# CLERKS CRUSHED

Five Hundred Employes of the Pension Department in an Awful Wreck.

COLLAPSE OF THE OLD FORD THEATER

Floors Give Way Without Warning and a

Complete Wreck Follows.

PEOPLE BURIED IN A TANGLED RUIN

Busy Workers Carried Down Along with the Falling Floors and Walls.

MANY MIRACULOUS ESCAPES REPORTED

Hundreds of Clerks Who Owe Their Lives to the Merest Chance.

TERRIBLE ROSTER OF DEAD AND INJURED

Twenty-Two Are Known to Bave Lost Their Lives, and Twice as Many More Were Hurt-Details of an Awful Accident.

Washington, D. C., June 9 .- Hundreds of men carried down by the falling walls of a building which was notoriously insecure.

Human lives crushed out by tons of bricks and iron and sent unheralded to the throne of their Maker. Men by the score maimed and disfigured

for life and happy families hurled into depths of despair; women calling for their husbands; children calling for their fathers; mothers calling for their sons; not an answer to the cry.

This is but a shadow of the frightful calamity that befel this city this morning. Words cannot picture the awfulness of the accident. Its horrors will never be fully told. Its suddenness was the chief horror In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye. there was a change, and men who came to the scene of their daily toil this morning will never return alive. Women who kissed their loved once this morning as they separated will have but the cold, bruised faces to kiss tonight Other cities have felt the visitation of awful calamities. They have been swept by fire and deluged by floods and plagues have decimated their communities. In the capital of the proudest nation of the earth there has been a catastrophe unparalleled in the annais of its history, and in every mind there is the horrible conviction that its Genesis is the belief in a criminal negligence of a government too parsimonious or negligent to pro vide for the safety of its loyal servants by erecting buildings proper for their accom-

modation. List of the Dead.

The following list of dead thus far reported, with the names of the state from which they were appointed, contains twentytwo names, including one unknown and one obable duplication, only twenty-one bodie having been taken from the ruins: UNKNOWN MAN, taken from the ruins at 5

o'clock this evening, evidently a clerk. GEORGE ALLEN, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE W. ARNOLD, Virginia. L. W. WOODY, New York, SAMUEL P. BANES, Pennsylvania JOHN BOSSIUS, District of Columbia. ARTHUR L. DIETRICH, Kentucky, JEREMIAH DALEYO, Pennsylvania JAMES R. FAGAN, Kansas. JOSEPH B. GAGE, Michigan

DAVID C. JORDAN, Missouri, M. M. JARVIS, Michigan. J. BOYD JONES, Wisconstn.

F. B. LOFTUS New York E. W. MAEDER, -3. F. MILLER, New York HOWARD S. MILLER Oldo.

I. H. MTFALL, Wisconsin. E. G. SHULL, Kansas WILLIAM SCHRIEVER, Maryland.

F. M. WILLIAMS, Wisconsin.

J. E. CHAPIN, South Carolina This is the man first identified as Dietrick

d then supposed to be Doggart, C. H. Miller is reported killed, but it is probable that the name is meant for C. R. Miller, who was supposed to have been

rilled, but will recover. The names of Jordan and Paul have also been attached to the unofficial death list as having been taken out dead, but their bodies bave not been located. Jordan is probably

duplication of the name of David C. Jordan of Missouri who was killed, and his name may have been confused with the name of McFall, also killed. One man taken from the ruins dead was dentified by a by-stander as "Old Man"

McCauley who lives in Victimia, but this identification was not verified as the death Hat does not contain his name.

#### List of the Injured.

A. L. AMES, lowa, skull fractured, leg broken and injured internally. F. F. Calvert, Maryland, right leg frac

H. B. Estemann, Fort Scott, Kan., seriously injured.

Washington Fryn, head badly cut. W. S. Gustin, Ohio, left arm broken.

DR. JAMES H. HOWARD, Muryland, colored, scalp cut, internal injuries. J. N. HAMMER, Tennessee, injured in eye

Thomas Hysus, Missouri, skull fractured J. G. Jouns, leg badly cut.

W. KUGLER, New Jersey, scalp wound CLIFTON Lowe, Iowa, scalp wound.

WILLIAM W. LETURE, District of Columbia

E. LEGER, Mississippi, head cut and injured internally.

PRANK METCALF, Mississippi, dislocation

of hip.

J. P. McCormacs, Wisconsin, depressed

M. McLachlan, leg broken.

G. T. PRUITT, Toxas, scalp lacerated. R. M. Patrice, New York, cut about head

Pony, police officer, injured after accident.

P. K. Pennington, Alabama, skull frac-CHARLES ROSINSON, Colorado, slight in-

juries in head and back. J. A. STEWART, cut about head.

F. F. SIMS. C. D. SHADBOLT, Missouri, (colored) dangerously injured.

F. B. SMITH, Tennessee.

R. A. SMITH, Connecticut, compound fracture of the skull. F. F. Sams, Illinois, cut about head.

WILLIAM M. SMITH. P. U. SOMMERS, Ohio, ribs broken and

head badly cut. F. W. Test, Illinois, contusion of scalp.

B. F. DRISCOLL. New York; scalp wound, leg injured and injured internally. J. A. MILLER, District of Columbia; both

egs broken between the knee and ankle. R. Weller, scalp wound and contusion

N. T. Worley, Tennessee, back and legs JAMES A. White, Georgia, cut on head and

A. G. Yount, Pennsylvania, head cut and injured internally.

A. C. Beack, Indiana, fractured checkbone and arm. CHARLES J. MOORE, District of Columbia, ribs broken and scalp wounds.

S. S. BAKER, bad scalp wound. WILLIAM R. EWING, Mississippi, head, face

and arms cut. C. R. Jounson, Missouri, left shoulder dis-

located.

Without Warning it Came. It was between 9:30 and 10 o'clock this morning that the floors of the old Ford's theater building on Tenth street, occupied by the records and pension division of the surgeon general's office, fell in as though they had been the cards of card houses. On each floor there were scores of men at work. Without warning they were carried down as by an awful cataract. The floor was made up of iron girders, hardly strong enough to support the walls, but heavy enough, heaven knows, to stamp out human lives; of bricks that were held together by plaster long since

place too long. There was no escape from such a flood. The government of a great nation could not afford to provide a safe building for its faithful employes, but herded them together in a building whose unsound condition was notorious. Again and again have the columns of the press been filled with the

dried out; of wooden beams that had been in

story of the rotten walls. Twenty-eight years ago there was another tragedy in the walls of this building. The news of it was flashed to the four quarters of the earth, and it brought consternation wherever it went. The man who was killed vas the president of the United States. Although the building had borne a curse upon it since that night, it ended its career in a fitting manner. But how much better it would have been if the government had removed the building years ago.

#### A Remarkable Coincident.

Those of the multitude who could think of omething besides the catastrophe remarked pon the strange coincidence that the buildng in which John Wilkes Booth slew Lincoln should fall and kill scores of people on the very day that the assassin's brother was being laid to his final rest. There was no connection between the events, but the superstitious shuddered and the strongninded commented.

The evidence as found in official records, uppears conclusive that as long ago as 1885 this building, which the government purchased after the assassination and used as an army museum, was officially proclaimed by congress an unsafe depository for even the inanimate skeletons, mummies and books of the army medical museum for which a safer place of storage was provided by net

Notwithstanding the fact that the public press had called the attention of the congress of the nation to the condition of the building, its darkness and unsafety, it continued to be used for the daily employment of nearly 500 government clerks of the pansion record division of the war office.

The building collapsed in the midst of an ill-judged effort to remedy some of its defects. The moral of the disaster is emphasized by the fact that there are known to be at least two great government buildings the printing office and the Winder building annex of the War department-each containing many more employes than were caged in the Ford's theater death-trap, that are in an equally dangerous condition.

Affecting Scenes. While the work of rescue was going on men who had been strangers to emotion wept like children and turned away their faces as the limp and lifeless bodies of those who had been crushed beneath the ruins were brought forth to the sunshing they would see no more upon this earth forever. Women were helped away in a fainting condition, and in every heart there was sorrow and in every eye stood the moisture of grief. The building fell in just before 10 o'clock this morning. There were 534

clerks in the building at the time and great oss of life resulted. The first floor collapsed through a weak ness caused by excavating a cellar, and in its fall carried down the other three floors, and with them hundreds of clerks. The tend and wounded were taken out rapidly by the firemen and police. All the am

ulances in the city were summoned and the rescued conveyed to the hospital. The scenes were terrible. Some of the lerks jumped from the third floor. The valls are still standing, but every floor is

town, and every window blown out. The building had been condemned as unafe for some time, but sentiment kept it unchanged. The floors were heavily loaded with records of the pension divisions of the War department. The cierks employed there were all men.

#### Hardly Any Escaped Injury.

Of the clerks in the building scarcely one scaped more or less injury. Twenty-eight were taken from the rules up to 10:15 a. m., and the emergency hospital at that hour was crowded with dead and injured. The injuries, from the very nature of the affair, are very severe-crushed bodies, broken limbs and internal injuries. Thousands surrounded the scene, and the excitement spread all over the city.

Every hospital in the city was called on to care for the wounded. General Schofield ordered two troops of cavalry from Fort Moyer, just across the river, and two companies of infantry to the scene, The secretary of the navy ordered out all the naval medical officers stationed here and opened the naval hospital to receive the injured. The communicant at the navy yard was ordered to render all assistance in his power. When the crash came there were supposed to be in the uilding 400 clerks, eighteen messengers and twenty laborers, 584 in all.

#### Cause of the Collapse.

The cause of the collapse is supposed to be from digging under the foundation for the purpose of putting in an electric light plant, but gave way first, carrying the others down with it. Fortunately the entire building did not collapse, as in that case the loss of life would have been much greater. As it was only the front part went down, leaving than half of the floor space intact. Because of this many lives vere saved. Some of the clerks at their desks were left sitting on the brink, while the deaks at which they sat went down.

Willing hands went to work as soon as the first shock passed to rescue the dead and dying and wounded from the ruins. Police and soldiers were ordered to the scene by G eneral Schoffeld, who kept

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### PLAYING FOR HIS RELEASE

Lincoln Business Men Working to Get Charley Mosher Out of Danger.

RECEIVER M'FARLAND AT THE HEAD OF IT

Plans that May Be Circumvented-Bitl Dorgan Will Have Another Whack at the State's Pocketbook-Peculiar Proceedings at the Capitol.

LINCOLN, Neb., June 9 .- [Special to Tim BEE. |-Quite a delegation of prominent business men of this city are now in Washington, where they are laboring with Attorney General Olney in behalf of Charles W. Mosher, the bank wrecking president of the defunct Capital National. This Nebraska contingent at the national capital is headed by John D. MacFarland, late receiver of the broken bank, and is eleeroned by Hon. Genio M. Lambertson, late senior counsel of the impeachment prosecution.

A tip reached here this afternoon from Washington to the effect that the strenuous efforts now being made to have the compromise proposition accepted by the attorney general are likely to succeed. It is understood that an arrangement was made with United States District Attorney Baker at Omaha, by which that official was to recall Mosher by telegraph whenever t was absolutely necessary to have him there for trial, and the fact that this recall has not yet been issued, and that Mr. Baker has extended Mosher's time of grace, lends some

color to the story, MacFarland's destination, when he left here, was Mercersburg, Pa., his old home, where his mail was ordered forwarded. Lambertson's estensible destination was Chicago and his old home at Mineral Point, Wis. It is denied by MacFarland's friends that his trip was made in behalf of Mosher, but there is a peculiarly noncommittal accent to the denials made regarding Lambertson's motives and whereabouts.

#### Mosher's Cold-Blooded Proposal.

It will be remembered that the depositors, with some exceptions, joined in a request that the proposition of Mosher and his relatives to pay back \$190,000 be accepted, in consideration of his being let off with a fine and relieved of the necessity of going to the penitentiary. A wall, however, goes up from the stockholders of the collapsed bank, who object to being given the ragged end of it lanny such manner.

It is not believed that the successful carrying out of the scheme can be possible, because of the similarity of this case and the one at Ponca, in which Frank Dorsey is the central figure, as the acceptance of Mosher's proposition would almost necessitate the extension of similar elemency to Dorsey, who is now in the east hustling up a pile with which to go at the prosecuting attorney, hoistered up with a tearful plea about the

est interests of the depositors. It is reported here tonight that Lambert-on has been retained by Mosher and that son has been retained by Mosher and that
the fee includes Dorgan's case with reference to the prison contract matter, which
will be brought up before the Board of Public Lands and Buildings at the next meeting, when the legality of the assignment by
Mosher to Dorgan will be considered.

Up to the present time this assignment
has not been recognized by the board, the
warrant for the feeding of the prisoners in
the penitentiary having been drawn in
Mosher's name each month just the same as

before the alleged assignment took place. It is another curious fact that, notwith-standing that Mosher is still to all intents and purposes the contractor, and therefore in possession of all his former interests there, none of his interest in the contract or his \$50,000 stock in the Western Manufacturing company have as yet figured as assets in the Capital National case. Dorgan's friends claim that the assignment will be recognized at the next meeting of the board, as it would be hazardous to his interesta to allow it to continue longer in its present condition. It is believed that this course has been agreed upon to forestall the seizure of the property as assets of the bank and prevent its being applied toward meet-

#### the shortage in the defrauded state treasury.

Will Turn Bill Loose Again. The majority opinion of the supreme court as already begun to bear fruit, and the arger the crop the poorer the state will be It was to have been supposed that the lesson on irregular practices learned from the seent trial would be sufficient to keep the officials from anything further in this line the future, but such it seems, is not to be the case, as the board is about to place in Dorgan's hands the \$21,725 appropriated by he last legislature, and proposes to give him arte blanche in the expenditure, just as was

one two years ago.

The members of the board will base such etion on the opinion of Judges Post and Norval, which reads as follows:

The motives of the legislature are not involved in this controversy, yet the appropriation in question (that of \$40,000 by the legislature of 1891) hight, with equal propriety, have been entitled "An act for the relief of \$C. W. Mosher," slace it is a palpable fact that he was beyond the reach of competition. The rules of the prison forbid the employment of free laborers within its walls, hence the contractor was practically able to dictate the price to be paid by the state.

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It is on this part of the opinion that the fileials rely to throw the work again to Dorgan, and give that enterprising self for whatever amount ne contributed toward freeing them from the difficulty in which they found themselves after the leg-islature had completed its investigation of their methods.

Court's Opinion of the Gentleman.

True, the majority of the court passed pen the employment of Dorgan, knowing hat he was Mosher's agent, in the following

that he was Mosher's agent, in the following language:

In view of that fact, his selection by the board as the representative of the state, knowing as it will hereafter appear, that it would be compelled to depend upon Mosher for labor to carry on the work is highly consurable, and should, to say the least, be characterized as ambusinesslike and utterly wanting in that intelligent regard for the interests of the state which the law demands of public officers under like circumstances. It is true, according to the cridence, that Dorgan was recommended to the board by reputable parties, and ever been made within the knowledge of the respondents affecting his character and fitness for the position. The fact, while it may to some extent extendate, while it may to some extent extendate, the fact, while it may to some extent extendate, the fact, while it may to some extent extendate, will not excuse his selection for so important a trust.

It might be presumed that this would be sufficient to deter the board from again delegating to Dorgan the superintendency of the work of construction or repairs, but it is stated that it will not and that be will be given the full amount of the appropriation, and that too, in advance, in assembly a superintent to the same majority of the court held that it was necessity against for the later to the same majority of the court held that it was

same majority of the court held that it was perfectly proper for the board to thus ady whenever the superintendent

#### Work that is to Be Done.

The money that is to be expended is as follows: For cutting off fifty feet of new ceil house and fitting up same for hospital, \$5.000; for fitting up present hospital for female wards, \$250; to complete towers, concrete and cement floors of new cell house, and plastering cell house, \$5.000; to tuck point walls outside old cell house, reset pinnacle, take up old stone floor in old cell house and for laying concrete and cement on house and for laying concrete and coment on granolithic paving, \$2,950; sewerage and water closet repairs, \$5,000; for taking up old stone paving in kitchen, boiler room and bake room, and laying granolithic paving, repairs to wall towers, hose main and hose, \$3,725.

The board will hold, in accordance with

the majority opinion, "it is a palpable fact that in the doing of this work competition will be barred," and will repeat their "error

About the only thing over which there seems to be any question is whether or not the board will again accept the bond of Dorgan with Mosher and Outcalt as sureties. It may be stated here that the State Journal company in raising the question of the time limit when the printing bids were opened purposely delayed raising that ob-jection until after the bids were opened in order to have an opportunity to review other bids. The putting off of the award has been of material benefit to that company, as it is still furnishing all blanks and the officers are putting in supplies, so that when the award is finally made there will be very little left to be supplied under the new

#### PRESIDENT PENA'S ATTITUDE.

Argentina's New Cabinet Causing Dissaris. faction in Many Localities.

[Copyri shied 1833 by James Gordon Bennett.] Valuaratso, Unili (via Galveston, Tex.), June 9 .- By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE.]-The Herald's correspondent in Buenos Ayres says a disagreement exists already among the members of the new Argentine cabinet. The dissatisfaction grows out of President Pena's attitude. It is politically the most mixed cabinet ever known in Argentina. Romero was especially surprised over his removel from the Treasury department, because it was only yesterday that he was informed by cable from London that the creditors had accepted his plan for settling the debt of Argentina and the president is alleged to have agreed to retain him in the cabinet. It seems probable that the new cabinet will not hold together for a long period. The only appointment received with favor is General Opejobuenco, who was named as minister of war in the place of Victorica.

A dispatch from Catomaroa says that the government troops have been routed by the revolutionists. The Herald's correspondent in Rivera says that a battle has been fought between the forces of Generals Telles and Saraiva, one of the leaders of the revolution in Brazil. The result of the battle is not

Letters received from Rio de Janeiro say that there is a widespread discontent in Bra-zil in regard to the attitude of the president. A movement is being secretly planned to overthrow him.

#### Fațal Railway Collision.

Managua, Nicaragua, (via Galveston, Fex.), June 9.—[By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald—Special to The Bre.]— Negligence of the conductor and engineer of a railroad train caused an accident near Sabana Grande, which resulted in the killing of many passengers. A train was left on the track without a headlight or anything else to warn the engineer of an ap-proaching train of danger. A well filled passenger train dashed into the one standing on the track. Nearly a dozen persons were killed and as many more were injured. An earthquake shock was felt last night, but no damage has been reported.

#### JAMES GORDON BENNETT LOW.

Proprietor of the New York Herald Critically Itl at Paris. Paris, June 9 .- James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herald, was langerously injured by falling from a coach Wednesday. He continued to grow worse, Wednesday. He continued to grow worse, and a surgical operation became necessary yesterday. His condition is now critical.

Pants, June 9.—Since the operation Mr. Bennett has had no fever and his friends are very sanguine of his recovery. This evening Dr. Robins says there is nothing in his condition to cause alarm.

# WARRIORS HOLD A RECEPTION.

Cody's Sloux Indians Attract Considerable Attention at Chicago. CHICAGO, Ill., June 9 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. ]-Rain-in-the-Face was "heap big Injun" today by a large majority. He held a swell reception at the North Dakota state building and shook hands with society.

Being somewhat out of the ordinary, it was a novel event, in addition to being Rain's debut. He was in full dress, wearing a summer suit with cloth leggings slashed around the hips and down the sides with buckskin thongs. His long, glossy, black hair, parted high up, hung about his shoulders, and a necklace of braided feathers contrasted in ornamentation with a red beaded inoccasin

n the warrior's only foot. ole survivor of the Custer massacre: Hard Heart, Holy Horse, One Side, Shield and

Red Star, braves of the Sioux persuasion from Pine Ridge. Curly wore a blouse and gray trousers and conducted himself in an easy, off-hand style, but the others, in feathers, blankets

gaudy calico shirts and beads galore, were rather stiff and formal. They greated, but had not much more to say to anybody. Hard Heart seemed to be a bit bored, but Red Star was not. He carried a gorgeous specimen of the pipe of peace, which many of the pule face ladies present admired so much that the young dude buck feit greatly flattered. The party sat in a first part mins-trel circle with Rain-in-the-Face in the center, opposite the front end of the building, and the guests stood massed before them. Curly sat at the chief's left, and Red Stay sat next to Curly, where he could lean over fre quently and whisper something to the obnan. Hard Heart's apparent apathy was due, so a bystander said, to the fact that Red Star received too much attention from the fair sex. Holy Horse evidently noticed this and it put all ill at ease for a time. Rain-in-the-Face sald after the reception was over that he considered it a most successful function.

#### IMPROVING WYOMING MINES.

Considerable Activity Among Owners of

Property Near Rawlins. RAWLINS, Wyo., June 9.- | Special Telegram to The Bee. ]-Frank Barrett, repre senting a syndicate of which ex-Governor Campbell of Ohlo is at the head, was in the city nearly all the week examining the company's mines just north of town. The ore is a copper, carrying both lead and sliver in paying quantities. Mr. Barrett was so well pleased with the outlook that he located a new townsite about three miles west of this place on the main line of the Union Pacific, platted 400 zeres into lots, besides reserving sufficient ground pesides reserving sufficient g or reduction works. He also located tion of coal land near the Dillon mine, which has been worked for several years and yields; superior quality of coal. I'wo sections of coal land near the lead mines southeast of town were located by the syndicate and with a map of its towasite,

fited today.

The Consolidated Mining company, a local concern which owns property a few miles northwest of town, has one shaft down about 100 feet that has penetrated a fine body of lead carbonates, very rich in silver over which there is much rejoicing. The new townsite company has secured fa water right from the Little Cherokee Water company, and will begin laying a pipe line a distance of less than two miles as soon as the survey is completed.

The fine weather of the past few days has

been a boon for sheep owners, as the hard rains and snows of last week destroyed up-wards of 50 per cent of the lambs. This, to-gether with the low price of wool, has been discouraging to flock owners. The range is in better condition than for years, a big

Neb aska World's Fair Visitors. Carcago, Ill., June 9 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. -Governor Crounse will remain here for a few days and be joined temorrow by Miss Crounse. Ex-Governor Boyd's family is here to remain for several weeks. Mr. Boyd will return tomorrow. Ex-Governor Furnas will continue to practice the principle he preached yesterday and gather in the wonders of the world's show for some time

# SPRINGFIELD UNDER WATER | fair today aggregated 57,944; yesterday, 124,-

One of the Most Disastrous Rain Storms in the Town's History.

MANY FAMILIES DESERT THEIR HOMES

One Residence Wrecked by the Flood and the Occupants Narrowly Escaped with Their Lives - Damage Elsewhere in Nebraska.

SPRINGFIELD, Neb., June 9 .- [Special Telegram to The Bre. ]-One of the most disastrous rain storms ever known in the history of the country prevailed here for several hours tonight, and at this hour (11:30) the whole lower part of the town is under water. The residence of John Johnson was washed completely away, the family barely escaping with their lives to the Missouri Pacific engine house, where they were rescued later. Turtle creek, which runs through the western part of the village, went out of its banks at 10 o'clock. The flood came with a rush and floodee houses and washed away outbuildings and stock before the residents could realize what had happened. The families of John Johnson, John Freberger, Eb Nicholson, John Mowinkle, A. Peabody, A. Sly, C. H. Depuy, M. Keaton, Louis Nichols, William Rishell, S. L. McMahan and others were compelled to abandon their homes for higher ground.

C. W. Owens and A. V. Rogers, butchers are imprisoned in their slaughter house half a mile south of town, where they were killing beef when the flood came and were unable to escape. The house is now in four feet of water, but the butchers are safe, as they can be seen by the flashes of lightning. The loss to the families in the flooded district cannot be estimated tonight, out it will be small as compared to crops ences and bridges further up the creek where the rain seemed to be the vorst. Nothing short of a cloudburst could have raised the creek to such a height in such a short time. The rain is still pouring down, but the flood is falling.

#### STORMS ELSEWHERE.

Almost a Flood at Hastings-Results in

Other Localities. Hastings, Neb., June 9.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—One of the hardest storms which has visited this city for years struck Hastings about 7 o'clock tonight. A gentle rain soon developed into a terrific downpour and then hail stones averaging an inch in diameter fell with great force and so rapidly that in a few minutes the ground was covered. The heavy fall of water, mixed with hall, choked the gutters and the streets were transformed into lakes of

The telephone and electric light wires were broken down and grounded in many cases and communication by telegraph with the outside world is very difficult. In the business part of town many cellars are filled with water from the gorges in the streets and many skylights and windows were broken. In one four-room house sixteen lights were smashed. The storm did not go very far south of Hastings, no hail falling a few miles

Fruit prospects here are completely ruined and grain will suffer to a certain extent. One of the features of the storm was the peculiar manner in which a heavy cloud settled down on the city, making it well nigh impossible ss the streets

stight shower this morning bolt of lightning prostrated Mrs. Frank Leavitt, and Mr. Heywood was stunned. A small boy across the street was also hurt.

NEHAWKA, Neb., June 9.—[Special Telegram to Tur Brr.]—Today lightning street the house of George Lloyd, four miles north of here. His wife was stunned and is still

gram to THE BEE |- Just previous to the

#### unconscious. The house was badly wrecked the four walls spreading badly. EDWIN BOOTH'S FUNERAL.

Impressive Services Held at the Little Church Around the Corner. New York, June 9 .- The tuneral services over the remains of the late Edwin Booth took place this morning at the "Little Church Around the Corner," from which so many actors have made their last exit. The quaint little edifice was crowded to the doors with men eminent as actors, artists, men of etters, men of affairs, who came to pay a final tribute to the famous dead. Everything connected with the funeral was most simple A plain oaken casket held the remains, and the only gift of nature on it was a wreath of laurel. The regular h of laurel. The burial service was Episcopal Bishop Potter, assisted by Dr. Houghton rector of the church. At the conclusion the body was taken to the Grand Central depot and put on a special train carrying friends to Boston, where the interment will be in

#### Mount Auburn cemetery. NEWS FOR THE ARMY.

List of Changes in the Regular Service a

Announced Yesterday, Washington, D. C., June 9.—[Special Telegram to Tur BER |-The following army

orders were issued today: Lieutenant Colonel George H. Weeks leputy quartermaster general, will proceed from Washington to Pitisburg upon official business connected with the quartermaster's epartment and upon the completion of this luty will return to his proper station. First Lieutenant Harry C. Benson, Fourth avairy, is at his own request relieved inty in Chicago in connection with the ureau of American republics and will joi is troop.

Leave of absence for three months on

surgeon's certificate of disability is granted Major John C. Mallory, corps of engineers.

Western Pensions

The following pensions granted are re ported: Nebrasica: Restoration and increase-William D. McLaughlin, Increase—Cass Jones, Reissue—Andrew Lawrence, Orignal widow-Susan Lawrence. Iowa: Original—John I. Johnson, John Reynolds. Increase—Fritz Berger, Joseph W. Gale, Charles H. Baker, John B. Bel-frage, E. Charles H. Baker, John B. Bel-W. Gale, Charies ... frage, F. Christofel. Reissue and no... John C. Williams. Original widows, etc.— John C. Williams. Original widows, etc.— Caroline L. Wescott, Prances Churchill,

Cozad Saloon Robbed, Cozan, Neb., June 9.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE |-Allyn & Coacher's saloon was broken into last night and the cash register emptied of its contents, about \$12. The robbers broke the bottom out of the register with a hatches. Absolute Divorce for Mrs. Leslie.

NEWBURG, N. J., June 9 .- Referce Taylor appointed to take testimony in the suit of Mrs. Frank Leslie against her second hus-band, "Willie Wild," has reported recommending that she be granted an absolute

Dorland. Assets, \$163,000; limbilities, \$51,-000. No preferred creditors.

FAVOR THE SCHEME.

Iowa Citizens Auxious to Promote the North and South Railway.

Des Moines, Ia., June 9.- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. ]-Governor Boics has appointed twenty-eight delegates to the convention to be held at Lincoln, Neb., June 28. to consider the project of constructing a line of railway from the north line of North Dakota to the Gulf of Mexico. It is estimated that it could be built for \$27,600,000, and that a tax of 5 cents per acre on the land of the ten great states in the interior basin would construct the railway and seave a surplus of

\$2,000,000 82,000,000,
North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas,
Missouri, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma,
Governor Crounse of Nebraska says in a letter to Governor Boies, desire the holding of ter to Governor Boies, desire the holding of this convention. The governor of Iowa has appointed these delegates: Delegates-at-large, J. L. Gobble, Muscatine; Spencer Smith, Council Bluffs; other delegates, James A. Thorpe, Mount Vernon; J. N. Holiday, Morning Sun; Will B. Barger, Chariton; A. G. Glick, Marshalltown; M. P. Van Osterhout, Orange City; Frank Gilman, Hamburg; P. C. Rude, Perry; E. F. Test, Council Bluffs; W. W. Morrow, Afton; William Groneweg, Council Bluffs; Jonas W. Cleland, Sioux City; Will A. Wells, Alton; A. A. Smith, Sioux City; John McCarthy, Jefferson; B. C. Sallinger, Manning; S. J. Patterson, Dunlap; D. M. Harris, Missouri Valley; G. N. Castle, Danbury; H. D. Crawford, Ottumwa; James M. Holland, Mt. Pleasant; Aaron E. Brown, Fayette; A. W. C. Weeks, Winterset; E. R. Baker, Sidney; Isaiah Doane, Webster City; Warren S. Dungan, Chariton; J. S. Lawrence, Sioux City.

#### MAY MAKE THE RACE.

Cowboy Contestants Will Not Be Arrested

Unless Their Horses Are Pushed. Fort Dodge, Ia., June 9.—[Special Telegram to The Ber.]—Governor Boies has written a letter to the sheriff of each lowa county through which the racing cowboys will pass on their way to the World's fair. He urges them to watch the riders carefully and arrest the first one whose horses show any sign of cruel or inhuman treatment. Sheriff Adams states that it is his intention to closely watch each rider all the way through Webster county and will promptly arrest any one of them who is overriding his horses or otherwise treating them cruelly. With careful surveillance of this character all along the line it is possible that the race may be completed without any cruelty to the mustangs ridden.

Iowa Democrats Active. CRESTON, In., June 9.- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. ]-A call was issued this week by Chairman Ed Curry for a meeting of the congressional committee and a committee of democrats to advise as to the date of the state democratic convention and to consult as to a probable candidate for governor. Committeemen from every county in the district have responded. All seem to favor an early date for the convention and Hon. S. L. Bestow, lieutenant governor, seems to be the choice of a large unjority for nomination for the governorship. Congressman White of Keokuk has a small following. Funcral of James Reynolds.

DES MOINES, Ia., June 9 .- [Special Tele gram to THE BRE !- The remains of James R. Reynolds were brought here and buried this morning. Little is known about his death except that he ended his life voluntarily on the plains of Montana. He left Des Moines nearly a year ago to seek health and fortune in the west. Iowa Masons Entertained.

MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., June 9 .- [Special to THE BEE.]-The Masonic lodge of this city tendered the other lodges of that order in Harrison county a reception and banquet last evening. The first portion of the even-ing was devoted to work in the degrees. A large number of visitors and guests were Escape of a Chicken Thief. DES Mornes, Ia., June 9 .- [Special Tele

sentence to the penitentiary for chicken stealing, escaped from the guards today while he and others were working in the court house rotunda. The sheriff has offered a reward for his arrest. Death of an lowa Ploncer. Cheston, Ia., June 9.—(Special Telegran to The Ber. |-Lyman Waterman, sr., a pioneer resident of Union county, died this morning. He was here before Creston was

gram to The Brn |- Frank Forsythe, under

known of and when the Burlington was build ing a line west. Suspected Train Robbers Released. Creston, Ia., June 9.—(Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Jewell and Ewing, the suspected train robbers, were released today, proving their innocence in connection with the attempted train robbery of Q passenger

Retired from Pract ce. DES MOINES, Ia., June 9 .- (Special Tele gram to The Bee. ]-Judge C. C. Cole today retired from the practice of law. His career has been a long and distinguished one. New York Exchange Quotations.

New York, June 9 .- [Special Telegram

to Tur Bee:]--Exchange was quoted as follows today: Chicago, no market: Boston. 5 cents to 30 cents discount; St. Louis, \$1 discount. Nebraska Postmaster Appointed. Washington, D. C., June 9. (Special Telegram to The Beel-Samuel Steele was

## appointed postmaster at Western, Saline county, Neb , today.

WEATHER FORECASTS. Nebraska is Promised with More Rain for Teday and Warmer Weather. Washington, D. C., June 9. - Porceasts for Saturday; For Nebraska—Showers; warmer; variable winds, shifting to south.
For Iowa-Showers in early morning and

probably during the day; warmer; east to

southeastern South Dakota; variable winds.

For Dakotas-Showers; warmer, except in

Local Record. OFFICE OF THE WRATHER BUREAU. CMAHA June 9.—Omaha re ord of temperature and rainfall, compared with corresponding days of past four years:

1993, 1892, 1891, 1890,

Maximum temperature, 70° 57° 79° 50° 57°

Average temperature, 65° 69° 58° 57°

Average temperature, 68° 75° 68° 68° 58°

Precipitation 09 00 T 03

Statement showing the condition of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for the day and since March 1, 1893: 
 Normal temperature
 70 □

 Deficiency for the day
 2 □

 Deficiency since March 1
 287 □

 Normal precipitation
 10 inch

 Deficiency since March 1
 10 inch

 Line 1
 10 inch

 Excess since March 1
 167 inch

Reports from Other Points at 8 p. m.

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Cloudy. Galveston, Tex., June 9.—The Texas Trieling company, a wholesale and retail orporation, made an assignment to W. S.

# ENDED IN BLOODSHED

Strikers Attack the Workingmen on the Chicago Drainage Uanal.

RIFLES AND REVOLVERS FREELY USED

Lemont, Illinois, the Scene of a Bloody and

Desperate Battle. SEVERAL MEN KILLED AND MANY WOUNDED

Strikers Abandon the Field, Leaving Their Dead and Dying.

STATE AID CALLED FOR BY THE SHERIFF

Troops Ordered to the Scene of the Trouble -More Disorder is Feared-A Description of the Fight-List of

Casuatties.

LEMONT, Ill., June 9.—Deputy sheriffs with Winchester rifles and armed mobs of strikers met at Lemont today. The first week of the strike in the quarries and drainage canal closed with a copious shedding of blood. The conflict came at noon, and as the result of the volley of shots one man was killed outright, two have died since, two others are reported missing, said to have fallen in the canal after receiving mortal wounds and fourteen others were wounded, three fatally.

List of Killed and Wounded. AN UNKNOWN MAN, shot through the ead and found on towpath.
TWO UNKNOWN MEN, shot, whose bodies fell into the canal.

The wounded are: ANTON VELESVERSKI, severe nead wound. THOMAS MOORSKI, shot through lungs, will

MIKE BERGER, shot in kidney, will die.

ANTONE KOLLA, shot through hip.

FHANK ESHI, shot over the eye.

ured.

GEORGE KISKIA, shot through right lung and liver: will die. MIKE MICHAEL, shot through fleshy part of

LAWRENCE L. AVENBOWSEI, shot through Ludwig Krugen, bullet in bladder, Jour Footjotreski, bullet in thigh; will

MIKE ZOLASKI, shot through lung; will die. John Petersen, shot through groin; will Four or five others, unknown, were in-

JOHNNY KLUGA, a boy, shot in the groin and cannot recover. He was employed as a switchman for the Santa Fe Railroad come pany and was at work at a point near where he strikers were when the fight began, Early this morning the men began to ather in the streets to discuss the situa-

tion. As the morning wore the crowd ins

creased. They were made up of the most part of quarrymen in sympathy with the strikers from Lockport, Romeo and Joliet. Routed the Strikers. At 10 o'clock the crowd began to march southward. About half a mile out of town the men took the towpath. Along this route they were shielded from view by the shade trees and thick brambles. It was the intention of the strikers on arriving at the camp to drive out the workmen as they had done on previous visits. The men in the camp had provided themselves with arms and ammunition to hold their position. The strikers were definitly moving upon them. When the conflicting factions were about 250 yards apart firing began. Reports vary as to which side first fired, but there can be no question that the strikers were sadly worsted. When those not killed of wounded took to flight, the strikers fled in the wildest confusion when the builets came through the air. They tried to shield themselves behind trees and thickets, They carried most of their wounded with them. One of the leaders among the strikers was left lying as he fell on the banks of the canal. There he has since remained, with two bullets in his head, No one who has visited the scene of the trouble since the conflict began has been able to identify the man, and up to midnight his name was unknown. Two others of the

strikers are said to have rolled into the waters of the canal after receiving their

wounds. Roady for Another Attack. The strikers continued to bring the wounded into Lemont long after nightfall, and it is believed the list of wounded and dead is yet incomplete by several names. At the camp where the battle took place arm od guards are patrolling tonight. Some fifteen or twenty men are tramping the boundary lines, each carrying a Winchester and oaded revolvers.

The office of M. Jackson, one of the parts ners, was found surrounded by weapons of every description. He said: "We had become tired of the strikers annoying our men. Thursday, when the strikers visited us, they were told that their methods would no longer be tolerated. We showed them sixty armed men with rifles and revolvers as evidence of our intention to back what we said. This had some effect upon them and they departed. This morn. ing, nowever, they changed their minds and determined to drive off all employed in the

drainage camps, cost what it might.

"The strikers at Lackport, hearing of this intention, determined to co-operate with them, and it was settled that we were to be attacked simultaneously by strikers on the south from Lockport and on the north by those from Lement. Their plas, however,

miscarried."
The feeling in Lemont tonight was that the day's work is a death blow to the strike, though many were found who expected more trouble. The strikers do not talk revenge. They deny they were accord though the camp men claim they fired first. There were four deputy sheriffs from Will county with the strikers and about twenty-five regrees. the strikers and about twenty-five negroes employed on the canal. Thirty of the strikers were explured by the shariffs and sent to

#### CALLED FOR ASSISTANCE.

Correspondence with the Governor Concerns ing Sending State Troops.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 9 .- The information received here by the sgovernor and other state officials is that the laborers at the quarries at Lement and Romero are still in a state of confusion and riot and have made desperate efforts today to compel the workers engaged in the drainage canal to go out with them and make the strike general all along that section. The men in the canal have sternly refused to do this and in consequence thereof a deadly riot is in progress. In response to telegrams received from the sheriffs of Cook and Will counties asking for troops, Governor Alegeld tonight wired the following:

"Thomas Kennedy, sherin of Will county, Juliet. I have just regelived telegrams aggred by yourself and two other shering calling 19.

CHICAGO, Ill., June 9.— Special Telegram "T" indicates trace.
GEORGE E. HUNT, Local Forecast Official. to Tun Brz. ]-The paying admissions to the