The Kansas breeze that blew insurgency into Congress indulged in a gentle little swister at the Plaza last night, emanating from the resonant larynx of Henry J. Altan, editor of "The Wichita Beacon" and former law partner of Senator Bristow. Mr. Alien, who looks like a jovial edition William J. Bryan, is distinguished by that lack of front and abundance of back hair, just above the collar line, which is a characteristic, seemingly, of Western ed-

He had a sympathetic audience in the members of the Kansas Society of New York, who had gathered at their second gnnual dinner, and even Justice Brewer, of the United States Supreme Court, the guest of honor, smiled in acknowledgment of the presence of the Kansas idea. Justice Brewer once lived in Kansas once.

The two points which Mr. Allen wished impress upon his auditors were that Kensans had taught and could teach New York a thing or two, and that President Taft was not a favorite in the Sunflower

When farmers of Kansas," said Mr. Allen, before they got on their feet, asked the government for a land loan to tide them over their difficulties, a great shriek of laughter went up from New York and Philadelphia and other Eastern cities at the idea that the government should help the Kansas farmer financially. But when in 1907 Wall Street's financiers went to Weshington and got Secretary Cortelyou of the Treasury to lend them \$50,000,000 to tide them over their troubles, no one laughed. Wall Street borrowed this idea from Kansas. It only serves to show the changed viewpoint. We used to think that New York, or, rather, Wall Street, was the commercial nerve of the country, but we find now that Wall Street is merely a varicose vein, where the circulation of the country is clogged at intervals."

The speaker then took up a consideration of Ray Stannard Baker's article in the recent issue of a magazine in which the writer analyzed the insurgent movement. "Mr. Baker has given us Kansans credit." continued, "for having distinguished statesmen, but he finds hat we have no 'Abe' Lincoln in the present movement. We will show him that he is wrong as soon as our 'Abe' Lincoln gets lack from Africa. Kansas was for Theodee Roosevelt, and more particularly for Roosevelt policies, and when Taft was noninated it was for Taft because it expected him to carry out the Roosevelt policies, but Taft couldn't carry a township in lansas to-day. Glittering Presidential triins do not win in Kansas. We like polices rather than men. Kansas was for an bnest revision of the

Justice Brewer said

It is often said hat dwellers in the tains, as the Siss, have the strong-fection for the home land, an affec-hat goes with hem wherever they go, are no mountins or hills in Kansas, there are no mountins or fillis in Kansas, but a great, rich lain, sloping castward rom the Rockies the Missouri, and yet towhere can therebe found more intense runfalling love of the home country, treater pride in it history or greater faith

in its future.

I have traveller extensively through the West and have let multitudes of former citizens of Kanis. and "from Kansas" was always introuction and welcome. We who, having livd in Kansas, have been called by the voe of duty to other places of work, knowhow true are the words in the magnifent culogy by President Butler of our recently departed Kansas friend, your finer president, James H. Canfield.

FAT CARS AND LEAN

in the many nd varied experiences which e many he was a specially in its early to the late, especially in its early to the guestion Kansæ love Kansæ." We knew ushwhater and the jayhawker, the and e Indian. We have seen the sand e Indian.

PRAISE FOR KANSAS

crop, and in some years in which we escaped these winds the grasshoppers came like the locusts in Egypt, covering the state and eating everything green and growing.

If you are curious on the subject you will not that, notwithstanding the hue and cry about high prices. Kansas is willing to charge and receive the best prices she can get for her products. We have had the lean years and the fat years, like those Pharaohs, with this difference, that in Kansas the fat years have eaten up the lean years.

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lean years.

Kansas has never been fully appreciated. I was amused one day on looking over some life insurance policies to find one dated in 1864, which was indorsed by the company, "Permission is given to reside in Kansas without prejudice," and on showing it to some friends they began to make fun of the insurance company for being so reckless in its regard for the rights of other policyholders.

PLACE IN CO-EDUCATION.

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In 1776 a change in the political life of this continent took place. Does the fact that a century after-1876—woman, whose fitness for such a position is now conceded, was declared to be qualified and legally eligible to control public schools indicate another change? Whether that be so or not, co-education has ever been the habit of radical Kansas, and, further, the equal rights of father and mother in the care and control of their children were affirmed in the Kansas constitution.

In morals as well as in intelligence no state goes before her. While the social evil cannot be said to have been wholly destroyed, yet it is there at a minimum, and, in respect to temperance, no state has such a thorough going drastic law as has Kansas. Many a young man there grows to manhood without ever seeing a saloon.

In religion, too, Kansas is the banner

saloon.

In religion, too, Kansas is the banner state. I do not mean to affirm that she leads all in the number of members of organized churches or in the number or splendor of church edifices, but none has more of that spirit of religion which finds its highest expression in the Golden Rule and the good Samaritan.

TAFT GAVE SHIP GOOD LUCK.

Hamburg Liner Never in Bad Weather Since His Trip on Her.

Stewards on the Hamburg-American liner President Grant are convinced now that President Taft brought good luck to the steamship nearly two years ago, when he came over on her from Hamburg, for ever since then she has escaped weather that has delayed bigger and faster ships.

The President Grant got in on time last night from Hamburg after a run of eleven days through what the passengers called delightful spring weather. Throughout the trip the passengers remained on deck and There were storms ahead of her and behind her, but she got none of the bad gales. The steamship Amerika, which left Hamburg on January 22 and was Among the passengers on the President Grant was Montgomery Schuyler, first sec-retary of the American Embassy at St. etary of the American Empassy acterishing, who has been transferred to

REFEREE TO HEAR PERIN CASE.

Committee Also Appointed to Determine His Property and Income.

Justice Hendrick, of the Supreme Court, appointed J. Sidney Bernstein yesterday as referee to hear testimony as to the mental condition of Lawrence Perin, of Baltimore, who has figured since his recent return from Europe in several court proceedings which had for their object the confinement of Perin in an institution for the insane. Perin was sent to the psychopathic ward at Bellevue Hospital for observation and obtained his release from that institution His lawyer obtained an order in the Supreme Court transferring Perin to a private sanatorium temporarily, on the ground that all he needed was a rest and the right sort of treatment to restore him to his normal condition. The hearings before Referee Bernstein will begin next Wednesday.

Another move was made in the Perin matter before Justice Gerard in the Su preme Court. Justice Gerard appointed Dr

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Gentlemen:-

Trask yesterday in the Church of the Ascension Seth Low and Edward M. Shepard both attested to the inspiration they had derived from the character and friendship of the dead banker. Others who addressed the large congregation were William T. Evans, vice-president of the National Arts Club; the Rev. Dr. Henry van Dyke, the Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, rector of the church, and the Rev. J. Howard Melish, rector of Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn. Ben Greet read one of Edwin Arnold's poems, and the choir of the Church of the Ascension and the Kriens-Kronold Quartet rendered the music.

Both Mr. Low and Mr. Shepard emphasized the youthful cheerfulness of Spencer Trask's nature. "It is a rare gift to preserve one's youthfulness as he preserved said Mr. Shepard.

"He was a very successful and large minded business man," he continued, "and I think he loved business. But he idealized and exalted the bread and butter side of life, and if harvests came to him in his business he did not reap them so that they were taken from other men. When the harvests came to him no other man was the poorer for them. Indeed, many men were made the richer by the services for which he was being remunerated.

Mr. Low declared that if the banker had not possessed other noble qualities he would still remember him always for his cheerfulness. So marked a characteristic was this, the speaker said, that whenever he met him he was tempted to think of him as a man who had never known

"He had that childlike faith in God," Mr. Low went on, "which helped him in every way, conquered trouble, conquered sorrow. He carried with him everywhere the atmosphere of good cheer. Whenever | I came in contact with him I was made to realize how broad and all embracing were

his religious sympathies.' Robert Van Iderstine, chairman of the memorial committee, read the following letter from Governor Hughes:

While it will be impossible for me to attend the services to-morrow, I desire to join in the public tribute which is to be paid to the memory of Spencer Trask. It was my privilege during the last year to come into close association with him and to have the opportunity of forming a personal estimate of the noble character and unselfish purpose which justified the high esteem in which he was universally held. He represented in a striking manner a conduct of large affairs and practical experience which had left purity of motive uncorrupted and the highest ideals of public duty undimmed.

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To him life gave of the best, and from him it demanded a heavy toll of affliction and grief. But sorrow could not dishearten him and pain did not unnerve him. They only served to strengthen his will and to raveal a heroism unsurpassed. He had but he serve his only served to strengthen his will and to reveal a heroism unsurpassed. He had but one object—to do right and to serve his fellow men; and in proportion as we recognize the true worth of such a character and the opportunities of the development and persistence of such a type in the business world, despite the activities of cunning and the multiplicity of sordid concerns we shall truly proportion.

ning and the multiplicity of sordid concerns, we shall truly appreciate the wholesome currents of our life.

Tragic as were the circumstances of his death, they have served to emphasize the lessons of his career. He was taken from us at the very moment of public service and in the actual manifestation of that complete fidelity to every trust of which he was an inspiring example. We cannot adequately describe our sense of loss in the removal of one whose ability, experience and integrity promised so much for the public benefit. But we may find consolation in the thought of the good he had already wrought, and we may renew our resolve to hold precious the aims and resolve to hold precious the aims and bared

"There was something high minded and princely in the nature of our friend, Spencer Trask," said Dr. van Dyke, "that made him a generous giver. There was also a strain of New England blood in his veins that made him a prudent and a sensible giver. No complete list of his gifts can ever be

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touched nothing which he did not adorn.

He lived with his whole being." And Mr. Grant said: "Shall we not, when we think of Lincoln as the type of democrat risen from the people, think of Spencer Trask as the type of democrat reaching out his hand from a position of affluence and power?"

MRS. TRASK MAY SUE CENTRAL.

Said That Widow of Banker Killed in Wreck Will Ask Damages.

When the February grand jury begins its hearings on February 7 at the courthouse at White Plains, it will take up the investion the New York Central Railroad at Croton-on-the-Hudson, which resulted in the death of Spencer Trask, the New York banker.

Eugene Flanagan, the engineer of the freight train which crashed into the express, has been held for the grand jury, and the latter body will consider the question of indicting him for manslaughter in the second degree. It was reported that the widow of Mr. Trask will bring a suit for \$250,000 damages.

LAKE SHORE LIMITED IN SMASH.

One Passenger and Two Trainmen Hurt in Ohio Accident.

Ashtabula, Ohio, Jan. 29 .- One passenger. Mrs. M. Hartzberg, of Providence, and two trainmen, were injured here to-day when the Lake Shore Limited was struck from the rear by the Boston and St. Louis Express while standing over the Lake street subway, east of the station.

The limited, which is the second fastest train on the railway, had stopped here to take on a dining car. The locomotive of the express ploughed into the observation car of the limited, which was unoccupied, almost demolishing it. The shock derailed four Pullmans on the limited.

WIFE AND CHILDREN DEPORTED Arrived and Departed Without Seeing

Husband and Father.

After the Hamburg-American liner President Lincoln had backed out from her pier in Hoboken yesterday and faded into the mist of the North River, outbound for Hamburg, the pier superintendent saw a man weeping. The latter leaned against a steel pillar at the pier head with his face buried in his arms. Every one had gone from the pier, and the superintendent, tapping him on the shoulder, told him he would have to go away. The man was Stanislas Bialeska Brownislawa, a. laborer, who lives in Brooklyn.

His wife and two children, whom he had not seen in two years, were deported on the Lincoln, on which they came here last week. Brownislawa's two sons, Stanislas, aged eight, and Johann, aged five, were afflicted with a contagious scalp disease and were ordered deported. The father went to Filis Island to see them on Friday, but they had been transferred to the Lincoln They departed without seeing him, for when he went to the pier vesterday to bid them goodby he was unable to get aboard the steamship.

WILL SUE FORMER COUNTY CLERK.

John Niederstein, former County Clerk of Queens County, had not paid over to the City Chamberlain, when the office closed at noon yesterday, the \$12,000 due from him for the mortgage tax collected in Queens County in the month of December. Attorney General is preparing to begin sult against Mr. Niederstein and his sureties to morrow.

In reply to the dispatch sent to him in Albany on Friday, in which Mr. Niederstein said he would pay the money to him in Albany to-morrow, the Attorney General printed, for his left hand helped many a man his right hand did not record. He telegraphed: "See no reason for conference. If money is not paid to-day, action will be commenced."

Wireless Message Tells of Rescue Off Hatteras.

According to a wireless story received here yesterday by the United Wireless Company, the Savannah liner City of Atlanta will bring to port this morning eight men and the captain of the four-masted schooner George A. MacFadden, which is now being blown about in fragments along the coast of North Carolina. It was largely through the agency of the wireless telegraph that the men were able to get on board the City of Atlanta, which is bound to this port from Savannah.

Laden with lumber for New Bedford. Mass., the schooner put out from Jacksonville several days ago. She had fairly rough weather after leaving port, but all went well until 2 a. m. Thursday, when a terrific gale came up suddenly from the northeast. The schooner had been running before the gale only a short time when she was piled up hard and fast on the shoals a few miles north of the Diamond Shoals Lightship. According to Captain Meader, the

schooner melted away like a lump of sugar thrown into hot coffee. The deckhouse was the only part of the wreckage that looked inviting, and the skipper and his eight men clung to it. Finally a succession of combers lifted it clear of the hull and carried it out into the sea. About dusk they saw a vessel steaming

south and signalled her. It was the British tramp ship Katherine, bound from Baltimore to Tampico. The men were hauled aboard her, and later transferred to the United States gunboat Paducah. The Paducah gave them fresh clothing and medical attendance, and then sent out a wireless call for a northbound ship

At 1 p. m. yesterday she got into communication with the City of Atlanta, and asked if she would take the crew to New York. Captain Smith replied that he would be glad to take care of the sailormen and asked the Paducah to come to him. Within a few hours the gunboat came close to the Atlanta, and the transfer was made in a

SNEAD PRISONERS ARRAIGNED.

Three Sisters Plead Not Guilty of Murder of Bathtuh Victim.

When arraigned in the Supreme Court yesterday before Chief Justice Gummere, in Newark, pleas of "not guilty" were entered by Miss Virginia O. Wardlaw, Mrs. Snead, the three sisters who are under indictment in connection with the death of Mrs. Ocey W. M. Snead, whose body was found in a bathtub in a house in East Orange on November 29.

Two indictments were found against each of the sisters, the first of which charged them with murder and aiding and abetting murder, and the second indictment charged alding and abetting selfmurder. They were required to plead only to the first indictment.

That the trial of the Snead case is considered of the utmost importance was shown when the three defendants, the lawvers in the case and the Chief Justice all appeared in black. This is a revival of an old custom in New Jersey which was followed in all murder trials. Of late years the practice has been neglected. Chief Justice Gummere allowed the defendants three weeks in which to change their pleas, at the request of counsel. trial has been set for the first Monday of the April term of court.

SAVED FROM THE SEA. | SEE OSBORNE BOOM

GOVERNORSHIP 'AIM.

Resignation of P. S. C. Member May Be First Step in Plan.

Democrats in this city think they see in the resignation of Thomas M. Osborne, of Auburn, from the Public Service Commis sion, 2d Department, to become the head of the Democratic League, the first step in a movement to make him the next Democratic candidate for Governor.

Members of the league intimate that they have reached an amicable understanding with William J. Conners, chairman of th Democratic State Committee, whose leadership they started in by attacking. Reports that Chairman Conners has promised to resign are not credited, but it is thought probable that the head of the state organization may have given assurances to the Democratic League leaders that he would look favorably upon the candidacy of Mr. Osborne.

The report has been vigorously circulated in the last year that Mr. Conners was tied up with the boom of ex-Mayor McClellan for the next Democratic nation for Governor. It was noticed, however, that Mr. Conners took pains to make it clear when he was in the city last that he was in no way committed to the Mc-Clellan movement. Itals true that he may have given the McClellan boomers an idea that he would favor him, in return for the patronage in the condemnation proceedings for the Catskill water system

Many of the Conners leaders needed the places which they got in that way. But ex-Mayor McClellan has no more favors of that kind to give, and Conners now has the so-called higher law of self-preservation to observe. Charles F. Murphy has been after his scalp for some time, and when the Democratic League started a cry for his removal as leader of the state organization he saw that some concessions would have to be made to the independent

Chairman Conners started to make these concessions to the league in the fall campaign in Buffalo, his home city. They say he kept his agreements with the members of the league there and are warm in their praise of his attitude. It is now understood that they have reason to believe that he is preparing to stand behind Mr. Osborne for the nomination for Governor

Those Democrats who believe this to be true declare that the party has a chance to win the state this fall such as has not been offered in years. The decision of Governor Hughes not to run for a third term, the dissensions that have arisen in the Republican party and the general feeling of unrest, they declare, would all contribute to strengthen a Democratic candidate if he should be one of high ideals, representative of the best citizenship of

Mr. Osborne is such a man, they say They point out that as an appointee of Governor Hughes to the Public Service Commission, which is an expression of one of the important reforms of the Governor, he would naturally have the sympathy of the friends of the Governor. To point to him as a "Hughes man"-one in sympathy with the progressive ideas of the Republican Governor-would, they say, gain the support of many who voted for Hughes two years ago. This would be particularly true, they say, unless the Republicans should nominate an out and out Shrewd political observers say that Mr. | sponsible for the large force.

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Osborne had the governorship in his mind when he resigned his \$15,000 place as a Public Service Commissioner, not simply the acceptance of the chairmanship League. At the time of his resignation he

"I believe at the present time I can be some service to the Democratic party. It appears that there is something even more fundamental and important than my work here. Looking at the latter objectively, I really feel that I may be able to ac-

MR. DENISON'S WORK.

complish more for the state than if I were

on the commission; it is, therefore, a higher

duty."

May Get Roving Commission to Look Into Customs Frauds.

Winfred T. Denison, who was recently appointed an Assistant United States Attorney General, was in Washington yesterday for a conference at the Department of Justice. Mr. Denison has been associated with Henry L. Stimson in the prosec of the sugar short weighing fraud cases. and is still engaged, with others, in the investigation. He had much to do with the conviction of the former employes of the American Sugar Refining Company in the trial of last month.

It was reported yesterday that Mr. Denison's work would be in the field of customs frauds altogether, and that as soon as the sugar cases were disposed of he would take up other branches of the work. It may be decided, because of Mr. Denison's special knowledge of the laws applicable to violations of the customs statutes, to give him a roving commission that will take him into every port in the country where an investigation may be decided upon. of the Department of Justice, it will not mean that the new assistant to the Attor-

Should the foregoing be the programme ney General will supercede the United States Attorney in the districts where the inquiries may be made, but that he will act as adviser in the cases. Mr. Denison, it was said yesterday, will not go to Wash ington to establish his headquarters until the prosecution and investigation in the sugar cases have been concluded at this

CALLS FIRE SERVICE POOR.

Mayor Aroused Over Sharp Letter from Merchants' Association.

Mayor Gaynor has expressed a determination to look into criticisms against the Fire Department made by the com on insurance of the Merchants' Association. He may appoint a commission to look into the entire subject. The following criticisms were made in a

letter sent to the Mayor: 1. Overmanning and consequent excess

2. Defective fire alarm service. 3. Inadequate measures for the preven-

In regard to the first, the statement is made that in 1907 "the city employed 35 per cent more men than were required by the other principal American cities to or ate an equal quantity of apparatus with equal efficiency. The salaries of the necessary men amounted to \$1,407,323. Since then the number of men and the amount of salary outlays have been largely increased, so that the salary payments to firemen in excess of the number required to operate the department with efficiency are now approximately \$2,400,000 a year." It is stated that excessive time-cht allowances made to men and officers are re-

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