In Chicago almost every form of crime is rapidly advancing.

Three States now have Ballot Reform acts-Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Indiana.

Montana has signalized her approaching Statehood by the discovery of new gold mines.

A French soldier has been sentenced to be shot for throwing a quid of tobacco in the face of his Colonel.

nine-tenths of the material prosperity of this American Union is due to inventors and their patents.

The first experiment with the Australian ballot system in the United States will be that which will be tried in Montana in October.

The old men are on top in Japan. Under the new constitution of that country a man must be thirty years old to be eligible for office.

Funny, isn't it, queries the New York Herald, that this great country with millions of acres of unoccupied land, must buy eggs from Germany and onions from Spain?

The railroads are not making as much money as formerly, according to Goodall's Sun. On 40,000 miles of road last year the loss as against 1887 was nearly \$24,000,000.

Admiral Porter, of the United States Navy, says that with \$50,000,000 at his command he could, in sixty days, put an improvised fleet in motion which would make short work of any foreign nation's commerce.

Says the Washington Star: "Tastes differ. Most people would prefer a Pole to a Chinaman. In the eastern provinces of Prussia, however, they are driving out the Poles, while talking seriously of importing Chinamen."

New Orleans has set the peculiar example of making her police secure in their calling for life. The experiment, remarks the Washington Star, will draw attention from a dozen cities where the problem of getting a good police force has not been solved.

The Cubans are greatly excited over the rumor that there is a plan in this country to buy their island. The Spanish Minister of the Interior, however, declares that Spain will never consent to part with Cuba or any other colony for any consideration whatever.

A Canadian paper wants to know why

FILLING THE OFFICES.

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Close of the Special Session of the United States Senate.

Two Nominations Rejected and Eight Not Acted Upon.

#### Fifteenth Day's Nominations.

and Docks in the Department of the Navy, of fill a vacancy. L. Bradford Prince, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, to be Governor of New Mexico. Louis A. Walker, of Helena, Mont., to be Secretary of Montana. James E. Kelley, of Nebraska, to be Re-ceiver of Public Moneys at Bloomington, Neb.

Neb. George H. Shields, of Missouri, to be Assistant Attorney-General of the United States, vice Zach. Montgomery, resigned. Drury J. Burchett, of Kentucky, to be Marshal of the United States for the District of Kentucky.

The following confirmations were made by the Senate: Louis Wolfley, of Arizona. Gov-ernor of Arizona; C. T. Ashley, Indian Agent at Cheyenne and Arapahoe, Indian Territory; W. W. Junkin, Indian Inspector; J. E. Kelly, Raceiver of Public Moneys at Bloomington. Neb; L. A. Walker, Secretary of Montana; J. N. Huston, Treasurer of the United States; E. H. Roberts, Assistant Treasurer at New York; E. H. Terrill, Min-ister to Belgium; J. L. Abbott, Minister to Colombia; C. A. Schobey, Indian Agent at Fort Peck, and a large number of postmas-ters.

Sixteenth Day's Nominations.

Robert J. Fisher, of Chicago, Ill., to be As-sistant Commissioner of Patents, vice Robert

P. Vance, resigned. Commander Bartlett J. Cromwell to be a Captain, Lieutenant-Commander George R. Durand to be a Commander, Lieutenant Uriel Sebree to be a Lieutenant-Commander. Uriel Sebree to be a Lieutenant-Commander, Lieutenant Moses L. Wood (junior grade) to le a Lieutenant, Ensign James H. Glennon to be a Lieutenant (junior grade), Comman-der John W. Phillip to be a Captain, Lieu-tenant-Commander Francis M. Barber to be a Commander, Lieutenant Albert R. Conden to a Lieutenant Commander Lieutenant a Commander, Lieutenant Albert R. Conden to a Lieutenant-Commander, Lieutenant David Daniels, (junior grade), to be a Lieu-tenant; Ensign Harry S. Knapp to be a Lieutenant, (junior grade); Passed Assistant Paymaster Josiah R. Stanton to be a Pay-master, Assistant Paymaster Thomas J. Cowie to be a Passed Assistant Paymaster, Sacond Lieutenant Harry K. White Marine Second Lieutenant Harry K. White, Marine Corps, to be a First Lieutenant. The Senate confirmed the following nomi-

nations: George H. Shields, of Missouri, to be As-sistant Attorney General; Drury J. Burshet, to he Marshal of Kentucky; Robert J. Fisher, of Illinois, to be Assistant Commissioner of Patents: Captain George B. White, to be Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks; L. Bradford Prince, to be Governor of New Mexico: William F. Wharton, of Massachu-stin, to be Assistant Secretary of State setts, to be Assistant Secretary of State Sion A. Darnell, Attorney for the Northern

Sion A. Darnell, Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia. John B. Henderson, of Missouri: Cornelius N. Bliss, of New York: William Pinckney Whyte, of Maryland; Clement Studebaker, of Indiana; T. Jefferson Coolidge, of Mas-sachusetts; William H. Trescott, of Souti Carolina; Andrew Carnegie, of Pennsylvania; John H. G. Pitkin, of Louisiana; Morris M. Estee, of California, and J. F. Hanson, of Georgia, delegates to the Congress of Ameri-oan Nations to be held in Washington Novem-ber, 1889. bor, 1889

The Naval promotions sent in by the Presi-

The Naval promotion dent were also confirmed. Near the close of business Vice-President Morton said: "As the present occupant of Morton is about to vacate the chair for the remainder of the session, he desires to avail himself of this opportunity to express his grateful appreciation of the courtesy and con-sideration which he has received from every member of this body. He desires also to express the hops that he shall find at the next session of the Senate every Senator in his seat in good health, and that he shall then have an opportunity to resume and continue the agreeable relations already established." Mr. Edmunds then offered a resolution that in the absence of the Vice-President Mr. Ingalls be chosen President of the Senate pro

# THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Eastern and Middle States.

NOAH SPENGLER, a well known contractor and builder of Bethlehem, Penn., committed suicide. Excessive drinking drove him to the commission of the deed.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has been appointed, by a New York Supreme Court Judge, one of three commissioners of Esti-mate and Assessment in the matter of the High Bridge Park.

JUDGE ALEXANDER MCCUE, Assistant Treasurer of the United States, died of paralysis at his home in Brooklyn. He was sixty-two years old. On the day before his death President Harrison nominated Ellis H. Roberts to succeed him as head of the Sub-Treasury in New York.

THE St. David, a full rigged ship, reached Philadelphia from Havre, with the steward in irons, a hopeless lunatic; the first mate down with acute bronchitis, the second mate a victim of rheumatic fover, and a seaman less suffaring from a complication of dis also suffering from a complication of dis-

HOWARD R. SWIPT, agent of the Mutual Life Insurance Company at Hartford, Conn., recently committed suicide in that city. Financial embarrassment was the cause.

A BIG land slide occurred in Pittsburg, ompletely covering the tracks of the Balti-

more and Ohio railroad. THIEVES broke into the old State house at New Haven. Con., and entering the rooms of the New Haven. Con., and entering the rooms of the New Haven Historical Society, carried away the sword of Admiral Foote, held by the Society as a relic. It is a presentation sword studded with jewels and precious stones valued at \$5000.

THE change in the offices of the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer of New York will necessitate a count of all the moneys and securities in both offices, and will take at least four weeks to accomplish.

A MILK TRUST has been formed at Pitts-burg. The Trust will handle all the milk, some thirty thousand gallons, which is brought to Pittsburg daily.

ADAM MAUL was found drowned in a spring on his farm, near West Sand Lake, N. Y. He was sixty-five years old, and is believed to have committed suicide.

BOOTH, the great American tragedian, was stricken with incipient paralysis during his appearance in "Othello," at Rochester, N. Y., and the performance had to go on without him. All his dates for the season have been

THE Rhode Island State election resulted in no choice by the people on the general ticket, and the General Assembly will be called upon to elect State officers.

EDWARD DIETZ, of Pittsburg, Penn., killed one of his children, a young girl three years of age, and then committed suicide by cutting his throat. The deed was the outcome of a quarrel between Dietz and his wife.

THE Pennsylvania Legislature will adjourn on May 9.

ALLARD & SONS, a large Parisian firm ALLARD & SONS, a large ransan inm dealing in antiques, art furniture, rare tapes-tries, paintings and bric-a-brac, having a branch establishment in New York city, have been detected in smuggling operations by which they have defrauded the United States of several hundred thousand dollars. Their scheme was to consign to their New York house cabinet furniture, in which were concealed costly articles, which they sold to the Vanderbilts and Astors.

THE complete vote of Rhode Island gives Ladd, Republican, 16,932; Davis, Democrat, 21,350; Richardson, Prohibition, 1511; Chace, Law Enforcement, 8435. Davis lacks 548 of an election, but has a plurality of 4308. This throws the election into the General Assembly. There will be twenty-one Republicans and eleven Democrats in the Senate, with four still to be elected. In the House of Representatives there are twenty-three Repu cans and thirty-seven Democrats, with twelve yet to be elected. The only candidate elected to a State office was Slocum (Democrat) Attorney-General.

GEORGE W. WARD, Assistant Postma of Elmira, N. Y., has disappeared, and \$1500 in Government funds is missing.

South and West.

Washington.

MAJOR MARCUS A. RENO, formerly of the United States Army, is dead, in his fifty-ifth year. For failing to go to General Custer's relief at the Big Horn massacre, Major Reno was dismissed the service in

THE Navy Department has issued orders for the following vessels to go at once to Samoa: The Richmond, now in Rio de la Plata, South America; the Alert, now in Honolulu, and the Adams, now fitting for sea at the Mare Island Navy Yard, Cal. THE reduction in the public debt during March amounted to \$13,605,655, and for the list nice months of the current issal year.

first nine months of the current fiscal year, \$50,900,394. The total debt, less cash in the Treasury, is \$1,114,683,662. Cash or surplus Treasury, is \$1,114,683,662. Cash or surplus in the Treasury is \$54,008,396, against \$48,-8,158 a month ago.

DURING March 1005 fourth-class postmasbrawere appointed by the new Postmaster-Jeneral; 420 were appointed to succeed post-nasters who had resigned, and 584 to take the places of others suspended or removed.

The new Assistant Secretaries of the reasury, Messra. Tichenor and Batcheller, ook the oath of office, and began at once the lischarge of their new duties.

THE White House was a scene of brilliancy The white House was a scene of brilliancy at the reception given to the Princes and Princess Takihilo, of Japan. The Marine Band rendered choice solections of American and foreign airs during the evening. Presi-dent and Mrs. Harrison were assisted in re-ceiving visitors by all the ladies of the Cabinet except Mrs. Blaine.

SECRETARY OF STATE BLAINE has re-ceived information of the sale, by the Colonial Government to an American syndicate, of the entire Jamaica railway

COLONEL W. O. BRADLEY, of Kentucky, has declined the Corean mission, to which he was nominated a few days ago by President Harrison.

THE contract for the construction of the machinery of the United States armored cruiser Maine has been awarded to N. F. Palmer & Co., of New York, at \$735,000. JAMES A. VOSE, of Maine, who for four-teen years prior to the incoming of the last

Administration was appointment clerk of the Post Office Department, has been reappointed to his old place.

THE State Department is officially notified by Chili of her acceptance of the invitation to attend the conference of the American States at Washington in October. Chili's ac-ceptance is expected to bring in all the others. Hos. RoBERT T. LINCOLN CALLED up of the President and Secretary Blaine, and formally accepted the English mission. He will sail for England about May 15.

### Foreign.

JOHN HENRY POPE, Canadian Minister of

Railways, is dead. A LETTER from Henry M. Stanley, dated September 4, 1888, has reached a friend of the explorer in Edinburgh. Mr. Stanley says he is well and in good spirits. He met Emin Pacha on the shores of Albert Nyanza. They were together for twenly-six days.

COUNTESS JOSEPHINE RADETZKY COMcide at Vienna, Austria, by shooting herself with a revolver.

The German men-of-war Alexandrine and Sperber have been ordered to Samoa to replace the lost vessels.

THE Government of New Zealand has placed the steamship Hinemos at the dis-posal of Admiral Kimberley, in command of the United States squadron at Samoa, for the transportation of the survivors of the recent disaster to America. The steamer, which is a rapid cruiser, has already left for

THE debts of the late M. Vandertaslen, the merchant prince of Belgium, who committed suicide recently, are estimated at \$920,000, with assets of \$240,000.

THE Roumanian Ministry has resigned. ENIL TRETTEL, one of the largest grain dealers in Berlin, has suspended payment. His habilities amount to \$1,500,000.

KING JOHN of Abyssinia was defeated and dain in a recent batt e, and the whole country is in a state of anarchy. It is said the King's death was due to wounds received in a battle with the forces led by the dervish

# PRAIRIE FIRES.

### Eastern Dakota Swept by Disastrous Flames.

## Villages, Farm Houses and Live Stock Destroyed.

A dispatch from Scotland, Dakota, says: Another terrible prairie fire swept over the country south of Scotland during the afternoon, and its path was marked by the smouldering embers of many homes. A very high wind prevailed all day, and with the grass as dry as tinders the terrific force of the fire is beyond description. At three o'clock word was brought to town that the prairie was afire north of West Town, and immediately a hundred men started in teams to ward off the approaching games armed with brooms and sacks. Arriving at Alfred Brown's farm, two miles north, all his barns, dairies and cattle sheds were one blazing mass, and the efforts of the crowd were directed to saving his residence and beating the fire out that would in a short time have swept down upon the town. Brown's residence was saved, but all his household goods that had been carried out by the family were burned. One mile north of Brown's the fire burned One mile north of Brown's the fire burned Henry Hagelfry out of every possession. His house, barns and stock were consumed, and he barely escaped with his family. Across from Hagelfry lived D. R. Tom-linson, a prosperous farmer, and everything about his place except his house was swept away. Five houses and several head of live stock were among his losses. His wife was at home alone when the fire began, and could do nothing to save the losses. His wife was at home alone when the fire began, and could do nothing to save the property. By evening the fire in the west had been extinguished, but it is still raging in the southeast. The town of Olivet, the county seat of Hutchinson County, eight miles north, is reported to be more than half burned up. The bridges on the railroad west of the town were burned. The loss for the two days were fully \$50,000. Almost the entire population of Beaver Creek, Minn., about thirty miles east of Sioux Falls, were aroused by the flames and turned out to fight them, but not before they

biology pais, were actived by the most and turned out to fight them, but not before they had consumed considerable property. The telegraph wires running into Minnesota from Sioux Falls have been burned out and

communication practically cut off. At Rapid City, Dakota, the flames were driven before a sixty-five mile gale, destroyiug three houses in their course. In one of these was Mrs. E. G. Bailey, Eloise Madison, and a male servant named Aston. This party abandoned the burning house and ran through the prairie fire. Mrs. Hailey and

through the prairie fire. Mrs. Hailey and the man escaped with slight burns, but Miss Madison's clothing was ignited and burned from her body, inflicting fatal injuries. Several buildings in the neigaborhood of Blunt were destroyed, J. I. Richardson los-ing 500 sheep and many other farmers their homes. At Desmet \$10,000 damage was done. The fires extended over an area of nearly fity miles and were confined almost entrely fifty miles and were confined almost entirely within the Territory. The damage will amount to nearly a quarter of a million of

Leois, the county seat of McPherson Leoia, the county seat of increarson County, thirty-five miles north of Aberdeen, was destroyed by the prairie firs during tha whiriwind. The fire came from the West, and was not noticed until it struck the town on account of the terrible storm. Sixty dwellings and business houses were burned centailing a loss of \$150,000. burned, entailing a loss of \$150,000. The only buildings remaining are the court house, two stores and six dwellings. C. W. Old and Thomas Wardell were terribly and fatally burned. Loola is an interior town with no railroads or telegraph and fur-ther particulars cannot be obtained. Persons who drove across the country to West-port, the nearest railaoad station, say that the surrounding country is nearly de-rastated. Hundreds of farmhouses are in ashes and the bones of burned animals are iying about the road.

# THE LABOR WORLD.

of baseball players who left San Francisco last fall arrived in New York city after p tour around the world. IRAAC RICH & Co., the oldest fish house in

LATER NEWS.

A. G. SPALDING, of Chicago, and his party

Boston, are financially embarrassed. Their liabilities are placed at \$200,090. The firm was part owner of the steamer Haytien Republic, which was seized at Hayti. The troubles at Hayti are said to have had much to do with the firm's trouble.

Downs & FINCH, shirt manufacturers of New York city, with large factories at Jamesburg, Bordentown and Hightstown, N. J., regarded as the leading firm in the business in the United States, have failed for \$509,000.

AT Frankfort, Ind., William Pray shot and killed his wife, and then shot himself through the head, inflicting a mortal wound.

AT a revival meeting at Calhoun, Ky., J W. White, Sheriff of the county, confessed that thirteen years ago he stole \$1000 from the county. He made restitution at once.

COMMODORE BENHAM has taken command of the navy yard at Mare Island, Cal.

THOMAS WASHNGTON, fourteen years old, was put off an engine near Charleston, W. Va. He returned and struck Engineer Spriggles on the head with a pump handle, knocking him down, and then beat him to death.

THE President has appointed Joel B. Erhardt Collector at the Port of New York. Colonel Erhardt was the Republican candidate for Mayor of New York last November, and is a prominent party leader in the Metropolis.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT was appointed Postmaster of the city of New York by the President. Mr. Van Cott is a State Senator, and like Colonel Erhardt has been for years a Republican leader in New York city polities.

A PARCEL post convention between the United States and the Leeward Islands, has been signed by Postmaster-General Wanamaker.

SCHUYLER DURYRE has been appointed chief clerk of the Patent Office. He is fortytwo years of age and was born in New Jergey.

The Secretary of the Navy has formally accepted the gunboat Yorktown.

THE 6000 tusks of ivory, which the African explorers Stanley and Emin Bey are reported to have with them, are valued at \$800.000.

A NEPHEW of Guzman Blanco, ex-President of Venezuela, who committed forgery to the amount of \$23,000, has been arrested in Mexico while trying to escape to the United States.

A NEW Peruvian Ministry has been formed, with Pedro Alejandrino de Solar as Premier. Ex-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has returned to New York city from his trip to Cubstand Florida and resumed the practice of law.

A RECEPTION was given to Secretary Tracy by the Brooklyn Club in Brooklyn.

ORDERS were issued for the entire Pennsylvania division of the National Guard to go to New York and participate in the ceremonies incident to the centennial of Washington's inauguration.

THE extensive ax, shovel and saw factories

of Hubbard & Co., at Pittsburg, Penn., were

five million Canadians should pay more to be governed than sixty million Americans pay. The thirteen Cabinet officers at Ottawa receive \$105,000 s year. while the eight Cabinet officers of the United States receive \$64,000.

The casting of plate glass is said to exceed in splendor and marvelous display all other pieces of work in the industrial world. There is about it such nervous rapidity of movement, such play of color, that the beholder is inspired with the greatest enthusiasm and exclaims aloud with delight.

President Harrison was fifty-five years, seven months and fourteen days old when he was inaugurated. His grandfather was the oldest man ever selected President, being in his sixty-eighth year. General Grant was the youngest, in his forty-seventh year. The average age of Presidents at the time of their inauguration is fifty-six years. General Harrison is but little under the average President, in years at least.

A few days ago a man got permission to experiment with an Egyptian embalming process on a cadavar at the New York Morgue. The body was placed in a zinc-lined box. A plate with a powder that looked like common clay was set on fire and placed inside the box. The cover was screwed on the box and the body was subjected to the process for six hours. The Morgue people pronounce it a success. The cost is fifty cents.

In the largest jewelry shops in New York, where \$5000 worth of gold is used in a day, the gold is not weighed out to the workmen, and nothing but the honesty of the employes prevents loss. But while the gold is allowed to be exposed, states the Atlanta Constitution, tobacco has to be locked up because it has been found that the man who would not steal a grain of his employer's gold, would not hesitate to appropriate his neighbor's tobacco.

At an entertainment given by a mission band at Toronto, Canada, one of the characters, "Britannia," stood on the American flag while introducing the representatives of the various nations to the audience. Professor Marshal, of Queen's University, who acted as chair. mao, remarked that the flag was placed there to show Great Britain's relations To the United States. This declaration, getting into the local journals, caused much indignation and protest and the university authorities have been asked to reprimand the professor.

The resolution was put by the Secretary and agreed to without division, and then Mr. Ingails, escorted by Mr. Edmunds, had the oath of office administered to him by the Secretary and took the chair, expressing at the same time his grateful acknowledgments to the Senate for the renewed expression of its confidence.

The Senate then adjourned sine die by a strange coincidence on the same date on which it adjourned four years ago, leaving unconfirmed less than a dozen nominations. and among these only two of any import-ance-that of William Whitemau to be Asso ciate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Territory of New Mexico, and that of Ed-ward Kursheed, to be United States Marshal of the Eastern District of Louisiana.

#### The Senate's Work Summarized.

Of the 350 nominations sent to the Senate during the special session by President Harri-son the following were rejected: Murat Halstead to be Minister to Germany.

Isadore S. Loventhal to be Postmaster at

The following remained unacted upon (and therefore died) at the end of the session: William H. Whiteman to be Associate Jus-tice of the Territory of New Mexico. Edwin I. Kursheedt to be Marshal for the

Edwin 1. Kursheedt to be Marshal for the Eastern District of Louisiana. Postmasters-Kittrell O. Halders at Minot, Dak.; Carl C. Crippen at Eustis, Fia.; Burt C. Drake at Gainesville, Fia.; Robert F. Bebout at Rushville, Ind.; George E. Nichel-son at Ness City, Kan.; Samuel C. Moore at Findlay, Ohio. President Harrison's nominations were contained in 334 messages. During the spe-cial session of the Senate at the beginning of President Cleveland's term he sent to the Capitol 418 messages. Eighteen of his nomi-nations failed to receive confirmation, but there were no rejections. At the last session of Congress during Hayes's Administration the Senate failed to act on 106 of his nomi-nations, and rejected three-an unequaled record.

# STANLEY AND EMIN.

A Report That They are Marching Together to the East Const.

Advices received at Brussels, Belgium from Stanley Falls state that Arabs who have arrived there report that Henry M. Stanley and Emin Pasha were heard from in Febru-

and Emin Pasha were heard from in Febru-ary. They were then marching toward Zanzibar, with several thousand men, women and children. They also had 6000 tusks of ivory. The Arabs who brought news of Stanley and Emin arrived at Stanley Falls in February. They claimed to have seen Stan-ley several months before that time. This report, says the New York Fost, seems to be a confirmation of the rumor, published recently, that Stanley was on his way to the East Coast, and it would also indicate that he had safely rejoined Emin according to the plan mentioned in the letter just published, and that the latter had determined finally to return to cirilization with all the men, women and children attached to his com-mand. This would apparently fulfil the main object of Stanley's expedition, although there is a political side to it yet to be explained.

HORSEFLESH seems to be rather an ac ceptable article of food in Japan. The returns of Kanagawa Kencho alone show that during last year there were 1178 horses slaughtered for use as food.

A GENERAL strike of carpenters occurred at St. Louis at 9 o'clock in the morning.

Over 1700 men demanded eight hours as a day's work.

A FREIGHT train plunged through a burn-ing bridge over Hart's Creek, W. Va., and two tramps were burned to death in the wreck.

JOHN BOYLES, of Clinton, Mo., attempted to cross Grand River, which was much swollen, with his wife and six children in a The wagon was overturned in mid stream, and four of the children were drowned.

WILLIAM EDWARDS, a white man, who had the mail contract from Washburn, Da-kota, to Coal Harbor, has been murdered by his Indian wife.

his Indian wite. JAMES C. CALHOUN, a tinner, prominent in business, religious and social circles at Darton, Tenn., crazed by financial losses, at-Darton, Tenn., crazed by financial losses, attempted to kill his family and himself. and his wife were fatally injured.

THE Koderack, trading schooner, was cruising between Graham and Moresly Islands, Alaska, when five scamen-two Americans, Henry and Anderson, and three Kanakas-landed, taking some trinkets for barter with the Indians. The Indians demolished the whale boat in which the came ashore and then killed the five. ch the sailors

HENRY 1. HOUVE, Superintendent of the Electric Light plant at Fostoria, Ohio, was instantly killed by coming in contact with the current while repairing a dynamo.

CAEGIER (Democrat) was elected Mayor of Chicago over Roche (Republican) by 10,-

000 majority. THE village of Mount Pleasant, Dakota, almost entirely consumed by a prairie Every business house and nearly all the residences are destroyed. The, de together with about fifteen or twenty fre cars and four large elevators, is gone. The loss will be nearly \$300,000, with very little insurance, and a hundred families were left neless and utterly destitute.

THE first United States Court ever held in the Indian Territory has just been opened at Muskager

GENERAL MCCONNELL, of Osage, Kan., a prominent politician, has committed suicide. LANSING LOSSING, treasurer of Greenwood Township. Mich., is \$1500 short in his ac-counts and is under arrest.

MRS. MINNIE D. MOYAN has been elected Mayor of Cottonwood Falls, Kan. The next City Council will be composed entirely of

Finz de trovel 10,000,000 fest of lumber at Hannibal, Mo., and at one time threat-ened the destruction of the entire city. A GALS in Baltimore unroofed many

houses, doing great damage.

A COLLISION of two freight trains occurred at Nashville, Tenn., in which three men were instantly killed and several wounded.

In a fight near Flagstaff, Arizona, between a sheriff's posse and the robbers who held up the Atlantic and Pacific Express, Edward St. Clair and T. S. Wilcox, Deputy Sheriffs, were killed.

SETTLERS on the Des Moines River lands in Iowa made armed resistance against eviction, and drove off the United States Marshals and their men.

GENERAL JACOB SHARPE has resigned as Governor of the National Soldiers' Home in Milwaukee, Wis., and General Kilburn Knox succeeds him in that position.

CAPTAIN R. K. LORD, of the United States Army, rowed out upon Lake Maxinkuctee, near Logansport, Ind., tied a lump of lead around his waist, cut his throat and jumped into sixty-five feet of water. His body was

THE losses from the prairie fires in Dakota rere estimated at \$2,000,000. Ten lives were hought to have been lost.

ROBERT GARRETT, the insane millionaire, as returned to Baltimore from his extended our weighing 307 pounds and much improved

GENERAL BOULINGER fled from Paris at the request of friends, who were informed that he would be tried by an exceptional triunal, and that he would not escape alive-loulanger is at Mons, Belgium, under the seudomym of Monsieur Bruno. The Govonstatio ant has notified General Boulanger that will be expelied from the country TITLOSE he abstains from political intrigues in France.

YELLOW FEVER is raging at Colon and Aspinwall, in Central America.

THE French Chamber of Deputies has authorized the Government to prosecute eneral Boulanger.

THE new Ministry of Peru has resigned. giving as the reason therefore the impossi-bility of conciliating the minority in Con-gress regarding any arrangement for the payment of Peruvian bondholders.

A DISTILLERY syndicate has been formed in Dublin, Ireland, with a capital of \$5,000,-

THE United States man-offwar Nipsie has been floated off the beach at Samoa, the na-

tives lending material assistance THE German naval authorities have or-dered the cruiser Habicht and the gunboat Wolf to proceed to Samoa. The German Wolf to proceed to Samoa. The German corvette Sophie has started from Zanzibar

## APRIL THANKSGIVING.

The President Recommends Religious Services on Centennial Day.

The following proclamation has been issued by the President:

A hundred years have passed since the Government which our forefathers founded was formally organized. At noon, on the 30th day of April, seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, in the city of New York, and in the presence of an assemblage of the heroic men whose patriotic devotion had led the colonies to victory and independence, George Washington took the oath of office as Chief Magistrate of the newborn Republic. This impressive act was preceded at nine o'clock

Washington took the onth of office as Chief Magistrate of the newborn Republic. This impressive act was preceded at nine o'clock in the morning, in all the churches of the city, by prayer for God's blessing on the Government and its first President. The centennial of this illustrious event in our history has been declared a general holi-day by act of Congress, to the end that the people of the whole country may join in com-memorative exercises appropriate to the day. In order that the joy of the occasion may be associated with a deep thankfulness in the minds of the people for all our blessings in the past, and a devout supplication to God for their gracious continuance in the future, the representatives of the religious creeds, both Christian and Hebrew, have memorial-ized the Government to designate an hour for prayer and thanksgiving on that day. Now, therefore, I, Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States of America, in response to this pious and reasonable re-quest, do recommend that on Tuesday, April 30, at the hour of nine o'clock in the morning.

in response to this pious and reasonable re-quest, do recommend that on Tuesday, April 30, at the hour of nine o'clock in the morning, the people of the entire country repair to their respective places of divine worship to implore the favor of God that the blessings of liberty, prosperity and pence may abide with us as a people, and that His hand may lead us in the paths of righteousness and good decide

In witness whereof I have here

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed. Done in the city of Washington this fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and eighty-nine, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and thirteenth.

BENJAMIN HARRISON. By the President,-James G. Blaine, Se

THE Paris Exposition will extend two and one-half miles long and one-half miles wide. It will be opened May 5.

ABOUT 3000 iron cars are in use. WESTERN stove foundries are nearly all on

full time. A NEW forty mile ore road is to be built in

Michigan. THERE are two hundred gold beaters in

New York.

In the South all the coke ovens are running double time.

THERE is a general depression in labor conditions abroad.

A LADY in Belfast, Me., is learning the machinist's trade.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., has 2000 men who are looking for work.

MONTANA coal miners show an out crop twenty-two feet thick.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., is to have a mill for weaving fancy cashmeres

A THOUSAND dock workers at Marseilles, France, have gone on strike.

THE Gadsden, (Ala.) car works have an order for 700 cars for one road.

A good many costly hotels are being built of concrete and artificial stone.

STARVATION wages and idle workmen is the story that comes from Berlin.

A BED PLATE weighing thirty-three tons was recently cast at Steelton, Penn.

Is the neglected mining district of Zacalpan-Mexico, labor is paid \$14 per month.

WAGES are being reduced in New England woolen mills and new mills are starting up

In Baltimore 5000 women and girls get the average weekly wages of \$3 for making over-

A VIENNA man is making good leather from red beechwood. It can be nailed or sewed.

PATTERSON, (N. J.) silk weavers work till clock at night, and new silk mills are starting.

DELAWARE RIVER shipbuilders have con-tracts enough on hand to keep them busy for two years.

THE New York Progressive Musical Union has taken steps toward getting up a national organization.

THE 10,000 washerwomen of Paris havo formed a union. The cents per day. They will demand seventy-

In Australia 870,488 workmen, employed in 71,570 shops and mills, have their lives in-aired against accidents.

NABHUA (N. H.) tool makers have had to reduce wages five to thirty-five per cent. to meet Western competition.

BUILDING in the City of Mexico is said to be so active that some of the work has to be spended for want of bricklayers.

The strike outbreak in Germany is so general that it would appear to be an organ-ized co-operation of the trade centers.

THE Standard Oil Company think they now have a process to turn lime into gas, and have just bought up 40,000 acres of territory.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL WANAMAKEN is the pioneer in Fhiladelphis in employing col-yred people for responsible positions in his

A UNION of Manchester (England) Tailor-sees has been formed. Miss Harkness stated that there were 25,000 tailoresses in London, working sixteen hours a day, at two cents an hour, when they can get work.

ALDERT RAYMOND, a Jersey City (N. J.) painter, is out with an offer to paint 100 6 to sinch letters, six colors to a letter, against any man, the painting to be done on glass, in water colors. He has a 6.22 record for the

A TIANO company of Boston, Mass., has notified its employes that it is about to con-vert its corporation into a joint stock com-any with a capital stock of \$1,000,000 to be livided in 100,000 shares of \$10 each. The sircular announcing this fact states that this new move is made to enable its employes to purchase stock and take a personal interest in the success of the concern.

totally destroyed by fire. The loss will be fully \$500,000.

BILL MORAN, the "Terror of Flat Top," a West Virginia coal mining region, was killed after a most desperate fight. One officer was fatally injured.

MARK FRANCIS, a colored man who was hanged at Lebanon, Ky., on March 29, was not killed, and was resuscitated by his friends. He is now at large.

RICE deposits of gold have been discovered

THE cashier of a bank in Anoka, Minn.,

A NEW Chinese Minister has been appointed

to Washington. His name is Tsin Kook Yan.

He is a man of scholarly attainments, and

holds high rank as a member of the Imperial

THE President and Mrs. Marrison enter-

tained Governor and Mrs. Alger, of Michigan,

and the First Assistant Postmaster-General

and Mrs. Clarkson at dinner at the White

ASSISTANT SEEGEANT-AT-ARMS, AMES,

CHRISTIE, of the United States Senate, has

just died of pneumonia. He had been a

SECRETARY WINDOM ordered the dismissa

of Captain Herbert Beecher, a son of Henry

Ward Beecher, from the Government ser-

vice. In 1885 Cleveland appointed him Col-

lector of Customs at Fort Townsend, Washing-

THE President made the following appoint-

ments: Eben E. Rand, of Maine, to be Ap-

praiser of Merchandise in the District of

Portland and Falmouth, Me.; George O.

Sturgiss, of West Virginia, to be Attorney of

the United States for the District of West

Virginia, and Hugh B. Lindsay, of Tennes-

see, to be United States District-Attorney for

COLONEL H. L. SWORDS, formerly Sergeant-at-Arms to the Republican National

Committee, has been appointed Inspector of

THE Dowager Duchess of Cambridge, aunt

of Queen Victoria, is dead, aged ninety-two.

HUNDREDS of houses have been destroyed

by fire at Surat, India. The loss is placed

CONSIDERABLE distress prevails along the

ranama Canal. There are still over 3000 per-

sons on the line of the works who are in a

destitute condition. Some deaths from

A RUSH FOR LAND.

Many Thousands of Settlers Seek

ing Homester az in Oklahoma. A flood of applications for immigrant rates to Oklahoma is nouring into the St-

Louis railroad offices. There is only room for 10,000 homestands, and applications for

over 30,000 persons seeking low rates of transportation from St Louis have been re-ceived. Much suffering is anticipated this coming summer and fall among the shut-out pligrines, many of whom will residuabledly "move on" to Texas and Kanwa.

TRIALS of the pneumatic dynamite board the new cruiser Vesuvius demon hat they can fire more than five shots a ten minutes, as required by contract.

starvation have already been reported.

Furniture in the Treasury Department.

the Eastern District of Tennessee.

Senate employe for twenty-five years.

at Bear Paw Mountain, Montana.

has disappeared with \$100,000.

Academy of Pekin.

House.

ton Territory.

at \$1,000,000.