PAPER.

Congress, at Saratoga, of the Representatives of the Great Monopoly.

Speech of the Newly-Elected Senator Miller, Showing the Wants of the Combination

The People Should Transport Monopolists' Paper to South America at a Loss.

For Export, 889 Tons Were Offered, and the Monopoly Price Was Knocked Off

SARATOGA, July 27.—The American Paper-Makers' Association met in annual meeting at the Grand Union Hotel to-day. Among the members were Senator-elect Miller and Congressman West from the Saratoga district. President Wellington spoke of the healthy condition of the paper trade at this time, and the benefit brought about by a tariff which causes a healthy competition among the manufacturers of this country, rather than to compel us, by so-called free trade, to compete with the pauper labor of Europe. He presented a specimen of paper which was sold up to the utmost production in 1872 at 10½ cents per pound, and the same quality would not now sell for 5½ cents,

OWING ENTIRELY TO HOME COMPETITION,

an improving quality, and a lowering price. He spoke of the recent political contest, during which attacks had been made on Warner Miller, because at the request of this Association he appeared before a Congressional Committee to present the facts regarding paper manufacture.

Secretary Chapin reported regarding the request that the mills close from 6 p. m. Saturday to 6 a. m. Monday, instead of stopping at 11 p. m. Saturday and beginning at 1 a. m. Monday. The few replies received were uniformly against any change in working hours.

O. C. Woolforth, from the Committee on Exports, reported that 307 manufacturers had offered 889 tons for export without limit as to price. The increase in the export of paper in 1880 over 1879 had been 10,500 tons. He recommended Government subsidies to steamship lines.

WARNER MILLER,

in an address, said it seemed natural for paper-makers to go into politics, instancing Gov. Rice, of Massachusetts, and others. Regarding the increase of business, he said the output of the mills the past year had been fully 20 per cent over the year before, and paper is sold in New York as low, quality for quality, as in London. Regarding the tariff, he said that, while the average duties on all articles imported is 45 per cent, paper only has a protection of 20 per cent on ordinary qualities and 35 on fine. He announced himself as in favor of aiding in the establishment of

STEAMSHIP LINES TO SOUTH AMERICA,

so that American manufacturers can send goods there other ways than by way of London. He thought it would be as well for the Government to pay for prompt and perfect mail lines to foreign ports as for star routes in Western Territories. In Germany, a few years ago, he found a mill running on a peculiar kind of paper for Brazil. He found, on his return, that he could make that paper cheaper than the Germans could, but he could not put it down in Brazil as cheap as the Germans did, solely because the only steamship lines to Brazil are from Europe. He believes the American manufacturers should be given facilities to secure the trade of that continent, and

HE SHOULD DO WHAT HE COULD

to secure that end.

Attention was called to the decision of the Postmaster-General construing the law of 1879 so as to make samples with "marks for identification" pay first-class rates instead of fourth class.

Senator Miller said he had no doubt the decision of Postmaster-General Key was too literal in construing the law of 1879, and great losses had been suffered by the Government from such decision.

OFFICERS.

President Wellington Smith was reelected.

W. H. Chatfield, of Cincinnati, was chosen Vice-President.

Committee on Cincinnati Division—A. B. Harding, Middletown, O.; N. W. Taylor, Cleveland; Cyrus Bremaker, Louisville.

Chicago Division—George French, Three Rivers, Mich.; Gen. J. T. Averill, St. Paul; O. M. Butler, Chicago.

The returns showed that the increase of production in all mills in 1880 over 1879 was about 25 per cent in book and news and 33 in writing. *The total capacity of all the mills in the country is 2,500 tons per day.*

Adjourned.

SHORT-HORNS.

First of the Four Great Sales of Short-Horns at Winchester, Ky.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WINCHESTER, Ky., July 27.—A large crowd and spirited bidding rendered the sale of Short-Horns by the Hamiltons a success to-day. The breeders present from a distance, and particularly those from the Western States, think the increasing demand for well-bred Short-Horns fully justifies the liberal prices that were paid to-day. The stock disposed of was the prime choice of the Messrs. Hamilton's vast herd, and were bought more to propagate an already forward opinion of breeding, or to put at the head of a new herd, than for any fancy preferment. The Messrs. Hamilton are the leading Short-Horn men of this country, and their breeding-farm the Mecca toward which every pilgrim in search of fine blooded Durham cattle directs his footsteps. The entire sale report is as follows:

[Note—Plain numbers refer to American Herd Book; when in parenthesis to English Herd Book, when prefixed by a star to American Short-Horn Record.]

No. 1. Geneva Belle Lady, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Noxubee Lady Belle 3d, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; G. W. Waddy, Paytona, Ky., $500.

2. Lady Belle Airdrie 2d, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Noxubee Lady Belle, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; same, $300.

3. Miss Renick Royal, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva, dam Miss R. Noxubee, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; E. B. Emery, Centerville, Md., $340.

4. Miss Renick Rosette 3d, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss R. Noxubee, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; same, $385.

5. Barrington Place, red roan, yearling, by Barrington Duke, 37,622, dam Peach Blossom 9th by 4th Duke of Geneva, (30,058); J. M. Bigstaff, Mt. Sterling, Ky., $1,510.

6. Peach Blossom 9th, red roan, 4 years, by 4th Duke of Geneva (30,058), dam imp. Peach Blossom 8th by 8th Duke of York (28,480); T. C. Anderson, Side View, Ky., $1,285.

7. Barrington Pleasant, red roan, 6 months, by Barrington Duke, 37,622, dam Peach Blossom 9th by 4th Duke of Geneva (30,058); J. M. Bigstaff, $1,000.

8. Prince Place, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam imp. Duchess of Kingscote by Duke of Hillhurst (28,401); G. L. Chrisman, Independence, Mo., $300.

9. Aunie's Airdrie, red, 3 years, by Airdrie Duke, 5,306, dam Gentle Annie 23d by Nullifier, 20,504; H. C. Estelle, Lexington, Ky., $300.

10. Aunie's Airdrie 3d, red, 6 months, by Duke Banock, 29,434, dam Aunie, by Airdrie Duke, 5,306; William Hamilton, Mt. Sterling, Ky., $150.

11. Gentle Annie 23d, yellow red, 7 years, by Nullifier, 20,504, dam Gentle Annie 15th, by Col. Beck, 11,522; H. C. Estelle, Lexington, Ky., $250.

12. Aunie's Airdrie 2d, red, 6 months, by Duke Banock, 29,434, dam Gentle Annie 23d, by Nullifier, 20,504; same, $150.

13. Kirklerington's Lady Barrington, red, yearling, by 8th Duke of York (28,480), dam imp. Kirklerington Lady 3d, by 8th Duke of York (28,480); Senator John S. Williams, Mt. Sterling, Ky., $1,500.

14. Kirklerington Lad, roan, 2 years, by 8th Duke of Geneva (28,480), dam imp. Kirklerington Lady 3d, by 8th Duke of York (28,390); E. P. Emery, $325.

15. 2d Geneva Belle Lady, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Noxubee Lady Belle 3d, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; G. W. Waddy, $500.

16. Noxubee Mary Geneva, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Noxubee Mary 2d, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; O. H. Chenault, Richmond, Ky., $450.

17. Miss Renick Geneva, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss R. Barrington, by Earl of Barrington, 23,017; J. B. Wilder, Louisville, Ky., $400.

18. Miss Renick of Bath, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss Renick 3d by Belle Sharon, 9,507; same, $305.

19. Grand Lady R., roan, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Mrs. R. Noxubee 3d, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; Newton Winn, Plattsburg, Mo., $355.

20. Sharon Duke of Bath, red, 2 years, by 14th Duke of Thorndale (28,459), dam Ophelia's Geneva, by 4th Duke of Geneva (30,058); Duncan & Winn, Plattsburg, Mo., $505.

21. Noxubee Mary Geneva 2d, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Noxubee Mary, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; G. W. Waddy, $450.

22. Geneva Belle, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Barrington Belle 2d, by Earl of Barrington (23,017); A. M. Bowman, Waynesboro, Va., $400.

23. Loo Bell Geneva, red, 2 years, by 8th Duke of Geneva (28,390), dam imp. Loo Bell, by 3d Lord Lally (24,408); T. C. Anderson, $1,305.

24. Loo Bell Geneva 2d, red, yearling, by Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam imp. Loo Bell by 3d Lord Lally (24,408); J. W. Fitzgerald, Cincinnati, $1,250.

25. Imp. Ruby Duchess, red roan, 6 years, by 8th Duke of York (28,480), dam Ruby 3d, by Lord Havensweed (20,322); Thomas A. Bigstaff, Mount Sterling, Ky., $800.

26. Count Bates, roan, yearling, by Barington Duke, 37,622, dam imp. Ruby Duchess, by 8th Duke of York (28,480); J. R. Hughes, Bloomfield, Ky., $115.

27. Miss Renick Lo Grand, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss R. Noxubee, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; Robinson Bros., Winchester, Ky., $300.

28. Miss R. Geneva, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss R. Barrington 2d, by Earl of Barrington 23,017; T. C. Jones, Delaware, O., $305.

29. Miss Renick Rose 3d, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss R. Noxubee 2d, by Duke of Noxubee 9,920; J. S. Fry, Plattsburg, Mo., $300.

30. Kirklerington Lady Oxford 2d, red, yearling, by Barrington Duke, 37,622, dam Kirklerington Lady Oxford by 2d Earl of Oxford, 6,703; G. L. Chrisman, $1,705.

31. Kirklerington Lady Oxford, roan, 3 years, by 2d Earl of Oxford, 6,703, dam, imp. Lady Kirklerington 3d, by 8th Duke of York (28,480); J. D. Williams, $1,515.

32. Kirklerington Lady Oxford 3d, red, 6 months, by Barrington Duke, 37,622, dam Kirklerington Lady Oxford, by 2d Earl of Oxford, 6,703; J. S. Williams, $1,025.

33. Noxubee Lady Belle, roan, 7 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Noxubee Belle, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; J. Rice & Son, Middletown, Ky., $410.

34. Noxubee Belle 4th, roan, 8 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Barrington Belle 2d, by Earl of Barrington, 23,017; J. R. Wilder, $365.

35. Lady Geneva Renick, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Lady Renick, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; J. B. Wilder, $225.

36. Miss Renick Royalty, red, 3 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Miss R. Noxubee by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; E. B. Emery, $300.

37. Grand Lady Noxubee, red, 5 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Miss R. Noxubee 2d, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; E. L. Skinner, Winchester, Ky., $210.

38. Miss Renick Grand, red, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss R. Noxubee 3d, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; J. B. Wilder, $250.

39. Roxanna 6th, red, yearling, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss Renick 4th by Bell Sharon 9,507; C. J. Spillman, Bryantsville, Ky., $300.

40. 3d Duke of Sycamore, roan, 3 years, by 14th Duke of Airdrie 7,879, dam Ophelia 3d by Airdrie (30,365); J. H. Kissinger, Kissingers, Mo., $155.

41. Miss Wiley of Sideview, red and white, yearling, by 8th Duke of Vinewood, 32,455, dam Miss Wiley 40th by 5th Duke of Oneida; John M. Clay, Bow Park, Canada, $300.

42. Miss Wiley 40th, roan, 4 years, by 7th Duke of Oneida, 14,056, dam Miss Wiley 17th by Royal Oxford (18,774); J. C. Skinner, Winchester, Ky., $385.

43. Miss Wilda, red, 2 years, by 20th Duke of Airdrie, 13,872, dam Wilda 2d by Treble Duke, 18,465; R. B. Emery, $260.

44. Miss Wilda 2d, red, 6 years, by Treble Duke, 18,465, dam Wilda by 4th Duke of Geneva (30,-058); A. M. Bowman, Waynesboro, Va., $325.

45. Miss R. Noxubee 3d, red, 6 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Miss R. Barrington by Earl of Barrington, 23,017; W. C. Bascom, Owingsville, Ky., $241.

46. Miss Renick Noxubee 3d, red, 6 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Miss R. Barrington, by Earl of Barrington, 23,017; E. B. Emery, $210.

47. Miss Renick Noxubee, 2d, red, 7 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Miss R. Barrington, by Earl of Barrington, 23,017; J. M. Clay & Son, Plattsburg, Mo., $245.

48. Miss R. Noxubee 3d, red, 7 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Miss R. Barrington, by Earl of Barrington, 23,017; George Whitney, Lexington, Ky., $140.

49. Grand Lady Renick, red, 5 years, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920, dam Miss R. Noxubee, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; withdrawn.

50. Second Duchess of Kingscote, red, 3 years, by 2d Earl of Oxford, 6,703, dam imp. Duchess of Kingscote, by Duke of Hillhurst, 28,401; T. C. Anderson, $380.

51. 4th Duchess of Kingscote, red, 6 months, by Barrington Duke, 37,622, dam 2d Duchess of Kingscote, by 2d Duke of Oxford, 6,703; J. M. Bigstaff, $700.

52. Prince Place 2d, red, yearling, by Barrington Duke 37,622, dam 2d Duchess of Kingscote by 2d Earl of Oxford, 6,703; J. M. Russell, Paris, Ky., $305.

53. 3d Duchess of Kingscote, red, yearling, by Barrington Duke, 37,622, dam imp. Duchess of Kingscote by Duke of Hillhurst (28,401); G. L. Christian, $100.

54. Duette 5th, yellow red, 5 years, by Airdrie 7th, 25,500, dam Duette 4th by Airdrie Duke, 5,306; John M. Van Meter, Midway, $405.

55. Duette 4th, yellow red, 9 years, by Airdrie Duke, 5,306, dam Duette by Jeff Davis, 5,823; C. J. Spellman, $180.

56. Dulcette, red, 5 years, by Waterloo Duke 9,450, dam Duette 3d by Independence, 14,512; Charles L. Van Meter, Winchester, $205.

57. Geneva Gem 3d, red, yearling, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Geneva Gem, by 4th Duke of Geneva (30,958); James M. Russell, $110.

58. Geneva Gem, red roan, 6 years, by 4th Duke of Geneva (30,958), dam Gem 2d, by Forkham Duke of Oxford (31,181); A. M. Bowman, $210.

59. Geneva Gem 2d, roan, 2 years, by imported Grand Duke of Gereva (28,750), dam Geneva Gem, by 4th Duke of Geneva (30,958); T. C. Jones & Son, $300.

60. Gem Duchess, 3d, red, yearling, by imported Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Gem Duchess 2d, by 19th Duke of Airdrie, 16,034; C. J. Spillman, $135.

61. Gem Duchess 2d, red, 8 years, by 19th Duke of Airdrie, 16,034, dam Gem Duchess, by London Duke (3,057); James Chorn, Thompson Station, Ky.

62. Noxubee Mary Geneva, red, yearling, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Noxubee, Mary 2d by Duke of Noxubee 9,920; G. W. Waddy, $400.

63. Grand Lady Renick, roan, 2 years, by imp. Grand Duke of Geneva (28,750), dam Miss R. Noxubee 2d, by Duke of Noxubee 9,920; W. A. Hamilton, Mt. Sterling, Ky., $155.

64. Perl Prince, red, 6 months, by 2d Earl of Moundal 23,055, dam Duchess of Perl, by Royal Oxford 15,142; withdrawn.

65. Cambridge, Duke of Sharon, red, yearling, by 10th Duke of Sharon, 23,483 dam 2d Rose of New River, by Grand Duke of Geneva (31,287); R. E. Roberts, Georgetown, Ky., $125.

66. Red Rob Roy, red, yearling, by 6th Duke of Acklan, 8,346, dam Lula Bell, by Duke of Noxubee, 9,920; Thomas Smith, North Middletown, Ky.

SUICIDAL.

Self-Destruction of a Young Man at Oconomowoc, Wis., Who Was Jilted by His Sweetheart.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

OCONOMOWOC, Wis., July 27.—This city was startled this morning by the report that Frederick H. Brown, a young man from Milwaukee, employed in the Receiver's office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, had committed suicide here. It seems that, while he was here with the Milwaukee Bicycle Club at their annual meeting on the 4th of July, he met and fell in love with a young lady at the Townsend House. Since that time he has been here several times to see her, but the father of the young lady *did not favor him at all.* Yesterday afternoon he came again, registered at the above-named hotel, and took a walk with her in the Townsend House Park. They evidently disagreed about something, for she left him there and went to a hop that evening with another young man. This morning his body was discovered with a bullet-hole through his head from a small 22-calibre pocket-pistol which lay beside him. Among other things found in his pocket was a note to his roommate, which read as follows: "H.: You will find memorandum of what I owe in my desk. Do not judge me harshly, for I love Stella." Brown has a mother living in Charlestown, N. H., Mrs. Mary E. Brown, and a sister living in Chicago, the wife of W. E. Hale, an elevator manufacturer. Hamphill, his roommate, arrived to-night, and arrangements have been made to send the body to his friends in Chicago. He was about 24 years old, well dressed, comparatively handsome, and somewhat dandyfied in appearance. An inquest was held over the remains and a verdict returned of suicide substantially as above set forth.

LABOR AND CAPITAL.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 27.—The Typographical Union of this city have passed resolutions condemning the course of the *Republican* toward their Union, and at a meeting of the Trades Union held to-night succeeded in exciting the sympathies of other Unions, which have all passed resolutions agreeing not to patronize the *Republican and News*, or any person known to do so. *The work of "boycotting" the newspaper* has commenced already.

IOWA MILLERS.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., July 27.—The Iowa Millers' Association held its regular semi-annual session in this city to-day. The attendance was *small, the late floods having prevented proper* notification being made throughout the State, and but little business of any importance was transacted. The Directors of the Millers' Patent-Right Defense Association and the Millowners' Mutual Fire-Insurance Company were also in the city. Those latter organizations spring from the parent association, of which J. J. Snouffer, of Cedar Rapids, is President, and J. H. Reed, of Boone, Secretary.

CROPS.

A Review of the State of the Crops in Twenty-one Counties of Iowa.

Some Reports Very Good, Some Bad, and Some Thoroughly Discouraging.

Dispatches from a Hundred Counties Around Kansas City—Reports from Illinois.

IOWA.

GRUNDY COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

GRUNDY CENTRE, July 27.—Crops throughout this county are not so good as last year. Wheat has been considerably damaged by bugs, and recent rains have injured corn on low ground. The outlook for crops of all kinds is about fair. Harvesting has already commenced, and considerable will be done this week.

SAC COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SAC CITY, July 27.—Small grain of all kinds will not yield over 75 per cent as much as last year, and there is also less acreage. There is a large excess in acreage of flax, and the crop is fine. Corn is about as forward as at the same time last year, though the acreage is some less. There are no bugs or cut-worms in this county so far as heard from. The storms have not done material damage here. The general outlook is not as good for crops as last year, though much will depend on prices, the farmers being hopeful that they will keep up. This will do much to retrieve the fortunes of a backward season. Harvesting will be in full operation this week.

DES MOINES COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BURLINGTON, July 27.—The wheat-crop will be about one-half; oats are somewhat injured by late rains, but yield as large as last year is expected, though cut-worms are reported in some sections. Corn is bad in spots, but as a rule promises as well as in 1880. Rye is light in acreage, but a good crop, better than last year by 25 per cent. Farmers are generally hopeful, *except as regards the vegetable-crop*, which has been poor. No serious damage is reported by late rains. The earlier anticipations of the farmers will hardly be realized. Rye is now being cut, and harvesting generally will commence this week.

MARSHALL COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MARSHALLTOWN, July 27.—As compared with last year the wheat-crop will be one-third less, and oats about one-fifth less. Corn, rye, flax, and hay fair, or about the same as last year. Some chinch-bugs in the western part of the county. The late storms did not seriously damage crops, but more particularly buildings and bridges on the bottom-lands. The general outlook is pretty good, and prospects are independent as regards crops. Wheat-harvest is half done.

CEDAR COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

TIPTON, July 27.—Grub-worms are working some in corn, and the army-worm has in a few places heard from entirely destroyed whole fields of oats. This, however, is not general. Farmers are looking with lively interest at the advance of the deadly corn. Crops as a rule are about an average, though corn is less by about one-third. Low lands have been too wet. Hay is much heavier than usual. Harvesting commenced in earnest this week.

CLINTON COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

CLINTON, July 27.—*Crops are looking as good* as or better than last year, and farmers are in good spirits. The storms of little damage in this county, and there are no chinch or other crop-destroyers at work. Oat-harvest now in progress.

BLACKHAWK COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WATERLOO, July 27.—Crops look fair. Corn as good as last year on an average, although some fields are very poor, especially on low land. Chinch-bugs at work here. Some fields of wheat have been killed by rust, and farmers are going to burn the crop on the ground. Harvesting has commenced. Oats are generally short. Rye is good. Hay fair. Wheat crop about two-thirds the usual yield, and small acreage compared with last year. The dairy business is paying the best now.

DUBUQUE COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DUBUQUE, July 27.—Wheat has been considerably damaged by chinch-bugs and half the crop will not be cut at all. Corn is not as good as was expected earlier in the season. Oats and hay promise well. Other crops generally poor. Harvesting has already commenced. Farmers not very confident in regard to the year's crop.

BUCHANAN COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

HAZLETON, July 27.—Early-planted corn is splendid; late corn not so good,—more advanced, however, than at this time last year. Wheat, with few exceptions, is a failure. The average sown was very small. Chinch-bugs are at work some. Oats are as short as last year, but fair. They are half harvested. Flax good, but not as heavy a stand as last year. Hay uneven, —some very heavy, and some old meadows light. General outlook fair.

GREAT DAMAGE.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DUBUQUE, Ia., July 27.—Great damage is reported to crops in Howard, Winnieshiek, and Fayette Counties, Iowa, and Fillmore County, Minnesota. Howard County has suffered most, wheat being almost totally destroyed by the army-worm and chinch-bugs. Late oats, corn, and flax are also suffering severely.

FAYETTE COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WEST UNION, July 27.—All kinds of small grain except wheat are as good as or better than last year. Wheat very light, and in some localities what there is will not be harvested. Chinch-bugs bad in places. A worm resembling the army-worm has made its appearance, and is very destructive in some localities. It is not reported very numerous in the county as yet. Harvesting well under way. Grass very heavy, and farmers well along with haying. Late storms did no damage in this county to speak of. Corn is splendid. It was never better in the Wabash or Scioto Valley.

STORY COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEVADA, July 27.—*Crops in this county are* about 25 per cent below the average acreage of last year, but farmers are hopeful. There are no crop-destroyers at work of any kind. The recent storms were not as bad on crops as first believed. Damage was mostly done to crops on low ground. Farmers are in the midst of harvest, and look for an average yield per acre.

JASPER COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEWTON, July 27.—Crops this year below the average in acreage and yield. Wheat very light. *Oats fair. Corn has a light stand generally, and* on the bottom-lands is totally ruined by high water. Army-worm is working in many places, and oats are being cut green to save them. Hay light. General prospects rather gloomy.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DENISON, July 27.—Taking crops as a whole they are as good as last year, with the outlook encouraging. Oats much better than last season; corn as good; hay twice as good; wheat not as good. Storms of last part of June did considerable damage.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

FAIRFIELD, July 27.—Harvesting has commenced. Rye is an average crop. Wheat not worth cutting. Oats better than last year. Corn half a crop. Hay plenty, but quality rather inferior. Army-worm and chinch-bug have appeared in some localities, but are too late to do any damage to small grain.

POLK COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DES MOINES, July 27.—Crops not nearly so good as last year; about 50 per cent. Farmers rather despondent. Army-worm is at work in some localities. Harvesting in progress. Outlook not encouraging.

HARDIN COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ELDORA, July 27.—Acreage and quality of wheat 20 per cent lower than last years Oats, 10 per cent less acreage, and 10 per cent greater yield. Corn two weeks late; 10 per cent decrease in acreage; promise of an average yield. Flax, 50 to 75 per cent more sown than in 1880. Some fields ready to cut; others sown this month. Hay less and poorer than in 1880. Chinch-bugs at work in fields of wheat. Other crops in good condition. With good corn-crop and good price for hogs and cattle, the outlook is gratifying. Harvesting in progress, and weather fine.

WOODBURY COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., July 27.—None of the crops are as good in this county as they were last year, except oats and hay. Cut-worms appeared in the spring, but have done no damage to speak of. This is not a grain county, farmers generally raising stock. Hay and corn are, of course, also given much attention. Hay-crop promises well. Corn-crop looks good, as it was nearly all late, and considerable of the seed was poor. It has been too wet on bottom-lands for corn. General outlook fair, but not good. Harvesting will commence this week.

UNION COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

AFTON, Ia., July 27.—Crops about half the average. Chinch-bugs very destructive. Wheat a total failure. Corn and oats about two-fifths an average. *Rye and flax fair. Potatoes nearly a* failure. Grass good. Apple-crop very light. Harvesting more than half done. Weather dry and hot, and corn needs rain badly.

BUENA VISTA COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

STORM LAKE, July 27.—Wheat-crop very poor, about half as much as last year. Oats fair. Flax, very large acreage, and looks fine. No severe damage to crops by late storms. No bugs or worms. Farmers quite hopeful. Harvesting commenced this week.

CHEROKEE COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

CHEROKEE, July 27.—Crops good, and everybody happy. No damage by bugs, worms, or storms to crops. General outlook exceedingly gratifying. Harvesting is now under way.

JONES COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ANAMOSA, July 27.—Crops compare well with last year, except corn, which is not as good. Very few chinch-bugs. Prospects good. Harvesting in progress.

PALO ALTO COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

EMMETSBURG, July 27.—Crops in general are about the same as last year. Hay-crop immense. Recent storms did considerable damage in some localities. There has been too much rain of late, though it does no serious damage. Harvesting has already commenced, and farmers are generally well pleased and hopeful.

HOWARD COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

CRESCO, July 27.—Wheat better than last year though much less acreage. Chinch-bugs and army-worms have done much damage in some parts of the county. Early-sown oats are very good; late oats are very poor. Corn never looked better at this time of year. Flax fair, but damaged some by blight and worm. Hay-crop large, but quality poor on account of wet weather while curing it. All grain ripening very rapidly. Some early grain already cut, but harvesting proper will commence this week.

OTHER STATES.

ILLINOIS.

Special Correspondence of The Chicago Tribune.

SOUTH ELGIN, Ill., July 26.—Last week was hardly half a week for haying,—too much wet weather. It rained nearly every day some, and it was up-hill business making hay between showers. The weather does not seem to be settled yet. There are signs still for more rain. It is some cooler, though. Some of the farmers will begin harvesting about the middle of this week. The most of them, however, will not begin before next Monday. Oats are ripening *up fast, and at present give evidence for a good* yield. Some pieces are quite badly blown down, which will make it somewhat difficult to gather *all of them. On account of so much rain the* farmers are unusually rushed with work, and will find it difficult to gather in all their crops in proper season. Help is rather scarce, and wages high. Could be made of the sunshine when there is any. Potatoes are growing nicely and look well, but it is feared that so much wet weather will rot them.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ELGIN, Ill., July 27.—The farmers of this vicinity are hurrying in their crops in advance of the approach of the army-worm. No damage of moment has yet been done in Kane County, but some little is reported in the southern part. The sweet-corn harvest, always a large one here, promises well.

CANADA.

A PROSPECTIVE FORTUNE.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

TORONTO, July 27.—A Mr. Stoutenburg, of Victoria Cross, Markham Township, about twelve miles from Toronto, believes that he is entitled to a fortune which runs all the way from thirty to a hundred millions. He is the eldest living great-grandson of Jacobus Stoutenburg, one of the "nine partners" who settled and owned New York State. In 1672 Jacobus signed a release of his estate for ninety-nine years to his nine children, and, as that time has passed, and as the estates were not confiscated at the time of the Revolution, it is now claimed that they now revert to the eldest male lineal descendant. It is the opinion of good legal authority that the estate will be recovered.

ENGLISH CRICKETERS.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

TORONTO, July 27.—Information has been received here to the effect that the English Cricket Team will sail for Australia about the middle of September. They may play a two-days' match in New York, a one-day's match in Chicago, Detroit, St. Louis, or San Francisco. They will play at 3, and 4 at Philadelphia. The team will not touch Canada, because the ticket is not sufficiently well-supported here. The team is captained by Young James Lillywhite.

THE REV. MR. WHITCHER.

He Has Determined to Sever His Connection with the Ministry.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 27.—The Rev. William F. Whitcher, of the Mathewson Street Methodist Church, who was detected in the purloining of old and rare books from Brown University, the Athenæum, and the Rhode Island Historical Society a few days ago, has been hauled over the coals. He was persuaded to come from Martha's Vineyard to-day, where he preached Sunday, and to-night met his parishioners in a private church meeting, to which all newspaper men were denied admittance. He refused to be interviewed after the meeting, but sanctioned the publication of the following card, which will appear in all the morning papers:

"The Rev. W. F. Whitcher called together his official board last evening and made a statement of the unfortunate matters which have occurred during the past few days. He confessed himself guilty of grievous sin in the matter, expressing the deepest contrition therefor, and announced his determination to take immediately the necessary formal steps to sever his connection with the church and ministry."

Whitcher will leave the city to-morrow. He is connected with the theft of probate papers of the date 1690, signed by Roger Williams and other members of the Colonial Town Council. They were pilfered from the city's archives.

SAN FRANCISCO MINT.

Investigating Its Management.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—In the Mint investigation to-day Alex Martin, melter and refiner, was on the stand. He testified that Northern Belle bullion was sometimes fit for coining and sometimes otherwise. The coiner had frequently complained of it. When found unfit it was returned. If proper deductions had been made the great losses of 1880 would have been avoided. The question of admitting evidence regarding the previous administration of the Mint was argued at length, and decided in the affirmative. The counsel for Dodge claimed it would disprove the loading charge of Page that Dodge had received low-grade bullion from the Anglo-California Bank without making proper deductions by arrangements with the President of that bank. The witness, in continuation, said that Northern Belle and similar low-grade bullion had been received during the previous administration, and that he had received no special instructions from Dodge relative to Northern Belle bullion. He knew of nothing leading him to believe that favoritism had been shown the Anglo-California Bank. On cross-examination, the witness testified that there was nothing secret in the fact of losses sustained on low-grade bullion. The losses of 1880 were about two-thirds of the legal allowance for wastage. The earnings of the refinery department for that year more than covered the losses.

MICHIGAN SPIRITUALISTS.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., July 27.—The State Association of Liberalists and Spiritualists have completed arrangements for their annual camp-meeting, which will be held at Goguac Lake, near the city, from Aug. 12 to Aug. 22. The grounds are now being fenced and the necessary buildings erected. There is every needed convenience at this lake to make this a successful meeting. There are two pleasure steamers, three sail-boats, and an endless quantity of row-boats at the lake; also two good hotels, and numerous small cottages on the shore. With all the extensive arrangements it will doubtless, *be a big success.*

ARRIVALS AT HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., July 27.—C. Baugh, J. J. McNally, New York; W. W. Dye, Indianapolis; William J. Pond, J. R. Scott, St. Louis; William Ward, Columbus, O.; William Bishop and wife, Clinton, Ill.; William Hall, Louisville; Miss Maggie Fern, Vicksburg, Ill.; the Hon. John McClure, Arkansas; Dr. Brown, Monterey, Mo.; the Hon. J. M. Rabb, Clarksville, Tenn.; Mrs. Stearn, Cincinnati, are among the late prominent arrivals here.

INDIANS ON THE WAR-PATH.

SANTA FE, July 27.—A Pass del Norte Modico special says: "A messenger who left Santaricia Saturday evening arrived here this morning, and reports that Indians had surrounded a ranch at which there are two men and some women and children, and trouble is feared. A detachment of soldiers left here this morning for the ranch, and a volunteer party will follow later to-day."

Origin of the Name Canada.

We will wager something that you (meaning the reader) cannot tell the meaning of the word Canada, or from what it is derived. If you give up, here it is. John Leeds Bozman, in his history of Maryland, says that when the Spaniards first landed on the Canadian coast they looked around for awhile, and finding no indications of gold or silver, cried out, "Aca nada," meaning "There is nothing here." The Indians, hearing this phrase so much, employed it to designate the Spaniards after they went home. When the French arrived, being white, the Indians took them for the same kind of people, and cried out, "Aca nada, Aca nada." The French supposed this to be the name of the country, and, dropping the a, called it Canada. Mr. Bozman says there is the best authority for believing this to be the true derivation of the name.

WASHINGTON.

Commissioner Dudley Studying a Plan of Pension Organization.

Reforms Which He Hopes to Institute, and Crookednesses Which Need Rectification.

Barrels of Money Awaiting Conkling—The Secretary of the Senate Very Ill.

THE PENSION-OFFICE.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 27.—The published statement that Commissioner Dudley has decided upon a plan of reorganization of the Pension Bureau is premature. He is diligently studying the situation and seeking counsel from those qualified to give it, with a view to making improvements, and is entertaining plans for improvement in various directions, but will not venture to make sweeping changes until fully convinced that improvements are practicable, and the details are canvassed in all their bearings. For the internal work of his office he proposes, in general terms, to make those Examiners who are qualified by experience, education, or natural ability to sift evidence and ascertain its legal value for the adjustment of claims heads of divisions, giving them subordinates enough to perform the routine work required in the cases submitted to them. Under the present system he finds that cases in which the evidence is insufficient, being taken up in their turn with others, are placed back in the list of unsettled cases at which the necessary additional evidence has been asked for. Often when these cases are reached again they do not go to the same Examiner who had charge of them at first, and the result is that the same evidence is occasionally demanded a second time. He believes an improvement can be made in this respect, and is giving the subject such attention as he can. In both these matters, when a plan of improvement is finally decided upon its adoption must necessarily be a work of some time. Perhaps the most important of the Commissioner's plans is that in regard to the extension of the work of investigation at the home of claimants by special agents of the Department, and for this work he is fortunately relieved from one serious embarrassment under which his predecessor labored during the greater portion of his