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Chaffee's Reply to Von Waldersee is Not to the Latter's Liking.

AMERICANS STILL TO GUARD THE GATE 'Tis This Asnouncement the Kaiser's

Treepers Take as an Insult. SAY IT REFLECTS ON THEIR INTEGRITY

Argue that United States is Not Leaving Lequisite Troops.

CHINESE WANT YANKEES TO REMAIN

Rockhill and Chaffee Are Constantly Importuned for Continued Protection, the Pleaders Being of All Ranks.

PEKIN, April 23.-Many applications have been made to Mr. Rockhill and General Chaffee by Chinese of all degrees for the retention in China of the American troops NEW TELEPHONE PRESIDENT perative and the appropriation of property until the general withdrawal of all troops

of the powers. Many of those who are making this reauest think the withdrawal of the Americans will make the others remain longer. There are also people who do not desire to see any of the soldiers go, fearing anarchy and an uprising against foreigners.

the honors of war. Field Marshal von Waldersee has made Sabin of San Francisco. an application that the gate of the Forbidden City be guarded by German troops after the departure of the Americans. General Chaffee has replied that American sol- Illinois, Iowa, Indiana and Ohio, succeedfiers will continue to guard the gate. At ing W. A. Jackson, who, it is said, will this the Germans are indignant, saying this retire. impugns their honesty and that if the United States desires to do its share of policing the city it should leave behind enough troops for that purpose; that merely a few men belonging to the legation guards should control the gate which will be within the German quarters cannot be allowed. If instituting a nickel-in-the-slot in the pub-General Chaffee persists in this course dip- lic service, expects to widen the scope of lomatic representations will be made in the

The ministers of the foreign powers are meeting daily. They do not at present show a disposition to reduce the claims. Sentence of Dr. Goddard, Who Shot which many think to be extremely unrea-

PREDICT ANOTHER UPRISING

Boxers Said to Be Strong in Southern Pe Chi Li and Have Sympathy of Populace.

Zeitung prints correspondence from a partially blind, accused Goddard of being German missionary in China, which says intimate with Mrs. Jackson. The men quarthat in southern Pe Chi Li the Boxers are reled at the Woodland hotel, where the preparing for another great rising, espe- Jackson's lived, and Goddard shot and killed cially in the districts of Kuang Ping Fu Jackson. Jackson's daughter took the stand and Nat Ming Fu, where the population in the defense of Goddard, who had been the sympathizes with the Boxers, because of family physician. Goddard was tried three

ernor of Shan S!) the emperor says Em- | iness in Chicago. peror Kwang Su was fully informed on the subject of Yu Haien's murders of foreigners HANG AND RIDDLE NEGRO and ordered the judge at Hsien Su to de capitate Yu Hsien, who has since fled and

SUSPECTS JAPAN RUSSIA

Thinks the bor Had Its Paw in French Loan to Corea. YOKOHAMA, April 23.-Corea, it is un-

Berstood, will pay Japan the 1,000,000 yen with the negro's weight each member of still owing from the new French loan of 1,000,000 yen, incurred for railroad build-

has had a hand in the French loan, re- night it still swings from the place of gardless of the convention of 1896, by which Russia and Japan should tointly lend honey to Corea, if necessary. The Corean foreign minister appears to have been ignorant of the loan negotiations until the last

GUARANTEE INDEMNITY PATRICK

France and Russia Said to Have Such Counsel Advises Him, Short and Meyer Project Under Advisement Now.

LONDON, April 24 .- "I learn," says the Bt. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily David L. Short and Morris Meyer were Muil, "that M. Delcasse came to St. Petersburg, at the request of Emperor Nicholas, to discuss the project of Russia and France Patrick of causing the death of William jointly guaranteeing China's indemnity to M. Rice. The three men said that, acting the powers, thereby procuring a speedy on advice of counsel, they preferred not settlement and the evacuation of Pekin.

by the emperor of China, and Russia hopes given for the presentation of an indictment the guaranty to secure her aims in

IN DUKE OF YORK'S THEATER

Edna May and "Girl from Up There" Get Encouraging Reception

in London.

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, April 23 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-"The Girl Three Hundred Delegates from Ne from Up There" company had an encouraging reception at the Duke of York's the ater tonight. The music caught on at once and the audience gave the warmest possible welcome to Edna May, who was recalled four times at the fall of the curtain. Aldrich brought down the house with his original fantastic business. The girls were greatly admired, too, and while some of the choruses were rather noisy, the spirit and dash with which the whole company acted together made success certain. There was some "booing" from the gallery at the close, but it was utterly drowned enthusiastic cheering by the bulk of the

The combination is deemed ap cially strong in comedians and Virginia Earle made a favorable impression.

LOOKING FOR ROMAGNOLI SMASHERS

Police Examine Steamer from Buenos Carrie Nation and Three Other Ayrea, but Do Not Find Anarchist.

BREMERHAVEN, April 23.—The police here awaited the arrival today of steamer Halle, from Buenos Ayres, March Nation, Mrs. Lucy Wilhite, Mrs. Julia Evans 27. in expectation of the steamer having on and Mrs. Lydia Muntz, the four women who board the anarchist, Romagneli, who is said smashed the two saloons here some months to have been deputed by the anarchists of ago, decided to reject all bail and go to jail. Paterson, N. J., to assassinate Emperor Their cases come before the court tomor-William, but, though an unusually rigorous row for the purpose of renewing their examination was made of the ship, passenters and baggage, nothing positive resulted. ng an Italian who landed here and are havh'm carefully watched.

PIQUES THE GERMAN FAIR'S ARTICLES ARE FILED CONGER WILL DEFEND THEM

onisiana Purchase Centennial Fast Taking Form-Thurston Presides at Commissioners' Session.

April 23.—Late this aircraft of the world's to b. St. Louis in 1901, to burchase centenulal. article. fair, to b. celebrate the were filed at the be recorder of leeds, and tomorrow . . . apers will be filed with the secretary of state at Jefferson City.

The capital stock is \$6,000,000, of which \$5,000 is suscribed and \$500,000 paid up. H. W. Steinbiss, representing the labor interests, was today selected as the nine tieth director. As soon as the official charter is received from Jefferson City the directors will elect officers and proceed ger, who is on his way to San Francisco, President Hill was in Seattle last week to co-operate with the national commision said: in selecting a site and pushing the work to completion

John M. Thurston, who was elected as ernment, no organized authority. There About 2,500 men are in all employed in the of Connecticut, temporary secretary.

At the Planters' hotel this evening a banquet was given by the Business Men's league, in honor of the national committee of the world's fair bill. More than 300 prominent persons attended.

L. Sabin to Succeed John M Clark with lown and Illinois Lines.

CHICAGO, April 23.—It is announced here that John M. Clark, president of the Chi- missionary on board who would probably the annual meeting of the Wheeling & Lake cago Telephone company, will retire from give you all the particulars you want." The soldiers who return do so with all his position within the next week or ten days and will be succeeded by John I. the reporter that goods taken by the so-

> the Central Union Telephone company, in the legation during the siege and which controls the Beil system covering were taken to prevent their destruction.

Mr. Clark will become chairman of the board of directors of the Chicago company. Reports of a big telephone trust embracing the whole country were discredited by Mr. Clark today. Mr. Sabin, it is said, by adopting the graded system of rates and

PRISON FOR TWENTY YEARS

Jackson Affirmed by the Supreme Court.

KANSAS CITY, April 23 .- A special to the Star from Jefferson City, Mo., says: The of Mr. Conger. Had they not taken possupreme court today affirmed the twentyyear sentence of the lower court against Dr. Jefferson D. Goddard of Kansas City for the murder in 1897 of F. J. Jackson, a BERLIN, April 23.-The Cologne Volks well-to-do laundryman. Jackson, who was the famine there. The population per-sistently disregards the decrees issued by jury, on the second he was given sixteen the authorities. Referring to Yu Hsien (the former gov- technicality. Jackson was formerly in bus-

Mob at Springfield, Tennessee, Executes Wyatt Mallory on Court House Veranda.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 23 .- Tonight at o'clock a mob of 100 men forcibly entered the court house at Springfield, Tenn., took Wyatt Mallory, a negro, from the officers guarding him and hanged him from the Fargo Express company that the bandits court house veranda. As the rope grew taut secured less than \$300. the mob fired a shot into the swinging body. Then the leader of the mob warned the sheriff not to interfere with the corpse until The Japanese newspapers suspect Russia 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, and late to-

> execution. Vesterday at Adams Mallory fatally wounded J. H. Farmer, a white man. Today the sheriff heard that a mob was forming and secretly moved the negro from the jail to the court house for safety.

REMAINS

Not to Testify Before Grand Jury.

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Albert T. Patrick, taken before the grand jury again today, that body considering the charge against ttlement and the evacuation of Pekin. to tertify. After the jury had adjourned "This proposal was suggested to the czar for the day, it was said an order had been against Patrick on the charge that he caused Rice's death and for indictments forgery in having, as alleged by the prosecution, signed their names as witnesses to a will bearing the signature of William M. Rice, which signature it is claimed was forged.

MUNCIE HAS THE BAPTISTS

brasks, lows and Elsewhere Discuss Missionary Projects.

MUNCIE, Ind., April 23.-Delegates from Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohlo and Wis consin came to Muncie today for the con vention of the Baptist Women's Mission ary Society of the West, which began its sessions tonight. Three hundred delegates mittee appointed yesterday to review the are in attendance, together with numerous evidence taken by the two investigating visitors and workers, and missionaries committees relative to the conduct of Senfrom China, Burmah. Japan and Africa. ator Eldridge reported today. The report President John E. Scott of Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. M. A. Bacon, secretary, Chicago; Mrs. Matilda Klein, treasurer, Chicago, and other officers, are present. One of the important questions to be discussed will be the pushing of Baptist missions in new fields.

REFUSE

Women Prefer to Go to Jail.

WICHITA, Kan., April 23 .- At a meeting the at Mrs. Wilhite's last evening Mrs. Carrie

They claim they could easily get bond, but line railway around Greater New York and The police, however, are suspicious regard- they deem it their duty to resent the im- empowers it to tunnel beneath or bridge D. Smith assistant secretary, to take effect putation that they have committed any over West street. The bill also confers at once. Mr. Underwood was also elected erime, hence their decision to go to jail.

Eays He is Prepared to Justify All Acts of Pekin Missionaries.

DR. AMENT GIVES SOME EXPLANATIONS

Declares that Goods Taken by So-Called Loot Committee Belonged to Refugees in the Legation.

whose lives the original owners had been ject of the reported deal. laboring to destroy. Winter was coming on and measures of some kind were imfor the ends in view was unquestionably justified. That, briefly, was the situation "I am prepared to justify the conduct of the American missionaries before the siege, during the siege and after the siege. If you wish to get at the facts there is a called loot committee were goods left in will be made president of the Wheeling & stores by people who had sought refuge Lake Eric. This will displace Robert Mr. Sabin also will become president of stores by people who had sought refuge

> soldiers. His mission received but \$75. Restoration or Recompense. Previous to this a sale of garments and curios was held and \$400 netted was given

These goods were sold and the

to the American mission board. Most of the goods were taken from bulldings that the military authorities had ordered burne i. Some of the goods were restored to the owners and other owners recompensed for their losses. Dr. Ament explained the sale of goods in

the Mongol prince's house where he took up his quarters, by saying they were without food and sold the goods on the advice session the place would have been destroyed by the Russians. About \$4,000 was realized by this sale,

which was devoted to the needs of the native Christians. In conclusion Dr. Ament says: "The Chinese dammed up the canal and were going to drown us out. They supposed the foreigners had subterranean burrows in which to take refuge and were certain that underground passages had been made from the legation to the Fu. so they resolved to drown us out like rats in a trap."

ROBBERS HAVE ADVANTAGE

Arkansas Train Artists Hard for Dogs to Track as Bottoms Are Swampy.

MEMPHIS. Tenn., April 23.-Detectives have been working all day at the scene of the daring train robbery on the Choctaw Oklahoma & Gulf railroad near Iron Mountain Crossing. Ark., at an early hour today, but so far no arrests have been made It is stated by an official of the Wells-

It is supposed that the men who perpe trated the robbery were in Memphis last night. A short time before the westbound train over the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis left the Calhoun street station. at 8:30 o'clock last night, two men approached the ticket window and asked for tickets to Bridge Junction. Ticket Agent Coltact and Night Agent Washington were on duty at the time. They declined to sell them tickets to that place, as no trains stop there. The men insisted on buying tickets, both appearing nervously anxious to board the outgoing Kansas City train. They stated that tickets were wanted for

several persons. The supposition is that the robbery was planned to take place at Bridge Junction and that the robbers were the men who wanted tickets to that point last night their purpose being to go to Bridge Junetion on the Kansas City 8:30 train and wat for the coming of the Choctaw express, which reaches Bridge Junction about 12:03

General Agent Longacre of the Wells Fargo Express company, who went to Hulbert, near the scene of the robbery, on the first outgoing train this morning, returned this afternoon. He said that every effort was being made to apprehend the against Short and Meyer on charges of bandits and that private detectives and special agents of the railroad and the express company were engaged on the case. Owing to the bottoms being overflowed he does not think the bloodhounds will be able to trail the robbers.

The Wells-Fargo Express company has a standing reward . which will apply in this ase. Mr. Longacre thinks the robbery was the work of seven men.

URGES TRIAL FOR SENATOR

Tennessee Legislature's Investigating Committee Recommends that Eldridge Answer Charges.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 23 .- The con says there is probable cause to believe that Eldridge accepted a bribe for his vote on the race for assistant clerk of the senate and the committee recommends that Eldridge be tried in open session of that body. The session of the legislature will continue for several days, notwithstanding BAIL the fact that it expired yesterday by constitutional limitation.

BELT LINE AROUND GOTHAM

New York State Legislature Gives Pennsylvania Road Concession in Adjourning Hour.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 23.-The state legislature concluded its annual session today and adjourned sine die. One of the last bills passed gives the Pennsylvania Railway company authority to construct a belt vast concessions on the water front.

HILL AFTER COLLIERIES KEEP NEBRASKA REPUBLICAN

Great Northern Magnate Reported to Be Seeking Immense British Co-Jumbia Cont Interests.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 23.-A special to the Times from Vancouver, B. C., says: President J. J. Hill of the Great North ern railroad, J. Pierpont Morgan and other New York financial men are understood on good authority to be back of a deal to secure the entire properties of the Dunsmuir collieries in British Columbia. J. R. Lynch of New York, confidential representative of Mr. Morgan, is here and today showed several railroad men letters of credit aggregating \$100,000 with which VICTORIA, B. C., April 23.—In an inter-view with the Kobe Herald, Minister Con-that involves nearly \$5,000,000. When Mr. Lynch went there and had a conference "There were really no acts on the part with him. The Esquimalt & Nanaimo railof the missionaries there that were not en- road, which is about 150 miles in length, With the exception of ex-Congressman tirely justified when the circumstances are and the Union extension to the Como and M. H. Glynn all the nine members of the known. Missionaries did not loot. Mis- Wellington coal mines are included in the national commission were present today at sionaries found 2,000 destitute men and deal. Besides 300,000 acres of government the meeting called to order by ex-Senator women on their hands. There was no gov- land, grants of coal lands are included. president pro tem, and Frederick A. Betts were houses of men who had been firing on mines and the railway system. Premier the foreign quarter directing the attacking Dunsmuir himself owns a large majority leaders of the Boxers; their property had of the stock of the coal as well as the been abandoned as a result of the state railway companies, and other members of of war and it was taken in order to succor the Dunsmuir family own the remainder. and to celebrate the passage by congress hundreds of suffering and destitute Chinese, Mr. Dunsmutr declines to discuss the sub-

WABASH MAN HAS IT CINCHED Vice President Ramsey Will Be Given

Presidency of Wheeling & Lake Erie.

PITTSBURG, April 23 .- Upon reliable information it can be stated in advance of Erie board of directors that at that meet-The missionary was Dr. Ament, who told ing Joseph Ramsey, jr., vice president and general manager of the Wabash system, Blickensderfer, the present president, but he may be retained as general manager The clothes and bedding were given to men under the new management. Mr. Ramsey working upon the barricades and the com-mitte handed Sir Claude McDonald the key has admitted that the Pittsburg and Toledo syndicate which recently bought absolute control of the Wheeling & Lake Erie is of the room in which all the valuables were controlled by the Gould interests. This proceeds distributed among the British same syndicate has also underwritten the sixty miles of new road that will connect Pittsburg with Jewett, O., on the Wheeling & Lake Erie. These two roads will in time be divisions of the Gould system, Mr. Ramsey is expected in Pittsburg this week be pushed on into Pittsburg as rapidly as the senator decided in the matter of the possible.

ROCK ISLAND LOSES A SUIT

Litigation Involving Thousands Was Founded on Contract Twenty-One Years Old.

return of several hundred thousand dollars ance and stated to the commissioner that of tolls paid for the use of a bridge over the Missouri river, the Chicago, Rock Isl- mendation. From this action it is inferred and & Pacific railroad company was the that Dietrich will early begin the weedingloser in the United States circuit court out process of those inimical to the new today. Judge Seaman handed down an regime. opinion, in which, after reviewing the histhe Rock Island company agreed to pay of his inspectors.

ness in that section. MISSOURI PACIFIC'S Would Finance New Acquisition with

Capital Stock Instead of Creating More Indebtedness. NEW YORK, April 23 .- The Mail and Express says: It was admitted today by persons close to the Missouri Pacific that the

tageous to secure new properties.

CHANGES ON ROCK ISLAND grew done. Superintendent Stillwell of West-of-

Missouri Lines is Placed Enstward.

announced today by the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway: A. J. Hitt, general superintendent, to be is E. O. Brandt, general manager, with headquarters at

east of the Missouri river, to be general with the land office. superintendent of the system at Chicago. W. H. Stillwell, superintendent of lines west of the Missouri river, to be superintendent of lines east of the river at Daven- in the Agricultural department.

C. H. Hubbell, superintendent Chicago terminals, to be superintendent of lines west of Missouri river at Topeka.

ENGINEER DRAPER RESIGNS fiscal year. Leaves Alton Road to Take Charge of Missouri Pacific Con-

atruction.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 23.-H. C. Draper has resigned as assistant chief cngineer of the Chicago & Alton railroad and has accepted a position with the Missouri Pacific railway to have charge of the construction of forty miles of new railroad.

Union Pacific Conference. NEW YORK, April 23.-E. H. Harriman of the Union Pacific railway had a conference at his office here today with a number of representatives of financial interests, including, it is said, Lord Revelstoke of London, J. J. Mitchell of Chicago, Jacob H. Schiff of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and James Stillman, president of the National City bank. The conference is said to have been in relation to certain plans connected with the Union Pacific system.

Erie Road Elects Officials NEW YORK, April 23.-At a meeting of the board of directors of the Erie Railroad company today E. B. Thomas was elected chairman of the board; F. D. Underwood, president; J. A. Middleton, second vice president, to take effect May 1. J. W. Platten was elected treasurer and L.

a director to fill a vacancy.

Ambition of President Freely Expressed to the New Beastors.

GENERAL DISCUSSION OF STATE POLICY

Delegation Visits Secretary Gage and Postmaster General and Question of Endorsing Applications

in Deferred. WASHINGTON, April 23 .- (Special Telegram.)-Senators Dietrich and Millard, eccompanied by Senator Hanna, Mr. Edward Rosewater and State Senator N. V.

Harlan, called upon the president this morning before a meeting of the cabinet. The president, notwithstanding the press of prominent men to see him, gave fully thirty minutes to the new senators from Nebraska. The president, after congratulating the senators on their election and the state on being fully represented in the upper branch of congress, went into a general discussion of the policies which should obtain in order

to keep the state in the republican column, and invited the senators to free suggestions as to their purposes. Evidently the interview was highly satisfactory, for Senator Millard, on coming out of the conference room, said to a Bee representative: "Our interview was so pleasant that I assured the president I would do myself the honor of calling very soon again, and stay with him longer, which the president said was what he wanted.'

Question of Postoffices.

Afeter the interview the Nebraska delegation called on Secretary Gage and later on Postmaster General Smith and his assistants. When they went into the office of General Bristow, fourth assistant postmaster general, both senators wanted to renig when it came to a question as to who should endorse the applications for the postoffice changes. Millard wanted Dietrich to take the four congressional districts unrepresented by republicans, and vice versa, until at last both senators told General Bristow that they had made no arrangements about the distribution of patronage, but would talk it over.

Hastings Postoffice Removal. Senator Dietrich had a personal interregard to the removal of the Hastings post- shoe shop, \$500; H. L. Ludium, real estate

Later in the day the two senators called on Commissioner Hermann of the land office, and here Senator Dietrich filed his first objection to a present officeholder. He asked for the removal of J. W. Johnson from the Lincoln land office. While he did not recommend anyone for the succession CHICAGO, April 23 .- In its fight for the he entered his protest to Johnson's continuhe would follow his protest with a recom-

Grand 'sland Postoffice.

The postoffice department has received tory of the important litigation against the Hannibal & St. Joseph railroad company, he rules that the bill of complaint sent to Grand Island to report upon the dismissed for want of equity. The litigation whether the postomic at that gation is founded on a contract of December place should be removed to the Omana gation is founded on a contract of December place should be removed to the Omana abolishment of much local legislation.

The postomic department has received tion.

The principal changes which the convention. The principal changes which the convention has in view is in the suffrage, the constitution has been properly framed and adopted the economic question will disap-4. 1879, in which the Rock Island road se- Loan and Trust company building. It is cured from the Hannibal road the use of understood Inspector Waters reports in a bridge at Kansas City and also fifty-two favor of the removal and that the postmiles of track in that vicinity. For the master general will take a similar view, use of this bridge and section of the road not desiring to run counter to the reports

to the other party a certain percentage of its passenger and freight receipts for busi- of South Dakota, called upon the president today, to urge upon him the appointment of Robert S. Pearsons, deputy auditor of the IDEA Interior department, to the auditorship in place of William Youngblood, who is to be

Senator Gamble said tonight he had every reason to believe that the South Dakota delegation would be successful in its effort to land Persons in the auditorship,

Pettigrew Against Kyle. Senator Kyle of South Dakota, who is in amount of new stock used in the purchase Washington for a few days, brought with of Denver & Rio Grande will not exceed him the interesting information that ex-\$6,000,000. The remainder of the \$30,000,000 Senator Pettigrew was already organizing to be authorized will be issued from time his forces to contest Kyle's seat for the to time as the company finds it advan-tageous to secure new properties. United States senate. "But you will de-feat him?" was asked. "Well," was the The company is making a conspicuous reply, "I hope and believe I will, but I point of its financial methods to be em- will have a much harder fight than I had ployed in the general scheme of creating a when I was last elected. Pettigrew is a new Missouri Pacific system. The chief stubborn and persistent fighter and has a feature of this policy is the adoption of a large following in the state. I expect to plan to finance its acquisition of properties win, but as the election will take place in and interests in other companies with cap- an off year it means much harder work ital, instead of by the creation of new in- than if we had to make the fight during a debtedness and fixed interest-bearing bonds. presidential year. There will be a lively struggle, but I believe we have got Petti-

Sisseton Indian Agency. Senator Kyle saw the president today and protested against the proposed abandon-

ment of the Sisseton agency in South Dakota. Kyle claims that the abolition of CHICAGO, April 23.-The following this agency would bring hardship to the changes in the operating department were Indians and to the people of the community in which the agency is situated. Frank Hanlon of Omaha is in the city, as

W. R. Kelly, general counsel of the Union Pacific, and wife are at the Ebbitt. W. M. Hobbs, superintendent of lines Mr. Kelly is here on matters connected Civil service examination is to be held May 21 at Omaha, Sioux City and Bur-

lington, la., for the position of draftsman Contracts for Fremont. Contracts were today awarded to the Fremont Ice company for ice, and Marshall | decided." Bros. for miscellaneous supplies for the

Premont (Neb.) public building for the next B. T. Milhous was appointed postmaster at Vancleve, Marshall county, Ia. Lucy A. Blair of Pierre, S. D., was anpointed cook at the Sisseton (S. D.) Indian

The First National bank of Elmwood, \$25,000 capital and with Edwin Jeary, president, and Floyd L. Wolcott, cashier, Rural free delivery has been ordered established at Springfield, Sarpy county, June The route embraces forty-two square gineer Mauser was unable to stop his train

miles, containing a population of 625. J.

A. Bailey was appointed carrier.

FROM FOURTH TO FIRST CLASS Postage Will Be Increased in Rate if You Tag the Wrong Place.

WASHINGTON, April 23 .- The postoffice department has ruled that the marks of description and other similar permissible additions to fourth-class mail matter must be confined to the wrapper or cover or tag or label accompanying such matter.

The act of June 20, 1888, authorizing such additions, does not authorize the placing of such marks on the matter itself. Postmasters throughout the country have been notified of this ruling and instructed that fourth-class matter prepared for mailing in conflict with this ruling must pay firstclass postage.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER WOOD

Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

PLAINVIEW'S DISASTROUS FIRE

Half of the Business Section Burner

Out and Several Residences

PLAINVIEW, Neb., April 24 .- 2:30 a. m.

destroyed half the business section of the

town and damaged several residences. The

The cause of the fire is unknown, but it

broke out in the back part of E. Till's gen-

eral merchandise and clothing store and

soon spread to adjoining buildings and to

There being no fire department the citi-

brigade. The absence of wind doubtless

No injury to live stock or persons oc

ran successfully with it out of the house.

merchandise and clothing, \$3,000; Ernest

Nurmberg, restaurant and icehouse, \$3,000;

Bigger's residence, \$500.

ALABAMA TAKES A

Constitutional Convention Movement

Appears to Have Carried by Thirty

Thousand Majority.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 23,-The peo-

stitution. An exceedingly light vote was

polled through the state, but the returns

indicate that perhaps five-sixths of the

counties have voted in favor of a conven-

the negro vote predominated the negroes

aligned themselves with the populists and

defeated the democratic nominees for dele-

gates. The city of Mobile went against

the convention, but it is expected the dem-

PLOWMAKERS FORM COMBINE

Will Eliminate Long Credits Hereto-

fore Given to Country

Denlers.

CHICAGO, April 23 .- After a conference

lasting several days the plow manufactur-

ers of the United States practically have

combination. The combination has for one

credits which have been given country

a year's time, and inasmuch as the manu-

facturers have not enjoyed such credits in

been placed at a disadvantage. Twenty

manufacturers are represented at the con-

ference. Charles H. Deere of Moline, one

of the moving spirits in the project, pre-

"The capital stock," said one of the man

ufacturers, "is one of the things yet to be determined, but it is likely to be about

\$50,000,000. That about represents the cap-

italization of the twenty and more manu-

facturers who have participated in the con-

ference. The headquarters of the organi-

zation probably will be in Chicago, although

PILED ON

Futile Effort to Wreck Passenger

Train on Northern Pacific in

Montana.

BUTTE, Mont., April 23.-A special from

Northern Pacific train No. 1 at a point

just west of Mission siding. A large plank

was placed across the track and two large

stones well placed on each end of it. En-

in time, but the pilot knocked the ob

structions from the track, with, slight in-

jury to the engine. The company has

offered a reward of \$1,000 for the arrest of

El Paso Wants Mexican Ruler to Meet

President McKinley

May 5.

WILL AGAIN INVITE

personally represent the president.

the would-be wreckers.

ROCKS

RAILS

ocratic candidates have been elected.

property on the other side of the street.

total lors is \$39,000 to \$35,000.

Hour.

6 p. m..... 7 p. m..... 8 p. m..... 9 p. m.....

Hour. Deg. 5 a. m. 40 6 a. m. . . . 41

7 a. m 42

9 a. m..... 49 10 a. m..... 55 11 a. m.... 50

12 m......

8 m. m..... 45

Forecast For Nebraska-Fair Wednesday; Thursday Cooler and Partly Cloudy; Probably Showers in Western Portion; Variable Winds. Governor General of Cuba Feels Certain of

Final Adjustment Seon.

NATIVES NEED ONLY EXPLANATIONS Are Not Angered, but Simply Seeking Some

Enlightenment.

ONCE MADE TO SEE, THE REST IS EASY

Country May Be Turned Over to Them

Wishin Twenty-Four Hours. Fire, which started at 12:30 this morning AFFAIRS AND ACCOUNTS WELL KEPT

> Every Dollar Expended in Improving the latend is Accounted for and with a Receipt from the

> > Receiver.

NEW YORK, April 23.-General Leonard A. Wood, governor general of Cuba, with zens all turned out and formed a bucket Mrs. Wood and his private secretary, arrived here tonight on the Ward liner Morro

prevented the destruction of the entire Castle. General Wood did not hesitate to talk

about affairs in Cuba. "The object of my hurried visit here." curred, but a child of Sherlock, the saloon he said, "is to introduce the five members keeper, narrowly escaped burning to death of the special commission on foreign relain bed. When the sleeping boy was re- tions appointed by the Cuban constitumembered the house was aflame, but tional convention, to President McKinley. Charles Bertles, night watchman, ran into all the different groups of Cubans composthe dwelling, snatched up the child and ing the constitutional convention. They have come to the United States for the The losses, as near as they can be eati- purpose of conferring with President Mcmated at this hour, are: E. Till, general Kinley on matters which the convention does not thoroughly understand and when they return and make their report I am convinced there will be a thorough under-

C. M. Hall & Son, general merchandise and standing. butcher store, \$11,000; Frank Baxter, hard-"The constitutional convention has never voted on or rejected the Platt amendment. ware, \$2,500; Republican newspaper office, This I can state positively, notwithstand-\$700; Sherlock's saloon, \$700; building of ing the reports to the contrary which have C. H. Johnson, \$1.500; William Courtmache, been sent to the United States from view with Postmaster General Smith in general merchandise, \$7,000; John Beaty, Havana. Things have been cabled here which had not the slightest foundation in to give the word for work to begin on the office and the postmaster general told new line in Ohio next week and it will Governor Dietrich he would do whatever Kyle, \$1,500; Attorney Williams, \$250; Mrs. States and the Cuban people. Everything has been harmonious since I went to Cuba and the convention now in session is a VOTE thoroughly representative one. Before the Platt amendment was passed by congress the Cubans knew the desires of the government, which the amendment contains. Intervention and the establishment of naval stations are the two things which they don't properly comprehend, and I think ple of Alabama voted today on the proposithat when they are fully explained in tion to call a convention to assemble in Washington the only indication of a differthis city May 21 to draft a new state con-

ence of opinion will have been removed. Two Real Problems. "There are really but two great questions yet to be settled. One is the reduction of

the duty on sugar and the other is the pas-There has been apathy in every county durpear, as there must be a great reduction ing the campaign. The democratic state in the duty on sugar. Then Cuba will be committee made a brief campaign and prosperous and its relations with the speakers were sent out, but nowhere were United States settled on a solid basis. the people greatly interested. There was That will end the whole difficulty and in ne organization against the issue and there twenty-four hours the country can be was a disinclination to go to the polis. At turned over to the representatives chosen today's election fifty-five delegates from by the Cuban people. Today all the dethe state at large were elected and 100 partments of the islands are practically in from the counties, each county being althe hands of the Cubans, who have been inlowed as many delegates as it has members structed as to how things can be managed, in the house of representatives. There and when the time arrives all we will will in no event be to exceed four or five have to do is to take a receipt of the republicans or populists in the convention. money on hand. At the request of con-At midnight it appears that the constigress we have accounted for every dollar tutional convention movement carried by 30,000 majority. In several counties where expended in the improvement of Cuba since the military forces have been in charge

> fore, and it was complied with. "There was some trouble, and the Rathbone-Neely case has been thoroughly worked up and the men will be brought to trial in May. The bonds of these men have been forfeited and will have to be paid. There is an agent of the surety company in Havana lately and in looking over the ground he will report back that

> and we hold the receipts. We never had

such an accurate accounting demanded be-

the bonds must be settled. "While I have said everything has been harmonious since I have been in charge of Cuban affairs I must, however, explain that it was impossible for me to please completed the formation of a \$50,000,000 everyone down there, and especially the ambitious and disappointed speculators. of its purposes the elimination of long Also I found it necessary to close the malis to La Discussion on account of a caricamerchants. It is said to have been the ture which was likely to create trouble. custom to give these creditors as much as Only one copy of the paper came to this country and the editor of the paper was arrested. The paper was not seized, as buying their materials they say they have stated in the dispatches."

FATHER ADMITS KIDNAPING Supposedly Wealthy New York Broker Tells What He Did in Kan-

ana City. PITTSBURG, Pa., April 23 .- W. H. Shott, ald to be a wealthy stockbroker of New York, passed through Pittsburg today over the Pennsylvania railroad on his way home from Kansas City, whence he went about a week ago on a rather peculiar mission. this and some other details are yet to be He declares that his object in visiting the west was to secure possession of his two children, whom he had intrusted to the charge of some relatives and who later efused to deliver them at the request of the father. Mr. Shott said he was obliged to kidnap one of the boys, and according to his story, succeeded in doing so after engaging in a thrilling encounter with private detectives that had been employed to Livingston to the Inter-Mountain says an guard the children. He had the boy with Neb., was authorized to begin business with attempt was made last night to wreck him today. Mr. Shott says he will return to Kansas City soon and make strenuous

child. SORRY MESSENGER WINS RACE

demands for the recovery of his, second

Decatur Sawyer Speeds Across Atlantic to Be First to Tell Wife of Son's Death.

NEW YORK, April 23 .- Word reached this city tonight that Decatur M. Sawyer has won his race across the Atlantic. Sawyer left New York on the Deutschland last Thursday, a day after his wife sailed on the Majestic. Mr. Sawyer was the bearer of the news of the death of their EL PASO, Tex., April 23.-Mayor Ham- son, Otic Sawyer, who, with George E. mett today called a special session of the Innes, was drowned near Lakeville, Conn., city council to again officially invite Presi- the very day Mrs. Sawyer sailed for Eudent Diaz of Mexico to be present in El rope. Mr. Sawyer desired to reach the Paso to meet President McKinley on May 5. other side in advance of his wife, so that President Diaz has not yet replied to the he might be able to break the news to her invitation sent bim by the Chamber of According to a cablegram received today Commerce and it is believed here that he Mr. Sawyer reached Plymouth late this may come. In case he does not come the afternoon and immediately boarded a train minister of foreign affairs is expected to for Liverpool, where he is due to arrive several hours before the Majestic docks.