FORTY SIXTH YEAR.

WENT M'KINLEY MAD

The People of the Western Reserve Warm Up as They Never Have Before.

FULLY 25,000 PEOPLE OUT

To Hear the First Gun of the Ohio Campaign From the Champion of Protection.

A VERY INTERESTING PROCESSION

Souvenirs of American Tin and Products From Other Home Industries Were Features.

Welch Singers Enliven the Occasion and Suggestive Mettoes and Decorations Add to the

PROMINENT MEN LISTEN TO THE GREAT-SPERCH

NILES, O., Aug. 22.-Major McKinley got a substantial boom here to-day that claddened his heart and made him feel that the people of his native town had not forgotten their son. The country at large may wipe out every trace and vestige of McKinlevism as exemplified in his tariff bill, but the friends of his boyhood will never desert

The Republican campaign in Ohio was inaugurated with a great speech and a mighty outpouring of people. Fully 25,000 flocked into this place from all the towns within a radius of 50 miles. They came wearing Mc-Kinley badges, and some were dressed in fantastic costumes that helped to enliven the occasion and break the monotony in the parade. The best of it is that the major east their ballots in November for the apostle of protection. The people of this Gibraltar of the tariff and the Republican party have a reputation for intelligence and calmness. They always vote the right way, but necks of public candidates.

NOT ENTHUSIASTIC BY NATURE

It used to be said that Tom Corwin was the only man that could make them laugh or elicit a cheer. The fiery Foraker when he first spoke in this section felt that some Artic blast had chilled his blood. There was no applause, no howling, and his most telling sentences did not e en produce a

one of them, born among them, and if he couldn't stir these distant, intellectual people, then surely the times were out of

Like the mother who welcomes her long very hard to re-establish it. A dose of free lost son the citizens were glad to see him. Party lines were thrown to the winds and the venerable Dr. Casper, a simon-pure Democrat, set the example of hospitality when he shook hands with the Major as the parade passed his house. It was McKiney's day and it was a succession of ovations. If the result this fall depended on the vote of the Western Reserve, no further campaign speeches would be needed. Re unblican success would be sure.

ALMOST A PART OF PITTSBURG.

The Mahoning and Shenango Valleys are full of blast furnaces. Their industrial development is a continuation of the workshops of Pittsburg. The voters are as firm believers in a protective tariff as the Republicans of Allegheny county. Year after year they roll up majorities that tell no uncertain tale, and, as a result of their faith and thinking, prosperity greets them on every hand.

The parade this morning in the interest of McKinley was remarkable for a country town. Not only did the people turn out, but the leaders were here for miles around. Colonel Conger came over from Akron; Senator Snyder, from Canton; Ex-Senator Perkins, from Warren; Judge Taylor, the Congressman of the district, was on deck, and General A. W. Jones, J. Morgan Coleman and other fron manufacturers of Youngstown were present. The parade formed about 11 o'clock, and after marchine around the town the paraders were reviewed by the Major from the little ivycovered balcony on the old McKinley home-

THE IDA M'KINLEY CLUB.

As the different delegations passed by he was loudly cheered. The Republican candidate returned the greetings with smiles and bows. The list of towns given in THE DISPATCH of yesterday sent clubs, and a Steel delegates were in America an English number of others in addition were represented. The young ladies from Columbiania, carrying blue parasols and wearing red sashes, created a furore along the line. An ardent blonde captained the girls, and carried a big banner bearing this inscription: "The Ida McKinley Club." This is tion: "The Ida McKinley Club." This is wages are much higher than the English the name of Mrs. McKinley, and the Major pay. I discovered also that my English was much pleased with the courtesy shown

Even the women are politicians in Ohio, and this is probably the main reason why the Buckeye State has produced so many great statesmen.

McKinley was deeply interested in his old home. The Major visited it early, and took pride in telling his friends in what room he slept when a boy.

Business houses and private residences a fight with labor.

Superintendent F. R. Harris, of the Falwere beautifully decorated to-day. In front of the house in which McKinley was born was an evergreen arch bearing the inscription, "Protection means to protect." On top of the arch was the eradle in which Me-Kinley was rocked, a chair supposed to represent the Governor's chair, and a picture

of the White House at Washington. HOME PRODUCTS IN THE PARADE.

The demonstration was in the interest of the turiff and calculated to show what protection had done for American industries. Only home products were exhibited and the manufacturers took pains to bring out this tast in large placerds. The Warren delegaas a second to be der and feet long meeting of the Farmers' Alliance and Peo- in England

which was plastered with tariff mottoes. Here are a few:

Protection is a question of wages.
We have looked after our own; that is the sun of our offending.
Twenty-two pounds of sugar for \$1. Mc-Kinley prices don't scare us.
We make the iron, will get the tin;
McKinley's bill is bound to win.
The best of good money is good enough for us.

McKinley to our interests true on stood by us, we'll stand by you.
Industries of the Mahoning Valley are
ed on protection; look about you, then

vote.

New York's alien importers don't run us.

It will take more than \$590,000 of foreign gold to down us.

THE NEW TIR PLATE INDUSTRY. There were many others like these. Wherever one looked or turned during the day some statement about the tariff, Mc-Kinley as the next Governor of Ohio, and an honest dollar, greeted the eye with unfailing regularity. A great feature was made of the new tin industry, and all sorts of tin souvenirs and designs manufactured at of tin souvenirs and designs manufactured at Demmler were scattered among the people. The Falcon Iron and Nail Company had a float showing how tin would soon be made in Niles. T. B. Morgan, the Alliance iron man, with a company of Welsh singers from his mill and his own band, arrived early in the day to assist in becoming the major. the day to assist in booming the major. The choir had prepared a number of songs appropriate to the event, and the happy manner in which these Welshmen sang put everybody in good a humor. The burden of their music wass all about McKinley and how he would down Campbell in Novem-

THE PRETTY GIRLS IN DRESS PARADE.

At the meeting in the afternoon J. H. Sarchet, of Cambridge. an old campaign baritone, closed the proceedings with a topical song, "We'll Be In It." It wound up with the remark that "the eagle would soar alort, while the cock would only crow

THE SPEECH OF THE DAY.

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The meeting in the afternoon was a howling success, a grand stand had been erected in the school ground. The Major was in good voice and spoke to a large audience for two hours. Most of his hearers were Republicans and in sympathy with him and his cause. A company of Republican drummers, who happened to be in the town, led in the applause and the people followed suit. When he appeared on the platform the Major was loudly cheered. He said if he could consult his own wishes he would rather speak on any other subject than polities to his fellow townsmen. He was inclined to be in a reminiscent mood, but he shook it off and waded into the issues of the campaign. It was a powerful speech, and when at one stage he talked of quitting, the crowd insisted that he go on.

Ex-Senator Perkins, of Warren, in a few words introduced the Republican candidate. words introduced the Republican candidate.
On the platform were noticed: Colonel
Conger, Congressman Taylor, Mr. Cope,
candidate for State Treasurer; General A.

W. Jones and other prominent Ohians. A PITTSBURGER ON DRESS PARADE. In the audience Roger O'Mara flitted fantastic costumes that helped to enliven the occasion and break the monotony in the parade. The best of it is that the major portion of the crowd were voters who will been following the Major, and some of them were captured after giving the police a rough and tumble battle.

The speech was punctuated frequently with applause and laughter. The Major stirred up a good deal of enthusiasm in discussing the tariff and in his allusions to the they are not in the habit of falling on the pension question. It amused the vast audi-Governor in Europe, and he knew full well if he was that he wouldn't stand a ghost of a show. This was brought out by the gold which the British are said to be sending to America to knock him out. He added that the tariff was not made to please foreigners, and they feel very sore about it. Ex-Senator Perkins, of Warren, in talking about the situation, said:

WHY THE FIGHT IS SERIOUS. Not so with McKinley to-day. He was been so of them, born among them, and if he and if the result depended on our votes, Mcthe tariff and know that our mills and factories could not continue without it. It is an easy thing to upset business and it is and I think our people understand what the fight means. If McKinley should lose this fall, it would be misinterpreted from Maine to the Pacific. The whole country would say that Ohio is a free trade State This is why the fight is so serious. The People's party is not strong in this section, but at present it is hard to say what they will do or from which side they will draw their votes. The Democrats always vote their ticket, while a Republicat, if he is not satisfied, will change his ballot. I think in a short time the lines will be well drawn, and then we will know where we

Colonel Conger, who led Foraker's forces to defeat two years ago, wore a very cheer-ful smile when he predicted McKinley's election. He said he was not well posted throughout the State, but he thought the 'eopie's party wouldn't hurt the Repub-

icans very much. CONGER STILL BOOMING BLAINE. The Colonel is one of the original Blaine omers and when not talking about Me-Kinley the Plumed Knight's name was on his lips. He believes Blaine is the strongest Republican in the country. When asked if it was true that Blaine's popularity was being used to ward off Presidental candidates and that at the proper time he would withdraw in the interest of Harrison, the Colonel replied that such a scheme was news to him. The Colonel was the man who brought news from Bar Harbor to the Blaine gathering that was held in Washington some time ago. At that time he gave out the impression that if Blaine was offered the nomination he would accept

Blaine is very popular in this neck of Ohio and could have almost anything he wanted. Warner Arms, one of the leading men Warner Arms, one or the remaining in the Falcon Iron and Nail Company, in the Falcon Iron and Nail Company, in The duties protect labor, not capital, and I think most of the workingmen understand it. The manufacturers can get along with-out the tariff but they would have

TO REDUCE THE WAGES of their men. When the British Iron and manufacturer visited me, and was here two days. In talking with him I had an excellent chance to make comparisons with English rates. I found what I had often been told but never could prove that the cost of production in the two countries with the ex-ception of labor is about the same. Our visitor made a big profit on his skelp iron. He explained that this was accomplished through a combination. This was a surprise to me, and I opened my eyes. It has been charged that the tariff builds up trusts and combinations but here are the free trade English making a great deal more on their products than we do. It only shows which system is the best. The Englishman admitted that the tariff was a good thing for America and

it would be better to maintain it than have con Iron and Nail Company, said that the English profits on bar iron were from \$1 to \$7.50 per ton. The American is glad to make from \$1 to \$2 on the same amount. In this country the men are paid \$5.50 per ton for boiling iron. In Wales the basis of wages, is about \$1 75 per ton. These few illustrations are given to point out some of

THE DISTURBING ELEMENT.

the benefits of the tariff.

A County Ticket To Be Nominated by People's Party at Findlay. (SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.)

FINDLAY, Aug. 22.-A largely attended

ple's party was held here to-day, and it was determined to put a county ticket in THE CHEST TRAGEDY.

An Executive Committee was appointed to-day to fix the proper time for nominating candidates. A People's ticket in this county this year complicates matters very much, and the result in the county is hard to pre-

BLAINE A CANDIDATE.

WOULD ACCEPT.

He Made the Statement to S. O. Thomas of San Francisco-A Letter From the General-Thomas Wrote Out His Inter-

view for the Press. NEW YORK, Aug. 22.-Regarding the denial by General Russell Alger of a reported statement of his that Blaine was to be the next candidate of his party, and that Mr. Blaine had declared himself a candidate, the World will say to-morrow that the statement was furnished to that paper by Comrade S. O. Thomas, G. A. R., of 420 Kearney street, San Francisco, who declared that General Alger had made the statement to him during the recent G. A.

R. encampment at Detroit. The World will also print in fac simile letter from General Alger of date July 6, 1891, to Comrade Thomas, in which General

Thank you very much for you esteemed favor. While I know nothing of the future, it now seems to me that Mr. Blaine is certain to be nominated and that it is best for us all that he should be. I appreciate more than I can tell what you say. I hope I shall retain your good opinion and that I shall be able to see you this fall or winter. Shall you be East probably during that time?

Acting on this implied invitation Mr. Thomas visited General Alger at Detroit, where the reported interview took place The World took the precaution to have Mr. Thomas himself write out the statement and has the original manuscript. It also stipu-lated that in case of denial by General Alger Mr. Thomas' name should be printed as its authority, as well as the letter in ques-

CASH FOR SHERMAN ONLY.

Hand in the Senate Fight,

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH]. CLEVELAND, Aug. 22.-At Hon. Mark A. Hanna's residence to-night some earnest words were spoken in support of Senator John Sherman's candicacy for the Senate. Major McKinley was a listener. He came up from his opening meeting at Niles and was driven to Mr. Hanna's residence. A few hours

Hanna's residence. A few hours later Chairman Hahn, of the Republican State Committee, arrived at the Weddell, where Mr. Hanna's carriage was waiting for him. Mr. Hanna, who is much more than a millionaire, talked long and to the point with Chairman Hahn as to the absolute necessity of sending John Sherman back to the Senate, if the business men of Cleveland were to be looked to for their usual liberal contributions to the Republican campaign fund. Major McKinley lican campaign fund. Major McKinley was weary from his day's duties, but Mr. Hanna and Chairman Hahn consulted for hours. To your correspondent Mr. Hanna

"It amounts to just this. The business men of Ohio are not going to stand idly by and see John Sherman supplanted in the United States Senate by anybody. This isn't a Republican notion—it's the conclu-sion of the business men of Ohio. If it comes to a fight, why we will fight."
It is generally understood to night that
the attitude of the Republican committee
on the Senatorial fight will have a very important effect upon the amount of the fund contributed by the capitalists and business men of Cleveland and Northern Ohio.

A PEOPLE'S PARTY POLL

Kansas Managers Claim to Tell Just Hov They Stand in the State.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] TOPEKA, Aug. 22 .- The People's party, with the aid of the machinery of the Farm ers' and Citizens' Alliances, is taking s poll of the State for the purpose of determ ng the exact gains made by the party sing the election last November. The managers claim that they have the name and address of every member of the party, as well as of everyone who will vote the ticket. Each county is divided into districts, which maps are made, and the names, residences and present and past political faith of voters recorded. Last year, before the system was perfected, the chairman of the State Central Committee announced before election what the ticket would poll and he was out of the way but 3,000 votes on the entire State Now they claim they reduced the polling polling to an absolute science and can tell what the results will be, even closer than they did last year.

Dr. McLallin, editor of the Advocate, the official organ of the party, said to-day "We have polled some of the counties o the State and can tell within a dozen vote how we would stand if an election were called to-morrow. Of course there will b changes between now and the election."

AFTER THE PRESIDENT JUDGESHIP.

The Means Fayette County Democrats Wil Employ to Secure It.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 UNIONTOWN, Aug. 22,-The Democratic County Committee met this afternoon and elected the following delegates to the State Convention: Jacob R. Hough, J. E. Stillwagen, Thomas McCullough, Howard Patton, M. W. Franks, C. M. Parker and Charles A. Springer. Hon. Henry Galley, of Franklin township, was nominated for delegate to the Constitutional Convention and Thomas W. Sharpnock, the nominee for that position in Greene county, was in-

dorsed by the committee.

A resolution calling for the abolition of the conferee system had been prepared, but for some reason it was not submitted to the committee. The judicial contest is near at hand and Favette wants to secure the Presi dent Judgeship. It is for this reason that she wants the conferee system abolished. It will likely be considered at the next meeting of the committee. All the dele gates elected are anti-Scaright men. Colone

VAEDERBILT'S COSTLY YACHT.

C. B. Searight was not in attendance.

t Was Built in England and Will Have to

Pay \$43,987 50 Duty on It. [SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH,] NEW YORK, Aug. 22.-Collector Fassett eceived to-day an important communica tion from Assistant Secretary Nettleton, of the Treasury Department, concerning F. W. Vanderbilt's yacht Conqueror. Mr. Nettleton, in his communication, says that the dispute as to whether the yacht should pay duty as merchandise or not was referred to Solicitor Hepburn, of the Treasury De-partment. After due deliberation, Mr. Hepburn decides that the yacht, having been built in England, must pay duty.

The yacht cost £15,550, or \$77,750. The duty is 45 per cent, or \$43,987 50 and Col-

lector Fassett will now take steps to have

the yacht officially appraised. Mr. Hep-

burn's decision is of great importance to wealthy Americans who own yachts built

PITTSBURG. SUNDAY, AUGUST 23.

Ironton People Believe the Three Children Were Murdered.

NO INQUEST PROVIDED FOR.

EVIDENCE THAT ALGER DID SAY HE | A Johnstown Woman Arrested for Shooting

Her Recreant Husband.

ALLEGED PATRICIDE AT ALTOONA

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) IRONTON, O., Aug. 22.-The horrible ragedy of yesterday is likely to soon be followed by an other, unless something is done by the authorities to clear up the mystery surrounding the death of Leslie, Edith

and Emma May, the three pretty children

of George Hamilton. An exciting scene occurred this morning, when the three children were laid out in their parents' home, and the Coroner sent word that he must positively decline to hold an inquest. A body of leading citizens at once called on the Coroner, intending to demand that an inquest be held, claiming to have evidence that certain persons had at least a knowledge of the children's being smothered. The coroner had absented himself, however, and this fact added to the indignation. This feeling has been growing all day, and may culminate at any time in an attack on the very house where the dead children lie. George Hamilton, the father of the smothered babes, censured for not urging a speedy investigation. The family has subsisted on the proceeds of the oldest boy's daily begging trips through the city and suburbs. This boy is 10 years of age, and he is the

An officer with a self-constituted body of citizens made a closer investigation into the cause of the children's deaths this afternoon, and have established to their own satisfaction at least, the fact that they were deliberately smothered. The chest in which their bodies were found is an old-fashioned tool chest with a light board lid. The position of the limbs of the children, as they lie even now in death, is so unusual, that comment was excited at once. They were all well developed. The chest was too small to hold them comfortably, and their bodies indicate they had been jammed into the chest by someone, who then firmly forced a stick through the staple and lock to hold them there, as the strength of even the youngest babe, Emma May, aged 2 years, would have been sufficient to lift the lid had not the fatal

only one of the children who escaped death.

lock prevented. The funeral of the innocents will take place to-morrow, unless the Coroner should finally decide to interfere and attempt to clear the mystery. If not, it is feared some hostile demonstration will be made toward those upon whom suspicion seems to have been attached by the gossips.

ANOTHER JOHNSTOWN SENSATION. Man Shot Dead and His Wife Arrested for

His Murder.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAMS TO THE DISPATCH.]

JOHNSTOWN, Aug. 22. - The Seventh ward, this city, was the scene of a tragedy last night which resulted in the death of Harry E. Miller. A few days ago a report was published that he had eloped with the hired girl, while his wife was ill. The wife last evening Miller returned. He went to his home, and plead with his wife to withdraw the suit. This she consented to do. What happened after that is mystery. All that is known, that about 11 o'clock a pistol shot was heard, and the frightened neighbors rushed over to the place to see Miller fall to the ground beside the pump. Mrs. Miller

was at the scene, and though greatly frightened, managed to say that he had gone out to get a drink, and while there fired two bullets into his head, the last penetrating his brain. Mrs. Miller was found bending over him. An investigation was ordered by the authorities, and what at first was considered a deliberate suicide, may turn out to be murder. The Coroner held an inquest tonight, and the result of their deliberations was that Mrs Miller was arrested and will be held until a closer investigation can be made. It is said to-night one circumstance which caused the Coroner's Jury to order the arrest of Mrs. Miller, was that the first bullet, supposed to have been fired by the alleged suicide, missed entirely.

A VERY SUSPICIOUS DEATH.

The Coroner's Jury Investigating a Myst terious Case in Blair County.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. ALTOONA, Aug. 22.-At Sinking Valley August Hench, one of the oldest and most respectable citizens of that place, died suddenly Tuesday morning at the home of his son Charles. Hench seemed to be in unusually good health, and his death was conwas buried the following day.

Coroner Pool was notified and asked to

make an investigation. To-day that official had the remains exhumed, but found them greatly decomposed. It was found that the man had been buried wrapped in the sheet in which he died, and also in his soiled linen, and that the body had not been washed in a decent manner. It was stated that his son Charles had mistreated father the day before he died, and that in-juries had been inflicted on his forehead sufficient to cause death. When the son was questioned about not giving his father a decent burial, he replied that the heirs wanted the old man's money-\$10.000-and did not care about investing his money foolishly. other son, with several members of the family, asked to have the affair investigated. Charles opposed the request, and affirms that his father died from natural causes. A farther examination of witnesses will be held Tuesday, when the coroner's jury will

A COLLEGE TOWN MURDER.

make a final decision in the matter.

The Gorilla Man of a Side Show a Partic

pant In a Fatal Brawl. (SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) LIMA, Aug. 22-The College town of Ada has been in a ferment of excitement over a murder that occurred there shortly after midnight. The fair and races attracted large crowds to town. Jacob S. Stokes bury, a fellow named Stewart and John Frutch became engaged in an altercation in front of Bauman's grocery store. A fight followed, first between Stokesbury and Stewart. The former was knocked down. Frutch then rushed in and struck Stokesbury in the face with a stone. The blow landed on his forehead, crushing his skull and breaking his nose. Seeing what they had done, Stewart and Frutch fled. Stokesbury springly in the minutes.

bury expired in ten minutes.
Officers found Stewart and locked him up. Frutch was found buried in a stall beneath though it is unde a lot of hay and straw. A lynching party great privations.

was quickly organized and would have made short work of the murderer but he was spir-ited away to Kenton, where he is now in jail. Stewart, his accomplice, is known as the "Gorilla Man," and has been traveling with a side show.

Frightful Slaughter of Human Beings in New York TEST OF A NEW AIR SHIP AT CINCIN-

by a Building's Collapse.

John C. Randall Able to Move About by Means of a Balloon and a Bicycle Scheme-Couldn't Use His Dynamo-His Strength Gave Out.

A MAN IN THE AIR.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] CINCINNATI. Aug. 22.—The friends of John C. Randall are jubilant to-night over the showing made by his airship at the Zoo gardens here to-day. Randall's ship consists of a huge balloon to which is hung a car. The motive power is a dynamo, but to-day hydrogen being in accessible, common illuminating gas was used and the dynamo discarded. A bicycle arrangement was used to propel the fans. Of course, this power was feeble, but enough was shown to indicate that Randall has made a great advance on any-thing yet accomplished in navigating the

Nearly 2,000 people assembled to see the Nearly 2,000 people assembled to see the first public test. It was announced that the dynamo had been taken out, and Randall himself would furnish the power. At a signal he bestrode the bicycle arrangement and, working the paddles with all his force, a-cended about 75 feet. He then propelled the machine forward about 50 feet, and reversing the machinery traveled backward the same distance. He then made partially successful efforts to turn the balloon round, and travel at right angles to balloon round, and travel at right angles to its former direction. He then lowered and raised the machine at will, but for slight

It was clear that his strength was not sufficient to wield the balloon and car, but the fact that he was at all able to raise and lower the machine, to drive it forward and backward, is taken as proof he has hit the correct principle, and a new improved bal-loon with electric dynamo and silk bag will be immediately constructed. All the metal will be aluminum. Randall was enthusiastically cheered.

THE RIGHT MAN AT LAST.

Cashier Maple and Many Others Identify the Columbus Grove Robber.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] LIMA, Aug. 22.-The young man, James Roberts, who was arrested at New Washington, O., suspected of the Columbus Grove robbery and murder, has been identified by Cashier Maple, John Roberts and the hardware dealer who sold him the two revolvers with which he did the shooting. Roberts was also visited by five other prominent citizens of Columbus Grove, who had seen him at the time of the shooting, and they identified him beyond

Roberts was brought to Ottawa to-night where he was placed in jail, the officers taking him in so quietly the people did not know of his identity until he was safely behind the bars. Roberts is sullen and defiant, and refuses to talk of the affair, or nant, and refuses to take of the anar, or even to deny that he is the man wanted. Personally Roberts is a fine-looking young fellow, and no one would suspect him of being the daring burglar and shooter. He is an edge-tool worker, and was formerly employed in the wagon works of the Mil-burn Company, at Toledo, where he bore a good reputation.

MORTGAGES IN KANSAS.

The Debt on Real Estate, Including Farms, Now Amounts to \$235,000,000.

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.] WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—It is probable hat the reports in regard to the "storm of indignation" aroused by Senator Peffer and Representative Simpson among their constituents in Kansas by their assertion in re gard to mortgages in that State are much exaggerated, as the truth of their declarations could easily be established. The statistics at the Census Office in regard to 'homes and mortgages" are yet incomplete, but they show that the real estate mortgages of Kansas, independent of all other forms of obligation for debt, amounted, during the past ten years, to \$482,700,000, of which \$235,000,000 still remain.

The per capita debt in such mortgages in \$160. Seventy-one per cent of mortgages are on farms; 28 per cent are subject to 10 per cent interest; 7 per cent to 12 per cent interest, and some, they say, to 40 per cent interest. The number of mortgages repre senting this debt is 620,000.

HOT AND COLD WEATHER

San Francisco Sweltering and Texas Shiver ing on the Same Day.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22 .- A hot wave predicted by the local branch of the Weather Bureau to last until Tuesday or Wednesday began yesterday. To-day the signal service thermometer registered 91° at noon, while temperature on the sidewalks was estimated at over 1000.

A dispatch from Colorado, Tex., says: A most remarkable spell of weather struck this section this morning. Yesterday was extremely warm. The thermometer marked 196° in the shade at 2 P. M. At midnight a north wind commenced to blow. At day light a cold rain set in, and at 11 o'clock the thermometer registered 65°, a fall of 41° in less than 24 hours. This has been a veritable cold day in August.

FROST IN THE WEST.

Parts of South Dakota and Iowa Slightly

Nipped Friday Night. WATERTOWN, S. D., Aug. 22 .- A fall of 500 in temperature occurred last night, and the frost line was touched. Corn is injured. A dispatch from Fargo, N. D., savs that clouds and light wind prevented frost there last night. Farmers made smudges everywhere. The lowest temperature was 35°.
A slight frost tell this morning west of Boone, Ia., and was reported as quite sharp at Dennison and Vail.

A BIG AMERICAN SCHEME

With a Capital of \$800,000 Successfully Floated in London.

TRY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.] LONDON, Aug. 22.-Isaac Untermeye has this week succeeded in floating in London the first large American scheme since the panic last fall. He has brought out the Ludlow Valve Manufacturing Company, of Troy, for \$800,000, the capital stock being retained by the owners in America, and the first mortgage 6 per cent bonds and 8 per cent preferred shares being subscribed for

LOCUSTS DEVOURED THE CROPS.

Famine-Stricken Province Out of the Reach of Russian Government Help.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 22.-The Ural provinces inhabited by the Kirghese, are the most affected by the failure of the harvest, which was in the greater part devoured by locusts.

Owing to the fact that there are no railroads leading to that part of the Empire, the Russian Government is unable to re-lieve the inhabitants of those provinces, though it is understood they are

FIRE ADDS ITS TERRORS

To a Scene of Disaster of the Most Appalling Description.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE OF A CHILD.

Taken Out Alive From Beneath Seven Feet of Brick and Timbers.

MANY CHARRED BODIES RECOVERED

NEW YORK, Aug. 22,-This afternoon at 12:31 o'clock the four stores, five stories high, at 68, 70, 72 and 74 Park place, suddenly collapsed. The fall was instantly followed by fire. The four stores were the rear half of the building 247 Greenwich street, which extends 135 feet on Park place. They were all occupied, and it now seems probable that more than a hundred lives were lost. There is a considerable difference of opinion as to the cause of the disaster. People in the wrecked buildings who have escaped say there was no explosion, but those who were on the

street near the scene say that they heard the report of an explosion. It seems probable that the weight of the printing presses which were located on the printing presses which were located on the upper floors, together with the vibration caused by their motion, proved two much for the building and caused the collapse. Not since the Brooklyn theater fire has there been such a terrible disaster. When the body of the last unfortunate is removed from the wreck and ranged with its poor fellows in the long line of those that wait for recognition it will be well if the list is numbered in tens.

A MERCIFUL DISASTER. This was a more merciful disaster than the other. To the people who lost their lives by to-day's accident death came almost instantly. Those who were in the building and escaped differ with those who saw it and escaped differ with those who saw it from the street, as to the cause of the fire. No one in the building who is now alive heard the report of an explosion. There was a rumble like the roar of thunder, they was a rumble like the roar of thunder, they say, and then the crash was as if some gignatic truck, with whoels iron laden with tons of steel bars, had rolled over a pavement of boulders and dropped its tremendous load with one burst of sound.

Then came the fire and smoke. Instantly,

before the frightened people in the building could collect themselves to attempt escape, could collect themselves to attempt escape, there rolled forth the stifling clouds of smoke and the roaring flames. With one accord the people rushed to the main entrance on Park place. Already it was impassable; and then, almost tumbling over each other, men and women, boys and girls, climbed and fell down the fire escape on the Greenwich street side of the building

BOOM OF AN EXPLOSION. Those who were on the street say they heard the boom of an explosion. Hardly three seconds after the report 100 feet of the outer wall pitched out into the street. It buried in a mound of bricks men retiring people passing along the sidewalk. It caught a horse hitched to a truck, and be fore the poor beast could realize where the first brick came from, thousands of other bricks pounded him to death. By one of those rare streaks of fortune the driver es-

The bricks of the fallen wall had not stopped rolling along the street when the space they had occupied was a red sheet of fire. The black, thick smoke rolled up as from the funnels of a thousand ocean steamers. The south wind watted it away, but away its story of disaster. Then came the

engines and the firemen. SOUNDING THE ALARM.

The first alarm was sent in from a box at the corner of Barclay and Greenwich streets. Two linemen of the fire department were Greenwich street. One of them ran to the oox and pulled it. Presently a second and third alarm followed and fire engines and trucks and hospital ambulances came clat-tering madly from all directions.

The scene at the time was weirdly, strangely beautiful. The wall was down for four store fronts. At the instant that the street wall fell the roof crashed down upon the floors below it. The girders gave way under the strain, and whole interior of that part the building dropped in a mass. The shell was left standing, like a blast furnace, open in front. Next to the shell stood the three stores, 76, 78 and 80 Park place. A brick partition wall between 74 and 76 saved that part from the ruin, but it

RUSH OF THE FLAMES. Almost before a line of hose could be laid

could not stop the fire.

the flames were playing a boisterous game of tag in and out of the window. Long tongues of fire shot out of the windows in angry defiance of the firemen, like the angry rattlesnake at his tormenter. The sun stood high over the burning building. Its yellow disk was hidden by the great column of black smoke that rolled up out of the of black smoke that rolled up out of the blast furnace. Thirteen engines were spouting water on the fire, and down at the foot of Greenwich street the big fire boat New Yorker was doing her best to empty the North river into Park Place. Rumors were chasing each other through the streets of the terrible loss of life. But

no one could tell accurately anything about the number of people in the building.

Those who had escaped were too much excited to think of anything else than their own good fortune. Men hugged each other and laughed hysterically. Women sat down on the doorsteps and cried. On the ground floors were a bronze powder factory, a drugstore and a restaurant. Above them were a blankbook manufactory, a printing shop and a lithographing estab-

NUMBER OF LOST UNKNOWN.

No one could tell how many people were in the drugstore. In the basement of the bronze powder factory there were five girls employed cutting gold leaf. All are thought to have been lost. The restaurant employed about 15 men, most of whom are missing. There is no reliable information to the number of persons in e restaurant, but as it was just the noon hour, the number was probably large. It was said that there were 33 of the lithographers employed in the part of the building which fell. Eight people were employed in the printing shop; one escaped by a miracle.

In the blank book manufactory the

were about 15, three or four of whom were girls. It is difficult to see how any of them could have escaped. Four lines of hose were run up on the roof of the building which adjoined the burning building on the south. Holes were cut through the brick walls and water was poured in torrents down into the blazing mass in the pit of the blast furnaces.

Down in front of the fallen wall half a

dozen streams were playing on the ruins.
Lines were stamesed, and through fiveinch hose the water was poured into the
seething caldron inside the shell of the
wrecked building.

ALMY'S TOUGHRECORD.

Identified as an Escaped Convict

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In spite of all these efforts it was almost 3 o'clock before the first efforts could be made toward the recovery of the bodies. The firemen had worked with tireless energy. They had raced to their work without their midday meal, and they were wet and tired. But when the word was given to begin to dig away the wreck they turned to with as great a will as they had fought the fire with.

They had worked but a few minutes when, at 3:10 o'clock, they found the first body. A murmur of "They've got the first one," ran through the crowd of onlookers, and then a hush fell upon them as they saw the firemen tenderly pick up the bruised body and carry it to the sidewalk, where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working covered the sidewalk, where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk, where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk, where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working to the sidewalk where it was laid under a Shortly after that the men working the sidewalk where it was laid under a shortly after that the men working the sidewalk where it was laid under a shortly after that the men working the sidewalk where it was laid under a shortly after that the men working the sidewalk where it was laid under a shortly after that the sidewalk where it was laid under a shortly after that the sidewalk where it was laid under a shortly A MOAN FROM BELOW.

Just as the arm was discovered, men working further out of the street on the pile working further out of the street on the pile of bricks thought they heard a faint cry from below. Instantly there was a trans-formation in the crowd of tired workers. Some of them had stopped for a few minutes to eat a sandwich. Others were getting a drink of water from the boys who were passing around buckets. But as the word went around that someone under the ruins was alive, with a shout the men fell to work on the pile of bricks and

They had begun to lag before that. There was no cause for great hurry after it seemed clear that everyone still in the ruins was dead. The bricks had been thrown back in a desultory way. But now there was life to save. The tired men worked as only men can work when lives are in the balance. Soon the firemen had cleared away a considerable pile, and a small black hole was exposed, leading into what appeared to be the cellar. In a few minutes, however, the firemen saw that a heavy iron shutter had fallen on the sidewalk upon two beams, and that when the bricks showered upon it a claw-like enclosure was formed.

A LIVING CHILD FOUND.

Through the half darkness they saw the agonized eyes of a little girl, across whose mouth and nose one end of a beam rested. She was able to moan faintly, but the neavy pressure against her mouth would not allow her to talk. It was a wonderful sight to see the firemen work then. Somebody ran and told an ambulance surgeon that a living being was beneath the wreck. The surgeon quickly filled a small hypodermic syringe with a solution that would send the blood coursing faster through the body and stimulate weakened nerves, and stood close by the fast widening programs ready to use it as soon as it was aperture, ready to use it as soon as it was possible.

Presently strong hands lifted the beam from the girl's mouth and she spoke. Her first words were: "My little sister is in here." Then she cried from her own pain. Soon they were able to seize her and lift her up and when the crowd, that stretched for blocks on either side, saw her wave her hands, a loud cheer went up and there was a clapping of hands. HER MOTHER'S INSANE JOY.

Fireman Mulligan took her in his arm and carried her to an ambulance that was backed up to the curb near by. She curled one arm around his neck and waved the other. Her face was bloody and there was an ugly cut beside one eye and on the cheek. At first every one thought that she was waving her hand at the crowd, but as she was carried on the sidewalk there was a loud scream, that seemed to come from the air above and then the little cone began to cry.

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Everybody looked up, and thro open window on the top floor of the build-ing opposite the fire beheld a sad scene. The mother had recognized her daughter, and the revulsion of feeling after the mental torment she had gone through had for the moment deprived her of reason, and she was struggling in the clasp of her husband, trying to throw herself out of the window. He held her tight and dragged her back into the room, but several times she freed her-self and ran to the window's edge. Finally he pushed her into a room, and she did not

CRYING FOR HER MAMMA. But the little girl who had been waving

come out for nearly an hour.

her hands and crying, "Mamma, mamma," was struggling in the fireman's arms and sobbing: "Oh, don't take me to the hossobbing: "Oh, don't take me to the hos-pital. Mamma will scold me. Please, mister, But the fireman patted her and said huskily, "Don't cry, little girl, I'll go along

with you. Then they placed her in a Chambers Street Hospital ambulance and drove off. The girl's name is Mary Heagney, and she is 9 years old. The firemen now began to dig for Annie, the little sister, who was still buried beneath the bricks. They were throwing aside all the obstructions as fast as the

could, when a woman rushed bare-headed among them and cried in an agonized voice: "Where's Johnnie? Have you found my Johnnie yet? Oh, God! My Johnnie! He's killed! killed." The police came and dragged her away. She said she was Mrs. Gibbs, and that sh lived around the corner in Greenwich Her 10-year-old son, she said, had

been playing with the Haegney children, and now she couldn't find him anywhere. HER DEAD BOY FOUND.

The firemen found him and ten minutes afterward they found little Annie Haegney close by him. It was 4 o'clock when the city dead wagon, with its load of plain pine coffins, drove up. There were six bodies in waiting for it. At midnight the workers in the ruins were about to take out six more bodies which were in sight.

Dominick Birkey, a cook, who was employed in the kitchen of Petersen's restaurant, escaped from the ruins, dressed only in his undershirt and trousers. He said: "There were five of us in the kitchen, and we were all busy at work when there was a great crash. It seemed as if the building fell all about us, but we were not hurt. There was a door from the basement into No. 76, but it was closed. I knocked it down and the other cooks followed me out. At the sidewalk we had to crawl through an opening in the wall, which had partly fallen." Fireman Slavin made his second descent

into the cellar of the building at half past 9 o'clock, by means of a ladder through a hole in the sidewalk. When he reappeared he reported seeing three bodies, two and a boy apparently 17 years of age, but their positions, pinned down by timbers and iron girders, made it a dangerous thing to remove them. Again a third time, with two lo accompany him, Slavin went down. The party were gone ten minutes they reappeared. Then Slavin came up the ladder, struggling with the mangled and inanimate form of a body in his arms. Upon a heap of bricks and debris it was laid and revealed a horrible sight. In life the victim had be between 45 and 50 years, heavily built and standing probably six feet. From what re-mained of his features, which were fearfully mangled, his appearance indicated

that he was a German. A considerable sum of money was found on the body. This body had hardly been disposed of when strange sounds, as of some one moan-ing, were heard coming from the ruins. Again there was a time of suspense while the firemen entered the cellar. Soon they

FIVE CENTS.

Identified as an Escaped Convict From a Vermont Prison.

HE IS A DESPERATE CRIMINAL.

His Right Name George H. Abbott, and He Has Served Much Time.

FIERCE FIGHTS HELD WITH OFFICERS

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) HANOVER, N. H., Aug. 22 .- It has been stablished beyond a doubt that Frank C. Almy, the murderer of Christie Warden, is one other than George H. Abbott, who scaped from the Vermont State Prison at Windsor about six years ago. Warden Oakes and two superintendents from Windsor this morning positively identified him as the man sentenced. Abbott is known as an expert burglar and a desperate criminal. His age to-day would be just about that of Almy. When he escaped from the State Prison a reward of \$400 was offered for his capture. At the time of his escape he was serving out a sentence of 15 years, having been convicted on nine different indictments for breaking and entering, to which

he pleaded guilty, in January, 1881. Another strong point in the identification is the fact that Abbott was from Salem, Mass., and Almy is said to have come from that city. Abbott is a son of Harris E. Abbott, of Salem. The father has been dead several years. When Abbott was arrested in 1881 he was the ringleader of a gang of burglars who operated in the towns up and down the Connecticut river from Barnet, Vt., on the north, to Lym, N. H., on the south. Abbott made his home most of the time the depredations were occurring at the house of his uncle

CAPTURED AFTER A FIGHT. In December, 1880, he was captured in

the woods near Fly station by a posse of citizens, under the leadership of Deputy Sheriff Berry. Stored in the woods were found over 300 different articles which the gang had stolen, and among them was a rifle which he had stolen from his captor, Deputy Sheriff Berry. Abbott had also taken \$800 from him. At the time of his capture he made a desperate and determined resistance and received 20 different bullet wounds before he surrendered.

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Four days afterward be escaped from his captors and ran over a mile and a half, with nothing on but his night-shirt and a bed-spread thrown around him. He concealed himself in a railroad culvert, but was soon found. A prominent citizen of Thetford, Vt., who lives not far from where Abbott's Vt., who lives not far from where Abbott's home was in that town, says that Abbott came to Thetford when about 15 years old, to live with his uncle, Israel Abbott. He was a bright, quick-witted boy, but showed a marked propensity for stealing. He at one time stole a stove and set up a black-smith shop on the bank of the Connecticut river. As he grew older he showed a fondness for girls and was a great favorite, and was always very gentlemanly in his conduct

SENT TO CONCORD PRISON.

In 1875, he was arrested for breaking In 1875, he was arrested for breaking into Hale's jewelry store at Oxford, and sentenced to four years in the State prison at Concord. His term was shortened by good behavior. He returned to Thetford and lived, as far as known, a most exemplary life, until 1880. During the sariy part of that year the towns of Thetford, Fairlee and Oxford were ransacked by some middlets as a superstant of the saring and the saring are to be a superstant who was found to be night marauder, who was fou Abbott. He was shot

making his escape from J. K. Carr's house in Oxford. These depredations were committed with great adroitness, but suspicion fell upon Abbott. He had disappeared from his nucle's farm, but glimpses obtained of him by people whose houses he had robbed con-firmed their suspicions. It had been noticed that a strange band car had been seen several times near the railroad near Ely station on the Passumsic Railroad. This, with other things led to the conclusion that the outlaw had headquarters near

that place. ALMY HUNTED DOWN.

Next day after the November election in 1880 a general hunt was organized. Seven-ty-five men, well armed, after half a day's search, located him in a rudely built hut tion at Elv. and not more than half a mile away. He resisted and was fired upon, some 27 shots taking effect, He was finally overpowered and taken into custody. He pleaded guilty to charges of burglary and

prison that he gained the confidence of every officer connected with the institution. At the end of about seven years a place of est was given him, and he took advantage of it and escaped.

Almy is to be taken to the Hillsboro county jail at Manchester by order of the Court. Almy was guarded last night in his room at the Wheelock House by officers,

got 15 years.

Abbott conducted himself so well in

tho relieved each other at intervals. He rested quietly until 11 o'clock, when he fell into a delirious condition and talked of love, poetry, natural history, etc. He sang with a firm, strong voice several verses of "The Mocking Bird," and when he came

to "Singing O'er Her Grave," his voice broke, and he was completely overcome. THE DISPATCH DIRECTORY.

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