# CASUALTIES.

### DEATH RODE ON THE STORM.

#### ASTONISHING RAINFALL IN CHICAGO AND OTHER WESTERN FOINTS.

A storm which swept across the prairie and struck Chicago Saturday night was without a parallel in the history of that section of the country. The records of the local signal service station show nothing approaching it. From 6:30 to 9:30, 4:12 inches of rain fell. Without going into the figures, it may be stated that the volume of water which fell inside of the city;limits would make a lake on which could be floated the greatest navy in the world. It is impossible to estimate the damage with any degree of accuracy. Hardly a house in the city escaped the fury of the storm. Buildings were blown down, basements flooded, plate glass windows shattered and shade trees uprooted or broken by the fury of the gale. It is safe to say that the loss will reach into the hundreds of thousands.

While the storm was at its height, an unoccupied three-story house on Leavitt street was blown over on to an adjoining cottage, completely crushing the latter, instantly killing eight and seriously injuring three of its occupants. Two families lived in the cottage, the front part being occupied by Cornelius Ferdinands, a blacksmith, with his wife and four children, and the rear by Charles Buck, a laborer, his wife and there children. Buck's wife and two children, Anna and Albert, were instantly killed, and Buck himself and his eldest son, Gustof, were so crushed they cannot recover. Cornelius Ferdinands, his wife and two daughters, Geneva and Gertrude, were killed. Linda Ferdinands, 10 years old, was taken out alive but will die. A two year old babe, Cora, was taken out alive, but died at midnight.

Charles Shaffer, a boy six years old, who lived with his parents at 3333 Yorktown street, was killed by lightning during the storm. He was sitting by the fireplace at his home, when lightning struck the house, and, going down the chimney, killed the lad instantly. The house was damaged to the extent of several hundred dollars. Other members of the family were considerably shocked.

Ernest Blocter, the owner of a lumber yard, was instantly killed by an Eastern Illinois engine during the storm, and Henry Dues, one of his employes, was badly hurt. The men were crossing the track at Sixtysixth street. They waited for a freight train to pass and then started to cross. The rain blinded them. An engine approaching from the opposite direction struck them. Blocter was about 48 years old and single. Dues's recovery is doubtful.

#### ANOTHER FLOOD.

#### TRIEUTARIES OF THE LITTLE EANAWHA DO MORE DAMAGE.

Reports say there was a terrible rain and flood Friday night in the upper waters of the Little Kanawha. Reports from Grantsville say Calhoun county was devastated, and crops, fences and houses were washed away during the night. Several "res were also reported lost. Particu-lars are hard to get. The river at aville is reported to be fifteen feet and rising rapidly. Reports from other sections along the Little Kanawha state that a fearful storm occurred during the night and much property was destroyed. Middle Island and all big creeks above, in Pleasant county, are reported rising rapidly. Bear run, Ritchey county, suffered terribly. The loss is reported at not less than \$650,000. During the storm a few days ago in Wirt county, a circus was destroyed just after the performance began. The tent was wrecked and the whole concern carried away. Miss D'Alma, a trapeze performer, was drowned, and it is is reported that some of the employes were lost. The town or Saultsbury, on the Big Tygart river, is wiped out of existence. Theodore Boyd, Mayor of Parkersburg, has issued an urgent appeal for help for sufferers by the recent flood along the Little Kanawha river. Thousands of people are now without means of subsistence, everything having been carried off by the flood. All contributions can be forwarded to Mayor

#### THE DE BRAAK TREASURE. BELIEF THAT THE CARGO OF GOLD AND SILVER HAS BEEN FOUND

The Merritt Wrecking Company's steamer Tuckahoe, of New York, Capt. Demorest, which has been at work off the Delaware Breakwater for the past seven or eight weeks searching for the treasure ship De Braak, which was sunk in Delaware Bay May 25, 1798, has, it is believed, made a very impor-

tant discovery during the last day or two. The Merritt Wrecking Company's people were sanguine of success upon their arrival at Lewes, Delaware, and the exact location upon which the steamer is now at work is believed to be the same as that upon which the British frigates Assistance and Resolute were working over the year after the De Braak went down.

The place is about seven-eighths of a mile from Cape Henlopen Lighthouse. Bearings were taken at the time by pilots residing in Lewes, some of whom left records which the Merritt Wrecking Company became possessed of, and, supplying themselves with the most expert divers that could be obtained and superior grapling apparatus for penetrating the hull of the sunken vessel, they began operations with determina-

tion and superior facilities for success, which there is a reason to believe they have met with.

The supposition that the De Braak, a British sloop-of-war, went down with millions in gold and silver has been verified by the records of the British Admiralty. The mon y and 70 tons of copper were the proceeds of the capture of two Spanish treasure ships bound from Central America to Spain.

Observers of the operations of the Merritt wreckers have noticed large objects hoisted aboard their vessel within the past few days. and there is apparently great excitement on board. The crew of the Tuckahoo since Sunday has been working in a sigularly energetic and excited manner, impressing the observers with the belief that the treasure, or a portion of it at least, has finally been found and brought to the surface. The captain of the Tuckahoe also maintains a curious desire to be undisturbed and has cut off all communication with the shore. Moreover, no one is allowelt board the vessel, and those men who have approached within hailing distance have been peremptorily warned off.

All these unusual circumstances tend to establish the belief that at last, after nearly a century, the long-sought-for De Braak treasure has been found.

#### FIGURES FOR IT.

#### A NORTHWESTERN STATISTICIAN'S ESTIMATE OF THE WHEAT CROP.

The following crop estimate is compiled by Col. Rogers, of the Market Record, one of the most reliable crop statisticians of the Northwest:

The maturing grain in the spring wheat sections has progressed enough toward maturity that it is p ssible to form something like a fair estimate of the yield. That it will amount to more than was commonly figured a few weeks ago there is not the least doubt.

The greatest trouble is in arriving at approximations of acreage that are below average and above average. It will be about to offset the increase in acreage with the amount plowed up and that not plowed up that will not be cut, leaving the acreage about the same as last year. If Minnesota gets 15 bushels, which many think not to high, the total would be some 47,000,000 bushels, and for both Dakotas eight bushels may not be to high, or a roundup of 35,-000,000 bushels, making 80,000,000 bushels for both. The last crop, while called 60,000,000 total, was more than 70,000,000 bush is, perhaps 75,000,000 bushels of all sorts. It is quite generally conceeded that the promise is for some 10,000,000 bushels more than a year ago, which concession, if correct, would indicate \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 bushels this year. Cutting is getting quite general in the South, and will be so in the next week, although a great deal in the South is not ripe mough now and much will not be in the North next week. So far very little shrunken wheat has been discovered, but some is in a stag that might be effected yet.

# LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

### HOME AND FOREIGN.

The corner stone of the Morgan Memorial Gymnasium, the gift of Thomas R. Morgan, of Alliance, to Mount Union College, was laid Thursday by Governor Foraker, in the presence of several thousand people. The Governor made a speech which was enthusinstically applauded.

The bottom dropped out of the Lowell, Mass., reservoir, Tuesday night, and that city is now wholly without a water supply What caused the occurrence is a mystery.

The Governor of Alaska is evidently fear ful of foreign interference in the Territory's affairs, and has asked the Government at Washington for 250 guns with which to arm his militia. He will get them.

John Stryker, aged 75 years, has been arrested near Hammondsville, Ohio, for brutally abusing his children. It is alleged that he has been in the habit of hanging his sons and daughters up and whipping them until their flesh was reduced to a jelly. There is great indignation against the old man among his neighbors, to whom he has been a terror for years.

Wm Seaton, of Mansfield, O., deserted his wife 18 years ago and went West. Friday night he returned, his wife fainting when she saw him. During his absence she was divorced, married and widowed. The couple will probably marry again and go West,

Christ Weinman murdered his wife at Colambus, Ohio, Saturday morning, and then shot himself and will die. He blew the front portion of his wife's head off with a shotgun, then fired a shot into his own head with a revolver. Domestic trouble was the cause of the tragedy. Preparations had been made by the wife to file a petition for divorce.

The Constitutional Convention of North Dakota has decided to submit the Prohibition question to the people.

A suit for \$50,000 damages for the loss of the life of John A. Little, of Sewickley, a commercial traveler, who was one of the vic tims of the Johnstown disaster, has been entered against the members of the South Fork Fishing Club. The action was brought in the Allegheny county courts by the widow and children of the deceased drummer.

Mark King, living a' Hazleton, Pa ,kicked his wife to death Friday night, in a fit of ungovernable rage. He was arrested.

The marriage of Princess Louise and the Duke of Fife took place at noon on Saturday, according to the arrangements made. The wedding presents to the bride number of fully 400 and their value is placed at \$1,000,-:000.

The westbound passenger train on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, due at Memphis at 1:05 A. M., was wrecked Saturday mornining at Brighton, Tenn., 39 miles north of Memphis, by the switch being left open. The killed are the engineer, fireman, baggage master and mail agent. All the passengers were badly shaken up, but none were seriously injured.

### A BATTLE FOR MILLIONS.

UUNS CLAIM PART OF SAN FUANCISCO-THA BLYTHE WILL CONTEST.

Suit will soon be 'rought by counsel representing heirs in Hungary and in Clevelague, O., against the present holders of the estate of William Leidesdorff, one of California's pioneer merchants, who died in 1818.

The estate is now valued at \$40,000,000 and comprises some of the most valuable siness property in San Francisco, This property is held under deeds from ex-U.S. Quartermaster Folsom, who was an intimate friand of Loidesdorf, and bought property from the administrator after Leidesdorf died intestate. The story goes that Folsom found Leidesdorfer had a negro mother living at St. Croix, West Indies, and got from her quit claim deeds of all the estate. Now these Hungarian heirs are ready to prove that Folsom originated the story of a negress mother, and that Leidesdorif was really born at Azsood, Hungary, where he has many direct kin. About 100 heirs met in Buda Pesth in June, and furnished Solomon Ull mer, of Cleveland, with money to prosecute their claims. Ullmer has also made a syndi cate of heirs in Cleveland, and the battle will soon begin. It is also reported that a San Francisco

## A FATAL MINE.

AN EXPLOSION OF GAS KILLS TWO MEN AND IN-JURES SIX OTHERS.

The squeeze in the Central mine of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Company at Scranton, Pa., was followed by a terrific explosion of mine gas, which killed two men and severely , burned six others. The killed are: Robert Roberts, 42 years, married: John Williams, 23 years, single. The injured are: Lewis Roberts, foreman, 42 years, married; Patrick Barrett, 44 years, married; Thomas James, 63 years, married; Benjamin James, 25 years, married; John Dople, 62 years, married; Robert Moran, 45 years, married.

They were all employed as company men and were at work saving the property in the mine, which was being fast covered up by the continued caving-in of the mine. They were engaged in the fourteen-foot (or big) vein, trying to sustain the air passages by putting in new supports and tearing up the track of the main gang-way. All the time they were engaged in this the roof was cracking all around them, pieces of rock being heard falling in every direction. The men worked along rapidly in the face of these dangers to save the company's property, and not until early in the afternoon did they feel that they had advanced far enough along the gang-way to be out of the immediate danger

of the working roof. About half-past three there was a great commotion far up the gangway, and, with an awful noise, the foul air was forced down upon them by the fall of another large section of the gangway roof. It completely blocked the circulation of air and the force of foul air was so great that it reached the naked lamps by which the men were carrying on their work, and in a twinkling the gangway was filled with a mass of flame which huried them in s blaze in every direction, with fatal and terrible results. All the inside workings were blown away and the gangway filled with debris, under which were the dead and mangled forms of the victims.

### STRUNG HIM UP.

WEST VIRGINIA MOB MAKES SHORT WORK OF A NEGRO CRIMINAL.

News from Hinton, Summers county, W a, confirms the report of the lynching of ohn Carter by a mob at that place. Carter us a colored man and was charged with se murder of Constable S. V. Reynolds. m Monday John Robinson's circus was shibiting at Hinton, and while the circus as parading through the streets of the town arter and another colored man had a row. onstable Reynolds started to arrest Carter, tho at first defied the officer and then ran. 'he constable drew a revolver and fired one r two shots at Carter, who began shooting s return. A number of shots were exchangd, three of those fired by Carter taking efset in Reynolds' body, two passing entirely arough the breast. Carter made his escape, ut later was arreste ! and lodged in Hinton

Reynolds was a very popular citizen and a soon as it was known that he was shot here was great excitement in the town and he immedite vicinity. The circus had atacted a number of strangers and threats flynching were freely made during the vening.

As it grew dark the excitement continued, ut no overt ct was committed until after seevening performance at the circus was oncluded. At that time a rush was made or the jail, but the officials, expecting what light be attempted, had taken the prisoner

# CONTINUES TO IMPROVE.

G. DUN & CO.'S WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE R G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: The business outlook has on the whole improved during the week, but on Thursday the assignment of an important iry goods commission house liabilities over \$4,000,000, with occasioned some disquietude. But the general tenor of advices is encouraging. Crop prospects improve. The latest accounts indicate deci ed improvement; in the wheat prospect in Dakota and Minneso-

against 60,000,000 last year. The foreign reports are evidently two-faced, but appear on the whole to promise a larger demand than last year's. The price has advanced only 1-4c, corn and oats 3-Se each, and hog products have declined a fraction. Sugar has declined 1-4c. "Famine" is imminent; the consumption has been sharply reduced by high prices.

Oil has risen 20 cents per barrel for refined and 5# cents for crude. The general average of prices is a shade higher than a week ago. There seems to be real and steady improvement in the condition of the great branches of industry. The demand for iron has so far increased as to cause a general stiffening of prices during the past week. Bar iron is a tenth of a cent higher; rails are firm at \$28, and nails stronger; the business in structural and sheet iron is satisfactory, but the demand for plate is a shade loss urgent. The official report shows that the production of pig. 3,677,767 gross tons, was the targest in any half year in the country's history, and while stocks increased about 210. 900 tons, the consumption was but 70,000 tons less than in the last half of 1888; 131,000 less of Northern iron, apparently, and 61,000 tons more of Southern iron. But production has been in excess of the demand.

The signs of improvements in the woolen business are less clear, but manufacturers have been buying more freely and there has been some increase in the orders for goods. The harvest season for boots and shoes has commenced well. The coal business is dull and weak. The monetary supply is at all reporting points ample, and the complaints of slow collections are fewer than usual. The treasury has taken in 2,000,000, more than it has paid out during the week, but the exports of gold have been for the moment arrested, and commercial bills are more freely made against grain and cotton to go abroad. The exports from New York for three weeks of July have exceeded last year's by 151 per cent., though the imports are also large. In the stock

market depression has been followed by a stronger feeling, and the average of prices is a fraction better than a week ago, with rather more hopeful prospects as to the set-

tlement of difficulties between Chicago and the seaboard. The business failures number 216, as against a total of 208 last week and 209 the week previous. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 221.

### INTER-STATE W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. Inter-State Conference closed its five-days' session at Mountain Lake Park, Md., Monday evening. The day was given to reports, election of officers and other conference business. The resolutions are very stalwart. They declare for abstinence and prohibition, denounce all liquor license as criminal and those who favor license as parties or partakers of the crimes that flow out of the soloon; demand one standard of morals for men and women; declare it worse than treason to withhold the power of the ballot from the virtuous and intelligent women of the home and lodge it with the vice and ignorance of the saloon for the home's destruction; bid God-speed to the party that stands with them against the saloon and bears their banner: "For God and Home and Native Land;" and finally recognize in recent apparent reverses sure omens of victory for prohibition. The following officers were elected for the coming year:

# OHIO PROHIBITIONISTS.

THEOD PARTY ORGANIZATION MAINTAIND IN A STATE TICKET NOMINATED.

The Prohibition State Convention called to order by B. S. Higley, of Yours stown, O., Chairman of the State Canal Committee. Rev. J. C. Holliday, of the Int Presbyterian Church of Cincinnati, delined an address of welcome, to which Chaines an address of worked briefly. After the w pointment of committees the com took a recess.

Rev. Dr. C. L. Woork, of Portsmonth Chairman, the Committee on Creismon reported 444 delegates present Only to counties were not represented-Anglain a Carroll. The platform adopted beins by acknowledging God as the source of all pore and authority in human government proceeds to declare in favor of suppression of the liquor traffic. Revenue from a take or the inquor transvere is declared to be top trary to fundamental principles of rich The platform also favors woman my frage, denounces stock and grain grain ling, favors arbitration for settlement of disputes between employers and employer opposes land monopoly, favors non-rectional adjustment of tariff, and declares in favorat enforcement of Sabbath laws. A resolution was also adopted, but not as a part of the platform, declaring that "The present hides attitude of the liquor element in the leading city of our State, under which a musdents assault has already been made upon a new ber of our party, is but another endenced the terrible and important effect of the new promising policy maintained by the dd po

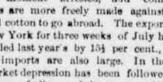
litical parties toward the liquor interest The Rev. J. B. Helwig, of Springled, va nominated for Governor on the first lafet He made a speech, saying he knew us be ter way of promoting the religion of Jers Christ than by the politics of the Proble tion party. "We must put the Goverment," he said, "on the shoulder of Jesa Christ."

L. B. Logan, of Stark county, was nominated for Lieutenant-Governor by and ma tion; for Supreme Judge, Gideon T. Stends of Norwolk; for Treasurer, K. M. Imp. bridge, of Toledo; for Attorney General L Jay Pinney, of Ashtabula.

FANATICS FOR FIGHT .--- Advices from the tront state that three columns of denote are marching to reinforce the army of Sg el Njumi, the leader of the rebels. Carang bearing large quantities of provisions are lowing the reinforcements un ler guest h is believed that when a junction between the rebel forces are effected Nad-el-Njumi va make a grand attack upon the Egyptian al British.

## COMMERCIAL. PITTSHULGH.

New York ..... EGGS. POULTRY-Chickens, Visir Turkeys, V b... POTATOES-Peerless. Rose..... SEEDS-Clover, country..... Timothy ..... Blue grass..... Millet..... WHEAT-No. 2 red..... No. 3 red..... CORN-No. 2 yellow ear ...... Mixed ear ..... Shelled mixed ..... OATS-New No. 2 white..... RYE-New No. 2 Onio and Pa. FLOUR-Fancy winter pat's. Fancy soring ust's. Clear winter...... Rye flour..... BALTIMORS. WHEAT-No. 2 red ...... \$ 573 RYE CORN. OATS-Western..... BUTTER..... CINCINNATI. RYE.... OATS ..... EGGS..... PORK PORK..... PHILADELPHIA. WHEAT-No. 2. Red...... CORN-No. 2. Mixed...... OATS-Ungraded White..... RYE-No. 2. BUTTER-Creamery Extra... CHEESE-N. Y. Full Creata... NEW YORK. CATTLE..... \$ 3 6-31 RYE—State ..... CORN—Ungraded Mixed ..... OATS—Mixed Western ...... BUTTER—Creamery ...... Factory ..... CHEESE-State Factory .... Skims-Light ... Western ..... EGGS-State and Penn .....



ta, the yield being estimated at 80,000,000

Boyd at Parkersburgt CYCLONE IN HUNGARY.

A terrible cyclone swept over portions of Hungary, Translivania and Bukovina, taking in a tract of several thousand square miles in its pathway. The ruin wrought by the visitation is terrible. Hundreds of people have been killed, and a great many more have been maimed and crippled. All crops in the path of the evclone are a total loss and houses and churches are leveled to the ground in all directions.

#### A MOB AFTER OUTLAWS.

A series of depredations involving destruction of considerable property has recently alarmed law-abiding citizens in the vicinity of Clay City, Middlebury and Brunswick, in the extreme southern part of Clay county, Ind. Addison Horn and son and Grant Wills and wife were arrested several days ago under circumstances that point to their guilt, and in their preliminary trial were granted change of venue to a neighboring township.

Sunday night a barn belonging to Thomas Kress, the constable who arrested the suspeets, was burned. The fire was incendiary, but the guilty parties are unknown, though they are undoubtedly members of the gaug that has been terrorizing the neighborhood. The law and order citizens have resorted to whitecapism to rid the community of the gang. One night they called on Jasper Montgomery, who is accused of harboring lewd women, and after tearing down his log house told him to leave the locality at once. Other evil doers have received warning.

#### COLLAPSE OF THE SALT TRUST.

The proposed salt trust has collapsed. The Directors of the North American Sait Company published a statement that while the subscriptions had been numerous, the trustees did not feel justified in making an allotment of shares, and it had been decided to return subscriptions and postpone action for the present. The articles of incorporation called for a capital stock of \$11,000,000. A week ago the company offered \$4,000,000 in debenture bonds. It is not known how many of these were sold. 1. 2.8

# NEGRO LABOR IN THE SOUTH.

The Chattanooga Tradesman has instituted an inquiry with reference to the value of negrolabor in industrial channels in the South. The inquiries were sent to 300 leading Southern manufacturers, representing blast furnaces, rolling-mills, miscelianeous iron works, mines, lumber-mills, saw-mills etc. Replies were received which represent 9,000 negro employes, of whom 2,500 are skilled. The averge wages payed common negro labor is \$1.10 per day, and skilled labor runs from \$1.75 to \$2.25 per day, although several correspondents pay colored puddlers, heaters and rollers as high as \$4 and \$5 per day, and many furnaces pay as high as \$2.50. The replies, without a single exception, show that there is no difference at all between the pay of whites and blacks for the same class of work. The manufacturers are practically unanimous in the opinion that for common

without an exception they declare themselves well satisfied with the negro in the fac tory and announce their determination to continue him in his place. Many state that he is making progress in skilled work. Th Tradesman adds that the condition of the negro is constantly improving and as an industrial factor his usefulness is now recognized by all.

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more efficient and useful than the white, and

### ENORMOUS CAPITALIZATIONS.

The number and extent of new enterprises being floated in England these days is surprising; but if British syndicates continue to seek control of American industries, we may expect to see the record

broken for new capitalizations. There have been about 1,300 new joint stock companies registered in London alone d ring the first six months of 1889, with a capital of over £115,000,000. In the first half of 1888 the total capital registered was over £270,000,000, but that was largely due to an effort to take advantage of the then low rates for registration, and many of the companies have not yet taken any further steps beyond the registration.

capitalist has pooled the issues of all the Blythe claimants except Florence, the daughter who claims the entire estate, and is bearing the expenses of the contest under an agreement by which he is to secure, in case of victory, the entire estate, worth \$1,000,000, after paying them \$1,000,000, to be divided among about 80 claimants.

FIVE NEW WHEATS.

The department of agriculture has ordered from France five varieties of winter wheats, three of which are of Southern origin and are recommended as r st proof; the other two are crosses made by Vilmoryn, of Paris. The Southern wheats are the "Bichelle de Naples," a white bald wheat; the "Zelande," also a white bald, and the "Rieti," a red bearded variety. These wheats are to be distributed in bushel lots to the experiment stations in the Sou hand E s'. The other two are to be distributed in bushel lots to the experiment stations of the Middle and Northern States. One is called the "Dattell," a cross of the 'Prince Albert," and the winter red-bearded "Chiddam," both English wheats acclimated in France. The other is the "Lamed." a cross of the "Prince Albert" and the 'Noe," an O.lessa wheat with blue stem. A full history and description of the characteristics of each wheat and, in the cases of crosses, of the wheats crossed, will

be sent with each lot, so that the experiment can be intelligently studied.

THE ELEINS MURDER MYSTERY .- Although Govern or Larabee, of Iowa, has offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the murderer of John Elkins and wife, on the night of July 17, at their home near Edgewood, no new clews have thus far been obtained. Those most thoroughly conversant with the facts in the tragedy hold firmly to the opinion that Wesley, the 11-yearold son, committed the deed without assistance. He has not yet been seen to shed a tear or display the least emotion over the terrible attair. It has been thought best to place him under arrest, and he is now closely confined.

cross the county line and lodged him in ewisburg jail.

The mob which had gathered at Hinton eld a cosultation and it was decided to go ) Lewisburg. They at once set out on orseback about two hundred strong and rrived at Lewisburg about 4 o'clock in the torning. They at once surroun led the jad nd within a very few minutes Carter was a their clutches. They took the prisoner ack to Hinton, but stopped on the way ad hung him to a tree by the roadside.

# SUFFERERS EXONERATED.

HE TAX PROBLEM AT JOHNSTOWN-WORTHEPSE CLOTHING BURNED,

The Board of County Commissioners have unanimously decided to exonerate from County taxes all properties in the flooded district.

This will reduce the revenues of the county very largely, and a loan will have to be effected to keep up current expenses. Fortunately the finances of the county will be in good condition, the last of the indebtedness having been lifted last fall.

It is supposed that the borough and school authorities will also exonerate from taxes property in the flooded parts of the town, but where the money to keep things going is to come from is a serious question. Rev. Father Tchaney, pastor of the St. John's Catholic Church, has effected a settlement with the insurance companies, receiving \$20,000 out of a total insurance of \$22,000. He will build a temporary wooden structure for his congregation to worship in at once, and expects to have the foundation completed this fall for the substantial brick church. Two available sites belong to the congregation, and it is not known which one the new building will be erected on. The Convent of the Sacred Heart, which was only partially destroyed and in which all the Sisters of Mercy were saved while at prayer, will be rebuilt, and a memorial table erected in remembrance of the great flood.

### A BIG FAILURE.

A deed of assignment from Lewis Brothers & Co., of Philadelphia, to Cornelius Bliss, of Bliss, Fabyan & Co., lawyers, for the benefit of creditors, was filed Thursday afternoon. There were no preferred creditors. For over 25 years the firm of Lewis Brothers & Co. has been the leading house in the dry goods trade of this country. It was founded in Philadelphia in 1852. The founder died in 1886, leaving a large estate, of which \$258,000 was invested as capital in the firm, besides \$1.-000,000 of his which was continued in the business. The firm's headquarters are at 238 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, and has branch stores in Chicago, Boston, Baltimore and New York, and has interests in other cities. The business has amounted to as high as \$15,000,000 a year. Lately it is said to have fallen to \$8,000,000 or \$10,000,000 annually. The firm claimed its capital was \$1,500,000, and that it made money every

President-Mrs. C. B. Buel, of Chicago Vice Presidents-Mrs. T. W. Tudor, Baltimore; Mrs. Jane a Johnson, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Miss Mattle McConnell, McKeesport; Mrs. M. R. Pinkhouser, Harrisonburg, Va.

Secretary-Mrs. Jennie McClurkin, Ronev's Point, W. Va.

Treasurer-Mrs. L. J. Cecil, Baltimore. The Executive Committee will continue in session over to-morrow, planning and de vising larger things for the next annual ference

# CHICAGO DUMPED.

Since the Chicago Board of Trade decided o stop sending quotations over the country, nany requests have come from commercial exchanges in the West, to New York Exhange, for an understanding looking to the doption of New York prices on breadstuffs md provisions, more especially the former is the standard. Instantaneous service was equired, and at a meeting of the members of the New York Exchange, on recommenlation of its official body, the members do ided to send prices forward through the Jold and Stock Telegraph Company imme liately upon transactions taking place here Cheservice was commenced at once.

AFFAIRS IN TEXAS .- The Southern part of Van Zandt county, Tex., is suffering from the acts of a band of incendiaries who are burning churches and school houses right and left. Four of these buildings have been destroyed within a week, and citizens are becoming greatly excited. George Lewis, a negro living near Belden, Tex., was lynched for poisoning the well of William Shaw. The first bale of new crop cotton was brought to Austin, Wednesday. The cotton crop of Texas this year will probably reach 2,000,000 bales and the corn, crop will be enormous.

A FORTUNE IN THE DEEP .--- The wreck o. the English bark Midway, which foundered in 1853 while bound from London to Phila delphia with a cargo of tin lead and spelter. worth over \$150,000, has been located by the Atlantic and Gulf Wrecking Company of Gape Henlopin. The schooner J. Howard Magee landed at Almond street wharf Phila delphia, a consignment of various metals from the Midway's cargo which had been brought to the surface by divers, and although corroded by action of salt water the entire consignment was sold at the high ant market rates.

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CENTRAL STOCE YARDS EAST LIBERT, CATTLE.

Prime 1,300@1,500 lb. cattle, Good 1,000@1,200 lb. cattle, Fair 000621,000 lb. enttle. Stockers, as to quality, Bails and dry cows, Veal calves, Grass calves, Fresh cows, per head. SHEEF. Extra 95@100 lb. sheep, Good 856000 lb. sheep, Fair 756280 lb. sheep, Common 70@75 lb. sheep, Scalawags, Yearings, Spring lambs, HOGS.

Yorkers, 150@160 lbs. Phindelphias, 175(2:300 lbs. Heavy-weights, 275(3:30 lbs. Roughs,

WOOL.

Bosrox.—There has been a quiet as for all kinds of wool, and the sale is week amounted to only 2,440,00 p Prices remain the same and an a steady, but any pressure to sell win suit in lower prices. Ohlo and Pane nia fleeces have been in moderate has with sales of X at 33@34c; XX at and No. 1 at 38@39c. Michigan flee quiet and alow to move at 32%36c is ing and delaine fleeces have been as principally in small lots at 40@312 for combing, 36c for Ohio fine delaine, at for Michigan fine delaine. Bosron .- There has been a quie