

GUESTS OF SAN JOSE.

Five Hundred Sunday-School Delegates Convene.

HONOR THE VETERANS.

Arrangements Under Way for a Fitting Celebration of Memorial Day.

FRANK WHITNEY EXPLAINS.

The Operatic Star and Alleged Thief Gives the Reasons for His Arrest.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 17.—At the opening of the session of the California State Sunday-school Association this morning, about 500 delegates were present.

It was opened with a prayer by D. H. Chaplin. Dr. E. Ulrich conducted devotional exercises and read the parable of the sowers. Short prayers were offered by Rev. Dr. Cantine and Mr. Edwards, after which Mr. Chaplin sang "As We Sow So Shall We Reap."

After prayer by Rev. O. Wilke, Rev. Dr. Cantine moved that the convention proceed with the nomination of committees. President Morton asked for time to consider the appointments, and the convention proceeded to hear the reports of officers.

President Morton made a verbal report, saying that he had visited many places in the interest of the work, and that much interest was being manifested all over the State.

State Secretary Guy W. Campbell in his report stated that much good had been accomplished through the efforts of Field Secretary Rev. Loyal L. Wirt, who had been employed for the last six months at a salary of \$25 per month. In carrying out the recommendations of the last convention Rev. John Kimball of San Francisco, J. F. Forrester of Alameda and G. W. Campbell of San Jose have been elected trustees of the Yosemite Valley Chapel Association and have in every way possible endeavored to advance the interests of the Sunday-school work throughout Northern California.

The executive committee has met five times during the year. On account of the removal of Rev. H. M. Dubois, vice-president of the association, the executive committee had declared the office vacant and Rev. John Hannon of San Jose has been elected to fill the office. State Treasurer M. Perkins of San Francisco rendered his report, showing that during the past year \$499 10 had been paid into the treasury. The disbursements amounted to \$399 79, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$109 31.

After the reports had been read Mrs. Sarah B. Cooper of San Francisco conducted a Bible reading, taking for her subject "The Parable of the Sower." In replying as to her belief in the doctrine of eternal punishment, Mrs. Cooper said: "A mother may forget her sucking babe, but the heavenly Father never forgets his children. I have seen little ones on the Barbary Coast who looked as though they did not know what it was to smile. Do you not think that the heavenly Father loves them as much as he loves you? I can think of him as catching them right up in his arms and saying to the children of tender care, 'You have had nursing all your lives. These need my tenderness and love.' There is largeness in God's mercy like the largeness of the sea."

Mrs. Cooper paid a great compliment to her class in San Francisco, telling of its cosmopolitan character and how the pupils were intent in learning of the greater truths and doing such good as could be accomplished.

The convention adjourned at 12 o'clock to a banquet in the parlors of the M. E. church. The ladies of the church had charge of the affair and will give another at the same hour to-morrow.

The parade this afternoon was an imposing one, stretching out a mile in length. It was composed entirely of members of the local Sunday-schools, and at least 2000 persons were in line, three-fourths of whom were ladies. The procession was headed by a platoon of police, behind which marched the Boys' Brigade, 100 strong. A band followed and then came the Sunday-school children under the charge of various superintendents. W. G. Alexander was marshal and W. K. Jenkins and Henry French acted as aids. The procession passed through the principal streets to the auditorium, where welcoming exercises were held.

TO OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY.

Committees on Arrangements Appointed by Mayor Austin.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 17.—Mayor Austin has appointed the following committees to arrange for a fitting celebration of Memorial day, May 30:

Executive Committee—A. Greeninger (chairman), P. P. Austin, L. F. Chipman, F. P. Russell, Fred Moore, E. H. Garnett, F. F. Smith (commander of the Sons of Veterans) and Captain H. L. Partridge.

Finance Committee—A. S. Mangum, S. P. Ayer, G. B. McKee, J. S. Gage, C. Butler, J. S. Evans, Professor Childs, E. H. Wemple, Mat Hite and S. C. Close.

Programme Committee—Professor F. Loui King, D. J. Soper, S. W. Martin, Dr. Simonton, H. G. Squiers, Louis Bruch, Miss Loudon, Ida M. Carpenter, Mrs. Ensign, Mrs. Matlock, C. Bell, Professor Rafns, D. T. Baeman, Professor L. B. Wilson, Mrs. F. C. Sawyer, Professor D. C. Daily, James Edward, H. F. Dwyer, and Mrs. R. B. Dunlap and Mrs. C. D. Wright of the Floral Society.

Cemetery Committee—A. G. Bennett, J. J. Pearet, J. W. Nottingham, C. M. Curtis, A. B. Tolber, M. Greenfield, J. A. Wheeler, C. E. Halston, D. McGinley and Dr. Williams.

The floral committee will include the teachers and pupils of the schools.

FRANK WHITNEY'S ARREST.

The Opera Singer Says He Is Only Wanted as a Witness.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 17.—C. B. Fulton, alias Frank Whitney, the opera singer, was taken to San Francisco by Detective Bohlen this afternoon.

nation of John E. Hart, alias James Hanley, who was charged with stealing a bicycle belonging to Dr. Wasson, took place before Justice Gass to-day. The evidence was not sufficient to secure a conviction and he was discharged. Hart said the wheel had been given him, and after he was discharged gave Dr. Wasson his name, and said he would send him the money to pay for the repairing of the wheel, which was badly broken.

CAUSED BY A DAUGHTER'S ACT.

A White Girl's Marriage to a Chinaman Drives Her Father to Insanity. KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 17.—A. L. Sharpe, a well-known local capitalist, while en route to St. Louis, was seized with a violent fit this evening and had to be removed from the train. His condition is serious.

It was Mr. Sharpe's daughter, who ten days ago eloped with her Chinese Sunday-school pupil, a laundryman. Worry over his daughter's act doubled the caused the afflicted man's condition. It is feared he may not recover of his reason. His daughter and her Chinese husband are somewhere in the East.

HE FIRST USED A "BIKE."

Death of a Man Who Introduced Bicycles in This Country.

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 17.—Robert C. Center, one of the best known men in the social life in this city, died last night in Roosevelt Hospital from the effects of an accident received late in the afternoon while riding his bicycle on the Western boulevard, where was knocked down and run over by a coal wagon.

DECIDES AGAINST CHICAGO.

Telegraph Companies Must Be Allowed to Use the Streets.

Municipalities Have No Right to Hinder the Construction of the Lines.

CHICAGO, ILL., April 17.—William Booth, Master of the Federal court, to whom was referred a case brought by the telegraph company, has decided in favor of the latter. The results of the decision, if sustained by the higher courts, are far-reaching. The Master, in giving his conclusions, argues substantially as follows: "The law may be said to be well established since Congress has acted upon the subject of telegraph companies by an act of July 24, 1866, an interstate telegraph company which has duly complied with the requirements of said act has the absolute right to construct, maintain and operate lines of telegraph over and along any of the military or post roads of the United States, and that no State or subdivision of a State has any right to obstruct or hinder it in so constructing, maintaining and operating its lines.

"While the city might perhaps, under its police power and for the purpose of protecting its streets, require the complainant to give a bond, as required in the amended ordinance of December 9, 1885, yet the giving of such bond could not be made a condition precedent to the right to do business. Corporate authorities may subject such a company to reasonable police regulations, etc., require lines to be placed underground when the public good requires it, or regulate the height of poles, etc., but they cannot under the guise or pretense of police regulation impose unreasonable conditions or exact a prohibitive tax. An interstate telegraph company has the right to have such matters investigated in the courts as to their reasonableness or otherwise."

AT THE CLIFF'S BOTTOM.

Finding of the Body of Missing Arthur Seely.

NORTHAMPTON, MASS., April 17.—The body of Arthur M. Seely, 25 years of age, son of President Seely of Smith College, was found by a searching party on Mount Tom at 11 o'clock. The body was at the bottom of a cliff 100 feet high. It was evident that Seely had fallen from a considerable height and struck directly on the crown of his head. He had evidently been walking along the precipice where the path is near the edge and made a misstep.

Sugar Refining Resumed.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 17.—The Spreckels Sugar Refinery, which has been closed about two weeks by order of the sugar trust, by which it is controlled, has started up again. The plant has started on nearly full time, with a reduced force. The other refinery in Williamsburg, N. Y., which closed at the same time, has also resumed work. The demand for refined sugars, which was very dull when the two refineries were closed, has become brighter, and, though the market is still overstocked, it is thought probable a healthy condition will soon be restored. The McCahan refinery is not controlled by the trust, and is running on nearly full time.

For Democratic Free Silver.

CHICAGO, ILL., April 17.—The uncertainty of the Democratic party of Illinois on the silver question was further emphasized to-day by the action of ex-Judge Samuel P. McConnell in coming out in an extended interview as an out-and-out advocate of the free coinage of silver. McConnell holds a prominent position in the councils of his party. He was mentioned as a candidate for Mayor, is president of the Iroquois Club and is said to have his eye on the gubernatorial nomination.

Income Gambling-Tax Sustained.

LEXINGTON, Ky., April 17.—The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has sustained Deputy Collector Desha Breckinridge's rule regarding the payment of income tax on winnings from races, poker, roulette, etc. The Commissioner says: "Gains from the poolbox, etc., should be included as incomes for the year in which received, and no deductions can be allowed for money lost at gambling."

Utah's Constitution.

SALT LAKE, UTAH, April 17.—The question of mortgage taxation came up in the constitutional convention to-day and was fought to a finish. As a result, that part of the committee report exempting mortgages from taxation was stricken out by a vote of 57 to 44. The equal suffrage question will be brought up again to-morrow on a motion to consider the former action of the convention on that section.

Murdered His Sweetheart.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, April 17.—Alex Turk, 23 years of age, called at the residence of his sweetheart, Miss Julia Fallon, this morning, fired three shots into her body and then turned the weapon upon himself. The murder and suicide were both committed without witnesses. Death came to each instantly. Jealousy is supposed to be the cause of the tragedy.

RIGHTS OF STEAMERS.

Secretary Gresham Sets Up a Doctrine for Masters.

THE FOREIGN ASYLUM.

It Has No Application to Merchant Vessels While in Port.

NO GENERAL RULE, HOWEVER.

Demands for the Surrender of Prisoners From Proper Authorities Must Be Regarded.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—Secretary Gresham has laid down some doctrine touching the rights of merchant steamers in foreign ports to afford asylum to refugees that may be of great importance to the commanders of vessels. This was called out by a letter addressed to the State Department in December, 1893, by C. P. Huntington, president of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, asking for an exact definition of the powers of the captains of merchant steamers in this respect.

The Secretary responded that the so-called doctrine of the right of asylum having no application to merchant vessels in port, it follows that the shipmaster cannot exercise discretion on the character of an offense charged against a refugee.

While no general rule can be laid down as a comprehensive principle, a merchant vessel in a foreign port is within the local jurisdiction of the country with respect to offenses or offenders against the laws thereof, and an orderly demand for a surrender of the person accused of the crime by a due process of law, with the exhibition of the warrant of arrest in the hands of the regularly accredited officers of the law, may not be disregarded or resisted by the master of the ships. Arbitrary attempts to capture the passenger by force may call for a disavowal, when a resort to violence endangers the lives of innocent people and the property of a friendly nation.

Whether, if force be threatened, the master of the vessel is justified in putting in jeopardy, by his resistance, the interests confined to his care must be largely a question for his discretion. That passengers may have come on board at the port where a demand is made, or at another port of the same country, is immaterial to the right of jurisdiction. The Secretary concludes with an admonition to the American merchant captains to permit the orderly operation of law in foreign ports on their ships, and thus avoid application for an asylum for refugees, and occasions for the exhibition of arbitrary force against their ships.

ROASTS FOR A JUDGE.

Sensational Climax to a Libel Suit Against an Editor.

The Verdict of the Court Denounced as a Startling Perversion of Justice.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 17.—Ex-Mayor William B. Smith of this city secured a verdict to-day for \$45,000 damages against the Times and its editor, Colonel A. K. McClure, for having charged that Smith owed large sums of money, had given bogus checks and fled from the city.

This afternoon before the trial ended Colonel McClure caused a sensation in court. He arose and addressing Judge Gordon charged he was not being treated fairly by the court, and also that his witnesses were being bribed. He then requested his counsel to withdraw from the case. Judge Gordon stated that the court was not showing any favors and directed the case to proceed.

The Times to-morrow will say: "The verdict is simply a startling climax in the perversion of justice in its own sanctuary, and it will certainly be so regarded, not only by the entire press of the State and country, but by every considerate and fair-minded citizen.

"Had Mr. Smith been a man of cleanest reputation, of the highest character and stainless in all his records as a public official and a citizen, a fair-minded court and jury upon a fair trial, with no semblance of truth in the libelous complaints, might have allowed a verdict of \$5000 or \$10,000. But a verdict of \$45,000, rendered in favor of a man who, in the highest official position ever held in the city, was impeached for the misappropriation of public funds, and in an official military position was dismissed from the service for the misappropriation of military funds, and whose subsequent reputation as a business man did not inspire general confidence, could not be explained in any other way than by a startling climax in the perversion of justice."

Built With Triple Screws.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—The Navy Department has received the plans of an experiment that is being made in Russia upon a new war vessel to be built with triple screws. There will be two heavy twin screws connected with the most powerful engines, to be used for obtaining a high rate of speed, while the outer screw will be used only for securing moderate speed. The twin screws can be uncoupled and will revolve in the water when not in use.

Passengers From Liverpool.

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 17.—Among the passengers arriving to-day by the White Star fair Majestic, from Liverpool and Queenstown, was Hon. George Curzon, M. P., who is to marry Miss Leiter. In his party were Hon. Frank Curzon, Lord Lamington and Mr. Curzon's sister, Hon. Lady Miller, and Mr. Miller.

Alimony Disallowed.

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 17.—Judge Gildersleeve to-day denied the application for alimony in the pending suit of Mrs. Cutting for separation from ex-Congressman John T. Cutting of San Francisco. The application for counsel fees was taken under consideration.

Bound For Pennsylvania.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., April 17.—Officer Tenny of Wilkesbarre, Pa., passed through

here last night, having in charge Edward Maryn, arrested in California, who is wanted in Wilkesbarre for the murder of a young girl named Winterbacher because she refused to marry him.

Investigating Chinese Certificates.

BOISE, IDAHO, April 17.—The Grand Jury is making a thorough investigation of the Chinese certificate frauds. About fifty witnesses have already been summoned, including many leading business men. The Government has secured a great many Chinese merchant certificates being the goods of Boise business men and effort is being made to determine which signatures are genuine and which are forgeries.

Miss Gould Will Attend.

MEMPHIS, TENN., April 17.—A favorable reply has been received from Miss Helen Gould to the invitation extended to her to act as sponsor for the Veteran Chickasaw Guards during the interstate drill in May. Miss Gould will be accompanied by Mrs. Mann and two maids of honor, to be selected by her. The selection of Miss Gould was in recognition of the aid given this city by her father during the yellow fever epidemic.

May Ambush Indians.

OMAHA, NEBR., April 17.—A special to the Bee from Pender, Nebr., says: A new phase of the reservation trouble developed to-day when the Sheriff, with an armed posse, left here to ambush a body of Indian police as they are ejecting settlers from the reservation to-morrow. The Sheriff will attempt to surprise the Indians and arrest them. A fight is expected.

Demolished by the Wind.

MERIDAN, Miss., April 17.—This section of the State was visited to-day by a severe wind and hail storm. A number of houses were demolished, and great damage to fences, fruit and timber is reported.

SMALLPOX THREATENED.

A Note of Warning Soundcd at the Meeting of the Doctors.

Doctor Winslow Anderson Reprimanded for "Unethical Conduct."

At yesterday's morning session of the Medical Society of the State of California, in Golden Gate Hall, the first paper read was that on "Altitude in California in Relation to Immunity from Tuberculosis" by Dr. J. H. Davidson of Los Angeles. It stated that the varied topography, the long stretch of sea coast—extending over ten degrees of latitude—the numerous mountain ranges, the beautiful and fertile valleys, the immense number of natural springs of varying temperatures and minerais, the perpetual snows in the distance, the fine scenery, the southern latitude, with almost perpetual sunshine, with an equable climate and other consequent meteorologic conditions, make California not only a State of the most varied possibilities as a perpetual pleasure resort, but a perpetual health resort as well.

"Tuberculosis was almost unknown among the aborigines or American Indians in California, and also among the native Spanish and Mexicans.

"Some would-be climatologists, as Dr. Andrew Davidson and others, have prated about the prevalence of consumption and other pulmonary diseases in California, as if such a condition of affairs did not obtain at every famed health resort on the face of the globe. This state of affairs has its analogue in the large number of insane in California.

"And in like manner a number of people ascribe to the climate; but the fact is that insanity is not essentially indigenous to California, or due to the climatic conditions or altitudes, but is rather the result of the influx of mental, moral, financial and physical wrecks, many of whom come because of their neurotic conditions, which had a beginning in the East and in foreign countries, and a large proportion of these are paupers and dissipated habits. And the further fact must be remembered that in California we look up the insane, whereas in the East and in many foreign countries they are left at large.

"Many of our insane have an asylum record before coming to California, and insanity is essentially incurable.

"After showing that a high altitude is not essential to effect a cure in pulmonary diseases, the author concluded that 'the varied topography and equable climate of California are such as to constitute it an ideal home for the invalid—a natural sanitarium for pulmonary diseases.'

This was followed with a paper on "The Medical Topography of Northern California" by Dr. B. M. Gill of Dunsmuir.

One of the most interesting essays was that of Dr. W. R. Kinross of San Francisco, on "Progress in State Medicine." It stated that since the discovery of the bacillus tuberculosis, pulmonary phthisis had materially declined in Germany. Figures were given showing a large proportion of patients referred to in corroboration of the statement, and it was added that similar improvement had undoubtedly been made in this country, England and France.

"Perhaps the most noteworthy advance in curative medicine during the past year," continued the essayist, "is the anti-toxine treatment of Behring and Roux for diphtheria, by the subcutaneous injection of blood-serum of horses, rendered immune by successive injections of the virus in increasing strength."

Further on the alarming averment was made that "during the past year smallpox has manifested unusual prevalence throughout the Rocky Mountain States, indicating another cycle of activity, and in my judgment we have reason to apprehend the same experience on this coast. Since its disappearance from California has rapidly accumulated from neglect of vaccinating the children born since that date."

A paper on "Peripheral Neuritis" by Dr. H. Y. Brainerd of Angeles and one on "Suggestion as a Therapeutic Agent" by Dr. J. W. Robertson of Livermore closed the morning session.

Nearly all of the afternoon session was occupied in hearing reports of officers for the ensuing year. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Dr. William Le Moine Wills, Los Angeles; first vice-president, Dr. George C. Chisholm, San Francisco; second vice-president, Dr. W. R. Kinross, San Francisco; secretary, Dr. William Watt Kers, San Francisco; assistant secretaries—Dr. H. Bert Ellis, Los Angeles; Dr. C. E. Wadsworth, Sacramento; treasurer, Dr. J. H. Parkinson, Sacramento; board of censors—Dr. C. L. Baird, Ventura, Santa Barbara; Los Angeles, W. A. Beckley, Los Angeles, W. B. LeVitt, San Francisco, and J. H. Davidson, Los Angeles; board of examiners—H. H. Hart, W. B. LeVitt, C. Wadsworth, W. H. Hopkins, E. J. Fitzgibbon, W. F. Cheney, J. M. Williamson.

BULLETS ARE FLYING.

Desperate Battle Raging in the Chickasaw Country.

SIX MEN ARE KILLED.

Many More Are Wounded and Great Excitement Prevails.

QUELLING AN INSURRECTION.

Governor Mosely Attacks the Armed Force Headed by the Brown Brothers.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 17.—A special to the Republic from Guthrie, O. T., says: Couriers just arrived here from Tishimongo, the capital of the Chickasaw nation, report that a battle is raging between Governor Mosely and 200 insurrectionists. Six people have been killed and eight wounded, so the report says, and great excitement prevails.

The cause of the trouble is due to bad political blood which has long pervaded the Chickasaw seat of government, and which existed since the last session of the Legislature.

Willis Brown, Charles Brown and Noah McGill, who claimed to have been elected Sheriffs of the nation, allege that the Legislature acted illegally when it rejected their claims to such offices.

On Tuesday morning Governor Mosely issued orders to all Sheriffs, Constables and deputies throughout the nation to report to him at once with arms.

When the officers gathered around the house, 200 enraged men, headed by McGill and the Brown brothers, rushed from adjoining houses and a deadly riot followed. The names of the dead and wounded could not be ascertained by the couriers owing to the great excitement which prevailed.

Governor Mosely and his official retinue escaped by rushing to houses on the outskirts of the town. Mosely has called a special session of the Legislature to take action.

Choctaws Not at War.

DALLAS, TEXAS, April 17.—V. M. Locke of Antlers, Choctaw nation, is here. He denies the wild reports of war in the nation and says the five killings recently grew out of a personal difficulty. Gardner has no opposition for Governor.

JONES ON SILVER.

He Believes Republican Delegates Should Bolt a Gold Nominee.

DENVER, COLO., April 17.—Letters have been received by ex-Congressman Sibley and General Warner from Senator Jones of Nevada explaining that he was detained at New York on account of heart trouble resulting from an attack of the grip. In his letter to General Warner the Senator says: "If all the silver delegates would bolt from the Republican convention when the gold-standard man is named, as all the gold delegates will surely do from the Democratic convention if a silver man is named, we could not have a more fortunate situation created for us. We should then for the first time have a fair field and a square issue. The silver delegates to the Republican convention must be made by their constituents to understand that it is absolutely essential that they bolt. That would be their only logical course if they are sincere in their present statements to the effect that they believe the Republican convention will name a free-coinage man."

NO POOL FORMED.

Railways Tapping Colorado Fail to Come to an Understanding.

CHICAGO, ILL., April 17.—The meeting of Colorado lines which convened for the purpose of forming a pool on freight traffic was adjourned without accomplishing its object. The roads nearly came to an agreement, but finally concluded that their differences could not be adjusted at this time and adjourned. It was decided, however, to stop the irregularities existing in freight rates between Colorado points and the Missouri River.

For some time past the standard freight rates from Chicago to Kansas City have been applied straight through to Colorado. This the lines decided to stop, and on May 4 all the rates below the tariff sheet are to be dropped and standard rates rigidly maintained thereafter. The same decision was reached regarding Utah rates. Another effort to form a pool will be made within a short time.

PENNSYLVANIA ROBBERS.

They Torture an Old Lady in Order to Get Her Money.

CORRY, Pa., April 17.—Three masked robbers visited a farm house about nine miles from here last night. A family named Callahan occupied the house and with them lived Mrs. Hanlihan, aged 85. The robbers suspected that she had money and they asked her where it was. Upon her refusal to tell they choked the old woman and finally burned her in a frightful manner with a lamp, the members of the Callahan family being kept in submission in the meantime by threats. The robbers secured \$23. The old woman will probably die from the effects of the fright and her injuries. The same men afterward visited the house of Thomas Moore, who was almost killed in an encounter with them.

A Monument From Carnegie.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 17.—The Commercial Gazette will announce to-morrow that Andrew Carnegie has donated \$100,000 to build a monument to Mrs. Mary E. Schenley of London, Eng. The monument is to be erected under the triumphal arch at the entrance of the park of 460 acres which Mrs. Schenley presented to this city and which bears her name.

To Construct Large Locomotives.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 17.—The Pittsburg Locomotive Company to-day called the contract for twelve standard-gauge locomotives for the Georgetown and Trinity Railroad in Texas. The line is 650 miles long. An official of the locomotive company stated that the Illinois Steel Company had taken the contract for the rails away from the Carnegie Company. The Hopkins Construction Company of St.

Louis will build all the bridges on the line, and the Denver Construction Company of Denver was given the contract for building the road.

JUDGE JACKSON WILLING.

He Will Assist the Supreme Court on the Income-Tax Case.

NASHVILLE, TENN., April 17.—In an interview to be published in the American to-morrow Associate Justice Howell E. Jackson of the Supreme Court says: "I wrote a few days since to the Chief Justice simply expressing my willingness to go to Washington and make a full bench in case the court should desire a rehearing of the income-tax case at this term of the court. I have heard nothing since then. The court usually adjourns between the 15th and 20th of May, and if a rehearing is ordered, say early in May, I shall go and make a full bench."

OIL ON THE JUMP.

Speculators Are Afraid to Deal at the Present Quotations.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 17.—Oil has now reached the dizzy height where speculators are afraid to deal in it, and there was not a sale on the Pittsburg Exchange during the first half hour to-day, while the sales on the Oil City Exchange during the same period aggregated only 7000 barrels. The Standard again put up its price 25 cents, to \$2.50, and May option was offered here at the opening for \$2.70. Cash oil was offered at \$2.66. There were no buyers. May option gradually dropped to \$2.69, then to \$2.67 and at 10:30 \$2.65 was bid. While many brokers are predicting \$2 oil this week few have sufficient faith in it to invest.

Seven Murderers Respited.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 17.—Governor Stone to-day granted respites to seven murderers who were sentenced to be hanged in this State next Saturday.

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