The Topeka State Journal.

LAST EDITION. WEDNESDAY EVENING. TOPEKA, KANSAS, APRIL 24, 1901. WEDNESDAY EVENING. TWO CENTS.

A BIG HAUL.

Over Two Thousand Filipino Insurgents Surrender

And Swear Allegiance to the United States.

AMERICANS ARE ACTIVE

Pushing the Work of Pacification at All Points.

Important Witnesses in Commissary Cases Have Left.

Manila, April 24.—One hundred and fifteen officers and 2,157 Bolo men have surrendered and sworn allegiance to the United States at Narvacan, province of South Ilocos.

The Americans are active throughout the archipelago accelerating surrenders.

The commissary investigation is progressing. Several important witnesses in the Reed case have left Manila. Barry Baldwin, Thomas Harris, Fred Macondry, H. Schindler and 65 merchants who are supposed to possess information concerning money paid to commissary officers, are detained as witnesses under $2,500 bail. Other arrests will be made. The trial of Captain James Reed, formerly depot commissary at Manila, who, as announced April 15, was arrested on the charge of participating in the commissary frauds, has been temporarily postponed.

Major Noble, adjutant general of the department of the Visayas, has received the surrender of Quentin Salas and three of his officers. All the insurgents under Salas will surrender soon. It is claimed that this will terminate the insurrection in the island of Panay.

It is estimated that there are 25,000 lepers in the Philippines and it is now planned to isolate all of them on one island. Jos. Maus, the medical inspector, Captain Ahern of the Ninth infantry and Captain Horton, comprising a board of officers appointed to select a suitable island for the purpose, have visited Busanga, Cullion, Cogayan, Dejolo and other islands and have made a report, but it has not yet been acted upon.

DEATH BY FREEZING.

Reports Coming in From Nome Blizzard and Its Awful Work.

Seattle, Wash., April 24.—Partial confirmation of the terrible rumors of death by freezing have been received in special correspondence of the Times today.

The Nome Gold Digger of January 30 gives full accounts of the terrible blizzard and its awful work of death. It says:

Dr. Pelton, one of our best known and most esteemed young pioneers of Alaska, was frozen on the trail on the night of the terrible blizzard of the 1st instant, near Solomon.

Dr. Pelton's people reside in Oakland, Cal., from which place he came to Alaska. He was 32 years of age.

A message received from Spruce creek, dated January 22, says Dr. Pelton's body was found on the trail between Spruce creek and Solomon. The body was brought to Nome.

Dan Anderson left Dexter for Nome about four weeks ago and has not been heard of since. It is feared that he perished in the New Year's blizzard.

News of another tragedy of the great blizzard was brought into town by United States Marshal McLean. It is the untimely end of Dr. W. F. Baum, who perished while carrying medical assistance to a sick miner.

Dr. Baum left Nome on January 21 last. He was a native of Mobile, Ala., and saw service in the Cuban war.

This afternoon United States Marshal McLean brought into town the remains of a man from Solomon. Later the body was identified as that of Alexander Stow.

A story that rivals the horrors of the Black Hole of Calcutta was told at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday night. A story of sixteen men and a woman huddled together in a maimed and mutilated condition from frostbite, in a cabin on Pilgrim river, unable to lie down because of the crush and with the added horror of starvation facing them.

This harrowing tale touched the sympathies of every one present. Generous individuals and companies donated money and food. An appeal to the military was resolved upon, and within two hours an emergency supply of food was flying over the trail by moonlight, drawn by swift dogs. The next day, however, a number of the victims arrived in town and told their story. Some of them were badly frostbitten and had endured severe hardships.

Dr. Baum was frozen to death on Saturday, January 19.

Two unknown men were found dead near Mary's Igloo.

SUBDUED THE EMIRS.

Successful Campaign Against African Slave Raiders.

London, April 24.—Brigadier General Sir Frederick Lodgard, high commissioner and commander in chief of Northern Nigera, and Col. G. V. Kemball, with a force of West Africa frontier troops, have completed a successful campaign against the powerful slave raiding Emirs of Bida and Kontagora in northern Nigera. The British defeated the Emir of Kontagora after heavy fighting, 5,000 natives frequently charging the British square. The British captured the capitals of both Bida and Kontagora and released thousands of slaves. The emirs have been the terror of the country for years, killing thousands of natives during the past year. They are now entirely powerless, and this was brought about without the assistance of white troops.

Was a Classmate of Longfellow.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 24.—Rev. J. C. Fletcher died at his home in this city today at the age of 78 years, of paralysis. Dr. Fletcher was at one time charge d'affairs of this government at Rio de Janeiro, and has held other important diplomatic positions in Italy and Portugal. He was a classmate of Longfellow and a friend of Whittier, Lowell, Gladstone and other famous men. His daughter, who lives at London, is the author of "Kismet" and "Andromeda," and besides her he leaves a widow and a son, the latter a retired United States army officer, now residing at Hampton, Va.

Weather Indications.

Chicago, April 24.—Forecast for Kansas: Generally fair tonight and Thursday; variable winds.

DEWEY'S PRIZE MONEY.

Suit For Half of Proceeds Captured at Manila Reaches Trial.

Washington, April 24.—The suit instituted by Admiral Dewey and other officers for prize money for the capture of vessels and naval stores at Manila has come up in the court of admiralty. The action is for the condemnation in prize of the captured vessels, viz.: Don Juan de Austria, Isla de Cuba, Isla de Luzon, Manila, Rapido, Callao and other property afloat, the naval stores in the Cavite naval station and the captured cascoes. The United States has admitted in general the allegations of this libel but called for proof of the details. The answer of the government is a general denial that the claimed property, with certain exceptions, is properly subject to condemnation as prize. In the hearing begun today counsel for Admiral Dewey and his associate claimants contended that the court should decree to the captors one half of the net proceeds of the property claimed. Charles C. Binney, special attorney for the government, opposed this claim.

Following the hearing in this case, the similar case instituted by Admiral Sampson for himself and officers and enlisted men of the North Atlantic station for prizes taken in the Santiago fight will be heard.

HEAVILY IRONED.

"Black Jack" Ketchum Is Making the Journey to His Death.

Trinidad, Col., April 24.—"Black Jack" Ketchum, the famous outlaw, who was at the head of the band of train robbers that held up a train at Folsom, N. M., August 16, 1899, passed through Trinidad this morning in charge of Salome Garcia, sheriff of Union county, New Mexico, accompanied by Special Agent Reno of the Colorado & Southern and a strong force of deputies.

The sheriff and party came in on a delayed Santa Fe train and were transferred to a special on the Colorado & Southern railway on which they continued their journey to Clayton, N. M., where "Black Jack" is to be hanged on Friday next.

The prisoner was closely watched, as it is feared that friends of the outlaw will attempt his rescue. He was manacled with a heavy steel belt around the waist, and his left arm, the only one he has was secured to this belt by handcuffs. His legs were pinioned together with handcuffs. He was confined in a steel lined mail car with iron grated windows.

The crime for which "Black Jack" is to be hanged was the train robbery at Folsom, N. M., on the Colorado & Southern railroad. He was tried in September last and on conviction was given the extreme penalty, the death sentence.

Shots were exchanged between the bandits and trainmen at Folsom and the conductor and mail agent were wounded, but nobody was killed. "Black Jack" was wounded in the right shoulder in this fight and lost his arm in consequence.

FOR PURSE OF $12,000

Cresceus and The Abbot to Race at Brighton Beach.

New York, April 24.—Secretary C. A. McCulley of the New York Trotting association has just returned from Toledo after securing the signature of Geo. H. Ketchum, the owner of the trotting horse Cresceus to an agreement for a match between The Abbot and Cresceus to take place at Brighton Beach during the week beginning August 12. The agreement also bears the signatures of W. L. Marks acting for John J. Scannell and Wm. A. Engemann for the New York Trotting association. The conditions of the race are best three out of five, mile heats, for a purse of $12,000, the winner to receive $7,000 and the remainder of the purse to go to the loser. The owners have agreed to bring their horses to the post in good condition and have also agreed that the horses shall not be raced against each other in a match or special contest prior to the filling of their Brighton Beach engagement under the auspices of the New York Trotting association, the date of which probably will be Thursday, August 15.

In consideration of Mr. Ketchum's withdrawing the entry of Cresceus in the $10,000 free-for-all trot, which next to the match race is the principal feature on the programme the New York Trotting association has guaranteed him $5,000 in any event for the appearance of Cresceus at the Brighton Beach track.

RAIN PREVENTS BALL.

Opening of American League Season Postponed at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, April 24.—The beginning of clashes of date in this city between the American League and the National League Baseball clubs, which was scheduled for this afternoon will be postponed for at least one day. A heavy rain fell all night and is still coming down at noon, rendering necessary the postponement of the opening game between the Philadelphia and Washington American League teams and the contest between the National League representatives in this city and the Boston club.

Launching of Constitution.

New York, April 24.—It is announced that the launching of the yacht Constitution will take place either on May 6 or during the week beginning on that date and that the launching will not be private but open, and a day of celebration at the Herreshoff works, where the boat was built. This statement was made by W. Butler Duncan, Jr., manager of the Constitution for the syndicate having the yacht. Some of the Constitution's crew have boarded the yacht's tender, Mount Morris, which will leave South Brooklyn this morning bound for Bristol.

O'Connor Wanted For Newark.

Rome, April 24.—The propaganda has decided to propose to the Pope that he appoint the Very Rev. John J. O'Connor vicar general and at present administrator of the diocese, Bishop of Newark. The report is confirmed that Father O'Connell, president of the American college in Rome, has been selected as the Bishop of Portland, Maine. His official nomination will be made known through a papal brief.

Temperatures of Large Cities.

Chicago, April 24.—7 a. m. temperatures: New York, 48; Washington, 48; Chicago, 46; Minneapolis, 50; Cincinnati, 38; St. Louis, 52.

GEO. GOULD'S GREAT SCHEME

Missouri Pacific to Have Two Routes to the Coast.

One Over the U. P. and One Over Southern Pacific.

EL PASO TO SANTA FE.

Line Will Be Built Paralleling the Atchison Road.

Has Got Control of the Mexican Central.

New York, April 24.—The Herald says: Plans for the development of the Missouri Pacific system, which George J. Gould has had under his immediate charge, have received the unanimous indorsement of the directors. It is now the indication that not only will this system have the outlet to the Pacific coast over the Union Pacific lines which will be furnished by its control of the Rio Grande Western, but it will have a southerly outlet to the coast over the Southern Pacific lines.

Mr. Russell Sage announced last night that the project of building a line from El Paso, Texas, which is reached by the Texas and Pacific and also, incidentally, by the Mexican Central to Santa Fe, N. M., would be carried through. This means not only a paralleling of the Atchison's line between these two cities, but an opportunity to connect with the Mexican Central and carry its traffic straight up over the Union Pacific by the way of the Oregon Short Line to Portland, Oregon.

The control of the Mexican Central, it has recently been stated, has passed into the hands of interests representing a railroad with connection at El Paso, Atchison and Southern Pacific interests and those of the Rock Island, which was said to contemplate an extension to El Paso, have all denied that they are the purchasers. The belief is growing that interests identified with Mr. Gould and his associates have bought the Mexican Central control on behalf of the Missouri Pacific.

El Paso, as the western terminus of the Texas and Pacific, is an admirable point for connection of the Missouri Pacific system with the Southern Pacific, whose lines run thence to San Francisco through the rich lands of Southern California. Such a connection will be, it is held, a logical outcome of the present situation and will furnish the southern outlet to the Pacific coast.

Mr. Sage spoke confidently of the future of the Missouri Pacific. A report from Denver to the effect that the attorney general of the state of Colorado threatened to bring suit to prevent the consolidation of the Denver & Rio Grande, which Mr. Gould and associates had control in the interest of Missouri Pacific; the Rio Grande Western, Colorado Midland and Colorado & Southern was called to his attention.

"I do not know of any likelihood that the state of Colorado will attempt to interfere in our plans," said Mr. Sage. "I can not see why it should be disposed to do so, or what would be the justice of it, unless the state had a prior lien on one of the roads and its interests involved in that way might be hurt. But it has not any such lien.

"The project on foot will be of benefit to all the roads concerned. They will be fairly treated and the public will not be injured. There won't be much danger of state interference, I think."

"Will the plan for the development of a greater Missouri Pacific mean the leasing to the road of the Denver & Rio Grande, or Rio Grande Western, Colorado Midland or Colorado & Southern?" was asked.

"It will be a consolidation," said Mr. Sage positively. "The directors have met and voted unanimously in favor of Mr. Gould's plans. The Missouri Pacific will control the roads embraced in the scheme by stock ownership, the situation being similar to that of the New York Central in its control of the Michigan Central and the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern."

"Does the Missouri Pacific expect to get an outlet to the coast?"

"Certainly, certainly," replied Mr. Sage. "We shall have an outlet which will enable us to compete with other roads running to and from the Pacific coast."

The question was asked whether the road would acquire new interests which would give this outlet or make arrangement with one of the railroads now running to the coast and with which its system does or will connect.

"Oh, we shall make a traffic arrangement of some sort, giving our traffic to the road with which we agree and taking its own," answered Mr. Sage. "No, I can not tell you whether that road would be the Atchison or what it would be."

"Is it certain that the reported project of building a line between El Paso, Tex., the western terminus of the Texas & Pacific, and the Santa Fe, which the Denver & Rio Grande reaches, will be carried through?" was asked.

"That will be done without doubt, I think," said Mr. Sage. "I can not discuss the question whether a new corporation will be formed for the purpose. Mr. Gould is in charge of the details and will report back to the board of directors. I can say that the carrying out of all our plans will undoubtedly put the system in a very strong position."

Noted Scout Dead.

Baker City, Ore., April 24.—W. W. Tripp, an old resident of this city, is dead here from neuralgia of the heart. He was a noted Indian scout and was at the Little Big Horn when Custer and his troops were slain in 1876, taking an active part in that memorable campaign. Some time previous to the Custer massacre he headed the scouting party that rescued Mrs. Morgan and Miss White from the Sioux and Cheyennes.

She Died on the Train.

Altoona, Pa., April 24.—Mrs. Margaret McDonald, of Elizabeth, N. J., on her way to San Francisco, to visit her son, who is in business there, died on the St. Louis express last night soon after the train left Harrisburg. Her body was brought on to this city.

To Keep Out of Iron Pool.

Bath, Me., April 24.—The officials of the Bath Iron works emphatically deny the report which has reached here from New York that they have pooled their interests with half a dozen well known ship builders.

CAN NOT BE CHANGED.

President McKinley Will Be in Topeka Two Hours Only.

Congressman Charles Curtis, who went to Washington to endeavor to secure a change in the plans of the itinerary of the presidential party with referance to the Topeka stop, in a message to John E. Frost, chairman of the reception committee, said that he was unable to arrange for the change.

This leaves the matter as it was originally planned, giving two hours for the president to spend in Topeka. The reception idea will in all probability be given up by the committee and a carriage ride about the city be made the feature of his entertainment here.

The following will be in the president's party:

The President.
Mrs. McKinley, maid, man servant, steward.
Miss Mary Barber.
Mr. Henry T. Scott.
Mr. Laurance I. Scott.
Mr. Charles A. Moore.
Mrs. Moore.
Secretary Hay.
Mrs. Hay.
Postmaster General Smith.
Mrs. Smith.
Secretary Long.
Mrs. Long.
Secretary Hitchcock.
Miss Hitchock.
Secretary Wilson.
Miss Wilson.
Secretary Cortelyou.
Mrs. Cortelyou.
Dr. Rixey.
Mrs. Rixey.
Assistant Secretary Barnes.
Mr. M. A. Dignam.
Three stenographers, three messengers.
Representatives Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies.
Representatives Associated Press.
New York Sun association.
Scripps-McRae association.
Harper's Weekly.
Leslie's Weekly.
Collier's Weekly.
Washington Star.
Washington Post.
Washington Times.
Mr. J. K. Kruttschnitt, fourth vice president Southern Pacific company.
And probably three or four others.

AN OCEAN PORT.

Chicago Vessel Sails With Cargo Direct For Europe.

Chicago, April 24.—Bound for Europe with a cargo of implements, packing house products and miscellaneous manufactures, the steamer Northwestern drew out of the Chicago river today and headed for the Atlantic. Thus Chicago becomes an ocean port. While several vessels have come direct from Europe to this city, none has made a successful trip from this port across the Atlantic, though efforts to do so have been made. In each instance, however, disaster has overtaken the enterprise. There was a large crowd to see the Northwestern start, and as a good omen the weather was beautiful.

The master of the Northwestern is Captain Atkinson. When he departed his craft drew 21 feet. At Buffalo a large quantity of wheat will be discharged, lightening the vessel to 13 feet to permit passage through the Welland and other Canadian canals and the shallows of the St. Lawrence river. At Montreal the Northwestern will load down again with grain and proceed on her voyage.

The company which has made this innovation in transatlantic trade is the Northwestern Steamship company, organized with Chicago and New York capital. Elliott Norton of New York is president. The company built four boats, the largest that can pass the Welland canal, at a cost of $1,000,000 and within a month they will be on the way across the ocean. The boats are the Northwestern, Northman, Northeastern and Northtown.

The Northwestern is 256 feet long, has a 42-foot beam and draws 26½ feet. She was launched last December.

BACK TO HER CELL.

Mrs. Nation Fails to Give Bond and Is Returned to Jail.

Wichita, April 24.—Mrs. Carrie Nation, Mrs. Lucy Wilhite, Mrs. Julia Evans and Mrs. Lydia Muntz appeared before Judge R. M. Dale this morning in the district court and failed to give bond. They occupy one cell in common in the county jail and will remain there until a bond for $500 each is approved, or until the trial at the May term of court. Mrs. Nation failed to secure local bondsmen and the other three refused to seek bonds, saying that as they accompanied Mrs. Nation on her smashing tour they will not desert her now. When the judge committed her she said: "God bless you, and bring you to repentance."

THREW THE SWITCH.

Robbers Attempt to Wreck Passenger Train in Texas.

San Antonio, Tex., April 24—The south bound International & Great Northern passenger train was wrecked this morning at Davenport, 16 miles north of here, supposedly by robbers who threw the switch. A posse with blood hounds is scouring the country to apprehend the miscreants.

Engineer Pat Monahan was mortally injured and Fireman F. W. Hicks killed. They were both of San Antonio. Attorney C. A. Goeth of San Antonio, Ed Kylick and Abe Stanley, railway mail clerks of San Antonio, and Miss M. A. Horan of Killen, Tex., were bruised and cut.

Ball Grounds Too Damp.

New York, April 24.—The baseball game between New York and Brooklyn today has been postponed on account of wet grounds. The game between these club scheduled to be played at Brooklyn will be played at the New York grounds if conditions permit.

Earthquake in Guernsey.

London, April 24.—Earthquake shocks were felt this afternoon in the island of Guernsey.

CLIMAX REACHED.

Predictions of the Weather Bureau Are Fulfilled.

Cincinnati Hemmed in by Water on Three Sides.

IS ELEVEN FEET DEEP

In the Tenement Houses Along "Sausage Row."

Outlook Is Favorable For the Lower Ohio Valley.

Cincinnati, April 24.—The climax in the flood was reached here today, as had been predicted by the weather bureau. The river rose more slowly during the night than had been predicted, the rate averaging only an inch per hour all night, but a stage of 56 feet was reached before 6 o'clock this morning. This is six feet above the danger line for business sections and 11 feet above the line where the water enters the tenement houses known as "Sausage Row" and "Rat Row," along the river front. The city is surrounded by backwater on the east and west, as well as along the south side, but it is estimated now that the stage is 58 feet will not be reached here and that the highest point will come today and relief soon will follow.

The conditions on the Kentucky side have not changed and no damage there, as well as on the other side, is anticipated except in the suspension of work at some mills and factories and the great inconvenience to some of the business interests. Of course the relief that is in sight here clears everything for 480 miles up to Pittsburg, and the river men say that the lower Ohio valley will not suffer so much as the tributaries below here are not as high as those in the upper valley.

The river at 7 o'clock stood at 56.4 feet; at 8 it had risen to 56.6 and at 9 to 56.7. The weather is clear and warmer.

Advices from up the river show the water falling above Parkersburg and nearly stationary from there to Point Pleasant. Parkersburg was reported at 7 a. m. 43.7, rising; light rain; Charleston, Kanawha river, 19.2, falling, rain; Point Pleasant 53 feet, rising, light rain; Huntington 56.8, rising, cloudy; Catlettsburg 58.3, rising, cloudy; Portsmouth 57.3, rising, fair.

A rise of three feet occurred at Catletsburg during the night from the Big Sandy river. The rise at Portsmouth is about one-tenth of a foot an hour. These advices indicate a rise here perhaps until tomorrow with a possible maximum of something more than 58 feet. Weather indications are favorable for no further rise up the river.

MILLS FORCED TO SUSPEND.

Youngstown, O., April 24.—The Mahoning river this morning is within two feet of the great flood of 1878, the highest ever reached in the Mahoning valley and is steadily rising. Steady rain is reported along the upper part of the valley. The suburb of Hazleton is inundated and several mills have been compelled to suspend operations.

SHENANGO OVERFLOWS.

Greenville, Pa., April 24.—As a result of the melting snow and heavy rains of the past twelve hours the Shenango river has overflowed its banks. Twenty-five houses on Race street are surrounded by from two to six feet of water.

Louisville, April 24.—The river here at 10 o'clock this morning was rising at a fraction over two inches an hour. The danger line is 28 feet at the upper canal gauge, which shows 26.8 feet and the local weather bureau forecaster believes this will be passed about noon tomorrow. Th water has reached the business houses at the foot of Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh streets and is several feet deep in many cellars. With the first warning of the weather bureau, owners of property likely to be flooded, moved their goods, and the damage resulting will be only from the buildings being water soaked.

MAHONING RIVER AT FLOOD.

Warren, O., April 24.—The Mahoning river is at flood tide here and rising two inches an hour. People are being taken out of their homes in boats. The furnaces of the U. S. Steel company's rolling mills have been invaded by the water and the plant is closed down.

LINCOLN'S REMAINS.

Removal to New Resting Place to Be Made Today.

Springfield, Ill., April 24.—The removal of the remains of Abraham Lincoln into the reconstructed Lincoln monument will take place this afternoon. For about a year the casket has reposed in a temporary vault on the monument grounds, and from this vault it will be transferred today. No ceremony will attend the removal, which will be conducted in the presence of Governor Yates, State Treasurer Williamson and Superintendent of Public Instruction Bayliss, commissioners of the monument. It has been decided to open the casket, as was done fourteen years ago.

FIRST WITNESS

In Eastman Trial Gives Damaging Testimony Against Defendant.

Cambridge, Mass., April 24.—Walter D. Titus, who claimed to have seen an encounter between Charles R. Eastman and his brother-in-law, Richard H. Grogan, jr., on July 4, 1900, the day on which Grogan was killed, and for the murder of whom Eastman is now on trial at East Cambridge, was the first witness called today. Titus said that while passing the rear of the Clark estate in Cambridge on July 4 he heard "frightful groans," followed by the words "Oh, don't; oh, don't." Looking over the fence witness saw two men struggling. At length one broke away, saying "Charles, you've murdered me." These words were repeated, and then the man threw up his hands and ran towards the house. The taller man, who was Eastman, followed slowly. He had an old-fashioned revolver in his hand.

Died at Hotel Del.

San Diego, Cal., April 24.—Artemus Lamb, the multi-millionaire, of Clinton, Ia., died today at the Hotel del Coronado of dropsy. While on his way here some three months ago, Mr. Lamb was injured in a railroad accident. His remains will be forwarded tomorrow to Clinton.

FIGHT RENEWED.

Austrian Reichsrath Adjourns in a Row as Usual.

Vienna, April 24.—The Pan-Germans and Christian socialists renewed their fight in the reichsrath this morning and the sitting had to be adjourned. Herr Bernerstoff (socialist) moved the abolition of the paragraph in the penal code providing punishment for criticism of members of the imperial family, asserting that the paragraph debarred a campaign against clericalism and was especially obnoxious because it prevented criticism of the recent act of Archduke Francis Ferdinand, the heir apparent, in accepting the patronage of the Austrian Catholic Schools association and in delivering an address which was interpreted as an attack on Protestantism.

The speaker's remarks occasioned such a wild uproar that the president suspended the session.

PEACE RUMORS.

Mrs. Botha in Correspondence With Lord Kitchener.

New York, April 24.—Once again peace rumors are in the air, says the Tribune's London correspondent. Mrs. Botha has been in correspondence with Lord Kitchener, and as a result it is believed that the British commander-in-chief has agreed to receive the three Boer generals, Botha, Delarey and Viljoen, within the next few days. While nothing is definitely known, it is perhaps not without significance that the news should reach London from Amsterdam that Kruger is afraid that Mrs. Botha's efforts will cause her husband to surrender.

CONVENTION CARRIES.

Result of Yesterday's Election in Alabama as Expected.

Montgomery, Ala., April 24.—The people of Alabama voted yesterday on the proposition to call a convention to assemble in this city May 21 to draft a new state constitution. An exceedingly light vote was polled throughout the state, but the returns indicate that perhaps five-sixth of the counties have voted in favor of a convention. The principal change which the convention has in view is in the suffrage, the courts, the terms of public offices and the abolishment of much local legislation. There has been apathy in every county during the campaign. The Democratic state committee made a brief campaign and speakers were sent out, but nowhere were the people greatly interested. There was no organization against the issue and there was a disinclination to go to the polls. Fifty-five delegates from the state at large were elected and 100 from the counties, each county being allowed as many delegates as it has members in the house of representatives. There will in no event be more than four or five Republicans or Populists in the convention.

It appears that the constitutional convention movement carried by 20,000 majority. In several counties where the negro vote predominated the negroes aligned themselves with the Populists and defeated the Democratic nominees for delegates. The city of Mobile went against the convention, but it is probable that the Democratic candidates have been elected.

HE GOT THE DIAMONDS

H. Ellsworth Lewis Fooled a Young Lady and a Jeweler.

The police are looking for H. Ellsworth Lewis, a "reformed gambler," and a reporter and proof reader on the Capital. Although he came to Topeka from Chicago and announced that he had been reformed by reading one of Rev. C. M. Sheldon's books, it seems that temptation was too strong for him and he has decamped after securing $150 worth of diamonds of F. W. Swearingen.

Lewis came to Topeka three weeks ago and ever since the event of his arrival here the fates and fortune have smiled upon him. He first went to the Y. M. C. A. and announced his intention of leading a reformed life. Shortly after he secured a position on the morning paper through the influence of the secretary of the Y. M. C. A.. He talked about attending three or four colleges and universities and about several months travel over the eastern continent. He also claimed that he had worked on the New York papers.

At about this time he was fortunate enough to be able to restore a bundle to Miss Pearl Leavitt of 818 Jackson street, which she had dropped on the street while shopping. Miss Leavitt is the granddaughter of Mr. S. L. Leavitt, one of Topeka's wealthy citizens.

Their chance meetings after that soon developed into a closer acquaintance and the young man was invited to call at the home of her grandfather with whom she is visiting. Miss Leavitt's home is in Wichita. Their courtship was brief and resulted in a proposal of marriage from the young man. He was accepted and the date of the marriage set for an early date.

Upon the strength of the talk that he was well connected and had a great deal of money that could not be used now for the reason that it was temporarily tied up he endeavored to borrow from his fiancee to start up in some business enterprise in Topeka.

Sunday morning Lewis was discharged from his position on the Capital. Of course the fact of his attending the various institutions of learning was never for a moment doubted and his inability to spell was of course attributed to a lack of proper study while in school.

Sunday afternoon last Lewis borrowed a livery fee from his roommate and took Miss Leavitt to drive. Monday morning he took her to Mr. Swearingen's jewelry store to select an engagement ring. They selected two rings, one a solitaire and the other an opal in a cluster of small diamonds, valued at $150. The jewelry was allowed to be taken home upon the condition that the young lady be responsible for it.

This, however, was the last to be seen or heard of young Lewis by the jeweler, and the police now have his description and are looking for him.

Miss Leavitt belongs to one of the most highly respected families in this city. Her grandfather, in speaking of the matter, said that he believed all along that the man was a scoundrel, and had done all he could to prevent his marriage with Miss Leavitt.

Thirteen Buildings Burned.

Plainview, Neb., April 24.—Fire which started at 12:30 this morning destroyed half the business section of the town and damaged several residences. The total loss is $35,000. There being no fire department, the citizens formed a bucket brigade. The absence of wind doubtless prevented the destruction of the entire town. Eleven business places and two residences were burned.

Alleged Embezzler Arrested.

Denver, Col., April 24.—A special to the Republican from Golden, Col., says Sheriff Barrick has arrested Charles F. Blend, who is charged with the embezzlement of $17,000 from employers in Evansville, Ind. In company with Blend the sheriff has left for Indiana.

STATE BUYS FISH.

They Will Be Distributed Throughout Kansas.

Distribution Will Be Made Late In Summer.

NEED GAME WARDENS

Seining and Fish Depredations Will Be Stopped.

Warden Wiley Intends to Be Especially Active.

State Fish Warden George W. Wiley of Meade, Kansas, was in Topeka last evening. In conversation with a reporter for the State Journal he said that he had made arrangements for the purchase of all the fish raised this year by Eugene Catta of Langdon, Kansas.

"They will be ready for distribution some time during the latter part of the summer," he said. "The government fish car will be in this state some time during the spring. I expect to be able to use the full amount of the appropriation made by the legislature for this department this year.

"This is a branch of work that has heretofore been sadly neglected. We should have several deputy wardens who will do their duty in every county in the state where fishing is good. Our rivers are being seined clean of fish by the farmers along the course of the rivers. It is my hope that these depredations may be stopped. At least a great effort will be made to regulate these matters in the future."

Mr. Wiley is very enthusiastic in the prospect of being able to furnish black bass, croppie, catfish and sunfish to all those who wish to stock ponds or rivers.

JOINT INJUNCTION CASES.

They May Be Tried at This Term After All.

The answers to the 19 injunction cases brought by Chief Stahl against jointists and the owners of buildings where joints have been located, have been filed in the district court.

When the demurrer to the cases was overruled the answer, being a general denial, was filed. The pleadings have not been made up, but the jointists seem to be willing to have the cases tried at this term of court, and they may be placed on the docket, although if the usual course is followed they would not come up for trial at this term of court.

NOT QUITE $2,000.

What the City Has Paid in Witness Fees.

City Clerk Squires in footing up the accounts of fees paid to witnesses for the city in the city court, the police court and the district court for the fiscal year ending March 31, this morning found the amount to be $1,757.65.

"This," he said, "is not a very large amount considering the amount of litigation which the city has been connected with during the past year."

NOT STOLEN AFTER ALL.

Misplaced Watch Caused Police Much Trouble.

A mystery has been cleared. The police have been searching high and low for a valuable watch supposed to have been stolen from Mrs. J. S. Glendenning at 1310 North Quincy street.

The watch is of an English make and the value was placed at $125. The watch had not been seen for about three weeks until it was found yesterday. It was supposed to have been stolen, but instead it had been put away in a very safe place—so safe that the owner forgot where it was and thought it stolen.

STILL IN DEEP TROUBLE.

County Commissioners Fail to Locate Two Bridges.

The county commissioners are having all kinds of trouble about the four Kansas river bridges.

Two were located and two have not been. The people can not seem to come to a unanimous choice for the locations of the two bridges as yet not located, and now there is talk that unless the commissioners locate them all that injunctions will be brought to prevent the erection of but two. It must be all or none.

MRS. SEYMOUR DAVIS' FACE

It Will Appear on New Ten Dollar Bills.

The new ten dollar bills will contain the portrait of Mrs. Clara Biddle-Davis, formerly of Emporia, Kan., says the Emporia Gazette. Mrs. Davis left Emporia about three years ago and was counted the handsomest girl in Emporia. She married Seymour Davis, the architect, and went east.

Her photograph was taken to send to the world's fair at Paris. The picture was a striking one. A well known engraver saw it and suggested it to the engraver of the government, and so hereafter when you get one of those new ten dollar bills, if you come from Emporia, it will make you doubly happy.

WEIGHED 300 AT DEATH.

Peter Peets, Pioneer and Largest Man in Jewell County, Passes Away.

Mankato, Kas., April 24.—Peter Peets, one of the earliest settlers of this county, died suddenly at the home of his daughter in this city Tuesday, heart failure being the cause of his death. Mr. Peets was the largest man in the county, weighing when spare in flesh over 300 pounds, and at the time of his death, although over 78 years of age, was more than a match for any two ordinary men, and delighted to show his strength in friendly contest.

He was extremely good natured and was esteemed by all. He leaves a widow and two children.

Rain or No Rain.

The weather men are still trying to ward off the storm which is forecasted by "Cider" Smith. It is the government weather man against Smith. The forecast sent out today is "generally fair tonight and Thursday." The maximum temperature today up to noon was 71 and the minimum 49. The wind has been southeast blowing 10 miles an hour.