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THE cholera scare at Toulon is not as wild as it was on Saturday and Sunday. The people have become rational. The health authorities of all the Mediterranean ports have taken the necessary precautions, and the governments of Europe have determined to do what they can to prevent the transmission and spread of the horrible disease.

THE readers of the APPEAL will be glad to learn that Judge Latham, a member of the committee sent to Washington to urge Congress to make an appropriation for the protection of our harbor, and who returned home recently, is in receipt of a telegram advising him that the people of Memphis may rest easy, that the appropriation of $250,000 will pass. This will secure the harbor, we hope, beyond future contingencies.

JOHN KELLY, the Boss of Tammany Hall, who has been shorn of some of his political powers by Gov. Cleveland, is opposed to that gentleman, and is an advocate for the nomination of Bayard. While Mr. Bayard is entitled to and has the confidence of the Democratic party, it will hardly venture upon so bold a step as his nomination. Besides, Cleveland developed in the New York State Convention very decided strength—a strength the South, at least, will not overlook.

BLAINE, the Washington correspondent of the APPEAL says on what he believes is good authority, has conciliated the railroad monopolists and they are to subscribe $1,500,000 to elect him. This fact should be spread abroad to every part of the country that the workingmen may see and know for themselves what the election of Blaine means. He is the main reliance and dependence of the gamblers of Wall street, the men whose robberies are still the sensations of the day.

It is very gratifying to know that the efforts of the APPEAL in behalf of the colored people, and to induce them to take an interest in and make some exhibits of their handicraft at the New Orleans Exposition have not been in vain. The negroes of Haywood county have taken some steps in that direction that promise encouraging results, and preliminary thereto have held several meetings, at the first of which an editorial from the APPEAL was read, which the principal speaker made his text for a very stirring and effective speech. Will the negroes of the other counties of the State take a hint?

POLITICIANS and statesmen are a very capricious set. They are for one man one day and for another the next, damning the first as earnestly as they had praised him. For several days after the New York Democratic Convention they were all booming Cleveland; now they are quite convinced that he won't do, and that the party must look elsewhere for a standard-bearer. It is just possible that Thurman and Cleveland may be the ticket, and that the old red bandana may become the oriflamme guiding the Democratic party to victory this fall. The "noblest Roman of them all" is a great power in the party, because he has never canvassed for office and his record is beyond question by his political enemies.

IT was not to be expected of the speakers at the Republican ratification meeting last night that they would be equal in any degree to a proper presentation of their candidates. None of them are men of such weight or experience in public life as would justify any such expectancy. Their speeches were weak and full of generalizations. They were especially careful to pass by the Mulligan letters and the Fort Smith bond case when speaking of Blaine. They made no attempt at his defense. They were decidedly silent also as to his notoriously bad reputation. From our report, it will be seen that the speeches were for the most part very poor stuff. There was a general howling of the old campaign rot about the Democratic party, but not one scintilla of anything like intelligent discussion of the questions of the day, no attempt to enlighten the dark ignorance of the 400 or 500 negroes that formed the meager audience. Thus the man from Maine was introduced to the people of Memphis. Very little was said about John Logan, "Black Jack," who, until after the war, was the pronounced enemy of the negro. The speakers observed a discreet silence as to him, too. They evidently felt their way very cautiously and were not disposed to get out of the shallow waters of a fulsome praise of the Republican idol. Taken altogether, the Republican ratification meeting was a sorry affair. But it was quite equal to the reputation of Blaine and Logan and was as much as they deserved.

IT is reported, and is generally accepted as a fact, that since the 1st of March last the decline in stocks is equal to $500,000,000. The Vanderbilt stocks have depreciated since that date $80,000,000; the Gould, $70,000,000; the Huntington, $20,000,000, and those of six other nabobs, $40,000,000. The depreciation in New York Central stock since March 1st is about $18,000,000; in Lake Shore, $15,000,000; Michigan Central, $6,800,000; Northwestern, $19,000,000; Lackawanna, $7,500,000; Louisville and Nashville, $6,000,000; Kansas and Texas, $5,700,000; Texas Pacific, $4,100,000; Union Pacific, $27,000,000; Wabash, $2,400,000; Western Union, $19,200,000; Central Pacific, $16,800,000; Chesapeake and Ohio, $1,200,000; Denver and Rio Grande, $4,900,000; Erie, $9,200,000; Northern Pacific, $1,700,000; Pacific Mail, $3,200,000; Reading, $10,700,000; Rock Island, $8,800,000. The decline really began with the assassination of Garfield, in 1881. Since then there has been a decline in the price of every security. Tointor & Holt, the bankers, in their careful analysis of the prices of railroad stocks, estimate the total depression in the value of all quotable railroad securities from July 1, 1881, to March 1, 1884, at $7,185,520,181.

THE Democrats of Ohio, Indiana, Missouri, Arkansas, South Carolina and Florida met in convention yesterday. The Arkansas convention adjourned in a dead-lock on the nomination of a candidate for Governor after taking fourteen ballots, the names before the convention being Fletcher, Hughes and Frolich, Fletcher leading Hughes by ten votes. The Ohio Democrats reaffirmed their singular anti-tariff tariff platform and elected Ex-Senator Thurman, John R. McLean, of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, Gen. Durbin Ward and the Hon. Jacob Mueller, of Cincinnati, delegates to Chicago from the State at large. The platform of the Indiana Democrats is a very elaborate affair. All the planks are long and strong and equal to any emergency of test. They are sound and solid on the tariff question, and on everything that affects the welfare of the workingman. The convention indorsed Voorhees, said nothing about Hendricks, but earnestly presented McDonald for the nomination at Chicago. The Missouri Democrats made their platform conspicuously short and saved a great deal of newspaper space by reaffirming the platforms adopted by the National Democratic party at St. Louis in 1876 and at Cincinnati in 1880. Gov. Crittenden was not elected a delegate at large to Chicago as he desired and expected. Morrison Munsford, of the Kansas City *Times*, was. The Democrats of three more States are yet to hold conventions—those of Rhode Island, Illinois and South Carolina. When these are heard from estimates as to the candidates will be in order.

THE DEEP MYSTERY

Surrounding Secretary Frelinghuysen's Nicaraguan Canal Scheme Gradually Being Cleared Up.

The Reasons for His Recent Request for $250,000 to Protect the Government's Interests.

Chalmers Sworn in as a Member of the House—Proceedings in the Senate—Capital Points.

FRELINGHUYSEN'S MYSTERY

Gradually Being Cleared Up—That $250,000 Appropriation.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE APPEAL.]

WASHINGTON, June 23.—The mystery surrounding Secretary Frelinghuysen's request for $250,000 to protect the United States in the matter of the Nicaragua canal right of way is being gradually cleared up. The reasons for his action as learned from the best sources of information, are these: It came to the knowledge of the Department of State, through one of the United States representatives in Central America, that two great powers (reported to be Germany and England) were quietly endeavoring to obtain from Nicaragua a concession for the purpose of either constructing a ship canal which should connect the two oceans by means of a waterway of such dimensions as would admit the passage of the largest commercial or war vessels, or else the concession could be held, and the United States thus prevented from constructing such a work on its own account or by its citizens unless by the consent of the powers referred to. This information came so directly that there seemed to be no doubt of its accuracy. The State Department, for once awakening to the necessity of immediate action, took such steps as it deemed proper, and asked Congress for a sum of money that could be used to complete the preliminary negotiation.

The mysterious part of the matter is the use to which the money asked for is to be put. France, or French subjects working by permission of their government, have already acquired a vested right to the shortest, and what is generally believed to be the most advantageous route for a waterway between the two oceans, and it behooves the United States not to be tardy in obtaining control of the only available way that is left us. As to whether or not any American company is to be bought out is a part of the matter concerning which the State Department has not yet seen fit to inform Congress, but it is likely the whole affair will be fully developed in the next ten days.

THE CHOLERA AT TOULON.

Advices Received at the State Department as to the Disease.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Secretary Frelinghuysen received tonight the following telegram from Frank H. Mason, United States consul at Marseilles, with regard to the recent outbreak of cholera at Toulon:

MARSEILLES, June 25, 1884.

To the State Department, Washington:

The cholera at Toulon was kept secret until yesterday. On the 14th instant there was one death, on the 19th one, on the 20th two, on the 21st three, on the 22d thirteen, on the 23d five and yesterday twelve. The cases are of a mild character. There has been only one death at the Navy Hospital. The deaths are equally divided between the civilians and military, and are chiefly among the aged or young. The question whether it is Asiatic or sporadic cholera still unsettled, but the former is probable. There are hopes of checking the epidemic by sanitary precautions. The condition at Marseilles is excellent and the death rate below the average.

CONGRESSIONAL.

The Manning-Chalmers Contest—Proceedings in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—*House.*—Mr. Hewitt, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported the bill to modify the existing laws relating to duties on imports and the collection of revenue. Committee of the Whole.

The bill passed authorizing the establishment of a branch soldiers' home in Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri or Nebraska, the location to be determined by the Board of Managers of the Soldiers' Home.

The bill passed authorizing the construction of a horse railway on the island of Rock Island, Ill., and the bridge leading thereto.

The Chalmers-Manning contested election case was then taken up.

Mr. Davis, (Mo.) supported the minority resolutions, which are as follows:

Resolved, That the modes and methods employed by the Federal administration in securing the election of James H. Chalmers as a member of the House of Representatives of the Forty-eighth Congress are, as appears by the majority report and evidence on file, repugnant to and subversive of a free representative government, and said election is therefore declared void.

Resolved, further, That the said Chalmers having accepted the office of special assistant United States district attorney for the Northern and Southern Districts of Mississippi since said election, and holding said office up to and beyond the 1st of February, 1884, is ineligible to a seat in this Congress, and a vacancy exists in the Second Congressional District of Mississippi.

After debate Mr. Cook demanded the previous question and the vote recurred on the second resolution presented by the minority, and it was lost—55 to 98.

The first minority resolution was also lost—yeas, 56; nays, 161—and the majority resolution adopted without division.

Mr. Chalmers then appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office.

The House then resumed the consideration of the Backbone Railroad Company's forfeiture bill, but without action adjourned.

Senator Beck opposed the amendment proposed by the Senate Committee on Appropriations, striking out the clause consolidating and reorganizing customs collection districts. The keeping up of districts that did not pay expenses was merely to support of election bummers, that was the meaning of it. The employes were kept because they contributed to the success of the party in power. He had not wished to say this on the floor, but he felt obliged to say it. The secretary of the Treasury, Senator Beck added, admitted that fact.

Senators Allison, Slater, Hawley, Hale, Dawes, Sewell, Jones [Fla.] and Lapham supported the Committee on Appropriations.

Senator Ingalls remarked, if the House of Representatives should send to the Senate an appropriation bill with a clause limiting the number of postoffices to sixty-nine, the case would be parallel with that under discussion.

After further debate the committee's amendment was agreed to, striking out the clause directing consolidation—yeas, 41; nays, 13.

The Senate Committee on Appropriations having proposed to strike out the clause permitting small distilleries to be run without storekeepers, Senators Vance and Beck opposed the recommendation and Senator Allison defended it.

Debate continued till 6 o'clock when the Senate adjourned.

CAPITAL POINTS.

Judge Drummond's Resignation Accepted.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—President Arthur received and accepted the resignation of Thomas Drummond, United States Circuit judge for the Seventh Judicial Circuit, to take effect on the 1st of July.

The Fitz John Porter Bill.

The Cabinet reached no conclusion today relative to the Fitz John Porter bill.

Bogus Interview.

In answer to an inquiry to-day, Speaker Carlisle stated he had not been in Pittsburg, and had given no newspaper an interview.

Mrs. President Polk's Portrait.

The large painting of Mrs. President Polk, presented by the ladies of Tennessee, has been hung in the green-room of the White House.

Nominations.

Andrew J. Evans, attorney for the United States for the Western District of Texas; Pemembra Kelly, marshal of the United States for the District of Oregon; Jesse W. George, marshal of the United States for the Territory of Washington; George A. Woolley, register of the Land Office at Springfield, Mo.

Another Whack at Bliss.

William A. Cook appeared before the Springer committee to-day and characterized certain statements made concerning him by George Bliss as studied, deliberate falsehoods, malignant inventions and perjuries.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Bank Failure at Rome, Ga.

ROME, GA., June 25.—R. S. & C. B. Hargrove, bankers, failed to-day. Liabilities, $60,000; nominal assets, $75,000.

Cotton Failures at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, June 25.—Two failures in the cotton trade are announced—Bird & Legendre and Conrad Kresmer. The amount involved is very small.

Assigned.

CINCINNATI, June 25.—The T. J. Nottingham Supply Company, manufacturers of brass goods, iron pipe, etc., assigned to Fred W. Browne. Liabilities, $26,000; assets, $44,000.

Business and Crop Prospects in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

PITTSBURG, June 25.—Reports have been received from sixty counties in Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and Western Virginia of the crop outlook and business condition in that district. In Western Pennsylvania the grain crops are coming along nicely. Wheat is generally above the average, while corn is rather backward, owing to the lateness of the season. Peaches suffered from frost, but other fruits will be abundant. Business is depressed and suffering from financial troubles. In Ohio the wheat crop is below the average, and peaches appear to have been pretty thoroughly swept away by the May frost. Business in country towns is dull, and the complaint of low prices for wool is epidemic. West Virginia reports business healthy, the only exceptions being from manufacturing centers, which are affected by the financial stringency. Crops abundant and up to the average.

Heavy Oil Failure at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, June 25.—Great excitement was occasioned in oil circles to-day by the failure of Thomas J. Watson, the heaviest dealer on the floor of the Exchange. He has been heavily short for some weeks, and this morning was unable to fulfill his contract for the delivery of 72,000 barrels. His shortage was $11,000. Mr. Watson was prominently connected with the Penn Bank muddle, and is now under bail on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the bank. When the bank closed its accounts were found to be $97,000 overdrawn. Mr. Watson was a fearless operator, and has been bearing the market since the bank failure.

SPORTING NEWS.

Postponed on Account of Rain.

CHICAGO, June 25.—The races were postponed on account of the rain.

Brighton Beach Races.

NEW YORK, June 25.—Brighton Beach races. The winners to-day were, Fellowplay, Hunter, Litton, King and Samora.

Baseball.

DETROIT, June 25. — Providence, 3; Detroits, 0.

CLEVELAND, June 25.—Clevelands, 14; Philadelphias, 1.

Jayeyesee's is Anxious.

NEW YORK, June 25.—The *Turf, Field and Farm* says: "Wednesday, the 25th, a check came to this office, drawn by J. I. Case, to the order of Hamilton Beasley, for $5000, which we are authorized to hold as a forfeit. The proposition conveyed from Cleveland with the check is this: Mr. Case is willing to match Jayeyesee for a race or exhibition heat against any horse for $10,000 a side, half forfeit, to be trotted either at Hartford, Providence or Chicago, as may be mutually agreed upon, each party to choose one judge and they a third; the *Turf, Field and Farm* to be stakeholder. The exhibition heat clause is put in to meet any objection Vanderbilt may raise to trotting a three in five race, according to the rules. Clingstone and Maud S. are those Jayeyesee is anxious to meet."

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Machias, Me., June 25.—The forest fires caused a loss of $100,000.

New York, June 25.—The Produce and Cotton Exchanges have decided to close on July 5th.

San Francisco, June 25.—Jesse R. Grant, son of Gen. Grant, and family were among the arrivals to-day.

New York, June 25.—Langtry, the "Jersey Lily," has invested another $15,000 in New York real estate.

New Haven, June 25.—Yale College today conferred the degree of LL.D. upon Gov. Hoadly, of Ohio, and Ellis H. Roberts, editor of the City (N. Y.) *Herald*.

Louisville, June 25.—Zeno T. Young, the well-known editor of the Madisonville, (Ky.) *Times*, fell from a two-story window of the office to-day, receiving fatal injuries.

Milwaukee, June 25.—A Wausau dispatch says the boiler in Smith's planing mill exploded this morning, killing Geo. Biece, Aug. Struch, John Knx and Mary Crocker, and wounding several others. Loss, $1000.

Topeka, Ks., June 25.—The State Convention of the woman temperagists met in this city to-day with but small attendance. Addresses were made by Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, of Lafayette, Ind., and by others.

Franklin, Ind., June 25.—The Indiana Sunday school Union convened in its thirtieth annual convention on Tuesday evening. Delegates from all parts of the State were present. The exercises thus far have been of a deeply interesting character.

New York, June 25.—The inspector-in-chief of grain, on inspection of the Commercial Warehousing Company's stores, found about 27,000 bushels of No. 2 corn out of condition, being "musty and heating." The corn was posted on the Produce Exchange.

Cleburne, Tex., June 25.—A fire yesterday destroyed three frame buildings on the plaza, five stores being burned out. The stocks were badly damaged. Total loss estimated at $19,000; insurance $13,000; mostly Eastern companies.

St. Louis, June 25.—The Lindell Hotel Association made an assignment to James I. Huse for the benefit of their creditors. The assets and liabilities are not stated. The association was composed of Charles A. Scudder, Henry Ames and I. H. Chassaing.

LAW REPORTS.

Chancery Court—McDowell, Judge.

Additional calendar: Nos. 4709, Newport vs. Newport; 4711, Hartmans vs. Hillman; 4712, Keenan vs Brosnan; 4715, Wylie vs Anderson; 4716, Cromwell vs Vigus; 4718, Ivy vs Goodlett; 4722, Mutt of Co. vs Hill Wm; 4724, Jones vs King; 4729, Louisville and Nashville railroad vs Hays; 4730, Menken vs Norman; 4734, Pearce vs Norman; 4735, Meacham vs Harvey.

The Referee Court.

The State Supreme Court, through its Chief Justice, before adjournment at Jackson, completed the referee case, and stated that through their efficient work the court had been greatly aided and relieved of much work.—*Memphis Ledger.*

There had been a good deal carping at the Referee Court, which sat at Jackson; but now that it has been indorsed by the Supreme Court, the criticism will at least, if not out to cease.

The Referee Court at Nashville has made an especially strong record. Less than five per cent. of its decisions have been reversed, while nearly eighty per cent. have been fully approved by the Supreme Court.—*Chattanooga Times.*

In keeping with the foregoing we take pleasure in reporting that the Commission of Referees which sits at Knoxville has made a record equal to that of the other divisions of the State. Of their 200 and more reports acted upon by the Supreme Court last fall, we are informed that eighty per cent. were confirmed

These, be it remembered, were the result of the first experiments under the system, which was itself an experiment; and we are assured by members of the bar that their reports this year are better than those of which the Supreme Court confirmed four-fifths. Of such is our Knoxville commission.—*Knoxville Tribune.*

Don't Die in the House.

"Rough on Rats." Clears out rats, mice, roaches, bed-bugs, flies, ants, moles, chipmonks, gophers. 15c.

APPEAL SPECIALS.

The Field Trials of the National Kennel Club for 1884 to be Held at Canton, Miss.

Annual Meeting of the Memphis Conference Missionary Society at Trenton—The Year's Work.

The Nashville Abduction Case—The Romantic Features of the Affair—McWhirter's Break.

NASHVILLE, TENN.

McWhirter's Idea of Harmony—The Annie Mason Abduction Case.

[SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.]

NASHVILLE, June 25.—The chairman of the county convention will have a lengthy card in the *American* to-morrow morning explaining his reason for appointing thirty-five out of forty members on the County Executive Committee from the anti-reform municipal party. He says he tried to harmonize the unsuccessful reformers with the successful reform party, by leaving only five who were not opposed to the reform movement on the committee. The people of Nashville are generally indignant at McWhirter's action.

Annie Mason, the thirteen-year-old schoolgirl who was abducted a short time since and carried to Georgia by Edward Norman, will be married to Norman in jail to-morrow. Norman is indicted for abduction but will probably be released by Judge Allen as soon as he marries the girl. The case possesses many romantic features. Annie says she wants to marry Eddie, so she carry him clean clothes and tobacco when he is sent to the penitentiary. She reads the Bible carefully, and wants to marry him in jail so that the judge will have to release Eddie on the ground that man and wife are one and must not be separated. Otherwise Annie will try to get the State authorities to let her go to the penitentiary with Eddie, and sew, cook and wash for him until his time is up.

TRENTON, TENN.

Annual Meeting of the Memphis Conference Missionary Society.

[SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.]

TRENTON, June 25.—The annual meeting of the Memphis Conference Missionary Society has been in session here for two days, with about thirty members present. Great harmony has prevailed. The past year has been the most prosperous of the society. The Centennial Fund raised $227, and three life men bers were made during the meeting. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Samuel Watson, Memphis, president; Mrs. Duckworth, Brownsville, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. P. Willis, Brownsville, recording secretary, and Mrs. G. H. Ramsey, Jackson, treasurer. The next annual meeting will be held in Brownsville.

CANTON, MISS.

The Field Trials of the National Kennel Club for 1884.

[SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.]

CANTON, June 25.—Capt. A. Kemp, secretary of the Madison Gun Club of this place, received to-day a letter from J. Palmer O'Neil, president of the American National Kennel Club, dated at Pittsburg, Pa., stating that the national field trials for 1884 will be held at Canton, Miss., beginning December 8th. The fields here are in fine condition, birds plenty and well protected.

BROWNSVILLE, TENN.

The Colored Teachers' Institute—The Appeal's Editorial on the New Orleans Exposition.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE APPEAL.]

BROWNSVILLE, June 20.—For about two weeks now, the Colored Teachers' Institute of West Tennessee has been in session here under the successful supervision of Prof. Steele, of Le Moyne Institute, your city. There have been in attendance about fifty teachers, from nine different counties of West Tennessee. The institute has demonstrated to the public that should benefit the teachers and the schools by the introduction of better methods, and by direct instruction in the branches they are teaching, many of the teachers present. Probably no better place could have been found in the State for holding the institute than Haywood county, where a general state of apathy exists in all matters pertaining to public schools, the few schools organized never having more than a three months session during the year. It is hoped that the presence of the institution may lead to a more generous policy in the county. Five public meetings were held during the session, either of which was of especial notice. At the first the Rev. B. A. Imes, of Memphis, gave an able, interesting address on the benefits arising from a cultivated mind. The closing meeting was called to consider the matter of having the colored people of Haywood county represented at the Cotton Centennial Exposition at New Orleans, in December.

The Hon. S. A. McElwee, as an introduction to the subject of the evening, read an editorial published in the APPEAL in May, I believe, bringing the matter and its importance before the colored people of the South. The meeting took an intensely practical turn, and the people, many of whom were present, manifested great interest in the proposition to have the colored people of Haywood county represented by specimens of their handicraft in the colored department of the exposition. Mr. McElwee was asked to act as commissioner of the county, to gather and forward articles for the Exposition. The idea was wholly suggested by the APPEAL and I hope I may think the movement at Brownsville the first in the State to act upon the suggestion. Will the colored people embrace this opportunity of making themselves felt in this country, or will they allow it to pass unimproved through lack of interest on the part of their leaders?

A BLACK FIEND

Brutally Assaults a Lady at Dallas, Tex.—Prospects of a Lynching.

DALLAS, June 25.—A number of small burglaries and other outrages have been of nightly occurrence here lately. Toward daylight this morning the residence of W. H. Flippen, banker, was entered by a negro through a second story window. Mrs. Flippin awoke and discovered the negro going through the bureau drawers. Two children were with her in bed, Mr. Flippen being in Europe. Mrs. Flippen screamed and the negro grabbed her by the neck and choked her severely, and otherwise maltreated the lady, then made his escape. The officers have been searching for the negro all day, and the city is intensely excited. At 10 o'clock to-night the detectives arrested a negro answering the description given by the assaulted lady. The evidence against him is strong. Officers are guarding the negro in open air. Upwards of 500 armed men have surrounded the jail and are determined not to allow the negro to be locked up. He will be taken before Mrs. Flippen for identification in the morning. If he proves to be the right party, he will be immediately hung or burned at the stake. Mrs. Flippen is in a critical condition to-night. She imagines the black fiend is after her, and screams out every few moments in a piteous manner. Squads of armed men are parading the streets to-night.

THE STATE OF FLORIDA DISASTER.

The Finding of the Court of Inquiry at Glasgow.

GLASGOW, June 25.—In the matter of the collision of the steamers State of Florida and Florida, in this court, found that the State of Florida's arrangements for lowering boats were satisfactory; that orders to lower the boats were promptly given; that only three boats were capable of being lowered because the Florida was going at the rate of eight knots an hour; that the passengers and even some of the crew hesitated to enter the boats, owing to the great speed the steamer was going, and hence the great loss of life. It was also found by the court that Capt. Sadlier did his duty to the last; that he was last seen endeavoring to calm the passengers; that the second and third mates also did their duty; that the Pomona was navigated with proper seamanlike care, but that the Florida was not, and that Thomson, chief officer of the Florida, was to blame for the calamity. The court advised the suspension of Thomson's certificate as master for six months, he meanwhile to be allowed a mate's certificate.

DELOACH DALLIES

About Fort Pickering, and Asks that His Sweetheart be

Brought to Him—He Waits for Two Hours and Silently Departs.

Sunday evening last, a well-dressed man about forty-five years of age, registered at Gaston's Hotel as John Jones, of Springfield, Mo., and called for a room, which was furnished him. He had lodged there regularly since, but has never taken a meal in the house. He was very quiet, had few wants, and gave no one about the house any trouble. About 7 o'clock yesterday morning he called the porter and told him he wanted to be waked at 6 o'clock in the evening, as he intended leaving the city. He retired to his room at once and was not disturbed during the day. At 6 o'clock the porter entered his room to awake him, as he had requested, but at once discovered that the man had taken some powerful drug. Dr. Nuttall was at once summoned and at first supposed that chloroform had been used, but found the poison was opium as soon as he had examined the eyes of the patient. In the washstand was an empty six-ounce vial labeled laudanum and bearing the name of a firm in Pueblo, Col. Its contents had been emptied into a mug, and if the bottle had been full, the man must have swallowed not less than three ounces of the drug. A small flask of chloroform, from which about two ounces had disappeared, was also discovered. The latter was taken, Dr. Nuttall thinks, to produce instantaneous sleep after the laudanum had been swallowed. The doctor lost no time in procuring a pump and emptied the stomach at once, discovering a quantity of laudanum in it, so that the pump was again used, but without further effect. The sufferer was revived for a few moments by the aid of atrop ine, and Dr. Nuttall asked what his reason was for attempting suicide. "There is more behind this than you know anything about," the man answered wearily, and relapsed into a semi-unconscious state. Now and then he would ask to be let alone, but could not be made to understand or answer questions. As a considerable quantity of the laudanum taken had been absorbed by the stomach before the pump could be used, the drug took a powerful hold upon the unfortunate man, and little hope of his recovery was entertained from the beginning. Dr. Nuttall had his clothing removed, and placing him in a chair tried artificial respiration as a last resort. This was kept up steadily, and at midnight the physician in charge said there was about one chance in fifty of rousing the patient, asking that if dead when found, his wife in Springfield be notified, and she would pay expenses.

Another Attempt.

Yesterday seemed to be a regular suicides' day. About 3 o'clock yesterday late a darky named Nick Scott, who grew tired of toting life's burden, made an attempt to get rid of it by cutting his throat with his razor, an implement which every well-regulated river town darky carries about his clothes. He was not skillful enough, however, and only succeeded in making an ugly gash in one side of his throat. A physician was called in, who sewed up the wound, and it is thought the man may live. He resides at the corner of Jefferson and Lauderdale streets.

Poisoned by Ice-Cream.

COAL BLUFF, PA., June 25.—Last Saturday evening eleven persons ate ice-cream in Cantin's store, and within two hours they were all taken sick with violent vomiting and violent pains in the stomach. The suffering was intense, and several of them were thrown into convulsions. The party consisted of William Cantin, wife and child, Joseph Cantin, Mrs. Wilson, a widow, and three children, Thomas Williams, Robert Cook and a colored man. Cook and Mrs. Wilson died yesterday, and to-night one of the men died. Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Cantin are not expected to live, and the children are very low. It is supposed they were poisoned through the flavoring. There is great excitement. Coal Bluff is a little mining town situated on the Monongahela river, about sixteen miles from Pittsburg.

Important Land Cases in Texas.

AUSTIN, TEX., June 25.—The Supreme Court to-day rendered a decision in favor of the parties claiming the Fort Worth land, in the case of Hamilton vs. Dodd, from Williamson county. This is one of eighty similar suits, involving as many valuable farms in Williamson county, on the seven-leagues Spanish grant of Aguerrie. This is the second decision of the special term courts in favor of the occupants of the grant, and the decisive tone of the language in the opinion to-day, rendered by special Justice Gresham, will probably put an end to further litigation, at least in the State courts.

The Central Pacific in a Tight Place.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—The San Francisco *Bulletin* publishes the following this evening: "It is semi-officially announced that the Central Pacific Railroad Company will postpone for a time the payment of salaries due employes this month in order to accumulate funds to meet overpressing demands in the nature of current expenses. The present cramped condition of the company arises from a falling off in traffic and consequent decrease of profits, caused by disasters, especially of the Southern Pacific and its branches."

Murder and Suicide.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—Albertina Anderson was shot dead this morning by William C. Melton, who then blew his own brains out. The cause was her refusal to marry him. In a letter left Melton says Miss Anderson was known as Mrs. Backman, having one child by Mr. Backman, clerk of the Danish consulate in New York. Melton, who was a widower with three children, confided them to the care of the Danish consul. Death in both cases was almost instant.

Terrible Hurricane at Council Bluffs, Ia.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, June 25.—A terrific hurricane visited this city this afternoon. The exhibition building at the race track, which cost $11,000, was leveled to the ground and torn to shreds. Insured for $5000. Davis's circus tent was blown down and otherwise damaged $500. A large number of shade trees were broken, chimneys blown over and houses unroofed.

LUNDBORG'S Perfume, Edenia.

Lundborg's Perfume, Marechal Niel Rose.

Lundborg's Perfume, Alpine Violet.

Lundborg's Perfume, Lily of the Valley

The Pan-Presbyterian Alliance.

BELFAST, June 25.—A committee from the Methodist Conference was admitted into the Pan-Presbyterian Alliance to-day amid great enthusiasm. Dr. Croke read a congratulatory address to the Presbyterian Council, in which he said the conference recognized the firm stand the Presbyterian church had ever taken against Popery and other errors.

Western Nail Association.

PITTSBURG, June 25.—At a special meeting of the Western Nail Association, today, it was decided that at the present time for the pool to restrict production and reduce prices is an impracticable matter, and was laid on the table. Stocks are reported light and trade only fair. The card rate is not changed.

Horsford's Acid Phosphate.

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.

Imitations and counterfeits have again appeared. Be sure that the word "HORSFORD'S" is on the wrapper. None are genuine without it.

Died in the Workhouse.

CINCINNATI, June 25.—James E. Stewart, the well-known song writer, died in the workhouse to-day. He had been committed a few days ago for selling bogus tickets to a public entertainment.

The Plume on Its Travels.

LEWISTON, ME., June 25.—James G. Blaine arrived in Lewiston this evening and received an ovation from the crowd assembled at the railway station.

A Terrible Mistake.

DANVILLE, KY., June 25.—WM. COX, in shooting at two men trying to break in the house, shot and killed his mother.

AUGUSTA, ARK.

All the Crops Very Promising and the Farmers are Gratified and Satisfied.

Politics and Politicians—The State Convention—Movements of Distinguished Men.

Business and Personal Matters—Signs of Prosperity that Prevail on Every Hand.

AUGUSTA, June 23.—Since my last, of ten days ago, crops on all hands have improved thirty or forty per cent. The prevailing weather has been especially invigorating to cotton, and the improvement for that time has become apparent enough to raise the question whether it is not as far advanced as at the same date last year. It is leastwise better rooted for the stage of growth than known for many years; and if no great general calamity is to overtake the crop before maturity, the probabilities are of proving the finest crop known in the history of the country. Corn has done no less well, and with no exception to mention, is to be regarded as better stalked, more uniform in growth, and better prepared to "rough it" for a while than has been known through the ten years past. As a rule, the crop was laid by during the past week. The clover crop has on an average for this season yielded two and a half tons per acre, and so far as heard from has been housed in good condition. Timothy, red-top and orchard grass are being harvested this week; their growth is most luxuriant and promise to prove themselves the best ever grown in the county or, indeed, in the Southern and Middle States. In this connection it is to be mentioned that Mr. Bolivar Conner, the principal "diversified crop" farmer in the county, will put up, for the Cotton Exposition ex ibits of clover, timothy, red-top and orchard grass, grown in the county during the present year, that are likely to surprise the strangers who is unacquainted with the fact that Eastern Arkansas has finally demonstrated an adaptation to the growth of the cultivated grasses second to no section of the Southern and Middle States of the Union.

Together with an investigation of the state of the crops, the further continuance for ten days enables me to say additionally for the many attractions of Woodruff county that it is not surpassed by any series of lowland and valley lands to be found in the State. And by this comparison it is not meant that there are not many counties in Arkansas well worth recounting for all the conditions which array themselves for the value and prosperity of a fine agricultural region, but rather that the distinction claimed for the grand old Woodruff county of actually being an epitome of all that is best in Eastern Arkansas. And then concerning these people with whom your city has so maintained cordial business relations, it is well worth remark that, following the even tenor of their way, and with no obtrusive pen to herald for the destination which is their due, it is perhaps possible that Memphis understands but little of the intelligence, prosperity and cheerfulness of the inhabitants of this most attractive area in the cotton belt of Arkansas. Until the visitor has penetrated all of its interior, it is doubtful whether the verdict of the consulting engineer of the Iron Mountain railroad could be understood. For whether it be its remarkable farm lands or immense forests of fine timber, or adaptation of the soil to all manner of crops, or signs of prosperity that prevail on all hands that is meant, any impression which is supplemented by an acquaintance with its great-hearted and intelligent people cannot fall short of producing for the visitor one of the happiest pictures he can cherish in his memories of much-abused but after all wonderful old Arkansas. The polished sentences of Mr. Keating's able and eloquent address as delivered at the banquet in Kansas City seems to have come upon the attention of these people like an electric flash, and that it had been presumed by anyone that he was unable to express himself gracefully and forcibly save in the leader columns of the APPEAL, but that his speech should also bespeak for him in a remarkable manner the fire and eloquence of the true orator. The general desire is to obtain a copy of it in pamphlet or other form for reference. The heated term is full upon us in the land of the White river country. Yesterday (Sunday) the thermometer went up as high as 97° in the shade. To day the maximum reached was 96° in the shade, and from the state of the atmosphere to-night, the morrow will be sure to score more than 100°.

Under the head of business and personal matters, it is to be mentioned that, otherwise than a cutailment of the trade of this place, as was prophesied of the invasion of its territory by the Batesville and Brinkley railroad, the prospect is rather on the side of a steady increase, that is, of course, if an addition of new firms and the successful maintenance of established ones means anything for trade equilibrium, to say nothing of the constant aggregation. The fall season is to bring about the opening of two or three business houses on a large scale, and the most notable is to be that of House & Conner, who begin business on the 1st of September with a full and complete stock of general merchandise. They are to occupy a handsome edifice lately constructed for J. P. Penn. Both members of the firm, J. P. House and Emerson Conner, are well known to the business world. And, as based on their practical mercantile training and the popularity and confidence they enjoy with every inhabitant of the county, it is to be taken as their personal credit that no young firm in this State will have been launched upon commercial seas with brighter prospects of making a safe port than House & Conner, of Augusta, Ark.

J. P. Penn is down with an attack of malignant malarial fever. At this date he is considered out of danger, with prospects of a steady convalescence. It is accented among his friends that when able to travel his summer destination will be Waukesha and the lakes.

J. T. Hamblet has just returned from a few weeks stay at Hot Springs, Ark. His plan from this forth is said to embrace an attendance on the National Democratic Convention, and a trip through the region of popular summer resorts in the Northwest.

W. D. Campbell departed this morning for Little Rock, as chairman of the Woodruff county delegates to the State Convention, which is to be held on Wednesday next. He is an enthusiastic friend of Gen. S. P. Hughes, and if loyalty to friends and his magnetism are a leader now and anything for his life-long friend, Gen. Hughes will not be defeated through any lack of energy or self-sacrifice or devotion on the part of Capt. Campbell.

E. G. Thompson and family will spend the summer at Tate Springs, in your State. Ignatius Rottman is also booked for the same place.

B. F. Hall and lady are off on a circuitous tour of the East, Northwest and Texas.

Victor Rottman and family have just returned from a sojourn of three or four weeks at Sharon Springs, White county, this State.

W. D. Sharp says that Augusta is good enough for him as a summer resort, and has enrolled himself as a charter member of the stay-at-home association.

E. S. Carl Lee will occupy the season in canvassing Independence county for a seat in the Arkansas House of Representatives.

W. M. Ellisberry and lady will leave during the latter part of next month to make a six weeks sojourn at or near McKenzie, in your State, following which protracted stay they will make an extended tour of the Western States.

J. P. Ferguson's family—his lady, youngest sons and two daughters—will spend the summer in the mountains.

Capt J. W. Fuller and family have fixed upon Sharon Springs as a resort for the season.

Ed Neil, of W. M. Ellsberry & Co., and Frank Neil, of J. T. Hamblet's, will leave on July 1st, with a view to