

The Leon Reporter

LEON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1900.

JOHN SHERMAN DEAD.

Aged Statesman Passes Away at His Home in Washington. Washington, Oct. 23.—Hon. John Sherman, who for a period of forty years occupied a prominent place in legislative and administrative branches of public affairs in the United States, died here at 6:45 o'clock yesterday morning, from brain exhaustion. Death came to the aged sufferer peacefully after thirty-six hours of nearly complete unconsciousness. During the last fifteen minutes of his life he was all the time unconscious and passed away while in this condition.

A number of relatives and friends assembled in Washington, in response to summons, were at the bedside, when the end came. The most devoted of them was Mrs. McCallum, adopted daughter of the secretary, and Mrs. Sherman, who remained constantly at his bedside during the last hours. The number included Theodore Sherman, Charles M. Sherman, Miss Lizzie Sherman, Mrs. J. McCallum, adopted daughter, who has been the late secretary's constant attendant, and her husband.

Secretary Sherman's death occurred in a handsome home on K street, which he erected eight years ago. Some weeks ago the secretary decided this valuable property to Mrs. McCallum. Conservative estimates of the secretary's wealth place it at a million dollars, most of which is believed to consist of Washington real estate securities, and an old family home at Mansfield, Ohio, which has not been in robust health for one year. In March, 1899, while on a pleasure trip to the West Indies, he suffered a severe attack of pneumonia, which almost proved fatal. He was brought to this city, where he became strong, and returned to his home at Mansfield, Ohio, where he died. The death of Mrs. Sherman was a severe blow to the secretary, from which he never fully recovered. He returned to Washington in September, much broken in health and spirits, and for a time was able to move about in the open air, but for the past three weeks he has been confined to his bed. His general debility, aggravated by an irritating cough, hastened the end.

The president yesterday issued the following proclamation: "To the People of the United States: In the fullness of years and honors, John Sherman, my secretary of state, has passed away. Few among our citizens have risen to a greater or more deserved eminence in the national councils than he. The story of his public life and services is, as it were, the history of the country for the past century. In Congress he was ranked among the foremost in the house, and later in the senate. He was twice member of the executive cabinet, first as secretary of the treasury, afterwards as secretary of state. When in congress during the dark hours of our civil war, by able and conscientious effort to uphold its dignity and honor, his countrymen will long reverently remember and see in him the type of patriotism, upright and true, that go to the moulding and strengthening of the nation.

"In a fitting expression of the sense of bereavement that afflicts the republic, I direct that on the day of the funeral the executive offices of the United States display the national flag at half mast and that the representatives of the United States in foreign countries shall pay in like manner appropriate tribute to the illustrious dead for a period of ten days.

"Done at the city of Washington, by the president. "William McKinley. "John Hay, Secretary."

LIBBY'S FOOD PRODUCTS LEAD

The Grand Prix d'Honneur and two gold medals have been awarded by the International Jury of Awards at the Paris Exposition, to Libby, McNeill & Libby, of Chicago, for the purity, excellence and superiority of their canned foods. Here in America, the "Libby" Brand has always been recognized as typical of the highest standard of excellence attained in the preservation of meats, and it is a noticeable fact that the products of Libby, McNeill & Libby have received the highest awards at every Exposition held in the United States during the past two decades. This firm issues a book "How to Make Good Things to Eat," which will be mailed free on request. Drop a postal to Libby, McNeill & Libby, Chicago, Ill., for it.

CHOLERA IN HOGS' EXHIBITS

More Than One Hundred Cases Found at Chicago Stock Yards. Chicago, Oct. 20.—Cholera has appeared among hogs being received at the stock yards. Among 30,828 animals, 107 cases have been found by the bureau of animal industry. The infected animals were condemned by the government inspectors and ordered tanked. Most of the affected hogs come from the northwest. Dr. Orion E. Dyson, chief of the bureau of animal industry, said: "Just at this time of the year there is always more or less cholera among swine, but in the last few days there has developed more than at any other one time. My inspectors, however, are on the alert and I don't expect we shall miss a case."

Flight of Zeppelin's Air Ship.

Friedrichshafen, Oct. 23.—Another trial of Count Zeppelin's air ship resulted in a series of successful evolutions. The air ship, with Count Zeppelin and Herr Eugen Wolff aboard, ascended to an altitude of five-eighths of a mile, where various maneuvers were executed. It then descended slowly to the water. The king and queen of Wurtemberg witnessed the trial.

THE NEWS IN IOWA

Mr. Belden Re-elected President, but Against Her Protest. Des Moines, Oct. 19.—Mrs. Evelyn Belden of Sioux City was re-elected to the presidency of the Iowa Equal Suffrage Association in spite of her announced intention not to again accept the honor. After repeatedly declining, Mrs. Belden finally yielded to the insistence of the delegates and consented to hold the office for another year. Other officers were elected as follows: Vice president, Mrs. Dol' Roman Bradley of Denison; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Nellie Nelson of Sheldon; recording secretary, Mrs. Clara Richey of Des Moines; treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Coggeshall of Des Moines; executive committee, Mrs. Emma C. Ladd of O'Brien county, Mrs. Anna H. Ankeny of Polk county and Mrs. Priest of Edge county; member national committee, Mrs. Margaret Campbell of Des Moines; state organizer, Dr. Frances Woods of Des Moines. Resolutions were adopted declaring the intention of the women of Iowa to continue their crusade against government without their consent. It was expected the place of holding the next convention would be settled. Marshalltown and Sioux City both requested the convention of 1901, but the location was left to the executive committee.

BURLINGTON ABSORBS BRANCHES

Stockholders Vote to Take in a Number of Other Branches. Chicago, Oct. 23.—Special meetings of the stockholders of nineteen Iowa roads, now leased and operated by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company, were held here yesterday. They confirmed the action of the directors in agreeing to sell to the Burlington company the rights in the properties in which they are interested. The roads in question are the Chicago, Burlington & Kansas City, Clarinda, College Springs & Southwestern; Creston & Northern, Fairfield & Ottumwa, Hastings & Avoca, Burlington & Missouri River, Chillicothe & Hariton, Creston & Burlington, Burlington & Missouri, Keokuk & St. Paul; Leon, Mt. Airy & Southwestern; Moberly, Sidney & Northwestern; Albia, Knoxville & Des Moines; Brownville & Nodaway Valley; Chariton, Des Moines & Southwestern; Clarinda & Knoxville; Creston & Shenandoah, Murray & Creston, Red Oak & Atlantic. At their annual meeting November 7 the stockholders of the Burlington will be asked by the directors to approve of the purchase of these properties in the interest of economy and improved methods of operation.

NORTHWEST IOWA SCARED.

An Epidemic of Smallpox is Threatened in That Section. Sioux City, Oct. 23.—An epidemic of smallpox is threatened in northwest Iowa. About twenty cases have made their appearance in various places and such little attention has been paid to the state quarantine regulations that a widespread epidemic is expected. At Moorhead, Iowa, there are now eight suspicious cases and at George, Iowa, there are two or three; at Decatur, Neb., there are half a dozen well developed cases. Most of the Iowa cases can be traced to Decatur, Neb., where there has been almost no restriction. Steps have been taken to establish vigorous quarantine in the Iowa towns, but it is feared that many people have already been exposed. Sioux City is preparing to protect itself.

Accident at a Crossing.

Grundy Center, Oct. 19.—While Mr. and Mrs. H. Behrens, who live two and a half miles south of Wellsburg, were on their way to visit home, they were run down on a crossing by a freight one mile west of Holland. The horse was killed instantly and the buggy smashed into pieces. Mr. Behrens escaped with slight injury, but Mrs. Behrens was seriously injured. Mr. and Mrs. Behrens are old people, between 60 and 70 years old.

His Head Torn Off.

Creston, Oct. 22.—Levi Thompson, son of W. J. and Mary Thompson, was accidentally shot while trying to ascertain if a gun was loaded, four miles southwest of Carbon. Thompson, 20 years of age, was cleaning out an old field muzzle loading shotgun and after working with it a while concluded it must be loaded. He was in the act of blowing in the gun when in some way it was discharged, tearing off the entire back part of his head. His brother Eli, aged 17, who was with him, was also his wife, a bride of six weeks.

Deer For Channeled.

Iowa City, Oct. 23.—The most prominent candidate for the office of Chancellor McClain as the head of the law department are Judge H. E. Deemer, Attorney General Remley and Judge Wade. The sentiment here seems to be crystallizing in favor of Judge Deemer, and many knowing ones assert that Judge Deemer and Emlyn were on the bench in places from the bench to the law school, the other from the law school to the supreme bench.

Raised a Profitable Potato Crop.

Cedar Falls, Oct. 23.—W. T. O'wings, living near this city, is the champion potato raiser in this section of the country. He has just harvested the crop from fourteen acres of ground and measured them up at 3,000 bushels. At the present market price of 35 cents he will receive \$1,050 for his labor. He pays \$4 per acre as rent on the ground.

Spits Work by Miscreants.

Grundy Center, Oct. 19.—Some miscreants dragged a tie from the C. & N. W. railway and threw it through the fine plate glass front of Druggist Grover's store, ruining the glass and wrecking the counter belonging to Jeweler Kleiser. This is no doubt the work of huns, several having been refused liquor lately.

First Stone is Placed.

Ames, Oct. 19.—The first stone of the new engineering hall at I. A. C. has just been laid. A large force of men are at work on the building and wrecking is being rapidly pushed. Henry W. Schleuter of Chicago is the contractor, and the contract price for which the building was let was \$154,800.

Grundy Center Has a Fire.

Grundy Center, Oct. 23.—Fire occurred in the bowling alley adjoining Laybourn's dry goods and grocery store with small damage to the alley. The principal loss was to Laybourn & Co. on building and stock by water and smoke, amounting to \$4,500; insured.

AN EPIDEMIC OF TYPHOID.

Iowa College at Ames Has Forty-five Cases Among Students. Ames, Oct. 20.—Although efforts have been made to keep the matter quiet and prevent undue alarm, the real facts in regard to the sickness at the Iowa Agricultural college are just beginning to be made known. Dr. Littig of Iowa City and Dr. Harriman of Ames, after conferring together, united in pronouncing the trouble typhoid fever. Although the symptoms displayed have been those of typhoid fever, it had previously been thought to be merely some malarial trouble or one of the milder epidemics which frequently swept over gatherings of students. After thorough investigation the authorities think the trouble has been correctly traced to the milk with which the students have been supplied. The milk which the students use at the large dining hall has been procured from the dairies in the vicinity of the college, and at one of these farms there have been two pronounced cases of typhoid fever. It is now generally thought that by the infection of the milk the disease has been so generally spread. The entire milk supply has been removed. The college water, on chemical analysis, has been pronounced pure and after the most careful examination the doctors assert that there is now no possible source of infection on the college grounds. Climatic conditions have been favorable for the spread of the disease and this may have been a prime cause for its prevalence.

Up to Friday evening, forty-five cases among the students have been reported to the doctor's office. These patients have been coming down for about ten days past and are in various stages of the disease. As the old hospital is being refitted, temporary quarters were fitted up in agricultural hall last Monday, and to these the sick students were removed. The large recitation rooms have been used and in them are now about twenty-six patients. Only three of these are thought to be in a dangerous condition, but many are delirious and will become worse as the fever continues.

In Margaret hall are fourteen young ladies, several of whom have been sick for nearly two weeks, but are now slowly recovering. Others have not reached the serious stage. Many students have been sent home during the past week, as they have shown the first symptoms of the disease. Since proper care cannot be given to so many, six of the football team are in the hospital and others on the sick list, which accounts for the cancelling of the state university-AMES game of yesterday. Since Dr. Littig deemed it unsafe for the Iowa City team to make the trip.

Fifteen Trained Nurses have been summoned from Chicago, Council Bluffs and Des Moines to care for the sick and there will be no lack of attention.

STIRS UP RACE FEELING.

Attempted Assault by Negro Stirs Cedar Rapids. Cedar Rapids, Oct. 19.—Arthur Martin, colored, was held to the grand jury for resisting an officer. Martin insulted a white woman on the street. When a policeman placed him under arrest, he drew a knife and threatened the officer. Other negroes, with assistance, carrying knives and other weapons, but business men assisted the officer in placing the offender under arrest. Two others will be tried later. An unknown negro last night attempted to assault a white girl. Never before in the history of the city has race feeling been aroused. But should the unknown negro be captured and identified there is likely to be trouble.

Stabbing Afray Near Massena.

Atlantic, Oct. 18.—A cutting affray occurred near Massena and is now engaging the attention of the grand jury. As a result, one boy, Ezra Porter, received a bad cut on the shoulder, said to have been given by Harvey Harper. The knife inflicted a wound about two inches long, going in to the bone. It seems that quite a number of boys were picking potatoes on the farm of A. A. Grimes near Massena. They indulged in some fun by throwing potatoes until Porter was hit rather hard. He thought Harper had done it and an angry fight ensued. Combat which outgrew that state and became a fist encounter, and as a result Porter was cut, as stated. Several stitches were required, though the wound is not a serious one. Had the knife struck the head, especially, it would probably have proved fatal. The boys appeared before the grand jury and testified regarding the matter.

Meat Case Involves \$175,000.

Sioux City, Oct. 20.—Armour & Co. are making a strong fight in the case which the Ralpa Market company of Sioux City has brought against them, and which involves \$175,000. The Chicago packing firm refused to supply the Ralpa company with a large amount of pork loins on a contract which the Sioux City firm held. The latest move of the Armour company is to ask that the case be tried outside of this county. The Chicago company claims there is such a prejudice against it in this county that it can not get a fair trial. It has filed affidavits from citizens of this county, testifying that such a prejudice exists.

Claim Against Hennessy Estate.

Dubuque, Oct. 20.—Dr. Slattery, through his attorney, has filed a bill for medical attendance to the late Archbishop Hennessy. It is against the estate of the deceased prelate, and is for the sum of \$4,625. The period during which Dr. Slattery attended the reburial work extended from the 22d of March, 1899, to March 4, 1900. He says that the greater part of this time the care of his eminent patient was so urgent that he practically abandoned his other practice so that he might devote all his time to him.

Overcome by Remorse.

Council Bluffs, Oct. 19.—Express Messenger Baxter, who, some days ago, shot and killed a train robber who was trying to hold up his train, is reported almost crazed by the thought of what he has done. The picture of the man whom he killed is constantly before him, and it seems as though his remorse will drive him to madness.

Child Burned to Death.

Bedford, Oct. 22.—Penn Spencer's little 3-year-old girl went to watch her grandfather burn brush. While the old man was busy with the brush on the little one slipped away and set fire to some grass and when her grandfather found her she was burned to death. The accident occurred in Ross township, this county.

NEWS IN GENERAL

SPAIN CONFRONTED BY CRISIS.

Elevation of "Butcher" Weyler Followed by the Resignation of the Cabinet. Madrid, Oct. 23.—Spain is facing a crisis again. General Weyler is the cause of it. The cabinet resigned en masse as a protest against the appointment of the "butcher" as captain general of Madrid. To make the affair all the more serious, the queen regent later received Don Azcarraga and requested him to become responsible for the formation of a new ministry. Azcarraga is known to be a strong supporter of Weyler, and throughout all the latter's bloody career in Cuba was one of his staunchest supporters. The fact that the queen regent has invited one of Weyler's closest friends to form a cabinet which is to take the place of the one which has shown its disapproval of Weyler in so marked a manner is especially significant. It is thoroughly understood throughout Spain that Weyler has cost the nation her colonies and her pride. To him alone Spain looks when placing the responsibility for the loss of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. Weyler, by his inhuman and atrocious treatment of the Cubans, is the man who is held up to scorn throughout the country whenever the war with the United States and its disastrous ending is mentioned. It is accordingly, when it was announced that he had been appointed to the very high post of captain general of Madrid there was a tremendous amount of feeling shown everywhere. At first people seemed surprised at such a mark of honor being shown to the former governor general of Cuba. Then anger came, and tonight there is a sign that it will subside. The queen regent has fanned the flame by so promptly accepting the resignation of the Silvela ministry and then at once asking a man who is thoroughly committed to Weylerism to organize a new cabinet.

BOTH SIDES DETERMINED.

Settlement of the Miners' Strike Seems to be Far Off. Wilkesbarre, Pa., Oct. 22.—The close of the fifth week of the mine workers' strike in the Wyoming regions finds both sides as determined as ever. The operators insist that the price of powder shall not be considered in the 10 per cent advance offered by them, while the strikers say they will not go back to work until the demands of the convention are acceded to, which they assert means a flat 10 per cent advance, the price of powder to be arbitrated later. Meanwhile the larders of the miners are becoming empty, and it can not be very long, if the strike is prolonged until there is a settlement.

Hazleton, Oct. 22.—President Mitchell has practically admitted that if every operator in the region were to post notices similar to those already issued by some of the mine owners the action would be in itself probably not so serious.

Charles Dudley Warner Dead.

Famous in Literary Circles and Owner of the Hartford Courant. Hartford, Conn., Oct. 22.—Charles Dudley Warner, of literary fame, one of the owners of the Hartford Courant, died suddenly Saturday afternoon. Mr. Warner had a severe attack of pneumonia two years ago, while in New Orleans, and had never fully recovered from it. Last spring he had pneumonia again, while at his home, and this had weakened his heart. At noon he attended a luncheon to bid farewell to some friends about to leave for the Mediterranean. Mr. Warner was cheerful and gave no indication of illness. After the luncheon Mr. Warner started on a walk. Probably feeling ill, he asked leave of a house to sit down, then to lie down, requesting to be called in ten minutes. When the woman of the house went to call him, he was dead.

POWDER MAY WREAK IT.

Miners' Strike Apparently Far From Settlement. Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 20.—The settlement of the big strike of anthracite coal mine workers is undoubtedly blocked by the question of the price miners will be asked in the future to pay for powder. Employers have agreed to give their men 10 per cent more in wages than they were paid before the strike began, but they insist that in figuring the net advance of 10 per cent the reduction of \$1.25 taken in the price of powder shall be taken into consideration. The miners apparently want to go back to work for the 10 per cent advance, and then arbitrate the question whether they are to get the powder cheaper as an additional condition. It is not believed that the operators will grant any such demand, and their suggestion of the indefinite prolongation of the strike.

KOUTSEY IS GUILTY.

Sent Up For Life For Murder of the Late Governor Goebel. Georgetown, Ky., Oct. 22.—"We, the jury, find defendant guilty, and fix the punishment as life imprisonment." This is the verdict returned in the case of Henry B. Youtsey charged with being one of the principals in the murder of William Goebel. It was learned from the jurymen that no ballot was taken Friday night. Saturday morning the vote was unanimous and declared Youtsey guilty, but the jury was somewhat divided on the degree of punishment, and finally agreed on a life sentence.

Sailed of a Young Woman.

Dubuque, Oct. 19.—The body of a young woman was found in the old baseball park. Two empty bottles marked carbolic acid, both bearing the names of prominent druggists, were beside the remains. It was evidently suicide. Investigation revealed that her name was Lucy Liddle, and she was overseer in the Liddle Wallis overall factory.

Lost an Arm in a Shredder.

Atlantic, Oct. 19.—Frank Downey, an implement man of Massena, was at work on the farm of Bert Sullivan, near here, when in some unaccountable manner he got his arm caught in a corn shredder and had it entirely torn off. Medical aid was summoned and the arm amputated. He is reported as out of danger now.

ANXIOUS FOR A SETTLEMENT.

Chinese Emperor Sends an Urgent Message to President McKinley. Washington, Oct. 22.—The message of the Chinese emperor to the president urging early negotiations for settlement and the president's reply thereto were made public today: "Emperor Ta Tsing Empire to His Excellency, President of the United States—Greeting: We are extremely grateful to your excellency for taking the initiative in the withdrawal of troops from Peking and for consenting, in the interest of friendly relations, to the use of your kindly offices between China and friendly powers who have been offended on account of the recent unexpected uprising in China. "We therefore, especially order our envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary, Wu Ting Fang, to personally deliver this telegraphic letter to your excellency, conveying our sincere expression of thanks. We beg your excellency, in the interests of peace and international good relations, to exert friendly influence with the other powers toward the complete effacement of all ill feeling, and speedy determination on their part to negotiate for a peaceful settlement; for this we shall feel unbought and grateful towards your excellency, whose good offices we are now earnestly beseeching."

President McKinley replied as follows: "His Majesty, Kwang Hsu, Emperor of China—Greeting: It affords me much pleasure to receive your imperial majesty's telegraphic letter of October 15, which has been delivered by your majesty's minister in Washington. I cordially share your majesty's wish that there may be a peaceful settlement of the questions between China and the powers whose interests have so grievously suffered a wrong in your majesty's dominions, and that the outcome may be the complete effacement of all ill feeling between the two countries. It is a government that such a settlement may be brought about has steadily made to all powers, and I trust the negotiations may begin as soon as we and other offended governments shall be effectively satisfied of your majesty's ability and power to treat with just sternness the principal offenders, who are doubly culpable not alone towards foreigners, but towards your majesty, under whose rule the purpose of China to dwell in concord with the world hitherto has found expression in welcome and protection assured to strangers. "WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

OFFERED TO DIVIDING UP.

England and Germany Agree to Protect China. London, Oct. 22.—Germany and England have formed an alliance to maintain the territorial integrity of China and keep the ports open.

The terms of the agreement were arrived at October 16 between Salisbury and the German ambassador, Hatzfeldt, and are officially given as follows: "The German government and her majesty's government, being desirous of maintaining their interests in China and their rights under existing treaties, have agreed to observe the following principles regarding a mutual policy in China: "First—It is a matter of joint permanent international interest that the ports on the rivers and interior of China should remain free and open to trade, and to every other legitimate form of economic activity for the peoples of all countries, without distinction; the governments agree on their part to uphold the same for the benefit of the Chinese people, as they can exercise influence to the extent of the Chinese empire. "Secondly—Both governments agree that they will not make use of the present complications to obtain for themselves any territorial advantage in the Chinese dominion, and will direct their policy towards maintaining the undiminished territorial condition of the Chinese empire. "Thirdly—In case another power is making use of the complications in China in order to obtain under any form whatever such territorial advantage, the two contracting parties reserve to themselves the right to come to a preliminary understanding regarding the eventual steps to be taken for the protection of their own interests in China. "Fourthly—The two governments will cooperate in this agreement to the extent of their powers in Austria-Hungary, France, Italy, Japan, Russia and the United States, and invite them to accept the principles recorded in it."

PUT SECRETLY ON BOARD.

President Kruger Leaves His Country For Holland. Lorenzo Marquez, Oct. 20.—Kruger was secretly taken at 5 o'clock a. m. on board the Dutch cruiser, Gelderland, on which vessel he is to sail for Holland. The reason given for his embarkation is he feared the Boers here would attack him, the feeling of the refugees against Kruger for fleeing the country is very strong.

London, Oct. 20.—Roberts reports from Pretoria: "A party of Boers got into Jagersfontein the night of October 16. A fight ensued the next morning. Our loss was eleven killed. The Boers lost the commandant and twenty killed. A column under Hughes Hallett should reach Jagersfontein today."

Local Railroad Authorities have been instructed to hand over to the British all rolling stock of the Netherlands.

SATISFIED WITH THE MOVE.

United States Officials Commend the Reported European Alliance. Washington, Oct. 22.—The state department here has not yet been advised officially of the terms of the alliance reached between Germany and England to maintain territorial integrity of China and to keep ports open. While the move gives general satisfaction here, the officials say that it probably is a mistake to call it an alliance. What probably has happened they say has been a re-affirmation of the principles already agreed upon, not only between England and Germany, but between all of the great powers interested in China.

Potato Crop is Short.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—The potato crop of the United States, according to Orange Judt Farmer's final report, in its issue of October 20, at the practical completion of the harvest, approximates 239,000,000 bushels, or nearly 5,000,000 bushels less than last year. The total area under this crop, since a 2,697,900 acres, against 82 bushels per acre, against 82 bushels in 1899.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL

Des Moines, October 21, 1900. By decision of the supreme court, Theodore Berloch, who for more than two years has been an inmate of the state penitentiary and whose sentence was for life, will be set at liberty. Fate has been playing a peculiar game with Berloch since September 12, 1897. His strangely involved case has twice demanded the consideration of the supreme court. A year ago last April they reversed the decision of the district court because Berloch had been convicted of second instead of a first degree murder, but a petition for a re-hearing was immediately filed by the state, and for another year and a half Berloch has been awaiting the word from the court of last resort. The decision was in Berloch's favor again, but for a different reason. The plan of the state that the instructions to the jury were not prejudicial to the defendant and that the supreme court should not have reversed the case on the grounds that the jury was divided, Justice Waterman, Ladd and Sherwin dissenting, and so under the law it stands affirmed as without prejudice to the defendant, although the court is united that the instruction was erroneous. The case was reversed on grounds of insufficient evidence, something that was not even considered in the former opinion.

Governor Shaw has received and endorsed to the state treasurer a warrant for \$10,248.75 for aid for the Soldiers' Home at Marshalltown. It is the quarterly allotment for the period ending June 30, 1900, but it is not quite the full amount, as the appropriation has not been all provided for. The full amount of the quarterly allotment from the government is \$12,100.

City Physician Schlitz has ordered the quarantine of Fred Barrs in Sevastopol for smallpox. Barrs is 15 years of age, and resides with his parents. There are six others in the family, all of whom have been exposed and he is kept under quarantine. The source from which the disease is a mystery, but it is not believed any other case exists in the city. This is the first case that has been reported in two months.

James F. Howard, a young attorney of Webster City, has had his license to practice in the courts of the state suspended for two years on account of unprofessional conduct. Disbarment proceedings were begun in Hamilton district last year. S. M. Weaver, judge finding it appears from the record in the case of George Barber vs. George C. Olmstead there was reasonable ground to revoke or suspend the license and directing N. B. Hyatt, A. N. Boyce and Wesley Martin, practicing attorneys of Hamilton county, to begin proceedings. The investigation resulted against Howard, who appealed to the supreme court and lost.

Reports of an alarming nature, telling of the existence of twenty-five to thirty cases of smallpox in Monona county, have reached the office of the state board of health. The cases are reported from Center and Jordan townships in that county and from the town of Moorehead. It is reported proper disinfection is not being observed. The health officer of the state board of health has written to Dr. Condit of Sioux City and requested him to look after the matter.

The supreme court has sustained the decision of Judge Stevenson of the Polk county district court in the case of A. F. Bissell, administrator of the estate of Frank Leary, deceased, plaintiff, vs. Frank Starzinger, defendant. The case was one in which the administrator alleged by reason of sales of liquor made by Starzinger to Law, when the latter was intoxicated and in the habit of drinking, the law estate was damaged in the sum of \$3,300. For this sum judgment was asked against Starzinger, who owned and operated a saloon in Des Moines. The defendant demurred to the petition on various grounds. One of these was that the estate had not been damaged by the evidence introduced showing the plaintiff to have been a habitual drunkard and incapable of earning money. The demurrer was sustained and judgment was rendered against the plaintiff, dismissing the action and for costs. The plaintiff appealed, but the supreme court fully upholds the trial court's decision.

The members of the board of control have returned to the city after a visit to all the state institutions in northern Iowa. Judge Robinson and John Cowle of the board left on the 10th of September for Chicago, Ill., and later were joined by Judge Time. The board expects in a short time to formulate the rules governing county hospitals, it having inspected the different county institutions in the past several months.

The typhoid fever epidemic at the state hospital at Independence is greater than has been generally known. There have been over two hundred cases since it recently broke out there, and it has resulted in twenty deaths. There is also a great deal of sickness at the Soldiers' Home at Marshalltown. Over seventy inmates of the home are now in the hospital. No epidemic prevails there, but the general health is not good.

WILLIAM L. WILSON DEAD.

Author of the "Wilson Bill" Passed Away at Lexington. Lexington, Va., Oct. 19.—General William L. Wilson, former congressman and cabinet officer, and father of the famous "Wilson bill," regulating the tariff, died at his home Wednesday. His death was sudden, and the news proved a severe shock to the people here, with whom the former postmaster general was popular. General Wilson served several years in the army, and was distinguished as a soldier, a statesman and an educator and had since his retirement from political life occupied the position of president of the famous Washington and Lee University. Last year he was mentioned prominently as a candidate for the presidency of Asia and was said to have been tendered the post.

France Getting in a Hurry.

Washington, Oct. 18.—M. Juchacz, charge d'affaires of the French embassy, presented a memorandum to the state department from the French government asking that peace negotiations with China begin immediately in accordance with the favorable action of the powers on the recent French note.

He—Do you think you can learn to love me? She—I might, I learned to like olives.

STORIES

The grand duke of Mecklenburg was one day gambling at the Döberan tables, and was betting on the same numbers as a rich master-potter, who stood next to him. Both having lost their money, the grand duke inquired: "Well, potter, what shall we do now?" "Oh," replied the master-potter, "your highness will screw up the taxes and I shall make pot!"

Justin McCarthy and some friends were talking once about a member of the house of commons. A lady who was one of the company said it was a pity for the sake of his personal appearance that he had such very large ears. "Yes," said T. P. O'Connor, the brilliant parliamentary and platform orator, "and the worst of it is that while they are too large for ears, they are too small for wigs."

A party of Americans were sitting on the upper deck of a Rhine river boat, enjoying the charming scenery. One was reading aloud from a guide book about the various castles as they came into view. Just as the boat was passing one of the finest old buildings, a woman in the party exclaimed to her companion: "Why, that old castle is inhabited. See, there are blinds at the windows." "No," said a man standing by her side, "those are the shades of their ancestors."

Thomas Wilson of Washington was once arguing a case of some importance in the United States supreme court, and was dwelling upon propositions that were known to and accepted by every law student in the country, and soon after the sermon by the late Justice Miller, saying: "Can not the counsel safely assume that this court understands the rudiments of law?" "I made that mistake in the lower court," retorted Justice Wilson, "for this case would not have been here on appeal."

It was once usual for Highland shepherds to take their dogs into church and leave them outside the pews. Two shepherds at emity sat on opposite sides of the aisle one Sunday, and soon after the sermon began, the dogs, one a collie and the other not—seemed to enter into their masters' quarrel. The shepherds egged on their dogs in undertones, and soon there was a real fight in progress. The dog on the left in the immediate neighborhood of the speaker, made a dash over the pews to see how the encounter was coming out, and not a few were standing up. The minister's patience was ultimately exhausted, and so he called to his "hearers" and said: "Ah, well, my brethren, I see ye are most interested in the dog fight than in my sermon, and so I'll close the bulke—and I'll bet a half crown on the collie!"

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He who takes a glass too much at night has time for sober reflection the next morning. A dark cloud, financially speaking, is one that has no silver lining. Tell your secret to your servant and you promote him to the position of master. Men who have a lean and hungry look are usually the biggest eaters. Some