Empire State Democrats About All Candidates for Office.

LEADERS LET THEM FIGHT IT OUT

Main Features of the Platform Have Been Agreed Upon-Tammany and County Democracy as Far Apart as Ever.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 23.-The streets, the corridors of hotels and every place where politicians can gather have turned into meeting places for democratic slate makers and breakers, and so glutted is every avenue in the hotels that it is difficult to move about, Every train since noon has brought in its cuota of delegates, from the Empire State express that landed David B. Hill, Comptroller Campbell, Clerk De Frees and Chairman J. W. Hinckley, and the fast mail Senator Murphy and ex-Lieutenant Governor Sheehan down to the slower going specials, one bearing Tammany, 500 strong, and another with the state democracy aboard to the number of 250. It is estimated that at least a third more people are here than were at Saratoga at the republican conven-tion, and still they will come tonight and tomorrow. Tonight the slate, which this morning was in fairly good shape, is al-most lost sight of behind the swarm of new candidates. The only offices that seem to be out of dispute are those of secretary of state and attorney general. The comptrollership seems to be the main bone of contention, and since 3 o'clock there have developed five new candidates. The leaders smiled at the Donnybrook among the candidates and refused to make selections. The probability, therefore, is that the slate will not be se-

lected before tomorrow night, and even then several candidates will be left over. The first proposition submitted tonight and which will be introduced tomorrow in the convention will be the canal plank: "The great democrat, Samuel J. Tilden, in his message to the legislature of 1875, recommended the improvement of the state canals upon the plans embodied in the proposition to be voted upon by the people at the ap-proaching election. In complete accord with the principles and policy of Governors Sey-mour, Tilden and Hill, the democratic party heartly approves the proposition for im-proving the canals of this state. We de-nounce as a cowardly subterfuge the utterances of the republican party on the im-portant question of canals. The democratic party of New York stands unalterably opparty of New York stands unafterally op-posed to the so-called ship canal between the great inland lakes and tidewater of the Hudson, as well as against federal aid toward improving our canals continual interference with the canal system owned and

operated by the state."

The remainder of the platform, exclusive of the excise question, is as follows, in abbreviated form: Declaring that the re-turn to prosperity in the country is due to the proper administration of the national af-fairs by the democrats and protesting against any tariff tinkering; declaring against the re-enactment of any law similar to the Sher-man silver law; commending the administration of President Cleveland; pointing out the immense expense incurred by so-called investigating committees and the saddling of probably additional expenses each year; criticising the partisan legislation indulged in and the failure to work the reforms promised; arraigning the administration of Governor Morton for glaring sins of commission

Six representatives of the German Reform union of New York arrived this afternoon. They will not be asked to participate in the fair representation of the democracy In speaking of the excise plank the German reformers would favor, a prominent New Yorker said to an Associated press reporter: "Our position will be in support of the state cracy in the matter." Then he added 'We think that the present difficulty arises not so much from the nature of the law, but from the manner of its administration by

Colonel Robert Grier Munroe, secretary of the State democracy, said this morning that so far as he knew neither his people nor the Tammany men had made any propositions relative to representation.

We shall ask to be seated, and the matter will be settled by the committee on creden-tials," said the colonel. He added that a fair representation would be insisted upor

and obtained if possible.

The question of representation of factions became a trifle more tangled in the minds of those present today when Corporation Coun-sel Francis M. Scott of New York arrived. Mr. Scott was asked by an Associated press "What relative representayou think the state democracy is en

"Why, a full one, of course. We shall demand the scating of our delegation." "What will you accept as the lowest repre

"Well, I'm not prepared to say. You se we are willing, for harmony's sake, to make some concessions on the state ticket, but we want it distinctly understood that any deal we make here is not to bind us to Tam many in any way on local issues in New If we get in we will suppor with all our might the state ticket, but a not combine with Tammany in New York. Mr. Daforth is here to boom the candidacy treasurer, and has opened headquarters in

It was 9 o'clock tonight when Senator Hou Mr. Sheehan and Mr. Hinckley could break away from the crowd that surrounded them and go to the meeting of the state committee committee adopted a resolution that the Tammany delegates from Kings county be given two-thirds of the vote and the Sheppard faction one-third. The committee ac-lected Hon, Perry Belmont to be the tem-perary chairman of the convention. The convention will be called to order by Chairman Hinckley of the state committee at noon tohorrow at the Alhambra rink and then Mr. Beimont will deliver h's address. After the Charged with Taking Federal Funds rell call and any contests are noted, the char. NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—A. C. Love, for man will appoint committees on permanent organizations, credentials and revolutions. A recess will then be taken until Wednesday morning at 10 o clock, when the work of the convention will be finished. Until Wednesday, therefore, the fight of the candidates will

LINING UP THE SILVER FORCES.

ence in Session at Memphis. MEMPHIS, Sept. 23.-The meeting of democratic silver leaders to put in practical shape the conclusions of the conference held in Washington last month is in session here today. There are present Senators Harris and Jones of Arkansas; W. H. Hinrichser chairman of the Illinois state democratic committee: Governor Stone of Missouri, Hon. Casey Young of Memphis and several others of note. Senator Turple of Indiana is the principal absentee, being detained at home. The object of this meeting is to appoint chairmen for the different states, who are to organize the silver forces with a view of capturing the state delegations to the naienal democratic convention. The leaders aere seem hopeful of accomplishing this result, particularly Mr. Hinrichsen. He tays the democracy of the south and the asys the democracy of the south and the doubtful states of the west are for free silver and will vote for it in the next election. He reiterated his former declarations as to the policy and purposes of the administration. C' riand, he said, would bring on a war w. ISpain about Cuba, and eventually with England. This would give him an excuse to call for a big issue of bonds and rivet the gold standard on the country, and would, be-

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 23 -R. W. Engel of Athol, Mass., sent a bullet through his heart in a room at the Hotel Pfister yesterday. There was a telegram in his pocket from W. W. Holten of Athol, Mass., dated yesterday. It contained but one word, "Yes."

sides, clear the way for a third term.

SLATE BADLY DEMORALIZED SURPRISED A PARTY OF SPANIARDS.

Vanguard Entirely Exterminated Be-HAVANA, Sept. 23 .- News has been re selved at military headquarters here of a des- Delegates Arriving for the Great Convenperate fight at Nefi, near Palma Sola, province of Santa Clara, between 300 insurgents, led by Bermudez and Fleites, and a detachment of government cavalry under Captain Riestra. The vanguard of the cavalry, consisting of a sergeant and seven privates was first surrounded by the insurgents and in the engagement every one of the vanguard was killed. By this time Captain Riestra, with a company of thirty men, came up and engaged the insurgents, whom he forced to retreat, leaving three dead on the field. Their wounded they carried off with

them when they retreated, It is reported that the insurgent chief, Joaquin Roque, has been wounded in an en-gagement with government troops. It is rumored that General Gomez of the

insurgent army has reached Santa Clara.
Official reports have been received here of
an important engagement, which is said to
have resulted disastrously to the insurgents.
The troops commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Tarul and Major Zuba, numbering 300, by a series of combined movements concentrated in a forest and fought the insurgent band congregated there. The report says that they captured their field hospital and medicines, while the insurgents took flight, leav-ing behind twenty-four killed. As a result of three days' operations the insurgents are said to have lost thirty-seven killed, fifty horses captured and three prisoners. The forest is now clear of insurgents and their camp destroyed. The loss of the government is reported as two killed and seven wounded, two captured. It is said that the insurgents lost more than 100 wounded.

TAKING MEDICINE GRACEFULLY.

English Papers Acknowledge the Su-periority of American Athletes. LONDON, Sept. 23 .- The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon comments as follows upon the result of the international athletic contests at New York on Saturday:

"There is little doubt that America would

Peary expedition. All members will go by the steamer Sylvia, leaving on Wednesday, reaching New York next Monday. They are engaged today in picking out specimens which will be transferred to the Sylvia. In an interview today Lleutenant Peary said that he would not undertake any further Arctic work. He denies that any of the bones of General Greeley's party were found at Cape Sabine, but the officers, engineer and sailors of the Kite contradict his statement. The matter is widely discussed here.

a danger to vessels leaving or entering the port of Havana, it has been decided to break up the hull of the vessel with dynamite. The divers have refused to work upon the wreck on account of the danger from sharks and because of the insufficiency of their outfits.

Two daughters of the late Admiral Delgado Parejo, who lost his life when the Earragical was sunk are seriously ill with

ing themselves with modern weapons and an abundant supply of ammunition and all traders there are making money out of this trade, American merchant being especially active this business. The Indians now propose to fight Mexico to recover their lands and to hold their present strong places. The con-tinued aid given the Indians in Belize by the British colonists is viewed with indignation by the Yucatan people, who consider it almost equivalent to an act of war.

Ministry Reviewed the Veterans. ROME, Sept. 23 .- King Humbert, Queen Marguerite and the members of the Italian ninistry reviewed a procession today of veterans of the war of 1870, bearing flags and lecorations. The Garibaldians, in their red shirts, had the place of honor at the head of the parade. Thousands witnessed the parade and cheered enthusiastically as the Garibaldians marched past and saluted the king and queen, who graciously returned the saluta-

PARIS, Sept. 23 .- The report cabled from this city to the United States Saturday that Prof. Pasteur, the discoverer of inoculation

as a cure for rables, is dying, is untrue. Prof. Pasteur, however, is in very feeble health, and the paralysis of his legs, from which he has suffered for some time, is steadily increasing. Editor Ottendorfer Coming Home. BERLIN, Sept. 23 .- Mr. Oswald Ottendor fer, proprietor of the New York Staats Zei

board the Hamburg-American line steamer Normannia. Mr. Ottendorfer is much improved in health by his visit to Germany. CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 23.-Great pre cautions have been adopted for the protection of the palace of the Sublime Porte, owing to

will sail for home on Thursday or

overy of a Macedonian plot to blo up the buildings with dynamite. Steamer Sinks a Rowboat. LONDON, Sept. 23.-A special dispatch received from Geneva, Switzerland, today reports that a steamer ran onto and sunk

rowboat there last evening, drowning sever

persons.

merly assistant postmaster at Calvert, Tex. arrived on the steamer Advance from Color as a prisoner in charge of United States Of ficer Renfrew. Love, it is alleged, while acting in his official capacity in charge of the money order department at Calvert, fled with large amount of government funds. left the country, supposedly via Galveston and managed to reach the United States o olombia. He was arrested at Dana, in th province of Chirque, July 14, through the efforts of the United States consul at Panama Love did not care to make any statement when seen this morning. It was learned, however, that he returned voluntarily and was glad to return and stand trial.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 23 .- A special to the Star from Salina, Kan., says: A Missouri Pacific repair train was wrecked two miles east of Gypsum City by striking a steer. The engine was thrown from the track, instantly killing Engineer H. C. Ferguson and seriously injuring Fireman Charles Hart.

Death of a Friend of Lincoln's. CHICAGO, Sept. 23 .- Mrs. J. H. Brown of Springfield, Ill., died at Duluth today. Mrs. Brown was a friend of President Lincoln, was prominent in charitable work, and the time of her death was president of the H lineis Board of Foreign Missions.

Movements of Ocean Vessels, Sept. 23. At New York-Arrived-Saale, from Bre men; Chatea in Fite, from Bordeaux.

At New York—Arrived—Normandie, from
Liverpool; Mobile, from London; Circassia, Glasgow; State of California, from Hasgow. Southampton-Arrived-Berlin,

Bremen-Arrived-Fulda, from New York At New York-Arrived-Kaiser Wilhelm II. from Genoa.

IRISH INDEPENDENCE

tion to Meet in Chicago.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED WILL BE PRESENT

Hope to Rouse Their Countrymen and Their Friends from the Lethurgy Into Which They Have Fallen-Opposed to the Use of Force.

CHICAGO, Sept. 23.-The great convention f Irish societies will be opened in Young Men's Christian association hall at 10 o'clock emorrow morning with a large representaon of Irishmen from all parts of the count y. Today delegates were arriving upon nearly every train. The headquarters at McCoy's hotel presented an animated appearance, conferences and the welcoming of new arrivals being the order of the day. John T. Keating, state secretary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and secretary of the local reception committee, estimates that there will be fully 1,500 delegates in attendance when the convention opens. The convention will last three days.

The object is the formation of a united

open organization for the furtherance of the Irish cause. Those who issued the call for the convention claim that it is contemplated that physical force shall not be used or ad-vised in the attainment of the independence of the Irish people as a nation unless such means be deemed absolutely necessary and the object in view be probable of attain-

is believed the convention will serve to revive interest and infuse new life into the Irish cause both in America and in Great Britain. Among the many distinguished delegates already here is O'Neill Ryan of St. Louis. Mr. Ryan, who was one of the "There is little doubt that America would have won even had our best men been available. Under no circumstances could we have beaten the New Yorkers. Every Englishman who is possessed of any sporting feeling will be glad to express admiration of the excellence of American athletes."

All the other afternoon papers comment in a similar spirit, making no excuses for the defeat of the London athletes.

Penry Has Had Enough.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Sept. 23.—No new matter has developed today with reference to the ST. JOHNS, N. F., Sept. 23.—No new mat-ter has developed today with reference to the which it has been allowed to fall during the which it has been allowed to fall during the past four or five years. The general principle which we advocate, and for which I believe the convention will declare, is the complete independence of the Irish people. There has been considerable talk about the convention declaring in favor of the employment of physical force in obtaining our ends. Now, I do not believe, nor do I think the prime movers in the calling of this

out of the old law-"An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth." For every prisoner not released the "removal" is promised of an English cabinet officer or prominent official.

FAILED TO CONVICT THE CUBANS.

Arrive at a Verdiet. WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 23 .- The trial of the defendants in the Commodore case vas resumed today. The district attorney represented the government and Judge Rus sell the defendants. It was developed that the arms were received here in person by the consignee, who shipped them on the steamer, also that the captain of the steamer said he was to get \$7 per 100 for freight for delivery of these goods in Car, hagena. Mr. Frank, manager of the Western Union was summoned to produce telegrams by which the prosecution hoped to prove that the Commodore was ordered direct from this port to

he coast of Cuba. Judge Wales charged the jury in the tria f the twenty-one Cubans charged with vio ation of the neutrality laws. After being out fifty minutes the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty." The verdict was received with tumultuous applause.

READY FOR A HOSTILE FLEET

Harbor Defenses for the Golden Gate Are Practically Finished. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23 .- The United

States government is now able to blow out of the water at a day's notice any hostile flee that might attempt to enter the Golden Gate. The battery of the big pneumatic dynamite guns ordered for the defense of this port a year or more ago has been advanced so far toward completion that two of the guns could be effectively fired with only twenty-four hours preparation. The two guns now se r's preliminary tests within ten days and is expected within six weeks some old hulks will have been blown to splinters in official tests and the battery will have been turned

Young Men's Institute in Session INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 23 .- The Atlantic urisdiction of the Young Men's institute, a latholic fraternal organization with a membership of 20,000, met in annual convention here today. Besides the 20) accordited delegates there are about 200 visiting members. The entire body attended mass today, The convention will adopt bylaws, attend to routine business and discuss insurance changes. Among the prominent ones present are: Judge Rives, grand president, Ken-tucky; Thomas Case, Memphis, and Robert Keyes, grand secretary, also of Memphis.

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 23 .- A special to the Evening Post from Hickman, Ky., says: Clay Connelly shot and instantly killed R ley Pat terson at Connelly's landing, fifteen miles below this place, last night. It was the result of an old feud between the Connelly brothers and the Patterson brothers. The Connellys escaped immediately after shooting in a skiff. The sheriff and posse are in pursuit of the murderers,

Anti-Gambling Law Declared Invalid HELENA, Mont., Sept. 23 .- Judge Blake to the district court today he'd the anti-gambling law unconstitutional. The case will be appealed, but the gamb'ers are so sure the decision will be sustained that all old gam bling houses in Helena will reopen. Th of the decision is to leave the erritorial law licensing gambling in force.

Well Known Insurance Man Dead NEW YORK, Sept. 23 .- John Devine Jones, for forty years president of the Atlantic Mu-He had been in failing health for several

ISHPEMING, Mich., Sept. 23.—All five com paries of the Michigan troops, stationed here to prevent lawiessness during the miners'

SOME ONE IS SURELY MISTAKEN. MAXWELL WILLING TO RUN FROST THROUGHOUT NEBRASKA. Two Views of the Probable Success

of the Chicago Ministers, CHICAGO, Sept. 23.-The Chicago Methdist ministers, who have undertaken to secure through the pope greater religious freedom for the Protestants of Peru, Ecuador and Bolivia, have, in response to circular let ters, received encouragement from Justin Mc-Carthy, Algernon Charles Swinburne and the historian, W. E. H. Lecky. The letters are as follows:

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73 EATON TERRACE, LONDON, S. W.—Dear Sir: I have read your letter, just received, with great interest, I feel mo doubt whatever that the influence of the pope will be exercised in securing for protestants in the South American the is enjoyed by Roman Catholic citizens of your country. I need hardly say that your purpose has my fullest and most cordial sympathy. I thank you much for your kindly words with regard to myself and my writing. Very truly yours.

THE PINES, PUTNEY HILL, LON-LON, S. W.—Dear Sir: I am no less wish for my opinion on so practically grave a question as that on which you ask for it. I can only say that it seems to or for the most monstrous claims ever put forward by the church. Force, and force alone, could obtain even a show of justice, decency or fair play from the ministers and agents of a religion which has never yielded one jot of its atrocious pretensions, except under sheer compulsion or absolute necessity. Yours most sincerely, ALGERINON CHARLES SWINBURNE, VOSIBERGEN, GUILDERLAND.—Dear Sir: I wish you all success in your efforts to obtain a repeal of the gross, in lord that he will draw a large vote in this county. This afternoon he gave out for publication in laters and agents of a religion which has never yielded one jot of its atrocious pretensions, except under sheer compulsion or absolute necessity. Yours most sincerely, ALGERINON CHARLES SWINBURNE, VOSIBERGEN, GUILDERLAND.—Dear Sir: I wish you all success in your efforts to obtain a repeal of the gross, in lord the publication of the most monstrous pretensions, except under sheer compulsion or absolute necessity. Yours most sincerely, Vosibergen, and gross to the committee of information, J. V. Wolfe, W. A. McKeighan, Governor in Roman Catholic countries. They were always inspired or suggested by the priests and they were only abolished when the political power of the church was residued to accept the Committee Sets of the populat

CHARGES OF WHOLESALE PERJURY. Rich Taxpayers and Assessors Ac-

cused of Corruption. SPRINGFIELD, III., Sept. 23,-The most sensational report ever issued by a state bureau was made public tonight by the Illinois Bureau of Labor Statistics. It charges that the great majority of the wealthy taxpayers of Illinois, and more especially of Chicago, are perjurers; that the assessors are guilty of maifeasance in office; that the present financial condition of Chicago is directly traceable to the corrupt system of taxation, and that the deplorable condition of work is due to the liberty-destroying method

of taxation which prevails in Illinois.

The report is made up of a mass of tables compiled from official reports of assessors, banks, real estate transfers, hoards of equalization and the various municipal departments to which the agents of the bureau had access. After declaring that "it is the pur-pose of the report to expose existing methods

Russian laws upon the subject. These laws are furnished in response to a request from Mr. Breckinridge, who made it because of the refusal of the Russian consul at New York to vise the passports of American citi zens of Jewish descent. In his note, enclosing copies of the laws in question, Prince Lobanow refers to the restrictions against the entrance of Jews into Russian territory and claims that they are far from implying an absolute interdiction.

"They have their sources," he says, onsideration of a kind of people and are ssentially administrative and economic. The mperial government, having already many millions of Jewish subjects, only their congenors of foreign allegiance they seem to present a guaranty that they will not be a charge and a parasitic element in the state, but will be able, on the con-trary, to be useful in the internal development of the country. It is because he had it in view to protect himself from an in-fluence of a proletariat of this nature that the Russian legislator has established clearly the estegories of Israelites of whom the entrance in our territory can be permitted.'

Western Postmasters Appointed. WASHINGTON, Sept. 23 .- (Special Telegram.)-Joseph W. Gardiner was today anpointed postmaster at Brewster, Blaine ounty, Neb., vice Blanche Gardiner, re-igned. The postoffice at Downing, Lyman ounty, S. D., has been discontinued. Mall vill go to Oaconia. Frank Salmen was today mmissioned postmaster at Bieda, In.

The comptroller of the currency has ap-roved the United States National bank of Omaha as reserve agent for the First Na-tional bank of Blue Hill, Neb. The comp-troller has been notified of the selection of Denkaman as cashier of the First Na-

ional bank of Fullerton, Neb. Dr. John C. Murphy was today appointed examining surgeon at Neb., and Dr. C. E. Stevenson at Glenwood

Cheyenne County Pops' Convention. SIDNEY, Neb., Sept. 23.-(Special Telegram.)-The populists of Cheyenne county met in convention here today and nominated the following ticket: Charles J. Osborn, clerk; Lloyd S. Burger, sheriff; A. A. Ricker, judge; Milton Abrens, treasurer; S. H. Osorne, coroner; Daniel Barricklow, commisdoner Third district. The offices of surveyor and superintendent of schools were left blank. The meeting was characterized by harmony and all the nominees were the

unanimous choice. White Girl Marries a Jap. SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 23 .- The steame Mexico, from San Bernardino and way ports has among her passengers a young couple who were married at sea on the way down, The groom is George S. Matzmura, a Japanese, who is said to have held a consular post from hir government. Matzmura and the lady, who is a white woman, boarded the Mexico at Remondo, and when the vessel got to sea they were married by Captain Halle. It is supposed that they came from Los Angeles and had been refused a license to marry in that city.

Serious Loss by an Early Fire. HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Sept. 23.-Fire this norning destroyed the Pacific hotel, the Crescent house, adjoining, the Valley Livery stables, the Jewish synagogue and five cot-tages in the rear of the Pacific hotel, involv-ing a loss of \$50,000, which was only partly insured. The fire caught in the Pacific hotel very mysteriously, the building being unoccu-pled except by a watchman in charge of the furniture. The guests in the Crescent es caped, but all their personal effects and the house furniture were destroyed.

Flames Fanned by a Gale. FOND DU LAC, Sept. 23,-While the wind was blowing forty miles an hour late last evening fire was discovered in the Moore & Galloway lumber yard at North Foud du Lac The mills and about 19,000,000 feet of number burned. Loss, about \$140,000; insurance, \$73,500.

Gold Withdrawn for Shipment. NEW YORK, Sept. 23.-One hundred and eventy-five thousand dollars in gold withdrawn from the subtreasury today for shipment to Canada. Of this amount \$100,000 was taken by the Canadian Bank of Com-

Accepts the Nomination for the Supreme Bench Tendered by Populists.

CONSIDERS IT AS A NON-PARTISAN MOVE

nomination, yet I am urged by many mem-bers of all parties to accept in the spirit in which it is tendered. A nonpartisan nom-ination, as I understand it, means that national questions are not involved in a mere state campaign, but only questions relative to the good government and affairs of the gatue track and other vegetators was state, and the system best calculated to promote the prosperity and happiness of its people. As applied to a judge it means one who will faithfully, fearlessly and impartially administer the law to all alike, without feeling this vicinity Saturday and Sunday, fully ing, bias or prejudice, and without regard to their political opinions or his own.

"Second-The supreme court is clothed

with the sole power to try charges of im-peachment in cases where an officer has been impeached by the senate and house of repre-sentatives. This is an unusual power conferred on a court, but was designed to secure a fair trial, free from partisan influence or bias. These duties, however, require the court to construe the law and determine for ends. Now, I do not believe, nor do I denies that any of the bones of ineral Greeley's party were found at Cage ishine, but the officers, engineer and sailors of the Kite contradict his statement. The Kite contradict his statement that such a course would be advisable at this time. It would be advisa what offenses an officer may be found guilty. The state government is a great husiness institution, in which many persons are em-

selves. "Third-I accept the comination spirit in which it is tendered, and if elected judge I will perform my duties faithfully, fearlessly and impartially to all alike, and to the best of my ability enforce and secure the rights of every one. Very respectfully, "SAMUEL MAXWELL.

HOLMES ARRAIGNED FOR MURDER Formally Charged in Court of the

Crime of Killing B. F. Pitzel. PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 23.-Herman M. Mudgett, alias H. H. Holmes, was arraigne before Judge Finletter in the court of oyer and terminer today on the indictment charging him with the murder of Benjamin F Pitzel on September 2, 1894. Upon advice of his counsel the prisoner pleaded not guilty District Attorney Graham asked that Monday October 28, be fixed for the trial of the case which was strenously objected to by counsel.

After a full hearing Judge Finletter said h considered that would give the defense suffi cient time to prepare their case and ordered that the trial be set for that day, with the understanding that when the time arrived neither side could expect to come into court and obtain a continuance on paltry excuses.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 23.-Reports received conight from various parts of the state show that the storm on Sunday night and early this morning was one of the severest in Wisconsin for years. In the towns of Pleasant Valley and Cedar Creek, near Eau Claire, number of buildings were blown down in small cyclone, entailing a loss of about \$25,-000 to buildings alone, besides damaging considerable other property. At Oconton free, were uprooted and buildings were blown lown. A number of houses were unroofed At Merrill the buildings on the fair grounds were demolished and the loss will be fully \$25,000. At Menomine over 100,000 feet lumber was blown into the river and drifted Reports from White Hall, Martinette and many other points also report much damage. The wires were blown lown and travel was delayed by many tress being blown over the tracks. It is estimated that the losses in the state will amount to

several hundred thousand dollars Schooner F. R. Williams Sank. DETROIT, Sept. 23 .- A special to the Free Press from Escanaba, Mich., says: The schooner F. R. Williams, laden with Iron ore, from this port to Toledo sank last night in the big gale on Green bay, with all on board. Of the crew only the names of Captain Hutton and Maggie Bennett, the stew-ardess, are known, the crew of five men being strangers here. The Williams was in turned this afternoon and reported the wreck.

SIDNEY, Neb., Sept. 23 .- (Special Telegram.)-District court opened here today, with Judge William Neville presiding. There are fifty-two cases on the docket, six being criminal, and the leading case being the state against F. W. Bozarth and J. W. Wolfe fer the murder of Robert Fawcus at Camp Clark last spring.

SPRING GREEN, Wis., Sept. 23,-Two chil dren of Emery Slauson, living two miles west of Arena, were burned to death in their home. The mother went for a pail of water a mile away, locking the two children in a a mile away, locking the two children in a room. The house tok fire during her absence.

Forest Fires on the Pacific Coast. SANTA CRUZ, Cal., Sept. 23.-Forest fires are sweeping through hundreds of acres of forests in this vicinity. Railroad traffic is interfered with by trees falling across the tracks. The fire is the worst that has ever visited Santa Cruz county.

Sioux City Minister Goes to Missouri. SIOUX CITY, Sept. 23 .- (Special Telegram.)-Rev. H. D. Jenkins of Sioux City has accepted a call to the Second Presby-

No Damage Done to Corn, Which is Being Husked. MOOREFIELD, Neb., Sept. 23 .- (Special Telegram.)-Rain began falling here at 8 o'clock Saturday night, continuing all night, turning to snow Sunday morning. Snow continued falling all forenoon. A heavy frost covered the ground this morning, ice being found in places.

LYONS, Neb., Sept. 23 .- (Special.)-The sidewalks were covered this morning with a heavy frost. But little or no damage will be done as the last two weeks have ripened the corn beyond the reach of frost. Nearly

the corn beyond the reach of froat. Nearly four inches of rain fell here Saturday and yesterday.

JUNIATA, Nob., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The hot weather of the past two weeks ended in a cool rain Saturday and Sunday, with a frost last night, the first of the season. Corn is all safe, except a few very late pieces, and that is most ready to gather. The yield promises to be from thirty to fifty bushels per acre.

DUNBAR, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The wind of the past ten days\*has blown nearly all the fall and winter apples off the trees. Winter apples will be a luxury. A fail of sixty degrees in the temperature in the past twenty-four hours resulted in a heavy frost last night. No damage was done. Part of the farmers in this vicinity will commence husking corn this week. The hot wind of the past ten days has matured the corn-so that it can be cribbed. KEARNEY, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)— The first frost of the season occurred last night. It did not freeze water, and no dam-

age was done, so far as known, to crops.

ST. PAUL, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—
Another good rain last night and this morning of seventy-six hundredths inch makes the total precipitation since Friday afternoon

two and eighty-four hundredths inches. The ground is now in good condition to sprout independant party, held at Lincoin on the ground is now in good condition to sprout the strength of August, 1895, was received on the 12th inst., and has been duly considered. "While I did not seek nor expect the nomination, yet I am urged by many members."

VALLEY, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—A VALLEY, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—A heavy rain fell in this section yesterday.
FREMONT, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—There was a light frost here last night. Corn was too

state campaign, but only questions relative to the good government and affairs of the state, and the system best calculated to promote the prosperity and happiness of its people. As a superior of the state of the prosperity and happiness of its people.

two and one-half inches falling. The ground being very dry, from the hot winds of the last two weeks, not a drop was wasted. The moisture penetrated the soil to a depth of eight inches. Fall plowing, which has been greatly retarded by the continued dry weather, and condition of the soil, will now be pushed rapidly forward, with every expectation of a most bountiful yield next year.

LINCOLN. Sept. 23.—(Special.)—This vicinity was visited last night by a heavy frost.

Early risers found the roofs and sidewalks glistening with it. It is said little damage was done saye to the tonders home.

was done, save to the tenderer house and lawn plants that had not been put under FULLERTON, Neb., Sept. 23.-(Special.)-About 6 o'clock last evening a severe wind and rain storm struck this city, which lasted but a few moments, but did considerlasted but a few moments, but did considerable damage. Many chimneys were blown to pleces, outhouses turned over, good-sized shade trees twisted off, while many windows were broken. The wind had blown a heavy gale from the south for forty-eight hours, but suddenly changed to the northwest and increased into a cyclone. A deluging rain fell for thirty minutes. The rain was much needed as the hot wiad the previous forty-eight hours was doing great damage to the pastures. mstures.

BELGRADE, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—A

terrible wind and rain storm passed over here yesterday. Rain fell in torrents and con-tinued all last night. A large barn belonging to A. Knight was completely demolished and the roof was blown off of Joe Palmer's Several windmills about the were blown down, and haystacks scattered Lightning struck the barn of L. A. Hayfor here, doing slight damage, About three inche of rain fell. Corn is all out of the way of the frost, but the crop will not exceed two fifths of a crop, being cut short by the dry weather through July. The ground is in fine condition for fall plowing and fall seeding. A large crop of rye will be sown, which will make good late pasture. A large number of cattle will be fed in this vicinity this winter one man having about 3,000 to feed. There vill be very little corn shipped out of here FALLS CITY, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—
A heavy rain fell all day yesterday and the
weather changed from warm to colder. A
11 o'clock the thermometer fell from 30 to 48. During last night a heavy frost fell, doing considerable damage to fruit and late corn in the bottom lands. Many house plants which were not covered were burned to the ground by the frost. This is the first frost

BEATRICE, Sept. 23 .- (Special.)-The welcome cold wave of yesterday morning in this part of the state was followed by quite heavy frost this morning. SPRINGVIEW, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—An inch of snow fell at this place Saturday and a heavy frost last night. WILCOX, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special

gram.)—Six-tenths of an inch of rain fell yes-terday, followed last night by a heavy frost. ELMWOOD, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special Tele ram.)-This county was blessed by a splen lid rain, commencing Saturday afternoon an lasting throughout the night, one and seventy one-hundredths inches failing. This places the ground in excellent condition for fall plow ng, and the sowing of winter grain is n full swing. The corn crop in this county s now out of the way of frost and promises

SHELTON, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—There was a heavy frost here lalight, the first of the season, but it did n naterial damage, corn being so nearly ma ured that frost will not affect it, RANDOLPH, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Saturday night's storm proved he heaviest here for months, and yesterday was raw and cold, clearing up last night and frosting heav ly, freezing thin ice on low land. Garden truck was killed and probably some soft corn, but most of it was thoroughly ripened by the hot, dry weather of the last

SIOUX CITY, Sept. 23 .- (Special Telegram.) -Reports from Lakeport, a remote township n this county, have just reached the city of a heavy wind and rain storm there Friday night. Several buildings were blown down and one dwelling, that of Thomas Hatch, was rolled over and over with Hatch, his housekeeper and two children inside. of them were seriously hurt. Many barns were blown down and windmills, shade trees and outbuildings badly damaged. MALVERN, Ia., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The first frost of the season was visible this morning, the sidewalks being coated. No in-

jury was done to anything excepting tender vegetation. Southwest Iowa and Mills county, especially, will have the largest corn crop n the history of the state. CHEROKEE, Ia., Sept. 23 .- (Special Telegram.)-The heavy rains and cold wave were followed by a heavy frost last night. Very little damage was done except to late gardens, as corn, potatoes, etc., are out of the way. The weather is clear and warmer this

FORT DODGE, Ia., Sept. 23,-(Special Telegram.)-The first heavy frost of the scason appeared last night. The corn crop is safe.

Drouth in South Dakota Broken

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Sept. 23 .- (Special.) -The long continued drouth which has prevalled in eastern South Dakota for the past six weeks has been broken in earnest. The warm weather and the terrific hot winds have made fall plowing practically impossible and have dried the pastures up until feed has become scarce. Saturday evening early a light rain began falling, and at 9 early a light rain began failing, and at 9 him, convicted him of being a defaulter, exposed a heavy rain started, lasting sil pelled him and published him to the world as a thief." (Applause,)

Judge Redick—I defended Delos, Mr. Roseo'clock a many one of the frost.

Inght. The total precipitation was probably a bout three inches, the largest of any one time this season. While the corn crop is not as large as was at first thought, what there is, and there is a fairly good crop, is you know better than any one else that he was a third and merited the punishment he

## TIRED OF IT IN THE SIXTH

Residents Organize to Abolish Misrule in City and County.

BRANCH OF CITIZENS' LEAGUE FORMED

Members of All Parties Uniting in the Movement-Mass Meeting at Idlewild Hall-Officers of the Club.

Idlewild hall, at the corner of Twentyfourth and Grant streets, was crowded to Corn its fullest capacity last night in response to a call for a meeting for the purpose of organizing a branch of the Citizens' league. It was an unusual meeting. There was an absence of the regular attendants at ward meetings, those present being wage earners and home owners of the Sixth ward, who have a greater interest in the selection of competent men to fill the city and county offices than in the success of any political

The meeting was called to order by Lee Helsley and Hon, John I. Redick was selected as chairman. Mr. Redick, in taking the chair, said he had come to the hall simply as a spectator, and did not know much about the object of the meeting further than that it was for the purpose of getting better men into office, for putting men in positions of trust who would take care of the people's money when pald in the form of taxes. He was in favor of any movement having such objects in view and would lend his support to any efforts in that direction.

Mr. W. H. DeFrance was called upon as the first speaker of the evening. He said that he was appearing in a new role as a speaker at a political meeting. He had been a resident of Nebraska for ten years and had taken no part in politics until during the present campaign. He saw the need of reform in the administration of city, county and judicial affairs, and every citizen could see the need of such reform. There was need that the citizens as men and not as partisans take an active interest in the management of local affairs and redeem the governments from the ring that now con-trolled them. This was the object of the Citizens' league, which appealed to the in-telligence and the interests of all good citi-

ns.
"The A. P. A. is an issue," said Mr. De-France, "and there is no use to try to evade the question. It is an issue and must be met. The order has control of the affairs of the city, county and judicial district. The city council is in the hands of that secret political society. The county commissionrs are all members of the order or affiliate with it. The order dominates the Board of it. The order dominates the Board of Education and permeates, with its influence, the judiciary. The cardinal principles of the order are that no Catholic shall be nominated for any office, and that no Catholic shall be employed by any member of the order in any position which can be filled by a Protestant. Follow those principles and see where they will lead you. Take the case of a judge of the district court who belongs to the order. He has sworn in taking his office to support the constitution of the United States and that of the state of Nebraska, and both explicity state that no religious test shall explicity state that no religious test shall be required of any man to hold office of trust be required of any man to hold office of trust in the nation or in the state. He has sworn in the A. P. A. to keep Catholic citizens from office and from employment. Now which oath will be observe? In which re-spect will be perjure himself? It is simply astounding that a man can take a position on the bench, or in any other office of trust, and pretend to administer the affairs of his office honestly and justic with two such conoffice honestly and justly with two such e a perjurer either to the public or to the to which he belongs. Which which has it been in this county?

TASK FOR HONEST MEN. "It is the purpose and object of the Citl-ns' league to redeem this community from hat kind of misrule. We cannot do it in the republican party, for that party is controlled by the A. P. A. We cannot do it n the ranks of the democratic party, for that party is not numerically strong enough to control the elections, and for the same on we cannot work the needed ref through the populist party. The only way in which the reform can be brought about is for the honest men of all parties to unite, lay aside their partisanship, select good, competent men for office and elect them, burying the ward heelers so deep that they will never be heard from again. It is known broughout the country that Omaha is writhing in the coils of this secret political or-ganization that has for its objects the resuscitation of the putrid carcass of the know-tothing party that was buried by the votes of an indignant people fifty years ago. Let us as citizens unite this fall and drive these political rats out of the city hall, the school couses and the court house and redeem Omaha, Douglas county and this judicial disrict from the domination of the clique and

ring that has given us four years of cor-ruption and misrule." Mr. DeFrance was warmly applauded, his hearers being in evident sympathy with him n his denunciation of the clique that conlucted the business of the city and county

chind closed doors. Mr. E. Rosewater was then called upon by Judge Redick and was enthusiastically greeted. "As I look around this hall," said Mr. Rosewater, "and see the pictures that adorn the walls on all sides I am reminded forcibly that this is a republican form of government, a government by the people and esponsible to the people. I see the pic f Washington and Lincoln and Meade Grant and Sheridan and Sherman and other famous Americans. Meade and Sheridan fought as bravely for the salvation of this mion as did Grant. General Meade won the victory at Gettysburg and Sheridan fought in every battle from Winchester to Rich-mond. Yet both of these men were Catho-lics. Meade was of Catholic parents and Sheridan was an out and out Catholic. In that army it was not asked what a man's creed was. So in the administration of our public affairs we should not ask what a man's religion is, but is he competent, is he honest, will be be accountable to the public who elect him or to some secret political society to which he may belong?

BETTER MEMBERS BEING FOOLED. "I do not propose to denounce any man who belongs to the A. P. A., unless I would de-nounce him because of his public sets and public conduct in office. There are a great many honest men in the order, men who joined the organization with the hope of bettering their condition and with the hope of accomplishing better things for the city and county. For these men I have no word of denunciation. They are deluded, and I want to tell them that they are being fooled. They cannot be honest and keep the kind of company they are in. The members of the A. P. A. denounce the pope for selling absolutions from sin, yet when a man joins that order he is immediately washed free from all stains and is declared pure, no matter what his record may bave been. He may have been guilty of all man-ner of crimes and offenses, but when he is received into the order he is declared perfect and a protectorate is thrown about him that will save him from his past. This is not true in other societies. I have been a Mason for thirty years in good standing, and I know that we do not do things that way in that body. We throw the mantle of charity over our members, but let them transgriss the law, commit felonies and they are exposed by the members of the order. In the early days - Judge Redick here will remember it-a man named Delos was a bookke per in Koun'ze Bros.' bank. He became a defaulter and was arrested. He was tried in the district court and by some judicial juggicty was acquitted, but the Masons took him up, tried