JOE SHEEHY'S JOKE

SUPERIOR BOXER ANNOUNCES THAT HE IS TO GO AGAINST JEFFRIES

CHAMPION OF NORTHWEST

Bout, According to the Head of the Lakes Fighter, Is to Be Before the Olympic Club at San Francisco for a Big Purse—Races in the Mud—General Sporting Gossip.

WEST SUPERIOR, Wis., Oct. 17.—Joe Sheehy, heavyweight champion of the Northwest, today announced the settlement of his finish match with Jim Jeffries at San Francisco, Dec. 10, for a purse of $5,000, before the Olympic club. He has been in training here for several weeks, and will go to the coast in two weeks.

SCRAMBLING FIGHT.

Disappointing Contest Won by the Coffee Cooler.

LONDON, Oct. 17.—A contest arranged for twenty rounds between Frank Craig, the Harlem coffee cooler, of New York, and Billy Edwards, of Australia, took place tonight at the National Sporting club, of London. Craig knocked out Edwards in the twelfth round. The victor weighed in at 155 pounds, and Edwards, who is three inches taller than his conqueror, at 150. It was a scrambling fight throughout. The men clinched, hugged and mauled one another. Craig could never use his famous swing right, but finished Edwards off with a half-arm punch on the jaw. Except for a few intermittent flashes of attack in the eighth, ninth and tenth rounds, Edwards watched Craig's dangerous right. The fight was thoroughly disappointing.

THIS FIGHT OFF.

Principals Wanted the Money in Sight Beforehand.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—The twenty-five-round bout which was to have taken place between Dick O'Brien and Johnny Gorman at the Greater New York Athletic club tonight did not come off. The principals refused to go on because there was not money enough in it. Walter Burge, of Boston, and Billy Needham, of St. Paul, were substituted. They met at catch weights. Burge would have been disqualified for hitting below the belt in the eighteenth round, but one of his opponent's seconds entered the ring, and the referee was obliged to disqualify Needham, and Burge won on this technicality.

CORBETT TALKS.

Getting in Shape for His Go With Sharkey.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—J. J. Corbett left for West Baden Springs, Ind., tonight, where he expects to do a little preliminary training for the fight with Tom Sharkey, which is scheduled to come off at the Lenox Athletic club on Nov. 22. The ex-champion will remain at the springs for at least ten days.

Corbett was accompanied by his sparring partner, Jim McVey.

"I have been in training now for nearly four months and if I should continue without a let up I might go stale, and that would be no excuse if I were defeated."

RAIN INTERFERED.

Only Two Races Finished at the Lexington Meeting.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 17.—Rain stopped the meeting of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' association this afternoon, only two races being finished. The programme of the meeting will be finished tomorrow, weather permitting, with four races on the card, the stock farm purse, for 2-year-old trotters, $1,000; the Lexington, for 2-year-old trotters, $2,000, and the Blue Grass, for 2:09 class pacers, $2,000. Summaries:

First race, the West, for 2:09 class trotters, purse $2,000—

Timorah, blk m, by Princeton (Miller)	1	1	3	1
Russo Greek, ch m (B. Kenny)	5	3	1	3
Alice Doorman, b m (McHenry)	3	2	2	2
Maggie Lass, blk m (West)	2	4	4	4
Barometer, b g (Splan)	4	5	Dr	

Time, 2:13¼, 2:14¼, 2:16¼, 2:17¼.

Second race, the Kentucky, for 3-year-old trotters, purse $2,000—

Lewis Wilkes, b g, by Hindoo Wilkes (Cotton)	2	1	2	1
Cuprum, br g (Rea)	4	2	1	2
Charlie Herr, b c (Malone)	3	3	3	ro
Nowaday, b f (Titer)	1	4	dis	

Time, 2:14¼, 2:16¼, 2:21, 2:21½.

Wet Day at Harlem.

CHICAGO, Oct. 17.—Results at Harlem; weather wet and cold. Summary:

First race, five furlongs—Palomacita won, Canace second Andes third. Time, 1:05½.

Second race, five furlongs—Frank Bell won, Genoa second, Miss Marks third. Time, 1:08.

Third race, one mile—Plantain won, The Devil second, Don Quixote third. Time, 1:50.

Fourth race six furlongs—Abuse won, Timemaker second, Donna Rita third. Time, 1:29.

Fifth race, one mile and an eighth—Gold Band won, Double Dummy second, Winslow third. Time, 2:06½.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Silver Set won, W C T second, News Gatherer third. Time, 1:22¼.

Entries for Tuesday—

First race, maidens, eleven-sixteenths of a mile—Barrier, 105; Forensic, Sam Lazarus, King Rica, Little Minch Jr., Maryland Reserve, Nuller, Corrillo, Goebel, Boardman, Falsetto Jr., Prince McMichael, King Leta, 108; Judge Wofford, 115; Phidias, 118; The Pride, 105.

Second race, one mile—Bethlehem Star, Chauncey Fisher, 98; Oelian, Moch, 101; Cochise, Second Chance, Overland, 104; Carnero, Jim Blackburn, Golden Rod, 107; Celtic Bard, Necedah, Nahnie L's Sister, Paul Griggs, Hohenzollern, 115.

Third race, six furlongs—High Ho, Good Friend, Coralis, King Bermuda, 104; Graziella, 106; Lucid, Borden, 107; Ruskin, 108.

Fourth race, Columbia stakes, two miles and one-eighth—Fort, 91; Croesus, 94; Charlie Christy, 101; Elusive, Frank Jaubert, 103; Paul Kauvar, Boanerges, 104.

Fifth race, seven furlongs—Boney Boy, Queen of Song, 86; Jolly Roger, 94; Verify, 103; May W. N. M. Kauffman, 108; Henry Launt, Lew Hopper, Storm King, Time Maker, 115.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Nanny Davis, Revenge Dare, Pinar del Rio, Mary Kinsella, 104; Free Lady, Baritaria, 106; Hindoonet, 110; Sansaba, 111.

Latonia Races.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 17.—Latonia Results—Track fast for first three races, but after that a soaking rain made the going very soft. Summary:

First race, one mile—Aunt Maggie won; R. B. Sac second, Seaport third. Time, 1:42¼.

Second race, five and a half furlongs—Raffellow won, Debtis second, Volandies third. Time, 1:10.

Third race, one mile—Lena Myers won, Possum second, Friar John third. Time, 1:44¼.

Fourth race, six furlongs—Miss Verne won, Osmon second, Barton third. Time, 1:17.

Fifth race, five furlongs—Mayme M. M. won, Duplicate second, Norma Taylor third. Time, 1:04.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Gibraltar won, Dave S. second, The Star of Bethlehem third. Time, 1:17¾.

League Batting Averages.

The batting records of the first twenty-one national league batsmen for the season of 1893 are as follows:

	G.	AB	R.	H.	PC.
Keeler, Baltimore	128	568	124	223	.387
Freeman, Washington	30	110	19	42	.382
Hamilton, Boston	109	420	111	153	.3[illegible]1
Burkett, Cleveland	147	616	120	217	.352
Tenney, Boston	117	487	105	167	.343
McGraw, Baltimore	141	520	144	178	.342
Smith, Cincinnati	123	486	89	165	.340
Delehanty, Philadelphia	145	522	117	187	.339
Green, Chicago	49	190	27	64	.337
Jennings, Baltimore	141	515	137	172	.334
Lajoie, Philadelphia	148	602	113	200	.332
Demontreville, Baltimore	149	551	93	183	.332
Everett, Chicago	151	600	106	198	.330
Collins, Boston	155	600	108	198	.330
Eagan, Pittsburg	17	61	14	20	.328
Lange, Chicago	108	445	80	145	.326
Kelley, Baltimore	119	468	72	152	.325
Farrell, Washington	89	335	47	108	.323
Ryan, Chicago	145	580	123	187	.322
Van Haltren, New York	157	641	126	206	.322
Wolverton, Chicago	15	53	5	17	.321

Tennis World's Championship.

BRIGHTON, Eng., Oct. 17.—The tennis match between Pettit, of Boston, Mass., and Latham, of Manchester, for the world's championship and a stake of $5,000 a side, has aroused extraordinary interest.

Latham won the four sets, 6-4, 6-0, 6-1, 6-2, which finished the first stage of the championship. He played in wonderful form throughout.

The match is to be the best of thirteen sets, with no advantage sets. The players will again meet on Oct. 19 and, if necessary, Oct. 21. The winner is to be declared champion of the world, and is to be exempt from challenge by the loser for one year and by any other player for six months.

Football Fatality.

BUTTE, Mont., Oct. 17.—In the football game between Butte and Deadwood, Mahoney, left halfback for Butte, got under the pile in a mixup. He appeared to suffer no inconvenience at the time, but later became unconscious, and was taken to the hospital. He has concussion of the brain, and the chances for his recovery are slim.

Dick Moore Knocked Out.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Oct. 17.—Tom Lansing, of Louisville, Corbett's sparring partner, knocked out "Dick" Moore, of St. Paul, tonight before the Monarch Athletic club, in the twelfth round of what was ao have been a twenty-five-round bout. The fighting at times was terrific, both men displaying great gameness and science.

Our Treatment of Spanish Captives.

Never before in history was there a case where a defeated and captive enemy received such generous treatment as we gave the Spaniards. Other nations are astonished. Equally astonishing are the cures brought about by Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Never before in history has there been so successful a medicine for the weak, debilitated and nervous, for stomach and liver disorders like dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness and constipation. All nations have benefited by it, and all praise it.

UNION LABOR

Must Be Given Extra Printing of Postoffice Department.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—The following letter, regarding the policy of the postoffice in labor matters, was sent today:

"Mr. M. A. Louis, Chief of Supply Division, Postoffice Department—Sir: Referring to your application today for authority to have done as emergency work, certain printing needed by the postoffice department, I want to remind you of my order issued last year, in which it was made peremptory that all of the printing under your direction, not done at the government printing office, should be given to offices employing union labor only.

"Before making any order or contract for emergency or other printing, as certain through some officer of the local printers' unions, whether or not the establishment to which it is proposed to award the printing is in good standing with the printers and other labor unions.

"The order of last year above referred to was given you in connection with one providing that favor be given in the purchase of goods to domestic manufacturers, as we desire to consume American rather than foreign-made goods. Respectfully,

—"Perry S. Heath,
"First Assistant Postmaster General."

ADDRESS BY WOLFER.

Minnesota Man Calls the Prison Wardens to Order.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 17.—The National Prison association finished its opening general session today and adjourned to give place to the meeting of the wardens' association. Before the adjournment a committee consisting of a representative from each state was appointed to decide upon time and place for the next annual meeting. The committee will hear arguments from representatives of the cities desiring the next meeting. Amos W. Butler, secretary state board of charities, announced that there would be an excursion to the Jeffersonville reformatory Thursday.

President Henry Wolfer, of Stillwater, Minn., called the Wardens' National association to order this morning. He commended the work of the association and endeavored to show how its advancement had been made. The Bertillon system, he said, was the most successful one yet tried for identifying criminals. It would not be fully successful in the United States until it was generally adopted. The speaker said that many young men who went out of prison had good intentions and needed encouragement. By a general system of identification, the speaker said, the criminal would soon become discouraged and abandon his practices.

Against the Government.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 17.—In the United States circuit court of appeals today Judge Shiras handed down an opinion reversing the decision of the United States circuit court in the customs duty case of the importing firm of Meyer & Dickinson against the government, the suit being commonly known as the hat trimmings case. The decision of Judge Shiras is against the government.

BRINGING THEM HOME.

Wisconsin Volunteers at New York From Cuba and Porto Rico.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—The United States transport Winnewaska arrived today and was cleared from Quarantine at 4:10 p. m. On board were Gen. O. H. Ernest and staff, and the Sixteenth Pennsylvania volunteers, about 100 men of the Third Wisconsin volunteers and a number of convalecents from the hospitals in Cuba and Porto Rico. There were also about fifty civilians among whom was W. S. Larner, of the postal commission.

Russia Ready.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—The Odessa correspondent of the Standard says that Russia has hastily concentrated 40,000 men at Port Arthur to be in readiness for any emergency at Pekin.

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CUBANS ARE STUBBORN

INSIST ON AMERICA STANDING BY SPIRIT OF RESOLUTION PASSED BY CONGRESS

WAR MAY NOT BE OVER

Belief by Some That Hostilities Will Be Resumed in Cuba—Insurgents Prove a Disturbing Element—Spaniards in Cuba Think American Soldiers Weak and Puny and Want Another Chance.

HAVANA, Oct. 17.—Conflicting reports are in circulation here regarding the policy adopted by the insurgent chiefs. For instance, it is asserted that Gen. Calixto Garcia has agreed to cooperate with the Americans and is urging the Cubans to lay down their arms and accept the conditions imposed by the Americans. But the friends of the chief contradict these reports and say the insurgent leaders are all earnest advocates and unflinching champions of the absolute independence of Cuba, and that they will listen to no compromise. Therefore, they add, trouble is to be feared in that quarter. Indeed, some of the prominent Cubans go so far as to say that any deviation from the original resolution of congress regarding Cuba will be met by open protest and armed opposition, which, however suicidal to Cuban aspirations, would mean much further trouble, loss of life, privations and expense for the Americans. The climatic perils are particularly referred to among the insurgents as likely to cause considerable loss of life. Whether from hidden motives or otherwise, the Spaniards encourage the Cubans in these ideas, and it is claimed that the Spanish delay in evacuating Cuba has much to do with this situation. The Spaniards, it is true, would, in the event of hostilities between the Americans and Cubans, join with the latter against the American forces.

There is already abuse in the distribution of rations, and it would be well to stop that work as soon as the Spaniards evacuate the island, for those who know the Cubans best are well aware that they will not go to work as long as they can obtain free rations. As it is, the planters dread to resume work, fearing that the independence of the island would bring a reign of anarchy. There will be no sugar crop, and the cane fields will be in such a bad state next year that no crop can be expected in 1899.

WANT MORE FIGHTING.

It is whispered around the American headquarters that Gen. Parado and Admiral Manterola, of the Spanish commission, recently admitted in private conversation their dissatisfaction with the result of the war and expressed the hope that something would occur before the final evacuation of the island to warrant a renewal of hostilities, as they are credited with saying the Spanish army and navy could not accept the humiliation which they have been subjected to without an emphatic protest and opportunity to rehabilitate themselves, which, the Spaniards further claim, would be best offered by a continuation of the war. This conversation, it is further asserted, was repeated later to Rear Admiral Sampson, who is said to have replied that two months more of the war would have suited him admirably.

The admiral is deeply affected and disturbed by the adverse criticism to which he has been subjected. He appears to brood over it constantly.

The American military commission held a conference at their headquarters in the Trocha hotel today. Rear Admiral Sampson was present. Senor Giranta, secretary of the Spanish commission, presented to the American commissioners an official note setting forth the times when the next detachments of Spanish troops will leave the island.

It is reported here that many of the officers of Gen. Gomez's staff have received leaves of absence, but it is added they have really resigned, owing to serious trouble with their chief. It is further asserted that the only staff officers remaining with Gomez are De Chapel, a colored Dominican, and Marcos Rosario. Among those who have left Gomez, according to report, are Dr. Fermin, Valdez Dominguez, his chief of staff; Maj. Bosa, Surgeon Lucus Alvarez and Aides de Camp Tafel, Estrampez and Molina. They say that Gomez, who is always bad-tempered, has lately become unreasonable, making it impossible to remain by his side.

IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

Cuban Spaniards Claim Surrender Was Not Necessary.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17. — Information has reached the war department that a high officer of the Spanish army very recently made the statement that, had the Spaniards been aware of the condition of the American army, its inability to withstand the hardships of a campaign, its lack of medical and other supplies and general inefficiency, as told in the American papers, the Spaniards would not have given up, but would have continued the fighting for a long time to come, fully believing that they would have been able to prevent the capture of Cuba by American arms. This statement is known to have been made to the American officers now in Cuba and causes some uneasiness in official circles, as it may mean that the Spaniards are not yet ready to yield the island under the terms of the protocol.

It is believed by officials in Washington that, had it not been for the outcry made regarding the army and the conduct of the war, there never would have been any question raised by the Spanish peace commissioners regarding the Cuban debt. It is pointed out under the protocol that the sole question left for the commission was the settlement of the Philippines and that nothing was said about the Cuban debt or any other Cuban question. By those who are in position to know, it is asserted that the Madrid government was aware, when it asked for peace and when negotiations were opened, that it was useless to ask that the Cuban debt be taken into consideration by any commission, and it is only since the report of the bad condition of the United States army has reached Madrid that the question has been raised.

Another matter that causes grave consideration in the war department is the temper of the Spaniards in Cuba and the fear that the impression which now prevails there may lead them to regard the American troops of not much account and act accordingly after the occupancy of the United States. The matter has been discussed in the war department, and it is probable that when the troops are sent to Cuba there will be a force of such size and character as to give the islanders a different impression of the United States soldiers than they now entertain.

"The impression among the Spaniards in Cuba," said an officer in a position to know what is going on, "is that the American soldiers are weak and puny, incapable of withstanding hardship, and it would be an easy matter to vanish them. This feeling may make it difficult for the Americans at first. This impression is due to the charges that have been made against the war department with such virulence and insistence during the past few months."

LEE TO GO TO CUBA.

No Change in Plans for Sending Troops to the Island.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—It is said at the war department that nothing has occurred to change the plans already framed for the movement of troops to Cuba. It was not intended that the occupation of the island should begin immediately, except such towns as Manzanillo and perhaps Holguin, where immune regiments could be used to advantage.

Col. Hecker's investigation has been of great advantage to the department, disclosing as it does the view of a thoroughly practical man. But Col. Hecker's primary object was to locate camp sites for the occupation of the troops, and he is proceeding in exact accordance with his instructions. The conditions that he found, it is said, thoroughly warrant the belief that the war department will be obliged to face the most difficult problems that have yet arisen in connection with the handling of troops in order to insure the protection of health of the soldiers. While the rainy season has almost reached its end in Cuba it is said that yellow fever is more prevalent and dangerous in the island just now than at any time during the year. These conditions, however, will not last long, and it is believed that before November has progressed far it will be possible to have several divisions of the army safely camped on Cuban soil.

A proposition that is now under consideration looks to the employment of Cubans as local gendarmes, it being understood that they will be more serviceable in maintaining order in the towns than American soldiers unaccustomed to the Spanish language and Cuban customs. The United States government would be able by the payment of small salaries to these men to greatly relieve the distress that exists on the island without breeding a class of paupers or lowering the pride of the Cubans. Unless Gen. Lee specifically asks to be relieved from that duty he is to command the first expedition, seconded by Gen. Greene and Gen. Arnold.

SPANISH PRIDE

Rebels at Publication of Pictures Showing Cuban Squalor.

HAVANA, Oct. 17.—One of the most remarkable phases of the situation here at present is the zeal of the Spanish officials to prevent the publication at this late day of pictures showing the squalor in which the poorer classes here exist. Yesterday afternoon an American named King was arrested opposite the Hotel Inglaterra for taking a snapshot of a group of children. The surprise which he felt at his arrest was increased by the explanation afforded him, which was to the effect that such steps were necessary to prevent the publication of pictures which would be regarded in the United States as illustrating the condition of the subjects of Spain. Mr. King, however, explained matters and protested his innocence of any intention to publish the pictures and was allowed his liberty after his name and address had been taken.

The day previous an American clergyman, Rev. Mr. Thomas, was arrested by officers on board a patrol boat in the bay for taking photographs of the wreck of the Maine. He was taken on board the Spanish cruiser Alfonso XII., where he remained two hours. Mr. Thomas was released after being subjected to a severe cross-examination, during which he proved his ignorance of the Spanish orders forbidding the photographing of the wreck.

DOMAIN EXTENDED.

Thousands of Miles Added to the Territory of Uncle Sam.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 17.—One of the results of the survey of the mouth of the Yukon river this summer by Capt. Pratt, of the coast and geodetic survey, is to add an area of 2,500 square miles to Uncle Sam's domain.

Capt. Pratt found that the south mouth of the Yukon empties into Bering sea twenty miles further west than has been supposed. In addition to this, it was found that the whole coast line from Cape Dyer almost to St. Michael's is further west than is shown on the map.

JESSE JR. INDICTED.

Grand Jury Holds Young James for Alleged Train Robbery.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 17.—The grand jury today returned indictments against Jesse James, son of the noted outlaw; William Lowe, the self-confessed train robber; Charles Polk, Andy Ryan and Caleb Slone for holding up and robbing a Missouri Pacific train at Belt Line Junction on the night of Sept. 23. Lowe and Ryan are already in jail.

Warrants for the arrest of the others were immediately issued.

Furniture Trust.

CHICAGO, Oct. 17.—The formation of a furniture trust by the largest manufacturers throughout the country was considered at a meeting in this city today. Negotiations have been pending for some time, and it is understood that a number of important plants have already acquiesced in the scheme. The intention is to form a company with a capital of $25,000,000.

Going to Walker.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Oct. 17.—Maj. Frank Powell (White Beaver), of the Seventh regiment, regular army, arrived here today from the South, en route to the scene of Indian troubles in Minnesota. He was called to assist Gen. Bacon in reaching a settlement with the Pillager group.

Through Cars to California.

Parties contemplating a visit to California should not fail to consider the advantages offered by the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroad running through Tourist Cars to Los Angeles via Denver, Ogden and Sacramento every Thursday. An experienced Tourist Conductor accompanies all parties to look after their comfort and pleasure. For full information regarding rates and berth reservations call at 396 Robert street. E. P. Rutherford, C. T. A.

Award of Bonds.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—The treasury department today made a final award of the new war loan. Subscribers for the sum of $4,500 will receive a percentage of that sum amounting to $1,300. Subscribers for $4,430 or less will be awarded the full amount of their subscriptions.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 17.—Fred W. Meister, president of the German Savings bank, aged 77, is dead at his home here. He had been ill two weeks with a cold.

Mr. Meister was born near Bielefeld, Westphalia, in 1821. He came to this country in 1844, immediately settling in St. Louis. In 1847 he served in the Mexican war and since then has been engaged in business in St. Louis.

A Badly Sprained Arm.

Houston, Texas, Feb. 25, 1898.

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Dear Sirs—August 25th last I had a badly sprained arm. After using six different (what was called) remedies, I never got relief till I used Radway's Ready Relief, which eased the pain at once and cured me in two days. My father, who is 56 years old, says: "Radway's Ready Relief and Radway's Pills are the best of all medicines." We keep them in the house the year around. Respectfully,

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Cures the worst pains in from one to twenty minutes. Not one hour after reading this need any one suffer with pain. Sold by druggists. RADWAY & CO., 55 Elm St., New York.

WEST STORM-SWEPT

TELEGRAPH WIRES ABOUT KANSAS CITY IN A CRIPPLED CONDITION

WILL CAUSE SUFFERING

Peace Jubilee Decorations at Chicago in Bad Shape—Soldiers' Tents Blown Away, Leaving Them No Protection From the Storm—Rain Turned to Snow as Cold Wave Advanced.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 17.—The earliest winter storm in the Southwest in twenty-five years, and the worst early storm on record, has today almost completely shut Kansas City off from wire communication with the West and South. An opening on the East has alone kept the city from being totally isolated.

On the south a slow wire to Fort Scott, Kan., and Springfield, Mo., has been the limit; on the west, Lawrence, Kan., was the farthest point penetrated up to 3 p. m., and on the north, St. Joe, Mo., has been the boundary. Arkansas City, Wichita and Hutchinson, Kansas on the southwest; Denver on the west and Omaha on the north, have been as silent as off the map.

It had been raining for the past twenty-four hours. Shortly after midnight last night, the rain turned to snow and the temperature dropped perceptibly. Steadily, since then, a heavy, wet snow, driven by a strong north wind, at points reaching the velocity of a gale, has fallen.

Hundreds of telegraph and telephone poles out in the open have either been blown down by the strong wind or broken by the weight of the snow-covered wires.

At Fairmount Park, near Kansas City, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where portions of the Third and Fifth Missouri and the Twenty-first and Twenty-second Kansas regiments respectively, are encamped, many tents were blown down and the soldiers made to suffer acutely.

The storm came up with great suddenness and caught many unprepared. Numerous cases of suffering to man and beast will doubtless be reported when communication shall have been resumed.

WORST ON RECORD.

Much Damage Done by the Wind at Lawrence, Kan.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Oct. 17.—From daybreak to 3 o'clock this afternoon communication with the outside world has been impossible, as a result of the present storm. Chancellor Snow, at the Kansas state university, reports it the earliest winter storm in twenty-five years and the worst early storm on record. Trees have been stripped and broken, telephone and telegraph lines demolished and other damage done. A damp heavy snow storm, driven by a strong north wind, has fallen steadily all day.

BLEW DOWN ARCHES.

Storm Plays Havoc With Decorations at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Oct. 17.—The strong wind and rain storm that prevailed today played havoc with the peace jubilee arches and decorations. Six of the arches, the First regiment arch at Van Buren street and Michigan avenue, the Dewey arch at Monroe and State streets, the Evans arch at Clarke and Adams streets, the Miles arch at State and Adams streets and the Maine arch at Jackson boulevard and State and the Hobson arch at Jackson boulevard and Dearborn street were blown down and badly damaged. Three persons were struck by pieces of wreckage and seriously injured. Hundreds of flags and streams of bunting, with which the down-town buildings were decorated, were torn away by the wind. It is hardly probable that the arches will be replaced. Street car traffic was blocked for hours by the debris.

BLIZZARD AT ST. LOUIS.

Telegraph and Telephone Wires in Trouble and Boats Bothered.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 17.—The first blizzard of the season reached St. Louis. A heavy wind blew all day at the velocity of nearly thirty miles an hour, and a drizzling rain fell. The rain began last night, changing to sleet in the early morning hours and then settling down to a continuous cold drizzle. Not much damage has been caused in the city outside of the prostration of telegraph and telephone wires.

The heavy wind made landing very difficult for the steamboats along the river. The Belle of Calhoun was driven against the wharf boat and narrowly escaped an accident. Tonight the rain ceased, but the cold raw wind blew steadily.

SNOW AT LINCOLN.

Farmers and Stockmen Were Unprepared for Winter.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 17.—Snow has fallen steadily throughout Nebraska during the day, and tonight, with an increasing wind blowing and lower temperature, it has all the marks of a January northwester. Farmers and stockmen were unprepared for it, and unhoused cattle will suffer. Trains have been delayed little thus far, as up to nightfall the snow has melted nearly as fast as it fell. Street car traffic in this city is slightly impeded.

SEASON'S FIRST SNOW.

Minnesota and North Dakota Just in the Blizzard Limits.

LUVERNE, Minn., Oct. 17.—(Special.)—The first snow of the season fell today, and an infant blizzard has been raging since noon.

TYNDALL, S. D., Oct. 17.—(Special.)—A fierce snow storm with a heavy northwest wind is raging here today. The weaher is cold.

Wires Down in Iowa.

DES MOINES, Io., Oct. 17.—Rain has been falling in Iowa almost continuously since Tuesday morning. Over two inches of rain having fallen, according to the official observation. The first snow in Des Moines that year fell this morning for a few minutes. A blizzard is reported from Atlantic and snow from various places. The temperature is down to 35, and the wind blowing from the north. Nearly all wires in Western Iowa are down.

Denver Escaped.

DENVER, Oct. 17.—The storm did not extend as far west as Denver. The weather here today is cool and clear. The Denver office of the weather bureau received no reports from points east of the Missouri river owing to the storm of sleet and rain which prevailed throughout Kansas and Nebraska.

Snow at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Kan., Oct. 17.—A cold rain in this section was followed last night by a snow storm which covered the ground to the depth of nearly an inch by daylight. It continued snowing until about 10 o'clock, when a cold rain began falling.

Snow in Missouri.

BOONVILLE, Mo., Oct. 17.—The first snow of the season fell here today, earlier than for many years.

Chillicothe, Mo., Oct. 17.—A light snow, the first of the season, is falling here.

Range Stock Suffering.

YATES CENTER, Kan., Oct. 17.—A heavy snow storm has prevailed here since 12 o'clock last night, preceded by eighteen hours of rain. Stock on the ranges is suffering greatly.

Hurricanes at Sea.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Oct. 17.—All the recent arrivals here report hurricanes on the Atlantic. Several steamers have come in battered, and all report rough experience, though no fatalities.

RECORD BREAKER BUILDING.

New Ocean Liner Expected to Beat Any Vessel Afloat.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—That the huge Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, of the North German Lloyd line represented nearly the limit of size that could enter this port was generally conceded when that immense vessel arrived here on its maiden voyage. But larger ships than the Kaiser and possessed of more powerful engines are being built.

One of them is the White Star leviathan Oceanic, now in course of construction at Belfast, but another vessel of which little is known thus far is the Deutschland, which is being built for the Hamburg-American line at the Stettin Iron works. Emil Boas, general manager of the line in this port, who returned on the Fuerst Bismarck last Friday night from a six weeks' stay abroad, said the new steamer was intended to be a record breaker.

The Deutschland will be 685 feet long, or 87 feet longer than the Kaiser. It will have a beam of 68 feet, two feet more than the North German-Lloyd's pride, and will have a depth of hold of 45 feet, or six feet deeper than the Kaiser.

The Deutschland is to have two sets of quadruple expansion engines of 34,000 horse power, driving twin screws. They will exceed by 4,000 horse power the engines that now propel the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and will be built on the Schlick system.

Every motion of the great system of machinery will be so carefully counterbalanced that there will be practically no vibration. The staterooms of the saloon passengers will have every appointment to be found in the rooms of first-class hotels.

There will also be a grillroom, where saloon passengers may have a meal at short notice at any hour of the day or night. The grillroom is in the nature of an innovation. The establishment of one aboard a passenger liner has never been tried before. Another contemplated feature of the new vessel is a children's playroom. The Deutschland is expected to accommodate 120 saloon, 300 second cabin, and 800 steerage passengers. It will be launched early in 1900 and will start on its maiden trip in April of that year.

WAS IT SUICIDE?

Wife Dead at Omaha and the Husband Held on Suspicion.

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 17.—Dudley M. Steele is detained at the police station, and his wife, Mrs. Hattie Steele, is dying at Clarkson hospital with a bullet in her brain.

The tragedy out of which the situation grows occurred at their residence, 1610 Capital avenue. Mr. Steele says his wife committed suicide. The police are not prepared to charge otherwise, but as Steele and his wife were alone at the time and as their relations were not pleasant have placed him in custody pending investigation.

Mr. and Mrs. Steele are well known and highly respected in Omaha. The dying woman is a sister-in-law of Col. Butler, of the regular army, now stationed at Fort Keogh, Mont. Mr. Steele for many years conducted a large wholesale grocery company in Omaha under the firm name of Steele, Smith & Co. The firm recently went out of business, and Steele has been the Western agent of the Green Bay Candy company, of Green Bay, Wis.

The dying woman is unable to make a statement and will not be able to do so the physicians say. Steele's story is that he called on his sister-in-law an hour before the tragedy to secure some of his personal effects. His wife requested permission to talk with him, they having had some domestic trouble of slight consequence, and the sister withdrew.

Steele says his wife carried something concealed by a handkerchief in her hand, but he did not suspect the nature of it until the woman suddenly uncovered a revolver, and, placing the weapon to her temple, fired.

Mrs. Steele asked her husband something about taking care of their children, he says, then suddenly reached over and kissed him and at the same instant shot herself.

It is stated that Steele called on his wife to arrange final documents for their permanent separation.

WOMAN MISSING.

Believed That Mrs. Helen Stayner Has Committed Suicide.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 17.—Mrs. Helen Stayner, who a few years ago was one of the society belles of this city, has mysteriously disappeared, and it is believed that she has committed suicide. She lived with her two children, aged respectively five and six years, at 832 Holton street. Her husband, Dr. Henry Stayner, who is practicing somewhere in Texas, left here several months ago.

Last Monday evening Mrs. Stayner put the children to bed and then left a letter which is virtually a will.

The police have been unable to find a single clew to her after she left the house. Mrs. Stayner was thirty years of age and a daughter of the late Hazen Mooers, one of the pioneers of this city and at one time a wealthy man. She was tall and slim, with dark hair and eyes, and of attractive carriage.

ANANIAS OUTCLASSED.

A Lie From Iowa That Is Easily Entitled to the First Money.

WEBSTER CITY, Io., Oct. 17.—Seven years ago a farmer living west of this city hung his vest on the fence in the barn yard. A calf chewed up a pocket in the garment in which was contained a gold watch.

Last week the animal, a staid old milch cow, was butchered for beef and the timepiece was found in such a position between the lungs of the cow that the process of respiration, the closing in and filling the lungs, kept the stemwinder wound up and the watch had lost but four minutes in the seven years.

Small-Pox Scare.

ITHACA, N. Y., Oct. 17.—There are twenty cases of smallpox at the neighboring village of McLean, and precautions have been taken to protect the students of Cornell university.

PREPARING FOR WAR

NAVAL PREPARATIONS SAID TO BE UNDER WAY IN FRANCE SUSPICIOUS

THE FASHODA DISPUTE

Irish League Meeting Causes Collision Between the People and Police—Madrid Government Is Openly Criticised—Military Dictatorship Suggested—Strike at Paris Settled.

PARIS, Oct. 17.—Inquiries made today at the offices of the French ministry of marine confirm the report published by the Soleil, in a dispatch from Toulon, that Vice Admiral Fournier, who is now at Tunis with the minister of marine, M. Lockroy, will return immediately to Toulon, where orders have been received to speedily prepare the armored cruisers Admiral Trechouart, Bouvines, Jemmapes and Valmy for active service, and that, in addition, orders have been issued to send the largest possible number of gunners to Brest without delay, to man the forts and batteries there.

The vessels mentioned are to be promptly placed on a war footing and sent to Brest.

Rumor connects the French naval preparations with the Fashoda dispute.

The Paris papers today, in chronicling the movements of the British fleet in the Mediterranean, announce that three British ironclads are engaged in gun practice off Bizerta, the French naval station in the Mediterranean, on the African coast.

RIOT IN IRELAND.

Serious Disturbance in Which Police and People Collide.

DUBLIN, Oct. 17.—There was great excitement all night long last night at Ballinaroe, County Mayo, owing to collisions between the people and the police, growing out of an Irish league meeting announced