FRANCE IS WATCHING US

tions in This Country.

MERELY SELFISH INTERESTS

Stender Basis of the Opposition to President Harrison.

NO HOPE TO DEFEAT A RENOMINATION

After a Careful Review of the Situation the Few Who Desire a Change Admit the Improbability of Such a Thing.

WASHINGTON BURBAU OF THE BRE, DIS FOURTHENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., May S.

Every effort made to concentrate or unite the opposition to President Harrison's renomination during the past week has failed, utterly failed. There has been the closest scrunity made of the figures given in these dispatches showing the strength of the president already gathered and the most powerful influences exerted at the command of those who hope to capture instructed delegates and vote them for other men in the convention, and yet the fact stands that upon the first ballot there is to be a renomination, and if no more delegates are instructed and no more uninstructed ones come over to the side of the administration there will be more than a

hundred votes to spare. At the "conference" held last night by Senator Quay, ex-Senator T. C. Platt and a few others who oppose a renomination of the president, the figures given out by the friends of the president as indicating the strength already gathered for him were attacked, and efforts made, as have been during the past three or four days by opposition newspapers, to show that the promises assured were without foundation. The fact that in a few of the states where the state conventions instructed for a renomination there were a few delegates chosen by districts which did not instruct was pointed out as being significant, and an offort was made to show that there was no ground upon which to claim entire state delegations upon which to claim entire state delegations without specific instructions from district as well as state conventions. The best politicians in the "conference," which was attended by less than a dozon men, decided instantly that in the first place a state convention's action would bind action upon the part of district delegates, especially where the state instructions did not run counter to these of the districts and in the absence of those of the districts, and in the absence of any instructions in the districts the latter would be in duty and honor bound by the instructions of the state convention.

No Grounds for Opposition.

But be that as it may, that was found to be unimportant, as the number of districts which had given no instructions in the states which had instructed for a renomination were very few and far between. On the other hand, the number of districts which had instructed for the president in states which had not instructed were far greater and should any effort be made to draw away the delegates uninstructed by districts in indelegates uninstructed by districts in in-structed states the work would operate in a wrong direction, so as a net result the figures showing the president's strength stood undisturbed, even in the came of the most formidable opposition. It is easy for the opposition, which is not at all bitter, to count the number of delegates instructed by states or districts, but it is wholly unable to make any progress in ascertaining the president's strength in uninstructed districts where sceres of delegates have, in private letters, asked to be placed on the president's port him ucon the first bailot

These make a considerable list and with those whose names are down for selection in the states and territories which have not held conventions and who are now as safely secure for renomination as though they had been selected and instructed, number 150 or more. A delegate who, in the absence of in-structions in district or state convention. upon his own motion pledges support, is as strong, if not stronger, for the president than those who are instructed, as there can be no doubt as to just where his heart and tendencies are. It is almost exasperating to a few of the most prominent opponents of the president that the list of uninstructed lelegates who have pledged their support is not given out for publication. At that point they enter darkness.

They Perfected no Plan.

The few republicans who congregated yes terday afternoon and last night to organize in opposition to a renomination reached no con-clusions. They have no candidate around whom to rally, no battle cry and no argument to use against the president. They have be-sought Mr. Blaine again and again, Mr. Sherman, Secretary Rusk and others for co-operation, or for the use of their names as candidates, but all have refused. Their only hope now is to keep as many lightning rods up as possible and withhold all possible strength, knowing as they do that they are in the minority, yet boping against hope that they can make some sort of a stampede in the convention and defeat a renomination. They have agreed as best they can that from each of the uninstructed states they will find a well known republican who will arise in the Min-nespolis convention and warn it against renomination, claiming that the president cannot again carry their states. If they were asked why they would be compelled to say

because he has not given us all the offices. After delivering these 'warnings' effort will be made to spring the name Blaine, or Sherman or Rusk. With this they will have played their last card and when the president is then renominated they will all go home and no more will be heard of in "opposition." Not one of those who are opposed to a renomination can then, on account of self preservation, go any further than he has and not one has been heard to name a single objection to the president that was not based upon selfish interest,

Displeased the Chinese,

Mr. John Russell Young, formerly minister to China, came to Washington last evening on a visit to the Chinese minister, with whom he had a long interview this morning. In conversation with the correspondent of In conversation with the correspondent of The Brie Mr. Young said that his visit to the Chinese minister was personal, as they had been friends in Peking. He did not feel at liberty to report what was an essentially private conference.

The Chinese authorities were disturbed over the action of the American government, not so much because it interfered with immigration as because of the contempt shown by the American government of these.

by the American government to China. The difference between China and the United States had never been more than a matter of form. The Chinese had an idea that the American government mean a policy of wanton deliberate insult. There had been no agitation in regard to the American policy on immigration except what came from English merchants as anxious English merchants as us to preserve the profits of o coole trade as they had been other years to preserve the slave trade and there never had been a time when the Chinese would not have met the Americans

more than talf way.

Mr. Young could not say even from his own conversations with the Chinese minister whether there would be an interruption of diplomatic relations. That would depend upon the premier, Li Hung Chang, and that statesman had shown his temper by the sum-mary refusal to accept Mr. Blair as minister inder circumstances without parallel or precedent in China and which could only have been intended as an affront. The strongest argument that could be made in talking with the Chinese was this that a suspension of diplomatic intercourse would destroy the in fluence of those who were at heart not

opposed to the Chinese. What the Situation Promises. Mr. Young said that the present minister was a liberal statesman of an amiable, engaging character who had formed a sincere attachment for the United States and was

disposed to look at events with a practical

Four years ago, when Mr. Cleveland signed the exclusion bill the Chinese minister accredited to us at the time had resolved to withdraw. By the influence of many Americans who had the confidence of the Chinese this resolution was abandoned. The Chinese were then told to trust to time and the gen-

erous impulses of Americans.
"Time," said Mr. Young, "still fights on
the Chinese side, as it has for sixty centuries, but I am afraid the confidence in turies, but I am afraid the confidence in Americans has been duiled by the signing of the recent told. It is incredible that the Chinese questions should not be settled, beginning at the beginning, by taking it up at Peking. The real issue is commercial and the stake is an empire. Immigration should not be an issue now any more than it was under Burlingamme. When we deal with the eastern nations with an eve upon the possibilities of our splendid Pacific empire there will be no immigration propiem. Nor would there be one now were our people less disposed in their heedlessness and sloth to play the hand of Russia and England." of Russia and England."

They Will Meet at Lincoln.

Mr. A. D. Shaw, deputy third auditor, will visit Indianapolis, his former home, in a few days. From there he will go to Lincoln, Neb., to attend the Railroad Yardmasters association meeting! The most import-ant questions that will come before the association, says Mr.
Shaw, will be the safety appliance
relating to car coupling and air brakes.
Mr. Shaw is a railroad man of twenty-six
years experience, and since his residence here, he has frequently appeared before the senate and house committees on railway commerce in the interest of the Yardmasters association and the Order of Railway Conductors.

Accommodating the Farmers.

The letter of the postmaster general urg-ing the extension of the free delivery experi-ments to villages and farming districts, which has just been sent to the senate committee on postofilees and post roads, was ac-companied by a batch of 472 newspaper opinions, taken from 326 different papers, all in favor of the proposed rural free delivery extension, and eight against it, all that could be found. These have been sent in from all the states and territories except Alaska, In-dian Territory, New Mexico and North Caro-

Senator Mitchell of Oregon, who has reported from the senate committee an amendment to the postofilee appropriation bill ap-propriating \$200,000 to continue the postmastergeneral's free delivery experiments, said today that he had every reason to believe that so far as the senate was concerned, at least, the amendment would be adopted. "As to what the house of representatives may do," he continued, "of course I have no means of forming an opinion; but judging from the great number of letters and petitions received by members of congress from all parts of the country strongly favoring this test, I should conclude that too house, as well as the senate, would cheerfully re-spond to the demand."

"What are your views as to the ultimate success in this country of the effort being

made to extend the free delivery of mails into the rural districts?"

'I regard the scheme as entirely practicable and one which will be adopted eventually in this country. It may require some time of course to extend the service in the new states where the population is sparce, but in the older states and in the wel settled portions of the new states I see nothing in the way of establishing this service at a very early date. What England and other countries have done in this regard can be done in the United States. In view of the fact that the people in large cities and towns have their mails delivered at their doors at least once, and in many instances, several times a day, it is but a matter of simple justice that the people residing in the country should have infinitely superior mail facinties to those enjoyed by them at the present time. The postmaster general's efforts are meeting with a hearty response from the masses of the people throughout

have no doubt, will be an entire success. Miscellaneous. The impression is general here that the Grand Army of the Republic committee, which gave notice from Lincoln that it would come to Washington and oppose an appropri-ation for the encampment in this city next fall, will not put in an appearance. It is now two weeks overdue. Commander in Chief two weeks overdue. Commander in Chief Palmer has issued a statement of the conditions under which the appropriation is asked and he says it will remove all objections. He says Washington has requested the appropriation to be made just as all appropriations are made for the government of the District of Columbia, half of it coming from the general or people's treasury and half from the local treasury.

It is believed that General Harrison Aller of Farge, N. D., will be appointed chief ex-ecutive clerk of the senate, to take the place vacated by the removal of James R. Young, harged with divulging to the press execu tive secrets,

Mr. M. A. Ballinger left vesterday for a ten days' trip turough the west. He will visit Lincoln, where he has large real estate interests, and his route will embrace auk, Ia., his former home. P. S.

AMERICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION. t Celebrates its Sixty-Eighth Anniversary

at Washington.
Washington, D. C., May 8.—The sixtyeighth anniversary of the American Sunday School union was held here this evening.

Hon. William Strong, the retired justice of he United States supreme court presided. Rev. Dr. James Crowell of Philadelphia presented the annual report. Sixteen hun-dred and sixty-four new Sunday schools have been established with 7,078 teachers and 59,551 scholars.

Addresses were made by Rev. J. S. Mc-Cullagh of Kentucky, W. L. De Groff of Kansas and Rev. B. W. Chidlaw, D.D., of Onio. The latter is SI years old and his col-lege diploma at Miami university was signed lifty-nine years ago by Rev. Dr. Scott, father of Mrs. President Harrison, who though 94 years of age was upon the platform and pronounced the benediction.

Interstate Commerce Matters. Washington, D. C., May 8,-The house committee on interstate commerce will, on May 30, grant a bearing to delegates from boards of trade and to the counsel for rail way companies on the bill brought before the committee providing for uniform bills of lading for carriers engaged in interstate con

WILLIAM ASTOR.

Arrival of His Remains for Burial in Nev York.

NEW YORK, May 8 .- The remains of Mr. William Astor, who died suddenly in Paris ou April 26 of heart failure, arrived in this city at 8 o'clock this morning on the steamer La Bourgoe. The widow, her daughters, Mrs. Orme Wuson and Mrs. J. Coleman Drayton, and ner son-in-law, Orme Wilson, accompanied the remains and were met in this city by John Jacob Astor, jr., and a son-in-law, J. Roosevelt. At 9 octock the ladies entered closed carriages, and were delven to carringes and were driven to the Aster home, 350 Fifth avenue, Mr. John Jacob Aster and Mr. Wilson accompanying them. The ladies were dressed in deep mourning. The remains of the millionaire were later conveyed to West Twenty-fifti street and placed in the mortoary of Trinity

Chapel.

The funeral services will be held in Trinity chapel next Thursday afternoon, and Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix will officiate. The burial will be in the Aster vault in

Steamer Arrivats.

At London-Sighted: Helvetia from New York: Nestorian, from Philadelphia. Ar-rived: British King from Baltimore, At Havre-Touraine, from New York.

At Queenstown—Alaska, from New York, At New York—Servia, from Liverpool; Bourgogne, from Havre; America, from Bromen; Britannic, from Smeids; Beigenlaud, from Antwerp: Anchoria, from Glasgow. At Philadelphia-Ohlo, from Liverpool.

WILD WASTES OF WATERS

Sections of Kansas, Missouri, Iowa and Indiana Turned into Lakes.

CREEKS SWOLLEN INTO RU HING RIVERS

Buildings, Fences and Growing Crops Washed Away-Cities and Towns Inundated-Railroad Traffic Suspended-Cyclone in Oklahoma-Storm Notes.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 8 .- The past wenty-four hours have furnished the climax for all the rainy weather of this spring. A heavy down-pour of water has been falling all day and since midnight last night, so that the already soaked ground has been giving off the water into the swollen creeks and streams. The result is that accounts of floods have been coming from all over western Missouri and eastern Kansas telling of flooded rivers, overflowed creeks and streams. In some localities the towns have been flooded and some damage is reported to dwellings by having their foundations washed out. The floods came so suddenly in other districts that the farmers had not time to prepare for it, and much of their stock has been drowned and washed away. Growing crops have been badly damaged and thousands of fields will have to be replanted.

Turned Into a Lake. In Saline county, Missouri, all the streams are reported out of their banks and the whole

county has been turned into a lake. Some houses have been washed away and much stock has been lost. Along the Piatte river and the One Hundred and Two river the whole country is inundated and houses and barns have been destroyed, In Livingston, Grundy and Mercer coun-

ties the Grand river and its forks have flooded the whole country and the district from Chilicothe to the lows line is one sea of water. All the crops have been washed out for miles throughout the Grand river valley and much stock has been lost. All the railroads in the district have been more or less damaged and traffic is greatly delayed and in some places has been abandoned altogether. The Wabash bridge here has been strained out of line so that no trains can pass over.

In Oklahoma territory a steady pouring rain his been falling for twenty-four hours and half the streams in the territory are out of their banks. Many bridges have been washed away. Nearly all the overland mails have been abandoned. The Santa Fe has suffered several washouts and trains are badiv delayed.

Rain with Cyclonic Accompaniments. A small cyclone accompanied the rain north of Guthrie and did considerable dam-age. The noises of John Davis, Henry Smith and John Crockett were carried some distance by the cyclone and badly damaged Many barns and other buildings were de-stroyed. There was no loss of life so far as

All the trains from every direction, with the exception of the Rock Island and the Union Pacific from the west, were late on arriving in this city. All were delayed by swollen streams, landslides or washouts. The rsin continues tonight with unabated stead-

The Missouri river, which is very high for this season of the year, is rising rapidly and there is much apprecions on lest the steady pour of water into it from its tributaries will cause it to go on the rampage and increase the aiready heavy damages by floods.

ILLINOIS TOWNS SUFFER.

High Winds Raising a Heavy Sea and Threatening the Levees. PEORIA, Ill., May 8 .- Thousands of people today visited the inundated districts surrounding this city. The river is still a raging torrent with a roar that can be heard for a long distance. The measurement was taken this morning and it registered twenty-one feet and seven inches, which is a rise of seven inches in twenty-four hours. Since then the water has been so rough that no measurement could be made. The waves are rolling high and the greatest danger is to be feared. It is believed that the river will not rise much more, but the strong wind which prevails is dashing the water so furiously against the bank that many bridges are liable to be washed out. The railroad companies have large forces at work guarding against this.

The cattle pens of the lower sugar works, in which thousands of head are daily taken care of, are under water, and unless the water quickly subsides they must be removed. The dam at Henry, forty miles above here, threatens to go out, and should it do so the tovastation along the river will be appalling. continues. Many houses have been floated off or dashed to pieces by the driftwood, and by the time the water goes out nothing will be left except debris. The residents have lost everything they had, and are in a desti-tute condition. Several warehouses here are surrounded by water and threaten every minute to be carried a way.

FROM IOWA POINTS.

Difficulty Experienced in Operating Trains -The Water Falling.

KEOKUK, Ia., May 8 .- The situation between this city and Quincy is slightly improved, the water failing considerably today n the Mississippi and going down rapidly in the Des Moines. Several freight trains were run over the St. Louis, Keckuk & Northwestern road today, and officials say that passenger traffic will be resumed tomorrow. There has not been any change for the worse at Alexandria. It was feared today that high wind might cause a break in the eyee, but this did not happen. The wind is lowing a gale tonight and may cause further

BURLINGTON, Ia., May 8.—The Mississipp river at this point is now twelve feet above the low water mark of 1864, and has spread out over many miles of lowlands on the Illinois side. All the St. Louis, Keokuk & Northern through trains are still running by way of the Carthage and Quincy branch on account of the flood at Alexan-dria, Mo. It rained here a little today, but leared off afterwards and it is thought the food will begin to fall tonight.

Burlington officials have been struggling to get their traffic business straightened out and have about succeeded. The storms and floods have done more to demoralize their business routine than anything that has happened for years.

N INDIANA.

High Water at South Bend and Fort Wayne-Inundation Threatened, Sours BEND, Ind., May 8.-The high water caused great excitement in this city yesterday and today. Friday night the water reached the highest mark and was at a stand still for a few hours. Towards morning it suddenly rose several inches and scores of factory buildings were in great danger. Hundreds of men worked all night and all today moving goods to places of safety, while others labored incessantly to save the dam and embankments. During the early morning hours a large bouse went over the dam and tore out a portion of the apron. It was feared it would damage the bridges, but passed under them without straining the

At Bertrand the house struck the bridge and carried away a section of it just as Frank Nippold of this city was crossing in a buggy. The horse and buggy were lost, but Mr. Nippold managed to swim ashore, greatly exhausted. greatly exhausted. The water has receded somewhat since

tinue to come in. Not less than 500 farms on the lowlands were overflowed and a great deal of timber that was cut for the mills went down the streams. Louis Isaby, a farmer living on the banks of the Maumee four miles below Fort Wayne, lost all his horses, cows, hors and sheep in the flood, besides several acres of corded wood.

Down stream it was no uncommon signt to see dead cows floating by with the drift. No

see dead cows floating by with the drift. No human lives were lost, as the rise of the waters was gradual, giving all a chance to escape. While the river is still high above its banks the waters are receding, and if the weather remains fair the danger is over. The families who moved out of their houses in Fort Wayne have had enough of living in the low lands and cannot be induced to move

Most of the vacated houses, however, are still in the water.

ON THE LOWER MISSISSIPPL Levees Holding Out Well-Reports from

Different Points. NEW ORLEANS, La, May 8 .- The river at this point has remained almost stationary for several days, reaching sixteen feet and six-tenths as the maximum. The levees, while subjected to a great strain, are holding out well.

Specials to the Picayune and Times Democrat from river points show that the water is rising gradually, but the levees continue in good condition, as will be seen by the following report made up at 6 p. m.; At Greenville the river has risen one and

a half-tenths in the past twenty-four hours. The gauge reads forty-three and three-fourths feet, which is six inches higher than the high water of last year and three-tenths higher than in 1830. Chief Engineer Starling, of the Mississippi

levee board, returned to this city from a thorough inspection of the levees in this dis-trict north of Greenville and reports the condition of the levees to be especially good with the water far below the top of the levees. Similar reports from the southern part of the district were made by assistant engineers.

The indications are that a further rise of six or eight inches will be recorded here, which will give us about one foot more water than ever before. Our people feel confident that the leves will stand it if properly puarded so as to prevent accidents.

At Lake Providence the gauge reads fortyone and six-tenths feet, a rise of five and a
half tenths in twenty-four hours. The water
in places is up to the top of the levee, and it
has become necessary to build them higher
with sacks of earth. The wind today has inwith sacks of earth. The wind today has injured the levees some, requiring the wave washes to be repaired. It is raining neavily here this evening with some wind and tonight promises to be a rough one on the levee and the levee guards.

At Vicksburg the river has risen one-tenth in twenty four hours.

in twenty-four hours. Some 15,000 acres of land are now overflowed in the county and a multitude of negro terants and laborers are left unprotected and in many cases destitute. It is likely that application will be made to the national government for relief, though planters are very reluctant to adopt such a course.

DEEP SNOW IN WYOMING.

Straits to Which People in Outlying Settlements Have Been Reduced. DENVER, Colo., May 8.—A Buffalo, Wyo., special to the News says; Snow which ceased Friday morning recommenced tonight and still falls. The roads have been im-

and still falls. The roads have been impassible for freight teams for two months. Thousands of pounds of merchandise are stuck in the mud between here and Gillette. Not a pound of sugar or coffee are for sale in Buffalo and at Fort Meximney the commissary stock is nearly exhausted.

Unless snow and rain ceases soon and the roads dry up the people will be living on potatoes, flour and beef only. The stage from Powder river to Crazy Woman was two days late and the driver at the latter place started south in search of it and started south in search of it and found the stage about ten miles south of the road. The driver had lost his way in the storm and had turned the horses loose to graze on the sage brush, ex-pecting to hitch up when the weather cleared and he could locate his position. After the storm ceased he had gone in search of the road, becoming snow blind, in which condition he was found groping his way over the There were no passengers on the stage.

Snow in the Black Hills, ORLRICHS, S. D., May 8. - Special to THE Bus. |-Yesterday morning at daylight about three inches of snow lay on the ground with a heavy snow falling, which continued more or less all day with considerable wind. About six inches now lie on the ground, al-though about half that fell today has melted. "Old timers" say that this beats the record for May snewstorms in the Black Hills.

BEATHER FORECAST.

OFFICE OF WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, May 8.

The storm is central in northern Texas this evening, and wretched easterly weather again prevails over the northern central portion of the country and similar but colder northeasterly weather over the northwest. A tongue of low temperature exfrom the north down over Dakotas and restern Ne-t it is snowing at Rapid City tends and Valentine. A general rain attends this storm from the upper Mississippi to the Rocky mountains. The storm center will probably move northeasterly over the upper Mississippi to the lake region and another day or two of bad weather may be expected

In Eastern Nebraska, Omaha and Vicinity—Raw rainy weather, easterly to colder northeasterly winds during Monday. Washington, D. C., May 8.—For Nebraska-Showers, slightly warmer, north

For North Dakota and Minnesota -- Showrs; northeast winds. For Iowa—Rains, slightly warmer—in the west; east gales.

For Missouri-Rain; east gales. For Kansas-Snowers; slightly cooler at

Wichita; northeast gales.
For Colorado—Showers, followed by fair; slightly warmer in the north; north winds. SWEPT OVER THE DAM.

Inexperience in a Rowboat Responsible for the Loss of Two Lives.
CINCINNATI, O., May 8.—A Commercial-Gazette special from Hamilton tells the story of the drowning of two girls in a pleasure boat at Woodscafe Island, thirty miles north of Cincinnati, at 6 o'clock this evening. There was a largely attended picnic of express messengers at the Island. John Bolen, an inexperienced oarsman, took Misses Liz-zie Linderfield, Alice La Rue and Katie Clark in a row boat on the Big Miami, which was high and swift. There is a dam below this point and above it is a distinctly marked

danger line. Bolen did not need that danger, but passed it and could not return and the boat went over the dam. Misses La Rue and Clark were drowned and Bolen and Miss Linderfield were rescued with difficulty. ORDERED TO LEAVE. Buffalo, Wyo., People Order a Returned Cattleman to Leave. vanced to run the church. DENVER, Colo., May 8 .- A special to the News from Buffalo, Wyo., says: Charles Carter, a partner of Fred Hesse, one of the

invading cattlemen arrived here yesterday to take charge of Dr. Harris' "A" ranch, which was the scene of the recent fight. The ranchmen invariably claim that Carter was with the cattlemen who attempted to kill the rustiers and for this reason have ordered him to leave town, which he will do at once.

The Fire Record. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 8 .- A special to the Democrat from Luddington, Mich., says: The mill and salt works of the But FOUT WAYNE, Ind., May 8.—Reports of extensive devastation by the waters of the St.

Joseph, St. Mary and Maumee rivers conare thrown out of employment.

SMALL GRAIN IN SPLENDID CONDITION

Cattle in the Sand Hills Believed to Be Suffering Much from the Severe Weather -Heavy Rains in Other

Localities,

RUSHVILLE, Neb., May 8.-|Special Telegram to THE BEE.|-Snow has fallen here during the past thirty-eight hours to a depth of sixteen inches. It will be severe on cattie in the sand hills and will retard farm work. About three-fourths of the small grain is in and the first sown is up and looks

fine.

Berley, Neb., May 8.—[Special to The Ber.]—The present heavy rain is doing the wheat much good, but the farmers are anxious about their listed corn.

Perc., Neb., May 8.—[Special to The Ber.]—The rainfall at this place for the past week has been the neaviest known for many tree.

years. The water gauge at the Normal reg-isters four inches of water fall during the past week. The heavy rainfall Friday night caused quite serious damage to the B. & M. railroad track between here and Nebraska City and also between here and Brownville. No train arrived from the north yesterday, and the one from the south was several bours late. Several sections of track were washed entirely out, while numerous land slides have blocked the track. Trains are expected to run on time tomorrow.

West Point News.

WEST POINT, Neb., May 8 .- [Special to THE BEE.] - Miss Lity Thompson and prother, children of Dr. Thompson, Mrs. John H. Thompson and children and Ricky Romberg as nurse, started Friday noon on a visit to Reading, Pa. They will be absent

about four months.

The West Point Leiderkranz gave their first public concert, in Krauses' hall Friday afternoon. The local club was assisted by the Germania organization of Stanton and the United States Second infantry band of Omaha. The festivities commenced in the evening by a dance in which a number from different towns participated. Excellent music held the lovers to the poetry of motion until a late hour and made a successful close to the first celebration given by the Leider-

kranz.

At the joint meeting of the several fire companies in the city ball Thursday evening, Martin Kerl was elected chief for the ensu-ing year. William Graunke was elected sec-

Nebraska's Death Roll.

JUNIATA, Neb., May S,-[Special to The Bee, |-Mrs. Ball, mother of D. R. Ball, and Mrs. J. H. Walker, died Friday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walker. She was past 93 years of age and the oldest person in this community. She is an honored member of the Relief Corps of the Grand Army of the Republic and the first member to die of that ordersince its organization here, over six years ago. They will have charge of the funeral, and perform the rites of the order, Granso, Neb., May 8.—[Special to The Ber.]—David Hayes, a prominent farmer residing alone ten miles southeast of this city, was found dead in bed yesterday. He had been dead several days. He was subject to epileptic fits.

Captured Alleged Horse Thieves CHADRON, Neb., May S .- | Special to THE Ber, !- Lambert and Ionia, the two men who are accused of stealing several head of horses here some time ago, have been overtaken in Kansas by Deputy Sheriff Phillips, and are now on the way back in his charge. Sheriff J. C. Dahlman and his deputy have been on their trail ever since they started, trailing them overland until they were captured. This will have a good result towards stopping the small amount of "rustling" that is being carried on in this section of the state.

Opened with Much Ceremony. CHADRON, Neb., May 8,- [Special to THE Brg. 1-The reception tendered Mr. Ed Satterlee, proprietor of Hotel Blaine, the new three-story brick hotel opened at this place Friday evening, was the crowning event of the social season After an elegant banquet numerous toasts were responded to those of Judge Alfred Bartow, Hon. J. C. Daniman and Mayor F. M. Merritt being particu-Dancing was engaged in by the younger folks.

Had a Narrow Escape. WAUNETA, Neb., May 8 .- | Special to The Ber.j.-While out driving yesterday D. E. Polley at this place barely escaped a fatal accident. One of the lines breaking, the team, a span of half broken colts, became unmangeable and ran headlong into a deep canon, jumping over a steep bank ten feet high. One horse escaped unburt, while the other, though still alive, is injured so badly as to be almost worthless. Mr. Polley succeded in jumping from the buggy at the The buggy turned a complete somerstart. sault as the horses went down.

Blue Springs' Water Works, BLUE SPRINGS, Neb., May 8 .- | Special THE BEE. |-The bondsmen of the water works contractors, Shepard and Huston, have notified the city council that they will take charge of and complete the works under the contract. One of the contractors, H. M. Shepard, is dead and the bondsmen are tired of the long drawn out failure to fluish the work.

Will Remember the Occasion. Penu, Neb., May 8 .- | Special to The Ber. |-The Peru post, Grand Army of the Republic, will commemorate Memorial day by appropriate exercises, to be held in Nor-mal hall. They will be assisted by the Nor-mal and Peru bands and the Normal Cadet company. Patrick O. Hawes of Omaha will be the orator of the day.

Republicans Preparing for the Work. BARTLEY, Neb., May 8 .- [Special to THE BEE. |-The republicans met and formed a club last night. The officers are: President Dr. J. E. Hathorne; vice presidents, A. Mil-ler and J. S. Kikendall; secretary, W. E. Webb; treasurer, W. W. Lemisters. Vari ous committees were appointed and good work will be done.

LEFIED ON A CHURCH.

To Secure Money Due a Pennsylvania Pas-

tor Attaches a Church, PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 8 .- The Mount Vernon Baptist church at Fourth and Mount Vernon streets, Camden, was seized by the sheriff yesterday on execution held by the pastor, Rev. Elansburg, for \$3.728. The church property is said to be worth \$22,000. The congregation was formerly one of the strongest in the city, but owing to internal dissentions the membership dwindled down so that the church is no longer self sustainand the basement had to be rented out as a shoe factory. Pastor Elansburg's claim is for money ad-

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 8.—Frederick Leitz, who arrived on Friday at the Baltimore & Ohio railroad depot in a freight car, suffering from a thirty-six hours' enforced fast, gied yesterday at the Philadelphia hos-Leitz was on a furlough from the Soldiers' home, Hampton, Va., and though the doc-tors tried to revive him with stimulants, he remained almost speechless to the end.

Fatal Results of a Fast.

Found Floating in the River.

WHEELING, W. Va., May S .- A body, supposed to be that of D. M. Carey of the firm of Paige, Carey & Co., whose connection with the Painesville bank scangal has figured in the press dispatches, was found to the Ohio | strike was declared off today.

river a few miles below The body was badly declothing on it answered the well known contracted drowned in this city in Fe

eration Tuesday.

builders."

Measures to be Considered by Congress

yote will be taken upon the pending resolu-

tion, which authorizes the payment to the

Indians of about \$3,000,000. The naval ap-

propriation bill will be called up for consid-

By instruction of the commerce committee

Mr. Frye will report at the earliest opportu-

nity the house bill to encourage American

ship building, which provides for the admis-

sion to American registry of the American

line steamers City of Paris and City of New

York. He will doubtless make an effort to

secure immediate action upon the till and

thereby give rise to a discussion which

promises to be long and heated, as it is ex-

Will Give Rise to Much Debate.

The bill to provide for the punishment of violation of treaty rights of allens will be

pressed upon the attention of the senate by the committee on foreign relations at the

first opportunity, and is also likely to give rise to much debate, involving, as it does, a distrust of the question of national and state

sovereignty.

If the senate takes up the calendar during the week the first bill to be considered is one

provide for fortifications and other coast

ill making an appropriation for the purchase

Lying on the presiding officer's desk is the

president's communication relating to a bi-monetary conference on which Mr. Morgan has given notice of his intention to speak,

and probably the opportunity will be utilized also by other senators interested in the

silver question to set forth their views upon

Work for the House,

Unusualy rapid progress was made with

he river and harbor bill to the house during

he past week and, as a result, the sundry

sivil bill will probably be taken up tomor

row. A part of the legislative day will be consumed in business concerning the District of Columbia. Like the river and harbor bill, the civil sunday bill is a long measure, containing many items of local interest to congressment,

and, of necessity, its consideration will require several days. Moreover, the sunary

biil is not satisfactory to all the members of the appropriations committee, the republican minority objecting to a number of items of appropriations as insufficient, so that it will not be surprising if it takes nearly, if not the

entire week to bring this bill to a final close

Chairman Hatca of the committee on agri-culture will make an earnest effort to secur-

onsideration for the anti-option bill as see as the sundry civil bill is out of the way The anti-option bill is, however, vigorously

opposed by many members who will use al the devices known to parliamentarians to keep the measure in the background.

appropriation bills remain to be reported to the house, viz: The legislative, executive and judicial; the agricultural and deficiency

SOUTH AMERICAN ITEMS.

Strikes in Chili-Plans for Retrenchment-

Brazilian Gossip. [Commished 1892 by James Gorden Bennett.

VALPARAISO, Chili (via Galveston, Tex.)

May 8 .- By Mexican Cable to the New

York Herald-Special to Tue Bee.]-An

emeute is reported to have taken place at

Tocopilla among the workingmen and the

authorities ewing to a strike for higher

wages. The nitrate works, in order to re store quiet, have acceded to the demands of

The cruiser Errazuriz with fifty solulers has been sent to La Compilla to preserve

I have it on good authority that the government intends to ask congress for

power to sell agricultural and timber lands in southern Chili, and also the national

nitrate lands in Krapaca, the proceeds to be

applied to extinguishing paper money and to restore the metallic currency.

RIO DE JANEIRO (via Galveston, Tex.).
May 8.—[By Mexican Cable to the New
York Herald—Special to The Bre. [—The
English bank offers to loan the municipality

The new Argentine gunboat, Commodore

Py, has arrived here.

The provincial senate of Catamarca has

passed a resolution denouncing the Argentine

ederal congress for interfering in provincial Mairs. The province threatens to dissolve

UNQUESTIONABLY FOR HARRISON.

Equivocal Language Endorsing Him.

reports have gone out concerning the repub

lican state convention held at Martinsburg

last week. Charles Burdett Hart, editor of

the Intelligencer and one of the delegates

at-large, said today that the delegation is unquestionably for Harrison. It was not in

structed pecause that was not necessary

The endorsement of the president in the platform was as strong as language could

make it and congratulated Harrison on the prospect of renomination and re-election.

HORRIBLE SELF-MURDER,

Charles Tanetin Casts Himself Into a

Glowing Furnace.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May S .- Charles

Tanetin, a stevedore, plunged into the fur-

nace of the tug Governor Irwin last evening

and roasted himself to death. Shortly be-

fore dark Tanetin tried to jump into the bay

from the dock, but was restrained. Then

he asked permission to go into the fravin's

fire room and warm himself. Before the en-

drawn out. He was still alive, but horrisi-burned and in a few minutes he was dead

No cause for the suicide is known except

CHICAGO, Id., May 8. - The board of con-

trol of the National World's fair commission

last evening adopted a resolution taking the

preparation of an official catalogue of the ex-

position out of the hands of the several com-

mittees of the local directory, which had

been figuring on getting it up, and placing it in the hands of the director general, sub-ject to the approval of the board of control.

Accepted His Resignation.

the resignation of Count Taverna, the Italian ambassador to Berlin.

Declared the Strike Off.

VIENNA, May 8.-The Vienness cab nen's

ROME, May 8.-King Humbert has accepted

gineer could catch him his body cackling on the bed of red-hot coals.

that he was drunk and despondent.

the furnace tongs the suicide's body

WHEELING, W. Va., May 8 .- Many faise

West Virginia Republicans Used

\$5,000,000 to be used in renovating the

d sites for fortifications.

this phase of it.

bills.

the strikers.

fenses, and with it may be considered the

pected to bring up the fruitful topics of "free ships" and "protection to American ship

During the Present Week.

Interest Being Taken in the Coming Elec-WILL BE OF MUCH TEREST. .

OUR POLITICAL METHODS SCRUTINIZED Washington, D. C., May S.-Insamuch as the house will probably be engaged in the consideration of appropriations bills most of Hungarian Anarchists Resort to Dynamite the week, interest in the proceedings of con--French Press Comments on the Itals gress will be largely confined to the senate, ian Crists-Rome Shaken by an where certain matters of national interest Earthquake-Europe for a Day, are to figure. The Chickasaw claim is to be discussed tomorrow until 4 o'clock when a

> Pants, May 8. - The approach of the presidential campaign in the United States attracts much attention in France. M. Pressence, the well known foreign editor of Le Temps, said to an Associated press representative today: "We follow closely the American national and municipal policy because the French republicans want to see just what democracy is when left to develop freely. Moreover, we are studying the probable effects of the presidential election on international commerce. France wants a modification of the McKinley law, but she would not like to see a free comage law. If an international monetary conference will end the dispute nothing will please us better. Nothing can be done without England's co-operation. Mr. Coschen, after flirting with bi-metallism, usual to have dropped it."

Michia, referring to the anarchist scare, said: "This excitement is much ado about nothing. The fact is that the anarchists are new in number and that they have no organi-fation and that the most they can do is to blow up a few more houses. Then public opinion will mete out summary justice. Lynch law would speedily stience the advocates of anarchy. I am not a socialist militant. I favor evolution not revolution, Socialism is nothing akin to anarchism." Baron de Pava, the Italian minister to the United States, was seen by an Associated press representative while he was passing

through Paris enroute to Southampton to take the steamer for New York. Baron de Fava said that he desired it to be made known in the United States that he returned to his post with great pleasure. to his post with great pleasure.

Count Napoleon Ney is among the members of the French Chamber's fair commission, Mrs. Potter Painer has seen Mme. Carnot, wife of the president, and hopes to induce her to accept the presidency of the French woman's committee for the Chicago fair. While in Vienna Mrs. Paimer saw Princess Motiernich with the object of inducting her to become president.

object of inducing her to become president of the German woman's commission.
Mr. H. H. Kohlsant, the official Chicago. Inter Ocean correspondent, has started for home. Mrs. Kohls remains in Paris. She was a guest of Mine, Carnot at the opera.

ast Thursday. DISCUSSED IN FRANCE.

What Its Newspapers See in the Present

Italian Crisis. Panis, May 8.-French newspapers are bsorbed in a discussion of the effect of the Italian crisis upon the political situation in Europe. The Journal des Deshats holds that he sole cause of the crisis is the financial embarrassment arising from military expenditures, and that a reduction of expen-

ditures is inevitable.

The Gaulois publishes dispatches from Vienna and Berlin saying that the Austrian and German governments recognize the gravity of the situation, and adds, "King Kumbert, however, loth to renew his connection with the dreibund, must succumb to hear the state of the sta The fortifications and postoffice appropriation bills are also on the calendar, and Mr. Breckinridge of Kentucky will antagonize the anti-options bill with the first named measure. Only three of the regular annual fluancial necessities. A decrease of her armaments will modify Italy's foreign

Le Temps says: "No compromise ministry s possible. Italy must be resolute. The adomion of a pacific policy and a reduction of her army will be of advantage to the Le Matin predicts that the Italians will outinue to permit King Humbert to impose

he dreiband open Italy until their sufferings drive them to revolution.

BLOWN HIGH IN THE AIR.

Hungarian Anarchists Resort to Dynamite -Suspect Arrested. VIENNA, May 8.—The residence of a district notary named Papp, in Versecz, Hungary, was wrecked today by a dynamite explosion. The roof of the notary's dwelling was blown bodily into the air and the winfows of all buildings in its vicinity were shattered. It is supposed that the motive of he perpetrator or perpetrators was revenge. A Roumanian has been arrested on suspicion.

of being connected with the affair. Badly Injured in a Duck.

BUDA PESTU, May 8.—It transpires that the recent sword duel between Herr Hovarth and Lieutenant Ovarie resulted much more seriously than first report of the affair indicated. Hovarth was seriously wounded, although the first account of the duel had it that a slight scalp wound, inflicted on Ovarie, was the worst injury received by either combatant. Wealthy Brothers Tired of Life.

BERLIN, May 7 .- Victor Jacgerstrom and prother, members of the noted commission firm, were discovered in the Thiergarten, Victor dead and his brother nearly so. Victor shot himself and his brother tried to hang himself, but the rope broke. No cause 'is known for the deed.

French Troops Victorious. Panis, May 8 .- News from Tonkin states hat on March 16 French troops had a severe fight with the natives. Twenty-three French were reported killed and forty wounded. A number of native forts were captured, but it is not known how many naives were killed.

Disturbed by an Earthquake Pauls, May 8.-Two slight earthquake books were felt at San Remo this morning. The shocks caused no damage and no alarm excited among the inhabitants

Leo Will Not Grant the Petition. LONDON, May 8 .- The Chronicle's Rome correspondent says: The vatican is preparng a negative reply to the petition of foreign Catholics in America for national priests.

NEWS FROM THE OCCIDENT. Strained Diplomatic Relations—Shipwreck

on the Japan Coast. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 8.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Japan Weekly Gazette says: Chaos and disruption of diplomatio ties are the principal features in the inner circles here. Foreign ministers cannot agree about anything, at least of all about the imperial audience. The new Russian minister, Count Cassini, has declared he is not responsible for the follies of the past and hat he will take his own course for the future without reforence to the corps. The British minister has also revolted. The representative of France never was quite loyal to the diplomatic concert, but was always secretly trafficking in commercial contracts. short, the bundle of stick : is loose once

The following advices have been received

from Japan: The sum of \$30,000, or the total subscribed up to the Sist ultimo, for the redef of the sufferers by the earthquake in Gifu has been received. Twenty-eight thou-Gifu has been received. Twenty-eight thou-sand dollars was donated by foreigners and

It is expressly provided that there shall be no advertisements in the catalogue, As idea of the bulk of the catalogue may be gained from this statement by Director General Davis: "If only three lines each are given to the exhibits it will make a book of one or two thousand pages." sand dollars was donated by foreigners and Japanese abroad.

The steamship itsumo Maru was cast away during the night of the 3d instant on the entrance to a harboron the island on the coast of Cores. The captain and twelve people were saved, while fifty others, including three Japanese navai officers, were lost. The samp's cargo consisted of rice, passengers and mails, from Chemutpe to Japan. The steamer was officered and manned by Japanese and ma foreigners were among the passengers. o foreigners were among the passengers