THE WORLD OVER.

LATEST NEWS FROM EVERY LAND.

MAY YET TAKE AGGY

TROOPS BELIEVED TO BE ON THE RIGHT TRACK.

Are Marching in Pursuit of the Filipinos in a Very Difficult Country Where There Are No Telegraph Lines.

Manila: Maj. Marsh, with a battalion of the Thirteenth Infantry, and Col. Hare, with another party of the Thirty-third, while scouring the country northeast of Bengur, report they struck the trail of a party of Filipinos traveling in the mountains, believed to be supporting Aguinaldo. They were marching in pursuit across an extremely difficult country, beyond the telegraph lines.

Sergeant Berry and four privates of Company B, Twenty-seventh Regiment, rescued the daughter of the president of San Mateo from Ladrones, who abducted her. Afterwards twelve Ladrones ambushed them, killing the sergeant. Three privates stood off the band, while the other one secured reinforcements. Seven Ladrones were killed.

COURT-MARTIAL FOR M'GOWAN

binding Reports that Captain Did Not Use Proper Discretion.

/ashington: The report of the court of inquiry in the case of Captain McGowan, United States navy, who, it is alleged, shot a Filipino who was attempting to board the Monadnok in Manila Bay, has reached the navy department.

Later Secretary Long made the follow-

ing announcement: * "The court finds that proper discretion Capt. McGowan was at fault in not reporting it to the commander-in-chief. They find that Capt. McGowan made provision for the support of the widowand children of the deceased Filipino. They recombe ordered."

CARS JUMP THE TRACK.

Three Men Killed and a Number Hurt at Akron, Ohio.

Akron, Ohio: Three were killed and a number of others seriously injured as the result of an accident to a work train on the Akron and Cuyahoga Falls rapid transit (electric) suburban line. The brakes on two cars loaded with gravel and carrying about a dozen workmen became disabled at the top of the grade. Nine workmen jumped from the cars as they rushed down the incline and were seriously injured. Three stuck to the cars the hill. All three were killed.

CELESTIALS APPEAL TO COURT

Seek an Injunction Against the San Francisco Health Board.

San Francisco: Judge Morrow has issued an order directing the board of health of this city to show cause why an injunction should not be granted restraining that body from interfering with the freedom and liberties of the Chinese of this city and those desiring to leave it. An embergo was placed upon the Chinese and Japanese residents of the city on the ground that the plague was prevalent and it is expected that the proceedings will show conclusively whether there is any plague in this city.

EXPLOSIVE ON THE TRACK.

Attempt Made to Blow Up a St. Louis Street Car.

St. Louis: At 6 a. m. May 25 an attempt was made by some one unknown to blow up a car on the Spaulding Avenue line of the St. Louis Transit Company. The wheels of the first car out struck something that exploded with a loud noise and lifted the car two or three inches into the air. While the explosion startled residents for blocks around the vicinity, no damage was done and nobody injured.

BURGLARS MAKE GOOD HAUL

Blow Open Vault of a Minnesota

Bank and Get \$4,500. Windom, Minn .: The vault of the bank of Dover, an adjacent town, was blown open by burglars May 25 and \$4,500 taken T in silver. The robbery was discovered in the morning. The burglars made good their escape.

Chair Manufacturers Organize. Cincinnati: The Central Chair Manufacturers' Association has been organized here by twenty-five men who represented 90 per cent. of the chair manufacturers in the territory including Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, western Pennsylvania, West Vir-

ginia and all the southern states. Sheriff Outwits the Mob.

Athens, Ohio: Sheriff Porter outwitted a mob which attacked the jail and spirited the negro, Gardiner, the alleged rapist, away in a carriage. No ene knew in which way to pursue. The mob was composed largery of men working in the mines.

Jeffries and Sharkey Matched. New York: Jim Jeffries and Tom Sharkey have been matched to fight on Aug. 25 before the club offering the best purse. The rules will be the same as in

the Jeffries-Corbett contest. Fund for Famine Sufferers.

Chicago: A mass meeting in the interests of famine relief for India was neld at Association Hall and Bishop James M. Thoburn delivered an address. The Chicago committee is trying to raise \$50,000 and several large gifts have been received.

Potters on a Strike.

Akron, Ohio: All the potters in this city, including 500 or more men, went out on a strike on the 23d inst. for higher wages, and practically all of the potteries here are shut down.

WILL USE TROOPS.

Missouri Governor Determined to

End Rioting in St. Louis. St. Louis, Mo.: Gov. Stephens on May 24 talked freely of the strike situation just | ten white men and twelve negroes, lost before a conference held by him with the their lives in an explosion in the Cummock. board of police commissioners. The gov- coal mines, Chatham County, May 23.

ernor said: street car lines, and the whole spirit of an- Between forty and fifty men were in the archy which prevails so largely in the city | mine at the time. Five were brought out at present, is being fomented and extended | alive from the east heading, while none of by the machinations of a certain coterie of | the men in the other parts of the mine Democratic politicians, who hope by their were injured. About fifty people from course in some manner to make gains in | Sanford, six miles from the mine, went out the approaching party primaries. This immediately when the news of the disaster element is sending speakers to meetings | was received to assist in the work of resheld to express sympathy for the strikers | cue. Within an hour after the explosion all over the city and if not counseling dis- the work of rescue began and all the

power vested in that office for the purpose, badly burned. The scenes around the I can put an end to the disgraceful, abom- mouth of the shaft are heart rending ninable condition that prevails in St. This is the second explosion this mine ha Louis. I shall employ every iota of pow- had within four years. er. The first step will be to call on the sheriff for assistance, and second to call on the military of the state. I shall not hesitate to do either duty if, after further conference with duly delegated authorities, I shall come to the conclusion that other and lesser means cannot restore order.

"Cars are not running at night; they should be. Cars are not running on a number of lines and are not running in full complement on any of them. This cannot be allowed to continue. The shooting down of innocent citizens, stoning of cars, cutting of wires, loading of lines with effigies, riot and disorder of every unlawful kind, must cease."

Since the strike began three persons have been shot and killed, sixteen wounded by bullets, and thirty-one otherwise injured.

GREAT DAY IN ROME.

Sixty Thousand People Witness the Canonization Ceremonies.

Rome: There was a great spetacle in St. Peter's May 24 on the occasion of the canonization of Jean Baptiste de Lasalle, was not exercised in the shooting and that | founder of the order of Christian Brothers, and Riti di Casci, a nun of the Augustinia order. The interior of the vast basilica was illuminated and adorned with magnificent hangings, and the building was filled with a great concourse of people, includmend a court-martial which will probably | ing all the pontifical dignitaries, diplomats | fairs, a new note, couched in more precise and Roman nobility. Of the 60,000 spectators about 30,000 were foreign pilgrims.

Pope, Leo, attired in his state robes, was borne at the head of an imposing procession, composed of the entire papal court, 300 patriarchs, archbishops, bishops and four cardinals. When the cortege reached the choir the pope alighted from the sedia gestatoria and took his seat on the pontifical throne. The solemn ceremony of the canonization was then proceeded with.

THE SHORTAGE GROWS.

Neely's Peculations Now Placed at Close to Half a Million.

New York: Papers are en route from until they left the track at the bottom of Washington to New York which will result in the preferring of other charges against Charles F. W. Neely, now confined in the Ludlow Street jail. It is ascertained that these papers were sent from Cuba to the department at Washington of a sum approximating \$400,000.

> This alleged embezzlement consists in the conversion into cash of the \$400,000 worth of "surcharged" Cuban postage stamps which were ordered destroyed and which were certified as having been destroyed by the committee appointed for 24 resulting in the death of a man and a that purpose, of which Neely was the head. This information comes from Edward K. Jones, special assistant to the United States attorney general in the Neely case.

STORM ON OREGON COAST.

Four Fishermen Known to Be Lost in the Gale.

Astoria, Ore.: The storm on May 24 was the worst one that ever prevailed on this part of the coast at this time of the year in the history of the weather bureau. The wind reached the velocity of sixty miles an hour. Fishermen were everywhere on the river with their nets out. As the gale in- | fleeing prisoners. creased in intensity fishermen sought shelter, but four were drowned. The boats started to run for the nearest port, leaving their nets behind. But even this did not save them. So far as known four were

Thousand Men Made Idle.

Joliet, Ill.: Nearly a thousand men were thrown out of work May 24, the converter and billet mills of the Illinois Steel Company closing indefinitely. Only the blast furnaces and merchant mills are running. It is stated the closing of the tin plate mills of the Great Western Company, on account of a strike, is responsible for it.

Delegates Are For Bryan. New York: The Journal and Advertiser

says that of the 450 delegates to the state convention 162 are pledged to insist on Bryan delegates to the national convention and 126, nearly all from New York City, are unpledged. The remaining delegates have not yet been chosen.

Miners Want Orientals Barred. Denver, Colo .: The convention of the Western Federation of Miners adopted

strong resolutions on the subject of Japanese immigration, demanding the strict cenforcement of the Chinese exclusion act and its extension to include all other Mongolian and Malayan peoples.

Ohio Boiler Works Burned. Alliance, Ohio: Fire on the 23d destroyed

Reeves Bros.'s boiler works. The total loss will reach \$144,000, with \$49,500 insur-Fast Mail Train Ditched.

Cleveland: The engine attached to the

westbound fast mail train on the Lake

N. Y., May 24 and Engineer Regan and his fireman, William Leighbody, were

Advance in Sugar. New York: All grades of refined sngar have been advanced 10 points by the American Sugar Refining Company. The independent refiners later followed the ad-

OVER A SCORE PERISH.

Fatal Explosion in a North Carolina Coal Mine.

Raleigh, N. C .: Twenty-two miners, The explosion is supposed to have been "I am satisfied the trouble along the caused by broken gauze in a safety lamp. order, at least is materially encouraging it. | bodies except one have been brought to "If, as governor of Missouri, with all the top. A great many of the bodies were

HANGED BY A MOB.

Murderer Strung Up to a Telegraph

Pole in Pueblo's Main Street. Pueblo, Colo.: Calvin Kimblern, the negro who shot and killed two young white girls and seriously wounded his wife Sunday morning, was tynched Wednesday by an angry mob of 1,500. Kimblern was captured at Denver and brought here surrounded the train at the Eighth Street depot, overpowered the officers, took the negro from the train, put a rope around his neck and dragged him to the corner of Eighth Street and Santa Fe Avenue, a distance of about three blocks. The rope was quickly put across a telegraph pole diagonally opposite the Grand Hotel, and the negro strung up. The rope broke twice, but the third attempt was successful and the crowd dispersed in an orderly manner.

TURK MUST SETTLE. United States Issues Another Ulti-

matum to the Sultan.

Constantinople: The United States legaa reply to the note of April 24, regarding the American indemnity claims, Lloyd G. Griscom, United States charge d'affaires, has handed Tewfik Pasha, minister of afterms and insisting upon a prompt settlement. The note produced a great impression, as the porte thought the matter postponed, if not abandoned.

STARTLES THE HOUSE.

Blind Chaplain Refers to Cuban Frauds in His Prayer.

Washington: The blind chaplain in his invocation May 23 startled the house by referring to the Cuban frauds, which he said brought a blush of shame to the cheek of every true American, and prayed that the oulprit be brought to speedy justice.

Clark's Case Postponed. Washington: An agreement was reached

Wednesday between the friends of Senator Clark of Montana and the senate committee on privileges and elections to postpone any action upon the senator's credentials and charge Neely with the embezzlement until Wednesday, May 30. In the meantime the credentials of Maginnis will be presented and the papers in both cases will be considered together.

Jockey and Horse Killed. New York: Another bad accident occurred at the Morris Park race track May horse. Otto Maiden was schooling Kingbon over the jumps when he bolted, crashed through the fence at the head of the stretch and fell heavily. The man was so badly hurt that he died shortly after-

ward and the horse had to be shot ... Escaping Soldiers Are Shot.

Fort Riley, Kan .: Two military prisoners, John Arnold and George A. Fryman, were shot at by a sentry while attempting to escape. The prisoners made a daring rush upon the sentry and disarmed him, and ran for the hills. A sergeant of artillery heard the disturbance and shot the

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Sioux City-Cattle, common to prime, \$2.50@5.00; hogs, \$5.00@5.20; sheep, \$2.25@7.00; wheat, 542; corn, 20@31c; oats, 20@22e; butter, dairy 13@15, creamery, Chicago-Cattle, common to prime,

\$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 65c to 66c; corn, No. 2, 36c to 37c; oats, No. 2, 21c to 23c; rye, No. 2, 54c to 56c; butter, choice creamery, 19c to 20c; eggs, fresh, 10c to 12c; new potatoes, \$2.50 to \$3.25

Indianapolis-Cattle, shipping, \$3,00 to \$5.75; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.00: wheat, No. 2, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2 white, 39c to 41c; oats, No. 2 white, 26c to 28c.

St. Louis-Cattle, \$3.25 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.50; wheat, No. 2, 70e to 72e; corn, No. 2 yellow, 36c to 38c; oats, No. 2, 23c to

25e; rye, No. 2, 55e to 57c.

Cincinnati-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 72c to 74c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 41c to 42c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 25c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 60c to 62c.

Detroit-Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.75; hogs. \$3.00 to \$5.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, 72c to 74c; corn, No. : yellow, 39c to 41c; oats, No. 2 white, 27c to 29c; rye, 60c to 62c.

Toledo-Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 74c to 76c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 30c to 41c; pats, No. 2 mixed, 23c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 56c to 58c; clover seed, new, \$4.95 to \$5.05. Milwankee-Wheat, No. 2 northern, 60e to 67e; corn, No. 3, 39e to 41e; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 56c to 58c; barley, No. 2, 41c to 43c; pork, Shore road went into the ditch at Westfield, | mess. \$11.75 to \$12.25.

Buffalo-Cattle, choice shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, fair to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.25; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.50; lambs, common to extra, \$4.50 to/ \$7.00.

New York-Cattle, \$3.25 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.75; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 80c to 81c; corn, No. 2 41c to 43c; oats, No. 2 white, 28c to 30c; butter, creamery, 16c to 21c; eggs, western, 13c to 15c.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

Ranchman Found on the Range with Body Riddled with Bullets -Coroner's Jury Decides It a Case of Foul Play.

murdered and his body left lying on the coroner's jury wished to suppress. This prairie ten miles from Harrison, Sioux view of the situation is entirely incorrect. County, where it was found by some Mrs. Frost's release from the jail has absopassersby. He was an extensive cattle- lutely no significance touching her guilt or man and had gone out to look after his innocence. It does not mean that the case stock. The inquest developed that he had | will be dropped, as she is under surveilbeen shot four times, and after falling from lance. It doesn't purport a change of mind his horse, face downward, another bullet on the part of the jury or any of its memhad been sent through his head, the missile | bers. On this point Geo. W. Post, forebeing found on the sand beside him. There | man, says: is no clew to his slayers.

LANG REPLIES TO POYNTER

Dissolve the Doctor's Injunction.

reply to the motion to dissolve the injunc- to the jury's opinion." tion contains a general denial of all the charges made. The reply also states that SCHOOL FUND APPORTIONED the governor declared these his findings as late as April 2, and that he was keeping State Treasurer Meserve Divides Up by officers. Upon the arrival of the Rio | nothing back and that this statement was Grande tran a mob of determined citizens | made in the presence of a number of reputable witnesses. Also that plaintiff, Lang, had no knowledge until May 17 that Gov. Poynter had made an order for the plaintiff to vacate his office, and he only obtained the information when a copy was filed with defendant's answer. The answer further states that he believes the order and additional findings were made subsequent and for the exigencies of the occasion, and all are unjust and wrongful additions to the findings and were made and conjured up for the purpose of supporting, aiding and bolstering the defense of Poynter in the action.

Plaintiff admits that he on March 27 signed a purported resignation in the presence of Poynter, but that the resignation was signed at Poynter's request, with the agreement that it should never be pubtion having vainly waited four weeks for lished, never acted on, and was to have no ex-steward, that he would obtain Lang's tionment. resignation and says that his resignation was given to satisfy Milliken. He also asserts that all that part of Poynter's pubwas no mention of any one resigning.

Orders Freight Rates Down.

Taking advantage of the federal court of the injunction asked by the Burlington | now save him from the penalty set for the company, the state board of transportation took steps May 22 to put into effect its order for a reduction of freight rates 10 per previous to the time it failed. cent. on cattle, 5 per cent. on hogs and 30 per cent. on foodstuffs. When the order was made last winter the Burlington, claiming non-jurisdiction, appealed to the United States district court. The decision was adverse to the company and it took the case to the court of appeals.

Exceptions Certified.

Chief Justice Norval of the supreme court has notified the clerk of court to make a record of exceptions on behalf of the Standard Oil Company to the ruling of the court giving itself jurisdiction to try the case sustaining the constitutionality of the Nebraska anti-trust law. The exceptions taken by the Standard Oil Company is formal notice that it will take to the United States supreme court the suit brought by the attorney general of Nebraska to disbar it from the state on the ground that it is a trust.

Transfer of Gas Company. The transfer of the controlling interest in the Lincoln Gas Company by D. E. Thompson of Lincoln to New York parties took place last week. The purchasers paid \$310,000 for the interest secured. The directors of the company held a meeting

and elected Mr. Van Riper manager. A

number of Lincoln people remain as stock-

Taught First Omaha School.

Another pioneer settler has passed away in the person of Mrs. Julia Adelaide Root of Douglas Precinct, Douglas County. Mrs. Root was a most estimable woman and had a large circle of friends in Omaha and surrounding country. She moved to Omaha forty-six years age, and taught the first school there, it being a private one.

Nebraskan Thrown Under Cars. E. Millhausen, a German farmer, 81 years of age, whose home is six miles northeast of Wymore, was thrown under the wheels of a Burlington engine by an unmanageable team of horses and had his right arm and left leg taken off and sustained other injuries which proved fatal. Toadstools Cause Death.

A death occurred in Lincoln recently from causes which are remarkably unusual. The 19-months-old son of Gorman J. Long ate a quantity of toadstools during the afternoon and died at 7:30 the next

morning. The child's name was Allen Nebraskan Leaves for Annapolis. Nathan Post, a popular young man of North Platte, has gone to Annapolis, Md., where he will take the examination for a | the plans for the erection of a parsonage naval cadetship. Mr. Post is a graduate of | in connection with the church.

to be well qualified for the place. Fatal Work of Lightning. Wm. Wadsworth, a prosperous farmer living four miles northwest of Harvard, was killed recently by lightning. The same

bolt also killed a span of horses and set fire Fusion in First District.

Republican conventions in the First Dis- two months ago from poisoning, revealed trict at Auburn united upon the nomina- no poison. The examination of the food tion of George W. Berg, Populist, for con- of which the child had eaten showed 3 per Stole His Roommate's Watch. Julius Krummenacher, a young man

who has been at railroad work at Humboldt for several months past, was arrested charged with stealing a watch from his roommate, Vern Davis. The watch was

found in the possession of Krummenacher.

Safe Blowers in Depot. The safe in the Burlington and Missouri depot at Ulysses was blown open the other night. The robbers secured forty-seven 1-cent revenue stamps, but no money. Card and book tickets and express money orders in the safe were found intact.

END OF FROST CASE NOT YET SOUTH AFRICAL

Widow Has Been Released from Jail, but Is Under Surveillance.

The fact that Mrs. Margaret Frost has been released from jail upon order of the eoroner's jury has given rise to the erroneous opinion, which is quite general at York, that she will never be formally charged with the murder of her husband. It is thought that she was liberated either because the report of the chemist who analyzed the dead man's stomach was not consistent with the theory of her guilt or because to further prosecute the case Alois Standemyer, a ranchman, was would drag in complications which the

"The coroner's jury is simply waiting for further information from the chemist. The case before us stands now as it has stood ever since we began our investiga-Answer to Governor's Motion to tions. So far as I know, there has been no bly advancing from Hoopstad along the recent change of opinion with any of the The Lang injunction proceedings jurors. Mrs. Frost is regarded by the jury againt Gov. Poynter came up in Judge in the same light as before her release was Letton's court in Beatrice May 25. Lang's ordered. That fact has no significance as

Four Hundred Thousand Dollars. State Treasurer Meserve has certified to the superintendent of public instruction the amount of money apportioned for the support of the public schools of the state for the next half year. The apportionment is, with one exception, the highest

made for several years, being \$400,321.99. Treasurer Meserve's certificate shows that the money was derived from the following sources: From state school tax, \$87,241.76; from interest on school lands leased, \$56,938.88; from interest on school land sold, \$159,705.76; from interest on saline land leased, \$3,166,66; from interest on United States consols, \$300; from interest on state funding bonds, \$2,266.65; from interest on county bonds, \$81,370.07; from interest on school district bonds, \$752.04; from interest on state warrants, \$2.847.18; from peddlers' licenses, \$29.70. All money received for the temporary school fund force whatever. Lang was led to believe from December 1, 1839, to the third Monthat Poynter had promised Milliken, the day in May, 1900, is included in the appor-

Small Hope for Dorsay. There seems little hope now that Frank lished report that at the close of the inves- Dorsey will not have to serve the six tigation both Lang and Milliken tendered years' sentence imposed by the federal their resignations is untrue, and that there | circuit, affirmed by the United States court of appeals and recently affirmed, by the denial of the petition to reopen the case, by the United States supreme court. Only the pardon of President McKinley, appeals' decision at St. Paul, which denied | which is but a very remote possibility, can alleged wrecking of the First National Bank of Ponca, of which he was eashier

> Charged with Counterfeiting. J. B. Kreittle, an old resident of Wakefield, was arrested by John Webb of the

United States secret service, assisted by J. O. Moore, United States deputy marshal. He is charged with making and passing counterfeit money. Kreittle has lived in Wakefield some fifteen or sixteen years, and has always heretofore borne a good reputation, save for drinking. He is 66 years old and a tinner by trade. His arrest is a genuine surprise to the com-

Fifteen Months for Bigamy. In the case of the state vs. Nichols in the district court at Columbus the defendant

entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced by Judge Hollenbek to fifteen months in the penitentiary at Lincoln at hard labor. The complaint charged that in May, 1894, Nichols married one Sadie B. Bennett, in Laneaster, and afterward, on the 25th day of November, 1898, and while the said first wife was still living, he married Lottie M. Laughlin in Columbus.

Nebraska Short Notes.

The residence of C. R. Buffom of Tecumseh was struck by lightning twice in one

The veterans of the civil and Spanish wars will hold a rennion at Crawford June 30 to July 5 inclusive. From every part of Nebraska come reports of fine prospects for a great crop of

fruit of all kinds. The Plattsmouth band will accompany the Jacksonian Club of Omaha to the

Kansas City convention. The city marshal of Wood River has been instructed to run in every boy caught with a "nigger shooter" or air gun.

Willie Pressler of Trumbull, a 16-year-

old son of Michael Pressier, was kicked by a horse from the effects of which he died: The citizens of Hastings held a mass meeting last week and decided to celebrate the Fourth of July in the old-time fashion. A Hartington woman became enraged

because she saw her husband in a saloon

and proceeded to smash a fine mirror and a few other things. Hastings has a \$12,000 damage suit. It was brought by a young lady school teacher of that place for injuries received

while riding a bike: The new reservoir of the city water works just finished at a cost to the taxpayers of West Point of \$3,000, has proven

a total failure. It leaks. The congregation of the English Lutheran Church at West, last week approved

the Omaha high school and is considered. The brawery of Niobrara has manifold troubles just now, the government having | is to be included in the inquiry will inentered complaints in two branches of its laws-the revenue and sale to Indians. The two lads, Thompson and Peters,

who unceremoniously left Grand Island

for parts unknown a few days ago, were apprehended about twenty-six miles north of Anselmo. The examination of the stomach of the The Democratic, Populist and free silver | Madden child of Arcadia, which died some

> cent. arsenic. The Beatrice Chautauqua will open this

year June 21 and close July 4. Mrs. Wickwire received a bullet in the shoulder as she was crossing the street at Fremont. A 13-year-old boy by the name of Smails, it is said, was after birds with a gun in that part of town that afternoon and it is thought he shot her accidentally.

The sheriff of Gage County has published a notice warning those in the habit of violating the law governing the protection of fish in the streams of the state by trapping or seming that the same must be stopped, as the provisions of the law will be enforced

FIELD OF OPERATIONS NARROWING DOWN.

Lord Roberts Gradually Crowding the Boers Into Their Last Ditch-Burgher Leaders Declare They Will Fight to the Death.

The relief of Mafeking, effected by the British, is the most important feature of the South African war since the siege of Ladysmith was raised. The relief of the town narrows down the field of operations to a great extent. The British from all sides are now closing in on the Boers, Johannesburg and Pretoria being the objective points. Gen. Roberts in moving north from Kroonstadt is practically covering a front of forty miles. Including the column of Methuen on his left and that of Brodhead and Rundle on his right, he is covering a front of more than a hundred miles. Methuen is proba-Vaal so as to keep in touch with French on the Rhenoster river, and at the same time threaten Klerksdorp. Occupying this long front, Roberts is moving toward three crossings of the Vaal river, his center marching along the railroad toward the crossing at Vereeniging on the direct road to Johannesburg, his right toward Villiersdorp, and his left toward Reitzburg.

With this formidable force in front overlapping their flanks and pressing them relentlessly back, the small Boer army is threatened by the movement from upper Natal as well as by the movement from Mafeking on the west. Under such conditions the only course left open to the republican army is an orderly retreat to a point of concentration like Johannesburg or Pretoria. From a strictly military standpoint a battle at either place is in the nature of a useiess sacrifice. Any other nation, even though it had the strength of Germany or France, would make peace at the frontier. But the Boers are not like any other nation. They are fighting for their institutions and their country, and they are not controlled by the views that obtain among military men or statesmen of Europe.

The conditions of battle on the Transvaal faontier, it must be remembered, are not like those that have prevailed in any other great war. Where armies are of about the same strength, and where the field of operations is large, an enemy may be attacked and defeated in detail. There is little chance for this in the Orange Free State. There will be less in the Transvaal. The circumstances, the narrowing field of activity, the great strength and mobility of the British army compel the Boers to a strictly defensive campaign. They cannot detach commands,, as could the generals in our civil war, to surprise an enemy on the flank or to crush an isolated division.

Practically, there are no isolated divisions in the British army. Gen. Roberts is moving his several army corps on converging lines on positions of vital importance to the Boers. The latter cannot exhaust themselves in fruitless endeavors to stay the march; they cannot permit themselves to be diverted by a threatening movement in one quarter while their lines are broken in another. Under the circumstances they are following military precedent, and acting on approved principles of strategy in retiring to a position where to give battle will be to advance their own cause and not to weaken it.

It is not known where the Boers will make their stand against Lord Roberts nor how strenuously they will defend Pretoria. Their leaders say that when Pretoria falls the Boers will retreat to the mountains and continue to fight while life lasts. The Boer envoys in this country having failed in their mission to induce the United States to intervene in behalf of the republics, the Boers have new only two alternatives, that of surrender or of fighting to the last ditch. According to the envoys the latter will be their choice. The envoys were told by Secretary of State Hay that this Government could not intervene in behalf of the republics.

CUBAN CUSTOMS NEXT.

Service Is Said to Be Honeycombed with Fraud. A special from Washington says that

an explosion in the Cuban customs service is threatened, which promises revelations as scandalous as the disclosures in connection with the postal service. An official of the customs service, who has just returned to New York from Havana, brings information that the customs service there is honeycombed with fraud and corruption, wand the employes interested are trembling in fear of investigation. It is declared that investigation will show that through lax business methods and incompetent and unscrupulous employes, thousands of dollars have been diverted from legitimate channels into the pockets of dishonest officials and their accomplices. Disbursements of sums ranging from \$100 to \$10,000 have been made to persons who have not performed any service whatever, it is said, and in many instances without the formality of presenting vouchers.

The Assistant Secretary of War estimates that it will take about a month to complete the investigation started in Cuba. The fact that the customs service crease the task and lengthen the time. The official announcement that this department is under suspicion confirms the rumors which have been current in Washington for some time.

Told in a Few Lines. Independent steel manufacturers are

Plague has claimed seventy-three vic-

tims at Snyder, N. S. W. Hanover bank, New York, will increase its capital from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000. According to Salt Lake City figures.

the number of Mormons new in existence Rural free delivery is established on 1,000 routes and accommodates 100,000 homes in the country.

The Panama Canal Company's concession has been extended six years by the Colombian Government. Of nearly 1,000 dealers in oleomarga-

rine in Philadelphia only thirty-one have both Federal and State licenses. It is proposed to build a \$3,000,000 in-

ternational dam above El Paso, Texas, to redeem the Rio Grande valley.