TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS.

Yesterday's bank clearings were $8,572,290, balances $1,554,592. Local discount rates were firm between 4½ and 5½ per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, par bid, 10c premium asked; Chicago, 15c premium bid, 25c premium asked; Cincinnati and Louisville, par bid, 10c premium asked; New Orleans, 100 discount bid, par asked.

Wheat closed higher at 83⅝c bid May, 86½@86¾c No. 2 red. Corn closed higher at 62c bid May; 61c nominal No. 2 mixed. Oats closed at 44c asked May, 45½@46½c No. 2 white.

The local market for spot cotton was ⅛c higher.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

The Illinois and Virginia State World's Fair Commission will visit the World's Fair site to make selections for their respective buildings.

Strange contrast between father and son in the will of Herman Heidmann, filed for probate.

George Rodemich of Millstadt woos and wins Miss Edna Hughes, toll-line operator of the Bell Telephone Company, over the wire.

St. Louis has tendered its bid for the State Convention.

Miss Mayme Dowling, formerly stenographer in the distribution division of the post office, was married to Robert J. Holmes, chief clerk in Post Office Inspector Dice's office.

Will of Samuel N. Holliday is filed for probate.

The Grand Jury has taken up the investigation of the scandal involving the city lighting contract of 1900.

Mayor Wells dismisses the allegations against Judge George B. Sidener.

Report is expected to-morrow night on the bill pending in the City Council, providing for an extension of water mains to Webster Groves.

Thomas E., better known as "Snake" Kinney, who denies that he shot Daniel Shea at Union Market yesterday morning, gives bond for his appearance.

Chief Inspector Charles H. Jones claims the smoke nuisance in St. Louis has been abated 40 per cent.

Henry L. Dauernheim fights a policeman who attempts to prevent him committing suicide.

Nine street car fenders are tested by street railway and city officials.

North St. Louis High School will be named for James E. Yeatman, the late philanthropist.

Mrs. Mary J. Wilson brings suit against her daughter, Miss Nellie Wilson, to recover $1,000 deposited with Lincoln Trust Company in the latter's name.

WASHINGTON.

The Kansas congressional delegation has appointed a committee to wait on the President and urge the appointment of a Kansan to fill the place of Pension Commissioner Evans.

General Hughes was asked by Senator Patterson of the Senate Committee on Philippines, if it is not a fact that the capture of Manila was pre-arranged with the Spanish commander.

A new obstacle to the Panama Canal project has arisen. The protocols with Nicaragua and Costa Rica are declared to be no longer in effect.

The brief in the Government's case against the Northern Securities Company is ready, and the litigation is to be rushed as fast as possible to the Supreme Court.

The Senate passed the second of the big supply bills, the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill.

The House continued consideration of the rural free delivery bill and adjourned early.

Opponents of Congressman Payne's reciprocity plan for Cuba claim to have a clear majority in the Committee on Ways and Means.

An amendment to the pending Philippine bill has been introduced in the Senate, providing that when the present insurrection shall have been subdued and peace restored, a general election shall be held in the Philippines for the purpose of electing delegates to a popular assembly, to be known as the Philippine Assembly.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

Cotton scored another advance yesterday in the face of strong profit-taking.

The defense in the Patrick case will be made to-day. At least one sensational witness is promised out of the thirty subpoenaed by the defense.

Prince Henry visits Niagara Falls and resumes his journey to Boston.

A severe snowstorm visits the Eastern States, following the great floods of the last few days.

The Democratic primary in Warren County, Missouri, will be held on April 26.

A rescue party has started to carry succor to men believed to be snow-imprisoned in Ingram Basin in the Colorado mountains.

A party of prospectors arrives at Boise City, Idaho, after suffering almost incredible hardships to bring out of the mountains the bodies of three dead friends.

The Director of the Geological Survey has prepared an interesting report, with maps, on the lead and zinc fields of Missouri.

The barge Cardenas, after drifting about at sea for twenty-nine days, is brought into port with the crew all well and the vessel little damaged.

James R. Woods, winner of the first prize in the Cherokee land lottery, is dead.

Cincinnati celebrates the centennial of its incorporation.

Rejected suitors of a New Orleans Italian girl try to murder the entire family to obtain revenge.

The Rock Island Republican delegation to the Illinois State Convention will be divided, as usual.

FOREIGN.

A relative of the Servian pretender appears in a frontier town of that country and is killed in the effort to start a revolution.

Morong Province, Luzon, is in a state of terror, owing to reports of insurgent activity in that part of the island.

SPORTING.

The American League decided to raise prices of admission from 50 and 25 cents in grand stand and bleachers to 75 and 50 cents. President Johnson announced that the circuit was complete for 1902, and that there would not be any further expansion in that direction.

Fifty candidates are at practice for the Missouri State University baseball team.

General interest seems to be taken in amateur boxing contests.

Tommy Ryan and Jack O'Brien, the champion middle-weight of England, have been matched to fight twenty rounds before the Southern Athletic Club at Louisville on Derby Night, in the first week of May.

Edward Corrigan and others are said to have a plan on foot to establish a running race track at West Baden this summer.

By a decision of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals the law licensing turf exchanges is upheld.

Bill Nixon won the Premier Stakes for 2-year-olds at New Orleans. Tom Kingsley at odds of 15 to 1 beat Karl Kahler and Death in the Owners' Handicap.

As a result of the investigation of the steeplechase scandal at Crescent City, six jockeys and two horses have been ruled off and the entries of one owner will be refused hereafter.

RAILROADS.

Member of Interstate Commerce Commission says purposes of freight-traffic associations are not in violation of any law.

Ex-Mayor William S. Fleming of Webster Groves sells $75,000 worth of property to the Terminal company.

Freight officials will meet in Chicago to-day to decide upon future of freight bureaus, associations, pools, etc.

Marine Intelligence.

New York, March 5.—Arrived: Cevic, Liverpool. Sailed: Philadelphia, Southampton; Southwark, Antwerp; Oceanic, Liverpool.

Hamburg, March 2.—Sailed: Pentaur, San Francisco; Phoenicia, New York.

Liverpool, March 5.—Sailed: Waesland, Philadelphia.

Queenstown, March 5.—Sailed: Saxonia (from Liverpool), Boston.

SEVERE SNOWSTORM FOLLOWS FLOODS

Railroad Traffic in Eastern States Again Demoralized and Telegraph Wires Fall.

SUFFERING IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Urgent Demands on Charitable Organizations—New York May Feel Scarcity of Coal on Account of Tie-Up.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, March 5.—A heavy snowstorm prevailed over all the Eastern States north of Virginia to-day.

In many places the snow was more than a foot in depth and the gale, which accompanied it, caused drifts to form many feet deep in the mountains.

Coming as it does immediately after the disastrous floods of the last few days, it has caused considerable suffering, and in many of the Pennsylvania towns the calls for assistance have been almost more than the local organizations could meet satisfactorily.

Owing to the demoralized condition of railway traffic, several coal trains are stalled in the Pennsylvania mountains and the roads are tied up, which makes it possible that New York may feel a scarcity of coal unless there is an immediate change for the better in weather conditions.

Trolley lines in all parts of the East are at much inconvenience to run cars or have abandoned them altogether. In Pennsylvania several cars were stalled between towns and far from shelter.

Telegraphic service was further demoralized by the storm. The Western Union Company lost twenty out of thirty wires between New York and Philadelphia, and ten wires south of Philadelphia. The company reported that it was losing wires in all directions.

The snow here stopped shortly before noon and was followed by sleet. A total depth of six inches had fallen.

At 2 o'clock this morning there arrived in the Erie Depot, Jersey City, the Western express that was due at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. It brought in hardly a dozen passengers, but these had interesting stories to tell about the long-drawn-out trip from Chicago. The train left that city on Sunday.

INSTITUTE ELECTS OFFICERS.

Interesting Papers Absorbed Attention of Missouri Theologians.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Trenton, Mo., March 5.—The third day of the annual session of the Western Missouri Theological Institute closed here to-night. The programme will be continued until Thursday evening. This morning the Reverend C. L. Custer of St. Joseph read a paper, "How to Study the Bible." He was followed by A. H. Onderdonk, choir leader at Trenton, who discussed the church's music.

In the afternoon the Reverend Milford Riggs of Joplin spoke on the subject "How to Have Long, Happy, Successful Pastorates," followed by the Reverend J. W. Rucker of Kansas City, on "The Work of the Holy Spirit."

The evening programme included two addresses: "Baptists' Achievements During the Past Century, by the Reverend Parker Stockdale of Independence, and "The Bible and the March of Civilization," by the Reverend J. M. McManoway of Fayette, editor of Word and Way.

The following permanent officers have been elected: President, the Reverend T. R. Carr of Trenton; secretary, the Reverend W. E. Ripley of Princeton; member of Executive Committee, Professor T. P. Stafford of William Jewell College, Liberty. Attendance and interest have been splendid from the start.

The following ministers are in attendance: J. M. McManaway, Fayette; C. L. Custer, St. Joseph; F. D. Hale, Kansas City; T. J. Wilbanks, Linneus; J. E. Davis, Moberly; J. W. Drinkard, Laredo; Milford Riggs, Joplin; T. P. Stafford, Liberty; Parker Stockdale, Independence; S. A. Northrup, Kansas City; R. H. Jones, Gallatin; J. J. Porter, Mexico; Lee Harrel, Platte City; J. S. Kirtley, Kansas City; M. P. Hunt, St. Joseph; Robert J. Church, Carrollton; W. W. Searcy, Cameron; J. T. Hanna, Albany; T. M. S. Kenney, Excelsior; A. R. Willet, Stanberry; O. E. Newman, Edinburg; W. L. Tucker, Kansas City; W. F. Ripley, Princeton; James Gore, Gallatin; I. T. Creek, Maryville; Alpha Ingle, Keytesville; J. W. Rucker, Kansas City.

OLDEST TRAPPIST IN AMERICA.

Brother Antonine, Last of the Pioneer Monks, Is Dead.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Trappist, Ky., March 5.—Brother Antonine, the last of the pioneer Trappists who came over from France in 1848 to found the Abbey by Gethsemane at this place, died Sunday morning. Several weeks ago he was ill with the grip, but apparently recovered. He ventured out too soon, caught cold and suffered a relapse. He never rallied. The funeral took place yesterday morning and was conducted with the impressive simplicity which marks the burial of the Trappist monks. Brother Antonne was buried in the brown cowl of the lay brother. He was the oldest monk in this country and perhaps the oldest in the whole Trappist order. He was a native of France and was 85 years old.

ONE OF WORLD'S WEALTHIEST MEN.

Leonard Lewisohn Leaves Fortune Worth Over $20,000,000.

SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC.

London, March 5.—(Copyright, 1902.)—One of the very wealthy men of the world, Leonard Lewisohn, president of the United Metal Selling Company of New York, died to-day after a few days' illness. He was attacked by influenza while paying a brief visit to England. Pneumonia developed and to this he succumbed. It is said Mr. Lewisohn leaves a fortune of between twenty and thirty million dollars.

DIED AT AN ADVANCED AGE.

Mrs. Eliza A. Burd, Prominent in Public Charities.

Mrs. Eliza A. Burd, who died at the residence of her son-in-law, Doctor J. J. Muller, No. 4439 Morgan street, Tuesday afternoon, was the widow of John W. Burd, and well known in church and charitable circles.

Mrs. Burd was born in St. Louis seventy-eight years ago, both of her parents, John and Elizabeth Goodfellow, having been early settlers in the then far West. The family was among the founders of the first Methodist Church in St. Louis.

Throughout her life Mrs. Burd was interested in church work, as was her husband, who died in 1885. They had five children, John W. Burd, Jr., of Philadelphia, Mrs. Nannie B. Garrison of Chicago and Mrs. Joseph S. Goodfellow, Mrs. John J. Miller and Mrs. Frank K. Hatch of St. Louis.

OIL DIVIDEND DECLARED.

St. Louisans Principal Shareholders in Granite Mountain Company.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Beaumont, Tex., March 5.—The Board of Directors of the Granite Mountain Oil Company of St. Louis met here and declared a 4 per cent dividend, payable to all stockholders of record April 1. St. Louisans are the principal shareholders in this company.

KALTER'S CASES ARE QUASHED.

Judge Ryan Holds the Charges Insufficient.

Judge Ryan yesterday sustained a motion to quash the two cases of grand larceny against Adolph Kalter, who was charged with the theft of oats from cars shipped here from country merchants. One of the indictments charged him with extracting $109 worth of oats from a car he purchased from Forrester Bros., and the other charged him with extracting $47 worth of oats from a car purchased of the Parrot-Baxter Grain Company.

Judge Ryan held that the allegations in the indictments were not sufficient. Kalter was formerly a member of the Merchants' Exchange.

CRAWFORD'S SPRING OPENING.

Large Crowd Is Attracted by the Latest Styles in Dress.

The D. Crawford Dry Goods Company held their spring opening yesterday, and from early morning till closing time at night the millinery and the cloak and suit departments were crowded with a steadily enlarging throng of eager buyers, anxious to see the new styles.

In the cloak department the crowd was attracted by a creation in black silk, trimmed around the neck with lace medallions and painted chenille called a taffeta raglan, the latest style in a spring cloak. It is an imported article, but sells for only $25.

Gibson suits were interesting to the buyers. They are made in black, brown, tan and blue broadcloths. Gibson waists of India linen, lawn and striped goods were in demand, being the latest article in that line of dress.

In the millinery department three new spring styles were on exhibition that were of particular interest to the throng. There was a charming hat of Maresco; Soeurs' production made of point de Venise and fiber braid. Another of poiyanne has a brim of black jet, with Irish point appliqué, on the black underfacing are laid rows of black lace with bunches of jet and pearl cherries. The "Marquise" is a smart effect of white hyacinths, a plateau of vatise, with black lace medallions, with the new ring of gathered velvet ribbon laid in the center of the crown.

In honor of the opening day, the departments were invisibly decorated with roses and carnations, festooned gracefully around the pillars and show cases in the departments. Immediately in front of the elevator was a huge arch almost entirely covered with wreaths of flowers, and in the entrance to each department was a large vase filled with flowers. Stepping from the elevator it seemed as if one had been suddenly transported to some tropical region, as the air was heavy with the perfume of the blossoms.

OUTLAW BETRAYED BY LETTER TO GIRL

George Musgrove, Leader of Southwestern Desperadoes, Hoped to Marry in April.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

El Paso, Tex., March 5.—George Musgrove, one of the most noted outlaws in the Southwest and leader of the Musgrove gang, was arrested by Post Office Inspector Doran of Denver, who has been camping on his trail for weeks.

Musgrove is one of the eight men who robbed the post office and store at Fort Sumner, N. M., four weeks ago and killed a 12-year-old boy, who was shot dead in attempting to escape.

The band lined up fifteen customers in the store and relieved them of their valuables in true Dalton style.

The gang began its long career of crime and robbery by the sensational hold-up of ten citizens and the robbing of the Post Office at Revuelto, where they secured a big haul, followed by holding up a saloon at Tucumcari, N. M.

Musgrove fell into the meshes of the law through a letter to a dashing young woman from Oklahoma, which was intercepted, together with information furnished by Indians on the Mescolro Reservation. He had arranged to marry his sweetheart in April, and if his plans had not been interrupted he would have taken his intended bride to the mountain fastnesses to become the Princess of his outlaw camp.

Musgrove and his gang have been in hiding for several months, since Governor Otero offered rewards for their capture. The hanging of Tom Ketchum, one of the gang at Clayton last year, has had a quieting effect on them.

The outlaws disappeared for months until recently, when they crossed through Southeastern New Mexico, robbing and killing, and headed for the Capitan Mountains.

Their reappearance created great uneasiness and consternation in the sparsely settled districts.

A special to the News to-night announces the capture of Wit. Neill, J. Cook and Joe Roberts on Blue River, forty miles above Clifton, by Deputy Sheriff John Parks and deputies. These men are members of the Musgrove band.

MURDER SUSPECTS ACQUITTED.

Peter Zimmerman and William Stevens Set Free.

Peter Zimmermann and William Stevens, who were charged with murder in the second degree, were acquitted by a jury in Judge Ryan's court yesterday morning. They were charged with kicking and beating Milton Reagan to death at Blaine and Folsom avenues on the night of August 24, 1901.

Reagan was a stranger in St. Louis, and while out from home one evening a crowd of boys pounced upon him and assaulted him with their fists and heels. He died a few days later from the injuries.

James Donnelly and Harry Darrah, who were also indicted on the charge of murder in the second degree in connection with the case, will be tried this week.

MAYOR DEPARTS FOR EAST.

To Visit Washington, Philadelphia and New York.

Accompanied by Mrs. Wells, Mayor Wells departed yesterday afternoon for Washington, D. C., where they will be the guests of relatives. From Washington they will go to Philadelphia and New York, and ultimately to Princeton, where two sons attend the Princeton University. They will be absent from the city for about ten days or a fortnight.

Joseph L. Hornsby, President of the City Council, will officiate as Mayor until Mr. Wells returns. Though Mr. Hornsby is somewhat indisposed, he is not too ill to perform the duties of Mayor.

SHOT FIRED FROM A BUGGY.

Bullet Whizzed by Head of Barney Capples.

Excitement was caused at the corner of Sixth street and Franklin avenue about 10 o'clock last night by the firing of a shot.

A man in a buggy, accompanied by a woman, the police say, was driving west on Franklin avenue, and when in front of Barney Capples's tailoring shop at No. 619 Franklin avenue, he drew a revolver and fired a shot. Capples was standing in front of his place of business at the time. The bullet whizzed by his head and lodged in the window casing. The man then whipped up the horse and drove down the street.

Read the "Want" Pages every day. Seven hundred and eighty ads. are printed today.

I. O. A. A. Elects Officers.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Peoria, Ill., March 5.—The election of officers of the Independent Order of Mutual Aid resulted as follows:

Grand president, George E. Doying, Jacksonville, Ill.; grand vice president, James M. Irwin, Chicago; grand secretary, Charles D. Brainerd, Peoria; grand treasurer, F. S. Morher, Sandwich, Ill.; grand trustees, Charles E. Axt, Rockford, Ill.; Frank X. Cloidt, Chicago; Charles B. Pettit, Ottawa, Ill.

The chief contest was between Charles Brainerd of Peoria and Alexander McLean of Macomb, Ill., for grand secretary, who made a vigorous fight for re-election. The headquarters of the order will be removed to this city.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

KENTUCKY SOCIETY AT FOURTH BANQUET

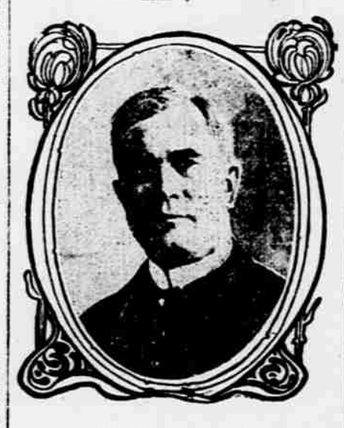
Natives of Blue Grass State Praise the Historic Commonwealth at Planters.

CLEVER PROGRAMME OF MUSIC.

President Moore Delivers Humorous Speech on "Spasms"—Kentuckians Urged to Support World's Fair.

Wit, beauty and the hospitality for which the Bluegrass State is famous combined last night to make the fourth annual banquet of the Kentucky Society of St. Louis at the Planters Hotel one of the most brilliant functions of the kind ever given in the city. Present were 110 members and guests, which number was greater than at any previous banquet of the society.

The speeches were filled with patriotic sentiment of the mother State. Its praises were spoken in eloquent language. The orators vied with each other in effort to sound the praises of the fair women, brave men and other qualities of Kentucky which have made its sons proud to own their



DOCTOR W. G. MOORE.
President of the Kentucky Society of St. Louis.

birthplace, in no matter what part of the world they might be.

The large banquet hall was draped in the national colors, and flags waved from the walls and columns in the center of the room. The tables were artistically decorated with cut flowers, colored lights, ferns and smilax.

The tables were arranged in the shape of a large U, at the top of which sat the speakers and guests. As in previous years a feature was the number of pretty girls and handsome matrons present. The toilets of the women were unusually handsome and added greatly to the general color effect.

Clever Music Programme.

The speeches of the evening were interspersed with a clever music programme. The first solo was by Bert McKinney. Following him came Wallace Niedringhaus, Trabue Pittman and Stephen A. Martin. The work of Mr. Martin was unusually good and was received with applause, which called for an encore. One of the guests, Miss Byrd Jourdan, played the accompaniments for the soloists in a manner which was as clever as the songs themselves.

When coffee and cigars made their appearance, Doctor W. G. Moore, president of the society and toastmaster, opened the speaking. He responded to the toast "Spasms." His talk was a humorous one, and in it he managed to introduce numerous good stories, of which Kentucklans were the principal actors.

He was followed by Doctor J. M. Matthews of Louisville, who responded to the sentiment "Kentucky in 1903." Doctor Matthews expressed regret at the action of the Kentucky Legislature on the World's Fair bill, but said he felt sure that in spite of this action Kentuckians would flock by the thousands to the great Exposition, and that individual enterprise would doubtless supply what the Legislature had failed to. The only loser by the action, he said, is Kentucky. The Exposition is big enough to get along without any single Commonwealth.

Breckenridge Jones introduced a resolution recommending that in view of the close relationship between Kentucky and Missouri, and the fact that President Francis and other World's Fair officials are natives of the former State, that the Kentucky Society do its utmost to secure a suitable exhibit of the resources of the Blue Grass State at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. The resolution was adopted.

"Blue Grass and Pennyrile."

Charles J. Bronston of Lexington, who was to have responded to the toast, "Blue Grass and Pennyrile," was unable to be present, and his place was taken by R. H. Kern. The enthusiasm with which his address was received left it a question of doubt as to whether or not the occasion lost anything by the substitution.

The last speech of the evening was that of William T. McClain of Henderson, who responded to the toast "Ex-Kentucklans." Mr. McClain's address was filled with clever anecdotes illustrating the characteristics of his fellow-statesmen. He spoke of the fame than Kentucklans have attained in every State in the Union, and how all natives of the State always preserve the love and veneration for the land of their nativity.

At the termination of the speaking, the company adjourned to the parlors of the hotel, where a reception was held. This was for the purpose of giving the new members and guests an opportunity of becoming generally acquainted. It was announced that the society was increased more than 25 per cent in membership since the annual banquet in 1901.

Among those present were:

Messieurs and Mesdames—
S. Milton Hitt, G. F. Merryman, E. C. Slevin, Samuel Winter, R. S. Morgan, J. D. Simpson, M. G. Hatcher, Richard Bartlett, John T. Larew, E. T. Campbell, C. J. Burbridge, J. E. Cox, E. S. Rowland, John M. Wood, George H. Small, Arthur N. Sager, John Young Brown, E. C. Robbins, James E. Brock, H. G. Henderson, William G. Boyd, W. G. Moore, G. Filley Jones, Sim T. Price, R. H. Kern, John Betts, G. W. Van Cleve, John A. Lee.

Mesdames—
Daniel Boone, L. C. Reilly.

Misses—
Mary W. Smith, Belle Page, Pearl C. Gardner, Durham, Wells, Mary A. Jones, Mabel Price, Byrd Jourdan, Van Cleve.

Messieurs—
Leon Straus, H. Horace Grant, H. Jones, R. W. Fisher, F. P. Dudly, M. C. Marshall, George H. Shields, W. P. McClain, W. C. Jones, Sim T. Price, W. C. Niedringhaus, Burt McKinney, Stephen A. Martin, Trabue Pittman, F. W. Biers, George D. Harris, N. D. Thompson, G. H. Fisher, Coleman Meriwether, A. P. Parker, George T. Weltzel, C. R. Croninger, William Bull, John C. Hall, S. E. Davis, T. K. Martin, C. A. Cox, W. R. Barnhart, J. Estill Ferris, P. Henry Nolan, G. H. Arnold, Wm. Mc. Martin, W. G. Lackey, E. E. Sutherland, H. S. Atkins, C. J. Nordmeyer, C. P. Ellerbe, Jr.

Many good positions are advertised among the two hundred and fifty-six "Help Wanted" ads. in to-day's Republic.

POPE SEES FORMER ST. LOUISAN

Countess Spottiswood Mackin Has Audience With His Holiness.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Rome, March 5.—The Pope to-day received 2,000 Belgian, French and Italian pilgrims. His Holiness afterward gave a private audience to the convert, Countess Spottiswood Machin, formerly of St. Louis.

The Pope, during the audience, spoke of the satisfaction he felt at the progress of Catholicism in America. It proved, he said, that all the church needed anywhere to flourish, as it ought, is the perfect liberty of action that is its acknowledged right in the United States. His Holiness spoke with some severity of the opportunist propaganda, of Masonic origin, which seeks to steal the papal plan of Christian socialism and distort it for its own ends.

L. B. FITTER DIES SUDDENLY.

Formerly Resided in Mexico, Mo.—Leaves Daughter in St. Louis.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Roodhouse, Ill., March 5.—This morning the dead body of L. B. Fitter, a jeweler, was found in his room, adjoining his jewelry shop, in this city.

The Coroner's verdict was to the effect that Mr. Fitter's death was caused by an accidental overdose of morphine and the jury also found that deceased was not addicted to the use of morphine.

Mr. Fitter was about 52 years of age. He formerly lived in Mexico, Mo., but has ben a resident of this city for many years, working at the jewelers' business.

His divorced wife, Mrs. Lincoln, and a daughter, reside in St. Louis.

EDITORS HAVE A CONFERENCE.

World's Fair Officials Consulted About Plans of Missouri Press.

The World's Fair Committee of the Missouri Press Association had a conference yesterday with several officials of the Exposition with regard to the removal from Charleston of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition building and the establishment of the Missouri Press Association in that building on the World's Fair grounds.

The visitors were: R. M. White of the Mexico Ledger, W. D. Thomas of the Fulton Sun, Wes Robertson of the Gallatin Democrat, W. N. Southern, Jr., of the Independence Examiner, E. F. Sosey of the Palmyra Spectator and H. W. Johnson of the Jonesburg Journal. The visitors expressed themselves as heartily in favor of the plan.

VISITING MILLINERS PLACE BIG ORDERS

Merchants Predict That Business at This Opening Will Far Exceed Former Seasons.

Yesterday was the second day of the milliners' sojourn in St. Louis, and they gave orders for more than $75,000 worth of goods. Milliners have arrived from the West and the Southwest, Illinois, Iowa and the South, until at least a thousand are in the city.

Sales so far have not been on so large a scale as last year from the same territory, but new territory opened to St. Louis within the last few months, the result of new railroads, new country and merchants' excursions, has sent the figures away ahead of those of last year.

Wholesale millinery establishments were crowded to the doors yesterday, and countless salesmen were "in" to take care of their country customers. So that the merchants declare that the business at this opening will far exceed that of the last opening. And the last one was a record-breaker.

Many visiting milliners yesterday did nothing but look. They looked the day before. The reason, they said, was that they could hardly make up their minds to a selection, the stocks are so large, so varied, all is so fresh, and the merchants are so courteous. Many ordered on the first day, canceled part of the order yesterday, and then ordered over again more than on the first day. Scores who ordered the first day made additional purchases yesterday.

Yesterday a score of milliners who had come to St. Louis to make small purchases, feeling that they would then go on to some other city and purchase there also, decided the best thing to do was to confine their purchases to St. Louis, and the merchants thought the decision was a wise one.

The trade this season is marked by the number of purchasers from points 300 and 400 miles away, from the territory heretofore claimed by other cities, which make big claims commercially. The Interstate Merchants' Association has the heaviest force of assistants employed it has ever had during the millinery season.

Among those who came in yesterday were:

F. R. Dudley, Auxvasse, Mo.; L. Reese, Vandalia, Mo.; G. V. McClintic, Groesbeck, Tex.; L. D. Tomilson, Malvern, Ark.; C. W. Stehr, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; L. C. Vawter, Macon, Ill.; Mrs. A. B. Hirsch, Memphis, Mo.; Mrs. R. Davis, Pattonsburg, Mo.; Mrs. S. H. Kembrough, Beebe, Ark.; Mrs. Sara Mason, Beebe, Ark.; Mrs. M. H. Robinett, Columbia, Mo.; J. W. Heskett, Jefferson City, Mo.; R. D. Blenc, Denison, Tex.; W. G. Wilke, Lincoln, Neb.; A. E. Peterson, Aurora, Neb.; Mrs. G. A. Patrick, Bunceton, Mo.; P. Lowenberg, Homer, La.; L. Sawter, Fort Smith, Ark.; James Holland, McDonald, Mo.; J. W. Kinney, Gilliam, Mo.; R. L. Brown, Texas; Miss C. E. Daugherty, La Plata, Mo., Mrs. E. Lumédin, Doniphan, Mo.; Miss S. Allen, Mexico, Mo.; Miss Willie Green, Mexico, Mo.; T. W. Garrelson, Fairview, Ill.; Larkie Nolan, Fairview, Ill.; T. A. Chaves, Taylor, Tex.; W. H. McSham, Pilot Grove, Tex.; Miss Minnie Ebechard, Clarence, Mo.; Miss E. B. White, Rocheport, Mo.; Miss Minnie Dodds, Aurora, Neb.; Ida M. Johnson, Mound City, Ill.; Carrie McGill, Carrollton, Ill.; Emma Sterns, Aurora, Ill.; Mrs. H. O. Powell, Baird, Tex.; Mrs. G. F. Goulle, Wellsville, Mo.; Mrs. B. Weil, Campbell, Mo.; Mrs. D. R. Lentz, Kennett, Mo.

MAKES ANOTHER EFFORT AT SUICIDE.

Mrs. Frank Peyton Broods Over Incarceration of Her Husband in Missouri Penitentiary.

Mrs. Lizzie Peyton, wife of Frank Peyton, who is now serving a term in the Jefferson City Penitentiary for burglaries committed in St. Louis in the year 1900, attempted to commit suicide last night by swallowing laudanum at her home, No. 1507 Biddle street.

Had it not been for the fact that a neighbor discovered that the young woman was in a serious condition and notified the police, it is probable that she would have expired before assistance could have been summoned.

Patrolman Denny learned of Mrs. Peyton's condition and immediately summoned an ambulance. Mrs. Peyton was conveyed to the City Hospital, where her stomach was syphoned. Doctor H. L. Nietert, Superintendent of the City Hospital, said that the quantity of poison which Mrs. Peyton had taken was not sufficient to cause fatal results; but had it not been for the fact that she received immediate medical attention her case would have been more serious.

Since Frank Peyton was sent to the Missouri Penitentiary his wife has been despondent and has made other attempts to end her life.

When questioned last night at the City Hospital she could give no reason for her attempted suicide.

TOBACCO WORKERS END STRIKE

Company Reinstated Man Whose Discharge Caused Trouble.

The strike at the Christian Peper tobacco factory, caused by the discharge of Joseph Walsh, on the ground that he had been impolite to one of the officials, was settled yesterday and Walsh was put back to work in another department. The plant had been shut down two days.

Saturday evening Walsh was discharged. An indignation meeting was held and Monday morning the feeders and the seventy-five girls in the wrapper department refused to work. A number of conferences were held with the management, but no agreement was reached until yesterday afternoon. Then Foreman Frederick Peper consented to again place Walsh on the payroll.

NIAGARA FALLS DELIGHT PRINCE

Every Point of Interest Is Carefull Inspected by the German Emperor's Brother.

TIRED AFTER CHICAGO VISIT.

Few Stops Made on the Run to Buffalo—Salutations Received From Canada—Journey to Boston Resumed.

Rochester, N. Y., March 5.—Prince Henry of Prussia traveled from Chicago to Niagara Falls to-day, crossed the Canadian frontier, for a brief stay, during which he was officially welcomed by the dominion, and resumed his journey to-night, bound for Boston, over the New York Central line.

His longest stop in almost thirty hours of continuous traveling was at Niagara Falls, which he saw bridged in with ice. He viewed the Horseshoe Falls from Table Rock, the American Falls from the ledge over the whirlpool on the Canadian shore, rode down the gorge to a point below the lower whirlpool and there inspected the plant of the Niagara Power Company, which converts the force of nature to the purposes of commerce. He was much impressed by the falls, and as he stood on Table Rock, looking across at the horseshoe, he said:

"It is magnificent; it is grand."

He was much impressed, also, by the swirling rapids down in the gorge, and when he left his car at the whirlpool he stood for several minutes watching the tumbling of the waters.

Prince Henry Arises Late.

The special train had traversed the distance between Milwaukee and Chicago, crossed Indiana and was well on its way over Ohio before Prince Henry arose. He was worn out when he left Milwaukee and Chicago and he did not respond to demonstrations by the people of Toledo and of Sandusky. He did not receive notice of the intention of the citizens of Toledo to formally receive him, and his first knowledge of their plans was conveyed to him by their band playing "Die Wacht am Rhein." It was too late then to get up and Toledo did not see him.

At Cleveland there was a friendly demonstration. Here Peter Karpp, formerly a bugler in the German army, climbed into the car for a reunion with the Prince, which greatly pleased both. Karpp was a sailor with Prince Henry back in 1877, and they were shipmates for more than two years. The Prince recognized him at once, and, taking him by the hand, led him into the car. They talked over the old days, while a crowd looked on with approval.

At Erie, Pa., was a great crowd. Women and children were wedged in against the train and the effort to check the swirling crowd which pressed in from the rear was useless. Several women fainted and anybody anywhere near the center of the crowd was submitted to dangerous pressure.

Gridley's Wife Presented.

Mrs. Harriet Gridley and Miss Gridley, widow and daughter of Captain C. V. Gridley, the man who fought on the Olympia at Manila Bay, were received on the train by Admiral Evans, who was a schoolmate of the dead Captain, and were presented to the Prince. All through the morning, as the train ran through a corner of Pennsylvania and out into the State of New York, there were crowds at the stations anxious to see the Prince and tender assurances of friendship. At Buffalo Mayor Knight welcomed the Prince, and the local German singing societies sang.

It was 2:45 o'clock when the special arrived at Buffalo, and fifteen minutes later it was steaming out to Niarago Falls.

As the party was leaving the power-house Admiral Evans felt something tugging at his coat. He turned to find the hand of a youthful looking pickpocket in one of his pockets. As the Admiral shook him he coolly said:

"Young man, you'll find my purse in another pocket."

The Admiral did not delay long enough to turn the thief over to the police.

At 6 o'clock the Prince was back and aboard his train. Fifteen minutes later it departed for Boston, brief stops at Rochester and Syracuse being scheduled.

DEMAND EVANS'S REMOVAL.

Kansas Delegation Chooses Committee to Wait on Roosevelt.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, March 5.—The Kansas delegation to-day had a meeting and chose a committee of three—Messrs. Burton, Calderhead and Curtis—to wait upon President Roosevelt. They are to urge that the promise made by President McKinley for the appointment of a Kansas man for Commissioner of Pensions be carried out.

The committee also is to file specific charges against Commissioner Evans for official misconduct. One of the Kansas Congressmen recently saw the President about the removal of General Evans and was informed that no action would be taken unless charges were made.

The committee of three went to the White House to-day, but was unable to see the President.

It is known that the Pensions Committee of the G. A. R., which has been in session in this city, is preparing a vigorous attack on Commissioner Evans. Commander Torrence and the members of the committee have had talks with the President and are reported to have laid before him their objections to Evans, the details to follow in a written report that is to be made by the committee.

BELIEVES TOLSTOI IS DEAD.

New York Lawyer Says That Russia Is Suppressing the News.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, March 5.—A lawyer of this city made public to-day a portion of a letter which he has just received from a relative in Russia, in which the statement is made that Count Tolstoi, the great Russian novelist and philanthropist, died on February 15 last at Yalta, in the Crimea.

The lawyer does not want his name published for fear the source of the letter could be traced and trouble made for the relative by the Russian Government. The portion of the letter referring to Tolstoi is as follows:

"Tolstoi is dead. The papers write nothing about it, but we know it indirectly here. Great tumults are expected in Russia and there are rumors of revolution."

The lawyer says his relative was well acquainted with Tolstoi and had assisted him in his colony work. In this connection he came near being exiled to Siberia by the Government. "The papers are concealing the death," said the lawyer, "and by reason of the strict censorship nothing can get out of the country about it. I am wondering how the letter got through unless it was that the portion referring to Tolstoi escaped notice."

Gray Township Convention.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Grayville, Ill., March 5.—The Democrats of Gray's Township have called a mass convention to be held March 15, for the purpose of nominating candidates for township offices.

The Republicans will hold their convention March 8.

DROPPED DEAD WHILE AT WORK.—Michael Rohan, 65 years old, living at No. 5510 Maple avenue, dropped dead yesterday afternoon while working in the boiler shop of John Rohan & Sons, at the corner of Biddle and Lewis streets. Heart disease is supposed to have caused his sudden death.

MISS VIRGINIA GRANES

Tells How Hospital Physicians Use and Rely upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Twelve years continuous service at the sick bed in some of our prominent hospitals, as well as at private homes, has given me varied experiences with the diseases of women. I have nursed some

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President of Nurses' Association, Watertown, N.Y.

most distressing cases of inflammation and ulceration of the ovaries and womb. I have known that doctors used **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** when everything else failed with their patients. I have advised my patients and friends to use it and have yet to hear of its first failure to cure.

"Four years ago I had falling of the womb from straining in lifting a heavy patient, and knowing of the value of your Compound I began to use it at once, and in six weeks I was well once more, and have had no trouble since. I am most pleased to have had an