TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

Sailors of the Steamer Mastiff Adrift on an Ice Floe.

VESSEL CRUSHED BY ICEBERGS.

The Men Spent Forty-eight Hours on the Ice, and Some Were Made Insane by the Sufferings They Endured. Several May Lose Limbs.

St. John's, N. F., March 30 .- The steamer Mastiff was crushed in an ice floe off Gross Island on March 15, and the bottom was torn out of her by the bergs. The crew, with boats and provisions, left the ship and escaped on the ice floe, where they spent 48 hours, nearly every man being frost bitten, most of them severely. There were 185 men in the Mastiff's crew.

The ice broke up the first night, and a large party of men was plunged into the water. All escaped with their lives, but their misery was greatly increased by their misfortune. The second night 12 went insane, but by great exertions on the part of the Aptain and the officers these unfortunates were kept under control and employed in various

Shelters were made under the upturned boats for those who were most seriously frostbitten, but many lives would have been lost if they had not been rescued before the third night. During the forenoon of the 17th the steamers New Foundland, Neptune and Walrus appeared, and speedily transferred the castaways to their decks. When rescued many fainted from pure joy. Others became crazed and began to rave.

It is feared that many must lose their limbs. Arrangements are now making to provide hospital accommodations for the survivors when they arrive

Family Insane Over Religion.

Reynoldsville, Pa., March 30.-A sad case of insanity over religion comes from Washington township, five miles west of here, in which five members of the Caylor family are seriously affected. During a religious revival the 19-year-old daughter became mentally deranged, and it was necessary to place her in the asylum at Warren. father, James Caylor, and son Alfred. aged 21, were active workers in the protracted meeting, and last week the mental faculties of both father and son gave way, leaving them in a deplorable condition of insanity. They were placed in the Dixmont asylum. Word was received here yesterday that the wife and mother and another son have become mentally deranged from the shock of the family's misfortune, and it is thought it will be necessary to place them in charge of the authorities.

Buncoed Postmaster Must Pay. Trenton, March 30 .-- A jury in the United States circuit court yesterday rendered a verdict of about \$2,900 against ex-Postmaster John D. Schor, of Nordhoff, Bergen county, and Cornelius Christie, James Christie and Isaac R. Vreeland, his bondsmen. While Schor was postmaster of Nordhoff he was made the victim of a bunco game. Some person representing himself as a postoffice inspector examined the office and discontinued it as a money order office, and got Schor to surrender the money order blanks. The pretended inspector had an accomplice, and between them they used these blanks and had them cashed in different parts of the country to the extent of \$2,300. The verdict is for the full amount of the forged money orders, with interest and costs.

Alleged Crooked Banker Arrested. Philadelphia, March 30 .- Following the collapse of the Guarantors' Finance company and the suspension of the People's bank, there came last night another bank sensation in the arrest of Cashier William W. Steele, of the Chestnut Street National bank, of which institution the late William M. Singerly was president. Steele is charged with making false reports and statements to the comptroller of the currency. Steele entered \$5,000 ball for a hearing before United States Commissioner Edmunds.

Family Murdered in Texas.

San Angelo, Texas, March 30 .- A family named Lee, consisting of father, mother and two small children, have been murdered on a ranch near Paint | hension for the crops. Rock. A man who gave the alarm states that in the early part of the evening two men called at the Lee house and asked to be allowed to stay all night. They were denied accommodations. Later in the night he awoke to find two men in the house, and as he ran he was fired upon by them. An ax was the weapon used in killing the Lees.

Ohlo Miners Will Strike.

Massillon, O., March 20 .- The joint conference of committees representing the coal operators of sub-district No 34 of district No. 6 ended at midnight without a satisfactory adjustment being reached, and as a result the miners officials have issued orders that no work shall be done unless the operators concede the points demanded. These orders affect 2,500 miners in nine coun-The operators refused to grant the Saturday half holiday or the hour noon demanded by the men.

Seven Flood Fatalities. Greensburg, Ind., March 30 .- The loss from the flood in this county will reach \$150,000. The fatalities are larger than at first reported. Three members of the Walters family, in the Tanners creek bottoms, are missing, and a farmhand, Albert Phillips, was a victim in the cloudburst at Moscow. Claude Shane was drowned at Westport, and late reports indicate loss of life on Flat Rock, below St. Paul, at the junction of Conn's creek, where two members of one family perished.

Maryland Legislature Deadlocked. Annapolis, Md., March 20 .- The Maryland general assembly is in a snarl over the question of reorganizing the police force of Baltimore, which bids fair to block all legislation during the balance of the session, which has but six more days to run. The senate yes-terday rejected a proposition from the house to go into joint convention on the subject, and then put upon its passage a bill providing for a bi-partisan board of four to be appointed by the

A WEST CHESTER MYSTERY

Mother and Her Little Son Found With Their Throats Cut. West Chester, Pa., March 30.-Mrs. Isabel Ridgway, aged 28 years, and her son Charles, aged 5 years, were found dead in bed yesterday at the home of Charles Harley, near Dutton's Mills, in East Goshen township. Their throats were cut, the heads being nearly severed from the bodies. The weapon used was evidently a butcher knife, which was found close

by the bed. The dead mother and

child were found by Harley, who said

that the deed was probably committed while he was harnessing a horse. According to the statements made the woman was about to become a mother. She was housekeeper for Harley, and had lived in the house for about three years. Harley was getting the horse ready to take her to Malvern, where she was to take the train for Philadelphia, to remain about three weeks. She is said to have been a woman who attended closely to her duties as housekeeper, and was of a retiring nature. Harley is a married man, but has not lived with his wife for some time. Some are of the opinion that the woman committed suicide after cutting the child's throat. The

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

authorities, however, are making an

investigation.

Thursday, March 24. Three Falmouth fishermen were killed by gas in a hotel room at New Bed-

ford, Mass. James Thompson and his wife were burned to death in their shanty at

Fresno, Cal. The Oregon Populists threaten to bolt the silver Republican, Democratic-Populist state convention.

Lieutenant Blandin, of the Maine, has reached his home in Baltimore. He is to be examined for the position of lieutenant commander.

Friday. March 25. The building trades of Milwaukee on May 1 will make a united demand for an eight hour day.

the height of sky scraping buildings to ten stories, or 130 feet. William Roberts, a night driver in the Bast colliery, at Ashland, Pa., was

crushed to death by a car. John Holliday is in custody at Jersey City, accused of inflicting probably fatal injuries upon James Holden,

aged 87 years. Saturday, March 26, Sixty Japanese, who came from Victoria, B. C., are detained by the San

Francisco immigrant officials. The Illinois free silver Democrats have organized the Monticello club to shape the party's policy in that state. Three citizens of Gibson Station, I. T., have been indicted, charged with

the murder of E. D. Chalmers and wife near Wybark last Saturday. The children of Dr. Ruiz, who, it is alleged, was killed by the Spaniards in Cuba, will prosecute a claim for damages against the Spanish government.

Monday, March 28, The New York legislature will appropriate \$50,000 for good roads.

Commander Eugene D. F. Heald, U. S. N., died at Annapolis yesterday.

ton Saturday night. Reports of United States consuls show that 430,000 people have starved to death in Cuba.

The Paris Matin says the court of appeal will quash the conviction of Emile Zola and order a new trial.

F. W. Johnson, colored, has brought suit against a Montreal theater for excluding him on account of his color. Mrs. Delia Tudor Parnell, mother of the late Charles Stewart Parnell and be added if needed. daughter of the famous American naval officer, Charles Stewart, died at Avondale, Ireland, aged 63.

Tuesday, March 29. The condition of Fanny Davenport, the actress, lying dangerously ill in Chicago, is slightly improved. Anton Seidl, the celebrated musical

director, died at New York, presumably from poison, probably from eating fish. A robber named Cailliard murdered a family of six persons, including two little children, at Bernal, France. He confessed.

Freezing temperature in northwestern Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory causes grave appre-

A London dispatch states that ex-Premier Gladstone is calmly awaiting death, having been informed that recovery is impossible.

At Coe Hill, a small hamlet near Belleville, Ont., Frederica and Granette Colboys, aged 7 and 8, were killed by wild hogs while going to school.

Wednesday, March 30. The new torpedo boat purchased in Germany has been named the Somers. The public funeral of Lieutenant Jenkins, who lost his life in the Maine disaster, took place at Pittsburg today. The wreck of the schooner Julia A. Warr has been washed ashore on Long

perished The national senate has passed the bill appropriating \$300,000 for the industrial exposition to be held in Phila-

Island. It is believed that her crew

delphia. Two more bodies have been taken from the ruins of the burned Ayer building, Chicago, making a total of 12 thus far found.

Messenger Drove Off Train Robbers. Los Angeles, Cal., March 30.-Meager details have been received of an attempt to hold up the westbound Santa Fe passenger train near Grant, N. M. The train was flagged some distance from the lonely station and slowed down. The engineer, however, suspected the cause of the flagging, and was moving ahead when the robbers opened fire and wounded the fireman. The train was stopped and five masked men approached. Express Messenger Fowler stepped from the train and opened fire with a brace of revolvers. The robbers were unprepared for this. and fied. One of them was severely wounded by Fowler, but his comrades got him away.

Congressman Brosins Seriously III. New York, March 30 .- Marriott Brosius, member of congress from Lancaster county, Pa., is seriously ill at the home of his daughter, in Mount

AGRICULTURAL

LANDSCAPE GARDENING.

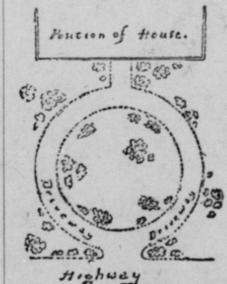
Some Valuable Hints About Thinning Out the Growths on Country Places.

A writer gave recently some valuable hints on landscape gardening with reference to thinning out the growths on a country place. He says: "The cause of your sickness? great sin of commission which a study of ornamental private grounds in all have been rendered detrimental or superfluous by years of growth and development. Everywhere we see country places, small ones especially, which; whether viewed from the inside or the outside, are less beautiful than they might be because their plantations are shut off. A fine tree ought not to be hampered in its development by others less attractive. Two or three trees of equal excellence ought not to be althe beauty of all will be ruined. A shrubbery ought not to look like a rough thicket, nor should a place be so crowded with shrubberies as to look like a wilderness. Health as well as beauty demands that foliage should not be too dense in the neighborhood of a dwelling house, for human beings, no less than plants, need the free min-Istration of the winds and the sunshine of heaven. Therefore, at this season of the year, every owner of a country place, large or small, should look carefully at his trees and shrubs, and should decide whether ft may not be for the greatest good of the greatest number (himself and his family included) that some of them shall be cut out.'

CIRCULAR DRIVEWAY.

The One Here Pictured Has a Number of Advantages.

It ought to be possible to drive into The Chicago city council has limited and out of a farm yard, or a village lot, without turning the wagon. This can only be done by having the driveway in the form of a circle or having



PLAN FOR CIRCULAR 1. EWAY.

John Simpkins, member of congress a circle or oval in some part of it. The from Massachusetts, died in Washing- cut gives a plan for a circular drive that has a number of advantages. One can drive in from the highway and make an easy turn back to the street again. The circle within the road affords a fine opportunity for the effective grouping of shrubs and foliage There are also excellent opportunities afforded on the outside of the driveway for effective planting of trees and shrubs. A side drive, curving about the house to the stable, can

Chestnut Trees Profitable.

Those who have a chestnut grove and keep it free from depredators may find it a source of profit. We know one or two such groves which are only natural fruit, but which yield returns with no labor except for gathering the nuts better than could be got for the usual farm crops. But to secure profitable returns the public must be excluded. Men and boys who club the trees while the nuts are green to bring them down will disfigure and injure the trees, so that after a few years the trees will yield little or nothing. Chesinut trees, if the fruit is of good quality are valuable property, and their fruit should be protected. There are several improved varieties of chestnut, some of which will begin bearing when three years old. These should be chosen if new plantations of chestnuts are to be made, or scions of the new varieties should be grafted into native stock.

Hoarded His Wheat. A Kansas farmer has later sold some wheat harvested in 1886, and which for the past 11 years has re-mained unthreshed in the stack. The wheat was bright and plump, weighing 60 pounds to the bushel. The seller rented a farm, paying his rent with other crops and leaving the wheat until he could get what he thought was a fair price for it. He has now 12 wheat crops ready to be threshed and sold. Of course this holding of wheat has not paid him. Wheat 11 years ago was higher than it has yet been this year. Aside from the loss of interest, it will be very strange if more than half of this wheat when threshed shows only a mass of straw with most of the grain eaten out.

Training Watch Dogs.

Watch dogs are trained successfully in Germany by one Herr Strauss, who does a large business. The animals are taught to fly at an intruder's throat and a dummy tramp of wood is used for that purpose. Sometimes a real man, heavily padded is employed in the place of the dummy, and of course the intrepid individual is well paid for his services. All dogs, it appears, can be made into good watch dogs by such instruction, although St. Bernards and Russian wolf unds have proved themselves superior for the purpose.

Sugar Beet Lands.

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