

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

Local discount rates were quoted at 4 1/2 to 7 per cent on call and time loans. The exchange was 87 1/2 for gold, 87 1/2 for silver, 87 1/2 for gold, 87 1/2 for silver, 87 1/2 for gold, 87 1/2 for silver...

DRY GOODS SALES ARE UNPRECEDENTED.

Leading Merchants Say the Month of August Will Break All Previous Records. Many Foreign Buyers Here. Eastern Houses Have Suffered and St. Louis Has Gained—Local Concerns Behind in Their Shipments.

These are in a nutshell the statements given The Republic yesterday by the heads of the five great dry goods companies on Washington avenue and completely over the former talk of bad business on account of drought.

MURDER MYSTERY BAFFLING OFFICERS.

Assassin Who Shot Down Lafayette Newkirk May Never Be Captured. Descriptions of Murderer. Killing Took Place on a Well-Lighted Street in a Prominent Residence District Early in the Night.



LAFAYETTE NEWKIRK. Who was shot by an assassin on the street in St. Louis, Mo.

William Ives Buchanan, director general of the Pan-American Exposition, arrived in St. Louis yesterday evening to discuss the Louisiana Purchase Exposition with the workers in St. Louis. He was taken from the station in a carriage by Captain Perry Bartholow of the secretary's office to the private car Electra, which was waiting on a sidetrack in front of the Flanery Hotel.

NEW YORK CITY and Return.

TICKETS BUFFALO and Return. \$19.25—On Sale Every Day—Limit 15 Days. \$15.00—On Sale Sept. 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12. \$16.45—Limit 20 Days. \$18.40—Limit Oct. 8th.

After fifty years of married bliss, Mr. and Mrs. William Paxton Williams of Kane celebrated their golden wedding anniversary yesterday by inviting sixty relatives and friends to spend the afternoon with them.

COMMITTEE CHARMEN CONSILT MR. BUCHANAN.

Director General of Pan-American Exposition Discusses the More Important Features of World's Fair Preliminary Work—Position of Commissioner General to South and Central America May Be Offered Him—Directors Invited to Visit Dallas and Fort Smith Fairs.

MISSOURI COMMISSION TO ERECT ONE PERMANENT BUILDING.

An invitation has already been presented by H. G. Gilson, president of the Dallas State Fair Association, to the directors to attend the fair October 10, which will be Louisiana Purchase Day.

ANOTHER LAW INVALID.

Illinois Legislature Amended an Act That Never Existed. Springfield, Ill., Aug. 23.—Still another error in the laws enacted by the Forty-second General Assembly of Illinois has been brought to light.

INJURED IN A RUNAWAY.

Members of Ed Porter Thompson's Family the Victims. Frankfort, Ky., Aug. 23.—While being driven to the country to-day, the family of Captain Ed Porter Thompson, State Custodian and author, were thrown from a runaway horse.

COLONEL YOUNG AS HOST.

Entertains at Post Headquarters, Camp Lincoln. Springfield, Ill., Aug. 23.—Open house at post headquarters attracted the beaux and belles of the capital at Camp Lincoln to-night.

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TICKETS CLEVELAND and Return. \$10.75—On Sale Sept. 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12. Good Returning Till Oct. 8. ...BIG FOUR... LOOK AT THE SCHEDULE.

HOUSEGIRLS Can be secured by advertising in THE REPUBLIC. 21 Words, or Less, 5c. Any Druggist will take your ad. at this rate.

KANSAS CITY SHAPING PLANS. Committee of Merchants to Outline Exhibit at World's Fair.

WORLD'S FAIR COMMISSIONERS. Governor Davis Names Honorary Members for Arkansas.

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MOTHER'S FRIEND. It is hard enough as it is. It is to her that we owe our world, and everything should be made as easy as possible for her at the time of childbirth. This is just what MOTHER'S FRIEND will do. It will make baby's coming easy and painless, and that without taking dangerous drugs into the system.