

Epitome of the Week.

INTERESTING NEWS COMPILATION.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATOR ALLISON made a lengthy speech in the Senate on the Sundry Civil bill in the Senate on the 28th. The bill that the expenditures of the Government for the four years of Mr. Cleveland's Administration exceeded the expenditures of the Garfield-Arthur Administration by \$20,000,000. Mr. Hoar's resolution calling on President Cleveland for all the correspondence between Great Britain and the United States relating to the fisheries troubles was passed. In the House the time was principally occupied in debating the leave-of-absence question. The President's message and the Wilson bill to relate to the high seas was referred to a sub-committee to collate all the treaties and statutes bearing on the subject.

MR. REAGAN introduced a bill in the Senate on the 29th to permit the importation of jute bagging free of duty. The conference report on the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill was considered. Several bills of local importance were passed. In the House a joint resolution was passed to provide temporarily (until September 15) for the expenditures of the Government. The bill providing that the Government securities shall be held in the highest style of art, on hand-roller presses, was passed.

IN the Senate on the 29th ult. the bill for the land grants to the Northern Pacific Railroad on the part of the line not yet completed was reported favorably. Several amendments to the Fortifications bill were adopted. In speaking of the retaliatory message Senator George upheld the President's position and Senator Culom criticised it. In the House an attempt to consider the Oklahoma bill showed the absence of a quorum. The Committee on Foreign Affairs reported the Retaliation bill, which gives the President authority, in his discretion, to suspend in whole or in part the transportation of goods imported or exported from Canada without the payment of duty; provides that whenever the President is satisfied that there is any discrimination whatever in the use of Canadian canals which may be detrimental to the interests of the United States there shall be a toll of twenty cents a ton levied on Canadian vessels which do not stop at the ports of the United States, or the President may in his discretion entirely prohibit Canadian vessels from the use of these canals.

IN the Senate on the 31st ult. the Fortifications bill was passed. A bill was introduced authorizing the President to take all necessary steps to prevent the spread from one State or Territory to another of cholera, yellow fever, small-pox or plague. A bill was reported favorably to give soldiers who served ninety days or more and were discharged on account of disease contracted in the line of duty the same bounty they would have received if discharged for wounds. Adjourned.

DOMESTIC.

Mrs. HARRIET MILLER, a wealthy Columbus, O. woman, aged seventy years, was accidentally killed on the 28th by the explosion of a revolver in the hands of her son, W. H. Miller.

SAMUEL STAMBOAK, a leading merchant at Kincaid, Kan., while umpiring a baseball game on the 28th was struck on the neck by a swiftly-pitched ball and instantly killed.

JOSEPH BREED, assistant cashier of the Hartford (Conn.) National Bank, suicided by cutting his throat on the 29th. No cause was known.

NEAR Topeka, Kan., George Pearce, a farmer seventy-three years of age, was attacked by a bull on the 29th while trying to tie up the animal and was gored to death.

OWING to despondency over the death of his wife, which occurred a year ago, R. H. Milnor, a prominent physician of Chester, Pa., committed suicide on the 29th.

CHARLES CROCKER, the recently deceased California millionaire, left his entire estate, valued at \$25,350,000, to his family.

EIGHTEEN valuable horses were burned to death in the barn of the Spring Valley Stock Farm near Indianapolis, Ind., on the 29th.

A FIRE destroyed eight business houses and a large amount of valuable property at Lancaster, Wis., on the 29th.

The annual report made public on the 29th of the Pension Commissioner for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1888, shows that there were added to the pension rolls 60,232 new names, making a total of 452,357 pensioners on the rolls at the close of the year. The amount of pensions paid during the year was \$73,775,381, an increase over the previous year of \$5,308,280.

The forest fires in Northern Michigan were nearly out on the 29th, and people were returning to their homes. Records of losses kept increasing the total amount lost. There were no fatalities, though many narrow escapes.

At Brown's Gulch, M. T., on the 29th Peter and Eugene Vahino, aged six and three years respectively, while playing with matches in a barn, set fire to the building and were burned to death.

By the upsetting of a boat on the 29th near Hyannis, Mass., Bertie and Edna Smith and Fred Barnard were drowned. They were each about twelve years of age.

OWING to an epidemic of malarial or typhoid fever many residents of Caldwell, O., were on the 29th leaving that town. There had been one hundred cases of the malady and twenty-five deaths.

INCIDENTS of acute given on the 30th ult. by mistake as a sirup in soda water killed Horace Bishop and Charles Applebee, aged fifteen and sixteen years, at Bradford, Conn.

FOURTY-FIVE business firms of Davenport, Ia., commenced proceedings on the 30th ult. before the State Railroad Commissioners against several railways, alleging that the freight rates charged by these roads are unreasonably high and discriminating.

THE prospects were on the 30th ult. that the crop of oysters from all the waters in the neighborhood of New York this season would be of excellent quality and extremely plentiful.

At a meeting of the National Electrical Association in New York on the 30th ult. it was stated that there were 192,500 arc lights and 1,700,000 incandescent lights in use in the United States. Thirty-four electric railways were in operation and forty-nine more roads were being constructed.

A STATUTE to Robert Burns was unveiled at Albany, N. Y., on the 30th ult. in the presence of noted Scotchmen from all parts of the country. Rev. Robert Collyer was the orator of the occasion.

JOHN KIRBY, third baseman in the Lima (O.) base-ball club, broke one of the cords in his left leg in sliding to a base on the 30th ult. and would be crippled for life.

THE total cost of the foreign mail service of the United States last year was \$490,067. The number of pieces of mail sent to foreign countries aggregated 89,236,984.

THE United States Government sold and gave away 28,485,833 acres of land during the year ended June 30 last.

ISAAC WILLS on the 30th ult. shot and killed his twenty-year-old wife at New Florence, Mo., while in a drunken rage.

A MYSTERIOUS infectious disease, which had some characteristics of typhoid fever and some of malaria, had caused twenty-five deaths at Caldwell, O., on the 30th ult.

THIRTY-FOUR new cases of yellow fever were reported at Jacksonville, Fla., on the 30th ult., and the panic was said to be spreading and passing beyond control.

By the premature explosion of a dynamite cartridge on the 30th ult. at South Bethlehem, N. Y., three men were killed.

In a quarrel on the 30th ult. at Warren, Ind., George McKee shot and killed his brother John.

The last span in the great bridge across the Hudson river at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., was completed on the 30th ult.

JOHN FILLMART, aged ninety-three years, hanged himself in his son's barn at Depauville, N. Y., on the 31st ult. No cause was known.

An old bridge over Dry Fork, near Taylorsville, Ala., went down on the 31st ult. while a party of young folks were on their way to a picnic over it, and four were killed and several wounded.

It was announced on the 31st ult. that a banana "trust" had been formed at New Orleans with a capital of \$10,000,000.

DYING to ill-treatment by her husband Mrs. Thompson drowned herself and her one-week-old babe on the 31st ult. at New Lisbon, O.

CHARLES I. DE BATH, the absconding assistant cashier of the Park National Bank of New York, who stole \$110,000, was arrested on the 31st ult.

ELIAS KOHN, of New York, aged sixty-two years, cut his wife's throat on the 31st ult. and then shot himself through the heart. Domestic trouble was the cause.

DURING the seven days ended on the 31st ult. there were 136 business failures in the United States, against 157 the previous seven days. The total of failures in the United States since January 1 to date is 6,721, against 6,413 in 1887.

An explosion of mine gas occurred on the 31st ult. in the colliery of the Mount Pleasant Coal Company, near Scranton, Pa., and it was believed that many miners were killed.

A WATER-SPOUT early on the morning of the 31st ult. did great damage in the Hot Springs (Ark.) district. A raging flood swept through that city, destroying many structures and partly submerging others. It was said that thirteen persons were drowned, and that nine bodies had been recovered. The financial loss was placed at \$100,000.

DURING the twenty-four hours ended at six p. m. on the 31st ult. there were twenty-six new cases of yellow fever and three deaths at Jacksonville, Fla. People were quitting the city in thousands.

REPORTS from the Northwest on the 31st ult. showed an average yield of eighteen bushels of wheat to the acre in Northern Minnesota and fifteen bushel to the acre in Dakota.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold its annual meeting in New York October 19.

GEORGE W. COX was hanged on the 31st ult. at San Andreas, Cal., for the murder of his son-in-law, Henry C. Cook, last November.

DURING the last fiscal year the total number of applications received at the Patent Office in Washington was 40,177; the total number granted, 22,101, against 23,217 the previous year; total receipts, \$1,192,944, a decrease of \$27,102; total expenditures, \$963,730, a decrease of \$27,914. There were 7,227 cases on hand awaiting action.

HEAVY wind and rain-storms had on the 31st ult. injured the cotton crop in Western Tennessee and the northern portions of Mississippi, Arkansas and Alabama about ten per cent.

FIVE cowboys were drowned on the 31st ult. near Pike's Peak, Col., by a cloud burst which flooded the place where they were sleeping.

BURKE MITCHELL, a negro wife-murderer, was hanged on the 31st ult. at Houston, Tex.

FOREST fires had on the 31st ult. done great damage to fencing, corn-fields and small buildings in the vicinity of Montpelier, Ind.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

REV. JESSE PRATT, the oldest Baptist minister of Arkansas, died at Little Rock on the 28th from grief over the waywardness of a son.

The Pennsylvania Democratic State convention at Harrisburg on the 28th nominated Henry Meyer, of Allegheny, for Auditor-General.

The Republicans of New York at State convention on the 28th at Saratoga Springs nominated Warner Miller for Governor, Colonel S. V. R. Cruger for Lieutenant-Governor, and William Rumsey for Judge of the Court of Appeals. The platform indorses high license, denounces pauper immigration, approves the declaration of principles adopted by the National convention in Chicago, heartily indorses the Republican nominees, declares against free trade and condemns the course of Governor Hill.

The Minnesota State conference of Farmers' and Labor organizations in session at St. Paul on the 28th nominated Ignatius Donnelly for Governor.

CANDIDATES for Congress were nominated on the 28th as follows: John P. Remington, by the Delaware State Democratic convention; James McCabe, by Ninth Indiana district Democrats; J. E. Reber, by Eighth Illinois district Prohibitionists; J. C. Burrows (renominated) by Fourth Michigan district Republicans; A. E. Morrison, by Seventh Iowa district Democrats; D. J. Burchett, by Ninth Kentucky district Republicans; D. L. Brinton, by Third Maryland district Republicans; D. B. Brunner, by Eighth Pennsylvania district Democrats; and Charles B. Smith (renominated) by Fourth West Virginia district Republicans.

THE following Congressional nominations were reported on the 30th: Iowa, Fifth district, Daniel Kerr (Rep., renominated); Michigan, Second district, W. Stearns (Dem.); Fifth, T. E. Barkwith (Dem.); Missouri, First district, W. H. Hatch (Dem.); Seventh, R. H. Norton (Dem.); Pennsylvania, Twenty-third district, J. A. Langft (Dem.); Twenty-second, G. N. Stearns (Dem.).

MISS MARGARET FENICAL, one of the smallest women in the world, died on the 29th at Carlisle, Pa. She was fifty-five years old and only thirty-four inches in height.

The Kansas Union Labor party held a convention at Wichita on the 29th and nominated a full State ticket, with P. P. Elder for Governor. The platform demanded woman suffrage, pension to soldiers, reduction of official salaries, and that the State publish school-books and furnish them at cost.

The Union Labor State convention held at Wilkesbarre, Pa., on the 29th made these nominations: For Auditor-General, Thomas H. Windle; Supreme Judge, W. L. Bird. A platform was adopted demanding free homesteads and favoring a uniform series of school books to be published by the State.

CONGRESSIONAL nominations were made on the 30th ult. as follows: Wisconsin, Fifth district, L. B. Caswell (Rep.), renominated; Missouri, Twelfth district, John W. Hanna (Rep.); Virginia, Fifth district, J. D. Blackville (Rep.); Sixth, P. McAuliffe (Rep.); Indiana, First district, Frank B. Posey (Rep.); Michigan, Fifth district, Charles E. Belknap (Rep.); Ohio, First district, O. J. Cosgrove (Dem.); Second, C. W. Gerard (Dem.); Illinois, Eighth district, John McLaughlin (Union Labor).

Mrs. NANCY JONES, aged one hundred and six years, died on the 29th ult. at Galveston, Tex.

CONGRESSIONAL nominations were made on the 31st ult. as follows: Lewis W. Turpin by Fourth Alabama district Democrats; Samuel Craig by Twenty-first Pennsylvania district Republicans; Daniel Campbell, by Eleventh Iowa district Union Laborers; and Michael Hoesley by First Illinois district Union Laborers.

FOREIGN.

THE Pope on the 23rd appointed Rev. Dr. John S. Foley as Bishop of Detroit.

In an address at St. Thomas, Ont., on the 28th Hon. Mr. Laurier, leader of the Liberal party in Canada, said that the unfriendly course of the Dominion Government during the past twenty-five years had irritated Americans, and that it was high time that that policy should be reversed.

FIFTEEN men of the crew of the steamer Bratsburg, from Sydney to Montreal with coal, were drowned on the 28th near Matamoras, by the stranding of the boat.

ADVICES of the 29th from London state that the shortage in the wheat crop of the old world would be about 30,000,000 bushels.

A HEAVY rain, accompanied by a gale, prevailed over England on the 29th, doing great damage to crops.

ADVICES of the 29th say that five hundred dervishes attacked an Egyptian fort near Wady Halfa and captured a portion of it. The Egyptians received reinforcements and succeeded in driving out the dervishes, killing one hundred of them. The Egyptian loss was sixteen killed and twenty-seven wounded.

ANOTHER nihilist plot was discovered on the 29th at St. Petersburg. The conspirators had quarters near the imperial palace and were completing arrangements to blow up the Czar.

At Eilerz, Hungary, on the 30th ult. a man murdered his five children and afterwards committed suicide.

At Tarnobrzeg, Austria, on the 30th ult. one hundred and fifty houses were destroyed by fire and two hundred families were made homeless. The loss was \$2,500,000.

Six Socialists were arrested on the 31st ult. at Amiens, France, for inciting workmen to strike.

ADVICES of the 31st ult. say that China had refused to ratify the American treaty restricting immigration.

LONDON advices of the 31st ult. say that a hurricane in Algoa bay wrecked numerous vessels and many persons were drowned.

LATER NEWS.

NEAR Fostoria, O., on the 1st, an oil tank holding 35,000 barrels of oil burst of its own weight. The oil caught fire from a blacksmith's shop, and two men were burned to death.

The farmers on the public land strip near Paladora, N. M., having lost many horses and cattle recently, suspected a band of campers, and finding evidence of guilt, forty armed vigilantes surrounded the camp on the 1st and demanded the surrender of the thieves. The answer was a volley, whereupon a little took place in which all of the outlaws, 17 in number, were killed. The vigilantes had three men killed and nine wounded.

A FIRE broke out in a toy and fire-works warehouse in Baltimore Md., on the 2nd, the flames spread rapidly, and before the fire department could get control, \$1,500,000 of property was destroyed. Seven firemen were killed.

On the morning of the 1st near Brooklyn, N. Y., Miss Mary Carew, eighteen years old, was assaulted and outraged by a negro, who made his escape.

W. H. WEBB, a laundryman in Winnipeg killed his wife, on the 2nd, in the presence of his four children, by shooting her through the head.

The official report from Jacksonville Fla., says that there were 23 new cases of yellow fever on the 1st. Two deaths occurred. Total number of cases 244; deaths 32; under treatment 162.

The American House at West Superior, Wis., caught fire from a lamp explosion, early on the 2nd and was destroyed. The guests that escaped barely did so without clothes. After the fire had been quenched the charred bodies of three men were found.

NEAR Guide Rock, Kas., John Baker, while feeding a threshing machine was accidentally cut on the hand by the band cutter, a boy. In a rage he grabbed the boy and deliberately fed him into the threshing machine. Before the other men could interfere half of the boy's body had disappeared. They took Baker and hung him to the straw carrier.

FIVE shocks of earthquake were felt in England on the 2nd. The spire of the Cathedral in the town of Christ Church was destroyed and several buildings damaged.

Six section men were killed near Boonville, Mo., on the 2nd by a freight train jumping the track.

DURING service in a church at Junnet, Belgium, on the 2nd, a platform collapsed. Three persons were killed and a large number injured.

NINETY indians signed the government treaty at the Crow Creek agency on the 1st.

MINNESOTA STATE NEWS.

ST. PAUL MEN SWINDLED.

A Smooth Talker Works Off a Worthless Draft and Disappears.

A man calling himself E. S. Burns and representing himself to be a lawyer for Savage & Green, of South Omaha, Neb., recently bought 138 steers from Cunningham & Haas, of St. Paul. Burns is a very smooth talker, and presented a draft on Savage & Green for \$3,374.30 in payment for the steers. He then disappeared and left the steers, realizing a nice sum by the transaction, though he could afford to sell them for a loss, as the draft which he gave proved to be absolutely worthless. Savage & Green disclaimed having any such man in their employ, and knew nothing of the transaction.

WHIPPED BY LADIES.

A St. Paul Attorney Chastised in the Streets of that City.

Three St. Paul young ladies—Miss Belle Ferguson, her sister Jennie and a Miss Ringwald—took the law of their wrongs into their own hands the other day, and administered a whipping to Mr. J. N. Hawthorne, an attorney whom the Ferguson girls charge with having circulated calumnious stories concerning one of them. Mr. Hawthorne resisted with whatever spirit he could muster, but the three were too much for him, and after a brief struggle he fled to his office, bearing the broken instrument of his flagellation with him.

Must Part With Them.

A rather peculiar case came up in the office of the department of the poor at Minneapolis the other day. A woman less than forty years old went to Superintendent Curtiss and told him that she had ten children whom she was unable to support, and she desired if possible to have them placed in good families where they could be cared for. The oldest child is sixteen years old and the youngest three months. Superintendent Curtiss promised to see if places could be found for them.

Over an Embankment.

A wreck occurred at an early hour the other morning about half a mile east of Wadena. As a through freight, westward bound, reached that point a wheel on an empty stock car broke and left seven cars down the embankment, where they lay in a badly mixed up condition, and it was some time before the wreck was cleared up. Trains were delayed for several hours. No one was hurt.

Shot Through the Window.

A tragedy occurred the other night at the house of Henry Slevor, who resides ten miles northeast of Tracy. George Lufken, while sitting on a sofa chatting with Mr. Slevor, was shot by some unknown person and died ten minutes after being wounded. The fatal shot entered the window and struck Mr. Lufken in the head. No cause was assigned for the crime, and there was no clue to the murderer.

Condition of Banks.

Examiner Kenyon at St. Paul recently received the report of the Bank Examiner showing the condition of the savings banks of the State for the year ended July 31. The number of institutions is seventy-two. Total resources, \$4,642,209.71; increase of deposits, \$383,724.38; increase of surplus, \$47,259.32; increase of bonds, \$389,000. The loans have decreased \$34,000, and the cash on hand \$37,000.

Changes in a Milling Firm.

An important change has been made in the firm of Washburn, Crosby & Co., millers, of Minneapolis, the old firm dissolving and a new firm taking charge of the business under the name of Washburn, Martin & Co. The new firm is composed of W. D. Washburn, C. J. Martin, James S. Bell, John Washburn and A. V. Martin. W. D. Dunwood, of the old firm, retired.

A Town's Founder Dead.

Charles F. Rice, the original proprietor of the Park Rapids town site, died at his home in Park Rapids the other morning of typhoid fever. Mr. Rice was born in Cattaraugus County, N. Y. Besides being the founder of Park Rapids the deceased was a prominent factor in the early history of Riceville, Ia., and Dell Rapids, D. T.

Merchants Take French Leave.

The other night Messrs. Kaer & Galvin, West end dry-goods men at Duluth, loaded their stock of goods on a special train and had them transported to Superior. These gentlemen came from Dakota to Duluth last winter, but had not met with success, and it was their business embarrassment caused their sudden departure.

Valuable Property in Dispute.

Suit has been brought against Morris D. Cutler, the first pioneer of Waukesha, Wis., and the richest man there, by his sister, Mrs. George Head, and others to secure all of the Fergus Falls property which Mr. Cutler has previously claimed, and which is worth several hundred thousand dollars.

The News Briefly Chronicled.

The Fairbank-Rattan Works shipped to the Minneapolis exposition the other day an exhibit of baby carriages, twenty-four different styles. The enterprise was started about eight months ago, and up to the present time has turned out nearly one thousand carriages, besides a large number of express wagons for boys and doll cabs for girls.

Ira W. Ingerson, a St. Paul dry-goods dealer, made a voluntary assignment recently. The assets consisted of the stock and valuable fixtures and would amount to about \$15,000. The liabilities would approximate \$23,000.

Sherman Mathies and family, of Fergus Falls, were returning from a picnic recently, when the team ran away. There were six in the wagon, all of whom were thrown out. Mr. Mathies had two ribs broken and was otherwise bruised. Mrs. Mathies and one little girl were also injured quite badly.

Mr. Barbridge, a stone-cutter, working on the Catholic academy at Rochester, fell from the upper story the other day, breaking his wrist and two ribs.

F. W. Vickery, of Pollock Rapids, a plasterer, fell from a scaffolding on the First National Bank building at Fergus Falls the other day and broke his collar bone, and was otherwise injured.

Miss Bertha Hancock, a girl of eighteen years, was burned to death at Fulda the other morning while assisting her mother to prepare breakfast.

The farmers that have threshed in the vicinity of Owatonna report a much smaller yield of grain, especially oats, than they even expected. In many cases there is a shortage of one-half the crop of last year.

Albert W., son of Judge Barnum, of Chicago, accidentally shot himself the other evening at Alexandria, the charge glancing up and cleaving the flesh from the right breast and shoulder. He would recover.

William Codman, a well-known resident of Winona, died suddenly a few days ago of apoplexy.

A CLOUD-BURST.

An Unprecedented Rainfall Causes a Flood Which Sweeps Through Hot Springs, Ark., with Awful Effect on the Property, Low, and Damage Done to the Extent of \$100,000.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 1.—The "Gastly" Hot Springs (Ark.) special says: "To-day is an epoch in the history of Hot Springs. The city is gutted. Ruin and wreck meet the vision everywhere, and nothing like it has ever been known to compare with the result of Thursday night's storm, which occurred too late to be telegraphed. It was a waterspout and the valley was swept with a mighty tidal wave. The loss to property is fearful, while the sacrifice to human life is, under the circumstances, appalling. Swift and terrible was the visitation. Without warning people were awakened from slumber to find themselves threatened with destruction by mad waves. Strange to relate few people were conscious of horrible disaster till they awoke to look upon the desolate scenes this morning and drag the drowned from drifts.

The storm struck the town at 11 o'clock Thursday night from a northwesterly direction. It was accompanied by stiff cool winds, though not strong enough to produce damage. Rain fell in torrents from 11 to 1 o'clock without intermission or cessation. Indeed, those who were up and witnessed the awful scene describe it as one never before seen by them. The vivid flashes of lightning displayed, as it were, great sheets of falling water. At the close of the storm a great and ominous sound, mingled with the shouts of people and cries of distress, went up from the valley, and such people as were in the vicinity of the creek and ravines went forth to render assistance.

The flood on Central avenue, the principal thoroughfare, assumed an angry river, whose rushing tide swept every thing movable in its bosom. For over half an hour the streets were transformed into a torrent fifty yards wide. Barrels, boxes and parts of houses came down on the tide, and were left strewn on the sidewalks. Several large hotels were flooded to the depth of four feet with murky water, and many buildings were totally destroyed. Up to this hour six persons are known to be missing, five of whom have been found dead in wrecked buildings. The damage to property is estimated at \$100,000.

It is impossible to accurately estimate the damage to property, both public and private, but it goes away up in the thousands. The greatest damage was from Malvern crossing up to the northern suburbs. The destruction was augmented by the formation of drifts at the upper ends of the creek arch. The mouth of the arch on both Whittington and Park avenues choked completely, which threw the main body of the flood over the streets and down Central avenue, and also caused back water to flow up the two creeks above the two arches. On Whittington avenue there was but little damage done until the flood reached the Josephine Hotel. The office floor of this house is considerably lower than the street, hence the flood rushed in through the front doors, and when at the highest stood at least four feet deep on the lower floor, completely covering the counter in the office and the billiard tables in the billiard room.

The damage along the line from Upper Park avenue to the junction with Whittington avenue proved grave on investigation. The first building moved from its foundation in the north part of the town was one of the small dwellings owned by Hon. Nicholas Bell, and occupied by a colored family named Fletcher. It was swept away, and the mother of the family, Mattie Fletcher, and her four children were drowned. The husband had a miraculous escape.

When the rain was heaviest cries for help were heard in the creek back of Dr. Franklin's residence. The dark was impenetrable, and the rain came down in sheets. Through the roaring and crashing the voice of the man could be heard growing fainter. Jack Franklin hastily drew on some clothing and wading into the torrent in the direction of the creek succeeded in drawing the man out, disabled by the fall of his house, and landed him in his father's residence. He gave the man wine and kept him until morning, when the poor fellow was able to get out and find the bodies of his wife and children caught in the debris of the creek below.

An old man and his wife named Harrison, who recently moved to the city, occupied a small cottage near the Arlington stable. The force of the water caused the building to collapse just as the old man and his wife were making their escape. The wife was caught underneath the debris and perished. Her body was found in the ruins. In the rear of the Waverly Hotel were a couple of small buildings which were carried away, in one of which Mr. O'Brien's cook, a colored woman, was sleeping. She is supposed to have been drowned, as she has not yet been heard from. The Big Iron and old Hale bath houses were badly flooded, as were all the buildings all the way down Central avenue. In the rear of Douglas' bookstore the embankment caved in, smashing the rear door and flooding the book and stationery store with mud and water to a depth of fourteen inches, doing much damage.

The Army and Navy Hospital and grounds were considerably damaged. The loss is estimated at \$1,250.

Major Kimball and the entire police force were out promptly, and did every thing possible to render aid where needed. The mayor called to his assistance a large force of men, and the work of recovering drift and searching for bodies has been pushed forward.

DROWNED WHILE ASLEEP.

FREELONG, Col., Sept. 1.—Seven cowboys pitched camp last Tuesday night in the dry bed of a creek just west of Pike's Peak. During the night a rain came up and a cloud burst near them. A flood of water six feet deep came sweeping down upon them, carrying every thing in its path, including seven sleeping cowboys. By a terrible struggle two of them succeeded in getting hold of the branches of trees, and there they clung half dead until the flood subsided, which was almost as quick as it had come upon them. The bodies of the other five men were found scattered along the bed of the stream one to five miles below their camp. The names of only two, Plasher and Royal, have been ascertained.

Tired of Life.

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 1.—A special to the Press from New Lisbon, O., says: A desperate suicide occurred here Thursday morning. Several days ago Mrs. Thompson gave birth to a child and her husband was telegraphed for. Wednesday night he returned to town, but instead of going home went to a saloon, where he got drunk. The conduct of the husband preyed upon the mind of the mother so much that she arose from her bed Thursday morning and went to a small stream near the house, and with the babe in her arms, laid down where the water was but two or three feet deep and drowned both herself and the child.

MISCELLANEOUS.

—You never hear the bee complain, Nor hear it weep nor wail; But if it wish, it can unfold A very painful tale.

—The bright joy in a Burlington, Vt., Sunday-school, who said that a Free Will Baptist was one who went into the tank of his own accord, was sent down to the foot of the class in theology.—N. Y. Tribune.

—The sum of \$100, which was deposited in a Hartford bank in 1824, has grown to \$2,621, and the person who placed it there has been dead for several years, while the rightful heirs only learned their