# THE OMAHA DAILY BEE.

# TWENTY-FIRST YEAR.

# OMAHA, SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 28, 1891.

bushels of December wheat and 15,000 bushels of May coro, against loss on which they are protected by ample margins.

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# MILLS LEADS FOR SPEAKER.

How the Next House Will Probably Ee Crganiz d.

JERSY MURPHY'S VERY UNIQUE PLEA.

Fight Between Crisp and the Man from Texas Growing Daily More B.tter-Position of Other Candidates.

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE, ] 513 FOURTBENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.

It is the judgment of the best informed men in Washington that Mr. Mills will be elected speaker, ex-Congressman Kerr of Pennsylvania clerk, ex-Congressman Yoder of Ohio sergeant-at-arms and James Fisher of Virginia postmaster. There is no opposition to the re-election of Mr. Milburn, the blind preacher, as chaptain, Mr. Milburn was the chaplain in the last democratic house and succeeded in securing his re-election in the last congress which was republican. The candidacy of exCongressman Jerry Murphy of Iowa for the position of sergeant-atarms excited the dullest risibles in town. Jerry made the greatest failure of the century as a member of the house and his managers are putting forth as a claim for this position the fact that he has the most brilliant crop of whiskers of any congressman from the prairie states except Senator Peffer of Kan-5119.

"These Springer cigars are pretty bad," said Thomas Coakley, one of the Tammany braves, as he entered the Springer headquar-ters today. There were no eigars on the table and the air was not laden with eigar smoke so that Coakley's remark is taken to indicate that if Mr. Springer intends to run a headquarters with regulation western fervor he would have to provide the usual adjuncts. The Illinois man has twice as many callers at his headquarters than any other candidate. The attention he is receiving has become so marked that the friends of other candidates concede that the Illinois ranks are putting more ginger into their fight than those of any other locality. The - personal conflict between Mills and Crisp is becoming so bitter that the impression is growing that they will kill each other off and make room for a contest between Springer and McMillan.

#### Result of Carlisle's Letter.

Senator Carlisle's letter in behalf of Milis Senator Carlislo's letter in behalf of Mills has brought out a hot personal retort from Senator Pugh of Alabama. Springer is also profiting by the sectional feeling between the north and the south. He is not encour-aging this sectionalizing, but the old Yankeo feeling against 'Kebels' inures to Springer's benefit in spite of him. Hatch of Missouri has practically drouped out of the race. He was supposed to be the "farmers' candidate." was supposed to bothe "farmers' candidate," but he has failed to make use of this loverage and has given no indication that he will come

and has given no indication that he will come on the field. Editor Wedderburn, who runs a grange paper and has been looking after Hatch's in-terest among the grangers, said tonight: "I can get no word from Hatch as to when he will be here, and it is almost useless for him to come into the contest now, for he will be too late. We had circulars prepared for all grange offices throughout the coun-try, asking them to send to the members of congress to help Hatch but we have failed to hear from him and it is now too late to send out the circulars. This narrows the fight down to the 'big four,' made up of Mills, Crisp, Springer and McMillan."

who are under obligations in having secured WERE CAUGHT SHORT ON CORN who are under obligations in having secured the convention this year for Minucapolis. North Dakota postmasters were appointed today as follows: Coyle, Brule county, F. Collings, vice S. Morgan, resigned; Ree Heights, Hand county, C. L. Willetts, vice G. Shiptou, resigned; Richards, Buffalo county, H. N. Cleven, vice G. N. Wentworth, resigned. resigned

Assistant Secretary Chandler today re-versed the decision of the commissioner of the general and office, in the case of Jorn H. Crosson against John Encerlee of McCook county, Nebraska, and Enderlee's entry will

county, Nebraska, and Enderlee's entry will probably be cancelled. Application for authority to organize the First National bank of Gottenburg, Neb., with a capital of \$20,000, has been filed with the comptroller of the currency by C. W. Lloyd and his associates of Gottenburg. P. S. H.

#### OCEAN MAIL CONTRACTS LET.

# Acceptance of Bids Announced by

the Postmaster Ganeral. WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27 .- The post master general today announced the acceptance of bids for carrying United States mails on ocean routes under the act of March 3, 1891, as follows:

William Hughes, New York City-Be-tween New York and Buenos Ayres, touching at Montovideo, Uruguay, once in three weeks: vessels second class; compensation \$2 per outward mile. New York and Cuba Mail Steamship com-

pany-Service between New York and Tux-pan, Mexico, via Havana; Progresso and Havana once a week; vessels third class; \$1 per outward mile. New York and Cuba Mail Steamship com-pany-Service New York and Havana; once

a week; vessels third class; \$1 per outward John B. Clark, Chicago, Ill .- Service be-

tween Galveston and La Guayara, returning by Curacoa, San Ivella, Carthagena and olon; three times a month; vessels fourth

class; 66% cents per outward mile. Bouton, Bliss & Dallett, New York-New York and Guayara, by Curacoa and Puerto Clabello, three times a month: vessels third class; discussion of the second mile. class; \$1 outward mile.

Pacific Mail Steamship company-New York and Colon, three times a month; vessels third class; \$1 outward mile. The same company-Service between San Francisco and Panama, touching twice each

month, going and returning, at San Diego, Cal., Matzatian, San Bias Manzanillo, Acapulco, Port Angel, Saina, Cruz, Tonala, San Benito, Ocas, Champerico, San Jose, Acajutia, La Libertad, La Union, Amapalia, Corinto, San Juan and Punta Arenas. These vessels are to make a trip three times a month and are to be of the fourth class, first three years. During the remaining seven years the service is to be made once a week in vessels of the third class. Compensation, 66% cents per outward mile for vessels of the fourth class and \$1 per outward mile for years

fourth class, and \$1 per outward mile for vessels of the third class. The same company—San Francisco and Hong Kong, by Yokohama, every twenty-eight days; vessels third class; \$1 outward mile, The contracts are all for a term of ten years, except between Galveston and La

Guavara, which is five years. Five other bids were received, but they were all rejected because of irregularity in not complying with the terms of the adver-tisement cailing for bids.

# RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE INCREASE.

#### General Superintendent White Makes His Annual Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.-James E. White, general superintendent of the rail, way mail service, has submitted his annual report to the second assistant postmaster general. It shows that the mails were carried on 159,518 miles of railway in the United States. The total number of cars under con-trol of the department is 2,891. At the close of the fiscal year under review there were

Failure of Field, Lindley, Welcher & Company of New York.

INSANITY OF THE HEAD OF THE FIRM.

Failure of the Firm Has Little | ffect on the Market-Mental Condition of E. M. Field Responsible for the Failure.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 .- Field, Lindley Welchers & Co., bankers and brokers, assigned today without preferences. The failure was announced on the Produce exchange at noon, but the grain markets were only slightly affected. The house is an old one, but it has latterly been somewhat restricted in its dealings. The fallure is attributed to the rise in corn at New York and Chicago. The firm had been protecting some large lines of corn from the S. V. White deal. It had been on the short side of the November market and a few days ago had to cover 500,000 ushels. The firm's operations were mainly

in Chicago, but to some extent here. Other articles have gone against the firm, it is said, especially coffee. Just how much of an amount the firm fluds itself unable to pay is not vet clear. statement of the Assignce.

Assignce Gould, when seen at the firm's office this afternoon, said: The assignment was made for this reason.

Edward M. Field, senior member of the firm, had apparently gone distracted. His illness resembles incipient parcsis and is due to overwork and the great responsibility rest-ing upon him as manager of the finances of the firm. His physician told me a few days ago that Field was not right in his mind. Field, having sole management of the funds of the firm, it became necessary to get from him their condition, so I went, in company with other members of the firm, to his residence and tried to find out how things stood. We failed, nowever, to obtain from him any light on the situation, as his mind would continually stray away from the subject. An assignment then became imperative in order to protect the firm and its cus-tomers. I can't say how the firm stands. I hope the assets will exceed the habilities, but just now I cannot say. Much of the firm's money has been used for the promotion of an

enterprise in which it is interested and which promised great results. This money, I am confident, is secured beyond peradven-Many of their customers also hold securi-

ties in this enterprise and they may rest assured that they are all right. The firm did a general banking and brokerage business and is represented on the floors of the stock, produce and coffee ex-changes. This assignment is wholly due to the causes which I have designated and is not in any way the result of losses caused by speculation. I am of the opinion that every

thing will come out all right in the end.

Pinchel in a Corner. The firm is generall believed to have been hurt by a corner in November corn, of which their principal customers are said to have been short on August 1. The credit of the firm was rated at from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000. Sidney Dillon, president of the Union Pa-cine Kaliroad company, ex-Judge John F. Dillon, coursel of the company, and General

Didge, large stockholders, were at the office of Field, Lindley & Co., waiting for some one to show up and sell them of the condition of certain Union Pacific securities held by the firm for loans. These gentlemen have

PEIXOTTO PROMISES PEACE Another Mani'esto from the New Brazilian President.

prighted 1811 by James Gardon Hennett. 1 RIO JANERIO, Brazil (via Galveston, Tex.), Nov. 27 .- By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE.]-General Floriano Peixotto, the new president of the Brazilian republic, has issued another manifesto, in which he appeals to the people of the state of Rio Grande do Sul to cease all further revolutionary proceedings. He assures them and all Brazilians that the resignation of Dictator da Fonseca will result in benefit to the country, as it avoided the shedtling of blood, President Peixotto also promises to reduce the national expenses and

to re-establish the credit of Brazil. A conference of the army and navy officials was held today to devise means for the preservation of order throughout the republic The military tribunal issues a proclamation in which it guarantees to protect the life of Fonseca.

The newspaper offices that supported Fouseca have been sacked by an enraged mob. There are seventy cases of yellow fever here daily.

Dr. Assiz Bruzil, president of the late provisional junta of Rio Grande do Sul, has been appointed governor of that state. His appointment is a most popular one. It can be safely said that the revolution in Brazil is at an end.

President Peixotto announces the successful completion of a reciprocity treaty with the Argentine republic.

#### Politics in Argentine.

[Copyrighted 1891 by James Gordon Bennett.] BUENOS AVRES, Argentine (via Galveston, Tex.), Nov. 27.- By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE. |-The supporters of Generals Roca and Mitre for the presidency held a meeting yesterday with the object of coming to an amicable understanding. Nothing came of the conference, and it closed leaving matters in the same unsettled state. The officials throughout the Argentine republic are said to be in hearty sympathy with General Mitre's candidacy, and he will probably be elected to succeed President Pellegrini, If such turns out to be the case, the adnerants of General Roca will in all probability start a revolution.

The country round about Rosario is in fested by bands of robbers, who are actively engaged in pillaging houses and holding up people on the highways. Gendarmes have been sent in pursuit of the brigands, with instructions to show them very little mercy ANOTHER CHARLIE ROSS STORY.

#### Once More a Clue to the Missing Boy \*Turns Up.

CONTLAND, N. Y. Nov. 27 .- The death at New York of George Stratton, who tried to break Succi's fasting record, has brought to light the fact that Sheriff Borthwick and the father of the missing Charine Ross have been seeking for two years, andentify an adopted son of Stratton with Charlie Ross. Sheriff Borthwick told this story yesterday:

"It is not generally known that Stration was a married man. He separated from his wife, who is now in Minnesota, many years ago. The separation was caused by Stratton introducing into the family a boy whom he said he had adopted. Mrs. Strat-

receptions during the coming season. Sir William, accompanied by friends, has been soon at several clubs recently, and he ob-viously intends to push society to grant him ANOTHER JUST LIKE AH SIN. recognition. China's Ambassador to France is Childlike CAPRIFI WILL NOT RESIGN.

and Bland in His Way.

HE KNOWS HOW TO DODGE A QUESTION.

Can't Tell Anything About the Trouble in North China-French Princes Anxious to Leave Paris-France in Africa.

holding office, and doctared that he intended to remain at his post as long as the emperor was pleased to retain his services. This [Capyrighted 1891 by James Gordon Bernett.] PARTS, Nov. 27,-|New York Herald Cable with applause. -Special to THE BEE, |-Hsu-Fu-Tscheng, eral dissitistaction throughout the country, but it was not the fault of the present govthe Chinese ambassador, arrived here this evening at the same time as the news of the revolt in North erament. It was an inheritance from Prince Bismarck's system. He condemned the ex-travagance shown in the military and navat China. I called on his excollency at the estimates, but approved the conclusion of commercial treaties, to which he said the Chinese legation. He told me he knew nothing of what had happened. He appear to be Freisinnige party would give its strongest better skilled in the art of evasion than the European diplomatists. It is said there was an official communication with the ambassafuted the reproaches uttered against the lors of France and Russia. government on account of its so-called vac-cllating policy. Truth and frankness, he said, were the best methods in foreign poli-

Pekin does not appear to be very happy over the first news of the entente between France and Russia, and it is noved that Europe will be satisfied with Chinese good will. The Chinese ambassador says that his government has given a new proof of its ex cellent intentions in the reception given to the representatives of France and Russia. It did not take place in the ordinary salon, but in the grand salon of the imperial palace. If the Chinese government desires to prevent European action by such means as this it sadly deceives itself.

Austria always looks on the gloomy side, Horr Falk, in speaking on the war budget, said that the situation in Europe gave ground for fears. All the powers did not accept the present division of Europe. Prince Windesiligroetz asked the usual question about the temporal powers of the pope, and was told that the same conditions

still prevailed. The princes of the ancient families that once reigned in France do not find Europe quite to their taste. Prince Henri d' Oreans is going to Tonkin. He lately made a voyage to Central Asia and returned to Europe with a taste for colonizing. He wishes to serve his country at a distance. That is better than running after a singer, like his cousin. But still some of them remain in

capable military leaders and no oth ir nation had such chances for the next war. The question of the increase of population, France. The government has received news from Africa. The ruler of Morroco has sent said the chancellor, would be considered dur ing the coming winter. Referring to the movements of troops on the Russian and emissaries into the Tonet, who have succeeded in stirring up the tribes there. The French frontiers, the chancellor said that insurgent Arab chiefs defy the French government. If France is to protect its friends spect probably exceeded her duty. much auxiety prevailed because Russia had dispatched an army corps to a place us near it must send an expedition into the "Fonet and must make every effort to maintain its to the German frontier as Coblentz was to influence in Africa.

he Russian frontier. The chancellor, on referring to his journey Chancellor von Caprivi made some declarto Russia with Emperor William, said he knew that the interview between the two emperors had given great satisfaction to ations today in the reichstag. Germany, he said, was not afraid of war at present. She was quite capable of taking care of horself, Russia. Nothing, he said, could shake his conviction that the personal intentions of the czar were the most pacific in the world. no matter by whom she was attacked. The ezar, he said, was destrous of peace, and as for the French government -that was able to HANGED A PETTY OFFICER. restrain the feelings of the French people.

Germany was strong enough to increase her British Soldiers Take Revenge by army quite as much as her neighbors were. JACQUES ST. CERE.

British Soldiers Take Revenge by Stringing Up a Tyrannical Corporal. LONDON, NOV. 27.—There was much ex-citement at the horse guards today upon in-telligence received from Aldershot, where is telligence received from Aldershot, where is pay the sam and stuck to his original offer situated the great military camp and bar-It was finally agreed that the of \$5,000. racks, that a spirit of mutinous insubordin tective" should deliver the child for that ation was prevalent in one of the regiments Copyrighted 1991 by New York Associated Press. Mr. Beals told the police and detectives stationed at that place. It is believed this affair is not due to any feeling against the army regulations or rations served, but is entirely the result of the feeling entertained that he had pledged his honor that the deliverer of the child should not be, reested while engaged in the carrying out of his part of the by the privates of the Second battalion, the prince of Wales Leinster regiment (Royal ontract and ordered them positively not to nterfere with his plans, and they did not. Caledonians) against a corporal who had taken advantage of the little authority en-Returned the Child. trusted him to make life as unpleasant as ossible for those placed under him. By his petty tyrannies the corporal rendered him-

elf obnoxious to the men, who made com-

plaints to the higher officers which were not

So bitterly angry did the privates become

against the corporal that they concluded the

only way to avenge themselves was to kill

Fortunately for the corporal he had been

before he can resume his duties. In any

event, it is thought he has been taught

The military authorities are making

trenuous efforts to find out the perpetrators

but thus far they have been unable to dis-

Twenty-Six Bodies Recovered.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 27 .- Detailed ac-

counts of last Tuesday's railroad accident on

the Orel de Graise line, by which over twenty

persons lost their lives, are now being re-

ceived here. Twenty-six bodies have already

been recovered from the river into which the

DISASTERS ON THE LAKES.

Many Vessels Reported to Have Been

Sunk-Loss of Life.

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 27.-Several shipping

disasters are reported from up the lakes to-

day. The steam barge Oswegatchie, lumber

laden, left Alpena Tuesday night with the

barge H. C. Potter and the schooner McBrier

in tow. When off Sturgeon Point the Oswe

gatchie got in a heavy sea and soon sprung i leak. The barges were cut adrift. It is re

ported that the steam barge went down with

cars fell, and the work of extricating the

uspended in the air. The free end

noticed.

esson

over who they are.

remains is still proceeding,

He Will Hold Office as Long as the

Emperor is Willing.

was present at the session of the reichstag

today and in a short speech he referred to

the rumors which have been circulated that

he intended to resign his position as imperial

chancellor. He said that these rumors were ridiculous. He was by no means tired of

Herr Rickert declared that there was gen-

support. Chancellor von Caprivi followed. After denying that he intended to resign, he re-

tics. The kaiser's journey to Russin, he continued, had established friendly inter-course between the two monarchies, but

no political matters had been discussed between them. The press had indulged in too much drumming and trumpeting in re-

gard to the visit of the French fleet to Cron-stadt, which had engendered on the other

side a wish for more drumming. The post tion of France and Russia toward the droi-bund had not changed. All that happened

at Crenstadt was that the existing conditions

ecame manifest. But there was no need of

ineasiness. The czar's intentions were most

Referring to the state of general arma

nent in Europe, the chapcellor said that this

the resolves adopted by peace congresses. It was, however, a matter of satisfaction that the general preparedness for war had in creased the desire for peace.

In East Africa, Germany still had a long task to fulfill. "She had been obliged to have recourse to the doubtful plan of a lottery,

but Germany's possessions in Africa were ten times more important than those of Eng-

and, with which nation Germany had not

There was no cause for uncasiness on ac

count of the army, although a certain mili-tary pessimism had lately become apparent. The world's habit of estimating the worth of

an army according to its numbers was wrong. Germany never before possessed so many

lermany, as well as Austria, had in this re-

Too

of the

pacific.

accoment by the chancellor was greeted

BERLIN, Nov. 27 .- Chancellor von Caprivi

RETURN OF "JUNIOR" BEALS.

Kansas City's Kidnaped Child Restored to His Overjoyed Parents.

L = E KING, THE ABDUCTOR, ARRESTED.

Thousand Dollars Paid by Mr. als to Her Accomplice and No Questions Asked-He Had Made a Contract. -

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 27.- Thanksgiving day, a day of rejoicing, was transformed into a day of sudness for David T. Beals and his family. His 2-year-old boy was kidnaped and held for ransom.

Today, one of sorrow, for the family, was transformed into a day of gladness. The child was recovered.

A Thanksgiving reunion of the Beals family took place yesterday at the house of Mr. David T. Beals, a wealthy banker of this place and a capitalist well-known throughout the west. Mr. Beals, who is 62 years old, is the father of two pretty children, a girl, aged 4, and a 2-year-old boy, David T. Beals, jr., or "Junior Bese" as the boy calls himself, the only boy of the family and the particular pride of his father.

While the older members of the family were just finishing their dinner, at 7 o'clock in the evening, Mr. Beals' two children and one of his granuchildren were making merry in the hall. Suddenly the childish glee ceased and almost immediately an outer door was heard to slam. This aroused the suspicton of Mrs. Beals, who ran quickly to the hall to find that Junior Beals was not among his playmates. She searched the lower floor alone and without success, and then becoming really alarmed called her husband and their guests, who made a thorough search of the house from cellar to garret, over and over again. No trace of the child was to be found. Lizzle Smith, waitress, was also missing, and the conclusion was arrived at that she had kidnaped the boy.

Despair of the Parents.

The police were notified at once and three separate detective agoncies were detailed upon the case. The time that elapsed between the moment that the child was missed and the time that the police were notified did not exceed fifteen minutes. All the usual precautions were taken and arrangements made to discover some trace of the abductress but without avail. She and her victim had disappeared as completiy as if the earth had swallowed them up. All night long the agonized father and mother paced the floor waiting for news of their child. All night long the police and detectives were engaged in working up the small clues at their disposal. All day long today no encourag-ing news was given by the officers and the parents of the child had almost given up

their boy as lost to them for ever. Tuis afternoon Mr. Beals caused to be printed in the evening papers the following: Five thousand dollars ransom. To whom it may concern; return my child, receive \$5,000 and no questions askel. D. T. BEALS.

#### Wanted a Big Ransom

At 7 o'clock this evening a man of strange appearance presented himself at the front door of the Beals mansion. He wore a false face and a wig and was drossed very like a day laborer. He told the servant who an-swered the bell that he must see Mr. Beals immediately. Mr. Beals went to the door. The man said be was a detective; that he had found the adductrees and her accoundices:

Representative Scott of Illinois denies that statement which is being circulated that the Illinois ranks will abandon Springer after the second ballot. Scott has talked with all of the Illinois men here who say they are a unit in the feeling that they should stand by Springer through thick and thin. Of course they would not throw away their votes if it became evident after a long contest that Springer could not possibly win, but their abandoning of him would only be in such an emergency and after every possible effort had been made in his behalf.

#### Selecting a War Secretary.

Considerable nervousness is being shown in two or three quarters over the approaching appointment of a secretary of war to suc ceed Senator-elect and Secretary Proctor. Three or four men believe that they have almost a sure thing of the position. Ex-Governor Cheney of New Hampshire, As-sistant Secretary of War Grant of Minnesota and Estee of California are all men-tioned for the place with a greater or less decree of certainty. Some gentlemen who have talked with the president on the sub-ject during the past few days report the chief executive as saying that he would be very glad to give the position to the Pacific slope if it would consolidate on some aspirant. but so far a strong element, said to be headed by Stanford and Mr. DeYoung have refused to endorse Mr. Estee.

The president is reported as having said that he believed the Pacific slope entitled to a cabinet position, and if the factions would come together they might get the place, but breadly intimated that he would not recognize one faction in opposition to another. So the slope is out of the race. Very strong are the endorsements of ex-Governor Cheney, Not only is the New Hampshire delegation solid for him, but also a large number of prominent republicans in Vermont, New York, Con-

Assistant Secretary Grant is reported to have the endorsement of Secretary Foster and a large contingent of northwestern republicans, but an impression prevails that he will not be appointed and stands at least third in the race of preference. The president has said he would not appoint a secretary of war or fill any other prominent office before congress convenes.

#### Preparing His Message.

President Harrison denied himself to all callers today and abandoned the usual Friday meeting of the cabinet for the purpose of giving some finishing touches to his sage to congress. He made material pro-gress. Heretofore his work has been con-fined to the writing of rough notes, but now he has put a good portion of the document into definite form. Secretary Blaine was with him for some time this morning and it is said the president is completing his refer-ence to diplomatic work accomplished dur-ing the year, stating the condition of our negotiations with Chili, Italy and China and one or two other countries which have caused us trouble, and reciting reciprocity The president intends to have his progress. message in the hands of the printer before next Saturday. It is probable that a part of it will go to the government printing office the first of next week. It is understood that this will be one of the most lengthy and imrtant messages sent to congress since the days of reconstruction.

#### Don't Agree with Public Men.

Secretary Foster has been ill in bed for several days, and those who have seen him say his condition is much worse than has been reported. The attack has been similar to that which affected Mr. Blaine during his New Yora visit last spring. It is a coinci-dence that the banquets of the New York Commercial club have a depressing effect or public men. It was at a banquet of this club that Secretary Windom was stricken and that Secretary Windom was stricken and died; later Mr. Blaine succumbed to one of the club's banquets and his illness of las summer dated from that time. Secretary Foster is the latest victim to the Commercia club's banquets. He made his speech on the financial question at the club's banquet last week and was immediately taken with the milment which has since kept him in bed. No alarm is felt as to serious results, al though it is known that Mr. Foster has been a very sick man.

#### Miscellaneous.

O. M. Carter of Omaha is at the Riggs. It is variously suggested that Omaha may accure the republican convention four years hence if she will only enter upon the camcure the paign now and hold to their promises men ajured.

38 ratiway postoffice lines in operation in which postal clerks were employed in the sep-aration and distribution of the mails. There were also sixty-seven steamboat lines. A total of 5,565 clerks were at work on thosa lines. There were added during the year 4,738.65 miles of new service, being an increase of 3.86 per cent. The lines upon which service was performed ar postal clerks shows an inperformed by postal clerks shows an increase of 3,173.62 miles, or 2,31 per cent. There are 6,032 clerks on the rolls, being an ncrease of 196 men, or 3.36 per cent, while the record of annual mileage shows an in-erease of 6,713,837 miles, or five per cent in

distance traveled in the performance of duty. and 608,814,462 pieces, or 8.9 per cent in the quantity of mail matter distributed. Mr. White recommends the enactment of a law providing for the retirement of all per-

manent raliway postal clerks on one-third or one-half pay who have become incapacitated for service by reason of age, injuries reonger. ceived while in the discharge of their official duties, etc., the fund to be created by with-holding a sum equal to one-half of 1 per morrow.' cent per annum of the salary of each clerk.

RECENT ARMY ORDERS.

#### Changes of Interest in the Regular Service Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., NOV. 27.-[Special Tel-egram to THE BEE.]-The following army orders were issued today :

The leave of absence granted Captain Robert R. Ball (then first lieutenant), assistant surgeon, October 20, is extended one month. The leave of absence granted Captain Joel T. Kirkman, Tooth infantry, Octotam Joet 1. Kirkunan, Fortu Infanty, Goo ber 27, is extended five months. Captain Almon L. Varney, ordnance department, will proceed from Watertown Arsenal, Mass., to the Sandy Hook proving ground, on offi-cial business in connection with gun cart-ridges, and on completion of that duty will proper station. First Lioutenreturn to his proper station. First Lieuten-Allen Dyer, Twenty-third infantry, will repair to this city and report in person to the acting secretary of war for temporary duty, and, upon the completion of the will return to his proper station. Captain

William B. Gordon, ordnance department, will proceed from the Watervilet arsenal, West Troy, N. Y., to Alliance, O., on official business in connection with the inspection of a gun carriage and an eighty-ton crane, and n the completion of that duty will return to his proper station.

#### Secretary Foster's ilealth.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27 .- Secretary Foster is improving slowly and is now able to sit up during the day. It is expected he will be able to resume his official duties in a

#### few days.

#### HANDY WITH HIS GUN.

#### Its too Free Use Causes a Salt Lake Policeman to Lose His Life.

SALT LAKE, U. T., Nov. 27 .- Captain Parker, one of the police force, was shot and almost instantly killed here this morning. Parker was serving his last day as captain, the office having been abolished, and as he had been drinking, appeared spolling for a fight with some one. He met Officer Al-bright and demanded to know why he did not report with the others in the morning Aloright said he had done so. Parker called him a liar and, puiling his gun, put it at Al-bright's stomach and pulled the trigger. The pistol failed to explode and Albright shot three times, only one charge taking effect, and that in Parker's stomach, from the effects of which Parker died in seven

#### minutes THEIR DANCES ARE LIVELY.

# kentucky People Hee Her Down to

the Music of Revolvers. CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 27 .- The neighborhood of Beaver Lick, Ky., where Newton Oder last week killed his brother in a disturbance at a social gathering, was again the theater of a similar scene Wednesday night. A dance was in progress at John Wishell's. Colo Carrier and a dozen other unbidden guests appeared and started a disturbance, in the course of which knives and pistols were freely used. Carrier, who is described as a mountain desperado, was fatally shot. Ed Farrell of the opposite party was severely cut, and nearly every one was more or less

to idea as to what condition the securities are in, and fear they have been hypothecated. Judge Dillon spoke freely about the affairs of the firm. He said the creditors were numerous and that the firm discounted paper for various houses and in the main received securities. The all important question is as to the condition of their securities.

Clamoring for Their Securities. At 3:30 o'clock neither the assignce nor any of the firm had returned to the office Judge Dillon grew impatient and said he did not propose to wait any longer. "We are ready to pay the firm," he said, "and we want our securities. In fact, we have been trying to pay for them for e time, but our securities are not It appears that they forthcoming. disposed of them, but they could not legally do so without the consent of the company, which was not given. I won't wait any

If the securities are not accounted for this evening I shall advertise for them It is believed that the paper of the Union Pacific held by the firm amounts to \$600,000. Several men displayed checks calling for

large amounts of money and wanted to pay their loans, but money was not wanted and hey carried their checks away. Rumor has it that the firm has been lending money on securities at 30 and 40 per cent

discount and then selling the securities at par value. Further than the fact that several borrowers have asked for their securties and they have not been produced, the umor has not been substantiated.

Numerous reports were afloat placing the firm's indebtedness all the way from \$100,000 to \$1,500,000, but no correct statement could be secured through the office of the firm, which was thronged during the entire after

oon by people clamoring for information. Notwithstanding the statement of Mr. ouid that Mr. Edward Field was at his Jouid that Mr. nouse under medical treatment, the servant it his house insisted in the afternoon that he eft in the morning saying he was going to the office

One of the partners denies that corn had anything special to do with their difficulty, and says that their matters are disarranged and that they do not know how they stand, considering which, he said, the firm thought best to send out a notice of inability to meet ts obligations. On the other hand prom-nent operators in the corn trade say that know the firm has had a hard time getting through its transactions in the staple; that they sold cash corn to some little exthat they were unable to buy it back for delivery in this month.

#### On the Coffee Exchange.

At the coffee exchange there was some effect from the failure, where it was said that the firm was interested to the extent of at least 5,000 bags (some say 15,000 bags). The firm is composed of Edward M. Fleid, son of Cyrus W. Field; Daniel Lindley, John F. Weichers and Herman Hilmers.

Mr. Lindley is a son-in-law of Cyrus W. Field, is a member of the New York stock exchange and was five years with M. K. Jessup & Co. before joining Field, Lindiey & Co. Mr. Welchers is a nephew of the late Co. Mr. Welchers is a nephow of the late F. A. Welchers, the sugar refiner. Charles H. Gould, the assignce of Field, Lindley, Welchers & Co., visited Edward M. Field and Cyrus W. Field this evening. Neither of the two latter could be seen. Cyrus W. Field is in a very critical condi-The loss of his wife and his so lon.

ure and lapse of mental faculties has left him to low that he may not recover.

### Did Not Seriously Effect Chicago.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 27.-Field, Lindley & Co. of New York, whose failure was announced today, dealt here exclusively through commission houses. News of the failure did not have a serious effect on prices in this maaket. Corn went off about one-half of 1 cent, though it did not appear that there were any sales for their account. Wheat declined three-eighths of 1 cent momentarily, but soon recovered its loss and

more. Their business in Chicago since spring has been very limited, and of late commission houses here have been led to fight shy of their business and call them sharply for mar-gins. In fact, some of these houses have recently declined commissions from the firm. No losses will be sustained here, as far as can be learned.

King and Harlow hold open trades for the suspended firm to the amount of 95,000

did not want the boy y and when she gave the boy in the family hus hand the choice between herself and the boy, he chose the boy. This boy, I lieve was none other than Charlie Ross. This boy, I bewill not say until I have concluded my inves-

tigation why I believe this. "When Stratton came to this village he brought the boy with him. He was known as Fred Stratton, although Stratton admit-ted he was not the boy's father. I have been corresponding with Mr. Ross, in Philadel-phia for some time, and many little incidents retained b the boy have led Mr Ross to believe that Freddy Stratton may b his son.

"In some way Stratton learned of what knew and sent the boy to Denver. I had many talks with the boy before he was sent away, and what I learned I am not now at liberty to say. Now, as Stratton is dead, I believe much more will come to light. "Stratton was a very peculiar man. He would never tell where he got the boy. There

are many things about him that carry out my belief. This boy has col quite a figure in Stratton's life. Besides separating him from his wife, he prevented him from marrying a Brooklyn lady of wealth. She frequently came to this village to see Stratton and would have married him but for the fact that he persisted in having this boy with bim.

Sheriff Borthwick showed many letters which he had received from Mr. Ross. He says he will continue his investigation until his belief is either confirmed or destroyed.

# THE WEATHER FORECAST.

OFFICE OF WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, NOV. 27.

The storm has passed to the eastward and the high barometer in the north is surging down upon the Missouri valley. Below zero temperatures are reported in Minnesota and the eastern part of the Dakotas. Zero was the highest reading of the thermometer at St. Vincent yesterday and at Moorhead it was 14° below zero at 7 o'clock last evening. This cold weather pushing down into the Missouri valley has made a pretty general snow just north of us. The snow fall extends to the Rocky Mountains and south to Colorado. The temperature lines are very close in Nebraska and the Dakotas and a sudden change to much colder weather may be expected. Some of the contrasts in temperature last evening were: Omaha 250

perature last evening were: Omaha 25°, Yankton 14°, Huron, Ijak, 4° below, Buford S° below. Local forecast-Snow, strong northerly winds, much colder, followed during the latter part of the day by clearing weather. WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27,—The storm that appeared Tuesday far northwest of Montane and that developed into a decided

Montana, and that developed into a decided cyclonic storm central over upper Michigan, had this morning joined the coast storm over Maine, and passed away to the north east. The storm now central over the lower lakes extending in a long oval from Lake Or tario to Missouri came with almost unproce dented speed from Montana since Thursday night: it will move eastward, bringing as it noves away colder weather and snows to the

for Kansas-Colder, north winds and fair. except light snow in northeast portion. For Iowa and Nebraska, Colder, north

winds, snows, probably fair Sanday, For North Dakota and Montana-Slightly varmer; generally fair weather For South Dakota-Generally fair Satur-

day; warmer and fair Sunday, Colorado-Local snows; slightly For colder; north winds.

DECREASE IN FLOUR OUTPUT.

#### Poor Water Power Causes a Large Falling Off.

MINNEAPOLIE, Minn., Nov. 27 .- The North western Miller says: There was a heavy decrease in the make of flour last week as a result of poor water power, though the figures were larger than they gave promise of being last Wednesday. The aggregate out-put was 161,200 barrels. The water power is considerably better than a week ago and the flour production is ilkely to exceed 170,000 barrels for the week. There were nineteen mills running today. The mills, almost without exception, are sold well ahead-in some instances into January-and many feel indifferent about making very heavy additional sales unless it be to regular costomers at pretty stiff prices. Ocean rates have

show a weakening tendency, already declined somewhat. and AWAITING A BETTER TIME.

#### Europe's Peace Not Likely to be Disturbed-London News.

LONDON, Nov. 27,-The first authentic information, conveying the results of M. de Giers' sojourn in Paris has reached the foreign office through the British embassy at Berlin. M. de Giers has communicated to Emperor William and Chancellor you Caprivia clear explanation of the conferences held in Paris and the character of the Russo-French entente, therein secured. Doubtless he has instructed his minister to make declarations with a view to having not only the German government, but the other nterested European governments, learn the nature of the compact between Russia and France.

him. As the corporal was going his rounds, he was seized by the men. He attempted to According to a semi-official statement call for assistance, but his cries were speedily based on M. de Giers' declarations to Chanwas dragged to a convenient spot, a noose sellor yon Caprivi-a statement which will probably be published throughout Europe to morrow—the Russian statesman's recent inwas thrown around his neck and he was soon terview with President Carnot, M. de Frey rope was made fast and the self-appointed cinet, premier and minister of war, and M Ribot, minister of foreign affairs, resulted in definite agreement for an exclusive offensive lliance. The entente agreed upon, accord hanging for only a short time when a sergeant discovered him and cut the rope. The corporal was almost dead, and it re-quired most strenuous efforts on the part of alliance. ing to the statement quoted, differs in one most essential point from the triple alliance treaty, inasmuch as while it makes the European statu quo the triple the surgeon and his assistants to resuscitate him. It is believed it will be some time

basis of the maintenance of peace, the French entente aims at what M. de Giers has called "respect for treaties," it especially the restoration of Russia's meaning Bulgaria and British evacuation of Egypt The differences in these features of the situ ation are not in the meantime to be regarded as constituting danger of war, as both the Russian and French governments desire to assure a striot application of the existing reaties by pacific means de Giers has further communicated the fact that no treaty has as yet been signed and has intimated that the French ministers desire the conclu-sion of a formal contract property defining future responsibilities and rendering it pos rope, while at the same time avoiding the

reproach of cherishing warlike designs. The sum of these official assurances from the Berlin embassy is that the Paris confer ences of M. de Giers, instead of having an empty character, as was generally reported, have resulted in a scheme to maintain diplomatic warfare against the dreibund and England, awaiting a more propitious period for engaging in actual war. M. de Giers' communications assume the first importance, not for wha they disclose so much as because they con stitute the first official admission of the sian government to the powers that a Russo-French alliance has really been arranged. Lord Salisbury weat to Windsor castle to

night to place before the queen certain dis matches, and, it is surmised, they are those which refer to to the Russo-French entente. Mr. Chaplin, chairman of the board of ag-riculture, has been charged by the govern-ment to undertake the framing of their agricultural bill for enabling laborers and small farmers in Great Britain to acquire holdings -a measure approved at the conservativ conference in Birmingham, which concluded its deliberations on Wednesday. The cab net as yet remains undecided as to the score of the measure and the proper period for its introduction.

Since Secretary Rush reported in favor of declaring that English live stock be excluded from the United States unless the restrictions on the landing of American cattle at British ports be removed, British farming sociaties have actively discussed the subject. The balance of opinion among live stock dealers distinctly supports the attitude of Chairman Chaplin, of the board of agriculture, on the subject. It is contended that if Secretary Rusk's intended prohibition is effected, no country will suffer so much from the absence of pure bred British live stock as the United

States. It was expected that Prince George of Wales would pass the fever stage of his sickness on last Sunday, but it is now found the fever will last another week. The princo has lost much flesh. He has a wasted aspect and is troubled with bronchial catarrh. The absence of any hemorrhage, however, is a

promising feature in his case. Sir William Gordon Cumming, under the persuasion of his wife, has taken a residence

at Bayswater, where he proposes giving big

At 10 o'clock a ring at the bell brought Mr, Benis to the door. He saw his lost child in the arms of the ruffian who had bargained for the delivery of the child. Mr. Beals, who had drawn \$5,000 in bank notes early in the afternoon in order to be ready to fulfill his part of the bargain, counted out the money before the eyes of the man and placed the money in the outer pocket of the latter's coat. At the same time the masked man man placed in the arms of the overjoyed father the lost child, who was sleeping soundly, ignorant that he was being returned to his anxious parents.

The joy of the parents cannot be told, When a representative of the Associated press arrived at the house the child had been ressed for the night, but he was apparently so glad to be at nome again that there was little sleep in his wondering eyes. Mr. Beals was holding him fondly on his knee, feeding him porridge, apparently oblivious that a dozen newspaper men were observers of the operation. Mrs. Beals was too overjoyed to speak. She could only stand and stare at the boy as if afraid he would disappear if she removed her eyes from him. Mr. Beals is a thorough business man and is a man of few

#### worus, Made a Business Contract.

He told the story of the recovery of the child practically as told above and concluded: "I made a business contract. I agreed to pay \$5,000 for my boy. I have the boy and the masked individual who delivered him to me has the money, and that's all there is about it."

Very little is known of Lizzie Smith, the abductress. No trace of her in this city was found when it was discovered that she and two men, one of whom is known here as Albert King, and who is supposed to be her hus-band, rented a cottage a month ago at 1528 Lydia avenue. Albert King bought the furniture for the cottage on the installment plan and signed his name to the notes for future payment. Of the man practically pothing is known. The trio had occupied the ouse only a week.

Mrs. Ki., z answered an advertisement for a waitress by Mrs. Beals. She was engaged, giving her name as Lizzie Smith, without references. At the same time the Lydia avenue cottage was vacated and all trace of the accupants, excepting Mrs. King, was lost. It is supposed that the masked man who sesured the \$5,000 ransom was Albert King, the principal accomplice in the crime.

#### Arrest of the Abductor.

Mrs. King was arrested at midnight, but refused to be interviewed by any of the newspaper men. King has not been arrested, and it is not positively known that the other man figured at all in the crime. Every effort was made to secure some in-formation from "Junior Bese," but he is too young to speak plainly. He was asked who carried him away. "Lizzie," he lisped. But where did she take you!'

"Riding," the noy replied. "And what did they do with you?" "Nanas.

And that was all the boy could tell; enough, however, to convict Lizzie Smith of one of the most cruel crines on the calendar.

Captain Burns of the city police had been told by a Mr. Stott, of Park avenue, that a woman who answered the description of Lizzie Smith had been seen visiting a nouse in the neighborhood which was occupied by two men, one of whom answered King's de-scription. He had been told by neighbors he said, that they had seen a woman enter the heat a point of the series and the series the house about So'clock Thursday evening

with a child in her arms. Captain Burns surrounded the house just before midnight, and receiving no answer to his repeated knocks threatened to break his way In, when a woman openoi the door. Lizzie Smith, or Mrs. King, had lived next door to Captain Burns on Lydia avenue, and he unmediately recognized the woman as his neighbor. He placed her under arrest and searched the bouse. In the bouse was found the same furniture that had been placed in the Lydia avenue house

all abroad. No word has been received of the H. C. Potter. The schooner escaped unharmed and is now in this port. The achooner Samaria, lumber laden, is ashore at Duncan bay. The steamer City of Alpena reports having bassed four wrecks on her trip last night The steam barge Page is aground on Thun der Bay island. The steamer Robert Mills was sunk or Colchester reef last night in nineteen feet of wate. The crew was saved. ILLINOIS CENTRAL PLANS.

## Thought to Be Reaching Out for the Black Hills.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Nov. 27 .- Specia Telegram to THE BEE. |-Au order has been received here from the headquarters of the Illinois Central railroad in New York City asking for samples of Clay found along the

Missouri river in this vicinity. It has al-ways been believed that the Illinois Contral would finally extend its line from Sloux Falls to this city with the ultimate intention of building across the ceded Sioux lands to the Black Hills. The interest manifested in the mineral products of this section strengthens this belief. The immense amount of stock

annually shipped from west of the Missouri is also thought to be an important factor in the company's interest in this section. Assassinated By Unknown Men.

ATOKA, I. T., Nov. 27 .- At Lehigh two unknown men fired into the house of Peter Fleauteau and killed his wife.