ILLINOIS STATE NEWS



Propers, Rosses.

The State heard of charities at its still beid in Springfield sustained sentent charges against the Iffinois State Justial Education for Cities at Peoria and constanted the institution of que warnto proceedings by the State's Attorcharter. The action of the board med upon a report made by Mrs. re P. Bourland, member of the State and of charities; Charles Virden, State t for the visitation of children, and art Scholes, State's Attorney of Pe els county. The original complaint was ade by Mrs. G. H. Gilbert of Peoria and the official investigation was begun at the Proris county court house Oct. 31. The pecific charges made by Mrs. Gilbert

ere as follows: 1. That the inmates of the home have e and scant food.

Decleanliness; poor and scant sup-Cenetty and poor lodging.

Poor and inefficient school training, little or no moral training: 5. Labors of children too arduous and

severe for their age. G. Misappropriation of funds and im proper accounting by officers.

7. Outsiders taken into home; infants novs and aged persons accepted. 8. Business done by home not author-

the home, and her mother manage the fintitution and are incompetent and neg-

FOUND BY SISTER'S DREAM.

Young Woman Has Viston of Soldier

and Brings About Reunion. A strange dream has been the means of uniting three sisters with a long lost brother, mourned as dead for nearly twenty-five years. The death of their parents. twenty-five years ago, left Cora, Dora, orn and William Dayson homeless. The rother was sent to an orphan asylum at Chicago and the sisters were placed in omes of sympathizers. Years passed and all trace west lost of the boy, who ad been adopted into a family at Rocklord. A few works ago Miss Dora Dawwho was adopted into the family of derson of Fuirfield, had a visin in which she beheld her brother Willam drowed in a uniform and drilling as a soldier. She communicated with the War Department at Washington and offilabs there located him in Company P. ard United States artillery, at Scattle, The brother, overloyed to learn the staters, asked for a leave of abnee and the four have been holding a enion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henerson in Fairfield.

DARK CRIME TO COST LIFE.

About from Home #1: Dylon in Snow. a gramment farmer living near was discovered by members of family lying face downward in the and a deserted field on his farm grabes and bruises on his head, neck men to have been inflicted th a bladgeon and a knife. He had about from the house shout six The nature of his wounds is such in little hope for his recovery es le also slight chance that he will Hadson was a quist, pears farmer, and was not known to have

CORSCIBNOS COSTS MAN'S JOB. Seer Basigns Rather than Deliver

Parkages of Sinfal Tobarro. Baker, one of the most val of the Elgin branch of the Company, has resigned molelon as driver because his conrepelled when he was forced to packages containing toberco. has always shown great devotion ligious work. A few months ago be d a position with the express com Everything went along nicely un other day, when he made known his friends his intention to resign. II that he could not live a sanctified ad still deliver packages containing felies which a good Christian would not surfere of maing.

MEMBER OF LEGISLATURE DIES. Probable Paramonia Ends the Life

of Daniel Baettner. beniel Buetzner, 45 years old, wh a member of the Forty fourth and General Amemblies, died and anamonia at his residence, 2500 her avenue, Chicago. He returned nefield the other evening and of a severe cold. Physicians thin and mid his condition was With him at the time of his as his wife, Margaret, three ters and a son. Mr. Buettner was startion to the Legislature be br shortff, Mr. Buettner was

LOTE OF TOUTH AT SO.

a of Wheston, Ill., Finds

nes old, has taken as his seah Beach, the sweetheart

All Over the State. Fred Greenberg, a wealthy farmer living near Kewanee, after eating a hearty supper felt from his chair dead. The State factory inspection bureau se-

cured convictions in seventy-eight cases n Madisen and St. Clair counties. In Kewanee Joseph Stanley, aged 42 years, while temporarily insane killed himself by cutting his throat with a razor. John Locke, the notorious Richmond.

Ind., criminal who was captured in Wisconsin, will be taken to Mattoon for trial. The State Epworth League Chautauqua assembly, which has been permanently located at Havana, will be held from July 25 to Aug. 4, inclusive.

Attorney General Stead in his first biennial report made to Gov. Deneen, says that the building and loan companies of Illinois are on a sound basis. Fire at the Springfield Colliery Com-

pany mine destroyed the tipple, entailing a loss of \$30,000. Two shot firers were rescued through the escapement shaft. William Evans of Gold, 80 years old, and Maria Miller of Waller, aged 75, sweethearts of old, were married the other day. They separated sixty years

Gov. Deneen has appointed Van L. Hampton, editor of the Macomb Journal, commissioner of the penitentiary at Joliet

9. Mrs. Jennie Waterhouse, secretary of Bryan, was found dead in bed-at the home of Mrs. H. E. Cole, her daughter, who lives in Mason City, Iowa. Heart disease was the cause.

> As Rev. J. G. Blair, a Methodist minister of Clifton, was walking to Ashkum on the Illinois Central tracks he stepped from one track to another to avoid a freight train and was struck by the daylight special and instantly killed. The executive committee of the Illinois Eiks' Association met in Bloomington and chose May 21, 22 and 23 as the dates for the annual convention to be held this

If Charles Johnson of Waukegan has not been wearing a set of store teeth be probably would be in the hands of the undertaker now. Johnson, who is advance ed in years and for a long time has lived his income, tried to commit suicide He fired a bullet into his mouth, but the plate of a set of false teeth deflected the missile so that it lodged in his jaw, in flicting only a painful wound,

In a collision on the Chicago and Alton we miles south of Bloomington, between tay beary freight engines running at high speed and with only their cabouses, Vireman James E. Vike of Bloomington was instantly killed, being decupitated. and Engineers Albert Perry of Springfield and Frank Bels of Bloomington were sericusty injured. Five other employee were hurt. The wreck was due to a

The price of gas and electricity has peep reduced voluntarily about 25 per ent, so that the former will now rost consumer \$1 and the latter 103-5 ents, according to an announcement made w the Tri-City Hallway and Light Company, which recently merged the utilities of Rock Island, Moline and Davenport. The company contemplates improvements alting for an outlay of \$3,000,000 in addition to the \$8,500,000 which was paid

Farmers have found a new value in rows. Black wings and black feathers ere now all the race among milliners and the farmers are paid good prices for all the crow feathers they can produce. This han led to an onshaight upon the birds rapidly as the agriculturiets and other nimends learn of the peruniary attraction The wines are severed from the body slong with the hest (eathers. The portion of the wine next to the body is treated with tennic acid to make it tough.

One man was killed in a collision of w Chicago and Alton two miles south Bloomington Two heavy freight en nes running at a high rate of speed and rawing only their calsonses met head on ireman James E. Fike of Bloomington se instantly killed being decapitated. reman C. E. Cummings and Engineers that Porry of Springfield and Frank nred. Five other employes were also in inred. The wreck was due to a heary for. The loss to rolling stock was heavy

While Conrad Boxmann, a butcher Rartlett, was belying to move a small milding the structure toppled and fell pinning him to a plank containing two spikes sticking up about three inches. He car almost instantly killed. Boxmann was considered the most unfucky man in Bartlett. Less than two years ago he was shot and nearly killed by William of worth, a neighbor, who suddenly went name. Later one eye was torn from its ocket in a runaway accident. Lest winter he nearly lost his life rescuing an ntexicated man from drowning.

Detectives who have been working the mysterious disappearance of valuable papers from the vanit of the Phoria board of education, including the forged script signed by former Superintendent of Schools N. C. Dougherty, have so far failed to make much headway. Two former inmates of the penitentfary who were in the city at the time of the robbery are being watched. The local officers and State's Attorney Scholes are now almost positive that the robbery was engineered by friends of Dougherty, who wished to destroy all evidence im order rank of major dur. to prevent further prosecution and to prevent taking away from his relatives a seed and large sum of money which is supposed to last Sheriff Frank Ford says that about mid-

posed it was a joke. The State board of health re-elected Dr. J. A. Benn of Springfield secretary the eleventh consecutive term. W. J. Webster of Chicago was re-elected

w a tree which fell directly across

FATHER WINS AT LAST.

Ottawa Gardener Recovers Children After Buttle Lasting 7 Years. Florian Afton, an Ottawa gardener, who claims to be the "champion ill-luck man of Illinois," has gained a final victory in his seven-year fight with Superintendent Hastings H. Hart of the Illinois Children's Home and Aid Society for the custody of his children. Judge Gibbons issued the order that gave the father his daughter, Sarab, aged 17 years, and two sons, George, aged 13, and Frank, aged 11, and the quartet joined the other children at their old home and started life anew. During the long struggle, which Afton said cost him \$2,000, his house, he asserts, has been set on fire three times, Lis wife and two children have died; he has been arrested and spent five days in jail, he has traveled more than 5,000 miles and has petitioned a dozen judges of Cook county for the custody of his children. In addition he said that he had been repeatedry threatened with violence if he did not leave Ottawa. Mr. Afton said bis trouble started when be, for the public welfare, wrote a letter to an Ottawa newspaper charging a banker with "forgetting" to pay all his taxes. That banker, he said, was the chairman of the associated charities, and court proceedings to declare Afton's children dependcats was soon afterward begun. "I'm going to succeed James N. Phelps of Freeport, after those rascals in Ottawa and give them a merry time," Afton said. "Then I'm going to show up the trafficking in Mrs. Louise Mershon, aged 50 years, lehildren which is carried on by some of the 'child-savers' of the state.'

SAW BROTHER IN DREAM.

How Miss Dawson Located Relative She Had Never Seen.

A remarkable story is that told by Prirate William A. Dawson of the Third United States artillery, who came to Carmi to meet relatives be never knew he had. Twenty years ago, when Dawson was but 3 years old, he was sent from tarmi to an orphan asylum at Chicago. He left three older sisters and they after year in Bloomington. The parade, the a tune lost trace of him. Dawson was principal event, will take place on May adopted by a family living near Rockford, and three years ago enlisted in the ormy. He was sent to Nome, Alaska, returning last fall to Scattle. About six weeks ago Miss Cora Dawson, his sister, in a dream saw her missing brother in an army suit of blue. So strongly was the vision attached to her memory that she wrote the War Department at Wash ington. A reply came stating that Dawson was stationed with Company E of the Third I'nited States artillery, at Seattle. When Dawson received the letter apprising him of the existence of relatives he says he could scurrely believe he news. He was discharged shortly after Christman, and started to meet the three sisters whom he had never seen.

JUMPS THROUGH WINDOW

George Everett, Convicted Burgiar, Eludes Sheriff on Way to Joliet.

George Everett, 23 years old, a prisoner in the custody of Sheriff Joseph Collier of Rockford, who was taking him to the penitentiary at Joliet, plunged head forement through the window of a smoking of a Chicago, Milwaukee and St Paul train in Chicago and made his es-The escape was made white Col ler, his assistant, and a second prisoner were seated together in the car. Ev. erett, who was handcuffed to his fellow prisoner, arose from his sent as though a look out of the window. As he did so he slipped the handcuffs from for wrist and without more ado jumped, taking the class with him. The train, going at a capid rate, was stapped, and Collier gave chase. Shots were fired at the retreating jugitive, but he successfully made away atween the lines of freight cars. After remaining at the Union station for ing the sheriff and his remaining charge married a Chicago and Alton train and started for the penitentiary. Everett had recently been sentenced to serve from one a twenty years at Joliet for burglary.

Woman, Conscience Stricken, Says the Owes School Taition.

The sepont directors at Mount Vernon rereived a letter from Dora Cadle of Wankesha, Wis, in which the writer ears he wishes to pur for school tuition which he evaded thirty four years ago, while attending whool in Mount Vernen. vasion was accomplished, she asserts, ring about her age, saying she was 20, where she was 21. Miss Chille says she forward the money "as soon as the ord gives it to me." The setion board, lowever, canceled the debt, as it was impossible to my what she owed!

SEES FOR \$12,000 ESTATE

Pairfield Woman Claims to Be Nicce of Dead Rectuses

Mrs. Saney J. Sechrest, a well-known roman of Fairfield, has filed a petition in the probate court at Mount Vernon. stating that she is the sole liefr to the \$12,000 estate of the late C. Dt Cook, an aged recluse, who died Nov. 15. Mrs. Sections states in her petition that she is the only child of the deceased sister of Mr. Cook. Much of the estate consists of money which he had in gold, locked up in his iron safe. He left no will. Mrs. Sechrest is a poor woman and for some time has been a cripple.

Triplets Come to Bless Home. Triplets, all boys, were flora a few days ago to Mr. and Mrs. Dow Connor of Hossier township, Clay county. The remarkable thing about the family is that children already numbered thirteen. Conner is a poor men, and the have come from the school funds. Deputy Hoosier camp of Modern Woodmen of America, of which he is a member, gave him a fine Jersey cow. The father is an ardent Republican, and will call the horn ing to break the safe at the board of "Teddy." "Theodore" and "Roosevella." education rooms. At the time he sup The youngsters weighed 7, 5 and 3%

> Convict to Pace Charge of Murder. The trial of Harry Auft, alias John Ryan, for the murder of Edward Stiffions, in Douglas county, last September, will be called during the March term o court. Ryan has been serving a term it prison, which expires Feb. 7, and he will then be returned to Newman for own house, without warning, robbety be- Baltimore American. ing the object.

Paster Dies of Apoplexy.

God Root You, Marry Gautlemon God rest you, merry gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay, For Justic Christ our Baylor Was born upon this day To save us all from Satan's power When we were gone astray. O tidings of comfort and joy, For Jesus our Savior was born on Christmas day.

In Bethlehem in Jewry This blessed babe was born, And laid within a manger Upon this blessed morn : The which his mother Mary Nothing did take in scorn.

From God our heavenly Father A blessed angel came, And unto certain shepherds Brought tidings of the same, How that in Bethlehem was born The Son of God by name.

Fear not, then said the angel, Let nothing you affright, This day is born a Savior Of virtue, power, and might; So frequently to vanquish all The friends of Satan quite.

The shepherds at those tidings Rejoiced much in mind, And left their flocks a-feeding In tempest, storm, and wind, And went to Bethlehem straightway. This blessed babe to find.

But when to Bethlehem they came, Whereat this infant lay. They found him in a manger Where oxen feed on hay: His mother Mary kneeling Unto the Lord did pray.

Now to the Lord sing praises, All you within this place, And with true love and brotherhood Each other now embrace: This holy tide of Christmas All others doth deface. O tidings of comfort and loy, For Jesus Christ our Savior was born On Christmas Day.

IN NAVY TO SEE THE WORLD

Why a Rich Kentuckian Stays with

Uncle Sam at \$12.80 a Month. Drilling every day among a crowd of recruits at Mare Island barracks, where he is being instructed in the duties of a private of the marine corps at the regular pay of \$12.80 per month and rations, is Virgil I. Thurman, one of the heirs to an estate of over \$250, 000 in the blue grass country of old Kentucky, says the San Francisco Bulletin. And it is doubtful if any of the men drilling side by side with him each day, with the exception of David McGee, the chum who enlisted with him at Sloux City, lows, have any suspicion that the quiet fellow in their midst has a cent more than the aver-

age man who enlists in time of peace. Thurman's inheritance comes to him from his maternal grandmother, a Mrs. Rautt, who died some few years ago on the property which is now to be divided between her heirs, near Hodgenville, Ky. Thirty-four months ago Thurman first learned of his inheritance. Two weeks ago be received a letter from his attorney, Samuel Y Jones, of Hodgenville, notifying him that the other helrs have applied for the sale and final distribution of the property, so that in a short time the raw recruit now drilling so faithfully at the Mare Island barracks will be the possesser of m tidy little fortune of several thousand dollars.

said, when questioned by a Bulletin Texas and Colorado and I wanted see something else. Tes, I knew about this money coming to me, but that made no difference. Fou see, we will only be kept here a couple of months ar so, and then we will be sent off to have an opportunity to see something. No. we don't get much pay, only \$12.90 a month," he laughed, "but I am not morry I enlisted. We are treated well and I like it, and hesides we will have a chance to see the world."

Refined Cruelty of a Boy.

"For genuine cruelty the average 5-year-old boy has got a Hottentot cannibal licked to a frazzie," said the proud father of a young hopeful the other day. "The latest trick of my kid is a winner, but was sort of rough on the victim, which was our pet cat, About these weeks ago we noticed that pussy suddenly stopped eating and drinking. All the choice bits of mean and dishes of milk were left untouched.

"For several days we explained it by emposing that the cat was getting more than the ordinary number of mice and eating them to the exclusion of our offerings, but we soon noticed that she was becoming thin and gaunt and did not seem inclined to move about and pury as she used to. One day, after two weeks of this, I picked up the now skeleton cat and began to stroke its neck.

"What do you think I found? A thick rubber band stretched tightly around the thronk concealed by the long fur. It just permitted the cat tobreathe, but she could not est. I removed it and now she is getting along all right. When I saked the boy about it he said he just wanted to see if kitty would strangle. If it had been any thing else but a cat it would have been deed in no time"-Philadelphia Rec-

A SMarkt Mintaka. "Mr. Bubkins," said the proud father,

shaking the young man warmly by the hand, "let me tell you that you are a man after my own heart." "Oh, no, sir," protested the blushim nitor. "I'm after your daughter's."

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DO WE WANT THE FACTORY?

Would fifty new families help Downers Grove? Would \$700 a week, distributed among fifty well paid men, help this town? If so, pick out the lot shown in the accompanying diagram which you are willing to buy and put your name down.

There are only thirty-three lots-not as many lots as there are new families coming to town with the Frank Holton & Co. band instrument factory.

To buy one of these lots and put a house on it would be about as good an investment as one could make. Why? Because there is a strong demand for houses here. Last May 100 more houses could have been rented if they had been obtainable. What will it be next spring with this additional number of homeseckers.



that they had trapped with utter dis-

regard of real value. Distilled from

anything that would ferment, it finally

became a menace to the whites, and

many a brawl and murder was trace-

To put an end to this condition of

affairs was the intention of Collector

Crocker when he appointed Cameron,

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personified by Cameron, went far affeld

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·~~~~ The popular idea that all government employes lead a life of case is inseland under its influence sold the furs fiable to some extent, but now and then rises up and fives the strentous way, and one of these is John A. Cameron, deputy collector of internal rev enue at Nome, Alaska.

Mr. Cameron is a deputy of the dis trict of Washington and serves under B. D. Crocker of Tacoura, the collector of the district. He is a "sour dough" that is, be has seen the ice jam up and freeze Alaska off from any intercourse by water with the outside world; seet it rot beneath the climb of the sun and wash out from the barbors long locked by Jack Frost. And more; he is an old time "dog number," familiar with the winter ways and trails of all Alaska Ills duty demands that he travel for and wide. There are taxes that must be collected, and patil he was detailed to his present place there was much of "bootch making," as illicit distilling of arrient spirits is designated in that land of saww

The drift of men into Alaska in flotsam of all types and from all quarwere honored and the tithes poid in.

Collector Urneker knest his man and washed by the Aretle Orean to the from where Siberia lifts across the had cought him unprepared, frost masgland's northwest territory. The land | tered blur out and # drowse crept upon him that presaged death by freezing. to town save half-seen trails where him strong, he lined his dogs out for of snow.

self up as best he could, told the dogs wearily to start up and went to sleep, When he woke up the fires of a thousand white-hot needles prickled in his veins, and he found that his team, true to the trust that he had placed in it. -had followed the guidance of the wolfish leader and brought blue to where rough-handed rescue waited him. throat burning, with a strength of alcohol that bit into the blood. The Indians of Alaska quickly found it out

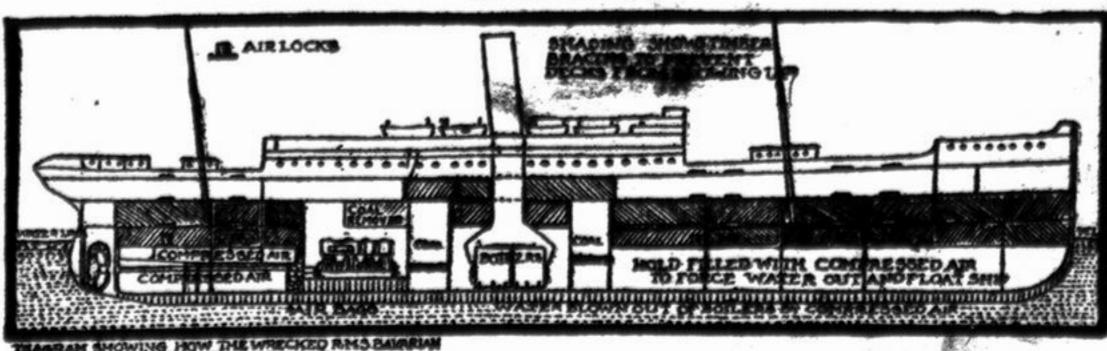
Some of Mr. Cameron's trips circling from Nome up along the bleak north shore and back down the Yukon figure? up 2,500 miles, and among the experiences that have been bis is a 2,000pille chase after the worst bootehmaker who ever distilled lilicit spirits for the sodden Indians or the reckless whites. Charles Williams, the man's name was, and his photograph is one of the ornaments of the rogues' gallery of the Northwest mounted police

and to-day, throughout the length and at Dawson. Cameron had beard of him, and found some of the bootch distilled by whisperings of stills close hid and driphim. With patient carefulness, he ping bootch, there is no open breaking traced it to its source, found and destroyed the still, then set to work to track the man down. Williams fled toward the British possessions in the Northwest. The mounted police, warned by Cameron, were watching for must have its own. Men made returns blm and captured blm at once. On his and paid taxes that had shunbered release from imprisonment last year Williams decided to stay away from Alaska, for there was the old chargeof illicit distilling against him, and a man who never forgot awaiting him with engerment. trate behind the bind of ice grew to

Conneron sees to ft that all the laws Fifty mile Journeys across wastes of and all the regulations promulgated by the Treasury Department that he serves are observed to the letter, and in the farthest mining camps the United States dog team is well known. The winter's zero weather does not hinder him. Snow, blown before cold winds, piles in drifts and changes all the of nature in a night, delays perhers, but through the burdships that te part and parcel of winter travel in Maska he mushes on sleeps out in

His Journey in reascless. The fend of one tripode but the beginning banks of snow, where they have stept away their rest time in snow caterns binds the and with fre and zero temi perature is pleasant warmth, he travels east and west and north and south beating the path before his dogs where snows are light and travel hindering. None, but bound by his oath of office and Klondike sled; no way from town for the luxury of numbers was upon and duty driven across mending seas

FLOATING A STRANDED OCEAN LINER BY PUMPING HER FULL OF AIR.



To turn a 12,000-ton steamship into l huge steel bubble by numping her full rocks on which she had been impaled has been accomplished in the wrecked Alian liner Bavarian, at the suggestion of Captain Leslie, the well-known

wrecking expert of Kingston, Ont. With a full passenger list and valuaste cargo, the Bavarian ran on Wye Rock, thirty-eight miles below Quebec, on the night of Nov. 3, 1905. Many of the Bavarian's compartments filled with water, and the ship settled down on the rocks. The ship's bottom plates were badly torn, and when the wreck ers made an examination it was declar-

eral weeks to get the vessel off she was turned over to Lloyds, and the underwriters set to work to save their money. All the old methods for raising vessels were employed, and failed. At last the underwriters gave it up.

throughout the whole of the winter, be held in place. Air locks were placed and when spring came, and it was seen on the compartments which had filled that the vessel had not suffered from with water, and the "sand bogs" as the the winter storms, hopes began to re- tunnel workers are called, felt as much vive that perhaps she might ret be at home as if they were in their No wreck and after a careful examination in, the water rapid

proposed to employ compressed

After the Allans had worked for sev- | United States capitalists and engineers

All the ship's compartments were made as nearly air tight as possible. Hatch after hatch was closed by plating, which was simply laid under the hatch combing, so that when the air The big liner lay on the rocks pressure was applied the covers would Captain Lealle visited the York tunnels. As the air was