FARMERS BUSY

Work in Agricultural Districts Is Progressing at Good Rate.

COLLECTIONS ARE BACKWARD

Retailers and Jobbers Make Frequent Requests for Renewals, Despite Active Demand in Seasonable Lines-Labor Disputes Promptly Settled.

New York, dispatch: "Trade responded promptly to better weather in many sections of the country, notable activity appearing in seasonable lines of wearing apparel, yet wholesalers report conservatism as compared with earlier months this year, although business is more active than it was a year ago. Some branches are still backward, and there is more or less complaint regarding collections, while renewals are frequently asked. Outdoor work is vigorously prosecuted. agricultural communities endeavoring to make up lost time, and structural undertakings call for large quantities of lumber and building materials, sustaining quotations," according to R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade. Continuing, the report says:

Solve Labor Problems. "Labor problems are being solved with encouraging celerity. Lake navigation has had the expected effect in reducing rail freight congestion, and shipments are more prompt, yet there is no diminution in the splendid increase of gross rallway earnings, which show a gain of 13.1 per cent

"Three facts are especially noteworthy as to the situation in the iron and steel industry. Scarcity of coke is no longer cause for complaint; on the contrary, in some cases deliveries are so large as to threaten accumulation, and predictions as to the permanence of high prices have ceased.

over last year's figure for April thus

far and 25.3 per cent over 1901.

"Settlement of structural labor troubles has renewed activity on bridges and buildings, which revives interest in steel. Billets will be brought from abroad at the earliest possible date, but there is difficulty in securing sales, as foreign producers are also holding large contracts. Pig iron is still unsettled as to price, with buyers placing contracts conservative-

Cotton is Too High.

"While dry goods markets have enjoyed a better spot demand because of fine weather, conditions at the leading textile mills have not materially improved. Increased orders are chiefly confined to specialties. Until cotlower quotations for goods, and, on the other hand, purchasers exhibit no inclination to advance bids or even buy freely at present lists. Last week's slight improvement in heavy woolens has been barely maintained Clothiers complain of tardy deliveries of samples, which may affect subsequent business.

Boots and Shoes.

"New England manufacturers of boots and shoes report a seasonable lack of new business, and further conduring the next fortnight. Sole leather is more active at unchanged quotations. Increased activity and strength have come in Chicago packer hides with the advancing season. Fluctuations in quotations of the great stalevel as the net result, and only a fair | much less contemplating marriage. degree of activity.

"Failures this week were 166 in the United States, against 212 last year, and fifteen in Canada, compared with dghteen a year ago."

STUDENTS ARE UNDER ARREST

Twenty-nine Mount Union Sophomores Accused of Housebreaking.

Alliance, Ohio, dispatch: Twentynine sophomores at Mount Union College were arrested because they broke into the house of Prof. C. C. Davidson, where freshmen were holding a banquet. The arrested students were detained until midnight, when they were discharged on promise of future good behavior.

FIND SILVER VEIN IN ILLINOIS

Prospectors Are Said to Have Made Discovery Near Eldorado.

Midorado, Ill., special: Much interat was aroused here by the finding at a depth of ten feet of a ten-inch wein of silver and lead, which gains one inch with every foot in depth the company goes down. It is on the property of the Big Four Mining company, about fourteen miles south of here, in the hills.

Express Company Moves East. New York, dispatch: The report that the general offices of the Wells Pargo Express company will be re red from San Francisco to New ork is confirmed. A new building in Lower Broadway is being fitted up for he corporation.

Accuse Woman of Murder. Grand Rapids, Michigan, special: Mrs. Jennie Flood of this city was arested for the marder of John Lonwho was shot to death in Grat-

GOLDEN RULE JONES FLAYS PARRY'S SPEECH

Declares Manufacturers' Association Must Become More Tolerant and Liberal or Go to the Wall.

Toledo, O., special: Mayor Jones in a speech at Golden Rule Park scored President Parry of the National Manufacturers' association for his attack on union labor at the New Orleans convention.

"President Parry and the radical following that domirated at the convention declaring war on what was called the vicious and lawless element of organized labor," said the mayor. "really themselves represented the vicious and lawless element among the manufacturers. They were intolerant of any opinions contrary to the spirit of Parry's annual report, in which he characterized the law of the trades unions as the law of the Huns and the Vandals.

"The Manufacturers' association will either manifest a more tolerant and liberal American spirit or it will go to the wall. Indeed, that is very like ly to be fis fate if it is continued a one-man organization, which it has evidently very largely been during the last year.

PRISONERS DEMAND BETTER FOOD SUPPLY

Inmates of Muncie Jail Are Treated to Bread and Water Diet for Refusing to Work.

Muncle, Ind., special: When Turnkey Hughes went into the prisoners quarters to take the fifteen men con fined in the jail to the stone pile be was informed by one of them that the prisoners had organized a union, elected the speaker president, and had adopted a resolution not to work unless a larger bill of fare was promised for the future.

It was the turnkey's first experience with a union, and he attempted to show the prisoners the unreasonable ness of their demands, but they replied firmly that they would not break stone except upon the conditions

Finding them determined, the turn key locked them in separate cells and announced that he would put them on a bread and water diet till they were ready to work.

MONKS BARRICADE A CONVENT

Resist Efforts of the French Government to Expel Them.

Paris, cable: Serious disorder is reported from Laroche-sur-Force, where 500 peasants who were guarding a Capuchin convent in which the monks had barricaded themselves stoned and seriously injured three magistrates who came to close the convent. The peasants finally drove ton can be purchased more cheaply the magistrates away. At Saint Nichthere is little prospect of generally olas du Pont there was much rioting owing to an attempt to expel the redemptionists. Troops had to charge repeatedly to clear the streets. Many persons were injured, and order has not yet been restored.

SAVANT MARRIES IN SECRET

Prof. Hilprecht of Pennsylvania Weds Mrs. Sallie Robinson.

Philadelphia, dispatch: Herman W. Hilprecht, the world famous archaeologist and professor of Assyriology and tracts from jobbers are not expected | Semitic philology at the University of Pennsylvania, has just been secretly married here to Mrs. Sallie C. Robinson and only the members of Mrs. Robinson's immediate family were aware that the ceremony had been performed. Not even the professor's ples have been less extensive during private secretary and most trusted inthe past week, with a slightly higher | timates knew he was in America.

WHEATON MAN IS BEST ORATOR

William Swink Wins Intercollegiate Contest at Napierville, III.

Napierville, Ill., dispatch: The first annual contest of the Northern Illinois Intercollegiate Oriental league, comprising Lombard, Wheaton and Northwestern colleges, was held here at Northwestern coilege and attracted a large audience. The first prize was won by William Swink, Wheaton college, his subject being "The Last of the Caesars." The second prize was won by Daniel Stafford, Northwestern college, his subject being "David Livingstone."

PREPARES TO OBTAIN FREEDON

Ingenious Prisoner Makes Odd Tools to Serve His Purpose.

Wellsboro, Pennsylvania., special: A "trusty prisoner in the county jail told Sheriff Vandusen that Osea Brion, a fellow prisoner, who had got a file, was preparing to escape, even though he had to kill somebody in doing it. The sheriff found under the coverings of Brion's bed a dagger made from a corset steel and a partly finished key to the lock of his cell door, made from the handle of a spoon.

LADY ELGIN SURVIVOR IS DEAD

Mrs. Margaret Burke of Milwaukee

Expires at Her Home. Milwaukee, Wisconsin, special: Mrs. Margaret Burke, one of the last survivors of the Lady Elgin disaster, is dead at aer home, 165 Ogden street. She was 65 years old and the widow of Edward Burke, a proneer resident of the third ward, and with him attownship. An accident insurance | tended the ill-fated steamer excursion for \$1,000 was recently taken to Chicago on the Lady Eighn. Both London, with Mrs. Flood as the were among the few who escaped death that night.

KIDDEN PICTURE PUZZLE.



"I hear Nora's voice, but where is she?" Find her.

PACKERS RECOUP FINES

Prices of Meats Are Advanced \$2 Per Hundred Pounds, With Prospect of a Further Raise.

Kansas City, Mo., dispatch: There was another sharp advance in the price of meat here, when the packers raised the price to the butchers of rounds of beef to \$7.50 per 100 pounds, which is an advance of \$2 within a very short time. Other cuts bave been advanced proportionately. When the butchers entered a protest they were notified that they might consider themselves lucky if a dollar more were not tacked on at the meeting of the packers this week.

The charge is made that the packers, who were fined \$5,000 each for violating the state anti-trust law, have taken this method of making the people pay the fines imposed upon them. The regular weekly meetings of the combine to fix prices have never been suspended, and now that the ouster suit is settled uniform prices are being enforced as before.

CLERIC IS HELD ON GAME LAW

Dean Craig of Omaha Is Arrested for Shooting Song Birds.

Omaha, Neb., dispatch: Very Rev. Robert E. Lee Craig, dean of Trinity cathedral in Omaha, was arrested at Thedford, Neb., for shooting meadow larks. He went to Thedford to shoot ducks, but failing to find any game practiced his aim on the larks. The sheriff of Thomas county happened to meet the dean with a bagful of the peace on the charge of violating the game laws of the state and bound over to the district court un-

CULLOM HAS A FAINTING SPELL

Senator Is Reported Dying, but Rumor Exaggerates Illness.

Springfield, Ill., dispatch: Senator Shelby M. Cullom was about the Leland hotel all day Friday despite a rumor given wide circulation that he is in a dying condition there. Senator Cullom suffered a fainting spell in the morning and was escorted to his room by Secretary of State Rose, Representative Montelius and chief clerk at 'the hotel, Thomas Page. Within a few moments he regained his strength and it was not thought necessary to even call a physician. The fainting attack evidently gave rise to the unwarranted rumor.

AMENDMENTS FOR LAND BILL

Nationalists Appoint Committee, With John Redmond Chairman.

London, cablegram: A meeting of Nationalist members of Parliament in the House of Commons appointed a committee of tweive to draft amendments to the Irish land bill in accordance with the resolution of the Nationalist convention recently held in Dublin. John Redmond is chairman of the committee. Among the members are John Dillon, Walliam O'Brien, T. P. O'Connor, and Edward Blake.

Moonshine Brook. Mount Vernon, N. Y., dispatch:

Willie Brown tumbled into a brook at Claremont Terrace and when he went home his mother detected the odor of whisky on his clothes. Investigation resulted in the discovery of the largest moonshine still ever operated in Westchester county.

Consul is Attacked. Beigrade, cablegram: It is reported here that M. Machoff, the Russian General Frederick Funston has asked consul at Uskub, who was also ful- for a court of inquiry on allegations filling the duties of the late Russian | that he was guilty of cruelty toward

Sheepmen Gain Their Point Lander, Wyo., dispatch: A truce has been patched up and no further trouble in the Sweetwater country is feared this spring. The cattlemen have decided to permit sheepmen to use their leased lands.

ed and wounded by Albanians.

FROM THE RETA: LERS IN SKATING RINK PANIC

Woodwork Is Ignited by Defective Electric Light Wire and Smoke Frightens the Crowd.

Peoria, Illinois, special: Five thousand people were thrown into a panic at the skating rink in the old tabernacle by an alarm of fire, and upwards of two dozen were injured in the rush to get out of the building.

During a special prize contest, in which 500 took part, an electric light wire in a dressing room set fire to the woodwork, and soon the flames and smoke poured into the main hall, The tabernacle is a large building, octagon in shape, and is fitted with windows on all sides.

The crowd rushed toward the doors, which were scon blocked, and then they turned to the windows. In smashing the glass to crawl out many were severely bruised and cut. The fire was quickly extinguished, and the skaters and friends were called back to the rink.

BEER KEGS ARE FULL OF COIN

Shipment of \$2,500,000 Silver Currency for Philippines Ready.

Philadelphia, Pa., dispatch: An express train bearing a consignment of what will appear to be beer kegs covered with red sealing wax and guarded by a squad of United States soldiers equipped with rifles will soon leave for New York. Each of these kegs will hold \$10,000 in silver coin for circulation in the Philippines. There will be 250 of these kegs, with a total birds in his possession and promptly of \$2,500,000 in silver. At New York placed him under arrest. He was the kegs will be loaded upon a govarraigned before a justice of the ernment transport under a heavy gnard of United States marines.

MAYOR MEETS SUDDEN DEATH

Thomas Snow of Batavia Dies in Hotel at Aurora, III.

Aurora, Ill., special: Mayor Thomas Snow of Batavia was found dead in a room in Hotel Schlitz. He went to the hotel in the afternoon and engaged a room. He did not appear at supper time, and about 7:30 the porter called him, but received no response. The room was entered and Snow was found dead. It is thought that death was due to kidney trouble,

CINCINNATI MILLIONAIRE DIES

J. D. Lehmer Falls From Second-Story Window of His House.

Cincinnati dispatch: J. D. Lehmer, 85 years old, a prominent capitalist, was found dead on the ground in the rear of his home, 332 Broadway. He evidently had fallen from the secondstory window. Mr. Lehmer's 'estate is estimated at \$5,000,000, and he held considerable property in Chicago. For several years he had been unable to attend to business.

GIVE OVER STRATTON ESTATE

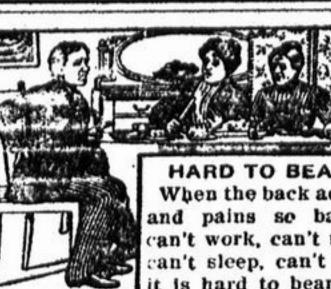
Three Administrators Receive \$166, 521 for Their Services.

Colorado Springs, Colo., dispatch: The report of three administrators to collect in the Stratton estate has been filed and formal transfer of the property made to the executors. The court allowed the administrators \$166. 521.73 for their services, which is 31/4 per cent of the value of the property.

He Saves in Vain. Terre Haute, Ind., dispatch: John Arkley, a coal miner at Clinton, used his piano as a bank and his savings, amounting to \$650, were stolen.

Funston Aska For Trial. Washington, D. C., special: Brigadier consul at Mitrovitza, has been attack- | the Filipinos while in command of a brigade in the Philippines.

Respite Comes on Gallows. Americus, Ga., special: With the sheriff about to tie the noose, with his coma in sight and the grave already dug, Monroe Adams, murderer of his wife and daughter, was granted a respite by Gov. Terrell.



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A Sudden Drop. "Yep," said Dakota Dan, resting his glass on the bar, "he pretended to be a friend of mine, but he wusn't. Last summer he done me a dirty, sneaking

trick--sold me a saddle that wusn't his'n, and I had to give it up." "I suppose you were not very friendly with him after that?" "Nope-I dropped him then and

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