PECULIAR CRIMINAL CASE The total loss will amount to about \$4,000.

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Aged Seward County Citizen Acquitted of a An Steeling Takes Part in the Patriotic Horrible Charge.

CHARGED WITH MURDEROUS DESIGNS

Alleged to Have Fired His Son's Residence with a View of Causing His Wife's Death Along with Several Others.

WILBER, Neb., Sept. 22 .- (Special Telegram.)-A remarkable criminal case was tried before Judge Hantings here today. Michael Kesler of Seward county, aged 74 years, was charged with having set fire to his son's residence at Friend, in July, 1893. In the house at the time were his aged wife, to whom he had been married fifty years. his young grandchildren and a bired girl, who narrowly escaped death while asleep the building and contents being consumed. The parents of the children were at the

As the old man had some trouble with his wife on account of property and family matters he was arrested on suspicion of having committed the deed in order to get her ou of the way. When arrested he told several parties that he had done it and in justice court pleaded guilty, it is claimed, under correlon. In the district court a plea of not gully was entered, the defense being that he was physically incapable of performing the acts attributed to him by the prosecution and also mentally irresponsible.

After a few minutes absence the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

AFFAIRS AT LINCOLN.

Pawnbroker Arrested for Violating the City Ordinances.

LINCOLN, Sept. 22 .- (Special.) -- One of the pawnbrokers of the city was arrested today for a violation of the pawnbroking rules. It is said that he refused to report the number of articles pawned with him. Sheriff Vickery of Taylor county, Iowa

stopped in Lincoln today and lodged for safkeeping during his stay in the city a prisoner named C. C. Wherry in the city jail. Wherry is wanted in Taylor county for forgery and was captured out in the state.
W. F. Gurley of Omaha was the orator for the opening of the university, which cocurred yesterday, and his address is spoken of as one of the finest ever delivered on

such an occasion in the state.

One of the sensations in the district court today was the order asking for the return of Bud Lindsny, who was asked to appear to answer to the charge that he had unlaw-

fully disposed of his property.

In the big damage suits brought by Margaret Clark against the city for damage to the property at Twentleth and F street the defendant has filed an answer, stating that the property is not damaged. He asserts that the property has received some special bene-fits by reason of the changing of the grade.

Schuyler Notes and Personals. SCHUYLER, Neb., Sept. 22.- (Special.)-C. S. Roberts, until recently in the harness business here, is going west to look for a

new location. Miss May Elden, who has been teaching music here for two years, has returned to her home in Des Moines, where a class awaits her.

Bank Cashler E. F. Folds of the Pold. bank, and vice president of the State Bankers' association, Morris Palmer of the First National bank, and J. M. Simmons of the Nebraska State bank, attended the meeting of the State Bankers' association at Smahn this week. H. J. Quickenstedt and L. V. Graves

Leigh were in Schuyler Tuesday. County Treasurer M. F. Bednar is absent to attend the Saline county fair.

M. E. Shipley, foreman in the Harald office, is off for a month's vacation in

A Dureas society has been organized by the ladies of Holy Trinity parish, with Mrs. Thomas Bryant president; Mrs. W. W. Wells, vice president; Mrs. H. A. Cameron, secretary; Mrs. C. J. Phelps, treasurer; Mrs. George H. Thomas, chairman of execu tive committee, comprised of herself and Mosdames W. W. Rees, J. C. Kahl, H. W. Nieman and E. Lamhofer. The societ organized to relieve distress among poor during the coming winter, and have already begun preparing new clothing and repairing old that needs it.

Funeral of Hamilton Cooper. AUBURN, Neb., Sept. 22 .- (Special.)-The funeral of Hamilton Cooper occurred this

afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and was largely attended, the entire business portion of the city being closed during the funeral. The city officers and the County Fair association attended in a body. The funeral was con-ducted by Rev. L. L. Combs of the Church of Christ, under the auspices of the Odd The Nemaha County Fair and Driving Park association, the Odd Fellows and the city council all passed appropriate resolu-

Mr. Cooper was 67 years of age, and one of the foremost of Auburn's citizens in ad-vancing everything of benefit to the city.

Norfolk Banks Consolidate. NORFOLK, Neb., Sept. 22 .- (Special Telegram.)-It is officially announced this evening that the Citizens' National bank and the Nerfolk State bank have consolidated, the change to take effect Monday morning. The name of the Citizens' National bank is re-tined. The new organization will have G. A. Lukart, formerly at Tilden, Neb., as its president, while R. A. Stewart, former eash-ier of the State bank, will be the new cashier. The former officers of the Citizens National, C. M. Swank, president, and G. L. National, C. M. Swank, president, and G. L. Hes, cashier, both retire. The bank will occupy the old location of the State bank, and its capital will remain \$59,000, as before.

Bold Work of a Thief. BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 22 .- (Special Telegram.)-Last night Sam Wymore went into the barn of Louis Fink, near Wymore, and, hitching a team to a wagon load of wheat, struck out for Kansas. He of wheat, arrick out for kansas. He was easily traced the next morning by wheat strewn along the road, it having leaked out of the wagon. He drave to Oketo and sold the grain for less than \$5 and started on the return trip, but was captured. He said he intended returning the team to its owner. Wymore in his youth was an inmate of the reform school. He was brought to Beatrice tonight and ledged in tall. lodged in jail.

BENNINGTON, Neb., Sept. 22.-(Special.) -William Crile, a farmer living two miles northwest of town, met with a horrible death this morning while digging a well for his neighbor, James Snyder. Crile had been working for several days and was down to a depth of about eighty feet. He went to work this morning as usual, but had not worked bong when the two men who were handling the wind-lass let go of the bucket, which fell to the bottom, striking him on the head and killing him instantly.

Alleged Cow Thief in Court. FREMONT, Sept. 22 .- (Special Telegram.) -The preliminary hearing of Jesse Wheeler on a charge of stealing a cow from A. K. Dame, resulted in Wheeler being bound over for trial in the district court in \$500 bonds. Wheeler waived preliminary examination on the charge of stealing a cowfrom C. J. Wilcox, and he was also held for trial on this charge in \$500 bail. His bonds in both instances were signed by James G. Smith.

District court commences next Monday. Costly Blaze at Platte Center. PLATTE CENTER, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Spe cial Telegram.)-Last night the large warehouses, coal sheds, machinery ware rooms and a carload of corn which was on the Union Pacific side track, were totally destroyed with all their contents. The fire is supposed to be of incendiary origin, but nothing definite at this time can be stated.

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SOLDIER'S MOMUMENT UNVEILED.

STERLING, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special Telegram.)-Thirty-five hundred patriotic citizens, headed by the Tecumseh band and 100 Grand Army of the Republic members and 300 school children, marched to the cemetery where the first public soldiers' monument in Nebraska was unveiled today. Hon. Church Howe, with an appropriate address, dedicated the monument in the name of Sil post, Grand Army of the Republic, No. 99. Miss Zellora Iden unveiled the monument with a highly appreciated address, and State Superintendent Goudy read the dedicatory

In the afternoon Rev. Van Lutterman of Cook delivered a fine address in German and was applauded many times by his hearers, after which Father Murphy of Tecumseh delivered a patriotic address that brought applause from all classes. Then came the oration of the day, delivered by Hon. John M. Thurston. It was one of his best, and brought forth hearty applause.

The evening addresses were delivered by Messra, Holcomb, Churchill and Thayer to a crowded house. The weather was fine, and no accident happened to mar the most suc-cessful and patriotic day the village of Ster-ling ever participated in. The Ladies' Relief corps and Sill post are receiving congratu-lations for the success of the day.

The monument, which stands in the center of the Sterling cemetery, one-half mile east of Sterling, represents the figure of a soldier, six feet six inches in height, standing at parade rest, fully equipped and holding a gun in his hand, placed on a triple pedestal which raises him over seven feet from the ground. The base of the pedestal is six-teen inches above the level of the ground. The first division of the pedestal is four feet square and eighteen inches high, the second is three feet square and sixteen inches high and the third section is three feet high with sides sloping upwards, and a top surface measuring twenty inches across. Of this stands the figure of the soldier, which is made of fine Indian atone, and cost \$700 The money was raised by subscription, and due to the ladies of the Woman's Relie corps that the movement was started and carried through to a success. The inscription on the monument reads as follows:

> Erected by Sill Post No. 99, G. A. R., To the Memory of OUR DEAD HEROES.

Omahans Arrested as Thieves. SCHUYLER, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special Telegram.)-A large number of petty larceny thieves infest this vicinity. C. A. Merian's house in Schuyler and Angers McLeod in the country were entered and ransacked. suspicious characters were arrested, four supposed to be from Omaha, but the evidence against them is meager, as no more has been done than to find bundles of goods at various places.

Caught Handling Forged Chec's. GRAND ISLAND, Sept. 22 .- (Special.) -- W. A. Mason, a stranger, who is believed to be implicated in some crookedness in Central City, attempted to pass forged checks on Horace Morgan last night and was caught in the act. He pleaded guilty at the preliminary hearing this morning and was bounover to district court in the sum of \$500.

Preliminary Hearing of Alleged Thieves. HASTINGS, Sept. 22 .- (Special Telegram.) -Hugh Gitna, jr., and Harvey Breckner were up before Justice McKinney this morn ing for rebbing the store of F. P. Uerling & Sons at Ayr. The case was adjourned to September 28 and the defendants released on a bond of \$500 each.

Alleged Housebreaker Acquitted. SHELTON, Neb., Sept. 22.-(Special Telegram.)-Alley Campbell, who was arrested for the robbery of the general merchandise store of C. H. Menze of Softon last Saturday, bad a preliminary hearing today and was discharged.

Not Guilty of Assault. HASTINGS, Sept. 22 .- (Special Telegram.) The case against U. S. Rohrer, manager of for tresspassing, was heard this morning and resulted in acquittal.

Blair Residence Robbed. BLAIR, Neb., Sept. 22.-(Special Telegram.)-The residence of C. Dunn was robbed this afternoon. A watch and several other valuable articles were stolen.

IMPRISONED IN PERU.

Citizen of New York Indiguant at His Treatment in South America.

DENVER, Sept. 22 .- Patrick McManus, citizen of New York, has arrived in Denver on his way home from Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic, where he has been for three years professor of English in the national college. Since leaving Buenos Ayre. April 2, he has visited Bolivia, Chili and Peru, in company with Albert Teloir, a native of Argentine, and Antonio Duran, a Spaniard. The tourists went to Cuzco, Peru, to witness the feast of Corpus Christi, enduring much hardship on the journey, and on their arrival were immediately thrown into prison on suspicion that they were spies. After lying in prison one night they were released through the intervention of the Spanish consul, but were compelled to leave Cuzco at the end of twenty-four hours. Mr. McManus is curoute to Washington, where he will lay before the State department a claim for \$10,000 damages from Peru.

HEMMING IS A MURDERER.

Exciting Man Hunt in Progress in Illinois-After Love Walker.

LINCOLN, Ill., Sept. 22.-An exciting man hunt is in progress in this county for Love Walker, slayer of David Robottomon. Deputy Sheriffs Pfeund, Shay and Jones, accompanied by an informant, William Bailey, are now in a district called Cornubarg, gradually hemming in the fugitive murderer, a desperate man from Alabama. He applied yesterday at a farm house for somet; eat and was seen in the evening his n- in the brush. The territory is favorable for concealment, but with the farmers aroused and officers acquainted with the territory in the chase armed with Winchester rifles, car ture is only a question of time. The murder was committed Sunday night, September 16. The murder was cool and deliberate. The parties had quarreled the previous day.

BOLD DASH FOR LIBERTY.

Prisoners in the St. Louis Criminal Court

Run for Freedom ST. LOUIS, Sept. 22.-A daring attempt to escape, and successful in the case of four, was made by the prisoners in the dock of the criminal court rooms here this fore-The men had been brought up to plead, having been indicted, and it was during the confusion occurring at the dock gate that the dash for liberty was made, with the result that four got away, while three others, who got out of the building, were recaptured. The recaptured men are James captured. The recaptured men are James McNamara and Ed Kelliher, burglirs, and James C. Barton, alias Bryant, the Chicago diamond nipper, who is under indictment for assault to kill, as well as diamond robbery. The four who got away are William Blagdien, indicted for assault to kill; Ed Carr, Al Harris and James Foss, burglirs.

Captain Goodwin Cleared. VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 22.-Captain W. C. Goodwin, company G, Fourteenth infantry, who was recently court-martialed for drunkenness, has been acquitted on every specification and has been restored to his command by order of Brigadier General

Illinois' Anti-Trust War. SPRINGFIELD, III., Sept. 22.-The secretary of state today sent out the anti-trust affidavits to corporations organized and do-ing business in Illinois. Twenty-two thou-sand were sent out. The affidavits are re-turnable in thirty days.

TOWNS TURNED INTO ASHES

Nothing but a Few Iron Utensils Lift in Minnesota's Fire-Twept Country.

MCRE DESOLATE THAN DRIED CORN LAND

moke Even Yet Obscuring the Atmosphere for Many Miles-Fast Mail Flugged by a Thirsty Lineman-Land Black and Baked.

ST. CLOUD, Minn., Sept. 21 .- (Special Correspondence.)-I have traveled for miles across alkali plains, where nothing grew but sage brush and cactus: through the barren had lands of Dakota; through southern Oregon, where the burning, seething white sand extends as far as the tired eyes can see; up the summit of Pike's Peak, with its acres and acres of granite boulders; across the cold, bleak ice fields of Muir glacier, and through the parched corn fields of Nebrasks, that made the heart ache with the thoughts of coming winter, but I have never seen a more desciate sight than the burned and blackened forests of Minnesota. Clouds of smoke roll across the dreary landscape The sun looks like a great rad ball of fire as it lights up the ashes of rich timber land and once prosperous towns. For almost fifty miles there is not a single blade of green. The entire landscape is black. The ground is baked till it is as hard as half burned brick. Charred and blackened logs of the sturdler timber remain in places, and now and then a gaunt and armless pine stands erect. All about are blackened stumps, with the turf burned from underneath their spreading roots, lying like great black spiders over the smoldering ground And with all this comes the memory of the terrible suffering of those who went through the sea of fire which swept over this country, and the awful deaths of those who perished

The story of the recent forest fires of Briefly told, the facts are that owing to the unusually dry summer the forest fires had been burning since the middle of August, and on Saturday, September 1, nothing less than a cyclone of fire swept the country from Pokegama east to Sandstone, carrying everything before it, completely destroying those towns, together with Hinckley and Miller The loss of life at Hinckley was about 275, at Sandstone about 70, at Miller 12 and at Pekegama 28, with probably about 50 men who were in the lumbering camps near these towns, the entire less being about 500. This region is about seventy-five miles directly porth of Minneapolis, and on a straight line between St. Cloud and Duluth. The direction taken by the fire was due northeast A rough estimate of the former population of these towns gives Hinckley 1,209, Sandstone 300, Pokegaina 115 and Miller 100. A but Hinckley had no reason for existence b yond the lumbering interests and will probably never be rebuilt. Hinckley, which was at the junction of a branch of the Great Northern railroad and the St. Paul & Duluth line, was more or less of a railread town. The soil, even though enriched by ashes of the forests, is too light to raise much bisides potatoes, so it is not likely to soon put under cultivation. The timber of the district is gone and it will be long before it is anything more than a barren

STORY OF THE FIRE RETOLD.

THEIR RECOLLECTIONS ARE VACUE. Those who survived the fire seem to know very little about it. They have, as a rule, a sort of dazed recollection of what took place, and, with the exception of a few who are endowed with rather progressive im-aginations, who seem to remember more as time since the fire increases, it is hard to get any coherent account of the awful calamity. The air had been filled with a dense smoke all day, so that it was almos impossible to see. Then came that fire breathing cyclone, and some by instinct and some by heroic presence of mind sought places of safety. No one can describe what

A heap of moulten iron that was once a cook stove; window class run together as though it had been wax; a mill-race with half charred logs, absolutely dry; railroad rails bent and twisted like hair pins; great roots with masses of clinging earth, show-ing how the giant pines were torn from the ground; and most awful and most desolate, the gruesome graveyard in the sand hills beyond Hinckley, where a long mound marks the trench where the charred bones and half burned trunks of 267 human beings are buried; all these things, though silent, tell their story more vividly than the pen of a Dante or a Hugo.

UNDER STRESS OF DESPERATION. Of course there were marvelous escapes. It is almost a miracle that any living creature could have endured the smoke and flames of fifty miles of burning timber. Every newspaper in the country has told how John Braman saved fifty persons in the shallow mill pend at Pokegama and how Jim Root stood like a here and brought his human cargo to a place of safety. There are many more stories of self-sacrifice that will never be told. When the train, which left Hinckley, was already moving, crowded to the platform with panic-stricken humanity a woman came running to the train with her child in her arms, and leapt headlong from the ground to the platform, narrowly escaping death beneath the wheels. This is only one of the many instances of what sheer desperation will do.

But even with such horrible tales and sad ing them, there were humorous instances as well. The night before that awful Saturday the smoke had already become quite dense and fears for the worst were already apprehended. One of the business men of Hinckliy came home that evening and found his wife on her threes praying and countries. his wife on her knees, praying and crying as if her heart would break. "Well, what's the matter now," he asked.

"Oh! John, John! Judgment day has come, she sobbed." "No, you fool," John answered philosophi-lly. "Not in the night." LINEMEN GOT A DRINK.

The fire, of course, burned down all the telegraph poles and there was no communica-tion through the burned district. A crew of linemen were immediately sent out to put up the wires. One of the linemen, reciting his experience, told how they waded knee deep, at times, in smouldering cinders. "There wasn't no well nur creek in the hull country," he said. "There was two un us, un wasn't no well nur creek in the hull country," he said. "There was two un us, un we hadn' hed a durned bit ter eat, nur a drop ter drink for 'leven hours, un I wus clean baked, inside un outside. I could 'a eaten roast mule, stuffed with fire crackers, un drunk from a horse-trough. Well, just then, number fourteen, the fast mail, hove

then, number fourteen, the fast mail, hove in sight. Well, what d'y think we did? We up un flaged her, with some lighted brush, un brought her down in a jiffy.

"What's up?" says hes. 'Bridge down?' Naw,' says I. 'Breakdown ahead?' says he. 'Naw,' says I. Well, what the devil do you want?' says he. 'I want a drink uv water,' says I. P'r'aaps y' think we didn't get it. He passed us out a bottie, un it wusn't water neither, un then he went in, un brought out a basketful o' lunch un a half o' can uv milk. We sat down on a burned log un hed a reglar layout." He shook the ashes out of his pipe and turned to me, as he finished, 'I say, pard, a man that'il flag a passenger train fur a drink uv water ain't 't all bashtull. Yer ain't got a cigar in yer clothes, hev ye?"

FIRE FIVE HUNDRED FEET HIGH.

FIRE FIVE HUNDRED FEET HIGH. They say that the fire traveled at the rate of sixty miles an hour, and an hour after it started the whole country was burning from Pokegama to Sandatone. Along the road there are places which the fire seemed to skip, where the saplings are bent to the ground and huge pines are uprooted. The direction of the force is readily seen, as trees all lie from the northeast, pointing to the southwest. An ordinary pile of brush will flame up three or four times its dwa height and those great pines must have shot a flame 400 and 500 feet in the air. The wall of moving flame must have been twice as high as the High school tower, or four times as high as the Bee building. With a force driving this on with the rapidity of a reliroad train and the force of a cyclone no mind can have the slightest concentres. They say that the fire traveled at the rate a railroad train and the force of a cyclone no mind can have the slightest conception of its power of distruction. In St. Cloud,

seventy five miles away, today the smoke from the fires is sufficient to be irritating to BOILER AND ENGINE LEFT

Going past Pokeastha, on the train one would never know there had been a settl-ment on the apot ward the place not pointed out. The only vestige of the town is the remains of a built and engine, half buried in debris, where the paw mill stool. At Hirghley the round flouse of the Great Northern and the water tank by a strange freak remain untouched. These and the waits of the brick school house are all that cen sined standing to all the control of the contro bons: occupied the spot. Usually a small pile of bricks from the chimney, a shapeless cook store and a few iran household utensils is the only trace of a home. I picked up a chain, the links of which were welded together, and you could use it for a walking stick. Gfass is often incited on the ground. like the drippings of a candle. I saw a flatiron melted so that it was hardly recog as such and rails twisted like graph wire. In the whole town of Hinckly you could hardly pick up a piece of wood as big as your hand. Everything was burned

The lumber towns which escaped burning are by no means out of danger yet. There have been one or two slight showers since the fire, but, with no heavy rain here in three months, the country is still very dry and the forests are burning in many places. Last night, passing Mora, the whole sky was lighted up by fires probably fiftern miles to the south. What have once been swampland is now filled with grasses, man high and dry as tinder. As soon as the frosts very dry and is highly inflammable, so that a strong wind may still do gr the timber lands and lumber wind may still do great damage to CHARLES C. ROSEWATER.

DEATH IN ITS PATH

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tirely demolishing it, only a part of one side being left. Then it took the three elevators and three flax warehouses on the Milwaukee track, demolishing them and exposing their contents to the storm. F. J. Trask's business block was quickly smashed down into a one story building as if struck by a mighty blow from above. C. A. Roy's hardware store was treated in the same way and wrecked. The main part of Porter & Young's store with general merchandise was destroyed. Ha Cotton's new residence was demol shed.

The opera house was next in the path of destruction. A party of about thirty couples was enjoying a dancing party there when the whole building collapsed upon them. Two dead bodies, those of young Finley and Albertson, have been taken out ably not seriously. W. W. Sweet's house was wrecked but Mr. Sweet and his wife were away at the time. J. M. Wickoff's resdence was blown away. The family wer on their way down into the cellar when the cyclone struck them and they escaped with out injury. R. G. Young's house was de-stroyed, but the family took to the cellar and

The new Baptist parsonage was totally de-Elder Bryant and his family were fortunately in the country at the time. One or two new houses beyond were also wrocked. Killen's store building, Chamberlain's harness shop, Dr. Alsdorff's office and residence, Sweet's harness shop, Larabee's store building and other buildings were more or less racked with the wind, fronts or sides blown in, roofs taken off or otherwise damaged. A number of outbuildings and smaller buildings were swept away. damaged.

During the storm fire broke out. Flames were discovered in Potter & Brown's store. This building was filled with a new stock of goods, which were totally consumed, with the building. The fire communicated to Smart & Butler's hardware store and this was also burned. The Casswell hotel was completely burned, the bare brick walls alone telling of the disaster. Strenuous efforts of the citizens saved the town from further ravages by fire. The wind fortunately spared the residence portion of the villag-almost entirely or the list of killed and wounded must have been heartrending. The loss is estimated at about \$45 000.

The storm had the usual peculiar focus e ished completely, while the one next stands unharmed. Some of the buildings were crushed down as if an immense weight from

STORM ON LAKE SUPERIOR.

Ore Laden Barge Breaking Up Near Hancock-Exciting Rescue of the Crew CLEVELAND, Sept. 22.-A special from Hancock, Mich., says: A storm is now raging on Lake Superior. Barge Pickands ore-laden, from Ashland to South Chicago went ashore on Keweenaw point near Eagle river this morning. The crew were rescues with the utmost difficulty. A heavy sea is running and the vessel is badly exposed and will probably break up, as she is exposed to the full fury of the waves.

Severe Wind Storm in Dakota. ABERDEEN, S. D., Sept. 22.-The severest wind and dust storm in years is raging here. Much damage has been done. Re-ports of heavy losses are coming from neighboring towns and the country.

High Wind at Dunlap. DUNLAP, Ia., Sept. 22.—(Special Telegram.)-At 9 o'clock tonight the wind is blowing a fierce gale of about thirty miles

PACIFIC MAIL'S NEW COMPETITOR. New Mexican Line Will Operate on Both the

Atlantic and Pacific. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.—The Chron-cle says: The rivals of the Pacific Mail company for the Mexican trade on the Pacific coast have become the rivals of C. P. Huntington on the Atlantic coast. Two concessions were granted to Don Eliso Canton Julio from the Mexican government, one from Santa Cruz to San Francisco, and the other from the terminus of the Tehuantepec road on the Gulf of Mexico to New Orleans, General Coney of Mexico says that this latter concession has been granted, and is of the impression that both franchises were issued to the same company. The terminus of the line of steamers on the Atlantic will be Progressa, in Yucatan. Huntington's line runs from New Orleans to Vera Cruz, on the Gulf of Mexico. Progressa is just across the gulf, and it is said the Pacific Mail company has had in contemplation the extension of the line to that point. However, affairs at Washington kept the magnate too busy and the opportunity slipped by. A great trade could have been built up by an American line of steamers between Yucatan and the United States, and the new line will probably reap the benefits. Progressa is the port of entry for Merida, the capital city of Yucatan. England has the trade of Yucatan now, shipments all going by the southern coast through British Honduras. The port of shipment is Beliz. The natives ship their cotton and hemp to England, receiving in return for the most part arms and ammunition. The proposition is that Huntington will buy the Tehuantepec railway when he gets ready. To make a purchase, however, there must needs be a seller, and the Mexican government is not acting as if it were very anxious to part with the new road. If, as has been said, President Diaz is going to spend \$5,000,000 in improving the Santa Cruz harbor, it would seem that the government is desirous of making a trial of government is desirous of making a trial of government which the Pacific Mail has thrust in the psonde, but the high rates of passenger transportations You can go to New York as cheaply as you can go to Panama on the Pacific Mail has thrust in the Pacific Mail has thrust in the Pacific Mail steamers. granted, and is of the impression that both franchises were issued to the same com-

Discharged from the Militia in Disgrace. INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 22.—A refusal to obey the governor's order has led to a court obey the governor's order has led to a court martial in the First regiment of the Indiana militia. Colonel Robbins, adjutant general, said today that several men in company A and company D of the First regiment have been removed from the militia because they did not answer Governor Matthews' order for troops on June 2. The companies met and expelled the men. Company A is located at Vincennes, and company D at Washington. The names of the dismissed militiamen are not made known.

O'dest Class Leader in Missouri Dying. MEXICO, Mo., Sept. 22.-John Reed is tying at his home in this city. He is in his 90th year. He was born in Marion county, Kentucky, in 1805. He has the distinction of being the oldest class leader in Missouri. He came to this state in 1831 and settled in Boone county.

EZETA IS NOW A FREE MAN

All the Salved rean Refugees Except One Li-charged by Judge Morrow.

FFENSES WERE OF A POLITICAL NATURE

Clenfugos Held for Extradition on a Charge of Murder Committed Before the Opening of Hostilities-Will Appeal to the President.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.-Three of the

four San Salvador refugees who were brought

here on the United States steamship Bennington and were arrested by the federal authorities at the solicitation of the government of San Salvador are now free. They are General Antonio Ezeta, General Leon Balanos and Captain Major Florencio Bustamente, The fourth, Colonel Cienfugos, will be sent back to San Salvador to answer for the crimes charged against him. Such is the purport of the decision rendered by United States District Judge Morrow. His decision is a long one, and occupied more than an hour in delivery. The court, after reciting the demand of the government of San Salvador for the refugees, went into the history of the Ezeta administration, which began in March, 1891. Prior to that Carlos Exeta had headed a revolution against the existing government, in which the president was slain. The court then referred to the revolution of this year, which began April and ended in the downfall of the Ezeta government, and the incidents connected with the flight of the refugees. The fugi-tives had been detained on board the Ben-nington owing to a demand made for extradition soon after they had boarded the Ben nington. The provisional government was not recognized by this government until August 24. The court says the matter rested on whether there was sufficient evidence of criminality to justify him, as a committing magistrate, in grapting the demand for ex-tradition. He had proceeded under section 5 270 of the Revised Statutes. He did not agre that proof sufficient to convict would be necbut considered that the evidence should be sufficient to convince a cautions man of the guilt of the accused. The proper place for trial was where the crime had been ommitted; any other course of procedure yould entirely destroy the usefulness of extradition treaties. These views were in ordance with former decisions in extradi

The first case considered was that of Clenfugos, charged with attempt to murder Andries Mays in San Salvador. The court held that as the act in question had been committed about four months before the revolution, it was devoid of any political aspect, and so the court would hold him for extradition. in the opinion of the court no sufficient defense for Clenfugos' action had been made.

OFFENSES WERE POLITICAL. The second case was that of Balanos and Sustamente, charged with hanging four unknown persons in Primavera on May 24 The court held that the testimony in this case was of a hearsay character, and could not be given any weight. The testimony also was that military operations were going on at that time.

The third case was that of all the defend-ants, charged with having hanged Casimire Henriquez. Henriquez was hanged as a spy. Of this offense Balanos was innocent. The ther three were guilty.

The robbery of the bank of San Salvador,

charged to Ezeta, was next considered. The court considered the evidence of guilty preponderated, but like the preceding case, it would have to be considered in its political phase. As to the killing of Canas on the road to La Libertad, it was evident that Ezeta and Cienfugos had committed the act. The more important side, the court said, was the political phase of the cases presented. the political phase of the cases presented. Except as to the assault committed by Clenfugos on Amaya, all the acts in question had been committed during actual hostilities. It had not been decided what constituted a political crime. He believed that the three cases here under consideration were political. Opinions of representatives of the South American states at the Panamerican congress were cited to show that the character of the robbery here cited was common in Latin-American revolutions. There was no doubt, the court said, San Salvador was in a state of siege during all the time after April 29, when the crimes, except Clenfugos' attack on Amaya, had been committed. A state of siege there corresponded with martial law here. The court said the overthrow of the Ezeta government did not change the na-ture of the case. If this were true the case properly came under a military court, which was paramount where it had jurisdiction, otherwise the assault by Clenfugos was of a political nature. So the court orders all

a political nature. So the court orders all the defendants except Cientugos discharged. The court's announcement was received with applause. Cienfugos was remanded to the custody of the United States marshal to await the action of the president. Ezeta is very bitter towards the San Salvadoreans. Ezeta has outlined a campaign against them which he will embark upon as soon as possible. He will go first to Washington, where he will work in behalf of Cienfugos, and then will join his brother, Carlos, in Paris. Then he will go to Mexico, meet his fellow refugees, Coloche, Bustamente and Bonas, and organize an army for the invasion of San Salvador. Ezeta's friends say that before a year some of the present officials of San Salvador will be fighting extradition proceedings against the Ezeta government.

government. Into a Den of Thieves. C. Lovgren is a hotel keeper of East Omaha, and yesterday afternoon he went to South Omaha with a companion. Lovgren had a roll of bills in his possession and a valies. They started to return home last night, and about 9 o'clock they had reached Sixteenth and Webster streets. They started up the alley between Webster and Burt, east of Sixteenth, and were accosted by a woman named Mag Allison, and in-

vited to enter her house. They did so, and while talking to the woman Lovgran was struck on the head with a bar of iron in the bands of William Grimes, a negro, and knicked senseless Meantime Lovgren's com-panion had started for a policeman. When they returned Lovgren was found uncon-scious, and was taken to a physician's office.

wound was an ugly one, and required eight stitches eight stitches.

Grimes and the woman were arrested later by Officers Renfrow and Fisk. The value was missing. The assailant had had no time to rifle Lovgran's pockets.

DESTROYING SEALS BY WHOLESALE. Decision of Bering Sea Arbitration Tribunal

Being Ignored. (Copyrighted 1991 by Press Publishing Company, TOKIO, Japan, Sept. 22 .- (New York World Cable-Special to The Bee.)-The news comes from Bering sea that the decision of the international tribunal of arbitration at Paris has been proved to be a failure, so far as the protection to the seals is concerned. Fully 90 per cent of the seals that have been taken this season, it is reported, were killed outside the limits prescribed by the arbitrators and he worst of it is that the most of the scals slain by the pelagic scalers are females, whose destruction by the wholesale in this manner threatens practical ex-termination of the species in a comparatively

Funeral of Mrs. H. J. Meyer. The funeral of Mrs. H. J. Meyer was held

from the family residence, 1916 Douglas street, at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The casket stood in the front parlor and was almost hidden by its burden of Marechal Niel roses. Besides these, huge pillows of roses and a profusion of anchors and other floral effects testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held by those who knew and loved her

tion and but few had won so many true and carnest friends. She was charitable in word and deeds and had always been most prominently identified with benevolent pro-jects. From this phase of her character sprung the most touching tribute life could offer to the dead. All yesterday forenoon there was a stream of people at the door for a last look upon the face that had come to them in trouble with hope and assistance. Some of them were almost unknown to the bereaved friends, but each had been the object of some act of kindness from the de-ceased. The services were conducted by Rev. A. J. Turkle of the Kountze Memorial Lutheran church, who spoke earnestly the truly Christian life of the deceased. services were very impressive and a long line of carriages followed the remains to Prospect Hill cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs. Emil Durr, Henry Pundt, Thomas Foley, George Heimrod and Judge

Rear End Collision in Kansas. TOPEKA, Sept. 22.-A rear-end collision of freight trains occurred this morning at Elmdale, a station on the Santa Fe twenty five miles west of Emporia. Burdette Hart-ley, fireman, who lived at Argentine, Kan. was killed. The trains were badly wrecked Hartley's parents live in Lawrence.

Noted Chicago Caterer Dead. CHICAGO, Sept. 22.-Herbert M. Kinsley the noted Chicago caterer, died in New York city today. His death was the result of a surgical operation performed there. WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair and Colder, with Frost Sunday and Monday Mornings. WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.-The forecast

for Sunday is: For Nebraska-Fair; colder; northwest winds, with frosts Sunday and Monday mornings.

For South Dakota—Fair; probably slightly cooler, with frosts Sunday and Monday mornings; northwest winds.

For Iowa—Generally fair; cooler; northwest winds, with frost Monday morning.

For Missouri—Showers in the early morning, followed by fair; colder, with frost Monday morning in the northern portion; south winds, becoming northwest.

For Kansas—Fair; colder, with probably frost in the northern portion Monday morning; winds becoming north.

POPE LEO'S FOREIGN POLICY

Bishop Keans Brings Back From Rome and Important Inkling of It.

MAKING UP TO DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES

Has No Use for Despotism and Militarism-Universal Suffrage Under the Moral Influences of Church Must Settle Social Problems.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 22.-Bishop J. J. Keane, rector of the Catholic university at Washington, reached New York by the steamer Britannia. He went to Rome for the purpose of personally seeing the pope and telling him of the Catholic university and the condicion of affairs in that institution. In speaking of the relations of the Quirinal to the Vatican Bishop Keane said that the policy of the pope, in view of the recent overtures in Italy, is the union of the church with the great democratic powers of the future-that is, America and France. This Is his hope, and toward it all his remarkable energies are bent. He, as a clearsighted statesman, is opposed to militarism and despotism, and is, consequently, in symwith France rather Triple alliance, of which Italy forms a part. The pope thinks that a universal suffrage controlled by moral and religious influence must decide the great social questions of the future. The social question the pope recognizes as the great one of the future

Marriage Licenses. The following marriage licenses were is-

sued yesterday: Name and Address.

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children. Knit skirts from 50c up.

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