Col. William F. Switzler, ex-chief of the National Bureau of Statistics, is dangerously Ill .- Pittsburg is to furnish China with electric lights .- George Koch, a Patterson, N. J. baker, ran off with a basket of bread and then drowned himself .- The Pan American delegates were given a dinner by the citizen of Kansas City. -- M s: Josie Robinson, of Wilmington, fell from ber horse while out riding, and sustained injuries from, the effects of which shedied - Ex-Governor John Lawrence Manning, of South Carolina, is dead .-- Newton Percy Randolph Hatch slias George Harris, ex-cashier of the B. & O. Express Company, and an embezzler, has been arrested and brought to New York .-Hog cholera is epidemic in the northern counties in Indiana .- J. J. Geraghty. workingman's candidate for mayor in Streator, Ill., was elected mayor. -- Thomas Mc-Couseland, a wealthy lows merchant, was shot down by a burglar named John Webb. -A brakeman named Reeters was instantly killed and engineer Dougherty seriously injured by two trains colliding near Pittsburg. - A boiler of the Ball Air blast furnace at Bell Air, W. Va., exploded and wrecked; the mill, as well as adjoining buildings .- A lunacy commission has declared that Christian J. Devble, the aged inventor who shot Frederick Gesswein, is of unsound mind .- The steamer Cleopatra and Crystal Wave collided off the Capes of Delaware, and both were sunk. The crews were saved .- Hary D. Wilson, a wealthy citizen of Kansas City, committed suicide. -The ceremony of unvailing the monument over the grave of Casar Rolney, one of the signers of the declaration of Independence took place at Dover, Del .- The will of Frasce Ree, an eccentric man living near Plainfield, N. J., was upset by a jury, on the ground that the maker was ill with delirium tremens at the time .- There was a co.li sion on the Norfolk and Western road, near Bufordsville, which resulted in the killing

By the explosion of a boiler in Neill & Dyas' dry goods house at Akron, Ohio, the building took fire and was completely burned out. Loss \$225,000; insurance \$123,000. --E. D. Matthews, who says he is a Baptist preacher, and who has been the assistant tax collector at Pike county, Ga., is under arrest at Atlanta, charged with appropriating \$1,700 of the county's money, which he says was stolen from him. --- A second attempt was made to assassinate Deputy United States Marshal J. O. Hager near Charleston, W. Va. -- By the bursting of a pulp-grinder in a paper mill at Appleton, Wis,, Frank Clark, the superintendent, was killed .---Thirteen buildings at Glascow, Mo., were burned. Loss \$25,000,-Seven inches of snow fell in Denver, Col. - The National Conference of the Unatarian and other churches open in Philadelphia --- Hesten & Erben, extensive wood dealers of Philadelphia, made an assignment, --- A woman who claims to be the wife of Miner N. Knowlton, manager of the Mackenzie House, Chicago, has taken quarters at the hotel and refuses to leave until he acknowledges her as his wife, claiming that he married her over 20 years ago. - The brig Clara Pickens, from New York for Savannab, was abandoned at *.a, but the crew were rescued by the schooner Anna L. Mumford and taken to Philadelphia .- A passenger train on the Chicago, lines, and print cloths 1-161/6: higher. Wood Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad collided with a freight train near Council Bluffs, Ia., and several cars were wrecked, and James Hullen, engineer of the passenger train, killed .- The Chicago police declare that the man arrested in Philadelphia is not Tascott. -F.re did \$110,000 damage to Armour & Co.'s packing houses in Kansas City, ---- S. A. Maxfield's large wool factory, at Bangor Me., was burned.

of three men and injury of others.

Franklin Schaefer's home at Monroe Forge, Lebanon county, Pa., was burned and his wife fatally injured .- Francis M. Roots, obilantrophist, banker and inventor, died at his home in Connersville, Ind. - The drouth in Minnesota and the Dakotas continues. -Joseph Harial, colored, was lynched at Columbus, Miss., for attempted outrage.-Employes of rival railrea is had a lively encounter at Z mesville, Ohio, the engineer of a train being overpowered and gagged and his locomotive killed .- Thieves made an unsuccessful attempt at Franklin, N. Y , to rob the First National Bank of that town. -Annie Price, showman Forepaugh's cele brated fat woman, who weighed four hundred pounds, died in New York,--- Charles Relater fell from a cliff eighty feet high at Wheel ng, W. Vn., and was killed .- Five men have been convicted of the murder of Healy Sutton, in Hancock county, Tenn., and all of them sentenced to be hanged .-Thomas Shea tried to pick a quarrel with John L. Sullivan in a Boston barber shop and had his throat cut by Sullivan's friend, Thomas J. Kelly, -- The new cruiser Sau Francisco was launched at the ship yards of the Union Iron Works in San Francisco .--The South American delegates to the Pan-American Conference saw for the first time the North American Indian upon the prairie in Nebraska. --- The schooner Martha N. Hall, which left Baltimore for Boston August 27th, has been given up as lost with all on Loard. -The business portion of Stonboro', Mercer county, Pa., was destroyed by fire. Loss \$75,000 -The foundrymen and machine manufacturers will not concede the ten per cent. advance in wages demanded by the moulders.

OX AND MARE FIGHT.

A Novel and Fatal Incounter on a Farm in Kentucky.

C. W. Hammond, of Cowasi Station, Kentucky, turned a fine blooded mare, valued at \$500, and a large ox into the same enclosure. The two animals had been together several times before, but as soon as they entered the lot they rushed at each other. Two or three farm hands were present and attempted to separate them, but narrowly escaped serious injury, and failed in the endeavor. The mare sieked the ox in the side with both feet, nearly stunning him, but the latter recovered and gorsel the mare two or three times. Both fought with the greatest fury. The mare bo h kicked and bit, learing chunks of flesh from the ox with her sharp teeth, white she in turn was raked again and again by the ox's sharp horns. Both were covered with blood, but continued the cattle as desperately as ever, despite all the efforts of the mea to apprate them. At last the ox plunged his acre almost entirely through the thick part for the mace's neck. The blow was fatal, but, as the mare staggered, her weight broke the

TRADE OF THE WEEK.

Activity at All Points and Improvement Over Last Year.

Bad Outlook for Speculation and the Public Holling Alooi-Po-sibility of Artificial Money Stringency-

Bradstreet's Review. There is more or less increase in the volume of goods distributed at Boston, Memphis, Chicago, Dubuque, New Orleans, Atlanta and Louisville, while at Philadelphia, Detroit, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, St. Paul, Portland and San Francisco there has been rather less activity noted in some lines, due to unfavorable weather and farmers holding off owing to low price of grain, corn being quoted at 13c per bushel in Iowa, Louisiana and Georgia cotton picking weath-

er is excellent. Cattle prices tend up, while those for hogs are off some. The China steamer service at Sau Francisco is reduced from eight to six, owing to Canadian Pacific competition General trade at New York is more active i gree ries, country produce, furniture, building materials, leather, boots and shoes, and fertilizers.

Special telegraphic investigation of domestic money markets reveal that funds were easy at forty-nine out of sixty-nine cities reported, important ones reporting funds working close being Calcago, Bultimore, Cleveland, Toledo, Peoria, Dayton, Birmingham, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Omaba, Mercantile collections were reported slow or unsatisfactory at 19 points, chief amon; them the two Portlands, Providence, Sacramento, Burlington, In., Grand Rapids, Detroit, Toledo, Troy and Albany. It is also shown that collections are improving, and while the current of funds at the interior has not finally turned Eastward, Western sales of New York Ex-enange Indicate that it is turning.

Wheat flour is less active for exports, owing to lower offers and higher ocean rates. Wheat has been fiercely sold at times, the total at New York aggregating nearly 70,000,000 bushels for the week. The recent Government report, free movement of Spring, increasing supplies, bearish foreign markets and high and scarce steam freight ailed in depressing prices 1 al le. A rumored revision of the late Government crop report

had some influence.

Deman I from Indian corn shippers and short sellers sent early deliveries up lal'ac. Later ones have varied little. Spot oats are % higher on good demand. Exports of wheat (and flour as wheat,) both coasts, equal 2,197, 460 bushels this week, against 2,758,588 bush eis last week and 1,827,345 bushels in the like week in 1888. Total supments abroad July 1 to date equal 33,641,103 bushels this year, against 53,184,458 pushels in 1888.

Hog products are unsettled and price changes frequent, notably at Chicago. Lard advanced and closes firm, about ten points higher, and pork barely steady.

Aggregate domestic stocks of raw sugar are 85,300 tons, against 141,400 tons August 11, when the highest figures of the year were reached, yet lack of inquiry cluses continued depression, and prices are off 1 16 1%2. Reflied is not in active demand and is off 1/61 The anti-Trust prediction of a decime o. le on sugar within thirty days, threatened competition and increased supply of refined attract wide attention. Louisiana's estimat-of its sugar crop is 25,000 hogsheads behind

Speculation in coff e is moderate, and prices leave off 10a20 points lower and weak. Experts and others are still revising coffee crop reports. The distribution of coffee is Tea is fairly active and prices

steady Leading lines of dry goods are more active at Boston at first and second hands. At New York trade is moderate, mail orders constituting a prominent feature. Agents report Spring goods in active sale for future delivery. Prices continue steady in all leading is in slightly improved demand from manufacturers at steady prices. Cotton is 1-163 lower locally and 1/815-16c at primary mar-

The business failures in seven days number for the United States, 188, and for Canada, thirty-seven. For the corresponding week last year the figures were 223 in the United States and thirty-two in Canada.

BIG BLAZE IN ALABAMA.

A Block in Selma Destroyed-Narrow Escape of Hotel Guests.

A fire broke out in Liepoid Brothers' dry good establishment on Broad street in the center of the business portion of Selma, Ala., about two o'clock in the morning. The people were all asleep and the fire had gained great headway before it was discovered. When the fire alarm was finally sounded and the engines had responded, the water plugs for some time did not furnish sufficient pressure to reach the highest point where the fire was raging. A brisk wind was blowing and the flames spread with great

rapidity.

In a short while the entire block was in filmes. The fire was communicated to Gill's Hotel, a large brick structure on the corner of Broad and Alabama streets, filed with guests at the time. By great exertion the guests were aroused while the building was in flames and all fortunately made their escape, some barely getting out in safety in their night clothes. In two hours the entire block of buildings was consumed. Nothing was saved from Gill's Hotel or any of the The destruction was complete. flames spread with such rapidity that by the time the fire department got well at work that nothing could be done but prevent the spread of the flames.

Proper pressure on the water mains was secured and enabled the fireman to check the flames, and by five o'clock in the morning the fire was under control. The loss will foot up about \$200,000.

WEST VIRGINIA TRAGEDIES.

More Murderous Stories from the Mountain State.

Lincoln county, W. Va., or, at least, that part of it around the county seat, is now in a ferment of excitement concerning the tragedies enacted within the borders of the county last week. There is quire a degree of interest manifested to get accurate details of the double killing at Green Shoats. Litelligence from that section is meager, but it is known that Green McCoy and stilt Hal-y were riddled with bullets by an organized force numbering sixty men. The latest report is to the effect that McCoy and Haley implicated other prominent parties in the Brum field tragedy, alleging that they (McCoy and Haley) were hired to kill little Al Bramfield, his wife and Pars Brumfield, and that they received \$500, or wore to when the job was completed. The attempt on "little Ai" and his wife is well-known, and that the program was not rully carried out was because the Brumfields were too bot on the tracks of the The report further says that the result of these disclosures has brought about open hostilities, and that the entire district is arrayed either on one side or the other, and that they are congregated well armed, and the aspect is most threatening.

THE new United States cruiser, which will be constructed at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, will be limited in cost to \$1,100,000. Before any work is done in the ship proper a model will barnade on the scale of a quarter of an inch to the foot. This model will be 19% feet long and She Obeyea Orders.

Harriet Beecher Stowe's son, Rev. Charles E. Stowe, of Hartford, Conn., mot with an experience the other evening which completely nonplused him. One evening quite recently he dired with Mrs. J. W. Boardman, proprie-tress of the Hotel Woodruff. Visiting Mrs. Boardman is a cute little niece about five years of age. She is a regular chatterbox and makes many bright remarks during a day. Fearing lest the child would astonish the preacher by some outlandish saying her aunt warned her to keep mum during the dinner.

The admonition was listened to with awe, and at the table the little one scarcely dared look at Mr. Stowe, not wishing to commit a supposed sin. While the servant was absent from the room the little girl noticed there was no butter on her small pink dish. She didn't mind holding her tongue,

but to eat bread without butter-that would never do. She took a survey of the table, and lo and behold! the butter dish was right in front of the preacher. Wistfully she gazed at both for a few seconds. Never in her brief existence did she appear so pensive. Then gathering all her courage and cleaving her throat, she said: "Dear astor, won't you please, for Christ's

sake, pass the butter?" Rev. Mr. Stowe never received such a shock. He leaned over in his chair to pick up a napkin, which of course had not fallen. Mrs. Boardman must at that moment arrange a window curtain, and the other guests were suddenly troubled with a friendly cough.

Little Mabel, self-satisfied that she had done the proper caper, was the only one at the table who could positively prove that she was alive.-Chiago Times.

Rolly-Hocks.

Holly-hocks are coming in style gain. Years ago, when pansies were nown only as Johnny-jump-ups, and uchsias and geraniums were all imported from foreign lands and cost two ollars a smell, holly-hocks were the pride of every garden, and held sway dong with the peony and cabbage rese. But the inexorable decrees of fashion ordered them all onto the back seat, and there they have sat and patiently bided their time like the plainskirted dress, until the fickle world has gone through the dizzy programme of fancy varieties in flowers and in attire, and now they find themselves trotted out, the dust of years shaken out of their garments, and they given a prominent position in the flower garden. They have been doubled up and colored up by the manipulations of the florist, until 1 cople wonder why their beauties were never discovered before. This is a fickle world, and that's what relieves the monotony and makes busi-

The holly-hock should make good use of its time, for next year somebody of wealth and influence will discover new beauty in the dandelion or sunflower, and the holly-hock will be laid on the shelf again, and be numhered with the great and ever-increas-" chestnut " family .- Dansville

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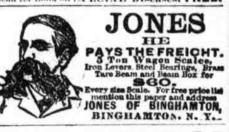
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