THE NEWS.

The New York Evening World prints the statement that Col. R. G Ingersoll has abandoned his law practice, in order that he may devote himself exclusively to the lecture plat-

George R. Lash, city recorder for six terms of Pendleton, Ore, is short in his accounts \$2,282 Further investigation promises to discover considerable more. Lash is sick at home, but has been placed under arrest.

Telegrams have been sent by the citizens' committee to the governors of Oregon, Washington, Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa asking the people of those states to unite with California in sending a shipload of grain to the starving people of India.

The ways and means committee presented the annual appropriation bill to the New York House. The total is a trifle over \$9,500,-00), and the decrease from last year is about \$153,£00.

The National Manufacturing Company, the alleged sash and door trust, held its annual session in Oshkosh, Wis., 30 members being present. It was decided to quietly await the outcome of Attorney-General Mylrea's action to dissolve the trust.

The Northwestern Electrical Association, at their meeting in Milwaukee, declared that municipal ownership of lighting plants was impracticable.

Right Rev. B. J. McQuaid has received of-Acial notice from Rome that the four Southera tier counties of Steuben, Chemung, Tioga and Schuyler have been taken from the Diocese of Buffale and added to that of Rochester

At Saranac Lake, N. Y, the mercury reached 27 below zero, and the indications are that it will go still lower.

The trustees of Hobart College have accepted the resignation of L Eliphalet Knott Potter, president of the college, to take immediate effect. The trustees have not yet considered the question of a successor to Dr Potter.

The Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company has placed an attachment for \$20,009 on the Sioux City (Ia.) property of Frank C Miles, its defaulting treasurer. This step was taken in attempt to recover part of Miles' shortage of \$300,000.

Gov. Charles A. Calbe son and Lieut-Gov. George T Jester, of Texas, were inaugurated at noon Tuesday, there being an immease crowd out to witness the ceremony, notwithstanding the fact that a drenching rain had been coming down all morning

The New York Court of Appeals has decided in the Fayerweather case that the 20 colleges contesting the ruling of the executors to debar thom will share the \$3,000,000 left to educational institutions

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

Epitome of News Gleaned From Various Parts of the Stata

John, George and David H. Grimshaw, silk manufacturers, of Patterson, N. J., and Reading, made an assignment of the business in B ading to Henry Eppihimer, and in Paterson to James Johnson. There will be a meeting of the creditors in New York. All property in Pennsylvania and New Jersey is assigned equally,

Some years ago the mill in Reading was wrecked by a c. clone, but was again rebuilt. Over 20) hands are employed and the payroll amounted to \$280) a month Dulness of trade is assigned as the cause of the faiture-

Frank C Lewis attempted to commit suielde at his home in Seranton by taking a dose of laudanum. His wife saw him with the bottle to his lips, and dashed it from his hands before he had time to swallow much of it Prompt measures taken by physicians saved his life.

Secretary John B. Evans, of the Board of Health of Pottstown, has presented the report for the year 1896, which shows there were 171 deaths, the rate being 10 7 per 100). The number of births was 335, which is twelve less than in 1895. There were 194 males and 141 females The marriages numbered 102, the average age of the groom being 25, and of the bride 23.4.

Edward Lammey, the 13-year-old son of Edward Lammey, of Coatesville, met his death in a tragic manner.

In company with his younger brother Earl, he was coasting on the Brandywine, when the ice broke and they went down into twelve feet of water.

Earl was rescued after he had sunk twice, but before Edward could be taken from the water he was dead.

It is no a almost a settled fact that Lam. bertville, N. J., and New Hope, Pa., on the other side of the river, will soon be connected with Philadelphia by a trolley road.

For some time parties from Philadelphia have been making extensive surveys of the country on bo h sides of the river. It is learned that a company had asked permission of the New Hope Borough Council to enter that place.

It is said the same company already has the right of way from Doylestown to New Hope, using the old York Road Pike.

WIFE MURDER AND IUICICE.

Terrible Crime of the Proprietor of a Tennesses

Benjamin L. Davies, proprietor of Tabbard lan, at Eugby, Tenn., Thursday night cut his wife's throat with a razor, killing her, and then shot himself to death with a plated, Mr. Davis' friends think that his rast act was committed while he was laboring un' der temporary mental aberration. The two lows: dead bodies were found by the clerk of the inn, bloody weapons lying on the bed beside them. It is said that the hosband and wife had quarreled Chri tmas, and that a young man to the hotel had interferred to prevent Davies from doing hirs Davies a violent injury at that time. Davies had been acting strangely since that time, and while there was no outbreak a close watch has been kept upon his actions. Thursday evening he retired with his wife, seemingly in good spirits. The next morning the two children who slept in adjoining rooms tried to get into their parents' room, but, finding the door locked. notified the cierk, who, failing to arouse the couple, entered by the transom and found the husband and wife lying dead. Mrs. Davies' head was almost severed from the body. A coroner's inquest was held, and it was decided that Davies had cut his wife's throat, and then killed himself. Both bodies will be taken to Buffalo for interment.

COAST HORKOR.

England's Friendly Mission Met an Awful Fate.

LURED INTO AMBUSH.

They Had Been Assured of a Safe Passage by the Fetisch Ruler and Were Unarmed-He Has Sent Mr. Phillips' Ring Back As a Defiance.

A telegram from Lagos, received in London, gives details of the massacre of the British expedition at Benin, on the Niger.

The expedition, it is reported, was greeted in a friendly way at every town along its course, and received peaceful messages from the king, but upon approaching Benin City the members w re fired upon from an ambuscade in both front and rear. Acting Consul-General Phillips, Dr. R. H. Elliott and ar Powis fell dead on the spot. Major P. W. J. Copland-Crawford was wounded. Captain Boisragon and Mr. R. F. Locke carried him off, but he was wounded again so that he died in a few minutes, after imploring his companions to seek their own safety and leave him to his fate. Mr. H C. Campbell of the consular staff, was captured and taken to Benin City, but the king had him taken to an adjacent village, where he was killed.

No authentic news has been received as to the fate of Mr. Gordon, one of the civilians with the party, but he is believed to be dead.

Mr. Locke, who escaped, had a revolver in his possession and shot several natives who attacked Captain Boisragon and himself during their wanderings in the bush aptain Boisragon was himself shot in the arm while beating back a party of natives with a a stick. The two eventually came to a friendly village, where their wants were attended to, and they were sent down a creek in a covered canoe, being met on the way by the relief launch.

Mr. Powis' native servant escaped the massacre by taking flight in the bush. He says he saw the headless body of Mr. Powis.

All of the Europeans who were killed were afterward beheaded, and King Obbah has sent the finger-rings belonging to Acting Consul-General Phillips back as as an act of deflance.

CABLE SPARKS.

Sir Thomas F. Grove and Sir Travers Twiss died in England. Gen. Medardo Alfaro has been elected President of the republic of Ecuador.

It is announced that Prince Albert of Belgium proposes to visit America next year, The celebration of the bi-centenary of the Montenegro dynasty was begun at Cent-

tinge It is announced in Berlin that Emperor William has deco ated President Diaz, of Mexico, with the grand cross of the Red Eagle.

The budget committee of the Reichstag has voted an initial grant of 50,000 marks for Germany's participation in the Paris exposition of 1900.

Aifred Pease, liberal, was elected to Parliament in Yorkshire by a majority of 1,428. The liberal majority at the last election in the division was 587.

Luis Someilion, a native of Cuba, but an American citizen, was sentenced at Havana to i prisonment for life for rebei ion against the Spanish goveenment.

John Singer Sargent has been elected a member of the Royal Academy in London. Half the population of Bombay, India, has

fled from the city to escape the plague, Don Carlos, pretender to the Spanish throne, issued a statement saying that it is because Spain lacks a government worthy of the name that the United States flouts her,

The election of Hugh John Macdona d to the Dominion House of Commons from Wisnipeg Manitoba, was declared void on account of the hiring of vehicles to take voters to the polis.

Advices from Havana by way of Key West, Fla , indicate that General Weyler is in very, bad humor, being in danger of recall owing. to his lack of success in suppressing the insurrection in Cuba.

The London St. James Gazette, referring to the arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain, says Mr. Olney seems likely to leave a mark upon the interantional system of the civilized world.

Dr Mendell Creighton was confirmed as Bishop of London in succession to Dr. Frederick Temple, who became Archbishop of Canterbury. John Kensit, a laymen, read a protest against Dr. Creighton's elevation.

SLATED FOR THE CABINET.

President-Elect McKinley Selects Six of His Official Household.

A despatch from Canton, Ohio, says:-Though Senator John Sherman is really the only one of those whom President-Elect Mc-Kinley has requested to enter the Cabinet to voice his intention of accepting, it is pretty well assured that the executive family, a far as known at present, will stand as fob-

Secretary of State-John Sherman, o Ohio.

Secretary of the Treasury-No selection. Secretary of War-E. A Ager, of Michi-

Secretary of the Navy-John D. Long, of Massachusetts.

Secretary of the Interior -Joseph McKenna of California. Secretary of Agriculture-James Wilson.

of lows Postmaster-General-No selection. Attorney-General Nathan Goff, of Wes Virginia.

Secretary Robert nowars, or the Spinners Union, reports that 20 male spinners at the Davol Mills, Fall River, are out on strike, Their grievance is besed upon a quality of otton given them to spin which they say, is poor and makes their work very much

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

Senate.

18TH DAY .- The Senate voted to take up the Ni-aragua canal till, and it will be con-sidered from day to day until final action is secured. The canal bill provides for an is-sue of \$100,000,000 of maritime canal company stock, of which the Secretary of the Treasury, in behalf of the United States, is to sais-rive for \$70,000 0 0 worth of shares. The company is to issue bonds up to \$1.0,-0.1,0.0, to be guaranteed by the United States. The building and control of the canal are given to American engineers and a board of eleven directors, of whom five are to be appointed by t e President.

19th Day -The session of the Senate was without incident. Senator Turple spoke agai at the Nicaragua canal bili ing of the legislative appropriation bill was completed, with the exception of sections making provision for the Congressional Library

20th Day .- The Senate proceeded with the onsideration of the Nicaraguan canal bill, Mr. Turple continuing his speech in opposi-tion The legislative, executive and judical appropriation bill, carrying approximately \$25,000,00), was passed during the day Pettigrew, of South Dakota, criticised the legislative authorities for concluding rezuela boundary agreement, which, he said was a complete surrender of Venezuela

to Great Britain 21st Day. In the Senate Mr. Turple concluded his speech against the Nicaragua canal bill. Mr. Chandler presented the credentials of John Edward Addicks, claiming the vacant seat as Senator from Delaware. The claim of i enry A. Duport for the same seat has already been presented Mr Hill spoke against trusts and monopolies in general as a serious menance to the public wel-

House.

18th Day —The House passed three bills of public importance and devoted the remain-der of the day to Distric of Columbia business. One bill prohibited the sale of intoxi-eating liquors to the Iudiaus; one amended the existing patent laws in conformity with the recommendations of the American Bar Association, and another provided for the use by the government of patents secured by naval officers at compensation to be fixed by a board of three officers.

19th Day -The old soldiers had a field day in the House. Under a special order the whole day was d voted to the consideration of private pensions bilis Of the 29 on the nder, fifty-two were disposed of during the five hours' session Among those favor-ably a-ted upon were bi is to grant pensions to Major-General Julius H Stabel, at the rate of \$10.) per month; the widow of Major-General Erastus B. Tyler, at \$75; Hannah E. Rodgers, the daughter of a revolutionary ddier, at \$12, and the widow of the late Gen. Matthew M. Trumbull, of Iowa, at \$1.0 per month.

20TH DAY -The House spent the day debating the Yost-Tucker contested election case from the tenth Virginia district. Mr. Yost is a member-elect of the next House, and . r. Tucker is one of the most promient and popular democrats on the floor, Mr. Yost was accorded the privilege of addressing the House in his own behalf. The others who spoke were Messrs. Codding (republican, of Pennsylvania) and Jenkins (republican, of Wisconsin) in behalf of Mr. Tucker, and essra Grosvenor (republican, of Ohio) and Daniels (republican, of New York) for Mr. Yost. The debate will be closed this afternoon

21st Day -The House, after a two-days debate and an ineffectual attempt to fillbus ter for the purpose of gaining time, decided the contested election case of Yost vs. Tucker from the tenth Virginia d street, by denying the seat to Mr. Yost and confirming Mr. Tucker's title thereto. The republicans Tucker's title thereto. The republicans were badly divided, lifty-four of them join-ing with the democrats and supporting the claims of the democratic contestee

A GRASH ON THE RAIL.

Royal Bine Train Strikes a Local-Engineers and Trainmen Hurt.

A serious railroad accident occurred at Skillman's Station, on the Bound Brook Division, of the Philadelphia and Reading Hailway, about seven o'clock in the evening in which four persons were seriously injured. The accident occurred by the Royal Bine Line train crashing into the baggage car of the local train, No. 569, which had taken the siding at that point to allow the Royal Blue to pass. The forward part of the baggage car on the local train overlapped on to the

main track. The engine of the Royal Blue struck the ba gage car and engine. Both engines were derailed, and the baggage car caught fire. Engineer Jackson and Fireman Reeves, of the local train, were both badly injured, the

latter having several ribs broken. Engineer Charles Clapp, of the Boyal Blue was badly scalded by escaping steam. Mahlon Dickey, baggage master of the ic-

cal train was also hadly injured. The passengers escaped with a shaking up. The injured men were taken to Plainfleid. The local train should have reached Bound Brook ahead of the Royal Blue, but it was delayed by an accident at Hopewell, in which two men were killed. The local train ran ipto a wagon, and killed both of the occupants named Asher Snook and George Coleman. In consequence of this the local had orders to take the Skillman's siding.

ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

Mark Twain will remain on the other side f he ocean till Spring. He has left his Surrey home and settled in London for the

Winter. Ex-Governor John P. Altgeld has announced that he is going to settle down and make some money, as he says he has use for

a little. Intimate friends of the late Alexander Dumas, fils, have resolved to keep the remembrance of the dramatist alive in their minds by a special dinner every three months in Paris.

Rev Ross Stevenson, professor of church history at McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, has received a call from the First Presbyterian Church of that city, from which Dr. Barrows resigned in order to go to India to deliver the Haskell lectures.

Miss Eva Dorsey Anderson, of New Orleans, has a unique souvenir in the shape of an Album of leaves plucked from historical trees. Among them are leaves from he Daniel Webster tree, planted near the soldiers' home in Washington, and leaves rom the tomb of George Washington and ils wife, Martha, and Mary, his mother.

Dr. William Goodlove, the United States nedical examiner of the Pension Bureau io loston, twenty-seven years ago kept a drug tore in Sioux Fails, S. D One day there ame into his place a man who asked to be iven credit for some drugs to the amount of \$1.27. The doctor granted the request, and at was the last he heard of the restter ntil last Tuesday, when he received a otter

HUNDREDS

Spanish Soldiers Kill all the Cuban Wounded.

FIFTY WOMEN ABDUCTED

San Martin's Bloody Band Capturing Peaceful Villages, But Not Venturing Into the Hills-One Party Tried It; and Out of Forty-Five Only Three Escaped.

A special to the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune from Tampa, Fia , says:

"Emanuel Silvero, a wounded Cuban, arrived here from Key West, having escaped

from Cuba on a fishing vessel. "He comes from the field near Ar emisa. He states that General Rivers is sadly in need of ammunition and arms. His men are short of cartridges He has over 3,000 men that could be used had they arms. The machete is the only weapon that hundreds are armed with.

"In ambuscade the machete is the Cuban's ready weapon, and is a terrible one.

Murdered Five Hundred Wounded, "He confirms the story of January 9, when a Spanish band captured a Cuban hospital ne r San Cristobal, containing 50 wounded insurgents, and put to death all of them, even the attending physicians Cot. San hartin's troops are raiding all that sec. tion, very seldom going into the hills near Rivera's camp

"One of his bands was ambuscaded two weeks ago, and out of 45 men in it only 3 esaped. They are blood-thirsty, and are credited with more murders of woman and pacificos than any other band.

Fifty Women Abducted.

"They raided a small town 20 miles from Palacios New Years's Day and abducted all the women in the place, some 50 in number. Only 10 of them have ever been heard from, and they were recaptured by a Cuban band January 10.

"Silvero urges the Cuban leaders here to send another expedition as the armies in Pinar dei Rio need arms, and at once.

CURRENT EVENTS.

In Ripon Wis., only three people died under age during 1896.

Owners of sleighs in New York city complain that the streets are cleaned so quickly after a snow storm that they have no time to profit by the snow.

William Dobbs, of Union, Ore., received the Maul prize for raising the largest table beet for 1896. The contest was open to all growers in the United States and Canada The prize consisted of a \$50 draft. The beet weighed seventeen pounds.

Some one recently called the attention of a Chicago paper to the curious fact that a nan may be elected Vice-President of the United States who could not serve as President in case of the President's death. The reason for this is that the Vice-President may be as young as 30 years, but the Presi-

dent must be over \$5. The report of the chairman of the Bene-Iclary Committee of the New England Conservatory shows that during the year endng June, 1896, \$1288 had been loaned to wenty-four students, of whom twenty were vomen. No interest is charged on these oans, and the object is merely to help students until they can support themseives.

The State Labor Commissioner of Misouri has collected information, showing that in St. Louis franchises worth \$29,571,-340 have been given away, which, upon the pasis of a 5 per cent payment to the city would yield it annually \$1.478,592. The amount the municipa ity actually receives in eturn for these valuable pririleges cou-'erred is only \$47,500.

WORK AND WORKERS.

At Lawrence, Mass., the Emmona Harness Company, makers of loom fittings, has reduced the running time to eight hours a day. About 185 men are affected.

While "General" Coxey is organizing his new party at St. Louis his stone-quarry men are striking and refusing to work unless they are paid wages now some weeks past

The Secretary of the Treasury has ordered a reduction in the customs force employed at New York, which will result in a saving to the government in the expenses at that port of \$127,513 per annum.

A convention of labor leaders of Pennsylvania is in session in Pittsburg, Pa., the object being to form an organization for the purpose of making concerted action in securing legislation beneficial to labor.

The North Bellingham (Mass.) satinet mill has shut down for an indefinite period, and it is understood that two other mills owned by the Ray Company will shut down this week. About 350 hands are employed in the

mill closed. The strike in the Jackson-Wellston district, Chillicothe, O., was broken Saturday, a number of miners returning to work and the mines being started up. Sentiment of the miners is overwhe.mingly in favor of resum-

ing work. The National Miners' Convention has allowed John Fahy \$721 for expenses incurred in 1895 in labor union work in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania. A proposition to reduce the dues from ten to five cents per member was defeated.

The Woonsocket Machine and Press ompany has announced a reduction in the running time of its factory in Woonsocket, R. I., to 32 hours per week, beginning this week. This will be accompanied by a reduction of 10 per cent, to wages.

General Manager Champion, of the Kewannee, Green Bay and Western Railway, has settled the strike of stevedores employed at Kewaunee by acceding to the demands of the men, and paying them 20 cents per hour instead of 15 cents.

A dispatch from Madrid says the Spanish selosing the original bill and a check is cabinet has agreed to introduce roforms in

DIBASTERS AND CASUALTIES.

Crather & avehill's heavy goods ware houses in Montreal were destroyed by fire The stock carried was said to be worth fully \$300,000; insured for about \$200,000.

Fire completely destroyed the large plant of the Fox Paper Company, at Crescentville, O. The loss is estimated at \$150,000, on which there is only \$25,000 insurance.

In Wallaceburg, Ont., the Queen's Hotel

was burned to the ground A man from Cleveland, name as yet unknown, is supposed to have perished in the flames, Train No 20, P . C., C. & St. L B. R . at Fountain Park, killed Fred Donley and

Mamie Reed, badly i jured Lizzle Reed and killed their borse and smashed the buggy. They resided at Plain City, O. William Showles, the circus rider, whe accidentally shot his friend, a bartender, in Red Bank, N. J., while showing him a revolver, was arraigned and pleaded not guilty

to the charge of manslaughter He was remanded for trial. George A. Abel, chief grain inspector of the San Francisco Produce Exchange is dead, having been asphyxiated by gas. He was found lying on the floor, and it is supposed he got out of bed to turn off the es-

caping gas, but was too weak. Benjamin Gandy, aged 55 years and Seabright Berry, aged 45 years, both of Gloucester, N J., were instantly killed by walking in front of an express train on the Philadelphia and Reading Road at the Sixteenth and Cambria-street crossing.

George Kile committed suicide at Menominee, Wis., by placing his head under the wheels of & locomotive. He was a bookkeeper for a prominent firm. He left two letters, one to his wife and another to Charles Weber, Cedar Falls Domestie trouble and a shortage is binted at.

2,500 PERSONS KILLED.

Half of the Population of Kisham Island, in the

Persian Gulf, Perished. A special dispatch received in London from Teheran, capital of Persia, says that 2.500 persons perished as a result of the earthquake which occurred on Kisham Island straight for the fence at his topmost

Kisham Island is the largest in the Persian gulf, and is situated abou. 15 miles from its entrance. Its population is estimated at 5,000, mostly Arabs.

Attered Dynamiter Exonerated. The Ivory trial at London collapsed, and E. J. Ivory, or Bell, the alleged dynamiter from New York City, is a free man. The Gover ment has abandoned the prosec and withdrawn the charges, and Mr. Ivory is officially exonerated. He will sail for

New York on the next steamer. The result accepted as a great triumph for ex-Assistant District-Atorney John P. McIntyre, of New York, who directed the defence in the capacity of advisory counsel, although not permitted by the Court to plead or examine witnesses. There was no evidence against Ivory, and the general opinion in London that all the arrests of the "Jynamiters" were simply a police "fake."

MARKETS.

EALTIMORE.

GRAIN ETC. FLOUR-Baito, Best Pat. 8 High Grade Extra.... WHEAT-No. 2 Red..... Oats-Southern & Penn .. RYE-No. 2... HAY-Choice Timothy. Good to Prime. STRAW-Rye in car ids. Wheat Blocks. Oat Blocks..... 8 0.1 CANNED GOODS. TOMATOES-Stnd. No. 3.* No. 2. PEAS—Standards..... 125 CORN-Dry Pack..... Moist .. HIDES CITY STEERS..... POTATOES AND VEGETABLES. POTATOES-Burbanks. \$ ONIONS.....

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TORACCO. TOBACCO-Md. Infer's .. \$ 150 Sound common..... Middling Fancy..... 10 00 12 00 LIVE STOCK. BEEF-Best Beeves..... \$ 4 20 @ 450 FURS AND SKINS. MUSKRAT.....

Opossum.....

Otter NEW YORK FLOUR Southern *
WHEAT-No. 2 Red..... -State CHEESE-State..... PHILADELPHIA

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FLOUR-Southern..... *
WHEAT-No. 2 Red..... OATS-No. 2..... *******

DARING DAKOTA COWGIRL

She is a Crack Shot and Rides a Wild Steer With Ease.

One of the most noted of the intrepid Dakota girls who reside in the great cattle country west of the Missouri River is Miss Bessie Hill, the postmistress at Leon, Stanley County. Miss Hill not only attends to her duties as postmistress in that wild region, but does a great deal of riding after her father's stock, pulls cattle out of the mire by a rope attached to the hora of her saddle, brands calves, breaks broncos, and is considered one of the best "cow hands" between the Missour! River and the Black Hills.

Miss Hill uses the usual cowboy anddle, and wears divided skirts, sombrero and gauntlet gloves. She is an experiwith a lasso and a crack shot with rifle and revolver. One of her favorite diversions is to lasso a wild Tecas steer, saddle and bridle him, mount upon his back and turn him loose upon the prairie. She says that these animals are quite as easily subdued as the average bronco. This daring young woman is sixteen years of age, tall and handsome, with unusually pleasant manners, and no one from casual observation would imagine for a moment that she possesses so much "nerve" and reckless courage.

She frequently rides ber favorite horses without saddle or bridle, guiding them by words or a touch of thequirt on the side of the neck. This labit came near bringing her to grief one day hast summer. She had been training her favorite colt. Lightfoot. to ride without the customary accoutrements, and wishing to corral a buachs of horses she sprang upon his back. without stopping to bridle him, and dashed after them. The horses ran brough an open gate into a field iaclosed by a high barb-wire fence. By this time Lightfoot had become so excited from the brisk run as to be absolutely unmanageable, and he made

For a moment it seemed that horse and rider must become entangled in the barb-wire and be mutilated, but just as the animal reached the fence it made a gigantic bound and cleaned the obstruction. She succeeded in calming him as her brother and parents. hastened to the scene. They begged her not to ride the colt again, but ber-"blood was up," and she now declared that she would drive in the borses with Lightfoot just as he was or die in theattempt. Striking him a sharp blow with the quirt, she again flew after them, and this time she succeeded in. landing them safely inside the corra!.

Long Bearded Men.

Pike county, Mo., is famous for itslong-bearded men. Valentine Tapley of Spencerburg has a beard nine feet two inches in length, and a long se tion of it lies on the ground when he drops it to the floor while standing. The second longest beard in the world is that owned by Elijah Gates, wno lives at Curryville, in the same township of Spencer in which Mr. Tapley

lives and moves and has his whiskers... Mr. Gates has for years conducted a large and thriving business as a merchant in the village of Curryville, our the Chicago and Alton Railroad. Hewas born in Kentucky in 1835, and is. well-preserved, cheerful, affable gentleman, prominent in all good works in his neighborhood. He is a broadshouldered, heavy-set man about five feet seven inches in stature and weights. about 180 pounds. He is a brunette. and his beard, which is now over eleat feet long, is black as the raven's wing and soft as silk. It is growing rapidly and it is thought that he will get overtake Taply, as his beard got a later start than Valentine's. Perhaps the reason why his is finer is because he

has spent most of his life indoors. Mr. Gates went from the State of Kentucky with the modern argonauts. to California during the gold fever and finally landed in the historic county of Pike.

A "Great Dane" Who Was Intelligent. Recently in Chicago two men disputed about the ownership of a dog, a

Great Dane. Both claimed him, and the case came into the courts, when the dog himself proved the most important witness. Says the Tribune of that city: "Mr. Radell claimed the dog because he had lost one just like him. and because the animal bad come to his store and manifested the utmost familiarity with the surraundings. He called the dog in English several times, but no attention was paid to him by the animal. Then Mr. Hines whispered a word in Spanish and the doc bounded to bim. Again was the call repeated, this time in German, and again the dog manifested joy. For the third time the animal was called, this time in French, and he answered it by almost knocking Mr. Hines over in his rush to him. Mr. Radell once more attempted to win the dog's attention by calling him in English, but the only answer he received was a stare. This closed the case, and Mr. Hinds was told to go home with the dog."

A handsome costume of black sating has a corselet of passementerie, atso a collarette of the same, with long tabs meeting the corselet in front. Over the sleeve tops fall side-plaited ruffles of silk muslin. One ruffle is sewed in the arm-holes all around. The other begins at the back-form seams, extends over the shoulders, and is carried across the bust to the sides of the Vshaped opening in the front, which is filled in by a vest of lace net shirred in puffs and narrow ruffles. A white satin collar and ruching of lace are the 1736 1 appropriate much are the weeks