a purchaser. The estimate of the loss to the State on the whole transaction, based on appraisements of the land made recently, is $2,450.56.

CASES TO BE COMPROMISED.

The cases which will be compromised out of court and the amounts involved are as follows:

Robert Johnson, Marion county, $801.35; Dr. Robert C. Light, Indianapolis, $1,279.25; Henry Zum Felder, Martin county, $1,818.07; Rennsalaer Bowker, Howard county, $276; Waldo T. Davis, Fayette county, $5,302.50; Abner D. and Alvin Armstrong, $2,369; F. S. Redmond, Marion county, $112.95; George P. Reading, Marion county, $1,122.96; Arthur B. Grover, Marion county, $608; Albert A. Little, Marion county, $2,912.68; John A. Huston, Marion county, $2,935.10; Ella C. Wheatley, Gibson county, $2,450.56; Samuel E. Kercheval, Spencer county, $6,078.59.

Some misapprehension is said to exist concerning the loan made to the late Bruce Carr from the endowment fund. On that transaction the State will not lose a cent. Mr. Carr himself paid part of the principal before his death, and when the land was forfeited it was bought in for the full amount by another. The account is practically closed.

"Bruce Carr was the soul of honor," said Auditor Sherrick yesterday. "It would have been impossible for him to have entered into a shady transaction. I am convinced that the $5,000 he obtained on real estate was secured in good faith, with the full intent of repaying the full amount in cash. It was circumstances undoubtedly that interfered. At any rate, there is no loss on the loan."

Mr. Carr borrowed $5,000 at 6 per cent. June 3, 1899, while J. O. Henderson was auditor of state.

Marion County Fortunate.

County Auditor Harry B. Smith said yesterday that this county has been exceptionally fortunate in its loans from the school fund. "During my terms of office," said Mr. Smith, "$275,490 has been loaned from the school fund and not a cent of it lost. Only two pieces of property on loans from the fund have been forfeited, and these are worth 15 per cent. more than the appraisement of them made when the loan was secured. These forfeited properties have paid both principal and interest since being turned over to the State."

Obituary.

COLUMBUS, O., April 23.—Dr. A. A. E. Taylor, a well-known Presbyterian minister, died at him home in Columbus to-day, aged sixty-three. He was president of the University of Wooster ten years, from 1874 to 1884, and subsequently chairman of the board of trustees for a like period. He was also for several years editor of the Midcontinent at St. Louis and had held pastorates in Dubuque, Ia., Georgetown, D. C., and Cincinnati.

Bad Kentucky Boys.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 23.—Alexander and Thomas Stevens, sixteen and fourteen years old, were arrested to-day, charged with horsewhipping their mother and with cursing and striking her with their fists because she had corrected them. The family came from Kentucky five months ago.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Partly Cloudy and Warmer To-Day—Rain and Cooler To-Night.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Forecast for Friday and Saturday:

Indiana—Partly cloudy and warmer on Friday; showers and cooler at night or Saturday; fresh to brisk south winds, becoming northwest, Saturday.

Illinois—Showers and warmer on Friday; Saturday, cooler and probably fair; fresh to brisk south winds, shifting to northwest.

Lower Michigan—Partly cloudy and warmer on Friday; showers at night or Saturday; cooler Saturday; fresh to brisk south winds, becoming variable.

Ohio—Fair and warmer on Friday; Saturday, showers and cooler; variable winds.

Wisconsin—Showers on Friday; Saturday, fair, cooler in east portion; fresh to brisk south winds, shifting to west and northwest.

Minnesota—Showers on Friday; cooler in west portion; Saturday, fair; variable winds, becoming north and brisk.

Kansas—Partly cloudy and cooler on Friday; probably showers; Saturday, fair.

North Dakota—Fair in northwest, rain and colder in south and east portions on Friday; Saturday, fair, warmer.

South Dakota—Showers and colder Friday; except fair in extreme west portion; Saturday, fair.

Iowa—Showers on Friday; cooler in west portion; Saturday, fair.

Nebraska—Colder on Friday; probably showers; Saturday, fair.

Kentucky—Fair and warmer on Friday. Saturday showers and cooler.

Local Observations on Thursday.

	Bar.	Ther.	R.H.	Wind.	Weather.	Pre.
7 a. m.	30.14	36	92	North.	Clear.	T
7 p. m.	30.10	54	52	West.	Cloudy.	0.00

Maximum temperature, 54; minimum temperature, 36.

Comparative statement of mean temperature and total precipitation on April 23:

	Temp.	Pre.
Normal	54	0.13
Mean	45	T
Departure for day	—9	—0.13
Departure for month	—14	—0.21
Departure since Jan. 1	*128	—0.68

*Plus.

W. T. BLYTHE, Section Director.

Yesterday's Temperatures.

Stations.	7 a. m.	Max.	7 p. m.
Abilene, Tex.	50	78	74
Amarillo, Tex.	48	78	70
Antonio, Tex.	52	80	76
Atlanta, Ga.	38	56	52
Bismarck, N. D.	48	66	48
Buffalo, N. Y.	36	44	40
Cairo, Ill.	44	60	58
Calgary, N. W. T.	32	44	40
Chattanooga, Tenn.	40	52	50
Cheyenne, Wyo.	40	68	58
Chicago, Ill.	36	48	46
Cincinnati, O.	40	54	50
Cleveland, O.	34	48	46
Columbus, O.	38	52	48
Concordia, Kan.	46	80	72
Davenport, Ia.	38	62	58
Denver, Col.	44	76	72
Dodge City, Kan.	46	86	78
Dubuque, Ia.	36	62	54
Duluth, Minn.	40	56	44
El Paso, Tex.	60	86	82
Galveston, Tex.	67	78	70
Grand Junction, Col.	44	80	76
Grand Haven, Mich.	32	46	42
Havre, Mont.	44	62	54
Helena, Mont.	38	56	56
Huron, S. D.	44	72	66
Jacksonville, Fla.	50	66	62
Kansas City, Mo.	46	68	64
Lander, Wyo.	38	68	64
Little Rock, Ark.	46	66	64
Louisville, Ky.	42	54	52
Marquette, Mich.	34	52	40
Memphis, Tenn.	46	64	60
Modena, Utah	45	..	..
Montgomery, Ala.	44	64	60
Nashville, Tenn.	40	58	52
New Orleans, La.	54	72	68
New York, N. Y.	44	58	50
Norfolk, Va.	46	52	50
North Platte, Neb.	44	76	72
Oklahoma, O. T.	46	76	72
Omaha, Neb.	46	70	68
Palestine, Tex.	52	78	72
Parkersburg, W. Va.	40	46	44
Philadelphia, Pa.	44	54	50
Pittsburg, Pa.	38	48	48
Pueblo, Col.	40	80	74
Qu' Appelle, N. W. T.	36	42	38
Rapid City, S. D.	40	62	58
St. Louis, Mo.	42	62	58
St. Paul, Minn.	42	60	48
Salt Lake City	48	68	66
Santa Fe, N. M.	44	68	60
Shreveport, La.	48	76	72
Springfield, Ill.	36	62	56
Springfield, Mo.	38	66	64
Valentine, Neb.	48	70	64
Vicksburg, Miss.	48	70	64
Washington, D. C.	42	56	50
Wichita, Kan.	46	76	74

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

NEW YORK, April 23.—Arrived: Aurania, from Liverpool. Sailed: Auguste Victoria, for Hamburg; La Champagne, for Havre; Barbarossa, for Bremen.

QUEENSTOWN, April 23.—Sailed: Noordland, from Liverpool, for Philadelphia; Oceanic, from Liverpool, for New York.

SCILLY, April 24, 2:15 a. m.—Passed: Kronprinz Wilhelm, from New York, for Bremen.

NAPLES, April 23.—Arrived: Princess Irene, from New York, and sailed for Genoa.

GIBRALTAR, April 23.—Passed: Patria, from Marseilles and Naples, for New York.

PHILADELPHIA, April 23.—Arrived: Nederland, from Antwerp.

ANTWERP, April 23.—Arrived: Southwark, from New York.

SOUTHAMPTON, April 23.—Arrived: New York, from New York.

LIVERPOOL, April 23.—Arrived: Teutonic, from New York.

HAVRE, April 23.—Arrived: La Lorraine, from New York.

TO CURE GRIP IN TWO DAYS.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine removes the cause. E. W. Grove's signature on box. 25c.

MARION TO FT. WAYNE

EXTENSIVE PLANS OF THE UNION TRACTION COMPANY ANNOUNCED.

Work to Begin on Line That Will Be Operated Independently of Other Lines.

SENSATION IS LOOKED FOR

IN MOSES FOWLER CHASE CASE NEXT MONDAY AT LAFAYETTE.

Wife's Dreaming of Husband's Death—Boy's Remarkable Escape—Railway Manager Injured.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MARION, Ind., April 23.—An official of the Union Traction Company of Indiana tonight announced that the company will build a through line from Fort Wayne to Huntington and Warren and on into Marion and then an air line south to Elwood, through Noblesville to Indianapolis. Work on the line, which will be operated independent of its other lines, will begin this summer. It is stated that franchises have been secured in all the towns between Fort Wayne and Marion. The air-line will be built in order to make better time and to be able to compete with the steam lines in speed.

GUARDS WILL TELL TALES.

Sensational Evidence Expected in Moses Fowler Chase Case.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 23.—There is an air of suppressed excitement around the courthouse to-day and attorneys in the Moses Fowler Chase case are preparing for the opening on Monday. Since young Chase was placed in St. Elizabeth Hospital last week there has been a lull in proceedings, but both sides have been working quietly to be prepared for Monday. To-day a new information leaked out concerning the purpose of bringing the two French insane asylum guards and Paul Paquet, of the American embassy, to this country. They will be asked to prove that the institution in which Moses Fowler Chase was confined in Paris was nothing but a low den which has the name of being a prison for victims of unscrupulous wealth-seekers who thus dispose of the persons standing between them and riches. The two nurses from the Comar Asylum, where the boy was placed four years ago, will testify at the hearing on the petition to have the young man declared insane and to have a guardian appointed. The testimony of these Frenchmen, it is believed, will cause a sensation.

Young Chase is still at the hospital and to-day Detective Weinhardt, who has been his attendant all this week, was relieved by John Hawse, Chase's old nurse at the Flint, Mich., sanatorium. Many witnesses will be called in the trial Monday.

WILL NOT FIGHT TRUST.

Indiana Oil Merger Will Not Antagonize Standard Company.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAPORTE, Ind., April 23.—Charles E. Russell, of this city, who, with his brother, William L. Russell, of Lima, O., has secured options on oil property in Indiana and Ohio for a French syndicate and has negotiated the deal for the transfer of oil property worth from $4,000,000 to $6,000,000, in an interview to-day said that the Standard Oil Company would not be antagonized, although the Russells will be competitors of the trust. It is perhaps the most important oil merger ever effected in the Trenton Rock fields, involving properties which last year produced oil that brought their forty or fifty owners about $1,000,000. Mr. Russell says a detailed statement of the transactions will be made public in a few days. He says the plans of the foreign capitalists are not speculative; that no stock in the merger is for sale, and that the capitalists are going into the oil business as a per cent. making business. It is hinted that the effort is to control the crude oil product. With the holdings of the United States Petroleum Company and the National Consolidated Company, added to the millions now in control, the Russells will have the greater portion of the crude oil product in the Indiana oil fields. They recently purchased, independent of the above mentioned companies, the properties of the John Kerr syndicate for $550,000 and the Federal Oil Company for $575,000. The options cover Blackford, Wells and Grant counties in Indiana, and Allen, Mercer, Van Wert, Wood and Hancock counties, in Ohio.

The story of the life of Charles E. Russell, of Laporte, who in the past two or three years has come to the front as an oil magnate, would read like a book of fiction. He has made and lost two monster fortunes before this latest venture. He has a wife and three children and he spends much of his time here with them. He is a middle-aged man, very popular, and is considered an exceptionally shrewd business man.

LAFAYETTE Y. M. C. A.

Plans of New Building to Be Accepted To-Day.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 23.—Directors and trustees of the Y. M. C. A. will meet to-morrow night to accept plans for the proposed $50,000 building in this city. Dagget & Co. and L. H. Gibson, of Indianapolis, J. F. Alexander and J. A. Boontsar, of this city, are the competing architects. All the plans are similar and provide for a four-story brick building to front on Seventh street, where the association owns a lot 130 feet by fifty-six feet on Columbia street. Of the $50,000 to be expended $40,000 will be used for the building itself and $10,000 for furnishing it. In the basement will be a swimming tank and gymnastic appliances, and on the ground floor will be an auditorium and running track. The third floor will be used for reading rooms, offices, library, etc., and on the fourth floor will be rooms for rent to regular members. The erection of the building will begin as soon as enough money can be raised to buy off a mortgage. The Monon shops Y. M. C. A. building, which has been erected at a cost of $14,000, will be dedicated on May 12. Governor Durbin and railway officials will be present.

BOY'S FRIGHTFUL EXPERIENCE.

Rolled for 40 Feet Under Car Wheels and Escaped Serious Injury.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 23.—Samuel Johnson, a twelve-year-old boy, son of Mrs. M. L. Johnson, of Highland Park, was rolled under the wheels of a moving train for a distance of forty feet Wednesday night and is alive to relate his experience. The accident happened near the South-street crossing of the Wabash Railroad. The Johnson boy ran after a baseball and failed to see a switch engine bearing down on him as he ran toward the tracks. The engine struck him, and, moving slowly along, the wheels rolled his body over and over before them. The engineer saw the boy and stopped the engine. To the great surprise of the switching crew young Johnson jumped up, minus only his coat, and with a frightened yell sped across the field. To-day he is sick abed, but will recover.

STRANGER'S COOL TRANSACTION.

Charles Dankert, Northern Indiana Farmer, Is Wondering.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAPORTE, Ind., April 23.—It developed to-day that two months ago John B. Weaver, a stranger, negotiated with Charles Dankert, of Cass township, this county, for the purchase of his 120-acre farm. The deed was executed, Weaver secured possession of it for the alleged purpose of making an examination and then returned it to Dankert, with the announcement that it was unsatisfactory. The farmer now finds that Weaver had the deed recorded and secured a loan of $2,000, the mortgage being duly recorded in the recorder's office. Weaver cannot be located.

HIGH WATER ABATING.

Ohio River and Wabash Begin Falling—Damage to Wheat.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 23.—The Ohio river began falling here to-day and now stands at 35.7 feet. It is believed it will be within its banks by the last of next week. The Wabash river is also falling from Terre Haute to its mouth. Thousands of acres of wheat have been damaged by the high water and farmers will be over a month late in planting their crops. The loss to tie and lumber men has also been considerable.

DREAMED OF HUSBAND'S DEATH.

Strange Fact in Connection with Boonville Accident.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

BOONVILLE, Ind., April 23.—Charles Isley, foreman of the sawmill of the C. P. White Lumber Company, was killed at the mill to-day. A chain broke letting the heavy log carriage fall on him, crushing his skull. A remarkable fact about his death is that his wife last night had a dream that her husband was killed. Isley originally came from Shelbyville, Ind. He was a candidate for councilman on the Democratic town ticket for the May election. He leaves a wife and three children. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and belonged to the Knights of Pythias.

THE JAIL GUARDED.

Sheriff Fears for Safety of Houseboatman Wheeler.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAWRENCEBURG, Ind., April 23.—Harry Wheeler, the Aurora man charged with the murder of Mrs. Mary Smith, and suspected of murdering Thomas Johnson, in a houseboat on the Ohio river near Aurora, April 6, is being carefully guarded here. Wheeler, in a preliminary hearing at Aurora yesterday, was granted a change of venue from Justice Smith's to Justice Thopmson's court, but later waived examination and was bound over to the county court, since when excitement has been rife in Aurora, and Sheriff Axby has been very apprehensive regarding the safety of his prisoner. A strong guard has been placed about the jail, and every effort will be made to protect Wheeler in the event of an attempted lynching.

NOBLESVILLE PLEASED.

Much Gratification Over Appointment of George Shirts.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., April 23.—The selection of Attorney George Shirts as secretary of the codification commission is most gratifying to his friends in Hamilton county. It meets the hearty indorsement of lawyers and laymen, of Democrats and Republicans alike, for the reason that Mr. Shirts is eminently fitted for the discharge of the duties of the office. He is one of the ablest lawyers at the Hamilton county bar. He is a careful student of constitutional government and has given much attention to corporation law. For years he has served on the committee of grievances and appeals of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of Indiana and his decisions have always met the approval of the lodge.

Liquor Men Busy at Kokomo.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

KOKOMO, Ind., April 23.—One of the three saloon men barred out by blanket remonstrance in the March and April terms of the commissioners' court has filed another application for license. The saloon is owned by Councilman G. W. Stidger, the application this time being made by George Sands, one of the bartenders. The liquor men are busy getting names off the remonstrance and the temperance people are equally active in strengthening the remonstrance with the addition of new signatures. Remonstrances will also be filed against all the saloons in the First ward, in which there are three applicants for the May term.

New Process for Brick-Making.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

KOKOMO, Ind., April 23.—A Kokomo inventor has discovered a process of manufacturing silica brick and tile from the refuse pulverized sand used in polishing plate glass, and a company has been formed here to manufacture the brick. Hundreds of thousands of tons of sand that has heretofore been regarded as useless and a nuisance lies along the creek bottom near the Kokomo plate glass factory. Tests show that the finest quality of pressed brick can be made of this sand, which requires neither burning nor straw in making.

Secret Marriage at Kokomo.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

KOKOMO, Ind., April 23.—The marriage of two well-known young people has just been made known. On Saturday, April 4, Mr. Grover Anderson and Miss Geneva Murden, both of this city, were married at the First Baptist parsonage, Rev. Mr. Rhoades officiating. The groom is head bookkeeper at the office of the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company. The bride is cashier for the King-Kennedy Clothing Company. They kept their marriage a secret until to-day.

Mother's Search Rewarded.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SULLIVAN, Ind., April 23.—Mrs. Maggie Spears, who formerly lived here, has recovered her child, Jessie Lee Spears, who was kidnaped by the child's father after a divorce had been granted the parents and the custody of the little one given to the mother. Recently the mother obtained her daughter, who is now fifteen years of age, at Milnor, S. D. The mother had been searching almost continuously for the child since she was stolen in 1893.

Heavy Verdict for Personal Injuries.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

NASHVILLE, Ind., April 23.—The jury in the case of Andrew J. Ridge against the Oolitic Stone Company, of Monroe county, returned a verdict this evening for Ridge for $5,000. Ridge was permanently injured by falling dirt and stone in the oolitic quarry and claimed $10,000 damages. The case was venued from Monroe county to Brown, and a year ago was tried in the Brown county Circuit Court, the jury failing to agree.

Found Dead on a Table.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WINCHESTER, Ind., April 23.—Theophilus W. Crain, son of Superintendent Crain, of the Prudential insurance agency of this city, was found dead upon a table in the company's office this morning when one of the employes opened the office. He had been in poor health for some time and yesterday evening was noticed to be low-spirited and listless. When found he was lying on his face and had evidently been dead for some time.

Mrs. Parfitt Gets Divorce and $3,000.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

GOSHEN, Ind., April 22.—Mrs. De Ette Parfitt was this afternoon granted a divorce from William Parfitt, a veteran Goshen photographer, who was a former pastor in the North Indiana M. E. Conference. The property rights were settled out of court, the wife receiving $3,000. She also has the custody of their little daughter.

Believes in Taylor's Innocence.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RICHMOND, Ind., April 23.—Caleb Powers, one of the suspects in the Goebel case, has written to Richmond asking that an effort be made to find Benjamin Rowe, colored, who was a porter for Governor Bradley and also for Governor Taylor. Rowe has gone to Frankfort twice to testify and is willing to go again. He believes Taylor has no knowledge of the crime.

Elkhart Boy Killed at Ottawa, Ill.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ELKHART, Ind., April 23.—Thomas Manning, who graduated from the Elkhart High School in 1895 and from Purdue University in 1901, was killed by a Rock Island train at Ottawa, Ill., Wednesday evening. He was a civil engineer in the employ of that road. He was twenty-seven years of age and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Manning, of this city. The aged father has gone to bring the body home.

Rose to Be Tried Next Week.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WABASH, Ind., April 23.—The trial of John B. Rose, the defaulting city treasurer of Wabash, has been set down for next Tuesday in the Wabash Circuit Court. One of the points it is understood will be raised is that no formal demand for the money was ever made on Rose, and that in the meantime, the bondsmen having made good the shortage, a criminal action for embezzlement will not stand.

Fort Wayne Elopers Arrested.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., April 23.—Sheriff Stout was notified this morning of the arrest at Lida, O., of Mrs. Jessie Castell and her married paramour, Charles Latty, of this city, who eloped night before last, taking with them $125 belonging to Mrs. Castell's husband. A deputy was sent at once to bring them home. Latty is a man of considerable property in this county.

Railway Manager Injured.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

RICHMOND, Ind., April 23.—W. I. Allen, general manager of the Cincinnati, Richmond & Muncie Railroad, was badly hurt this evening. While on a motor car he collided with a switch engine and was thrown heavily. He struck on his back and head. Two ribs were fractured and he was much scratched and bruised. The full extent of his injuries cannot yet be told.

J. G. Shanklin Slightly Improved.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 23.—John Gilbert Shanklin, who has been seriously ill for several days, is slightly improved tonight. He has taken a little nourishment during the day. His heart, however, is still weak.

June Wedding for Shelbyville.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., April 23.—The engagement of Miss Minnie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Aschmeyer, and Mr. Joseph Mardis is announced. The wedding will take place June 10.

Failure of a Clothing Dealer.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SUMMITVILLE, Ind., April 23.—Maurice Warner, of this city, has been named as assignee of the clothing house of E. Markson, Alexandria, which yesterday failed, with liabilities $15,000 and assets $7,000.

Call to Muncie Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, April 23.—A call has been issued by the congregation of Tabernacle Presbyterian Church here to Rev. William Oxtody, of Muncie, Ind., who, it is said, will accept.

Fell Dead in the Field.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 23.—Abe Cherry, aged forty-three, fell dead in the field at his home near Boonville this afternoon. He was a brother of former Sheriff Ray Cherry.

Indiana Obituary.

GREENSBURG, Ind., April 23.—Dr. W. H. Wooden died at the Bethesda Hospital in Cincinnati at 3 o'clock this morning of a complication of diseases. Several weeks ago an operation was performed at the hospital, but it was unavailing. William H. Wooden was born in Clifty, this county, Aug. 12, 1857. When eight years old he came to this city with his parents. At the age of sixteen he entered the State University at Bloomington, and later he took a course in the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati, graduating in 1879. Since that time he had practiced in this city.

Mrs. Martha A. Hitt, wife of Dr. J. G. Hitt, died at her home in this city this morning at 10 o'clock. She was seventy-two years of age and leaves a husband and two sons, Dr. S. B. Hitt and Joe Hitt, proprietor of the De Armond Hotel.

RICHMOND, Ind., April 23.—John L. Thompson, aged seventy-four years, died to-day. He was one of the well-known residents of the city. He was born June 9, 1829, in Virginia, and the family moved to Wayne county when he was five years old. He had resided in Richmond since 1854, and for nearly forty-eight years was engaged with Gaar, Scott & Co. He was a member of the Odd Fellows, Masons and the Presbyterian Church. One son, Prof. Albert Thompson, survives.

MUNCIE, Ind., April 23.—Just a year to the day after the death of her husband Mrs. Christian Geiger, seventy-two years of age, died this morning. Mrs. Geiger was a pioneer resident of Muncie, having lived in this city for more than fifty years. She was the widow of the late Frederick Geiger, a wealthy capitalist. Four daughters and three sons survive. She was a life-long member of the German Lutheran Church.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 23.—Word was received here to-day of the sudden death in Chicago this morning of James Falley, a former prominent resident of Lafayette. Falley was about thirty-five years old and left here twelve years ago. His father went to Chicago to-day.

DECATUR, Ind., April 23.—The funeral of Mrs. John Parrish, aged twenty-nine, who died Monday, was held here this morning. Mrs. Parrish was very well known in this city and vicinity. The city schools closed on account of the funeral.

Indiana Notes.

FORT WAYNE.—The Fort Wayne College of Medicine held its annual commencement Wednesday night, when the degree of doctor of medicine was conferred on Garrett Von Sweringen, Homer Edmund Glock, Marion Glock, Corwin Richie Price and Albert Edward Stoler. Dr. C. B. Stemen, dean of the faculty, presided. The address was made by Congressman Robinson and the degrees were conferred by Charles McCulloch. A banquet followed at the Wayne Hotel, at which Dr. K. K. Wheelock presided. The honors of the class were carried off by Garrett Sweringen.

RICHMOND.—The Commercial Club has taken up with the proposition of James H. Shaw, of Bloomington, Ill., to conduct a ten days' Chautauqua assembly here, and the plan promises to go through. It calls for sixty entertainments, and the programme would include such men as Hanna, Bryan, Mitchell and Hoar. * * * The Hamilton district of the Ohio Lutheran Synod has closed its sessions here and will meet in October at Dillsboro, Ind. The reports submitted show the district is supporting eleven students in church schools.

LAWRENCEBURG.—Charles Pound, a sixteen-months old child, met with a peculiar accident Thursday morning. The little fellow was standing in the back doorway, his right hand on the doorjamb, when, out of the spirit of mischief, his five-year-old sister slammed the door. The child's hand was caught between the jamb and heavy door and crushed so as to render necessary the amputation of the fingers and thumb.

ELKHART.—Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Harper, living two miles north of the city, Thursday celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage. * * * It is determined that the disastrous fire at the Elkhart Egg Case Company's plant Wednesday, resulting in a loss of $30,000 or more, was started by a lad smoking a cigarette in a room containing a huge pile of excelsior.

GREENSBURG.—The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the Moore's Hill district closed a two days' session at the First M. E. Church Thursday night. The attendance was large and the reports in all departments were exceedingly favorable.

KOKOMO.—Kokomo is to have a second pottery works, to be known as the Columbia Sanitary Pottery Company. Capital, $50,000. The concern will employ about 150 men at the outset. I. N. Miller is president and H. C. Waldman secretary of the company.

WABASH.—Two runaway girls from Peru, aged fifteen, were arrested here Thursday and held until their parents came for them. They gave their names as Miller and Null, and were dissatisfied with life at home.

MARION.—With the law becoming effective governing the conduct of saloons within a mile of soldiers' homes, fifteen saloons within the vicinity of the Marion Home closed Thursday.

DECATUR.—County Surveyor George E. McKean, of Decatur, has been appointed special city civil engineer to fill the vacancy made by the death of former Engineer H. B. Knoff.

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CATHOLIC CEREMONIES

GROUND BROKEN FOR THE DOMINICAN HOUSE OF STUDIES.

Cornerstone of a Mission House Also Laid—Philippine Question Considered by Prelates.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The annual meeting of the archbishops of the Catholic Church was held to-day in McMahon Hall of the Catholic University. The deliberations of the body, which were held behind closed doors, were presided over by Cardinal Gibbons. While no formal statement of the work of the archbishops was made, it was said that much time was devoted to consideration of the policy of the Catholic Church in the Philippine islands. Other questions affecting the church in the United States also were considered, but no announcement of the conclusion reached was made.

After the meeting of the archbishops Mgr. O'Connell, the newly installed rector of the Catholic University, tendered a dinner to the assembled prelates in the refractory of Caldwell Hall. Attending the dinner were about 120 persons, including Cardinal Gibbons, all of the archbishops, bishops and clergymen assembled here to participate in the various exercises at the university and many ecclesiastical students and laymen of the church.

The first public ceremony of the day occurred at 3:30 o'clock. It consisted of the breaking of ground for the proposed Dominican House of Studies, which has been located immediately across Bunker Hill road from the university campus. The ceremony was simple but impressive. An informal procession of prelates, headed by Cardinal Gibbons and Bishop Conaty, proceeded from Divinity hall to the site of the Dominican house. There Cardinal Gibbons, surrounded by scores of church dignitaries and laymen, with a new spade handsomely bound with ribbons, turned the first earth which marked the beginning of the proposed structure. Each of the archbishops and bishops present in turn drove the spade into the ground and turned over the fresh earth. At the conclusion of the ceremony Cardinal Gibbons and the other church dignitaries present were photographed. The Dominican House of Studies will be an imposing structure of granite in Gothic style, and will cost about $250,000. It is expected to be ready for occupancy in October, 1904. It will be the mother house of the Diminical Order in this country. The present mother house is at Somerset, O., but the establishment will be removed here on the completion of the new building.

At the conclusion of the ceremony on the site of the Dominican house the procession of prelates proceeded to the site of the proposed apostolic mission house, led by the band of Gonzaga College. There, in the presence of a deeply interested throng of church officials, students and laymen, Cardinal Gibbons, in the full robes of his high office, conducted the impressive ceremony, blessing the ground and laying the cornerstone of the proposed edifice. The new house, which is situated on the university campus, will cost about $50,000 and will be ready for occupancy next October.

TRADE, INDUSTRY, FINANCE.

The amount of 3 and 4 per cent. bonds exchanged to date for 2 per cent. consols under the recent offer of the secretary of the treasury is $43,116,350.

The directors of the Northern Pacific Railroad have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent., payable May 1. In February the dividend was 1½ per cent. regular and half of 1 per cent. extra.

Owing to the requests of many colonists who are coming to California to live, the Southern Pacific and its connections have decided to make a low tariff on household goods in small lots shipped from the East.

The Treasury Department on Thursday purchased on account of Philippine coinage 250,000 ounces of silver at 52.1 cents an ounce, an increase in price is due to the advance in London. The total purchase to date is 2,817,300 ounces.

The steamer China has brought to San Francisco one of the largest shipments of opium that has ever come from the Orient. It consisted of 815 cases of 33,415 pounds, on which the duty amounted to $200,490. The commercial value of the opium is about $534,340.

It is reported at Pensacola, Fla., that the deal for the sale of the two big lumber mills of Simpson & Co., at Bagdad, together with towboats, barges and 100,000 acres of virgin timber, has been closed. Illinois and Michigan capitalists are the purchasers. They have had an option on it for two months.

The board of directors of the William P. Cramp Ship and Engine-building Company has approved the plan to secure a loan of $5,000,000 to meet present needs. The question of electing voting trustees was not decided and none of the directors resigned. No arrangements were made to issue stock to meet the bonus on the loan.

A committee of five, representing twenty independent cotton-oil plants in Georgia and Alabama, was looking over sites for a large cotton-oil refinery at Columbus, O., Thursday, to cost half a million dollars. They were shown several desirable sites. It has been settled that either Columbus or Albany, Ga., will get the refinery.

W. A. Shoemaker, representing a New York syndicate, is in Pittsburg with a proposition to lease the waterworks of that city for a term of fifty years. Mr. Shoemaker says $2,000,000 is back of the enterprise. It is proposed to provide Pittsburg with filtered water, install meters and to pay the city at least $500,000 a year for operating the water system. The city will be given option to take back the plant at the end of ten years if the service is not satisfactory to the taxpayers.

The embarrassment of the White Mountain Paper Company, at Portsmouth, N. H., which was organized with an authorized capital of $10,000,000 bonds, $5,000,000 preferred stock and $10,000,000 common stock, is attributed to the failure of some of the underwriters of $4,000,000 cash requirements to make good their pledges. Receiver Donovan is the head of a New York and Philadelphia syndicate of capitalists who have declared willingness to advance $4,000,000 of new money with which to complete the enterprise, and a plan of reorganization has been prepared.

The Blue Creek Coal and Land Company, capital stock $2,000,000, was formed at Scranton, Pa., on Wednesday. Edward S. Jones, of Scranton, is president, and ex-Governor W. A. McCorkle, of West Virginia, vice president. The company is incorporated under the laws of West Virginia. It has 45,000 acres of coal and timber lands in Kanawha county, West Virginia. The Imboden & Odell Railroad Company, capital $500,000, was also formed to build and operate forty-three miles of railroad on the tract. The same officers and directors govern both companies.

The British consul at Chicago, W. Wyndham, in his annual report on Chicago and the whole consular district, gives a glowing account of the great and increasing prosperity thereof, and pays high tributes to American methods. He expresses the opinion that the progress of the country is largely due to "the opportunity, both in business and in employment in this large young country, the encouragement given to workmen, the rewarding of merit, the intimate acquaintance of the heads of firms with the work of their subordinates, the keen enthusiasm shown by the workmen in the interests of their employers, and to the absolute fearlessness on the part of the business man in venturing on experiments, either in machinery or system, that might be brought before him."

Methodist Benevolent Societies.

CINCINNATI, April 23.—The commission on consolidation of the benevolent societies of the Methodist Episcopal Church to-day published in the Methodist weeklies the report to be considered at the next general conference in Los Angeles. The recommendation is that the several benevolent societies shall be consolidated under the names of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or, the Board of Education, Freedmen's Aid and Sunday Schools of the Methodist Church, as the General Conference may determine.

National Municipal League.

DETROIT, Mich., April 23.—This evening's session of the National Municipal League, which is holding its annual meeting in Detroit, was held at Philharmonic Hall and was attended by about 150 persons. Rev. N. Boynton, of Detroit, presided and made an introductory address. The principal paper of the evening was the report of Horace E. Deming, chairman of the league committee on nomination reform, and the discussion which followed was led by Prof. S. E. Sparting, of the University of Wisconsin, and Professor Shafer, of the University of Minnesota. Several papers were read during the day.

Trouble on the Mexican Border.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 23.—News has reached here from Tucson to the effect that Deputy United States Marshal Utting and posse, who left for the "gun-sight" country on the Mexican line a few days ago to arrest smugglers, encountered a band of outlaws composed of some whites and renegade Papajo Indians and Mexicans and that two Indians were killed. No details are obtainable and nothing has been heard from Utting. It is feared he has either been killed or taken prisoner. A posse of citizens will organize to-morrow to go in pursuit, and Captain Rynning, of the Rangers, will get all his available men and accompany them. The posse will probably include twenty men.

Losses by Fire.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., April 23.—The New Jersey experiment building was destroyed to-day by a fire that started in the chemicals. Many rare specimens of insects discovered by Prof. Smith, State entomologist, were lost. The loss was $100,000.

FAIRBURY, Neb., April 23.—Fire to-day destroyed fifteen business buildings and several houses, causing a loss of $100,000. Help was obtained from Beatrice before the flames were extinguished.

SHAKSPEARE'S BIRTHDAY.

Irvington Athenaeum Listens to Lecture and Elects Officers.

Three hundred and thirty-nine years ago yesterday there was born at Stratford-on-Avon, so tradition says, a certain writer of plays called William Shakspeare, and it was to celebrate his birthday that the last meeting this year of the Irvington Athenaeum was held last night in the Athenaeum Hall. Dr. Sidney Lee, of London, England, addressed the society. T. C. Howe, president of the Athena