

News of the Northwest

BRITTON FIRE.

Town Has Narrow Escape From Annihilation.
Britton, S. D., Aug. 24.—Further investigation of the fire of Tuesday night reveals a complete destruction of the following stores and all their contents: Drug store of George Baker; Dr. Hugo Miller, in this building, lost his entire medical library, instruments and X-ray apparatus; he estimates his loss at \$1,000, with no insurance. Hardware store of S. S. Lawrence, drug store of Dr. R. E. Jones, dry goods store of E. E. Alpin, all insured for about half their value. The hardware store of Widemann & Ingerson was completely damaged. The fire started at 12 o'clock, midnight, in the rear building of Lawrence's hardware store. Origin unknown. The Citizens' bank is a total wreck, the walls alone standing. The vault is uninjured.

FATALLY INJURED.

Traction Engine Rolls Down Embankment and Injures Farmer.
La Crosse, Wis., Aug. 24.—While taking a traction engine to his farm yesterday afternoon Charles Twite, a prominent farmer residing a few miles south of here, near Stoddard, met with a probably fatal accident. On the road he met a team, and in turning out the engine ran off the road and rolled down an embankment. He was thrown off, fell under the engine and pinned to the ground for some time. The occupants of the buggy released him, but his body was cooked in places and his limbs burned to the bones. His condition is very serious and may prove fatal.

MONTANA'S LAND AUCTION.

Many Inquiries From Everywhere and Sales Days Fixed.
Helena, Mont., Aug. 24.—Montana's auction sale of lands will commence in Carbon county, of which Red Lodge is the seat of government, on Sept. 13. About 6,000 acres will be sold or leased. Flathead county sales will begin Oct. 22. There are 55,000 acres in this county. Whether any intervening sales will be held has not yet been decided. The state land office is being flooded with inquiries as to the character of the land and terms of sale, which are, briefly, that no land will be sold for less than \$10 an acre, and if not sold will be leased to the highest bidder.

YOUTHFUL TRAIN WRECKER.

Eleven-Year-Old Boy Sentenced to the Industrial School.
Janesville, Wis., Aug. 24.—An expensive wreck on the Janesville branch of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway was caused a few days ago by William Kinney, the eleven-year-old son of a watchman. The boy pleaded guilty yesterday and Judge Fifield sentenced him to the industrial school for boys at Waukesha. Young Kinney, who had previously ditched a train at Spring Brook by throwing a switch under a train, loosened the breaks on some freight cars, which, running down a steep grade, crashed into a freight train.

ELEVATOR FIRE.

Northfield Farmers' Company Loses a Building and Much Grain.
Northfield, Minn., Aug. 24.—The elevator of the Northfield Farmers' Mercantile and Elevator company burned, also 10,000 bushels of grain. The insurance on the building was \$3,500, on the grain \$5,000, and on flour and feed in stock \$400. This covers the loss. The origin of the fire is not clear. It is not known whether the company will be rebuilt.

POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

Burglars Blow a Safe at Hall, Iowa, Last Night.
Hall, Iowa, Aug. 24.—The postoffice here was burglarized. The safe was blown to pieces by three explosions and \$474 in stamps and \$150 in money taken.

Gives Up Life to Save a Life.

St. Paul, Aug. 24.—John W. De Camp, who was for many years in the commission business in St. Paul, died yesterday in Seattle from burns received in an attempt to rescue a servant whom he believed to be imprisoned in a room in his blazing home. He was taken out of the building alive, but died a few hours later. His family escaped without injury.

Barber Shop Burns.

Buffalo, Minn., Aug. 24.—Fire broke out in the barber shop and residence of Andrew Thill. The building was almost totally destroyed in the interior by the fire department trying to extinguish the flames. Mr. Thill was absent in the city and Mrs. Thill was visiting friends in the country. There was \$600 insurance on the building.

Retires From Army With Honor.
Fargo, N. D., Aug. 24.—Lieut. Arthur G. Duncan of Fargo, who has served as a volunteer officer in the Philippines, and was recommended for promotion to a captaincy for gallantry in action at Batac, Luzon, by Gen. Young, has resigned his position in the army and will become a merchandise broker in Fargo.

Mad Dog at Mantorville.
Mantorville, Minn., Aug. 24.—A mad dog was loose in this village. Several women and children and one man were badly lacerated by the crazy canine before he was dispatched.

Steamer Irene Burned.
Aitkin, Minn., Aug. 24.—The steamboat Irene was destroyed by fire here together with warehouse and full load of freight. The whole is a complete loss to Messrs. Viebahn & Tully, the owners, as there was no insurance.

Ex-Congressman Schick Dead.
Milwaukee, Aug. 24.—A special from Baltimore, Md., announces the death of ex-Congressman Chase W. Van Schick, formerly of Milwaukee. Paralysis of the brain was the immediate cause. He was 64 years of age.

ROMANCE ENDS IN TRAGEDY.

Startling Case of Attempted Murder and Suicide.
Palmyra, Wis., Aug. 25.—A startling case of attempted murder and suicide occurred here yesterday afternoon at the residence of Alfred Watson and served as a realistic ending of a romance of a few months. Mort Cartwright lies at the sanitarium with two bullets through his body in close proximity to the heart, and Ella Cartwright, his wife, lies at the home of her grandparents with a bullet in her back. He can live only a few hours, while she is expected to recover, her life being saved by her corset steels, which destroyed much of the force of the bullet. A few weeks ago this mere boy of eighteen years met and loved Miss Etta Strike, a pretty girl of fifteen, and was married shortly afterward. They lived together at the home of his parents for a few weeks. Trouble arising, they separated, she going to Iowa and he remaining here. Later the trouble appeared to be settled and Mrs. Cartwright returned to Palmyra yesterday, stopping at the Watson residence, where she was met by her husband. The tragedy occurred shortly after the arrival of young Cartwright, when a fusillade of bullets was heard. No further explanation of the tragedy is given.

LIND OUT OF POLITICS.

Pledge Given When Partnership Was Formed With Judge Ueland.
St. Paul, Aug. 25.—Judge Ueland, law partner of John Lind, declares that under no circumstances will the former governor re-enter the political field. Judge Ueland, it appears, exacted a written pledge from Mr. Lind before the professional copartnership was formed that he would not take any active part in politics. When the idea of a partnership between the two men was first considered, Judge Ueland indicated very plainly that if Mr. Lind had not concluded absolutely to keep out of politics there was no use at all in discussing professional relationship. Mr. Lind assured his friend in the most positive manner that it was his intention thereafter to keep as far away from politics and politicians as possible.

A FAMILY QUARREL.

Results in Death of One and the Serious Injury of Another.
Butte, Mont., Aug. 25.—As a result of a family quarrel John C. Kimball is dead, his wife, Gussie, is in the hospital with a bullet wound in her chest, and Frank Yechout, the father of the woman, is in jail, charged with doing part of the shooting. The persons were walking together yesterday morning when Kimball drew a revolver and began shooting at the woman. Yechout then shot Kimball. The Kimballs had not been living happily together.

SEEKS A PARDON.

Thomas J. Riley Who Deliberately Murdered a Butte Banker.
Helena, Mont., Aug. 25.—Thomas J. Riley, who killed Patrick Largey, a Butte Banker, four years ago and who is serving a life sentence for murder in the second degree, is seeking a pardon. He has written a long letter to the state board of pardons reviewing his case and urging favorable action. He says petitions will be secured in Butte. His crime was premeditated and there is little prospect of a pardon.

SEIZED GUN AND DOG.

Other Evidence Against Game Law Breakers Not Found.
Albert Lea, Minn., Aug. 25.—After waiting for the opportunity Game Warden Kroessin of this county has had J. M. McGrane, Thomas Clement and F. W. Kahler of this city and C. L. Fink of Briceville, arrested for violating the game law, and he has seized a dog and gun. The parties were in a field with guns and dog and were shooting, but the warden did not secure any of the game.

EVIDENCE OF MURDER.

Bloody Wagon Spoke Found in Ward's Cabin.
Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 25.—The Lawrence county commissioners yesterday offered a reward of \$250 for the capture of W. H. Ward, the alleged murderer. The searching party at the Ward cabin found the clothes of Kirk Shepard stowed away in a barrel, and a wagon spoke was found near the house covered with blood. This settled the question of the murder of the second brother.

World Kill a Whole Neighborhood.
Huron, S. D., Aug. 25.—Thomas Tomaw, released from the penitentiary a few weeks since, where he served a term of two years for assault with intent to kill, was arrested in Lake Byron township a few days since. The board of insanity has adjudged him insane and he will be sent to the asylum at Yankton. He deliberately drove a farmer and his family from their home and took possession of the place, threatening to kill the whole neighborhood.

Iowa Lodge Congress.

Clear Lake, Iowa, Aug. 25.—The fraternal congress has just closed an interesting two days' session in this city. There were present delegates from the grand lodges of Yeomen, Fraternal Choppers, Modern Brotherhood of America, Red Cross, Knights of the Maccabees, Ladies of the Maccabees and Woodmen of America. Several fine addresses were delivered and the best methods of fraternal insurance were discussed.

New Hello Quarters.

Faulton, S. D., Aug. 25.—The new telephone exchange building is about finished and the office will be moved to the new quarters in a few days.

Charge Becomes Murder.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 25.—The third Quinn, who was stabbed by William Muldoon in a drunken spree at Livingston Tuesday night, died yesterday, and Muldoon will be charged with murder.

WON'T STAND FOR IT.

Dr. Rodermund Warned Against Trifling With Smallpox.
St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 25.—"If Dr. Rodermund undertakes to cut any of his capers around St. Paul he will be hustled to the pethouse and kept on a light diet. We shall not be in any hurry to let him out either. He may defy the law in a small town, but in St. Paul he will have to abide by the accepted theories of common-sense physicians."

This is the way Health Commissioner Ohage looks at the Appleton, Wis., physician who smeared himself with smallpox virus, afterward attending his patients and wound up by eating the pus from a smallpox pustule. Dr. Rodermund did this to prove his contention that the entire theory of contagion is at fault. Dr. Ohage is a firm believer in the virtues of vaccination and, as such, is not law with patients that all he requires in Dr. Rodermund's case is his statement that he has exposed himself to smallpox and that will be sufficient excuse for taking him to the pethouse.

"Vaccination has been demonstrated, thousands of times over, as an effective means of preventing the spread of the disease," said Dr. Ohage, "and we do not intend that any one shall come into St. Paul and defy the ordinary rules of health."

Dr. M. J. Rodermund addressed the St. Paul Anti-Vaccination society at Central hall, Sixth and Seventh streets, last night. The doctor's talk was informal and followed a written paper by Mrs. Laura Little of Minneapolis on the evils of vaccination.

WITHOUT A PENNY.

Woman Deserted by Her Husband in Winona.

Winona, Minn., Aug. 25.—The largest ed by her husband in a strange city, and without a penny, was the condition of Mrs. John Schlosser here this morning. Schlosser, who is a carpenter, came to Winona with his wife early in the week in search of employment. They stopped at a hotel. On Thursday he told his wife that he would go out to Clear Lake, S. D., and when he secured employment he would send for her. Thursday afternoon he left the place without saying a word, and that was the last she saw of him. She became uneasy later in the day and made inquiries at the depots. It was there learned that he had purchased a ticket for Devil's Lake, N. D. The woman did not have a cent of money, and in company with a Winona woman she attempted to secure enough to follow him. Failing in this, she told her story to Mayor Stewart and he furnished her with a ticket to La Crosse, where she says she will be able to get the money and will then follow him.

MURDER AT HIBBING.

Former St. Paul Waiter Is Killed by a Bartender.
Duluth, Minn., Aug. 25.—William Carson, a former waiter and bartender in various St. Paul and Minneapolis saloons and restaurants, was shot and instantly killed at Hibbing by John King, the bartender in Hadman & Co.'s saloon. The trouble arose over the payment for a drink. King will be brought to Duluth to-morrow for a preliminary hearing.

LOG PIRATES.

Raft Owners Report Several Losses of Logs.
La Crosse, Wis., Aug. 25.—Raft owners on the river report log pirates are again at work. Wednesday night a launch and two men took a large portion of a raft above here, and last night thieves held up a watchman at the point of a rifle several miles from any town and after securing valuable logs made off with them without being identified.

ENGINE EXPLODES.

One Is Killed and Others Seriously Injured.
Canby, Minn., Aug. 25.—A steam threshing engine belonging to Sam Watkins exploded while threshing on the farm of C. L. Christenson, near Porter, Minn., and instantly killed Mrs. Christenson and severely injured her young daughter, Lars Christenson, John Anderson and one of the assistants at the machine.

SKULLS AND RELICS.

An Ancient Mound at Trempealeau Opened by Winona Men.
Winona, Minn., Aug. 25.—Desert-mound at Trempealeau has just been excavated by John Dye and others of Winona, with the result that seven skulls, presumably of moundbuilders, and many broken bones and relics have been found.

FAVORS PARIS GREEN.

Farmer Feeds It His Mules and Takes It Himself.
Buffalo, Minn., Aug. 25.—Barney McKeag, whose place is a few miles from here, committed suicide by taking paris green. He attempted to murder his daughter-in-law with an axe and tried to feed his mules paris green.

Two Country Fires.

Grand Meadow, Minn., Aug. 25.—A fire occurred on the farm of Alex Brown in Racine township. A setting of grain and the separator of H. Rabine were burned. A large barn, a hoghouse and a milkhouse were burned on the farm of Ed Rutledge, near High Forest. It is thought children set the fire while playing about the barn.

Hull's Postoffice Robbed.

Sheldon, Iowa, Aug. 25.—The postoffice at Hull was broken into and about \$300 worth of stamps and \$85 in cash were taken out of the safe. There seems to be no clue to the robbers.

Macaroni Wheat Yields Well.

Britton, S. D., Aug. 25.—One hundred and twenty acres of macaroni wheat threshed out 28 bushels to the acre, 21 pounds to the bushel. It was shipped and is expected to grade No. 1. This variety of wheat averages 25 bushels, so far.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE NEWS.

Barlow is to have an agent. Wilton's school has begun. Illegal hunting is reported in McLean county.

Enderlin is to have a new Catholic church. Steel range peddlers infest Pembina county. Emmons county land is advancing in value.

Many new enterprises are reported at Maddock. Many improvements are being made at Fessenden.

John Hurley is the new stenographer for Judge Lauder. Washburn will have a hardware store with a \$10,000 stock.

Hall did no material damage in the vicinity of Bathgate. The telephone system at Ellendale is proving satisfactory.

The Harvey mills report that the new wheat makes fine flour. A tough gang of hoboes was made to move on by Lisbon officials.

Crop conditions in the western counties make settlers feel good. Senator Hansbrough has been down to Illinois on a business trip.

Zella Shepherd, a little Grafton girl, broke her arm in three places. Bailey Fuller is said to have the finest corn in Stutsman county.

Grand Forks has reached the "site selection" period of its public library. It is said there are fine herds of antelope in what was Hettinger county.

Miss Lena Sletten of Richland county died at the state asylum of apoplexy. Milton will endeavor to have a creamery ready for business by May 1, 1902.

Many chokeberry bushes in the Jim River valley are blooming the second time. Sneak thieves are reported at Glen Ullin.

The first wheat threshed in Dickey county went fifteen and a half bushels per acre. Washburn has incorporated as a city. A couple of blind pigs were pulled at Bismarck.

Farmers around Bathgate predict that land in that vicinity will soon be worth \$450 an acre. A car load of machinery for the state manual training school at Ellendale is being put in position.

There are said to have been many violations of the game law around Havana, Sargent county. A binder ran over Andrew Wood of Sanborn and laid him up during the busy season.

In some sections of Steele county the damage by the recent hail storm was one-third of the crop. They are beginning to talk of \$50 per acre or more as about the proper price for land about Bathgate.

Walhalla will have its electric light system installed in a few weeks. Wire and piler have arrived. Machinery dealers of Devils Lake report the largest business since the town was first on the map.

A fresh book agent at Devils Lake was fined for attempting to get too familiar with a married lady. Harvey fens offered to bet their team could shut out Anamoose, but the game could not be arranged.

The Wheatland school district is being sued by Miss Inez Sherman for \$318.50, for alleged breach of contract. It seems to have been about equal to the demand, with not much to spare either way.

One Smell is the name of a Montana Indian arrested in North Dakota on the charge of stealing stock in Montana. It is reported that eight cases of smallpox have developed among the laborers on the Northern Pacific west of Bowdon.

Two horses were stolen from a mail contractor between Bismarck and Wagonport, and two escaped convicts are suspected. Grain in some of the southern counties is said to have been injured by drought. That in the north seems to be in excellent shape.

At the recent fire at Minto a number of farm laborers were in town and rendered valuable assistance in getting the flames under control. On account of his removal from Devils Lake, W. H. Brown will resign as mayor, and S. M. Wireman will probably serve until next spring.

So many of Lisbon's citizens are temporary grass widowers, that a few of the kind-hearted ladies got up an entertainment for the orlon hobbies. At Michigan City a man attempted to prevent the engagement of one of the teachers by circulating an antagonistic petition among the children.

Another insurance company begins business in North Dakota, and Deputy Commissioner Gilbreath is issuing its statement, with his compliments. A Minneapolis potato house wants ten car loads of the tubers daily, and will pay from 40 to 50 cents per bushel, free on board cars in North Dakota.

William Simmons was building a chimney near Langdo, when a stroke of lightning undercut him and he fell to the ground. His injuries were not very serious, however. A Cass county boy was driven insane after taking a bath. That is a horrible example. In the boy's case the bath was taken after a big meal and while he was very hot.

J. A. Coad, who was accused of killing a patient at the insane asylum a year or more ago—is said to have been killed in the Philippines, where he joined the regular army.

Or account of many of the farmers cutting the hay lands twice this year, the roots are unprotected and die. Fox-tail grass grows instead of the regular grass, which is practically valueless, so far.

Ashley is to have a new drug store.

The crop of hold-ups promises to be large. Cement sidewalks are popular at Oakes.

Carlisle has a "Jack, the Huggler" all its own. Fargo's militia company is strictly all right.

Hay rack parties are the rage at Enderlin. Drunken carousals at Sheldon excited indignation.

It is said 200 binders were sold this season at Rugby. Rev. Father Wagner is the new Catholic priest at Kenmare.

The father of Attorney Leslie of Carlington died in Vermont. AYP people asked the railroad commissioners for a depot.

The purses for the horse races at Mandan will aggregate \$1,600. Bottineau farmers will open a co-operative store at Willow City.

There are said to have been numerous hold-ups at St. Thomas. Many farmers around Neche recently sold their 1899 wheat.

At Oberon boys stole 100 pints of booze from a bootlegger. Some New Rockford men bought cattle in Kansas—after the drought.

Much damage was done in parts of Barnes and Stutsman counties by hail. LaMoure people want a town park. Grafton may reorganize its military band.

Winnipeggers complimented the K. P. band of Langdon for its excellent music. Hoboes broke into a sealed freight car at Enderlin and swiped cheese and fruit.

Now the music of the threshing machine engine will begin to wake the natives. For about the seventh time the newspapers are urging farmers to plow fire breaks.

Some early hunters in Ransom county are said to be dodging the game warden. A suspected thief at Glen Ullin suddenly concluded he had lots of business elsewhere.

Ed Berry of Dickinson will be superintendent of the races at the Mandan state fair. Paul Tygum was rearrested at Dickinson after serving a jail term for horse stealing.

The Devils Lake Social club is said to be one of the most popular organizations in the state. J. E. Herbert, J. J. Neirling and W. W. Ford are the deputy game wardens in Stutsman county.

The Minot land office appointment is creating quite a row in the northwestern part of the state. Street improvements are wanted at Kindred, but cannot be done, as the town is not incorporated.

With the exception of a few towns—on branch roads—there seems to have been ample harvest here. Glen Ullin claims to have more feet of sidewalk in proportion to population than any city in the state.

Two well diggers at Esmond drank too much bootlegger's booze and cut each other with pocket knives. Miss Lulu, the daughter of "King John" Satterlund of Washburn, will teach in the Williston schools.

The Bismarck militia company, Hugh Scott was elected first lieutenant and John Peterson second lieutenant. Kindred storekeepers keep open certain hours Sunday for the accommodation of farmers during the busy season.

W. C. Patterson of La Moure and A. J. Brodtkorb of Edgeley are deputy game wardens in LaMoure county. Leonard Schan of Linton had Frank Volk, George and John Krumm arrested on the charge of beating him unmercifully.

Stark county has the money on hand to pay half of its \$30,000 indebtedness. Another prisoner escaped from the jail at Dickinson.

Stark county ranchmen see the handwriting on the wall in the advance of settlers, and are making every effort to protect their ranges. A Grandin man has five brothers and sisters living and all were born in July. He has five brothers and sisters dead, and those were born in other months.

Banker Whipple secured some full-blooded Shorthorn and Hereford cattle, and sold four car loads of young heifers to Ramse county farmers. The furniture and fixtures of the Capital hotel at Jamestown have been sold, and Capt. Ingraham will soon have things under his control again.

The little daughter of E. H. Lee undertook to make a meal of some poison fly paper the other day at Walhalla. The doctor finally saved her life, but it was a close call.

An exhibit of the work of Ramsey county women will be sent to the state fair by Mrs. A. M. Powell, the charming wife of that hustling real estate man of the wicked city.

The Bismarck city council has taken steps to repeal the city ordinances, passed a few years ago, providing for license under which "booze" joints have been running there. At Onabrock a horse became frightened at a train and kicked the driver in the stomach. A man who went to the rescue was also kicked, and a physician had to care for both.

Fifteen miles of track have been laid on the Oberon branch of the Northern Pacific, and it is expected the road will be turned over to the operating department in a month. Two new towns are being founded, and already numerous business enterprises, including a newspaper, have been established.

A Wells county farmer received \$1,300 in payment of hail insurance. He flashed the roll in a blind pig at Dowdon. In the morning the money was gone. A man, said to be a gambler, was arrested.

E. E. Gorsuch is the new captain of Rev. W. Finwill has resigned the pastorate of the Fargo Norwegian Baptist church, to accept a call to the Pilgrim Baptist church at Fargo.

A pool of Indians on the Standing Rock reservation is being taken to ascertain if they desire to take their land in severalty. In case they do, the allotting agents will be sent out.

SCANDAL LIKELY

Nihilists are greatly stirred up over the czar's coming tour.

RESTRICTIONS ON NIHILISTS

French Officials Issue an Order Forbidding Them From Leaving Their Homes in Paris During the Czar's Presence in France—Russian Students Promise to Fight the Police at Every Turn.

Paris, Aug. 24.—The French people are wild with delight over the coming visit of the imperial Russian couple. Cabinet ministers are wildly cheered whenever they appear in public. But there is another side to the picture. The police, who have begun to devise measures to insure the safety of the Russian sovereigns during their sojourn, have already succeeded in getting mixed up with the sharp claws of the league of the rights of man, which proposes to fight the police at every turn wherever they interfere with the "sacred claims of individual liberty." The league's cause for complaint is as follows: Among the large Russian colony in Paris there are 300 Nihilists, mostly quiet, peaceable students at the Sorbonne, none of whom is known to have committed any act of violence in the carrying out of the ideas. Nevertheless the prefecture of police issued an order forbidding these nihilists from leaving their homes during the presence of Czar Nicholas in France. This order is accompanied by the warning that if they are found on the streets they will be dealt with summarily. The league intends to prevent such a travesty on justice by any means in its power and will go, if necessary, even to the forming of a cohort to protect the Nihilists while on the streets.

The president of the league of the rights of man said: "It looks as if the shameful and humiliating ignomies perpetrated during the czar's visit in 1896 are to be repeated. If so, I warn the police that the imperial sojourn instead of a triumph may prove a scandal. This society condemns all kinds of violence, but particularly official violence. The Russian students shall not be immured if we can prevent it."

HELPED KILL THE BENDERS.

Oregon Man Says He Is One of the Twelve Men Who Lynched Them.
Albany, Or., Aug. 24.—Cornelius Stone, who lives near this city, has made the extraordinary statement that he was one of twelve men who killed the celebrated Bender family in Kansas in 1873. Stone makes a detailed confession in which he says that the dozen men were thoroughly convinced of the guilt of the Benders, and tells how the father, mother, son and daughter were lynched. The bodies were buried, he says, near the Bender tavern. Stone is seventy years old and a leading citizen of Lynn county. He makes the confession in order to set at rest the recent stories that the Bender family was alive, and had been discovered in Colorado.

SCHLEY'S ACCUSATION.

May Charge Mutilation of Department Records.
Washington, Aug. 24.—Vague hints were dropped at the navy department that serious charges will be made on behalf of Rear Admiral Schley that some one in the department has mutilated the records, that letters have disappeared, and that pages out of the letter press copy books have disappeared. Owing to the stringent orders issued by the department against discussion of the Schley case it is impossible to get accurate statements on this point. It is also intimated that it has been impossible to procure documentary evidence to support Schley's contentions from the war department.

ULTIMATUM OF CONSTANS.

Letter From the French Ambassador Demanding Prompt Settlement of Claims.
Constantinople, Aug. 24.—The French ambassador, M. Constans, sent a letter to the sultan personally informing him that he would leave Constantinople with the entire staff of the embassy if the matters in dispute were not settled immediately. The letter has the nature of an ultimatum. It accords the sultan the briefest delay within which to comply with the demands.

FOOTPADS ESCAPE.

Bloodhounds Used to Trail Murderers of Gilliland.
Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 24.—Bloodhounds followed the trail of two footpads that killed John J. Gilliland for seven miles to Rocky, where it is believed the murderers boarded a train and escaped. A heavy reward has been offered.

Charged With Kidnapping.

Monroe, Mich., Aug. 24.—Frank Gaines, a negro about fifty years of age, was arrested here yesterday on a charge of kidnapping Sarah Hayes, a fourteen-year-old white girl, whose home is in Toledo, Ohio. Gaines and his victim were found in a corn field three miles north of this city and he was captured only after a desperate struggle.

Stole a Bicycle.

Wheatland, N. D., Aug. 24.—Tom Harrison was arrested for stealing a bicycle from a dealer. He was given a hearing and fined \$10.

Mike Wanted to Die.

Appleton, Minn., Aug. 24.—Mike Janette, who was recently released on bail pending a new trial on the charge of shooting Nels Akre, attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself in the head and inflicted a bad wound.

Robbed by Masked Men.

Findlay, Ohio, Aug. 24.—Five masked men entered the home of Philip Stiles near Dealer, and after torturing and threatening the family for four hours, departed with \$60 in cash. Bloodhounds are on their trail.