AFTER HENRY VOSS' SCALP

His Appointment as Sugeristendent of Omaha's Federal Building Postponed.

SEVERAL VIGOROUS PROTESTS FILED

Governor Boyd's Recommendation Had Almost Secured the Position for His Friend-Substance of the Objections Submitted in the Case.

> WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE.) 513 FOURTHEATH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.

Henry Voss' appointment as superintend ent of the new federal building at Omaha, has been hanz up. It is suspended in midair and may never go through. His appointment papers were all made out yesterday afternoon and laid on Secretary Carlisle's desk ready for his official signature. Just as he was about to put his pen to the paper, after the department had closed, a message was received from Editor Hitchcock of the World-Herald asking that the appointment be withheld, and intimating, if not actually stating, that the appointment would be unwise. The secretary laid the appointment papers aside. When the secretary came to the department this morning he found a number of telegrams from Omaha protesting in vigorous language against the appointment. The Bee correspondent was permit-ted today to make copies of some of the telegrams and they are as follows:

Some of the Protests.

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We protest against the appointment of H. Voss as superintendent of the new postoffice for incompletency and worse. We are not applicants for the position.

BLAND & ZANGER Accidence.

I protest against the appointment of Henry Voss as superintendent of postofficer will forward the appointment of Henry Voss as superintendent of postofficer will forward the foregree tomorrow. JOHN C HARSARD.

H. Voss is not the proper tomorrow the superintendent of new postoffice in this city. Incompetent Am not an applicant for the office.

W. E. Frankery, Architect.

Telegraph to Millionaire John A. Creighton, Omaha, and to ex-tongressman John A. Mushine, Omaha, as to the advisability of appointing H. Voss superintendent of the Omaha postoffice. Voss petition is a false.

It was stated at the Treasury department.

It was stated at the Treasury department this afternoon that Voss' application was made out on the special recommendation of ex-Governor Boyd. Voss had a petition and a number of resommendations, but the name of Governor Boyd broarbt the favorable action at the sands of the appointment clerk. The s. sintment will be held up till the papers arrive making charges against Yoss. If the charges of incompetency or dis-honesty are sustained in the opinion of Sec-retary Carrisle the appointment will not be made. If the charges are not sustained the appointment will go through

Postoffice Changes.

Another day has passed without any changes in the Neuraska postoffice. The contention over the control of postmasters in certain districts, a contention not alone between democratic lenders in the state, but as to whether the populists shall be given any of the postmasterships, is the cause of delay in making changes. South Dakota got one change, C. F. Gardinier bajor appointed postmaster at Blendon, Davison county, vice A. W. Locke, resigned.

Iowa, however, got her share. She was given two dozen new postmasters, most of the appointments being made after removals removed; Colemas, Clinton county, W. T. Stegmund, vice W. W. A. Wortnington, removed; Chester, Howard county, B. Chapin, vice F. Freenire, removed; Columbus City, Louisa county, Mary A. Brets, vice M. A. Kelly, removed; Grand View, Louisa county. Kelly, removed; Grand View, Louisa county.
John Hunter, vice W. H. Robinson, removed;
Gray, Audubon county, F. C. Repp, vice W.
J. Lancelot, removed; Hillsdale, Hills
county, J. B. Lewis, vice A. B. Sawyer, resigned; Lime Spring, Howard county, N. L.
McNally, vice S. L. Hall, resigned; Madrid,
Boone county, C. L. Lucas, vice G. A. Young,
removed; Manilla, Crawford county, T. J. Boone county, C. L. Lucas, vice G. A Young, removed; Manilla, Crawford county, T. J. Kuhl, vice J. E. McCracken, resigned; Milton, Van Buren county, S. L. McLean, vice Chara Edmonson, removed; New Market, Taylor county, J. B. Härris, vice N. Reeves, resigned; Patterson, Madison county, F. S. Love, vice D. Deherd, removed; Quimby, Cherokee county, Mrs. K. M. Frazier, vice A. J. Shaul, removed; Redfield, Dalias county, T. C. Chane, vice E. B. Foster, removed; Remsen, Plymouth county, J. P. Keifer, vice F. G. Minort, removed; Troy Mills, Lynn county, Frank Kelly, vice W. N. Peet, removed; Wall Lake, Saccounty, O. H. Menold, vice F. H. Adams, romoved; Wellman, Washington county, W. moved; Weliman Washington county, W. E. Stump, vice J. F. Hicks, removed; Westchester, Washington county, Edwin Knupp, vice Calvin Bray, removed; West Point, Lea county, Heary Pagge, vice A. K. Stodda, re-moved; Williams, Hamilton county, J. H. Hurd, vice William Allison, removed.

Morton's Broken Resolution.

The following were today appointed copyists in the War department at \$600 a year. Clifford C. Marsh and Edwin C. Ford of lowa, William G. Crobbe, Utah, Secretary Morton has broken what he thought to be a good resolution. He had re solved not to have a lady in his office in any capacity. Upon taking charge of the Agri-cultural department he found. Miss. S. A. Benter had been in the office of the private secretary for several years as a stenographer Secretary Morton dictates all of his personal mail, and very soon had occusion to avail himself of Miss Benter's services. In a few days he found Miss Benter to be in dispen-sable, and has since dictated every letter t two other typewriter operators busy in keep for two or three hours at a time; so the

Popularity of a Nebraskan.

This evening a Washington News says of a well known Nebraska official who is becoming very popular here. "Mr. D. MacCraig, the new chief cters of the Department of Agriculture is an affable Scotchiam and enjoys the implicit confidence of the secretary, the result of the friendship of a life time. The most approachable of men, rather inclined to dispense with red Tape in the conduct of replace manual process. conduct of public business, he has a breezy western fushion of rapidly and effectively disposing of the matters which come to his receives those having ousiness with him is an indication that Mr MacCrale will be an important factor in the success of Secretary Morton's administration of this rapidly growing department."

George Whipple of Burlington, In., has applied for the position of inspector of steam vessels for the Pirst district and Henry Bishop of Sioux City has made application for the position of superintendent of the federal bailding at Sieux City. There seems to be a cessation of the strife

for offices at the Treasury department upon the part of Nebraskans Nebraska has about the minimum of applications, popula-tion considered. Neurasians are probably making their pull at the Department of

Agriculture Western Pensions,

The following pensions granted are re-Nobraska: Original—George D. Lloyd, Caras M. Osier, William Twidale, John J. Shindoll, Increase—John Lett, William H. Chapin, John M. Buck, John H. Hamilton.

Original widows, stc.—Sarah Bryan, mother, mour of Fara M. Hoden.
Lawn: Original—Lat Randolph, Corydon Russell Lather Gill, William A. Cregniles, Isase H. Ford, John M. McAllister, Somuel Winslaw, Additional — Jonathan Scott, Lath. 2012. Jacob Piles. Supplemental-John G. Coge-

shall. Increase - Martin V. Thompson. George W Yeocum. Oliver Ferrell, Mel-anethon Young, Andrew Miller. Reissue-Welcom B. French. Original widows. etc. -Sarah Fugate, Haite M. Brown, Irone S. Stacks Lois M. Chatterton, Susan Albright, mother, Samuel G. Bunton, father.

Condition of Iowa's National Banks. Following is an abstract of reports made

Following is an abstract of reports made to the comptreller of the currency showing the condition of the national banks in lowal texclusive of Des Moines: at the close of business on Monday, March 6, 1833.

Resources—Leans and discounts, \$33.86,664; overdrafts, \$55,089. United States bonds to secure circulation, \$3.374,509. United States bonds to secure circulation, \$3.374,509. United States bonds to secure circulation, \$1.374,509. United States bonds to secure deposits, \$169,000; stock securities, etc. \$1.677,591; due from approved reserve agents, \$1.693,760; due from other national banks, \$1.596,452; due from state banks and bankers, \$53.762; checks and other items, \$360,240; mills of other national banks, \$367,450; gold and silver, \$2.257,857; legal tender notes \$1,278,727; total resources, \$59.296,942.

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Liabilities—Unpital stock paid in, \$13,926,-600; surplus fund, \$0.067,708; undivided profits, \$1,424,913; amount outstanding, \$3,001,412; dividends unpaid, \$18,281; individual deposits, \$61,488,014; United States deposits, \$101,850; due to other national banks, \$1,605,-139; due to state banks and bankers, \$5,276,-342, notes and bills realisaounted \$655,634; bills payable, \$675,874; total liabilities, \$59,-266,942; reserve held, 24,56 per cent. 206,942; reserve held, 24 56 per cent.

Miscellaneous. Watson Pickrell of Beatrice is here on his way to New York, where he will appear an important cattle case as a witness. Pickrell has discharged all his duties in con-nection with the bureau of animal industry, made his last report and is a fullfiedged private citizen. He is jet suffering from the accident which he sustained here early last winter.

P. S. H.

NEWS FOR THE ARMY.

Changes in the Regular Service as Annonneed Vesterday. Telegram to THE BEE . - The following army

orders were issued today: Captain Thomas Sharp, Seventeenth infan | two countries and to embarrass negotiations. try, March 15, Department of the Platte, is further extended twelve days, with permission to leave the United States.

The extension of leave of absence on account of sickness granted Captain Robert G. Armstrong, First infantry, is further extended three months on surgeon's certificate

The general court martial appointed to meet at Columbus Barracks, O., December 21, is dissolved. This order to take effect on completion of any case that may be before the court at the date of its receipt. A general court martial is appointed to meet at Columbus Barracks at 11 o'clock a. m on practicable for the trial of such prisoners as may be brought before it. Detail for the court: Captain Walter A. Dagian. Tenth infantry: First Lieutenant Churies G. Starr, First infantry; First Lieutenant Harry L. Bailey, Twenty-first infantry: First Lieutenant William E. P. French, Third infantry; First Lieutenant William E. P. French, Third infantry; First Lieutenant Eaten A. Edwards, Twenty-fifth infantry; First Lieutenant William N. Hughes, Thirteenth infantry; First Lieutenant James M. Arrasmith, Second infantry; First Lieutenant James M. Arrasmith, Second infantry; First Lieutenant James M. Arrasmith, Second infantry: First Licuten ant George Palmer, Ninth infantry, judge

Leave of absence for four mouths to take effect from the date of his relief from duty in this city is granted Captain William H.

Chapp, Tenth infantry.

The following changes in the stations and duties of officers of the medical department are ordered: Captain Henry S Kli-bourne, assistant surgeon, will be relieved from duty at the United States Military the appointments being made after removals of incumbents. Iowa's appointments were as follows: Bode, Humboudt county, G. T. Peterson, vice T. A. Rossing, resigned: Bonair, Howard county, F. Schumaker, vice S. M. Webster, removed: Brayton, Audubon county, Jacob Bloss, vice H. M. Bartlett and Merritt E. W. Ireland, assistant surgeon, will be relieved from duty at that post. First Lieutenant Merritt E. W. Ireland, assistant surgeon, will be relieved from duty at that post. First Lieutenant Merritt E. W. Ireland, assistant surgeon, will be relieved from duty at that post. First Lieutenant Merritt E. W. Ireland, assistant surgeon, will be relieved from duty at the United States Military accounts were from duty at the United States Military accounts. will be relieved from duty at Fort duty at that post, relieving Captain Nathan S. Jarvis, assistant surgeon. Captain Jarvis, upon being relieved by Lieutenant Ireland, will report in person to the com-manding officer Davids Island, N. Y. for duty at that post, relieving First Lieutenant Madison M. Brewer, assistant surgeon First Lieutenant Brewer, upon being relieved by Captain Jarvis, will report in per son to the commanding officer. Fort Riley Kan., for duty at that post.

ON A REVAILABLE CAR.

Serious Accident on a Chicago Street Ruil way Line.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 14. -A runaway cable rain with passengers aboard was whirled unchecked ten squares through the most rowded portion of the city this afternoon. Its wild career was ended by a plunge down grade-into the LaSalle street tunnel, where the train was derailed and the wrecked cars strung across the track near the bottom of There was an exciting scene along Dear-born and Randolph streets as the runaway

rushed along. Men, women and children made a frantle attempt to get off the train. Many fell to the ground as they alighted. Crowds attracted by the screams of the imperiled passengers and the clanging of the car bells chased after the train and endeavored to get the helpiess ones off the cars. Police officers pulled several women through the broken windows of the cars and landed them in safety upon the ground Among the passengers on the care were women with babes in their arms. They begged pitcously that their children be saved from harm, but most of the men thought only of themselves. In the confusion several persons were trampled by teams taking fright, but escaped serious injury. Down in the tunnel the cars were in such inextricable confusion and the north clocking the road that it tool some time to clear the wreesage away. The gas main running through the tunnel was broken and there was a chance for an exper of others were fearfully shaken up and bruised or scratched. The accident was due to a broken strand in the cable. The seri-

FRANK MACK, back and shoulders, ANNIE Boxz, head and shoulders. Max Boaz, internal injuries. UNKNOWN WOMAN, boad and back,

MAY STRIKE YET.

Unless a Change is Made World's Fair Carpenters Will Go Out Monday.

CHICAGO, III. April 14 - It appears that the woes of the World's fair commissioners and directors are not over yet. Unless a change Is made in the program the carpenters employed at the World's fair will go out on a strike again next Monday. Last night a meeting of the curpenters council was held, which continued in stermy session from 8 p. m. until after I o'clock this morning. The carpenters are not satisfied with the result of the recent conference which settled the strike of the 4,000 World's fair mechanics. They say that Coggswell the president of the council, did not authorize the affixing of his signature to the agreement in his ab-sence and that he did not agree to the decision, despite the fact that President Hig-ginbotham and others said that he authorized the signing of his name. The feeling between carpenters and leaders of other trades is hitter and it is believed that every union carpenter working at Jacison park will quit work at the command of the presi-dent of the council. The presentings of the meeting were secret and the result was not given out. Rumor had it, however, that a strike would be declared for Monday.

Will Not Become a Candidate

Boston, Mass., April 15.-Rev. David H. Greer of New York has declined to allow himself to be put in nomination for the

DISCUSSED HAWAHAN NEWS

Yesterday's Meeting of the Cabinet Considers Recent Events in the Islands.

BLOUNT FOLLOWED HIS INSTRUCTIONS

How Different Senators Look at the Policy of the Administration to the Present Affair Commissioner Carter's View of the Situation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—The startling news from Hawail of the hauling down of the American flag, it is said, was the subject of an animated discussion at the cabinet meeting today. Secretary Gresham sald before going in that he had received no news except that contained in the papers published this morning.

It is said that in hauling down the United States flag at Honoluin, Blount followed the instructions given him before leaving here to the letter; that the reason for keeping the fact that he was empowered to do so secret was to prevent possible disorder in the islands and keep any other foreign country from stepping in unexpectedly.

It is contended, in view of the statements from President Dole, that the provisional government could maintain and protect itself against assault from within; that the necessity for the presence of United States marines ashore and the flying of the United States flag has passed. Therefore, it is argued, Mr. Blount was correct in ordering marines to their boats and the Washington, D. C., April 14 - Special flag to be hauled down, especially if the presence of the flag over the government building in Honolulu, as stated, tended to The extension of leave of absence granted | impode diplomatic relations between the

> Mr. Charles L. Carter, one of the Hawatian annexation commissioners, on being asked if he had any news, replied in the negative. Speaking of the lowering of the United State flag by Mr. Blount's order, Mr.

Commissioner Carter Sangaine.

Carter said: "I do not think it means a reversal of the policy of the government as expressed by the late administration. The secretary's attitude was satisfactory to the annexationists and he promptly disavowed the protectorate. The force of marines was posted on duty in response to the request of the provisional government to protect perthe provisional government to protect persons and property against assaults and dauger
from the natives. The necessity for this has
passed: the annexation movement has
gained strength and members, and President Dole has announced that it was able to
maintain itself if not assailed from without.
Therefore, the forces of the United States
were no longer essential and with their removal of course, the flag came down. What
we all regret is that events have made it
necessary to pursue that course. We had
hoped that when it was once heated that
annexation would be accomplished, and that
it might never again be hauled down."

thinght never again be hauled down."

Up to the hour of closing the Department of State no information had been received there regarding the action of Commissioner Blount. In the course of the afternoon Mr. Carter had an interview with Secretary esham, which, he said, was "quite satis-

I am not at all discouraged over the sit-"I am not at all discouraged over the situation and believe we shall come out all right in the end," said he. That this is Mr. Carter's belief is brought out by the fact that he arranged to make a tour of the south to investigate the subject of negro labor and the probabilities of securing a supply from that section of the country for Hawari. He says, in explanation of this trip, that that knowledge is necessary to his government and to the people of the islands before annexwith the United States is consumma ted, the present contract system, by which Chinese and Japanese laborers for the sugar plantations of Hawaii are secured, must be abandoned and southern negro-labor will be the most available substitute.

Opinions of the Senators.

The news from Hawaii attracted a great eal of attention among senators, although there was much reticence manifested when an effort was made to draw out. Democrats refrained from giving utterance to what ap-peared to be their real sentiments, and re-publicans said more for private ears than ney were willing to see reproduced in cold

Senator Palmer of Illinois sees no reason Senator raimer of thinois sees no reason for alarm in the action of Commissioner Blount. "I can scarcely see," said the senator, "that the act of Mr. Blount can be construed as an abandonment on the part of the present administration of all intentions oncerning the islands. It, to my mind, sig-nifies rather that precaution, which the unportance of the situation suggests, so that ie matter of annexation or the establishment of a pritectorate can be discussed with

ber deliberation." Mr. Morrill does not condemn the proceed-ags unqualifiedly, but it is easy to see that e disapproves of the act which resulted in the lowering of the American colors. "It may come out all right," he said. "It may be that the administration wants to be in a position where it can act as it believes,

reely and without prejudice. "On general principles," said Mr. Proctor, ex-secretary of war, "I believe in holding up the mag. I hope the action of Commissioner Blount does not menace the future of that country, nor the abandonment of the principle to which the public has, up to this time, given its hearty assent. But just what it means I cannot say, and I presume the must the facts."

Senator Dolph's Views.

Senator Dolph of Oregon said: "It will ome out all right. Mr. Blount's action may e the simple result of a desire on Mr. develand's part to put the negotiations on a ive authorities anew. I do not care to say the protectorate, until the present informa-

Senator Culiom deprecated the act of the commissioner and said: 'I am surprised that the democratic administration should order the stars and stripes to be hauled down. They have taken the flag down whenever they had the opportunity, and there was a time when they had it down in the states for quite a while, The dominant power in the democratic party caused the dag to come down then in the southern states and now they are per-forming the same act eisewhere. It is not the first time by any means that the demorats have ordered down the flag of this

Hawaii' said Mr. Vest, 'but I do not see anything in the action of Mr. Blount that iffects the subject one way or the other. There is certainly nothing reprehensible in his conduct, but I do think that the set of Minister Stevens in establishing a protectorate is to be strongly-condemned. What should be done in the matter can be better from the commissioner on the ground."

Will Not Appeal to England. New York, April 14.- A Beston special says: Hawaiian Minister S. Mott Smith, who

is in Boston, says that the provisional goverument of Hawali will not appeal to England or Germany for support, and that each of these nations stands ready to respond to Movements of the Warships. FORT MONROE, Va., April 14.—Admiral

Gherardi stated today that all the ships

would remain anchored until they started on

their trip to New York on the 17th. No

orders have been issued today from the ad-

miral's office on board the Philadelphia and

the day has been quiet. Admirais Walker | all foreign consumers.

Benham visited Admiral Gherardi on the Philadelphia to report their return from sea-

Disgrised under a coat of fresh white paint the Delphin joined the fleet this afternoon to the usual accompaniment of heavy guns. The Delphin will remain here for a few days.

and will then go to Annapolis, where she will take aboard Secretary Herbert, who is scheduled to arrive on the 22d.

BATH, Me. April 14.—The cruiser Machias was given her first preliminary trial on the river today. Her engines developed no weakness nor defect. Her engineers are well satisfied.

MURDERED BY TEAMPS.

Two Railroad Policemen Killed in the Yards at Dabuque, Iowa. Dusuque, Ia., April 14.-About 2 o'clock this morning Officer Frith of the Milwaukee & St. Paul road was found dying in the company's yards. A few minutes after another, officer, Talcott, was found in the same condition on the pixtform of a coach. Both died soon afterwards. They had been shot, it is supposed, by tramps whom they attempted to dislodge. The condition of the car showed that a terrible struggle had taken place.

The officers had been notified that several persons had been rabbed earlier in the night. They found tramps in a car in the Milwau-kee yard and went in to arrest them. The general wreck of the interior of the car shows desperate struggle which followed. The and surrounding country have been ared and a store of suspects have been armen, if caught, stand a good show of being

Thought the Contract Valid UDES MOINES, Ia., April 14. | Special Teles gram to Tun Ban |-After considering the aubject about a month, Judge Balliett of the district court this morning handed down a lengthy opinion in the case of the city of Des Moines against the Des Moines Water Workscompany. He rules against the city in almost every point raised. He holds that the city council has not the power to regulate the rates chargeable by the water com pany for water served residents of the of proper except as prescribed in the conis the right to regulate the price of water pargeable to citizens of North Des Moines, niversity Place and Greenwood park, holding in substance that the ordinance passed giving the water company a franchise to furnish the city of Des Moines water is a legal contract and must be lived up to both parties. The case will be appealed.

Rejected the Auditor's Bul. FORT DODGE, In., April 14 - Special Telegram to THE BEE |- County Auditor Cunningham today filed papers in a suit against the county to recover \$32 that was paid out by the auditor for extra clerk hire. The bill was rejected by the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Cunningham alleges that it would have been impossible to earry on the duties of his office without the extra help and insists that if the county in whose interest the wrt was done will not pay for it he will not feel under any obligations to keep up the work of his office in the future.

Grundy Center Jail Delivery. CEDAR RAPIDS, In., April 14.—|Special Telegram to Tue Bee.]—The three men recently captured at Ociwein and bound over to the Grundy county grand jury for the robbery of the postoffice at Grundy Center esbery of the postomee at Grundy Center es-caped from [ai] at Grundy Center last night. They burned a hole through the wail of the town calaboose with a poker, making an opening about 10x12 inches, through which they crept. Every effort is being made to recapture them, but as yet nothing has been heard of them.

Iowa Esturators in Session. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., April 14. - [Special Telegram to Tue Ber |- The fourteenth semi annual meeting of the Schoolmates Round l'able of Eastern lows is being held at topics which will be discussed are: "Facts," "Cadet Teachers," "State Work in Primary commencement program, senior review work.

Crookedness Suspected. Sioux City, In., April 14 - [Special Tele gram to The Bee. | — The Board of Supervisors has refused to allow all fee bills of county officers, justices and constables until they are fully investigated and checked up. The bills aggregate \$12,000 for the first quarter. The bourd alleges that it has evidence of a whole-

sale fee-grabbing plot and will expose it in the investigation. Victory for the Water Company,

Des Mornes, Ia., April 14.-In the long conested case of the city against the water ompany to compet the company to supply water at greatly reduced rates, the district ourt this morning decided that a city could not regulate rates so long as the company had the franchise to supply the water.

Sioux City's New Mill. Stoux Ciry, Ia., April 14. - Special Tele gram to THE BEE |-The Hawkeye Milling company, recently organized here, today purchased a site and has awarded contracts for the construction thereon of a flour mill to cost about \$100,000.

Still on a Strike. FORT Mantson, Ia., April 14.-None of the nen at the Santa Fe shops here resumed their labors. The company granted the in-crease asked, but declined to sign the con-

Malvern Ia., April 14.- Special to The Ber |- The cold weather of the past two days, it is feared, will prove injurious to the

fruit crop as the trees are beginning to bud. Men Are (onlident that They Will With in

the End.

Kansas City, Mo., April 14.—The Star's Copelia, Kan., special says: There is little hange today in the Santa Fe strike situation. The strikers are firm and expect to vin, and the railroad officials are apparently at case and, adhere to their declaration that none of the old men who are now out shall return to work. Twenty-three men returned to work today. Mr. Lewis, Mr. Frey's assistant, says this morning that new men were applying for work daily at all the shops on the system. Ke expects the full complement of men will be at work in all the shops soon. If, however, the trouble should continue, the work now done by the company would have to be sent to shors owned by individuals in the east. The company could do its work as heaply this way, but it preferred to do it at

The strikers are not frishtened by the company's position. They say there are no skilled men in the country to take their places, and as for the thirty men who rearned to work yesterday, twenty-two of them are apprentices on a four-years con-tract, and must work their full time or for-feit a portion of their wares held back workly to be a conweekly to be paid them at the end of four

Years.

The Saota Fe management, in anticipation of possible violence from strikers, has secured the windows and doors of its shops with bars, and stationed guards about the

Will Erect a Big Plant. Muxue, Ind., April 14.-Today a Pitts org syndicate, headed by Thomas Ligell. orchased property adjoining the city the extent of \$125,000, and at the same time closed a con-with Burt and Elmer Whitely contract Springfield for the erection of a large malleable from works. The new syndicate con-trols 40,000 acres of gas territory and will

IN THE HANDS OF THE JURY

Edward Mason's Guilt or Innocence Soon to Be Determined.

CLOSING FEATURES OF THE TRIAL

Evidence of the Divorced Wife May Be Disregarded Instructions of the Court Directed Particularly to This Point,

Hastings, Nen., April 14.- Special Telegram to Tue Beg. - This morning the arguments were continued and concluded in the case wherein Edward W. Mason is accused of having been an accessory to the murder of D. S. Core on August I last by the prisoner's

now divorced wife, Anna B. Mason, M. A. Hartigan closed for the defense and County Attorney W. P. McCreary reviewed the circumstantial testimony against Mason at length. At noon the arguments were finished and after the recess the court instructed the jury as to its procedure and the

The information in the case was based on section t of the criminal code and under its provisions, if the jury found that Anna B. Mason committed the crime and if she was aided by the defendant, a verdict of guilty as charged should be rendered. The accessory was as guilty as the principal. An accessory need not be present when the crime is committed, but if a weapon was furnished

by any one else, such a person is an accessory in the meaning of the statute. The evidence presented by the state, though circumstantial in nature, the judge declared, was just as conclusive and valid as any which could be presented.

Instructions were given as to how the jury should weigh the testimony which was presented and that the guilt of the accused must be proven beyond such a doubt as to cause a man to reconsider his own action. If the principal, Mrs. Anna B. Mason and been found guilty of manuslaugater, the de-fendant, if guilty of anding her, could also be found guilty of manuslaughter. The fact that the defendant was of good character did the defendant was of good character did not entitle him to an acquittal if other testi-mony tended to show that he was guilty of the crime. Such testimony it was the duty of the state to produce. It was not the duty of the jury to theorize. If it found the de-fendant guilty it must be by finding noother rational way of accounting for the circum-stances than upon the supposition that the de-fendant was guilty. fendant was guilty.

The circumstances must be consistent with his guilt and inconsistent with his innocence. The jury could entirely disregard Mrs. Mason's testimony if it found that previously she had testified contrary to her present statement. The jury was to en-lirely disrogard attorneys statements. If the defendant had abandoned his wife for two years or more, it was to be presumed that he had no interest in what she did

Four forms of verdicts could be given. guilty of murder as charged, guilty of murder in the second degree, guilty of man-slaughter and not guilty. Balliff Hamsher took the jurymen in charge

still out and the court retired. In case a verdict is reached before morning the jury will have to remain locked up until court

DAKOTA CITY, Neb., April 14.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-County Attorney McAllister today for the second time commenced 'proceedings in the district court against ex-Treasurer G. W. Wilkinson and his bondsmen for a \$13,000 deficit, claimed to be due the county. For two years past two cases have been bending against the exreasurer, but at the last term of the district ourt here the prosecution asked for a hange of venue, which was granted, to they were dismissed by the prosecution. The defense was all ready for trial and was much disappointed at this turn of affairs. The cases filed today will be heard before Judge Norris, June 5.

Defied the Officers. Ponca, Neb., April 14.—[Special Telegram o The Bee.]—Today a constable's party from Martinsburg, Neb., approached the residences of Charles Dyson and Knut Knutson, near that place, and with a search warrant proposed to search the premises for stolen property which was believed to be concealed thereabouts. Knutson and Dyson refused to admit the officers and threatened to shoot them if they attempted to proceed. They withdrew and called Sheriff McKabe o their assistance, who forced his way into he houses and succeeded in bringing to light the articles in question, consisting of pork, farming implements, etc. The offenders

were lodged in the county jail.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., April 14 - Special Telegram to The Bes. - The National hotel building was partially destroyed by fire this afternoon, loss about \$800. The building was owned by Mrs. C. D. Meres and was occupied by a family. The fire started from hildren playing in one of the rooms with

Elemons, Neb., April 14.—[Special Tele rram to The Bee |- Charles Barber, a farmer living nine miles north of this place. ost his barn and contents, including horses hay and grain, by fire at an early hour this morning. It was of incendiary origin. Intrance nominal.

Grand Island Notes. Grand Island, Neb., April 14. - Special to THE BEE | The book store of John Spothnan was closed by creditors yesterday eveing. The assets are about \$1,500, liabili-

thes \$2,000.

The fair given by the Pacific hose company for the benefit of the newly organized band is the event of the week. Last night a gold trimmed whip was voted to the most popular driving horse and brought \$75.

May Break Up the School. Commus. Neb., April 44.—[Special to

THE BEE !- Measies of a malignant form has broken out in the Catholic convent in this Nellie Conley, aged 14 years, tied Wednesday night, and another girl by the name of Kelley, whose parents live near Schuyler, ded last night. Several others are alling. It is thought the school will are alling. It is thought the school will have to be closed. A few cases of scarlating are in town also.

Bradshaw Burglars. BRADSHAW, Neb., April 14.- Special to

THE BEE |- The store of H. S. Hawkins & Hitchcock, general merchandise, was broken into last night. The safe was blown open. Several gold watches and chains were taken and about \$10 in change. A twenty-deline bill on the floor was overlooked. A reward has been offered for the arrest and convic-Grand Island Papers Consolidated.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., April 14.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Grand Island Herald was sold today to John P. Windelph, sditor of the Grand Island Anneiger, for

\$1.800. The papers will be consolidated and issued under the name of the Grand Island Anzeiger and Heraid. The German republi-Septenced to the Penticuliary. PAWNER CITY, Neb.: April 14 - Special Telegram to Tue Bee. |- John Riley was today convicted of burglary of a store at Du-

old. His parents live at Kansas City. Law by Limitation

LINCOLN. Neb., April 14 - Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Senate file 210 (the

bols last January and sentenced by Judge

Bush to confinement in the penitentiary at hard labor for two years. Riley is 21 years

street railway bill) became a law without the governor's signature. MINING PROPERTY DAMAGED

ALMOST A WRECK.

Narrow Escape of a Passenger Train Just

Below Council Blufts. An attempt to wreck a passenger train that came so nearly being successful that it made the bair on the heads of the passengers stand upright, was made last evening on the incoming Kansas City. St. Joe & Council Bluffs train at a point a few miles winth of Council Bluffs. The point selected by the wreckers was a covered bridge norms a small ereck. The road approaches the bridge by a sharp curve, and entrance cannot be seen beyond a few train lengths. Three heavy grown railrowl ties had been placed on the track fifty feet from the bridge where the shadow of the structure would help to conseal them.

The train was passenger and mall No. 1 in charge of Conductor Hommingway and Engineer Pat Brown. It was twenty monutes late and was coming in at a high speed The engineer for unately saw the obstructions at the earliest possible motiont but when the train was not more than a few hundred yards from it. The reversal of the agine and application of the alregates stopped the train, but not until the engine had struck the pile of thes. One of them was wedged under the forward tracks in such a way that derailment could not have been avoided if the engine had gone a few feet further. It was necessary to back the train before the tie could be removed.

There is no assignable theory as to the object of the wreckers. Had the obstructions not been observed in time the train would have been thrown from the track and plunged down a steep embankment into the crock, with results that could not have been less than horrible. The work had been the track twenty minutes before. It could not have been the work of mischlevous boys for the trainmen say it would require strong men to carry the heavy ties the distance they were taken and by them on the track. They were skillfully placed to make a wreck certain.

The passengers were considerably excited when they saw the work of the mis reants and realized the narrow escape they had from a fearful smashup.

The rallroad company kept as still as possible about the matter and out detectives at work on the case. It seems almost impossible that the men can escape, for the country is open and somebody must have seen them in the vicinity of the bridge.

IN ENGLAND'S PARLLIMENT,

Another Warm Discussion Over the Home

Rule Bill. LONDON, April 14. - In the House of Commons today upon the resumption of the debate on the second reading of the home rule bill, H. Campbell-Bannerman, secretary of war, replied to statements that had been made by Rt. Hon. Arthur J. Balliff Hamsher took the jury has and locked them up to deliberate.

At 11 o'clock this evening the jury was that the duty of preserving internal order in Ireland under a home rule administration of the light executive. tration would rest upon the Irish executive. If the civil force should at any time prove inadequate, requisition could be made upon the military to preserve order at the discre-

tion of the viceroy.

Here interrupting, Mr. Balfour asked:
"Would the viceroy be under the orders of
the frish government in giving the service of

viceroy would act under the advice of the Irish government, but he would be entitled to exercise his discretion as to whether the

Mr. Gladstone intimated a desire to close

Mr. Balfour protested against such an early termination of the discussion. He said that Rt. Hon. Mr. Goschen, exchanceller of the exchequer, Lord Randolph Church-ill, Sir Henry James and other prominent conservatives and liberal unionists had no yet had an opportunity to speak on the second reading. Mr. Balfour then suggested Friday next as a reasonable date for closing

Home Secretary Asquith delivered an earnest address in behalf of the bill which was listened to with considerable interest.

While Mr. Asquith was commenting upon the conversion to constitutional rule of Michael Davitt, "once a conspirator and rebel." a dozen or more Irish members suddenly rising called the speaker's attention to an epithet used by Lord Cranbourne. Daniel Crilly wished to speak for his col-eagues in Parliament and charged Lore

Cranbourne with calling Michael Davitt a Amidst cries of "Withdraw," "Apolo gize," the speaker called for order. If the expression, he said, was made it must be withdrawn by the gentleman who used it.

Lord Cranbourne thereupon made an odd apology. "I said nothing," he said, "but that which was true. I quite admit that the expression escaped me, but it was not intended for the

Mr. Asquith, continuing, evoked an out-burst of Irish cheers by remarking that the incident that had just occurred showed how scanty was the knowledge of the Irish his-tory and Irish leaders possessed by some

nembers of their position. SENSATIONAL ELOPEMENT.

for a Young Damsel.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 14. - Special Tele gram to The Bee | Society circles are all torn up over the suiden disappearance of Dr. J. W. Reavis of this city, who left suddealy last night in company of a fair young damsel, leaving a wife benind. The doctor has been a prominent practitioner here for years and stood high in the community. Of late he has been leading a fast life, but the dual role he has been playing was known to but few. The woman in question. Miss Essie Linn, came here from Europe not long ago and she was introduced into society by the doctor as his niece, he having succeeded in deceiving his wife on this point. Last hight the doctor cheeked two tranks for St. Louis and both he and the woman disappeared. The doctor's movable effects are missing from his office. Mrs. Reavis is igno-rant of her husband's unfaithfulness, being

out of the city on a visit. Han a Cholera Scare.

Mosmouth, Ill., April 14.—Passengers at the Burlington depot here this morning were panic stricken on hearing that a man who had symptoms of Asiatic cholera was lying in one of the waiting rooms awaiting a traingoing west. A high accompanying the man was the author of the report that he was afflicted with the dread Asiatic plague. He was unable to waik or even sit up and had to be carried into the car. The man came to Monarch from some etation both of here was mouth from same station north of here and ment prevails among the citizens.

EURAGA, Ala., April 14.-J. D. Barnett, keeper of a store near the line of Quilam and Clay counties, was murdered by Ed Only, a negro. A posse of blacks and whites pur-

Killed and Cremated a Negro

suco, captured, shot him to death, piled fence rails on the body, saturated them with (dl, set them on fire and consumed the corpse. Bond Paid the Penalty. ROCKVILLE, Md., April 14 - William Bond,

colored, was hanged here this afternoon for

the murder of Margaret Cephas in Novem-

Disastrons Fires Raging in Three South Dakota Miges.

TWELVE HUNDRED MEN OUT OF WORK

Narrow Escape of the Employes Fears Entertained that Work Will Not Be Resumed for Some Time-How it Occurred.

Deadwood, S. D., April 14. Special Telegram to Tue Bre | -Fire broke out this morning on the 150-but level of the Deadwood-Terra mine in a well timbered stope and spread so capitally that it was with difficulty the men and mules were hoisted to the surface without loss of life. About thirty of the men were asphyxlated, but all

This level of the Deadwood Terra paralels the 200-foot level of the Homestake and Highland mines and the five spread to them. All operations in the three mines were stepped and a tremendous effort Is now being made to get the fire under control. Owing to the impossibility of anybody remaining inderground more than a few minutes at a time on account of the smoke and gas, very little has been necomplished, and it is feared that all the tumbering in the three mines

will be destroyed.

Great Damage Will Result. In that case serious caves, would occur in he mines and a long time clapse, before the resumption of work. The officials of the Homostake at a crock this evening stated that the fire was under control but from quickly done, for train No. 8 had passed over other sources it was learned that it is still raging flercely, with the chances of spreading to every level in the three mines. Two of the mills were shut down to by and the

others will suspend operations tomorrow.

The fire throws 1.380 men out of work. At so clock tought all bone was given up of checking the thanes and every man taken out of the mine. Divers suits and offices have been tele-graphed for and wolling will be attempted anti-they arrive, when efforts will be made to buildhead the burning portions.

Brookings College Scandal.

St. Path. Minn., April 14 - A Sioux Falls, S. D., special to the Pioneer-Press says: Regent Shannon met the students at the Brookings college chapel this morning and absolutely refused to call a meeting of the board. He read telegrams from a few members of the beard endorsing the senti-ments of the faculty. Standard read a com-munication from the faculty, which stated that all students not in class rooms Friday, April 14, would be sufpended unit would have to leave the dormitors before no in the same day. Scarcely a student has gone back to classes. The students will stay here in tors classes. The students will stay here in town, perhaps, the rest of the week. Then at least 120, it is said, will leave for other

Mrs. Thompson's Imprisonment.

SHOUX FALLS, S. D., April 14.- [Special to THE BEE |- Mrs. Thompson, who was convicted in the United States court Wednesday for sending obscene and blackmailing letters through the mails and who was sentenced to three months imprisonment, is having a very easy time of it. She is nominally confined in the county jail, but in reality she occupies the best quarters in the sheriff's house and comes and goes at her pleasure, being absent from the jail often for hours at a time, being simply required to report to the United States mar-shal once each day. This treatment has occasioned considerable comment, especially

among the people of Highmore who are here to prosecute the case.

Deadwood, S. D. April 14 .- Special Telegram to Tun Box | -Frank Erickson, a former resident of this place, was arrested here today by United States Marshal Frye on the charge of smuggling. Erickson re-cently returned from a trip to his old home in Swenen and brought back with him a large amount of cutlers which he partially disposed of through Minnesots. When the officers got on his trail he came to Deadwood with the stuff and has been selling it at wholesale and retail. A quantity of dufiable articles appraised at 8500 was found in his rossession when arrested the admits his possession when arrested. He admits no duty was paid on the goods. He was held to the United States grand jury in \$500 bail,

which he furnished. Will Test the Case. Story Falls, S. D., April 14 - Special to THE BEE. |- A case was tried in the court today which is of wide laterest to the people of this state. The street commissioner of the city brought suit against W. A. Wilkes, a prominent attorney, for a poll tax of \$2.00. This was in pursuance of a recent action of the city council directing these taxes by sult if necessary. Wilkes resisted the collection on the ground that there was no statute covon the ground that there was no statute cov-ering the case. He was beaten in the jus-tice court, but at once took an appeal to the circuit court which will open here in two weeks. Several attorneys have been look-ing up the law and declare that the statute is so defective that no action will be sus-tained under it.

ST. JOSEPH SOCIETY SHOCKED.

Society People Involved in a Sensational Divorce Case. Sr. Joseph, Mo., April 14.—For nearly 8 week the air has been filled with all sorts of

rumors and reports concerning a case of do-mestic infelicity and infidelity involving two of the best known cultons of St. Joseph and a lady of most charming presonal appearance and great possibilities and today the natter was brought to public attention through the courts. George F. Black cush-ier of the German American bank, filed suit for divorce from his wife, harring adulery, and maning John Donnella, it president of the St Joe Stock Vards company, and one of the most prominent figures in business and secrety, as

co-respondent.

Black it is stated, had been suspicious of his wife and Demovan for some time and last Saturday he set a tray for them. He represented that he was roug to Kausas for several days and took with him his little bycar-old son. Black sent his other child, a loy, to his mother's home. He then proceeded to watch the movements of his wife and Douovan. He shadowed Douovan to his home that night and securing the aid of the police burst into his wife's room. He held a bulls eye lantern in one hand and a pistol in the other hand. He told the guilty combe that he had not come to murder them. He the other hand. He told the guilty coulde that he had not come to murder them. He had found sufficient proof that his wife was untrue and that his friend had decreved him, and he would let the courts do the rest. Black's position for divorce cites amorrous dates upon which Mrs. Black and Donocan are charged with he wing committed adultery. The directors of the bank demanded Donocan's resignation and Black has already resigned. A big sensution is created by the resigned. A big sensation is created by the

New York Costom House Scandals. New Your, April H .- The revival of the agitation of the customs house scandal and fraud in the appraisers stores at this port has caused considerable excitement among the employes in the customs service and denials are numerous. The interest in the matter was further heightened today by the statement of Colonel Tablenot, president of the Board of General Appraisers, that he had written a letter to Secretary Carlisle. asking that a commission be at once ap-pointed to make a thorough investigation of all the charges and punish each and every

person found guilty of malfessance in office.