YORK POLITICS.

Arthur's Prospects in the Empire State.

Only Man Upon Whom the Democracy Can Unite.

Interview With a Custom-House Official.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

YORK, April 15.—Standing on of the New York custom-terday, talking with a gen-well versed in the departments I asked him how he thought Arthur from this state would Republican national con-Chicago. "'Tis hard to he, "but that a majority of will vote for President last and all the time, doubt. The custom house to his interest, and no better than Chester Arthur that influence; he had long before Cinderella crop producer John Sher-him to resign the position officer of the department. That influence is not con-city of New York but is interior counties. I could through the building and men—men of influence have been as many different who are silently working in of the present chief exec-notwithstanding the violent of a large portion of the

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he will have at least two-the delegation when it as-Chicago. Presi-is the shrewdest of modern times, believe he lacks elements possessed by a few other Republicans, he is managing for the Chicago nomination skill and judgment. Silently are at work for him and of the delegates by the district conven-held, he has a majority, the state convention his will be sufficient to send a composed mostly of his

THE BLAINE MEN

that the plumed have a majority of the del-there is no doubt but that large following in the state, machine is for Arthur, and a hand has charge of the valve. the Blaine men secure of the state convention and delegation in favor of knight, I doubt if he can the active support of the While the fight is between the half-breeds and the nomination of Blaine many Republicans now in give him a lukewarm sup-

THE BATTLE OF 1884

fought within a radius of from where we now 80,000 majority in the New York and Brooklyn the will be successful in the Union. With everything quiet, firing gun in the Brooklyn could be heard by those virtually decide the presi-of 1884?"

do you think will be the re-delegation in New York state" asked the correspondent.

"that the Republicans will win," gentleman, as he nodded to an passing into the build-buttoned his ulster closer his person.

"THE GOLDEN STREAM"

Dickinson's coffers will flow as during the last presidential and by hook or crook the Re-party will carry this state; can be raised for this pur-Wall street alone. So long as campaign, with its large elec-decide the presidential con-will the party in pow-New York.

Democrats have arrayed the influence of Wall street them more solidly than ever by tendency towards free trade."

do you think will be nomi-the Chicago Democratic con-

signs of the times point unerr-

SAMUEL J. TILDEN,

impression is that he will be on the second or third the and his organ, the Sun, played a deep and carefully exe-game for the nomination all the stories about Mr. Tilden's are all bosh, and started only to in before the country without him in the ranks advocate of this principle. He is the man upon whom the can unite on common With the Great Defrauded standard-bearer, they could Chinese campaign with a loud of gongs and trumpets, and harmonies before the country

DEMOCRATS

head and march to inevitable the polls. The time has come country when money is the which decides elections. The state of Indiana was bought by campaign in 1880, and if neces-purchased again; but that Democracy, as the Democracy is itself and just now is in a sea of blunders. Gen. fight when he said that the always blundered on the gaining a material victory.

they could agree upon the tariff they could go before the coun-a prospect of success, but division in their own ranks, worst kind, they have no chance. The Republicans will well in certain sections and the dirty-shirt in others."

you read Mr. Tilden's letter Indiana Iroquois club, as pub-this morning's paper?" I said to be prepared to bid me good-

come walk up as far as Broad-I will tell you what I think it is a shrewd bid for the Chi-and, he sees, with eye, that the tariff not play any part approaching campaign if the ticket to be successful. Not word is bestowed upon issues upon which the battle fought. Samuel J. Tilden is how the Democrats can nom-and would put the Republicans to flight. He is a model re-statesman and is the strongest the Democratic ranks to-day. which you mention he gratuitous way of the prin-of the campaign of 1876. letter is a master-piece and may be the state of Mr. physical forces his mental is in a high state of preser-

"Do you think Mr. Tilden could carry the state of New York in case he was nominated?" I asked him as he hailed a passing bus.

"Yes, provided he could out-bid the Republicans for the support of one man in this city."

"And who is that man?" I asked as the bus drove up to the sidewalk.

"John Kelly," was the answer.

C. B.

FRONTIER SKETCHES.

Reminiscences of Early Days and First Settlers in Comanche and Bosque Counties.

For the Gazette.

MERIDIAN, April 20.—The year 1884 was a remarkably good crop year all over Texas. It rained continuously all spring and summer, and everybody knows there is no poor land in Northwest Texas if it is kept wet, and every grain of seed that was planted came up, matured and produced an abundant yield, and such a coat of grass as none can form any idea of but those who saw the country in the fall of 1884. Every mast bearing tree was loaded with acorns, the branches and springs were running flush all the year, and the larger streams between the Brazos and the Colorado were past fording a good deal of the time. This unusual wet spring and summer was followed by an open, warm fall and winter. No freezing weather until after Christmas, and not much then, all of which was very fortunate for undertaking in the winter to form a new settlement so remote from everything, as our small squad had undertaken to do.

In my last sketch I left us in camp on the night of the 20th of December, 1851, on Mercer creek, six miles south of the present town of Comanche. The only white woman in our crowd were Mrs. Alice Mercer and the writer's wife, Mrs. Julia A. Collier. Mrs. Mercer was a second wife, and Mr. Mercer's junior by one score and ten years, and was fond of something to wear and delighted in going somewhere to wear it, and very much opposed to going on this frontier. During our slow and tedious trip from Georgetown to our camp on Mercer's creek, a few days over four months, Mr. and Mrs. Mercer had quarreling for breakfast, dinner and supper, and if there was anything between meals, it was quarreling.

Mrs. Mercer was a good woman and untiring in a great many things, and one of those things was quarreling at Jesse, and at times would pour out vials of pent up heated wrath promiscuously on "all the world and the rest of mankind" in general. While traveling it was sorter bearable, but after reaching our destination and stopping in camp for two days it got so bad that Uncle Jesse's forbearance ceased to be a virtue, and from a war of words a separation was agreed to and a division of traps and calamities, such as children, negroes, wagons, goods, wares and merchandise, quickly followed. This temporary separation balked for a time our calculations and apparently left the writer no alternative but to return to the settlements. But Mr. and Mrs. Mercer both unbosomed their grievances to the writer and his wife, no one else to talk to but negroes, and fortunately our efforts to bring about a reconciliation were availing and the matter ended without a final separation, and Alice quit for a time her scolding and quarreling, and we proceeded with our efforts to locate ourselves, Mercer and the writer settling on the same tract of land on Mercer creek, six miles south of the present town of Comanche, and improving the farm now owned by Mrs. Caroline Montgomery. Upon this tract of land in the early part of January, 1855, the writer erected the first cabin that was built in the territory now embraced in Comanche county, in which cabin, on the 30th day of May, 1855, Thomas A. Collier, son of F. M. and Julia A., was born, the first child born in Comanche county. B. J. Holmsley started improvements on his tract of land, two miles north on Holmsley's creek, and in the early part of February, 1855, started a team of five yoke of oxen to breaking prairie, which was the first furrow ploughed in the county. The plow was held by Thomas J. Holmsley, then just grown, and the team was driven by James Taylor. This farm is now owned by James Cunningham, Jr. In the early part of February, Asa Reed, from Octibbeha county, Miss., arrived in the settlement, located on Holmsley's creek, and improved the farm now owned by Jesse Johnson. About the middle of February Dr. Tuggle arrived and improved the farm on Mercer's creek now owned by David H. Cunningham. About the last of February John A. McGuire, Henry Martin, sr., and Charles H. Isham, originally from Georgia, but then from Bell county, arrived and McGuire improved the farm now owned by T. J. Holmsley, one mile below the town of Comanche on Indian creek. Henry Martin, sr., settled four miles lower down, and Charles H. Isham two miles above on Indian creek. These eight families—Mercer, Collier and Tuggle on Mercer's creek, Holmsley and Reed on Holmsley's creek, and McGuire, Martin and Isham on Indian creek—were the first settlers in the territory now embraced in Comanche county. On the first day of June, 1855 the second child, a son of John A. and Lucy McGuire, was born in Comanche county. In the early part of May, 1855, M. O. and Lee Coker immigrated from Georgia and settled on Indian creek, and in June Chas. C. Campbell, originally from Louisiana, arrived and settled on Mercer's creek, and on the 13th of September, 1855, Kate, a daughter of Chas. C. and Julia A. Campbell, was born, which was the third birth in Comanche county. Kate grew to womanhood in Comanche, and was first the wife of Dr. Aldridge, who shot himself accidentally, but is now the wife of Jno. P. Anderson a respected citizen of Comanche.

The writer moved from Comanche to Bosque county in the early part of January, 1856. His son, T. A. Collier, the first child born in Comanche, was then in his eleventh year, and has lived in this (Bosque) county ever since; was principal deputy in the county clerk's office during the writer's two terms of that office, and was my successor for one term, and is now a candidate for sheriff of Bosque county. Young McGuire grew to manhood and still lives in Comanche; had the misfortune a few years ago to lose one of his arms, sawed up in a cotton gin. Mrs. Lucinda Holmsley, wife of B. J. Holmsley, died April 8, 1856. Mr. Holmsley and all his children save one (the writer's wife) still reside in Comanche county. Dr. Ransom Tuggle and Aunt Lizzie, his wife, have been dead some four years. Uncle Henry Martin passed away some two years ago; Dicy McGuire, wife of John A., died in 1882. Chas. H. Isham emigrated to North Arkansas and died at the close of the war in 1865; Mercer and Asa Reed both emigrated, Mercer going to Tuxpan Valley, Mex., and Reed to California. There are still living in Comanche two of the first settlers, viz., B. J. Holmsley and Jno. A. McGuire. The balance are dead and scattered as above stated. In August 1855 F. H. Neeley arrived from Tippah county, Miss., and settled on South Leon, and in September James Cunningham, Sr., originally from Alabama, arrived and settled on Mountain creek, and by Christmas 1855 our new settlement numbered thirty-five families all told, and was scattered over considerable territory, each one settling where he could procure a home easiest. Several settlements had been made during this time in the Leon valley from Gatesville up. Among them Lem Murrell settled on Plumb creek, twelve miles above Gatesville, and F. B. Gentry and Stephen Fuqua settling in the Leon valley near the present town of Hamilton; Wm. Neal and George R. Hasty setting near the mouth of Risley's creek all those diff rent settlements being started by immigrants from various sections formed a kind of nucleus around which clustered immigration as they would arrive and locate. During this period Col John M. Stephens had gone up the Bosque valley and was busy in his efforts to induce immigrants to locate in that beautiful section and assist him in establishing his seat of government (Stephensville) and erect a little kingdom out of the future Erath county. The Mercer settlement, as it was then called, was gradually increasing in numbers, and on the fourth Sabbath in May, 1855, Rev. B. F. Kemp, a Methodist itinerant, then in charge of the Gatesville mission, preached the first sermon in our new settlement under the shade of a double live oak in the writer's yard.

The first death in the settlement was a little daughter of Charles H. Isham, caused by eating berries that grew on mesquite mistletoe, a deadly poison. She was buried one mile west of the town of Comanche. The second death was the result of a fight between Jesse Reed and John W. Foreman, in which Foreman was killed, and was buried near the scene under a live oak. The writer was at the tree last fall, and no traces of a grave are now visible.

The first school and church-house in the new settlement was erected in the summer of 1855, then on Dr. Tuggle's place, but now David H. Cunningham's. The first school was opened in the fall of 1855, and taught by Andrew Kissam. Later in the fall a considerable number of immigrants arrived and located, and most all were delighted and pleased with the prospects every way. Indian depredations had not commenced then, and notwithstanding our remoteness from everywhere all appeared to cheerfully accept the situation with hopeful anticipations of a bright and prosperous future. The legislature convened during the winter of 1855-6, and the writer went to Austin during the session, and through the influence of the Hon J. W. Throckmorton, then in the house of representatives, and George R. Erath, then in the senate, succeeded in getting Comanche county created.

In my next I will give the organization of the county.

F. M. C.

Crushed by Snow Sheds.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—A special from Truckee says 300 feet of snow sheds fell half a mile west of Summit. They covered a working train containing a number of Chinese. Six dead Chinese have been taken out, and five others are seriously wounded. A wrecking train with medical aid has gone to the scene of the disaster.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the post-office at Fort Worth, Texas, Monday, April 21, 1884. To obtain any of these letters, the applicant must call for "advertised letters," and give the date of this list.

Ladies' List.

A
Ander, Lucy
Anderson, Lucy
Anderson, Allie

B
Bay, Hattie
Breck, Julia
Burges, Nancy
Buchner, Mattie
Brown, Mrs P. J
Bowers, Matilda
Barnard, Delia
Burch, Mrs John S
Bates, Mollie
Burchil, Mrs Leon
Buckner, Emma
Brandon, Mrs M S
Backman, Dollie
Bailey, Bettie

C
Cresswell, Eila
Collins, Ida
Calhoun, Sadie
Cammack, Ella V
Connell, Mrs H H
Coffie, Emma
Cameron, Mary O
Carter, Nellie

D
Davidson, Nannie
Darnell, Sidney
Davis, Ada
Dade, Mrs Chas

F
Foster, Jane E

G
Gilmore, Zu'a F
Garner, Lizzie
Gillette, Cora

H
Hill, Maggie
Hartford, Jennie
Heart, Adella
Haney, Judy
Homs, Jennie
Hardy, Julia
Hartford, Mrs J
Hall, Mrs E J

J
Johnson, Harriell
Jarow, Mrs M
Johnson, Mary

K
Knight, Mrs M C
Kellez, Martha
Keating, Maggie

L
Lobston, Mrs Joe
Lamont, Jennie
Lason, Julia
Lyell, Maggie
Lawson, Cardia

M
Murphy, Mrs John C
Mayr, Martha
Moore, Mattie
Murwin, Mrs M A
Mathews, Bell

Mc
McCarthy, Jennie

N
Nickson, Addie
Nelson, Fan
Nerobin, Mrs J V

O
O'Toole, Philip

P
Prewit, Mandy
Peeches, Mrs
Patton, Mrs Geo B
Patton, Jennie
Pullar, Annie
Pease, Rachel Ann
Palmer, Sibria

R
Robertson, Mandy
Raymond, Pearl
Reese, Mrs L D

S
Sadler, Flora
Snow, Annie (2)
Smith, Lucy
Surley, Louvina
Sproggins, Lizzie
Sneed, Martha
Smith, Mary
Smith, Malinda
Smith, Lula (2)

T
Tremmels, Dolly
Turner, Edith
Turner, Mrs C A
Thompson, Susan E
Thomas, Susie
Tennock, Mrs I
Trimble, Bettie
Turner, Mrs Geo
Tucker, Mahala
Thompson, Mrs R T
Temple, Stella
Taylor, Cappie

V
Vernon Mollie

W
Wesman, Allie
Williams, Hattie
Wetmore, Mrs H A
Welch, Sarah J
Wallas, Mrs V F
Williams, Mary Ann
Wilkins, Fannie
Welbourn, Dunash
Weaver, Mrs M C
Wales, Annie P

Z
Zeigler, Mrs E A
Zaner, Deor

Gentlemen's List.

A
Arlington, Harry
Anderson, J. L.
Anderson, Tom
Allen, J K
Athson, John
Andrews, Jas B
Anderson, A P

B
Briscoe, Mr
Brown, Henry
Bank, O M
Brooks, John A
Bowler, Thos
Boyd, J M
Box, J T
Blanderfield, J C
Blair, John
Biswell, Geo P
Barnett, A M
Bagwell, C W
Batten, John H
Backner, R M
Brothers, J C
Broman, Robert
Burckel, Leon
Brown, Eddie
Baytor, John R
Box, T J
Blood, Harry
Black, Harry
Bloom, Chas
Bea, Wm
Bailey, Robert
Barnustark, Louis
Bamford, C M
Bass, H J

C
Croft, R H
Cook, A J
Conner, Gabe
Caffie, Tom
Carroll, T B
Culbeth, T L
Chambers, John F
Cherry, J A
Carnell, Laurence
Cameron, Eugene
Cain, John
Callahan, John
Crusk, John W
Cook, Jim
Conner, J L
Cathers, Wm
Clark, John M
Cummins, Duke
Charles, S J
Carlin, Chas
Cardwell, W M
Cambell, W B
Craveus, Jno

D
Dunham, Frank V
Dooling, Pat
Dodd, Albert
Denn, A J
Derby, Walter
Dancher, Joseph F
Dahner, W E
Donelson, Tommie
Dillard, Dael
Dempsey, L T
Daniels, E

E
Ennis, Tom
Erring, Newton
Ellis, Edward
Erwin, R N
Edwards, L J
Evans, O C
Erwin, Henry
Edwards, Geo
Edmundson, Pee Dee

F
Frost, C F
Fogg, O H
Foster, Levi
Fields, Thos
Fillmore, M E
Furgerson, John
Franklin, Thos J
Fox, Abraham L
Fonvill, Q A
Fields, Elygh F
Frenblin, Louis

G
Gansen, Wm
Grirham, J W
Goodman, O H
Goodman, R P
Gibin, J W
Garcia, Miguel
Green, Oslosh L
Gordon, Guy
Geller, R M
Gilbland, Jas
Garrity, James

H
Hidgecock, Frank
Hubbard, G E
Hunter, W N
Higelon, Bill
Harlen, E M
Honner, Joseph
Harney, Mr
Hitchel, L
Hart, J C
Hussley, Col
Hall, W H
Hagles, W J
Himer, Frank
Hanks, C A
Hudson, Geo
Halverson, Theo J
Hitebol, J H
Hope, T O
Hensin, Fennie
Hergurih, F
Hailin, James
Haltman, U C
Harris, Joseph
Harrington, Tom
Hakes, Geo

I
Irvin, Holland

J
Johns, S
Johnson, All
Johnson, P L
Johnson, Wilson
Jones, M O
Johnson, Dick
Johnson, Thos
Jerman, C B

K
Kromer, H
Kreis, Wm
Kirby, Joseph
Klock, O
Kirksey, S F
Kineston, Joseph

L
Lindsbion, F H
Lewis, W B
Lawson, O
Large, Bill
Lock, Wm L
Leary, David (J)
Lamport, Barney

M
Myers, Frank H
Murphy, Shed
Mundell, S
Morgan, August
Morrill, W C
Morgan, R K Clement
Moore, J I Dr
Monson, W S
Muller, Goodwin
Meadous, M H
Marston, L B
Mason, J B
Murphy John
Mialon, W A
Mullins, J S
Murray, Thos
Morton, W J
Morend, Louis
Moore, David
Milligan, B C
Meibler, F
Metcalf, O N
Mosley, R C
Mahon, H C

Mc
McGlotin, John
McKnight, John
McMahon, W
McDonnagh, John
McNaught, Wm
McGregory, Lewis
McConnell, Mr
McKain, John

N
Nelson, J F

O
Orr, Lou
O'Kein, Alice

P
Payten, James
Putman, H L (2)
Pickard, J R
Powell, A H
Porter, Baird
Pitman, J W

P
Peabody, Willie A
Peterson, Emmette
Phillips, H E
Penaid, R W
Patterson, Charles
Pitman, G W
Peters, H P
Purser, Charley
Patterson, J C (2)
Palmer, D

R
Roberts, A W (2)
Robertson, T M
Russell, G E
Ryan, J M
Reynolds, S S (2)
Reef, Sam
Ray, John C
Roy, W H
Rose, J D
Ribelin, J A (2)
Robinson, Chas B
Russell, John
Reddick, Aleck
Rice, S S
Randolph, T A
Rand, Albrie Z
Ripley, W F
Reinhart, O P

S
Stribling, C K
Stone, Jerry
Stevens, T W
Spencer, Wm
Smith, J J
Strawn, Will
Stunkard, Ross M
Stanley, T A (4)
Spiller, Mrs
Smith, W M
Smith, E
Skidmore, W T
Shipler, Fields
Searberry, Zellie
Scott, James S
Serwerer, Chas P
Sanders, Ross
Silzer, J A
Seider, Charlie
Sheeler, A W
Selleck, Wm
Scruggs, Grace
Saxton, Wm
Sanders, Wade M

T
Trogdon, W B
Troselair, Geo M
Turner, Leon
Toller, Samuel
Thomas, Nat
Terry, J A
Taffan, Walter S
Talafarrio, John C
Trewit, T J K
Tremain, Charles
Tubbs, Wm
Thompson, Sam
Thomnan, B H
Taylor, Paul
Taylor, Albert (2)

V
Vanderford, B C (2)

W
Wray, J J
Wood, Matthew W
Weaten, A T
Walpert, Fritz
Wise, Harvey
Wilson, J m
Williams, E M
Williams, Sam
Wilin, G B
Wilkinson, Jas
Wilkinson, Joseph
White, P J
Wheatland, W H
Ward, A J
Warren, William
Wallace, B P
Wade, M C
Wrede, J W
Woodall, Ed
Williams, J F
Worley, S T
Wilson, J W
Wilson, Thos
Williams, Tomy
Willis, E M
Wilkinson, Martin V
Wiley, F P
White, B H
Whitfield, J H
Weaver, Rufus
Warfield, Eddie G
Walton, Willie
Waiter, John
Washburn, E W 2

Y
Younger, J J C
Young, Willie
Yarbourgh, Jas H 5

Firms.
Taylor & Bro
Allen, J K & Co
Bernhim, M & Co
Harrington & Hudson
Lott & Chisholm
Smith, A F & Co
Benson & Fox
Corney & Graves
Haliernd & Carter
Jacobs & Sunners

Foreign.
Irentine, Moses
Marchioro, Tunocente
Knudrinck, Kavale
Guldand, Francis
Lintzens, Albert
Libossart, Louis
Henseler, Gustavus
Berlinger, Or.

BELLE M. BURCHILL, Postmaster.

A BAREFACED FRAUD.

Cœur d'Alene Gold Mines a Scheme of Railroads and Speculators.

[Tucson (Arizona) Mining Index.]

Much interest is taken in the new mining district at Cœur d'Alene, and very conflicting accounts of the country are constantly published. We print the following for the benefit of any of the readers of the Prospector who may feel tempted to join the rush to these much-advertised mines. The first portion is an interview with a reporter of the Salt Lake Chronicle had with a prominent wholesale merchant of San Francisco, and the other is a letter to the Carson Appeal:

"It would surprise you to learn the means which the people having claims and property to sell in this new El Dorado resort to for the purpose of giving the country a greater notoriety. I would probably never have known of one of the advertising dodges had not I been directly interested in a transaction which gave me a true insight into the ways in which the country is advertised. I had in my cabinet about sixteen ounces of free gold quartz specimens from Amador county, which I had purchased at from $5 to $10 per ounce. While in San Francisco the last time a Kearny street broker named Abrams came to me with a proposition to purchase my specimens, and offered me $30 an ounce for them. The offer looked so large that I was induced to ask him what he could do with it to get his money back, after paying that figure. He produced a letter from a reliable man of Portland, Oregon — whose name I have forgotten, but who owns claims in the new district—authorizing him to buy up the best specimens of free gold quartz he could find and send them to him at Portland. The Portland man agreed to pay $40 per ounce upon receipt of the specimens.

"Well, I sold Abrams sixteen ounces at $30, and received his check for $480. I also learned from the letter that he showed me that most of these specimens were to be sent to Spokane and railroad points near the new district, and be exhibited as the productions of thi Cœur d'Alene district. I afterwards learned from Abrams that he had received his $640 for the specimens, and that they were disposed of as the letter had stated.

"The fact in this case is simply this: They haven't got any specimens out of the new district worth showing, and to keep up the boom they were compelled to resort to such measures and trades as the one they made with Abrams of San Francisco. I have learned that Abrams is still engaged in buying the best specimens and sending them to parties near the Cœur d'Alene."

EAGLE CITY, March 1.—Editor Carson Appeal: I see that your paper is exposing the Cœur d'Alene swindle. I want to add something to the account of it. The camp is the worst humbug that ever saw the light. It is worse than the Lent-Harpending diamond swindle. There isn't enough gold in the cursed diggings to plate a spoon with, and what little there is can only be found under 40 feet of snow. Any man who wants to work like a nigger and make about a dollar a day will find this country just the place. He can do well in the winter season shoveling paths through the camp. This beats the mining here all hollow. Still there is a big rush of fools and a lot of store keepers on hand to sell them goods at about four prices. Some newspapers have already been started here to encourage the rush, and all the merchants advertise big to keep the papers from telling the facts. I had rather be right back in Carson to-day than own this whole country. Every man who has tried it thinks just as I do, and if I wasn't going to leave the God-forsaken country by the next mule out I would not dare sign my name to this letter, but here goes, anyhow.

HENRY L. WALKER.

Relief for Flood Sufferers.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 19.—Gen. Beckwith, who is in charge of the distribution of government supplies to the flood sufferers on the lower Mississippi river, received dispatches from St. Joseph, Waterproof, Delta, Hard Times, Wolf Island and other points that there is great suffering among the people of those places, and food is needed at once. Gen. Beckwith has ordered supplies purchased and will also send rations from here. Gen. Mangum of Helena, Ark., also telegraphs that there is great suffering in the sunk land region of the St. Francis river, and he has been directed to purchase food and charter a steamboat to distribute it.

Western Wheat Crops.

CHICAGO, April 19.—The Chicago Times this morning prints a comprehensive crop report by counties embracing the winter and spring wheat belts of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Iowa, Nebraska, Dakota, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Missouri. Generally speaking, winter wheat is not winter killed and is now doing well, but the spring wheat prospects are not cheering, owing to continued wet and disagreeable weather.

Marshal Blythe in Trouble.

CHARLESTON, S. C., April 19.—In the United States court to-day two additional indictments were found against ex-United States Marshal Blythe.

A Lively Witness.

NEW YORK, April 19.—In the legislative inquiry into the police department and lottery business to-day, F. A. Luthy, who was instrumental in breaking up the Simmons party, boasted that he used the district attorney's office to serve his spite against Simmons. Luthy on the stand called in a loud voice for a glass of water, ostentatiously gave the waiter a quarter and drank to Chairman Roosevelt's health. He informed Roosevelt that he intended to shoot his neck-tie, for when he wore it he was taken for a sucker. He admitted he charged Simmons for sums paid to the police, which he pocketed himself.

Cincinnati Republicans.

CINCINNATI April 19.—Primary elections were held in Hamilton county to select fifty-eight delegates to the Cleveland Republican state convention to nominate state officers; also delegates to the Chicago convention. The Commercial-Gazette at midnight has reports of thirty-six delegates, classified as follows: Arthur, 10; Sherman, with Blaine second choice, 18; Blaine, with Sherman second choice, 4; unknown, 4.

No Cheap Whisky.

CHICAGO, April 19.—A full meeting of Chicago distillers was held this afternoon at which it was decided to maintain the prices of highwines, notwithstanding the break at Cincinnati and which it has been thought means a disruption of the pool. This decision was communicated to Peoria distillers, and they replied that they would pursue the same course.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Staple Dry Goods.

PRINTS

Standard prints, novelties	5 c
Hamilton fancy	6
Allen's fancy	6
Steel River fancy	6
Bolton fancy	5½
Marion fancy	5½
Knickerbocker fancy	6
Dunkirk fancy	4½
Simpson solid black	6
Imperial solid black	5½
Albion solid black	5½
Berlin solid colors	5½
Albion solid colors	6
Allens double pink	6
Richmonds double pink	6½
Barclay double purple	6
Apron and bonnet checks	6
Indigo fancy blues	8
Furniture styles	8
Utica shirtings	5
Waverly shirtings	5½
Merrimac shirtings	5½
Washington solid colors oil print	11
Star and crescent turkey red print	8½
Globe turkey red print	7½
Washington fancy oil prints	8½
Devon crotonas	6½
Steel river sateens	8½

HEAVY BROWN SHEETINGS.

Ostrich 36 inches	8½
Pioneer 36 inches	4½
Utica 36 inches	4½
Enterprise 36 inches	5½
Martin-Brown standard A 36 inches	6½
North river standard A 36 inches	7
Pride South standard A 36 inches	7

FINE BROWN SHEETING.

Dragon ⅞	5
Belfast R	5½
Belfast R	6½
Pocahontas R	7½
Honest width	7½

WIDE BROWN SHEETING.

10-4 Lowell	20
10-4 Pembroke	22
9-4 Pembroke	20

WIDE BLEACHED SHEETING.

10-4 Lowell	22
9-4 Pembroke	22½
10-4 Pembroke	25

BLEACHED COTTON.

Security ⅞	5
Our own ⅞	5½
Prosperity 36 inches	6
Laurel lake 36 inches	7½
Full bloom 36 inches	7½
Full bloom 33 inches	6½
Lonsdale 36 inches	8½

CAMBRIC MUSLINS.

Lonsdale cambric	11½
Diamond hill	8

DUCKS.

Gloucester 29 inches 8 oz	11
West Point 29 inches 10 oz	15
Magnolia 40 inches	17½

COLORED DUCKS.

Montaup D	9
Montaup F	10
Patuxent 8 oz	12½
Montaup 10 oz	15

TICK.

Amoskeag A. C. A	15
Cordis A. C. E	15
Hamilton fancy	12½
Standard Z	8½
Ocean	6½

HICKORY STRIPES.

Mechanics	7½
Jewett	8
Otis B B	9½

CHECKS.

Otis 2x4	10
Economy 2x2	10½

Groceries.

MEATS—Sugar cured hams, 14½c; S.C.C.B. Bacon, 13½c; S.C. bacon, 11½c.; S. C. dry salt, 10½.

LARD—Tierces, 10½c; 40 and 50lb cans, 10½c; 20lb cans, 10½c.; 10lb cans, 10¾c; 5lb cans, 11c; 3 lb cans, 11½c.

COFFEE.—Common 12c.; ordinary, 12½c.; fair, 13½c.; prime Rio, 14c; fancy, 15c; old, government Java, 30½c.; Arbuckles' Arioso, 16½@16¾c.

TEA—Imperial, 40@60; gunpowder, 50@70.

SUGAR — Fine powdered, bbls. 10c.; do, half-bbls., 10½c.; cut loaf, 10c.; granulated standard 8¾c.; Louisiana granulated, 8¼c.; standard A, 8 c.; choice white, 7⅞ c; sec. yellow clarified, 8@8¼c.

RICE—Louisiana, 5½@7c.

FISH—Mackerel, 10lb kits, No. 1, $1.15; No. 2, $1.05; half bbls., No. 1, $7.00; No. 2, $6.00; White fish, No. 1, hlf. bbls., $7.25; No. 2, $6.25; Dried herrings, per box, 40c. Cod fish, 6½c.

SALT—Coarse, in bags, $1.25@1.40; fine in bags, —; lake, in flat hoop bbls., $2.10; pockets, 5¼@7½c.

CANNED GOODS.—Prices per dozen: Pine apples, standard, $1.75; Peaches, standard, 3 lbs., $1.65; 2 lbs., $2.35@2.50; seconds, 2 lbs. $1.40; 3 lbs., $2.10; Tomatoes, standard, 2 lbs. $1.10; seconds, 2 lbs., —; 3 lbs., $1.30@1.40; Green corn, $1.10@1.85; Green peas, $1.95; Gooseberries, $1.25@1.40; Raspberries, $1.50@1.85; oysters, full weight, 1 lb., $1.15; 2 lb., $2.10; light weight, 1 lb., 65c; 2 lb., $1.20; Salmon, 1 lb., $1.55@1.70; 2 lb. $——; Mackerel, 1 lb., $1.35@——; Sardines, American, $8.00 case; imported, $12.50@14.00 case; Strawberries, 2 lb., $1.25@1.30; Blackberries, $1.25; Green gages, $1.40; Eagle Condensed milk, $8.60; crown, $6.25 Swiss, $6.50.

BAKING POWDER.—Silver Leaf, ½lb cans, per dozen, 80c.; ½lb do., $1.50; 1lb do., $2.50; 3lb. do., $7; 5lb. do., $12.

SUNDRIES—Starch, 4½c. Soap, common 4½c; German olive, 5½c. Candles, full boxes, 10½c; halves, 16c; quarters, 16c. Indigo, 85c lb. Blueing, 80c@1.00 dozen. Coleman's mustard $1.40@$5.50 dozen. Macaroni, imported, 15c lb. American, $1.00 box. Buckets, two hoops $2.10 dozen; well buckets, $4.25 dozen. Brooms, $1.75@3.25 dozen. Brilliant oil, bbls., 20c.; Euplon, do, 3½c.; do., 2-5 cases, $3 20; Brilliant, 2-5 cases, $2 30; do., 1-12 cases, $4 20.

FLOUR — Stanard's Royal Patent, $8 ⅌ bbl.; sacks, $4 10@⅌ 100 lbs.; No. 1 Texas per 100 lbs, $3, No 2 $2 75, No 3 $2 50. Corn meal per bushel, 65c; Hominy and grits, ⅌ bbl, $5 00; Oatmeal, ⅌ half bbl., $4 25; Cracked wheat, ⅌lb, 6c; Crackers: X soda, 6½@6c., XX soda, 8 1-4@6c; XXX soda, 7c.; cream 9c.; ginger snaps, 9c.; lemon creams, 9c.

Country Produce.

Potatoes—Irish, northern, ⅌ bbl $2.10@2 25; sack, 85@—c.; Sweet, per bushel $1 00@. Onions, per bbl., $4 00@—. Turnips, ⅌ barrel, $3 75. Beans, H. P. med., bbls., 5½c.; large lima, 6@6½c.; small butter, 4½@5c. Pickles, medium, per bbl., ⅌ 75, small, per bbl., $9 00; half bbl., med., $4 75; half bbl., small, $3 25. Pigs feet, kits, $1 00; quarter bbl., $2 75; half bbl., $5 00 @ 5 50. Cheese, half cream, 13½c.; full cream, 17½c. Peanuts, 6@10c ⅌ lb; half bbl., $5 00. Cabbage, 7c.

POULTRY—Hens, $4 00 @ —— per dozen; young spring chickens, $4 75@——; Turkeys, $9 00@15 00; Geese, $4 50@6 00; Ducks, $3 00@3 25.

EGGS—Per dozen, 15@16c.

Fresh country butter, choice, 20c. Creamery 35@37½c.; old butter, 10@12½c.; Oleomargarine, 12c.

Fish and Oysters.

Red sheephead and trout, per pound, 12½c; dressed catfish, 12½c.; dressed buffalo, 10c.

OYSTERS—Baltimore Diamond brand: Diamonds, $4 50 per dozen; Select, $3 00 dozen; Matagordas, 60c. per 100; Berwick Bay, $1 25 per 100.

Feedstuffs.

HAY—New country loose from wagon $8 00@10 00 per ton; bale hay $10 00 @ 1200. corn, 40@42½cts. Oats, country, 30@32½cts. Bran, $1.00@ per 100. Chops, $1 00 per 100. Cottonseed meal, $1.00 ⅌ 100. Cotton seed, 12½c. Millet, per bale, $10@11. Johnson grass seed, $4 per bushel. Millet seed, 75c.

Grain.

Wheat, choice, 90c.@$1, medium, 80@90 inferior, 60@65c; oats, 30@32½c; barley, 3@ 35c; corn, 37½@40c; rye, 40@c.

Liquors.

WHISKY—Rectified $1 10@150, as per proof sour mash, one year old, $1 60 two years old $2 00@2 25; three years old $2 50@2 75; fancy extra old whisky $4@5.

WINES—Claret, case, $3 50@100, as per quality; Catawba, per gallon, 90c@$1 50; Port, $1 20@ 3 00; Sherry, per gal., $1 50@3 00; Madeira per gal., $1 60@3 00; White wine, 12 cases, $4 00@10 00.

CHAMPAGNE—G. H. Mumm & Co., Extra Dry, $30 00@32 00; Heidsiek, in basket, $27 00@ 29 00; Krug, in basket, $28 00@30 00; Domestic champagne, $7 00@14 00. Geo. Goulet, extra dry, pints, $27 50.

ALE—Stock Ale, per doz., $2 00@2 25; Porter per doz., $2 00@2 25.

BOTTLED BEER—Lemp's quarts, $12 00; pts, $12 50; Budweiser quarts $12 00; pints $13 00. Erlanger beer, quarts, $12 00; pints $12 50; Schlitz Milwaukee, quarts $12 00; pints $13 00; Anthony & Kuhn's, qts $12 00, pints $12 50 H. Clausen & Son's champagne beer, quarts $12 00, pints $1 50; Falk's Milwaukee, quarts, $1 50.

Staple Drugs.

Bark, Cinnamon, per pound, 18@—c; bark Peruvian, per pound, 30@—; borax per lb 15@—; bi-carbonate of soda per lb, 3½@4; cop peras, per lb, 5@6; castor oil, ⅌ gal., 1 55@1 60; cinchonida, per ounce, 70@80c. castile soap (mottled), per lb, 8@9; cream tartar, C. P., per pound, 40@42; chalk, lump, per pound, 2@3 calomel, P. & W., per pound, 70@80; calomel, English, per pound, 1 10@1 25; chloral hydrate, 1 50@1 75; chloroform, $1 10@——; composition powder, 25@30; dovers powders, 1 25; epsom salts, per pound, 3@5; gum opium, per pound, 4 50; gum camphor, 27@——; morphine per ounce, 3 25@3 75; machine oil, golden, 25@40; quinine, P. & W., per oz., 1 10@; quinine, German, per oz., 1 35@1 45; potash, bromide, 40@45; iodide, 1 55; chlorate, 22@25. Alum, 4c; Spirits