniture; G. F. Kein, harness; W. A. Carr, clothier; A. H. Parson, grocer; W. L. Ayers, jewelry; R. F. McConnell, books; Jones Bros., clothiers; New York store, dry goods; G. W. Breneman, butcher; S. Hearse, boots and shoes; A. O. Thompson, drugs; M. L. Love, millinery; I. C. Freeland, grocer; F. G. Coffin, furniture; Thomas Reany & Co., general store; Thompson & Kelly, hardware, Julia, Williams, millinery; R. G. Comin, furniture; Thomas Reany & Co., general store; Thompson & Keily, hardware; Julia Williams, millinery; G. J. Rich, barber; J. F. Grubb, postoffice; Krotchenberg, photographer; Charles Neal, photographer; P. A. Hartman, restaurant; Clark & Richley, agricultural implements; J. C. Mitten, deatist; J. B. O'Connor, livery; F. Foughton, billiard hall; F. Worthman, boots and shoes, and the newspaper offices of

the Gazette and Safeguard.

Many of the burned buildings were occuned by families living overhead who saved but few of their household effects. More than half of the business houses were swept away by the flames. only business place saved on the entire

oots and shoes, and the newspaper offices of

block was a drug store and the hardware and dry goods establishments of the Collins Bros. and the Louisa County National bank. A dozen business houses across the street and between it and the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern railway were swept away. It is impossible at present to give individual loss. The total loss is estimated at \$130,000 to \$150,000 mostly covered by insur-

### IOWA GERMAN-AMERICANS.

Twenty Thousand Celebrate at Fort Madison Despite Bad Weather.

FORT MADISON, Ia., Oct. 6 .- This city was given over entirely today to the German-Americans, who have througed here in great numbers in spite of the threatening rain. The trains coming in this morning were loaded down with excursionists, and the number of visitors in the city was 20,000, Governor Boies came in at 10 o'clock from Keokuk and was escorted to hotel by company F. Iowa National guards, of this place. The parade formed at 10:30 in the drizzling rain and consisted of carriages containing local committees, General Seige and Governor Boies, visiting delegates with bands, floats of business houses here and members of various Ger-man secret orders. The procession, which was about one mile long, proceeded o Central park where an elaborate programm had been arranged. Rain was falling rapidly at this point but it was determined to proceed with the programme. Dr. H. A. Stempe he president of the day made the openin address after which the singers of Darling ton and Ft. Madison rendered "Das is De-

Tag Des Hern." The keys of the city were delivered to President Stempel by Mayor framilton in neat speech. Governor Boles was then in troduced, but he made no speech, simply ter ing the people that he was here as one among a thousand to pay a tribute to the great Ger man hero. Then General Franz Siegel made a spirited and dignified address of an hour! ength. A few songs and short addresse oliowed and the great audience, covered wit umbrellas, went to dinner. In the afternoon he rain ceased falling and a concert wa given in the park by the various German singing clubs. "Die Wacht am Rhein" was rendered by the people and bands. This evening General Siegei held a public reception at the hotel. Fireworks were displayed on the Mississippi river and dancing was the order of the evening in many balls. In spitof the weather the fest is a great success.

Iowa Temperance Talkers. CRESTON, Ia., Oct. 6 .- [Special Telegram o THE BEE ] - The eighteenth annual con vention of the Iowa Women's Christian l'emperance union, held its first day's session here today. Many eminent woment of lows and neighboring states are in attendance and more are arriving on every train. Over 100 delegates are already here. what is known as the non-partisat division The address of welcome tonight was de ivered by Mrs. B. P. Snyder of Creston The response was by Mrs. M. E. Woodin of Adel. Mrs. Ellen Foster and Coionel W R. Heppurn will address the convention late n the week.

Celebrated at Creston. CRESTON, Ia., Oct. 6.- Special to TH BEE. |-The German-Americans celebrated he anniversary of the landing of their fore fathers in America here today. At 7 o'clock a drizzling rain commenced, but still a large

arriving on all trains and at noon there was upwards of 1,000 in line. The exercises were opened by a grand pa rade at 2 o'clock, after which addresses were made at the city hall by prominent speakers from all over the state.

number of Germans from abroad commenced

Female Partisans in Session. DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 6 .- [Special Tele gram to THE BEE. ] -The state convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of lows met in second annual convention here today for a three days' session. There was a small attendance at the opening, but delegates were arriving all day and the con-vention will be a large one. Mrs. M. Dunham of Burlington, president, delivered the annual address this afternoon. This is the partisan branch of the order.

They Fuse in the Fifth. CRESTON, Ia., Oct. 6 .- | Special Telegram to

THE BEE. |-Hon. W. H. Robb, editor of the Independent American of Creston and nomi nee of the people's party of the Fifth district for state senator, was today endorsed by the temocratic senatorial convention in sessio at Leon, by acclimation. Walked to His Death.

BUILINGTON, Ia., Oct. 6 .- | Special Tele gram to THE BEE. ]-A young man by the name of Tennant, night watchman at the Burlington rolling mills, got up in his sleep last night and fell down stairs, breaking his neck. He came from Newcastle, Pa., a few

days ago to work. Watches and Jewelry Stolen. DAVENPORT, Ia., Oct. 6 .- [Special Tele gram to THE BEE. |-Burglars entered Emer son & Co.'s general store last night and stole watches and jewelry to the value of \$500. No marks of entrance can be found and a key was evidently used.

Raided by Bargiars. MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., Oct. 6 .- [Special Pelegram to THE BEE. 1—The hardware store of John Anderson was raided by burgiars last night and \$500 worth of goods taken.

Caught on the Bridge. Avoca, In., Oct. 6 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. ] - James Charles of Underwood,

Ia., who was working with the bridge gang a unic east of here, was killed by a passenger train this afternoon. He was working on the bridge, and seeing the train, started to get off. The engine struck him, knecking him twenty or thirty feet. An Iowa Town Visited by a Very De-

OMAHA, WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 7, 1891.

Harrison County Republicans. LOGAN, In., Oct. 6 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- The republican convention held here today was the largest and most unanimous held here. Every township but Cal-houn was represented by full delegations. The following tieset was nominated: repre-sentative, D. Satterice: treasurer, C. J. Cul-iey: sheriff, Andrew Coulthard: superinten-dent, G. H. Demmen: surveyor, J. C. Mc-Cabe: coroner, F. L. Davis; member board of supervisors third district, John L. Cox.

Iowa Supreme Court in Session. DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 6 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. ] - The supreme court met this morning. A committee was appointed to examine the twenty-four applicants for admission to the bar. One opinion was filed as follows: Mars J. Bachr vs A. A. Clars, appellant, Pattawattumic district, affirmed. THAT PARIS FUND.

### Parnell and McCarthy Cannot Agree

to Its Distribution. LONDON, Oct. 6 .- Mr. John Dillon, M. P. has published the correspondence which has been going on between Mr. Parnell and himself, in which the latter proposes that Mr. Parnell should appoint two of his supporters and that Mr. Justin McCarthy should appoint two of his friends, the four appointers to form a committee to districute the Paris fund to the evicted tenants. The correspondence published shows that Mr. Parnell in replying to Mr. Dillon's proportion, refuses to agree to the appointment of such a commit e, insisting that he himself must consider the claims of the evicted tenants in conjunc-tion with Mr. McCarthy. Thus the matter of the distribution of the fund referred to is eft in an unsettled condition.

Messrs. Dillon, O'Brien and Healy ad

dressed a meeting at Thuris, near Tipperary, today. Some hostility was manifested towards the gentlemen referred to and they had to be protected by a force of 300 police. The speakers declared that they had finally abandoned making any further appeals to Mr. Parnell to help the evicted tenants.

### KING OF WURTEMBURG.

He Passes Away After a Protracted Illness.

STUTTGART, Oct. 6 .- The king of Wurtem burg died this morning. He has been ill for some time past and yesterday his condition became so critical that the last rites of the church were administered to him. During the night his condition became worse and his physicians stated that he could live but a

short time.

The new king, William H., presided at a cabinet council held here today. The lands-lanne, or "estates" of the realm will shortly be called together to take action on certain matters. In all of the streets of this city the reopie have draped their houses with mourning as a mark of sorrow at the death of the

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Fate of an Unknown Vessel Off the Scottish Coast. LONDON, Oct. 6 .- Off Newburg, Scotland, today a vessel was seen to be on fire. An explosion resulted and vessel and crew were plown to atoms.

Royalties at Copenhagen. Copenhagen, Oct. 6.—Tile czar and czar-ina, the king and queen of Greece and other members of the imperial family of Russia and the o yai family of Greece, arrived her today.

Thousands Dying of Starvation. St. Petersburg, Oct. 6.-Reports from Baku district and elsewhere are to the effect that thousands of persons are dying of starvation.

# FAMINE STRICKEN RUSSIA.

Measures Being Taken to Alleviate the Poor People's Distress. Boston, Mass., Oct. 6,-Cable advices from Russia, received at the Jewish colony ia the north end, say that entire states are being deserted on account of the famine They also assert that a new law has been made forbidding the sowing of seed this fall so that the acreage next year will not be sufficient for the home supply. Still less for export. So great is the distress that people have been driven to pillaging each other, first setting fire to villages and then robbing the inhabitants. By the united charities of the government and people a bisquet a day is allowed every individual in the famine district. The dis tress is a greater menace to the government than all the efforts of the nihilists. famine may cause a revolution which love o

liberty has failed to arouse. Aid is being sent in by the Holland Jews and nihilists of America. The latter have sent \$5,300. St. Petersburg, Oct. 6. - The Grashdanin announces that the officers of the Imperial guards have decided not to drink champagne at any of the regimental banquets and to contribute the money which would, in the usual course of events, have been so spent to the peasants of the famine stricken districts of Russia. All classes of citizens here, following the example of the czar, who has decided that no court ball will given during the coming season and that money usually spent for this purpose shall be devoted to the rollef of the sufferers by the famine in this country, have resolved to abandon all entertainments during the win-ter and to contribute the money thus saved to the fund for alleviating the the distress of the famisning people. Most of the public officials announce their intention to de tote a certain percentage of their salaries to the same purpose; workmen have decided to give a proportion of their humble wages, and even children will offer their little savings. even children will ofter their fittle savings.
Collections are to be taken up on every feast day in all the churches. The stream of relief is coming through wide channels, but the system of distribution, it is claimed, is very offerties.

#### defective. SWINDLED IN RASSAS CITY.

How a Sharper Beat a Guiless Mor mon Out of \$4,000. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 6 .- S. W. Ship nan, a young merchant of American Fork, U. T., was swindled out of \$4,000 in cold cash by a Mr. Smith in a cattle deal at the

stock yards yesterday. Shipman met Smith some time ago at his Utab home. Smith wanted to buy 200 cattle, Shipman had just that number to sell. Smith offered a good price. He did not have the money with him, be said, and of-fered to pay Shipman's expenses to Kansas City if he would come nere with him o sell the cattle. The cattle were shipped in Smith's name, who sold them, pocketed the noney and disappeared. about 25 years old and is a Shipman is about 25 years old and is a Mormon. His father is one of the wealthiest and most influential men in this section

of the country. Fatal End of an Onting. Enre, Pa., Oct. 6 .- Mr. Joseph Johnston, enior member of the wholesale grocery firm of Johnston & Brevisher, took his family out for an airing last evening. The carriage was capsized and Mrs. Johnston fell beneath her companion, Mrs. J. D. Clark, and was killed aimost instantly. Mrs. Clark was also pain-fully injured, as was Mr. Johnston. He is a man past 60 years of age.

Excitement Subsiding. KINGSTON, N. Y., Oct. 6. - Excitement over the Ulster County Savings bank trouble i gradually wearing away and business is get ting back to its normal condition. Examiner Judson thinks the stealings will not be ma-terially increased over \$463,000, the amount stated by him at first, and savs it will require two weeks to complete the investiga-

# DO NOT PRACTICE POLYGAMY.

Mormon Elders Take Exceptions to the Report of the Utah Commission.

DR. BRIGGS AND NEW YORK PRESBYTERY.

He Will Be Tried on the Charge of Heresy November 4-The Eucemenical Council-Bishop Dubs' Case.

SALT LARE, U. T., Oct. 6. -At teday's session of the Mormon conference a lengthy set of resolutious was adopted relative to the statement made by a majority of the Utah

commission in a recent report to the secretary of the Interior. The resolutions set forth that the commission made many untruthful statements concerning the church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints and the attitude of its members in relation to political affairs, etc. The grand conference in these resolutions denies most emphatically the assertion of the commission that the church dominates its members in political matters and that church and state are united.

Whatever appearance there may have been in the pass of the union of the church and state the cause was Isays the resolutions! that those holding ecclesiastical authority were elected to civil offices by the popular vote. There is no foundation or excuse for the statement that church and state are united in Utah or that the leaders of the church dictate to members on the political matters. Coercion nor any other influence whatever of an ecclesiastical nature has been exercised on us by our church leaders in reference to which political party we shall join, and we have been and are perfectly free to unite with any or no political party as we may individually select. The people's party has been entirely and finally dissolved and our feality henceforth will be to such national political party as seems to us best saited to the propriety of a republican covernment.

The resolution further declares that the matters and that church and state are united. The resolution further declares that the

embers of the conference do not believe there has been any polygamous marriages solemnized among the latter day saints during the period named by the commission, and denounces the statements which convey the idea that such marriages have been con-tracted as false and misleading. They pro-test against perversions of fact contained in the report of the commission and declare that the manifesto of President Woodruff forbidding future piural marriages was adopted at the last October conference in all sincerity and good faith, and "that we have every reason to believe it has been carried out in letter and spirit." The conference appeals to the press and people to accept its united declaration and protest and to give it publicity and aid in distributing truth, that falsehood may be re-futed and justice done to neople continually maligned and almost universally misunder

Following this, a declaration signed by President Woodruff, George Q. Cannon and Joseph Smith, was adopted, saying the com-mission's report of polygamous marriages was utterly without foundation in truth, and repeating in the most solemn manner the declaration made by President Woodruff at the last general conference, that there had been no plural marriages during the period named; that polygamy had not been taught and its practice had been strictly forbidden. After the usual election of officers, the

present incumbents being retained, the conerence adjourned.
The Salt Lake Tribune (Gentile) says the conference today resolved itself into some-what of a political meeting. The most prom-inent men in the councils of the church delivered addresses. The commission's report, says the Tribune, has stirred Mormondom to its depths, and the leaders, in an endeavor to counteract the influence the report will have on congress when their long enerished object of making Utah a state is presented, are moving beaven and earth. The Tribune asserts that the language of the speakers was such as to leave an doubt that direction of the church and that its ultimate

#### object was to achieve statebood. ECUMENICAL COUNCIL.

Notable Gathering of Methodists at Washington Today.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 6.-Tomorrow the seamenical Methodist council will begin its session in this city. Once before in the history of the church, founded 150 years ago in England by the Wesley brothers, have the branches springing from the parent stock come together and, laying aside all differences and avoiding all schismatic discussion. listened to the suggestions of the best men of all divisions and sought to find means to promote their own cause and the common good. That was in Lendon ten years ago and so fruitful was the seed then sown and ro abundant the ensuing harvest of good that it was resolved to assemble for conference at the expiration of every decade. The ouncil which convenes here tomorrow is therefore the second in the history of the Methodist church. All denominations and branches of this great church in all parts of the world will be represented by 500 delethe world will be represented by 500 delegates. No less than 200 of these are expected to come from the British division, the oldest wing of the Methodist church, including in its ranks, basides ecclesiastical dignitaries. many statesmen of renown and men of world wide scientific and legal ability. There wil wide scientific and regal doubty. There will also be delegates (representing twelve dis-tinct branches of Methodism) from France. Australia, Ireland, South Africa and the West Indies. Then, more numerous in sec-tional divisions, there will be 390 delegates from the New World. They represent sev-enteen branches of the Methodist church on this continent. The most radical differences to be noted

this continent. between the coming council and the one held in London is revealed in the list of subjects selected for discussion. In the first counci Methodism formed the principal topic of dis-cussion. In this council the programme has been diversified so as to touch upon questions of the day. Discussion of abstract eccles-iantical dogmas find small space, but whole days are set apart for the consideration of questions relating to temperance, education, nissions, Romanism, social problems, issues between capital and labor, the relation of Methodism to scientific thought and practical church work.

The council will be held in the Metropoli-tan Methodist Episcopal church, and the first session will begin at 10 o'clock to-Tonight the four permanent secretaries of

the conference were chosen by the ousiness committee. They are Rev. J. M. King, D.D., of New York; Rev. A. B. Rickman, D.D., of Ottawa: Rev. John Pond of London and Mr. Thomas Snappe of Liverpool.

#### BISHOP DUBS' CASE. His Trial Commenced Before the Con-

vention of Evange leaf Churches. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Oct. 6, -The session of the convention of the Evangelical church to day was a secret one. The business of the meeting was the further consideration of Bishop Dubs' caser At the request of the accused bisnop the deacons of the church and the lay delegates were all admitted to the session. Rev. W. F. Hill and Rev. A. M. Simsel were selected to act as attorneys for the defendant. The hearing of the evidence in the case will cupy the attention of the convention for an indefinite period, and it is uncertain when the determination of the meeting will be an nounced. The final decision in the case when the evidence shall have been heard. will be referred to the sentencing commit

# NEW YORK PRESBYTERIANS.

Dr. Triggs' Case bet for Hearing on November 4, Next. New York, Oct. 6.-The New York presbyters resumed its session this morning. After some routine work had been disposed

of, Rev. A. Shiland of pointed to answer Dr. B II, arese and read his re, Dr. Briggs interrupted w asking that in a spirit of fair play read, and it was read. Dr. Bircely, chairman o. committee, announced that protecuting. serve Dr. Briggs with a copy he indict-ment and by arrangement with accused the trial had been set for Weanesday, Nov-

onter 4.

The trial will be public, in all probability, although the manner of conducting the trial s yet to be decided.

The following committee on revision of the the following committee on revision of the confession of faith was appointed, to report at the November meeting: Ministers Van Dyke, Spenning, Marting, Kerr, Rossiter, Forbes and Chapin, Eiders T. G. Strong, M. W. Dodo and E. W. Dodge.

Sufeide at Ouray. DENVER, Colo., Oct. 6 .- A special from Ourny, Colo., says: Mrs. John Warner, formerry of Des Moines, Ia., suicided by jumping into the river near here last night. Iil health is the reason assigned for the act.

MADE AN APOLOGY.

Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen Take the Lodge Back. GALESBURG, Ill., Oct. 6,-This morning's session of the convention of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen was taken up with the case of lodge 126, Grand Forks, N. D. This edge, some time after the Northwestern difficulty, sent out circulars condemning the course of Grand Master Wilkinson. This was done without his knowledge and was in violation of the constitution, which provides that the the circulars must be submitted to and be approved by the grand master. Mr. Wilkinson deprived the lodge of its charter. The lodge sent a delegation to the convention. On the hearing this morning the delegation made an apology for the lodge and said the lodge had been misinformed by the press reports and Trainmen's Journa and other railroad papers as to the facts. The convention unanimously sustained the position taken by the grand master, the apology was accepted, the lodge reinstated and the delegates seated.

Mr. Wilkinson, in his annual report, in alluding to the discharge of the 400 switchmen on the Northwestern road and the filling of their places with brotherhood men, says they distinctly advised against the brothergood men taking the places of the switch

E. O. Ogden, chairman of the general grievance committee on the Northwestern arrited last night with the reports of the pro ceedings of the grievance committee to show that Mr. Wilkinson's connection with the affair has been misrepresented.

At the secret session in the afternoon the charge of defamation of character, made by Editor Rogers of the Tranmen's Journal, was taken up, but after a lengthy discussion Rogers withdrew the charge with the under-standing that Sheehan should prefer the charges against him later. Then the trustee question came up. Grand Master Wilkinson in a speech of two hour's duration contended he had the constitutional right to discharge the old board. He went over the entire ground, being interrupted many times with questions which were generally ruled out of rger. He spoke of the unconstitutional acus of the old board, their usurpation of author-ity and "their incompetency in examing the books and affairs of theb rotherhood."

### MAKING A TEST CASE.

Legality of San Francisco's Grand Jury to Be Tested in Court. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 6,-Attorney General Hart today filed in the supreme court or a writ of review test the validity of the present grand jury This is in connection with the Chute case The court ruled that the province of the supreme court was to decide cases and not

answer questions. The a application was dismissed. The attorney general's Edgar Haymond, nephew of Creed R. Hay mond, was fined \$500 and scutenced to five days' imprisonment by Judge Wallace for refusing to answer the grand jury's sum-mons on the ground that it was not a legal body. He applied for a writ of habeas corpus. Chief Justice Beatty after half an hour's consultation with the other justices issued a writ returnable Thursday. Raymond is acting in the case as a friend of the grand jury, having refused to appear before it solely for the purpose of getting the supreme court to decide the ques-tion whether a witness can question the

#### legality of the present grand jury. SUNK IN THE MISSISSIPPI.

Foundering of the Steamer Chickasaw-No Lives Lost.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Oct. 6.-The steamer Chickasaw, of the Memphis & White River Packet company, sank this morning at 4 o'clock at Cat Island crossing, sixteen miles below this city. All hands were saved. She had 580 bales of cotton on board and was on her way to Memphis. The Chickasaw was under the command of Captain E. C. Postai. The sunken steamer, from her position, is liable to break in two and prove a total wreck The Chickness was built eight years ago it the Jeffersonville, Ind., docks at a \$40,000. Last summer she received \$5,000 worth of repairs and was regarded as one of the best money making boats on the river. She was the chief of the Memphis and Arkansas City packet line and plied the White

The boat was insured for \$20,000. The owners of the Chickasaw are Captain James H. Rees, Ed Postal of this city and Colonel Sam Brown of Pittsburg, Pa. otton was fully insured in the boat's open

# OHIO CAMPAIGN.

McKinley and Campbell Preparing to

Convince Voters. CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 6.-There will be an armistice tomorrow between the contending powers of the republican and democratic forces in Ohio. The champions, Governor Campbell and Major McKinley both rest in order to be better prepared for the grand contest in the joint debate at Ada, O., on Thursday afternoon. Governor Campbell spoke in Hamilton, O., today. Tomorrow he will be in Columbus in his office, and will leave Columbus in time to reach Ada on Thursday. Major McKinley will go home to Canton tonight, where he will map the outlines of his part of the debate. The deoate begins at 1:30 p. m. Governor Campbell won the opening and closing address by a toss of a coin.

# MRS. CLEVELAND'S BABY

W. C. T. U. of New York Adopt a Resolution Concerning Her. NEW YORK, Oct 6 .- At a meeting of the

Woman's Christian Temperance union today this resolution was adopted: Resolved. That we most cordially congratu-late Mrs. Frances Cieveland on the birth of her daughter and earnestly hone and trus-that she may be spared to rear her up to womanisod as staunch a friend and as fire and fearless an example of total abstinence as she herseif proved when she was lady of the land.

The resolution was declared out of order, but by a special vote was referred to the committee on resolutions.

# DISCOURAGING REPORTS.

Wheat in North Minnesota and North Dakota in Bad Condition.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 6 .- There is a great deal of alarm among elevators and grain buyers regarding the wheat of North Minnesota and North Dakota. Colonel A. C. Morton, the Fargo export buyer writes this personal letter to a freind here:

The recent outlook for a portion of this crop, not less than 40 per cent of it, is decidedly squally. Of all the grain rale of in North Diston fully that persontage is today in the shock and no small portion of it is sprouting. If this weather continues the stuff will be rotten, worthless, unfit even for hog feed.

Severe Gales and Serious Disasters Reported from Many Seaports.

CHILLING BLASTS OF WINTER,

VESSELS WRECKED ON THE IRISH SEA.

Wind, Rain and Snow Storms in Vark ous Sections-The First Touch of Winter Felt in the Northwest.

Livenpoot, Oct. 6 .- A terrific gaie prevalled in the Irish sea last night. A dispatch from Holyhead states that three vessels were wrecked near that port. Numbers of people gathered on the shores in the vicinity of the wrecks and there was much excitement nanifested as the life savers put off from the land and when they returned bearing the crews of the ship. The storm is increasing in violence. It has now reached the force of a hurricane and its area is extending.

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 6.—A special cable-gram received here from Bermuda says; A tremendous wind and rain storm has been raging around Bermuda for two days and incoming steamers report having experienced very rough weather. It took the mail steamer Duart Castle seven days to make the run from St. Thomas to Bermuda. The captain reports having encountered the most tempestuons weather and the most mountainous seas that he ever before encountered in all his long experience. The steamer ran short of coal and with difficulty resched port, having to burn the vessel's woodwork.

Havana, Oct. 6.—The barometer now reg-isters 753 60-100 millimetres. Senor Vines, the well known Cuban meteorologist, says that the present extensive area of low pres-sure, together with the incessant falling of the mercury, give rise to the fear than another cyclone centre is forming to the south-east of Havana and that the island of Cuba is

east of Havana and that the Island of Cuba is in danger of being visited by a storm of more or tess severity.

Nederska Citt, Neb., Oct. 6.—[Special Telegram to The Ber.]—The first snow of the season fell today, accompanied by siect, hall and rain. The weather is cool and the frost this morning was heavy.

Herron, Neb., Oct. 6.—[Special to The Ber.]—There was a heavy fall of rain here today accompanied by very cold weather.

BEE. |- There was a nearly fail of rain here today accompanied by very cold weather.

BEATHICE, Neb., Oct. 6. - [Special Telegram to THE BEE.] - There was a light snow fall here last hight and for a few moments this morning. It disappeared directly after failing. Today has been the coldest of the season and is growing much colder this even-St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 6.—A dispatch from Luverone, southern Minnesota, says it is

snowing there today and work in the fields

ias been suspended. Kansas Cirt. Mo., Oct. 6.—Snew began

to fall here at 9 this morning and continued for about an nour. This is the first snowfall here of the season. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Oct. 6.—The first snow of the season fell here this afternoon.

Shown Fallas, S. D., Oct. 6.—[Special Telegram to The Ber.]—The first snow fall of the season broke loose this morning. The flakes were large and heavy, but as the ground was very warm they quickly melted. The thermometer registered 51° above. Re-

ports from a dozon different towns within a radius of one hundred miles record a snow MILLER, S. D. Oct. 6.—Considerable snow and sleet fell here yesterday with some rain.

# The weather is very cold.

WILLIAM HENRY SMITH DEAD. ury Passes Away. London, Oct 6 .- Rt. Hon. William Henry

Smith, first lord of the treasury and government leader in the commons, who has been ill for some time, died this afternoon. Mr. Smith was one of the representative ous ness men of England, and is popularly reputed to have left a fortune of about \$10,000,000. Mr. Smith made favorable progress toward recovery until yesterday, when ie became worse and suffered a great deal of pain owing to the recurrence of gout. This norning Mr. Smith's condition became critical and hadied at 3 p. m. Rt. Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, M. P. for East Manchester and chief secretary for Irsiand, will succeed the late Mr. Smith as conservative leader in the house of commons if the influence of the powerful Cariton club and the opinion of the conservative party, as a whole, rules in the decision to be made by Lord Satisbury. On the other hand, if the negotiations now pending for a reconstruction of the cabinet, based on the absorption of the liberal unionists, are effected, Rt. Hon. Georgo J. Goschen, chan-

cellor of the excusquer, will claim the leadership.

An intimate friend of Mr. Goschen informs the Associated press correspondent that Lord Salisbury, during a critical period in the history of the coalition between the conservatives and the liberal unionists, gave a writ-ten assurance that Mr. Goschen should have the leadership of the conservative party in the house of commons in the event (then a possibility owing to Mr. Smith's state of health and the rumor that he was about to be raised to the peerage) of the retirement of

the first lord of the treasury from that posi-Mr. Gladstone has wired the following niessage of condolence to the relatives of Mr. Smith: "I have received with grief the news of Mr. Smith's death. I shall long retain a recollection of his kindly nature, fine qualities and distinguished devotion to the public service."

The liberals have decided to contest the parliamentary seat for the strand made vacant by the death of Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith was born in London. June 24, 1815, lie was a son of the famous booksolier, publisher and news agent of the Strand, and on becoming of age he was taken into partnership by his father. He was elected to the house of commons for the first time in 1803 and head his seat until 1885. He was financial secretary of the treasury from February, 1874, till Aurust 8, 1875, when he was appointed first ford of the admiratty, in succession to the late Mr. Ward Haut. He went out of office on the retirement of the conservatives in April, 1880, and was appointed secretary of state for war in 1880 on the formation of the conservative government in June of that year. On the resignation of Sir William Hart Dyke in January, 1886, Mr. W. H. Smith was appointed chief-secretary for Ireland, but the Salisbury government fell immediately afterwards, and he only he d the appointment for six days. In Lord Salisbury's second administration he was appointed secretary of the state for war. When the ministry was reconstructed on the resignation of Lord R. Churchill, Mr. Smith became first lord of the treasury and leader of the house of commons.

# UNION PACIFIC OPPOSED.

St. Joseph Demands a Change in One of Ital Branches.

St. Joseph, Mo., Oct. 6.-President James H. Benedict of Boston, representing the secand mortgage bondholders of the St. Joseph & Grand Island rallway, arrived here today and met the directors of the Board of Trade in relation to the road. For eighteen months past the road has been under Union Pacific management and has steadily gone backward, and President Benedict's visit is for the purpose of wresting the road from the hands of that company. He stated at the meeting that the time for action had now arrived; that the Union Pacific was in bad straits and had defaulted on the bonds, in consequence of which it was time for the stock-holders to take the Grand Island out of its hands in order to save the property. He asked the Board of Trade to protest against the present management in writing and he would present it at the coming meeting of the irrectors in Boston. The result of the meeting today will be the

placing of the Grand Island under inde-pendent management with General L. D. Tutbill as general manager and the removal of the general offices from Omaha to the