News of the Day From the Northwest.

DOUBLE MURDERER IS LYNCHED IN WYOMING

W. C. Clifton Told a Gauzy Story in Explanation of the Killing of John W. Church and His Young Wife—Clifton's Head Cut Off When Lynched.

NEWCASTLE, Wyo., May 27.—W. C. Clifton, murderer of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Church, was lynched by a mob from Gillette last night. The mob battered down the jail door, holding up the sheriff and deputy the while, and hung Clifton to a bridge west of town. Clifton's head was cut off by the fall of forty feet.

Church and his wife, who lived on a homestead claim seventy-five miles southeast of Newcastle, were never seen alive after March 14 last. Clifton, whose ranch adjoined Church's, was arrested April 7 on suspicion, and on April 17 he confessed that he had killed Mr. and Mrs. Church. Clifton claimed he had killed the couple in self-defense. He had given Church a bill of sale covering personal property to secure repayment of $600 advanced to him by Church.

He said he had repaid this sum and obtained the bill of sale, and that Mrs. Church had threatened him with a six-shooter, demanding the return of the papers. He shot her, he admitted, and, being then attacked by her husband, killed him also. This story was discredited, as Mrs. Church was a slender little woman, only twenty-two years old.

Church was formerly a stenographer in the Union Pacific offices in Omaha. His family and Clifton's reside in Council Bluffs. Clifton was thirty-one years of age.

WINONA NORMAL GRADUATES.

Seventy-four Will Receive Sheepskins on June 3.

WINONA, Minn., May 27.—At a meeting of the faculty of the Winona normal school today the list of those who will be graduated on Wednesday, June 3, was passed upon. The list includes seventy-four and brings the total number of those receiving diplomas in the year up to 112. Gov. Van Sant will award the diplomas. The list is:

Advanced Course—Ida Marie Anshus, Minneapolis; Lillian Elizabeth Avery, New Albin, Iowa; Baker, Merton F., Minneapolis; Black, Elva Marion, Ottawa, Kan.; Pearl Edith Braley, Winona; Mira B. Buck, Chester, Iowa; Grace Dell Chase, Winona; Helen Ve Norma Deming, Minneapolis; Mildred Mae Dunbar, La Crosse, Wis.; Eva May Getchell, Minneapolis; Nina Belle Hanscorn, Minneapolis; Ida Jacobson, Winona; Sarah Louise Knappen, Minneapolis; Sara Oliver de Laitre, Minneapolis; Mathilda Larsen, Harmony; Palma Ophelia Charlotte Lee, Winona; Lillian Leubner, Minneapolis; Ella F. Loomis, Minneapolis; Mabel McLennan, Winona; Lucinda Marguerite [illegible] Bethia Jane Munger, Frances Nelson, Bloomington, Wis.; Martha Longfellow Norris, Minneapolis; Bessie Lorne Palmer, Winona; Martha Marie Prinz, Winona; Lora Belle Saxe, Minneapolis; Kathryn Louise Sievers, Winona; Lottie B. Snyder, Winona; Bernice Foi Stoker, Winona; Mabel Mary Van Alstine, Winona; Kathryn Margaret Votruba, Winona; Grove Flisha Wilson, Wilson.

Kindergarten Training Course—Annie Edna Buswell, Winona; Ethel Eugenia Collier, Fergus Falls; Alice E. Davidson, Dover; Maude Elberta Eames, Fergus Falls; Mary Howe, St. Charles; Minnie Louise Lohse, Winona; Nora Robertine MacCallister, Madison, S. D.

Elementary Course—Anna Amrud, Montevideo; Anna Lois Andrist, Mantorville; Mattie Anna Benson, Farmnault; Alice Irene Bornholdt, Minneapolis; Christine Holmes Boysen, Minneapolis; Jessie I. Bubar, Stillwater; Alice Maude Burt, Winona; Roslyn E. Carli, Stillwater; Mae Zee Chambers Austin; E. Louise Clark, Stillwater; Ruth Dalaba, Sparta, Wis.; Genevieve Gertrude Demeree, Winona; Ruth Naomi Gibbs, Waukon, Iowa; Lulu Bell Gray, Marine Mills; Grace Italia Griswold, Dodge Center; Clara Halgrimson, New Richland; Eugenia Hoard, Montevideo; Christie Jaastad, Rushford; Gratia Ann Lyman, Stillwater; Alice May McCoy, Osage; Josephine Midgarden, New Richland; Alda Georgina Nelson, Rochester; Mary P. Nelson, Hastings; Margaret G. Quinn, Grand Meadow; Catherine Mary Ritchie, Cannon Falls; Kathleen Elizabeth Sackett, Lanesboro; Martha Therese Sackett, Lanesboro; Agnes Wilhelmina Swanson, Cannon Falls; Lula Estelle Tidd, Austin; Cella Ada Van Dervoort, Milbank, S. D.; Anna Phoebe Watkins, Austin; Mae J. Wilson, Kasson; Gladys Lorena Young, Fergus Falls; Anna Pauline Zarske, Renville.

FARMER IS MISSING.

Family Offers Reward for News of His Fate.

WINONA, Minn., May 27.—News of a mysterious disappearance—to solve which searching parties from Brownsville have been exploring the banks and waters of the Mississippi river, has reached this city.

The missing man is Thomas Cain, a farmer residing two miles this side of Brownsville. Although he left home for a visit to La Crosse Thursday and has not been seen at his home since, nothing was thought of his absence for a time, as he has relatives in La Crosse, and his family supposed that he was staying with them.

After some time, however, inquiries were made, and it was found that he had been seen about five miles above Brownsville. Mrs. Cain has offered a reward of $100 for the finding of his body or any news as to his whereabouts.

BIDS ALL TOO HIGH.

St. Paul Firms Would Construct Aberdeen Normal School Building.

Special to The Globe.

HURON, S. D., May 27.—President Goodnet and all the members of the state board of regents, together with Secretary Aldrich, met here today. A resolution prevailed, deferring all matters pertaining to the faculties of state educational institutions till June 5, when the board will meet in Spearfish. Bids for the construction of a normal school building at Aberdeen were submitted as follows: Fransen & Co., St. Paul, $36,940; G. O. Keesler, Sioux Falls, $37,500; Birdseye & Edwards, Aberdeen, $40,798; John H. Nickell, St. Paul, $36,779; Miller & Co., Lemars, Iowa, $36,000; Clow & Sterner, Pierre, $39,953. All bids were in excess of the appropriation of $35,000, and all were rejected.

BREMERTON WILL REFORM.

Saloons to Close at the Instance of the Navy Department.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 27.—After six months of temporizing, the people of Bremerton have taken steps to comply fully with all requirements of the government regarding the closing of saloons. In a written communication to the commandant of the Bremerton navy yard, Mayor Croxton has notified that official that the council has passed resolutions which will not only result in the removal of every saloon within the near future, but which will place the council on record as pledged against the issuance of any more saloon licenses.

The citizens of Bremerton threaten tar and feather and forcible expulsion from town of several members of the council who are held responsible for the recent order of the navy department practically closing the Puget Sound navy yard.

WEREN'T DEALING WITH CHICAGO.

Telegrapher Says Van Wormer Marked Certain Orders With a Cross.

LA CROSSE, Wis., May 27.—John Parks, who was telegraph operator for J. L. Van Wormer while he represented Finely, Barrell & Co in this city, testified today as to how the customers were deceived by Van Wormer and given the impression that they were acually doing business with the Chicago board of trade.

Witness alleged that when Van Wormer desired to bucketshop a trade he made a cross on the order and laid it on Mr. Parks' desk along with other orders which were actually being sent to Chicago. When the operator came to the order with a cross he simply did not send it, according to instructions he had previously been given. This continued for several months, but finally Parks refused to accept the bucketshop orders and wrote the firm what Van Wormer was doing. The latters' arrest on the charge of embezzlement followed.

NO END OF BLUEBERRIES.

Conditions Satisfactory at the Wisconsin Fountainhead.

Special to The Globe.

PLAINFIELD, Wis., May 27.—The fruit crop promises the largest in many years, as this spring has been wet and very favorable for orchards. The large blueberry country west of here, near Spring Branch, is the best in four years.

This spring has been very favorable for all crops. Farmers are, however, turning their attention largely to dairying in this locality, with successful results.

PROHIBS GET WATER ENOUGH.

Hawkeyes Are at Sea Regarding Candidate for Governor.

MARSHALLTOWN, Iowa, May 27—The state convention of Prohibitionists met here today. The convention is at sea on governor. Rev. John A. Earl, of Black Hawk county, one of the most prominently mentioned candidates, prohibited the use of his name. Rev S. S. Scull, of Marshall county, and Rev. J. C. Willetts, of Mahaska, are possible candidates.

TWO MEN CRUSHED.

Locomotive and Cars Jump the Track at Anaconda.

ANACONDA, Mont., May 27.—A locomotive and four cars on the Air line at the new works of the Anaconda Copper company, jumped the track today and crushed to death John O'Mara and John Logan.

Waters Subside.

WINONA, Minn., May 27.—The water in the vicinity of Minnesota City, which threatened to wipe that little village off the face of the earth, has passed beyond a dangerous stage, and although there is yet high water in the creek and the Field ditch, there will be no more trouble, unless a storm similar to the one which visited the section Sunday night and Monday morning comes again. The Northwestern road had its tracks repaired yesterday and trains were running about on time during the day. The Great Western has two large crews of men at work on its line west of here placing the tracks back in shape.

Wisconsin's First Teacher Dies.

APPLETON, Wis., May 27.—Edward West, eighty-five years old, the first teacher of a public school in the territory of Wisconsin, at Milwaukee, in 1837, died today. He was promoter of the first organization to use water power on the Fox river. His son, William West, of Chicago, was the first white boy born at Milwaukee.

British Columbia Crisis.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 27.—British Columbia is on the eve of a political crisis, presumably resulting from the investigation into the circumstances surrounding the Columbia and Western land grants. It is generally believed that a dissolution and general election will follow.

Revealed Through Divorce Suit.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 27.—His life nearing a close through disease, John Josie, alias John Phillips, was identified as a convict who escaped from the Kingston (Ont.) penitentiary twenty-eight years ago, after serving nine years for the murder of a woman. The facts came to light through the suit of Phillips' wife for divorce.

Tidal Wave at Racine.

RACINE, Wis., May 27.—A tidal wave at Racine today caused the water to rise three and one-half feet in places, overflowing the docks. Vessels were lifted even with the docks. Little damage was done.

Oakley Will Be Receiver.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—The Cass Lake land office appointments have been settled. Attorney Egbert Oakley, of Wright county, has been recommended for receiver and J. D. Jones for register. Congressman Buckman filed his recomendations today. Oakley's appointment, it is said, was favored by Senator Nelson.

May Go to Another College.

TABOR, Iowa, May 27.—Dr. John Gordon, president of Tabor college, this evening received an offer of the presidency of Howard university at Washington, D. C. The doctor says he probably will accept.

Cans of Lard Filched.

Special to The Globe.

WINONA, Minn., May 27.—The pork packing establishment of Stanke Bros. was entered through a rear window and ten large cans of lard, valued at $100, removed.

Wilhelm Will See Our Navy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—The navy department announced this afternoon that the European squadron would visit Kiel.

Keep the Episcopal Name.

DAVENPORT, Iowa, May 27.—The fifty-first annual convention of the Episcopal diocese of Iowa voted against a change in the name of the church.

Packers and Men at Peace.

CHICAGO, May 27.—All chance of trouble between the big packers and their employes was destroyed tonight, when an agreement was reached satisfactory to both sides. Mutual concessions were made and no more difficulty is expected.

Must Have Been a Nobleman.

The following notice was posted the other day on the bulletin board of a famous London club:

"Will the nobleman who purloined Captain ——'s umbrella kindly deliver it to the hall porter?"

A well-known peer, taking umbrage at this slight on his order, accosted Capt. —— and demanded an explanation.

"Well, you see," was the reply, "the rules state that this is a club for noblemen and gentlemen. I am certain that no gentleman took my umbrella; hence there was no other conclusion to come to."—Baltimore Herald.

POLICE YIELD TO WRATH OF A MOB

Accept Bond for Prisoners and Let Them Go, Saving the Jail.

BLUEFIELDS, W. Va., May 27.—A mob numbering fully 200 appeared at the jail here today and with pick axes and crow bars attempted to liberate two prisoners by battering down the structure. The police, seeing that nothing could stop the wrath of the mob but the release of the prisoners, accepted bonds for the culprits and the latter departed from the jail and the mob dispersed.

The prisoners who caused the trouble were two brothers named Johnson. One of them last night became boisterous. When Chief of Police Calloway attempted to arrest him the brother of Johnson struck Calloway on the head with a club, inflicting serious injuries. Other police arrived and the brothers, after a hard fight, were subdued and jailed.

MAY USE STUDENTS AS STRIKE BREAKERS

Freight Handlers' President May Call Out 10,000 Men in an Hour.

CHICAGO, May 27.—President Lawrence J. Curran, of the Freight Handlers' union, today charged that the railroad companies are trying to precipitate individual strikes in their respective freight houses with a view of disorganizing the union. He declares emphatically that if they succeed at any one point he will call a general strike of his 10,000 men within an hour.

Officials of the railroad companies deny that there is any such plan on their part, and say that if there must be trouble at all they would much prefer that the strike be general, and not confined to a freight house here and there.

Considerable color, however, is lent to the charge of President Curran by the fact that President Harper, of the University of Chicago, was appealed to by a representative of one of the roads to furnish students to be used as strike breakers.

BRITISH COLUMBIAN OFFICIALS ARE BOUNCED

Land Commissioner and Attorney General Are In Private Life.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 27.—The strained political situation growing out of the Columbian and Western land grant scandals reached a crisis today in the dismissal from office of W. C. Wells, chief commissioner of lands and works, and Attorney General D. M. Ebert. The dismissals were announced by Premier Prior at today's sitting of the house. The announcement was also made that W. W. McInnes, provincial secretary, had resigned.

Today's session of the legislature was exceedingly stormy and resulted in the defeat of the government on a motion to adjourn. The motion, however, was ultimately adopted when it was shown that an adjournment was necessary to pass supply bills. The election will take place in September or October.

TROOPS WANTED TO PROTECT A NEGRO

Mob Surrounds a Kansas Jail Hungry for Woman's Assailant.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 27.—A telegram for Gov. Bailey was received tonight from the sheriff at Yates Center, Kan., requesting him to order out a company of the state militia to protect J. M. Woods, a negro in jail there, charged with assaulting Mrs. J. G. Lind, the wife of a farmer at Yates Center. An angry mob surrounds the jail with the avowed intention of lynching the negro.

To Determine the Age of Trees.

Unless the date of planting is known a tree can keep the secret of its age as long as it lives. Only when it is cut down and the rings that then show on this cut surface are counted can its exact age be told. Especially when a tree is sawed down, leaving the stump a smooth, flat surface, it is easy to count its years. Trees such as the oak, chestnut, pine, etc., add a thin layer just under the rough outer bark each year. These layers harden into tough woody fiber, and one after another make the tree bigger and bigger around. When the tree is cut down these layers show just as the layers in an onion cut in half. As each layer counts for a year, the age of trees that have grown straight and tall is very easy to determine, while in gnarled, windtwisted trees the rings run into each other, and can scarcely be distinguished, and thus some of the famous old sentinels of the mountain top hide the secret of their age forever. As the trunks of the trees grow larger layer by layer, the rough outside bark which lasts from year to year, cracks wider and wider in its efforts to fit the big round body it was not made for, and great fissures and furrows appear, such as are to be seen in the oak. Some trees, like the birch, change their bark from year to year. The birch bark that peels off is almost as thin as paper and split in a thousand places with the swelling of the live new wood just beneath it.—New York Tribune.

Biggest Pumping Scheme.

Last January there was opened at Kalgurli, West Australia, what is claimed to be the longest and biggest pumping scheme in the world. The plant, which is now in full working order, will pump 500,000,000 gallons of water daily 387 miles from the Helena reservation, near the sea, to the big terminal reservoir at Bulla Bulling, in the heart of the gold fields. To do this there are over 380 miles of 2½-foot pipes, with twenty pumping stations along the route, at which sixty-five big pumping engines are employed.—Buffalo News.

Liquid Air to Make Cool Drinks.

Liquid air is delivered in Berlin two liters (0.528 gallon) at a time for about 35 cents. In a recent issue of Energia, of that city, it is stated that the receptacles are made of glass with double walls, the space between the walls being filled with an insulating material, the walls being silvered to prevent radiation of heat and the whole enveloped in an insulating material. They retain the temperature for fourteen days. Several drops in a glass of water produce freezing, and it is intended for such uses as refreshing drinks and improving the condition of the air in sick rooms.

MINNEAPOLIS

JEALOUS GIRL USES HORSEWHIP

Y. M. C. A. Member Receives Chastisement in Sensational Manner.

A sensational horse whipping affair, which was hushed up by the Minneapolis papers, was the talk of the town a few days ago. The principals were Arthur J. Davis, who has a local habitation and somewhat of a name in the Minneapolis Y. M. C. A. building, and Miss Minnie Estelle Reynolds, a pretty waitress at the Russell Coffee House, who occupied a somewhat higher station in life and was "happy till she met him," as the popular song goes.

Needless to say, Miss Reynolds was the bold, dashing whipper. Davis was the whippee.

Miss Reynolds had sworn, so she avers, that if she ever caught Davis with another woman in view of the wrong he had done her, she would give him a taste of the lash, and she bought a large, writhing black snake for that express purpose.

With the fury of a woman scorned, she kept close watch on Davis' movements "after nine." When she called up the Y. M. C. A. building a few evenings ago and was informed that he had gone driving, she knew what to suspect and she prepared for it. At 11 o'clock when the street was thronged with home-bound playgoers, Davis drew rein at the entrance to the fashionable Hotel Landour, 820½ Nicollet avenue, and there was a woman with him.

At precisely that moment Miss Reynolds, who had been crouching in the shadow of the vestibule, sprang toward Davis, who was about to hand the lady from the carriage, and began to lay on with the stinging lash with surprising dexterity for one so frail.

"I told you I'd horsewhip you if I ever caught you trifling with another woman," she exclaimed, "and I've kept my promise!"

Then she had at him again with savage fury. The other woman, a well known resident at the Landour, had in the meantime picked up her skirts and made a hasty entrance to the hotel. As Davis tried to make a getaway, Miss Reynolds poked him stiffly in the right eye with her fist and the member is still in mourning.

The crowd of 200 onlookers made no attempt at interference and when Miss Reynolds coolly entered the carriage and drove down the street alone, there were none to say her nay.

Davis finally summoned Sergeant Tom Russell and Patrolman Michael Cronin, who induced Miss Reynolds to dismount in front of her boarding house, 46 Seventh street S. No attempt was made to arrest her.

Miss Reynolds, who has only recently left the hospital and who is yet to undergo an operation, tells a tale that tugs at the heart strings and which is decidedly discreditable to Davis.

She says that he ruined her and left her to shift for herself. As a result of the intimacy which existed between them, which Davis admits, she says that her father, formerly a wealthy lumberman in a Minnesota town cast her off and that her infatuation for Davis separated her from the young man to whom she was betrothed.

"Davis has wrecked my health, my happiness and my life," said Miss Reynolds, "and he must make all possible reparation. I shall see that he keeps away from other women."

TELLS OF CONGO HORRORS.

Returned Missionary Says Revolting Conditions Cannot Be Described.

Rev. William M. Morrison, an American missionary from the upper Congo, who has spent the last six years in the Congo Free State at the town of Luebo, 1,200 miles in the interior, arrived in Minneapolis yesterday on a tour of the West, and is staying at the West hotel. Rev. Mr. Morrison is accompanied by a Congo negro named Kachunga, twenty-one years old, who was captured and enslaved when he was ten years old. Kachungo is assisting Mr. Morrison to write a native grammar and dictionary.

Rev. Mr. Morrison has been in London since April last. He spent his time there in an effort to interest the Aboriginees Protective society in what he terms the deplorable condition of the Congo country, and he announces that the outrages in that country are to be made the subject of an inquiry in the British parliament.

"Slavery exists in the Congo region in its worst form," said Mr. Morrison to a representative of The Globe last night. "Commercialism is the sole god of the men who have exploited the country for their own profit and they have nothing whatever to do with humanitarianism. Concessions of land grants can no longer be obtained from the state by other than favored industrial corporations. The state is dividing up the country among these great concessionaires with exclusive rights of trade by the companies to which concessions are given. There is now very little free land not given out to such companies to exploit. Legitimate trade, except in the small area from Banana to Stanley Pool, is practically shut out.

"Not only are concessions refused to traders, but they are also refused to missionaries. Natives are obliged to work for the government without pay. Some who are obliged to work in the rubber district, which King Leopold of Belgium controls, have had their hands cut off if they refused. Women are sold into slavery, and the price of a woman is ten pieces of ducking eight yards long, worth about $5 American money.

"The conditions in the Congo are absolutely frightful, and it is time that the governments of the leading powers took a hand in bringing order where at present reigns the chaos of unbridled commercial license and total disregard of the rights of the natives. I feel confident that with the material I have placed in the hands of the British government there will be an arousing of public opinion everywhere. People in this country cannot imagine the condition of affairs or they would rise in their might as they did once before on behalf of the unfortunate negro race."

RICHTER DEFIES DECREE.

Declares He Will Continue Marrying in Spite of Dismissal From Church.

"For myself, I don't care, but for the sake of the Presbyterian church I wish the decision had been otherwise."

Rev. Lewis Richter thus expressed himself last night in regard to the action of the general Presbyterian assembly in denying his appeal in the now famous case. Because of his views on the liquor traffic, Mr. Richter was ex-communicated from the church. Mr. Richter appealed to the general assembly, which yesterday took final action in the matter.

"The decision makes no difference with me," said Mr. Richter. "I shall continue to carry on my functions as a minister. I have no church, and am a little too old for that, but if a couple comes to me to be married, I shall perform the ceremony. They can then take the matter to the courts.

"The whole matter I consider as outrageous. I have done nothing that I would conceal. I have simply contended that the liquor business was an honorable one when propery conducted. That can be said about any business, and I am free to say that there are men in other lines of business who are no more upright than the law-abiding liquor dealer.

"I have not sinned against the Presbyterian constitution, nor the gospel of Jesus Christ. The whole matter was bred in prejudice and ignorance.

"The trouble lies mainly in petticoat government. These men who have been persecuting me here are largely related to the church by marriage, a sort of brother-in-law to the church. They do not follow the gospel of Jesus Christ and Paul. I believe what I find in the Bible, and there is nothing in what I have said that is contrary to its teachings.

ARE VICTIMS OF BIBLE CRANK.

Painters Have Job Lot of Signs of Small Commercial Value.

Fortier & Gretten, Minneapolis sign writers, are on the horns of a curious dilemma. They have painted 500 signs displaying Biblical quotations. One hundred of the signs proclaim death as the wages of sin, another hundred set forth the blessedness of giving to the poor, and still another hundred announce existence of many mansions in heaven.

The signs are of the sort usually tacked on fences in the country districts to advertise the merits of competing stores. For over a week they have been littering the shop on Hennepin avenue, and now the firm is offering to sell them in a job lot to the Salvation Army, the Volunteers or any other religious organization that wants them.

These 500 signs were to form the first installment of a large order for 10,000 given to the firm a week ago by a stranger of clerical aspect, who introduced himself as Rev. Samuel Nixon. Nixon is a Scot, and Gretten, who has a burr under his own tongue, did not consider it necessary to take precautions for the payment of his bill when the signs were painted.

Rev. Mr. Nixon said he came from Winnipeg last; that he intended spending a large sum of money in the conduct of a religious propaganda after certain plans of his own conception, and that he had employed men to distribute the signs after they were ready. He was especially solicitous that the first 500 should be ready for delivery on the shortest possible notice. Rev. Mr. Nixon said he was staying with friends in the north end of town temporarily, but that he anticipated establishing a reading room and meeting hall on Nicollet avenue within a few weeks.

When the signs were ready for delivery, Rev. Mr. Nixon failed to show up. Efforts were made to locate him and advertisements were inserted in the local papers asking him to call and get his signs, but there was no response. The victimized firm is now forced to the conclusion that Nixon is the victim of a religious mania and is irresponsible. It was discovered yesterday that he had called at several houses in the outskirts of the city during last week, delivering himself of fervid harangues to the astonished housewives, who, in one or two instances, complained to the police.

MILLERS REJECT DEMANDS.

Strike of the Flour Loaders Is Therefore Threatened.

The Minneapolis millers held a conference yesterday morning to discuss the demands of the flour loaders for a decrease in working hours. They decided to stand firmly on the position taken last week, and while they are anxious to avoid trouble with the men, they say they will not concede to the demands of the union.

The men are said to be ready to strike if their demands are not granted but would prefer to have the initiative come from the employers. It is expected that the next move will be made by the men, and will probably be a demand for a more formal answer to the demands and a more definite statement from the millers as to their position.

CUBAN SOCIAL CUSTOMS.

The Restrictions Much Greater Than in This Country.

Until Americans came there was no calling in the daytime. That was all done in the evening. I have heard several Cuban ladies say that they had never made a call in the afternoon previous to our arrival. Some of them are now adopting our way of making the first call on the newcomer. But many still wait until the stranger calls on them. The most Americanized are following our custom in this as in other things.

Of course, a young woman never receives a man visitor alone, as the idea of chaperonage is as strict as ever. It does not seem to occur to most families that young people would enjoy talking to each other without including all of the members of the family in the conversation. Young people become better acquainted at dances than any place else. A girl does not even receive her fiance alone. The whole world knows that the couple are engaged, for the windows are thrown open so that all passers-by may see the lovers sitting side by side, with the dozing chaperon near by. A girl does not go any place with a man without an accompanying chaperon; in fact, she usually goes with some of her people, and he joins them on arriving there. It is the same after she becomes engaged, only then she does not go to any entertainments unless her fiance is also going. As for the friendships which exist between young men and women in our country, they are unknown, and the thought of them is not looked on with approval.

Marriage does not bring much more freedom to a woman than she had before. A young married woman does not go on the street alone. She does not dance with any man other than her husband or a near relative, nor does her husband dance with any ladies. Should she chance to meet a man acquaintance on the street he would not turn and walk with her. It would embarrass her if he did. Nor would a Cuban woman go on the street with a man other than her husband or a relative, even were he a guest in her home.

Not long since two ladies, whose husbands are Cubans, chanced to be calling at the same house that an American gentleman was paying his respects. As they all left at the same time the gentleman offered to drive them home in his carriage, his way leading him in that direction. The offer was accepted. Unfortunately the carriage was overturned and the occupants had to finish their journey on the electric car. Even since then the husbands have been very uneasy lest the accident should be mentioned in the papers. Should this be done, many criticisms would be made in native circles.—Boston Transcript.

The Navy Ration.

The enlisted force of the navy during the coming year is expected to consume 220,000 pounds of frankfurter sausages and 144,600 pounds of sauerkraut. This is a part of the new navy ration, for the component parts of which contracts are shortly to be awarded covering one year's supplies, deliverable at the various navy yards and stations. The schedules for these provisions have been prepared in the bureau of supplies and accounts, and it has been one of the interesting estimates of that bureau to figure out the amount of subsistence of this class which will probably be consumed on shipboard. The aggregate supplies, in addition to the 220,000 pounds of frankfurters and the 144,600 pounds of sauerkraut are as follows: One million one hundred and fifty thousand pounds of fresh beef, 287,000 pounds of fresh pork chops, 172,000 pounds of fresh veal, 285,000 pounds of fresh mutton, 220,000 pounds of pork sausages, 88,000 pounds of bologna sausages, 723,000 pounds of smoked beef tongues, 141,000 pounds of sugar-cured hams, 141,000 pounds of sugar-cured shoulders, 141,000 pounds of fresh beef liver, 285,000 pounds of dressed chickens and 71,800 pounds of dressed turkeys.—Army and Navy Register.

The Kind of a Dollar.

"He's as bright as a dollar, they say."

"Of course."

"You admit it?"

"Certainly. Why not?"

"I thought you didn't like him?"

"I don't."

"Yet you admit he's as bright as a dollar."

"I do, but I mean, of course, one of those worn and torn paper dollars."—Chicago Post.

A Glimmer of Hope.

"Senator Boodle says he's willing to leave his hopes of fame to posterity."

"Naturally. He feels there's a slight chance that posterity won't find him out."