

THE NORTHWEST.

NEBRASKA

Chesterwater is promised an opera house for a bonus of \$1,000.

Indiana drops to issue bonds to build a \$150,000 school house.

The gas question in Omaha is a fruitful theme for newspaper gas.

Lincoln has a board of trade and freight bureau in running order.

The postoffice at Kalamazoo, Michigan county, is to be re-established.

Omaha pays a hydrant rental of \$40,000 per year. There are 500 hydrants.

Omaha has elected the Republican municipal ticket by a large majority.

The Clarkson Enterprise, by W. E. Verity, has recently made its appearance.

The bank of Holdrege is making arrangements to erect a fine brick block.

The Anheuser-Busch Brewing company will build a \$300,000 store house in Plattsmouth.

Putney, who was tried at Neligh for the murder of an illegitimate child, was acquitted.

A teamster on the railroad grade near York was run in for whipping his horses and heavily fined.

The authorities of Lincoln have decided that bicycles cannot be used on the sidewalks of that city.

Beatrice has three brick and two frame school buildings, yet the rising generation cry for more.

The Nebraska City artesian well is down 238 feet. Nothing softer than stone has been encountered so far.

Plattsmouth complains of the inefficiency and indifference of mail facilities between that city and Omaha.

The speech of Grand Master Workman Powderly at Omaha Saturday was attended by an immense crowd.

It is proposed to construct a Catholic seminary at Omaha for the education of young men for the priesthood.

A \$60,000 distillery is talked of in Crete. The product will be shipped to the drought stricken in adjoining states.

The Glencoe base ball club is robed in red, white and blue, with huge chunks of gloom and goose eggs in the foreground.

The Presbyterians of York have adopted plans for a church to cost \$10,000. It will seat 600 persons and will be built this year.

Red Cloud will hold an exhibition of speedy horseflesh on the 25th, continuing three days. A few fat purses will be hung on the wire.

IOWA

R. L. Gidley, postmaster at Malvern, died of typhoid fever on the 4th inst.

Work on the new federal building at Des Moines was commenced Monday.

Lyons, Clinton county, has a new daily paper called the Evening Chronicle.

Gen. Lew Wallace spoke of "Turkey and Turkeys" at Ottumwa Friday evening.

West Ft. Dodge has the boom, six new residences being in course of erection.

The Clinton papers are agitating the question of erecting a new county court house in that city.

The merchants of Des Moines are subscribing money to a chamber of commerce building.

Mrs. J. Ellen Foster is going to Europe for her health. She has broken herself down by overwork.

The strawberry crop in Delaware county is looking well and promises an unusually large yield.

The salvationists have attacked Kookuk in full force. Mrs. Maj. Dale being the leader of the storming party.

A Kookuk man named Vorley has invented a new fifth wheel for light vehicles, which is said to be a bonanza.

Ashten people talk of organizing a base ball club in regular stock company style and challenging the world.

It is estimated that 800 men and 1,000 horses have left Clay county this spring to engage in railroad work.

A popular Des Moines clergyman has worked out his poll tax this year, handling a shovel with decided skill.

An Iowa City man swallowed his back teeth and is said to be dying from the effects of them on his stomach.

It is expected that the soldiers' home at Marshalltown will be ready to receive occupants by the 1st of October.

DAKOTA

Stout Falls is organizing a base ball club. Yankton business men are trying to work up a boom.

Marion Junction is well fixed with a creamery and cheese factory.

Yankton's board of trade is rustling for a bonus to capture an oil well.

The Jamestown artesian well flows at the rate of 400 gallons per minute.

The houses at Huron will be numbered in preparation for the free delivery.

G. J. Honkey, Grand Forks grocer, assigned Monday to Mazfeld & Seaburg, St. Paul.

The G. A. R. post of Yankton will incorporate, purchase a lot and build a memorial hall.

A delegation of business men from Wayne county, Nebraska, are in Yankton talking railroad.

The Huron fire department is getting in readiness for the annual tournament to be held at Mitchell.

Lightning killed a horse and shocked the hired man of W. J. Anderson near Grand Forks on Monday.

Grading on the Aberdeen, Bismarck and Northwestern road is progressing quickly but surely, sub-contractors being at work along the entire line to Bismarck.

Good authority says this new road is being built on its merits and by northwestern capital, and not to be given up to any Dakota trunk line when completed.

The adjusting agent for the Northwestern road has been through Kingsbury county and settled with the farmers in full, paying out over \$600 for losses that the farmers suffered by the great fire of a few weeks ago.

MINNESOTA

An insane man calling himself Joseph W. Conallan was captured in a lumber yard at Reeling on the 24 inst. He can give no account of himself.

Thos. Anderson, a farmer living near Lake Okauch, went home in an intoxicated condition and brutally beat his wife. The woman made her way to a neighbor's and a medical examination found three ribs to be broken, besides severe bruises about the head and face. The brute was arrested.

Mrs. F. G. Florp, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Ole Bull, widow of the distinguished violinist, has arrived at Eau Claire and will make an extended visit. Mr. J. G. Thorp, Jr., and his wife, who is a daughter of Henry W. Longfellow, will arrive sometime during the week, all of whom will occupy their elegant home there during their stay.

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS.

EAST.

The high license bill passed both houses of the Pennsylvania legislature.

Two men were suffocated by gas in the Ashland colliery near Pottsville, Pa.

The motion to quash the indictment against Jacob Sharpe has been denied by Judge Van Brunt.

The greatest freshet since 1869 prevails at Fairfield, Me., and the water is rising rapidly. The bulkhead at Somerset is gone, taking with it \$30,000 worth of logs.

Gen. Aaron Fletcher Stevens died at Nashua, N. H., Tuesday morning from a military difficulty arising from a wound received in the battle before Petersburg.

Capt. Isaac H. Houghton, bookkeeper for Soule & Bradley, of Boston, left the city more than a week ago. It is believed he has gone to Canada. The amount of his shortage is placed at \$17,000.

Friday Rev. A. Morrison, who stole a horse and buggy in Baltimore on the 5th, was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary at hard labor. He was formerly a Methodist minister. Liquor was the cause of his downfall.

Fire Tuesday morning destroyed Meade, Mason & Co.'s furniture factory at Lebanon, N. H. The fire worked south, burning everything in that direction. The entire loss is estimated at \$300,000, with an insurance of \$110,000.

Tuesday afternoon the jury in the case of W. T. Lavelle, a Pan-Handle railroad brakeman, on trial for robbing freight cars, brought in a verdict of guilty. J. C. Dunlap, another of the alleged thieves, was then called up for trial and plead guilty.

The twelve Irish constables who resigned their offices because they were compelled to carry out evictions, and who arrived in New York last week, Tuesday announced their intention of becoming citizens of the United States by filing their applications in the court of common pleas.

On Sunday a monstrous temperance meeting was held at Pittsburg for the purpose of organizing a national movement throughout the country. Bishops Ireland, Spaulding and Col. White, of Chicago, addressed the meeting. Rev. A. M. Cleary, president of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, preached the sermon.

Mrs. Margaret Ernst, an old lady aged seventy-four, was found early Tuesday morning in front of her house with her hands and feet bound with ropes, and a rope around her neck. She had been choked to death during the night, and been robbed. She was about two years ago, and notified her attorney that she desired to change it. The coroner and police see in this fact the motive for the crime.

A joint meeting of the coke workers of the Miners' Amalgamated association and Knights of Labor was held at Everson, Pa., on Tuesday. It was decided to immediately suspend work until the demands for an advance asked for last Saturday are granted. The strike will extend to all the works in the Connelville region. About 13,000 men will be affected and a long and bitter struggle is anticipated.

A terrible accident occurred at the Edgar Thompson steel works at Braddock, Pa., on Tuesday night, five men being burned to death. Furnace E was blown out recently, and a gang of men was on Tuesday put to work clearing it out. An arch had formed, composed of coke, limestone, and other materials, which was still at the arch way. While the men were at work, the arch gave way. A few of the men escaped, but others were knocked down and cooked to-meat the mass, the remains of five being taken from the debris.

WEST AND SOUTH.

Secretary Vall, of the National Trotting association, has resigned.

On Saturday Aberdeen voted to issue \$15,000 in bonds for a new city building.

St. Patrick's church at Dixon, Ill., was burned on Saturday. It cost \$45,000.

Fire in Hersey & Benn's lumber yard at Stillwater, Minn., caused a loss of \$60,000.

The Wool Growers' and International Sheep Shearers' convention assembled in St. Louis on Wednesday.

John Bertrand has been appointed postmaster at Canton, Dakota. He will enter upon his duties July 1.

The residences of Emery Wright and Mr. Cook, of Aberdeen, Dakota, were burned Saturday. Loss on the two about \$1,800.

On Wednesday Pierre, Dak., voted to issue \$25,000 in bonds to aid in securing the extension of the Manitoba and Aberdeen road to that city.

The young son of Sheriff Sundback, of Stout Falls, was drowned on Wednesday in a pond in the penitentiary quarry which joins the Eau Claire club, the score being 18 to 14. This leaves the Des Moines club at the head of the Northwestern league.

A convict at the Anamosa prison, sent from Cedar Rapids for shooting a policeman, made a break at the deputy warden with a knife and was shot dead by the guard.

Wm. Hutchins, the son of a prominent citizen of Huntsville, Ala., quarreled with two younger brothers and shot them, killing one and seriously wounding the other.

Last Sunday, May 1, one Tarbell shot his wife at Elkhorn, Wisconsin, and wounded himself to near of suicide. The following Saturday he confessed that he deliberately killed her.

A young man named Deyoe, of Mason City, Iowa, committed suicide on Monday by drowning in the Wisconsin river at Lone Rock, after having visited for a time in Iowa county, Wisconsin.

W. B. Todhunter, a cattle owner of Sacramento, Cal., who owns 170 acres in Oregon and 20,000 in Nevada, has assigned to Hayes, Carrock & Co., of Oakland, Cal. His liabilities are said to be \$400,000.

The Journal office at Vermont City was burned on Wednesday night and all its contents destroyed. Mr. Watson, the editor, lived in the building and barely escaped death. The loss is \$25,000 with no insurance.

Grand Master Workman Powderly spoke to a large audience of Knights of Labor and others on the subject of "Aims, Progress and Prospects of the Knights of Labor Organization," at Omaha on Saturday night.

The officers of the Denver and Rio Grande railway Thursday made public the earnings and expenditures of the road for the year ending December 31, 1896, which is as follows: Total earnings, \$6,738,677.47; expenses, \$4,227,416.68; net earnings, \$2,511,260.79.

Fr. Benton advises that Indian horse thieves, undoubtedly Canadian Bloods, are operating along Teton river and in the Sun river country. Men in from Birch creek say

there are several war parties of Canadian Indians on this side of the line, and trouble may be expected.

At Iowa City, Iowa, on Monday, several small boys were playing in the barn of Mr. Farrell, and set fire to the building. Kirkwood, the five-year-old son of Herbert S. Farrell, editor of the Daily Republican, was burned to death. Leslie, son of Prof. E. M. Booth, escaped badly burned.

A company has been organized at Pierre known as the Duluth, Pierre and Black Hills Railroad company, which will at once proceed with preliminary surveys and securing the right of way. The company is also given a right of way through the city and ample ground for depot and other buildings.

A Steubenville, O., special says: Mr. Van Baker, of Hollidays Cave, W. Va., left home Monday afternoon and, returning next morning, found his wife and mother dead in the sitting room with their heads smashed by a car pin and an ax lying beside the bodies. Robbery is supposed to be the motive of the murder.

The Milwaukee company have about forty men at work on the improvements they are putting in at Canton, Dak. The new union depot will be an elegant structure, 23x74, surrounded by a platform 250 feet in length. A large new double-derrick coal-shed and nine yard tracks are other important improvements. A large new freight depot will also be built.

Miss Susie Davis, of Lee's Corners, Mich., was stung and fathered by neighbors Monday night. It was alleged that she had been unduly intimate with a doctor. She had been threatened with a coat of tar and feathers for some time past. She has left for Kansas where the doctor had preceded her. The latter leaves a wife and six children.

Col. W. H. Bolton was on Tuesday removed from Chicago to Joliet under sentence of two years for embezzling large sums collected by him as chief of the mailing division in the Chicago postoffice. His physicians certified that he was temporarily insane, but United States Marshal Marsh would allow no longer delay in carrying out the sentence. When placed on the train he broke down completely and wept.

A masher who registered at the Palace hotel at Springfield, Ill., on Tuesday, as B. Duhl, of Chicago, insulted the daughter of Dr. Keyser, representative from Kankakee county, in the parlor of the hotel, when the doctor proceeded to chastise the fresh Duhl, others present paying their compliments by a few vigorous kicks, from which treatment the masher escaped by flight. The last seen of him he was flying through the alley from the hotel.

Foster's opera house at Des Moines, Iowa, burned Friday afternoon. Loss, \$30,000; insurance, \$25,000. The fire originated about the stage, and persons in the story and on the roof were obliged to escape through the windows and down firemen's ladders. Miss Hattie Drake, a stenographer, was nearly suffocated, and was borne insensible down the ladder. Fireman Patrick Lynch, who saved her, nearly lost his life in doing so.

The British steamship Bon Hope, from Vera Cruz for New York, burned thirty miles off Tybee Island Thursday afternoon. The officers and crew were rescued and brought to Savannah. The cargo consisted of 115,000 gallons of crude petroleum. The origin of the fire is unknown, and spread so rapidly the crew was rarely able to take to the boats. The steamer was valued at \$170,000. The loss on the cargo is unknown.

The St. Louis Supplies Manufacturing company made an assignment on Tuesday afternoon. The concern has been doing business for twenty years, and the failure is the result of a decline in business extending over a period of years. The directors have been advancing money to keep the business afloat. Thursday they resigned, and the company owed them about \$130,000. The total liabilities are \$147,000. The company will not resume again.

Grand Master Workman Powderly arrived at Denver Monday morning and was met at the depot by delegates and escorted to the hotel. The governor delivered an eloquent address of welcome on behalf of the state and Mayor Lee for the city. The grand master was then introduced and notwithstanding suffering from a severe cold, spoke an hour and a half on "The Aims and Objects of the Order of Knights of Labor." About 4,000 people were present.

At New Orleans on Sunday a large crowd were collected on a wharf at the foot of a street in the colored section, witnessing a baptism of colored people in the Mississippi, when the rilling gave way, precipitating many persons into deep water, several being drowned. A white woman with a babe in her arms held up the child long enough for it to be taken into a boat and its life saved, when she immediately sank. A colored woman was drowned in exactly the same manner.

On Saturday afternoon at Lincoln, Neb., a fire broke out in the dry house of A. S. Godfrey & Co.'s, also the livery barn of Wm. Smith. Godfrey's loss is estimated at \$15,000; insured for \$12,000, divided between the Phoenix, of Hartford; Phoenix, of Brooklyn; Insurance company of North America, and the Zenia. Smith's loss on the livery barn was about \$3,000; insured for \$800 in the Continental. Six head of horses were burned. The origin of the fire is supposed to be incendiary.

Col. E. P. Hood, one of the most prominent and wealthy citizens of San Antonio, Texas, and Capt. Reid, were indicted Wednesday afternoon by the federal grand jury, on the ground of conspiracy to defraud the government revenue. The indictments are on the ground of wholesale smuggling transactions on the Rio Grande border which have been heretofore published. Other prominent stock men here have been indicted. As no arrests have been made their names have not been made public.

A dispatch from Flagstaff, A. T., announces the death there Sunday of B. B. Bulwinkle, from pneumonia. He was president of the Arizona Cattle company and one of the most prominent business men of Arizona. His death was very sudden. On Friday he was attending to his usual business duties. He acquired a national reputation as chief of the Chicago insurance patrol, which position he held for eighteen years, during which time he became famous for many acts of gallantry and skillful management of the salvage corps.

The Michigan house has passed an important bill to extend the liability of employers in cases of accident. It gives workmen the right of action for injury, even though due to the negligence of a fellow employe. It also gives a remedy when an injury is caused by any defect in the machinery appliances, etc. The important feature of the bill is the provision that liability shall exist notwithstanding any contract between employer and employe waiving right of action.

The steamer City of Rio Janeiro, which arrived at San Francisco Wednesday from China and Japan, brings news of a horrible marine disaster in the Straits settlements. The steamer Benton, plying between Singapore, Penang and Malacca, was run into about

midnight of March 30 by the steamer Fair Penang, shortly after leaving Malacca, and sank within half an hour. Of the 300 persons aboard only fifty are thus far known to have been saved. The most of those lost are natives. After the collision the Fair Penang continued on her way. The loss on the vessel and cargo is \$70,000.

At the nineteenth annual session of the grand division of the Order of Railway Conductors, held in New Orleans Thursday, it was announced that twenty-one new divisions had been formed since the last annual meeting and 3,896 new members had been added to the order, which now has a membership of 106,301. A bill was presented providing for the licensing of railroad engineers and conductors, and a committee to secure congressional action on the bill was appointed. The most of the session was taken up in discussing amendments to the constitution, insurance laws and resolutions, all of which were referred to appropriate committees.

The Iowa state board of health has re-elected Dr. P. D. Llewellyn president, Dr. J. F. Kennedy secretary, and L. E. Andrews assistant secretary, and also elected representatives to the American and various state medical societies of Iowa, to a national conference at the state board of health and American public board of health associations. A committee was appointed to prepare and report to the legislature the necessity for revision and selection of uniform text books for public schools on physiology and hygiene. The position of the Standard Oil company to change the method and test for testing kerosene oil was considered, and the board decided to make no change.

At Ponca, Neb., on Monday, Will Meyers, a boy about fifteen years of age, was removing his father's gun, an old musket, from a closet for the purpose of cleaning it, when, in drawing it over a bedstead, muzzle first, the hammer struck, discharging the weapon, which, as it struck the case, was supposed not loaded, and the charge did not enter the neck of Anna Bowman, serving the regular dinner, and coming out at the back of the shoulder. She fell and died almost instantly. The victim of the unfortunate accident was about fourteen years old, the daughter of a former resident of Ponca, now living at Homer, in Dakota county, and was visiting the family of Mr. Meyers.

A fire in St. Augustine, Fla., Tuesday morning, destroyed the St. Augustine hotel, the old Spanish cathedral, Edwards' hotel, the court house, Sinclair block, Chamberlain's store, Mrs. Call's residence and Welter's hotel. The loss amounts to \$250,000. The fire was caused by a gas leak in the treasury department.

The city council telegraphed the treasury department: "The principal hotels of the city were destroyed by fire. The county court house also burned. Can I offer assistance in the way of rooms in the postoffice building not occupied? Impossible to procure rooms outside this building, and the records are exposed." Secretary Fairchild telegraphed in reply: "Remember every assistance to the city officials in the way of providing rooms in the postoffice building."

The French steamer La Bretagne, Capt. De Jouselyn, from New York April 30, arrived at Havre on Monday. She reports that during the night she collided with and sank a Norwegian bark. The crew of the bark was saved. The steamer La Champagne, which sailed from Havre Sunday morning for New York, and which afterward returned, having been in collision, was run into by the steamer Ville Derlo. The latter steamer sank, but her crew and passengers were saved. The collision caused a panic on board the Champagne, who made a rush for the lifeboat and capsized it, five of them being drowned, in addition to three sailors who had tried to prevent the rush. The steamer Ville de Bordeaux rescues fifteen Italians clinging to the capsized lifeboat.

It is said that the transfer of Tom Potter from the Q system to the Union Pacific gives rise to the apprehension among the employes of that road that his classification system in the union will be inaugurated, and in that event the Knights of Labor will revolt. The employes of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy will join them, as they have long wished the adoption of the system in vogue throughout the country. Eastern organizations are said to be willing to aid the resistance. The plan, which is to pay for the second year higher wages than the first year, and the third year higher than the second, has been a means of contributing largely to the present financial condition of the Burlington route.

John J. Cornellison, who assaulted and cowbirded Judge Reid, causing him to suicide, and was sentenced to the Louisville, Ky., jail for three years, was released on a writ of habeas corpus by Magistrate Stoffer on Friday. The affair is credited to New York, and the release amounts to a magistrate's court overruling the decisions of the court of appeals. Magistrate Stoffer decides that the old common law of England and Virginia, upon which the imprisonment of Cornellison was predicated, does not enter into the statutes of Kentucky, and consequently the imprisonment was illegal. Lawyers say that Stoffer has placed himself in contempt of the court of appeals. Cornellison is on the streets attending to business.

At Lincoln, Neb., there was a disturbance at the Burlington and Missouri depot Friday morning as the 11:30 train from the east pulled in, which led to the arrest of three men. F. C. Knox and John G. Buggs started together from Chicago, both drinking. They were joined at Galeburg, Ill., by a man named Rock, a stock drover, and a total stranger to Knox and Buggs. At Pacific Junction the stock man purchased a keg of beer and mounted it in the front end of the smoking car. By the time the party arrived in Lincoln it was a drunken one, and just as the train stopped the stock drover accused Knox of robbing him, and pulled out his knife with the intention of having his money on board. The row moved in all being arrested and jailed. Knox taken upon the charge of robbing Rock of \$1,300.

A terrible tragedy took place Sunday morning near Spring Station, Kentucky, on the farm of Capt. James Blackburn, ex-secretary of state, and brother of Senator Joe Blackburn. Miss Henrietta Blackburn, accompanied by her cousin, Henrietta Hempstead, a young lady of nineteen years, went out to shoot at a mark with a small rifle. They were joined by Samuel Blackburn, a young man of 23, brother of Miss Henrietta Blackburn, and a friendly contest was begun as to who should shoot at the mark first. The three engaged in a playful struggle for the possession of the rifle, and in this struggle the weapon was discharged, the ball piercing the heart of Miss Hempstead and killing her instantly. The unfortunate young lady gave a slight scream, dropped on the bluegrass, and breathed her last before her horrified cousins realized the awful calamity that had befallen them.

Samuel M. Murluck, manager of the Boston oyster house at Chicago, fell from the roof of the building, corner of Clark and Madison streets, in which his restaurant is situated,

about 8 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and was instantly killed, the body being horribly mangled. On going to the roof a pistol with one chamber empty and a large clot of blood was found a short distance from the edge of the building. Whether or not the deceased committed suicide is not known. One theory is that he was followed to the roof by some one and killed, but the view is taken by the coroner that it was a case of suicide. The same night the news of Murluck's death reached George Rickson, a writer who had been working under Murluck and who has been ill for several weeks. The bare details had scarcely been related when Rickson, greatly excited, arose from his couch and rushing to an open window, jumped out, falling four stories. He was badly mangled and fatally injured.

Before the Nebraska legislature met last winter the Second judicial district comprised the counties of Lancaster, Otoe and Cass. The new apportionment bill cut Lancaster county out and constituted it the eleventh district. A provision was then inserted in the bill showing two judges to the First, Fourth, Ninth and Fifth districts. Afterward Lancaster county was returned to Cass and Otoe, making the district as originally apportioned under the old law, but a provision allowing two judges as it already had been constituted was overruled by the legislature. This step legislated one of the present judges out of existence. Therefore the bill was declared unconstitutional by the state auditor and he refused to issue warrants for the judges' salary. The case was argued before the supreme court Saturday by eight of the newly appointed judges, and the court held substantially that the bill was constitutional and the second district remained as it existed under the old apportionment law.

George Trayer of Nebraska received the following letter from Secretary Bayard, with a large amount of documentary evidence bearing on the case: "At the instance of the Chevalier de Lavers, the minister of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy at the capital, I have the honor to transmit to you herewith your information and consideration certain papers which are intended to show that one Josef Heralakay, an Austrian subject who is now serving a life sentence for murder, was insane at the time the offense was committed. In transmitting the papers to the department the Chevalier de Lavers commends the case to the consideration of the competent authorities, requesting you to do the favor to inform the department of your decision in regard to the matter. An examination of the prison records show that the prisoner was sentenced from Colfax county in 1881, for murder in the second degree. At the time of the deed he had been in this country but six months, and he is twenty-four years of age and a farmer by occupation."

WASHINGTON.

The statute of Garfield was unveiled Thursday.

James W. Hyatt, of Connecticut, has been appointed treasurer of the United States, vice Jordan resigned.

The members of the Hotel Men's Mutual Benefit association elected Jewett Wilcox, of Chicago, president for the ensuing year.

The residents of Folsom station, in the southern part of the state, are jubilant over the discovery of iron ore there.

It is rumored that the big cotton mills which were intended to be located at Bentonport will be placed at Ft. Madison.

Rev. Dr. Strickland has resigned the pastoral charge of the High Street Baptist church of Des Moines, to take effect June 13.

The Society of the Army of the Cumberland met at Washington on Wednesday. General Sheridan presided. Col. Duffield, of Detroit, delivered the address.

Ashton is shaken from center to circumference on the question of allowing base ball playing on Sunday, the town council having recently refused to prohibit the sport.

The Latter Day Saints are trying to reform Council Bluffs. Elder Wm. M. Palmer on Sunday expatiated upon the topic, "The Divine Mission of Joseph Smith, the prophet."

Mrs. Margaret Black, of Boone, last week received arrears of pension to the amount of \$1,300 because of the death of her son from causes arising from his services in the late war.

The McAllister lake in Spencer, the foundations for which were laid several years ago, is to be completed this summer. It will be of brick, 75 feet front, 85 feet deep and two stories high.

The comptroller of currency has authorized the Western National bank of New York to begin business, with a capital of \$3,500,000. The officers of the bank are Daniel Manning, president, and Blankinbourn, cashier.

Up to May 11, the department of state received no information of the execution by the Mexican government of four Mexican officers for trespassing on American soil. Secretary Bayard appealed for clemency for the condemned men.

The miners of Des Moines quit work on the 23 inst., not only on account of a reduction, but because they were required to sign a contract agreeing to work at the reduced rate for the period of one year. A 20 per cent reduction was asked.

The railroads all seem to be seriously troubled with tramps just now. They steal rides, destroy property, fool with the trains and train men, and at small stations and other unprotected points they make themselves generally disliked.

A woman of the town died very suddenly at Burlington Thursday afternoon, and it was generally considered a case of suicide until a post mortem examination established the fact that the bursting of a blood vessel at the base of the brain, caused death.

While bathing in a creek near Persia a boy named Arthur Snyder died very suddenly, and his companions supposed that he had drowned, but the physician gave it as his opinion that heart disease, which is hereditary in the boy's family, was the cause of his death.

V. W. Bullock, for twelve years a prominent grain dealer of Burlington, has abandoned the business and removed to Denver, Col., claiming that the inter-state commerce law placed such restrictions upon the grain business at Burlington as to make it unprofitable.

Thursday was the second day of the reunion of the Army of the Cumberland, and the ceremonies of the unveiling of the Garfield statue. A great concourse attended the exercises, the weather being all that could be desired. Gen. Sheridan introduced the orator of the day, Gen. J. Warren Keifer, who delivered an address, transferring to Gen. Sheridan the statue, who, on behalf of the society presented it to the president. President Cleveland in acceptance addressed the people, being repeatedly interrupted by applause.

FOREIGN.

Samuel Cousins, the engraver, is dead. He was eighty-six years old.

Emperor Francis Joseph has sent \$5,000 for the relief of the victims of fires in Hungary.

France has just received 250,000 francs from the sale of the drama composed by Camille Telsell for general circulation, and is entitled "The Powers of Darkness."

The threatened increase of the German coinage has caused dismay in Austria and Hungary, as the increase would entail serious loss in the Austro-Hungarian empire.

The Queen, the Marquis of Lorne and Princess Louise visited Buffalo Bill's Wild West show Wednesday afternoon. Buffalo Bill, Red Shirt and No Squaw were presented to the queen.