over its banks and higher than at any time WAYNE, Neb., April 12.—(Special Tele gram.)-A heavy rain fell here last night and Parmers are nearly through sceding

and are feeling jubilant. SUTTON, Nab., April 12.—(Special Tele-gram.)—Twenty-four hours of steady rain has swollen School creek into its greatest flood for nineteen years. All bridges approuching Sutton have been condemned and closed from its effects.

LINCOLN, April 12.—(Special Telegram.)— Lancaster county was visited today by a coaking rain storm, which issted the greater portion of the day. The precipitation was OGALALLA, Neb., April 12 .- (Special Tele

o'clock this morning and rained hard all day till 4 p. m., when it turned to snow. It is estimated that two inches of water

HOLDREGE, Neb., April 12.—(Special Telegram.) Four and one-half inches of rain has fallon hele in the past twenty-four hours. It came slow and all scaked in

e ground. YORK, Neb., April 12.—(Special Telegram.) ... The heaviest rain that has fallen in year; e falling here now, commencing at 6.30 last night, and by 3 this morning whole sections of sidewalks were floating. Several culverts are out and Fifth, Sixth and Seventh reets are impassable at the Kansas City & maha tracks. It has rained over six inches Omaha tracks. It has rained over six inches by the B. & M. gauge, and a perfect delage

is still falling.
AURORA, Neb., April 12.—(Special Tele gram.)—We are pleased to record the greatest rain in Hamilton county in five years. Over three and a half inches of water has falled in the last twenty-four hours. The people

are jubilant over the prospects.
CENTRAL CITY, Neb., April 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Merrick county had the finest rain during last night and today that it has had in four years, 3.18 inches of rain falling. The ground is in fine condition for seeding, a large portion of the seeding being

done. The acreage will be unusually large.
Fall wheat and rye look fine.
RAVENNA, Neb., April 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Rain gauges register a three-inchrainfall at Ravenna in eighteen hours, the heaviest continuous precipitation recorded for three or four years. Crop prospects were this season of the year nd the character of the season so far ould indicate that the chances are bright for an immense crop this year. Every acre of tillable land is in crop in this section

WILSONVILLE, Neb., April 12 .- (Specia Telegram.)—This section of the country has been blessed with an abundant rain, which began falling yesterday evening and poured lmost continually during fourteer About three inches of rain has fallen and prospects for more are very flat toring. This puts the ground in excellent condition for wheat, rye, cats and alfalfa which was looking fine even before the rain. Cern planting will begin in a few

WALLACE, Neb., April 12 .- (Special Telegram.)-Rain has been falling here during past fifteen hours with brief intermissions. The gauge at present registers two and one-half inches. A cold wind is blow-ing from the northeast and it is snowing heavily, with prospects of a protracted storm. Live stock on the range is suffering to some extent, but the rain, the heavies of the season, is of great benefit to small grain, of which there is an immense acre-age. Several more old settlers and families arrived within the past few days, after an absence of two or three years. People here are much encouraged.

BENKLEMAN, Neb., April 12.- (Special Telegram.)-Two inches of rain has fallen since 8 o'clock last night. The ground roughly soaked. SIDNEY, Neb., April 12 .- (Special Telegram.)—A heavy snow has been falling here all day, and there is already over nine inches on the level. The prospects are good for a continuance of the snow during the

CLARKS, Neb., April 12.—(Special.)— About seventeen feet of rain has fallen here in the last eighteen hours, that is gauging by reports that have been sent from various quarters. It precipitated, it percolated, it swamped, it inundated; the quarantine flags baye been washed away, the church bells are ringing for the first time in a month, the public schools will open tomorrow, the free silver clatter has censed, the artificial irrigation schemes are

vention in a boat, and Nebraska is herself WAHOO, Neb., April 12.—(Special.)—There has been no lack of moisture in this county for the past few days. A heavy rain fell last night, and this afternoon rain is again pouring down. The soil is undoubtedly in better condition than it has been for several years, and if the good indications continue an immense crop will be put out in

submerged, we are going to the state con-

SCHUYLER, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.)-This vicinity has been blessed by a rain during the last eighteen hours that causes a thrill of hope and joy to spring from every heart. It began raining early last evening, about 8 o'clock, and has continued, excepting at short intervals, until noon today. The earth is well moistened and is in excellent condition, and much water is yet on the surface.

DUNCAN, Neb., April 12.-(Special.)-All day Saturday a heavy wind blew from the south, accompanied now and then with a slight sprinkle, which just before dark turned to a steady rain, which has con-tinued since without intermission. Some time during the night the wind veered to the northeast, and the best rain for five years has already fallen, and still continues at 2 p. m. today, with no indications of stooping. Fully three inches of rain has the streets are full of water and everybody is jubilant. We now have the best outlook for a good crop since 1889. SCRIBNER, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.)-Early last evening rain set in and has been coming down steadily ever since. The rain of the fore part of the week had but nicely settled into the ground when this one began

GIBBON, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.) - There has been a steady downpour of rain here since 6 o'oclock last night, with no appearance of quitting at 11 a. m. Three and one-fourth inches of water has fallen and is sinking into the ground as fast as it falls. The ground has not been so thoroughly soaked since 1892.

Prospects here are bright.

EXETER, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.)-Saturday forencon ushered in some old-fash-ioned April showers, the like of which has not been seen in these parts for five years. The showers continued all day Saturday, getting harder and more frequent toward eyening and by 9 o'oclock the rain came down in earnest, continuing all night, and morning over two tuches has fallen, and still raining, with no indications of clearing off today. Small grain is nearly all in, and wheat, rye and oats that are up are looking finer than for several years.

Local showers fell in many parts of the county Priday night and yesterday, and during last night there was a heavy rainfall, thoroughly sonking the ground in all parts of the county. Oat seeding is finished, with increased acreage over previous years. Winter grain is in fine condition and plowing corn has commenced.

FAIRMONT, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.)-It commenced raining here last night at 6 o'clock and has rained nearly steadily ever since. Three inches of water has fallen and it is still raining, with goods prospects of a rainy day. Everybody is happy. One old farmer said to The Bee cor e correspondent:

SILVER CREEK, Nob., April 12 .- (Special.) -It began raining heavily yesterday about o'clock, and has continued steadily with lit-tle intermission until 1 o'clock today. The round will be thoroughly soaked.

NELIGH, Neb., April 12.—(Special.)—It

commenced raining early last evening and continued all night, and commenced again this morning, with a prospect of continuing throughout the day. A large portion of the water has entered the ground, and the entire tation has been heavy.

OAKDALE, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.) -- A heavy rain set in at 8 o'clock last night, continued all night and is still raining at 10 o'clock this morning. Nebraska is herself A large acreage of small grain has

been planted in Antelope county, and the farmera' spirits are buoyant. FREMONT, April 12.—(Special.)—It com-menced raining here this morning and has rained most of the day, some of the time very hard. The ground is well moistened fast, and from present indications cattle will into the pastures in the course of Grain that was put in early is ten days.

BRADSHAW, Nab., April 12.- (Special.)five inches of water has fallen. It is now (10:30 a. m.), raining hard, and no proof a let up. Wind from the northeast. nakes more than seven inches of rainfall it leso than a week.

SENATOR ALLISON'S ROMANCE.

How He Broke Off an Engagemen with a White Mountain Girl. A correspondent of the Cleveland World, criting from Ashland, O., nest which Senator Allison was born, relates a remantic incident in the life of Iowa's favorite son.

The log cabin in which William Allison since been torn down. It stood on a farm about seven miles due cast of this place and it was on a little clearing which they made at this place that the father and mother of Senator Allison settled in 1823. They had emigrated thither from Pennsylvania, where the first representatives of the amily who came to America had taken up

"Mr. Allison himself would probably be at a loss to explain the motive which prompted him to select the law as a profession, but almost immediately upon the completion of his college course he returned to Wooster and entered the office of Hemphill & Turner. However, he remained there but a short time before coming to Ashland, where he was associated with Mr. J. W. Smith, a well known attorney, who, when Allison was admitted to the bar, took him into part-

"Mrs. Smith, the widow of Allison's pre ceptor and former partner, is still living here. She remembers the senator as a decidedly bandsome young man of medium height, with dark brown hair and eyes, a most perfectly fermed mouth and regular teeth. In speaking of the presidential candi-date, the lady, who is now about 70 years of age, said: "There were three young felof age, said there were three young lows in my husband's office at that time—Mr. Allison, Mr. Kenney, who afterward became a judge, and Mr. Cotton, and goodness! what times they did have. Mr. Smith found it the simplest way to never know what was going on. However, Mr. Al-lison always attended to business pretty during the day for all he forgot about it so completely at night. William was a great 'ladier' man,' and he was uniwas a sort of rendezvous for the young people of that crowd and they would have some pretty lively proceedings up there some

'Ashland was also the scene of a romanc not recorded in the biographies of the dis-tinguished Iowan. It concerned his attach-ment for Miss Gara Burnham of Plymouth, N. H., the exceptionally pretty niece of Mrs. Smith, and who paid an extended visit to that lady. Before the White mountain girl returned home she and the young attorney were engaged and had made all arrangements for their wedding. However, in their case separation seemed to induce a waning of affection and a short time afterward the engagement was broken off and Mr. Allison was married to Miss Anna Car-ter, the daughter of Hon. Daniel Carter, resided about a mile and a half from Ashland.

Meanwhile Miss Burnham had been married to J. H. Merrill of Boston. Afterward he falled in business, emigrated to Iowa, was elected to the state senate, and by a strange coincidence was instrumental in securing the election of William Allison as United States senator. The only time that Mrs. Merrill saw Allison after they parted here was once when during a political cam paign he delivered a speech at Ottumwa, Is, where she and her husband resided. O course she was anxious to hear the speech but equally desirous that the speaker should not discover her identity, and thus the future senator discussed vigorously the issues of the day unaware that among his auditors was his former fiancee.'

What Exasperated Him. The agent for a handsomely illustrated book to be sold on long-time credit-a f net to the intellect and an adornment to any library-leaned against the side of the house, caught his breath, clenched his fist and looked skyward.

"What's the matter?" asked the police-"I've met the meanest man," he answered, "I've heard of him and I've read about him in the papers, but I never ex-

nected to meet him face to face." "Where is he?"
"Up in that office building." "How do you know he's the meanest

"By the way he acted. I showed him this work of art, lectured on it for half an hour, showed the engravings, and when I hinted that it would be a good thing to order, what "I don't know."

"He said he never bought books. He didn't have to. He just waited for some fool agent to come along and tell him all that was in 'em, and turn over the leaves while he looked at the pictures."

X Ray Lectures and Experiments. This evening the X ray will be disthe Young Men's Christian association by

the Young Men's Christian association by Principal Levistra and Prof. Turner of the High school, and W. Michaelson. The public is invited.

Mr. Michaelson will introduce the subject by stating the nature of the X rays and how they can be produced by means of electricity. Prof. Turner will describe the various practical uses to which the new discovery can be put in surgery and the other arts, and will tell of what has been accomplished in this city by means of the ray. Prof. Leviston will conduct the experiments of the evening, and they will be many and interesting.

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The electric current will be introduced into the building from the Thompson-Houston wires, and a large amount of apparatus has been brought down from the physical laboratory of the High school, including induction colls, leyden jars, Holtz machine, air pump, Crookes tube, etc.

The method of taking shadowgraphs by the X rays will be practically demonstrated, and the apparatus used in connection with the experiment will be carefully explained. Numerous other experiments will be given, illustrating the most interesting and beautiful electrical phenomena by means of both static and dynamic electricity.

Deaths of a Day. GIBBON, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.)-Mrs. J. B. Ring, aged 70, died at her residence in Gibbon this morning of internal cancer. She was prominent in all church and char-itable work, and was highly respected. WAHOO, Neb., April 12,-(Special.)-L A much larger acreage of oats has been been speed this spring than usual. Farmers and business men are correspondingly jubilant over the present prospect.

FAIRBURY, Neb., April 12.—(Special.)—
Local showers fell in many parts of the county litiday night and vesterday and durants. Research the property litiday night and vesterday and durants. Rosten of this place was found dead in his children, to whom he leaves sufficient prop-erty to keep them in good circumstances. The deceased was 61 years of age.

Start a Fight on Saloons.
FORT SCOTT, Kan., April 12.—A determined anti-saloon fight was precipitated here when W. R. Webster, attorney for the Women's Christian Temperance union the Women's Christian Temperanee union, presented to Judge W. L. Simons a petition signed by about 200 taxpayers asking that a special grand jury be impaneled to investigate the violations of the prohibitory law and the gambling laws. For months the saloons have been running openly, and it is intimated an attempt will be made to indict one of the county officers whose duty it is to prosecute liquor sellers.

Ex-Senator Ingalls Seriously III. ATCHISON, Kan., April 12.—Ex-United States Senator John J. Ingalis is sick abed at his home here, suffering from a severe cold, contracted on a recent trip north. Hig friends appear worried over his con-dition, but his family states that nothing alarming is anticipated.

Suspected of Stealing a Watch. Harry Rothkopf, 114 North Eleventh street, reported to the police that some one had entered his house and taken a watch and chain valued at \$5. Last even-ing the police arrested Charles Karl on suspicion of having committed the theft. Karl is a garbage hauler.

Alton's Manager Marries CLINTON, Ia., April 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Will H. Dalrymple, stage manager very hard. The ground is well moistened of the Alton Theater company, and Miss and in better shape than at any time during Bortha L. Smith of Eric, Ill., were married the past two years. The grass is growing at that place tonight.

M'KINLEY MEN MORE MODEST

Rain began to fall last evening at 7:30 and Ohio Pilgrims at Washington Moderate the Major's Boom Somewhat.

COLONEL HAHN IS STILL CONFIDENT

Announces His Belief in the Ultimate Success of the Ohio Man, While Colonel Conger Is Conservative.

Washington, where mostly political rumors do originate, was full of reports of all shades was born," says the correspondent, "has long and pretensions during the leet week, and from among them all little in the way of fact developed. One thing is certain-the McKinley men who visited the capital, showed more of an inclination to be moderate in their demands. Not that their confidence in the outcome has abated, but they seem less demonstrative in asserting the certainty of their champion's sweeping everything before him. At least this phase of the situation is mirrored in the publication of the utterances of Ohlo men. L. B. W. wr'tes to the Inter Ocean from Washington in this wise " Colonel William M. Hahn of Marshfield, O., came up to thecapital today, He reserts that there will be more than 500 McKinley votes on the first ballot, and that Colonel Hahn admits that there have been a great many foolish things said and done by McKinley's friends, but he does not believe that the people are going to hold McKinley responsible for his fool friends. Every popular man has such em-barrassments and it is an unavoidable evil. He thinks that McKinley will be nominated at St. Louis, not by mugwumps, nor fledge lings in politics, but by the republicans who fought and won campaigns in years past, and by the friends of all other candidates. has no sympathy with the attempt to dis-credit other candidates and thinks that Mc with the attempt to dis-Kinley's record ought to place him above the suspicion of sympathizing with such political "Colonel A. L. Conger of Akron, O., is an

other Ohio man in Washington, on his way to Old Point Comfort for his health. Colonel Conger has been in more campaigns than Grosvenor or Hahn, and has seen too many 'eure things' upset before the convention met to take stock in the cry that 'All is over but the shouting.' 'We thought that in 1876, when Blaine was the leader,' said 'we also thought it in 1880, when Grant had a majority of the delegates before the convention assembled. We thought the same thing in 1888 with Sherman. We were sure that Sherman would win, and we counted our delegates as more than enough to nominate. And we ought to have won. We had the delegates, but by bad political manage-ment we lost them. We made enemies for the Ohio candidate by our offensive attitude toward all other candidates, in assuming that they were not hones' in their ambition, and had not the same right in the convention that the Buckeyes had. We united the field against us, and Sherman was defeated. "I believe that McKinley will be nominated, and I feel certain that Ohio will be united at St. Louis, without any factional feeling, such as was manifest at Chicago in 1888, but I have gone over the figures with such as was manifest at Chicago in General Crosvenor and others, and I confess on the first ballot. I think it will be on the

Moses P. Handy sums it up like this: "McKinley now has a lead of about seventyfive delegates over the combined opposition Next week will largely increase that lead Harrison is the only stick in sight with which McKinley's head might be broken."
The Linton presidential button has made its appearance in Washington. That there is a strong movement in the A. P. A. to beom the Michigan congressman for president no longer admits of doubt. The in-tention appears to be that he shall receive the votes of a number of delegates at the republican national convention, not with the idea, perhaps, that he can get the nomina tion, but with the view of holding all delo-gates who may be A. P. A. men away from any other candidate who may be offensive to the order, and to prepare the way to an lependent nomination

second or third ballot, more likely the third than either the first or second."

convention is repugnant to them. MANY PROHIBITIONISTS COMING. California Delegation Will Have a

Special Train PITTSBURG, Pa., April 12.-The eighth prohibition national convention, which will convene here next month, promises to be the most largely attended of any yet held by that party. The delegates already accredited exceed the number originally expected, twenty-five states having their number of regular delegates who will attend; but the local committee of arrangements promises the best of entertainment for all delegates and visitors. The Pacific coast will be par-ticularly well represented. The California delegation has arranged for a special train to come right through. It will be hand-somely decorated and be christened the California prohibition special. New England will also run a special from Boston under control of F. W. Clark, secretary of the state commission of Massachusette. Chairman H. L. Castle of the local committee will deliver

an address of welcome to the national con-Mr. Castle, who is a "narrow gauge" platform man, says the party will poll 1,000,000 votes this year if the right kind of platform is adopted. The contest in the convention over the platform will certainly be warm, as both the narrow and broad gauge factions have able men to champion them.

The candidates for the presidency so far are Joshua Levering of Baltimore; C. E. Bentley, Lincoln, Neb.; George W. Bain, Lexington, Ky., and W. H. Thompson, Lexington, K Springfield, O.

The railroads have given a half fare rate to those attending the convention. DENIES THAT HE HAS WITHDRAWN.

Senator Cullom Relterates that He Is in the Race to Stay.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12.-"I have not withdrawn and do not intend to do so." This was the telegram sent by Senator Cullom to seme of his close political friends in Springfield today. In speaking of the matter he said that ever since he had become a candidate persistent efforts had been made o hall him off the track, and that hese failed rumors were circulated that he had written or was about to write a formal letter of withdrawal. He said distinctly that he had no intention of writing any such let-ter, and that he was in the race to stay, for whatever his personal feelings might be, he owed it to the friends who had supported him oyally to act fairly by them, and he pro-

posed to do so.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 12.—Close personal friends of Senator Cullom here who are in communication with him and are fully advised with regard to his candidacy for the presidential nomination emphatically deny the stories published today to the effect that he intends to announce his withdrawal from the contest at an early date. These gentlemen say that they speak with authority in declaring these reports utterly unfounded and insist that they are invented by the friends of other candidates for the purpose of embarrassing the senator and his supporters.

Caudidate and Platform at Variance. NEW ORLEANS, April 12 .- The Picayune's Montgomery, Ala., special says: Further reports from yesterday's primaries confirm the nomination of Joseph F. Johnston of Jefferson county, free silverite, over Clark, sound money advocate. It now ap-pears that Johnston will have 374 delegates in the state convention out of 504, though there is some dispute about one or two of the counties. It is believed the state con-vention, which meets here the 21st, will adopt a sound money platform and endorse the administration of Mr. Cleveland. By resolutions populists and others who would

city for the purpose of discussing the ad- gress.

visability of putting in the field an inde-pendent candidate for congress in the Sec-ond district against the regular nomines of the democratic convention, which declared for free coinage. It was practically de-cided to naule an independent candidate. Both the regular democratic and repub-lican candidates in the Second district are in favor of free coinage, and the Cleveland democrats expect to draw largely from the republicans who favor the gold standard. A. S. Bennet, the regular democratic nominee for the Second district, has declined

the nomination b SIXTH DISTRICT MAY GET HIM. Effort to Deelde on the Fourth Dele-

gate-at-Large.

Acting Chairman Mallalieu and Secretary Rigg of the republican state central committee were at their headquarters at the Millard hotel most of the day yesterday, but as none of the cut of town politicians were in the city the headquarters maintained an appearance in keeping with the character of the day. A few local hustlers dropped in during the day among whom was Mr. Wertz, who is keeping close watch of the register for the arrival of delegates who may be of service in the coming campaign of his chief. E. B. Warner of North Platte, otherwise and more generally known as "Doc." came in Saturday, but has left for Broken Bow, where some developments are expected at the convention tomorrow. It is conceded by at least a large number of the delegates that if the Sixth district can unite on a man for the fourth delegate-at-large to St Louis, he will stand an excellent in the convention Wednesday. "Doc" Warner and Matt Daugherty are both looking for the place from this district, and it is expect that an effort will be made at Broken Boy to unite on a man.

The arrangements for seating the delegtions at the Collseum have been practically completed. It has been suggested that the assassination of President Lincoln, and a large picture of Lincoln will be placed in prominent position among the decoration of the building. FAIRBURY, Neb., April 12.-(Special.)-

The county convention of the silver coinage democrats was held yesterday, and the following delegates elected to the state conven Lincoln, April 22: George H. Clarke, W. M. Green, S. R. Moss, T. J. DeKalb, O. H. Strock, J. H. Gresson, L. W. Hart, J. P. Higgins, A. Wagner, Dan Baker and William

MULLEN, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.)-The county convention yesterday named M. A. Hammel delegate to the state convention at Omaha. The sentiment is for McKinley, and for Manderson, if there is any chance for his nemination.

SILVER CITY, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.) Hon, W. J. Connell of Omaha spoke here last night at Hill's hall, in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of both gold and silver at the present ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for any other nation. The hall was fairly

BANCROFT, Neb., April 12 .- (Special.)-The republicans of Cuming county met in convention in Stuht's hall yesterday noon at 2 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by the chairman, E. K. Valentine, and as soon as the convention was permanently organized A. J. Langer offered a set of resolu tions endorsing Wellam McKinley for president and C. C. McNish of Wisner for state A committee was then appointed to select delegates to the conventions to be held at Omaha and Norfolk. While the com mittee was making out the list enthusiasti speeches were made by McNish of Wisner, Conklin of Tekamah and others, all of whom favored McKfaley for president. The follow-ing are the names of delegates to the Omaha convention: D. W. Burke, George Ransom, A. D. Beemer, F. J. Fitzgerald, J. S. Rewey, G. G. Mullin, William E. Anfin, C. C. McNich James C. Elliott, A. A. Campbell, J. A. Graver, O. R. Thompson. Delegates to the Norfolk convention are: Martin Murray, John W. Watson, John L. McKean, G. W. Howe, A. R. Olsen, E. Albright, W. D. Gibbon, N. Bruner, A. M. Peterson, William Steufer, C. Rupp, M. E. Kerl, A. J. Langer H. S. Hall.

A. P. A. IS AGAINST M'KINLEY Chaleman of the Executive Committee

CINCINNATI, April 12.-Judge J. H. D. Stevens of St. Louis, chairman of the national executive committee of the A. P. A., passed through Cincinnati tonight on his way to Boston. Regarding the fight the A. P. A. is making against McKinley, Judge Stevens said: "I noticed in the Cincinnati papers this morning what purported to be an interview with prominent members of the association, which, in general, is correct, yet it is erroneous in some particulars. It is true the A. P. A. will not give to McKinley its support, either for the nomination or the election, should be be nominated. His record is such that no A. P. A. member, who is true to his principles, and who has not be weaned away from his order by promises of office, can support him. McKinley has never supported

this organization.' Judge Stevens then enumerates various grievances against McKinley, among them the neglect of McKinley's managers to grant an A. P. A. audience in Washington on the 27th to the 30th of last March, and the fact McKinley himself left unanswered telegrams sent by the committee to him. Judge Stevens then said: "We shall fight him in the convention, and if he be nominated, he cannot be elected. He says the committee was not unfriendly to McKinley when it

In this respect the committee differed from President Traynor, editor of the Detroit Amer ican. On the other hand, Mckinley's rivals granted the committee an audience on the first offer, whereas McKinley and his managers refused requests for an audience, though the opportunity was given for two consecutive weeko by committees in Washington and New York. This meeting in New York was after a special committee had been sent in vain to interview McKinley in Ohio." Judge Stevens says Hon, A. W. Linton is the A. P. A. candidate.

In conclusion, he said: "You may say for us that we are against McKinley to the last. We shall support only a positive, selfessertive man, who is no straddler on any issue, and is a man of more than one idea. From the knowledge I possess of our strength I know the A. P. A holds the balance of power, and Mr. McKinley cannot be nomi-

Socialist's-Labor Party's Platform. At the meeting of the socialist labor party of Omaha at Washington hall, the following declarations of principles were adopted:

braska are assembled in Omaha on this 12th day of April, 1896, for the purpose of perfecting a state organization of the socialist labor party, in profer that we may effectually aid in establishing through the use of the ballot, the co-operative commonwealth, as advocated by the international socialists. We therefore, by virtue of said authority. "We, the duly authorized representatives therefore, by virtue of said authority, do form and establish a state organization. "This organization is not formed for the

purpose of demanding remedial legislation from the present capitalistic government, but for the purpose of marshalling the wage slaves at the ballst box, there to take possession of the legislature and executive branches of the government and themselves abolish the system by which the producer is robbed of his product by the non-pro-

"Efforts to improve our condition by the aid of our energies, must result in disappoint-ment and all efforts directed otherwise than toward securing possession of the governmental functions are reactionary and un-worthy of notice. To demand justice from those ruling the nation is as foolish as to expect the colled rattler to withhold his sting. Only the death of the capitalistic system will abolish injustice.

Anticipate Trouble in Louisiana. LITTLE ROCK, April 12.—The political outlook in northern Louisiana discloses an alarming condition of affairs and serious trouble, with a strong probability of mucl the administration of Mr. Cleveland. By resolutions populists and others who would promise to support the nominees were admitted to participate in the primaries, and many populists availed themselves of the privilege, voting for Johnston on account of his free silver views.

Cleveland Democrats Organize a Bolt. PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—A number of democrats who favor the financial policy of President Cleveland held a meeting in this city for the purpose of discussing the additional policy of the purpose of discussing the additional policy of grees. loodshed at the approaching election, which

PREPARING FOR WHEELMEN

Date Set for the National Meet to Be Held at Louisville.

MANY THOUSANDS EXPECTED TO ATTEND

In Addition to the Races There Will Be Runs to Points of Interest in the Surrounding Country.

LOUISVILLE, April 12 .- August 10 to 15, the days naked for by the local organizations for the National League of American Wheelmen meet of 1896 have been sanctioned by Chairman Gideon of the national racing board and preparations for the star cycling event of the year are under full headway. The work is under the general direction of the "96 Meet club," whose officers are the men most prominently connected with cycling in this city. Committees have been appointed to look after all the details of the entertainment of the tens of thousands of wheelmen who are expected to attend. The feature of the meet, which will, in all probability, interest the visiting wheel clubs the most, is the parade of the League of American Wheelmen, which s to take place on Wednesday afternoon and it is estimated there will be 35,000 wheel-men in line. In addition, there will be three days of racing for the richest prizes offered this year, rune to all the neighboring points of interest, century runs to Frankfort and ther Kentucky towns, railroad excursions to Mammoth cave, river excursions, a manu facturers' pageant and a grand ball.

OVER THE OLD SARATOGA COURSE.

Four-Cornered 'Varsity Race to Be Rowed on Historic Water. The question of a suitable course the American intercollegiate regatta on June 25 and 26 next has been under con-sideration by a committee representing the four universities interested-Harvard, Cor

sideration by a committee representing the four universities interested—Harvard, Cornell, Columbia and Pennsylvania—for several months. It has proven to be a difficult question to settle, but a solution of the matter is now in sight. For over a month there has been a deadlock among the four members of the committee, Harvard and Pennsylvania voting in favor of the course at Saratoga, N. Y., and Cornell and Columbia, regularly expressing their preference for that at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. The Bee has just received information from Cornell that at the next meeting of the committee Cornell's representative will certainly vote with Harvard and Pennsylvania in favor of the Saratoga course. When the question of the Josatoga course will eratify vote with Harvard and Pennsylvania in favor of the course at Springfield, Mass., and Cornell and Columbia in favor of that at Poughkeepsie, Pennsylvania had no choice in particular, but it was loud in its protest against the selection of the Poughkeepsie course. This was due to the fact that Penn's shell was swamped there last year by the careless pilot of a tug boat.

Later Penn came over to Harvard's way of thinking, and stood by the Springfield course. Cornell said it would agree to the same course if the rallway company would construct a road along the four-mile course in order that observation trains might be run during the race. As the colleges refused to guarantee the race to Springfield for more than one year, the railway company declined to enter into any such agreement. Then Saratoga put in a strong bid. Both Harvard and Penn were in favor of a course that would be free from the interruption of steamers, and they at once voted in favor of Saratoga.

Columbia clung to the Hudson course and Cornell voted with Columbia. The objection to Poughkeepsie was the lack of suitable hote; accommodations and the fact that he river is navigable, placing the crew and their shells at great risk of being hemorard. that the river is navigable, placing the

miles long and more than one wide. It is without current and for weeks at a time is without a ripple. The prevailing winds are westerly, and the only possible winds that could affect the water would be southerly, and they are of rare occurence. Saratoga is one of the leading summer resorts of the east, and the mammoth hotels there can easily handle 30,000 people. The lake is only three and a half miles from these hotels, and electric roads run from the hotels to the beginning of the course. Saratoga offered greater inducements for the visiting oursmen than any other city competing for the prize, especially in the matter of boat houses and training quarters. The only drawback is that there is no opportunity for running an observation train and the regatta will thus be robled of one of the grandest features of an intercollegiate boat race. No excursion boats will allowed on the lake, and there will be two boats follow the crews; the referee's boat and the press boat. There is a grand diversional the entire lake, situated on a binf. From this elevated boulevard it is estimated that 40,000 to 50,000 will witness what promises to be one of the greatest struggles for aquatic supremacy ever rowed in American waters. The observation facilities promises to be one of the greatest struggles for aquatic subremacy ever rowed in American waters. The observation facilities for those desiring to see the race from start to finish do not compare with those afforded by an observation train, such as is run at Poughkeepsie; but, on the other hand, Saratoga offers a four-mile straightaway course, with the crews rowing with little or no current, elegant quarters for the crews, absolute assurance of non-interference from outside craft, and perfect hotel accommodations.

BANQUET VICTORIOUS ATHLETES.

King George Tonsted the Patrons Who Made the Meeting Possible. ATHENS, April 12.—The festival in honor of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the ndependence of Greece continues, though nost of the important athletic events have een decided. A luncheon was given at the palace today in honor of the victors the games, the guests at which in-uded the members of the various com-uittees connected with the festival, the perespondents of foreign papers and the

correspondents of foreign papers and the local press,
After the luncheon, King George toasted M. Averoff, the rich Alexandrian who made such liberal donations for the restoration of the stadium, as well as other donors to the same purpose, the crown prince and Princes George and Nicholas, all of whom, his majesty said, had worked for the success of the festival. He also said he hoped the foreign athletes present would proclaim abroad the success of the games and the evidences they had seen of Greek progress.

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races, today's bicycle race and the foot race won by Louis from Marathon to Athens, amid such great enthusiasm. Those two races, in fact, were fixed upon by the popular opinion as the leading events of the games, and the Greeks feel that to have had their champions win both of them goes far to compensate for other defeats.

Bay Citys Win the Relay Race.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12-The Bay City club's team won the 100-mile relay City club's team won the 160-mile relay race today, Garden City second, San Jose Road club third. The finish was intensely exciting. Wells of the Bay Citys, Foster of the Olympics, Zeigler of the Garden Citys, Squires of the Acre team, were on even terms up to within 250 yards of the finish. Foster then started to sprint and collided with Squires. Both men fell and Wells beat Zeigler out by two fret in the final spurt. About 10,000 wheelmen and woman witnessed the finish. The time for the 169 miles was four hours, fifty-six minutes, twelve and one-half seconds. This is the fastest time ever made over the course, although the reads today were in poor conditivin from recent rains. P. Lefevre of the Acme club rode the ten miles in the remarkably fast time of 24.29. At the finish of the race the enormous crowd went wild with excitement, Each elde of the wide road was lined twenty deep for blocks, and as the four leaders shot into view there was a roar. Squires and Zeigler were neck and neck. Walter Foster was between them about a foot behind and Charley Wells, the Bay City giant, was ten feet in the rear. About 250 yards from the wire Foster attempted to jump into the lead, Just then Squires wobbled a trille and both he and Foster went down. Zeigler had sprinted nearly continuously for ten miles and had made up lots of ground for had sprinted nearly continuously for miles and had made up lots of groun his club. When it came to the ast nerate rally Wells had a little bit mores left and flashed in front by about two

CINCINNATI, April 1.-Harry Wright will be observed tomorrow. games will be played, the first between games will be played, the first between picked nines of surviving players of the 90°s, who played in this city before Harry Wright became a member of the unbeaten Cincinnati Reds of 1869. The second game will be between the present league team and the Reds of 1882, members of the latter coming here for the occasion from Buralo, Washington and Philadelphia. Henry Chadwick, the veteran base ball writer, will be the guest of honor at the game.

De Oro After Lost Laurels. PITTSBURG, April 12-The pool champlonsh'p of the world will be decided in this city in a series of games on April 23 24, and 25, between the present champion.
W. H. Clearwater of Pittsburg, and Aifred
de Oro of Cuba. De Oro 15st the championship to Clearwater in the Syracuse games,
and is anxious to regain the title. Considerable interest in the games is manifested.

Cricketers at Practice. A practice game of cricket took place at the Fort yesterday morning (Sunday) between two teams chosen by W. Richelie and G. W. Duffy, which was closely con tested. Richelleu's team scored 49 runs an-Duffy's 46. J. G. Neal's 13 for the forme and A. D. Duncan's 19 for the latter wer-

Maher and Slevin Matched. PITTSBURG, April 12.-Maher and Slavi vere matched here today to fight before the Eureka club, Long Island, on May 29, for a purse of \$6,000, \$1,000 to go to the loser. Buck Cornellus represented Mahor and Tom O'Rourke, Slavin. The match is to be for twenty rounds. Sunday's Ball Games.

DUBUQUE, Ia., April 12.—(Special Telegram.)—St. Paul beat Dubuque today—5 to Batteries: Johnston and Spies; Charles mith and Zahner, Attendance, 2,000, CINCINNATI, April 12.—Cincinnati, 7; Columbus, 1 INDIANOPOLIS, April 12.—Louisville, 4: ndianopolis, 1.

MADE A BUSINESS OF CHILD MURDER At Least Thirteen Have Disappeared

Since Christmas. LONDON, April 12 .- A sensational arrest eas been made at Reading of a woman that the river is navigable, placing the crews and their shells at great risk of being hampered, if not run down, by the excursion steamers. Columbia then endeavored to secure permission from the government to close the river to navigation during the afternoons of the races, and Cornell agreed to wait until Saturday last for Columbia to secure the permission. As the necessary authority could not be obtained, Cornell will no longer vote for the Hudeon course, but will break the deadlock at the meeting this week and help select the Saratoga lake, where both the 'varsity and the freshmen races of the four American universities now constituting the intercollegiate association will be rowed, is seven miles long and more than one wide. It is without current and for weeks at a time with murdering a number of infants. The bodies of six children, who had apparently been strangled to death, have been recovered from the Thames, into which they were thrown, weighted down with rocks, etc. It is added that letters were found at the woman's house showing that many of the parents with murdering a number of infants. The bodies of six children, who had apparently been strangled to death, have been recovered from the Thames, into which they were thrown, weighted down with rocks, etc. It is added that letters were found at the woman's house showing that many of the parents with whom she and her supposed accomplice had dealings were aware of the fate intended for the infants. These letters, it appears, were from persons in all classes of society. The coroners have been puzzled at the recovery of so many bodies from the fants. and others wrapped in brown paper or old linen. But, up to the pres ent, the authors of those many serious murders could not be traced. Seventees children are known to have been committed to the care of Mrs. Dyer and her law, Palmer, since Christmas. Of these seventeen children at the present time the whereabouts of only four can be ascertained

by the authorities

SUPPOSED FRIENDLY ARABS DESERT Another Tribe Drives the Dervishe from Near Sunkim. SUAKIM, April 12.-The dervish forces inder command of Osman Digma, continue to hover in the neighborhood of Suakim watching their opportunity to do mischief friendly Arabs on the plain before Suakim are continually occurring and several men have been killed. It has been learned here that the practice of the dervishes is to be-head whatever prisoners they may make Osman Digma, with 200 cavalry and 500 in fantry, has attacked the position held by a shelk who is friendly to the British, bu he was repulsed with fourteen killed. This victory of the friendly sheik secures the safety of the plain before Suakim. It is now stated that Osman Digma has a force numbering 3,000 troops. It is well known that large numbers of the Arabs who have been accounted as friendly to the British are

deserting to the enemy. Sallors Driven Off the Coast. ST. JOHNS, N. F., April 12 .- Twenty-eight men were driven off the shore on the ice last night. Two sailors, who have been searching for them today, returned tonight unsuccessful. One of the men landed this morning, and it is supposed the others have got ashere at a desolate point on the coast. The steamer Kite, from the geal fisheries. arrived yesterday with a full cargo. ficers report the remaining ships, but the Ranger. The latter has not been heard from since March 20, when it was learned was badly nipped and very leaky. are now being expressed for its safety. It had over 200 men on board.

Elections Accompanied by Disorders. MADRID, April 12 .- Elections for the new Chamber occurred today in Spain and were accompanied by serious disorders at Bar-celona, where a factory is reported to have been burned. Thus far there have been re-turned 280 conservatives, sixty-five liberals, three republicans and five carlists. There are in all 531 deputies.

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Officers Have Little Hope of Capturing the Escaped Murderer-State Officials Call for an Explana-

tion of the Jall Breaking.

CARROLLTON, Mo., April 12.-George

Taylor, who escaped fast night, nineteen

days before the day set for his execution for the brutal murder of the Meeks family, la still at large, with little chance of being recaptured. His brother, William, is still in jail, which is heavily guarded. Fifteen armed men, strangers, have arrived in town, and Deputy Sheriff Shelton, fearing an attempt to lynch the prisoner, has ordered the local militia company to be in readiness to act. Fifty men spent all last night and today trailing George. The bloodhounds traced the trail only a quarter of a mile out of town, where some confederate evidently met him with a vehicle. The dogs next struck the trail four miles from town near he Wabesh tracks, but after following it a short distance, again lost it at a pond near the Santa Fe tracks. Some people believed that George jumped a passing freight there and got out of the county. An unknown man was seen to alight from the blind baggage of a Santa Fe train near Marceline, and hounds have been sent there in hopes that a clew is thus furnished. Although there is talk of storming the jail, it is not thought

Today searching parties have been to the houses of the relatives of the Taylors that reside in this county. At one place there was an indication that some one had spent part of the night there. The house is being closely watched. The people of Brown-ing were unable to secure a special train last night, but this morning fifteen men came from the north. They were heavily armed, and were prepared for business. Several parties have returned from the search today, but no one could give anything definite. George Taylor has two coucins living on the river, southeast of Carrollton, and if he crossed the river, it is thought he would atempt to cross at that point.

hat an attempt will be made tonight, at

The attorney general telegraphed here tolay for an affidavit from Sheriff Stanley about he escaps of Taylor, This was forwarded onight. The motion for a rehearing comes ip Tuesday, before the supreme court, and his escape will, it is believed, prevent it eing heard, and makes sure of the execution of Bill Taylor on the 30th. It is now conall bands that George Taylor n the roof of the jail at the time Bill Taylor and Cunningham were captured, and that he escaped on the east side of the jull by climbing down the smokestack of the furnace.

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