ARTIFICIAL RAIN-MAKERS.

THEY MEET WITH WOMDER. FUL SUCCESS IN TEXAS.

How the Laws of Nature are Proposed to be Overcome-Showers of Rain to be Produced-This is Surely an Age of Progress.

MIDLAND, Tex., Aug. 26.-Heavy and refreshing rains fell here Monday, thus saving the growing crops from the effects of a withering drought.

And strange as it may seem, the rain was not produced by natural causes.

It was caused by the government rainproducing experiments which have been practiced here by Colonel Dryenforth and his assistants.

And they have achieved wonderful success. Verily it is a great triumph of science over the laws of nature. This is the second time within the past week that they have manufactured heavy rains, besides several light showers, and deserve much credit for the judgment exercised in making these experiments.

They began operations here a little more than a week ago, and have been crowded with women. A fearful scene diligently at work at the scheme, but some of the most powerful apparatuses have not been used. They have, howevec exploded large quantities of giant powder, hydrogen gas, rackarock mixture and dynamite in balloons and in kites. The reports of the weather bureau at Washington clearly show that the experiments here have had a gread effect upon the meteorological conditions.
The series of explosions, which lasted all last week produced light broken clouds on Monday night. The artificial clouds floated overhead, hiding the moon from view. A large quantity of rackarock mixture was then exploded and in less than a minute a drenching rain was

The experiment was watched by three score or more people, who pronounced it a success.

The experiment was successfully repeated four times during the evening. Whenever a cloud floated overhead a quantity of rackarock would be exploded by Colonel Dryenforth, and in less than a minute a heavy rain would be talling. Tuesday the explosions were continued

all day, and about night the rain began falling in torrents, drenching the earth, A much more effective and powerful apparatus will be used soon by the rain-

makers, and wonderful results are ex-The thirsty prairies will be watered, and parched vegetation will take a new

lease on life. Washington, Aug. 26.-Acting Secretary Willetts believes as Col. Dryenforth does, and has no hesitancy in saying so.

Those rainfalls where our party has been working were no coincidences. The previous condition of the weather, it would seem to me, would take the comcidence theory from the mind of the skeptic. They had had no rain down there. The rain-producers, as the newspapers called them, went at it and there was rain. But, of course, it will take more than has been done to convince the general public.

"Do you think they will be convinced this season?"

That I cannot tell," was the reply. "It depends upon two things. One is whether the prevailance of high winds may not so handicap the working party as to prevent them attaining the best results, and the other and in it is contained. I think, the greatest difficulty, is the question of money. You see these experiments are necessarily very costly. The appropriation for the work was only gether the necessary material and pre-paring the paraphernalia. I hat left \$7,000, which has been eaten into already to a healthy extent." it was ex-Senator Farwell who secured the appropriation for the work. Everybody laughed at him. It now looks as it be might before long be able to do some laughing himself

ANNISTON'S BROKEN BANK.

Serious Charges Made Against Officers By Receiver Agee,

Anniston, Ala., August 26.-Receiver Agee has filed a bill against the directors of the late Anniston Savings and Safe Deposit company, charging them tord says agents are at work in all the with neglecting their official duties. The gentlemen thus accused are W. S. Larned, the pian or forming a negro number J. L. Winkle, E. G. Roberts, J. C. Sprall, 100,000 members. George Noble, J. C. Roberts and E. D.

The bill shows that managing director Larned sold to the bank a business block for \$30,000. On the building was a mortgage for \$6,000 which was not satisfied. After this Larned mortgaged the building for \$6,000, making it cost the bank \$42,000. The bill also charges that John B. Reese, while president of the bank overdrew \$3,750 for which hegave unsecured notes to run three years. Roberts, cashier, also overdrew \$1,000. The bill shows that upon the day of the failure Larned drew out \$3,000 and Roberts \$1,000. It is said that only two sub-treasury scheme. meetings of the directors were ever held.

The Sucyla Again Heard From.

New York, Aug. 26 .- The Hamburg American line steamer Suevia from Hamburg for New York, spoken at sea by ship Servia as announced yester day, was again spoken on the morning of the 24th instant, by the pilot b at Law-serted that McAllister had sold the allithe 24th instant, by the pilot boat Law rence No. 4.

The Suevia was then 450 miles from Sandy Hook proceeding for New York at a speed of about six knots per hour. A pilot was placed on board by the Law-

A Train Robber Confesses.

COLLIER STATION, Ga., Aug. 26.-Jim Thornton, one of the men who robbed an express train several nights ago has been arrested and has confessed to the crime. He returned \$960 of the money taken. Thornton says his two associates were recently discharged employes of

The Sucvia Arrives

NEW YORK, Aug. 27 .- The steamship Suevia, reported spoken at sea with the loss of three blades of her propeller, arrived in Sandy Hook this morning.

AN ARMY DEFEATED.

Balmaceda's Forces Win a Great Bartic.

WASHINGTON, August 27.-Lenor Lacaua, the Chilian minister, today received a cablegram dated Valparaiso, August 26, from M. M. Aldunate, minister of foreign affairs, saving that on the 25th the insurgent army was completely defeated in Vina Del Mar.

A division of the Chilian government army cut off their retreat to the ships and obliged them to surrender uncondi tionally. All the country, the dispatch adds, applauds the valor and skill of the government army.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—Antonio Varres, envoy of the Chilian insurgents, yesterday received a cablegram from Valparaiso via Washington, D. C., that fighting had been renewed that morning and that Balmaceda was losing.

PANIC IN A CHURCH.

Lightning Kill. Three Women-Hunters Paralyzed.

VIENNA, Aug. 27 .- A terrible thunder storm swept over the Trieste district yesterday causing several fatalities. Lightning struck a church at Tualis on the Italian frontier while the building was of paric followed, the women and children shrieking and praying or else rushing wildly for the church doors. The priest celebrating the mass, acted in a most praiseworthy and courageous manner and, vigorously reassuring the the cerrified women, succeed in restoring order. Subsequently it was found that three women had been killed by the lightning which struck the church.

JOHNSON RAN.

Later H. was Arrested and will

NASHVILLE August 27-Two weeks ago Miss Jennie Schimler entered suit against Siles Johnson, a wealthy termer of this county, for \$25,000 damages for ruining her under a talse promise of marriage, and the mother of the girl swore ther than it really was, and the place out a warrant for his arrest, charging him with abduction. The brother of the young lady met Johnson and emptied the contents of a double-barrelled shot-gun at him, wounding him in the arm. Johnson broke and ran, and had not been heard of until today, when he was arrested, after being trailed by a soccial de

tective for several weeks SIXTY-TWO BODIES FOUND.

The Work of Scarching the Ruins

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.-Up to 10 o'clock this morning the total number of bodies removed from the ruins or the fallen building had reached sixty-two.

Shortly before 11 o'clock a search for bodies in the cellars of Nos. 68 and 70 was abandoned All the debris had not by any means been removed, but it was and Whitchead, of Salisbury. Of the cit. and the work of rescue began. Some of No. 29 as that of her husband, Wm. been thoroughly examined and that no T. Murphy, P. C. Corlton, J. U. Lammore bodies remained in it. Work was then concentrated on cellars of Nos. 72 precht, Julius Strauss, Jacob Bortian, D. nnel 74.

STARVING TO DEATH.

Forced to Follow the Example of Nebuchadnezzar.

LONDON, Aug. 22 .- A clergyman residing at present in the Province of Kazan, of in terms of the highest praise. Russia, has written a letter to the Pall Father White, of Asheville, was the Mall Gazette, in which he gives a har-rowing description of the sufferings of offer spiritual consolation to the wounded the unfortunate peasants of that Province, brought on by the failure of the and dying. crops. Large numbers of them, he says, last year in getting ready, getting to-Many have been unable to obtain bread for weeks, and in their efforts to sustain life they have been compelled to eat grass and leaves.

100,000 NEGROES.

Will Oklahoma Ever See That Many in One Colony?

Kansas City, August 27 .- Fifty-two well-to-do colored men, under the leadership of R. H. Waterford, of Memphis, Tenn., left here yesterday for Oklahoma, where they will await opportunity to go on Indian lands soon to be thrown open for settlement. These negroes are from it all out. The heavy rains have swollen various parts of the south and Watersouthern states soliciting adherents to

FOR A THIRD PARTY.

The Missouri Alliance Squints That Way Just Now.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., Aug. 27.-Missouri will have a third party. That was settled yesterday when the Farmers' Alliance in state convention deposed U. S. Hall from the presidency and elected Leverett Leonard who represents that radical element of the alliance which favors a third party movement and the

Fighting Alliance Factions.

DURANT, Miss., August 27.-In a peronal encounter between Lecturer McAllister and Editor McCune, representing two alliance factions, McAllister severely punished McCune. The trouble grew ance to Wall street, and that he had lied about another matter in connection with McCune's personal conduct.

Too Bad.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 27 .- The house of representatives has refused, by a vote of 94 to 62, to accept for the state the Confederate Veterans' Home, erected by popular subscription in the movement inau-gurated by the late Henry W. Grady. The principal opposition to the accep-tance came from the Farmers' Alliance.

The Cold Shoulder.

KIEL, Aug. 27 .- The authorities at this port have received instructions from the emperial government in regard to the Chilian warship President Pinto and have taken measures to prevent that ves-sel from shipping arms, ammunition on a crew in these waters.

LATEST FROM THE WRECK

A CORRECT) D LIST OF DEAD AND INJURED.

A Coroner's Jury Making an Investigation-The Railway Company Still Think a Rail Was Removed, But it is Declared There Were Rotten Ties.

STATESVILLE, N. C., Aug. 27.-[Special] There are no braver set of men on the face of the earth than the brotherhood of locomotive engineers, and their nerves never quiver without cause, but George Clarke, as interpid as any man that ever opened a throttle valve, could not find the courage to make his schedtime from Ash ville to Statesafternoon. The start from Asheville was nearly an hour late, but our destination was not reached until 9 o'clock over two hours late.

It was a dismal afternoon. The rain fell steadily, and at Coopers the first wail of distress went up as the news of the horrible wreck was given out from

Mayor Blauton, W. T. Reynold, J. A. Commt. J. H. Loughran, J. B. Rich, Edward McDowell and Father J. B. White, solution as lay in his power.

At the Wreck. In passing the wreck tonight, the sight From the Sta caville Landmark. 27th was a most ghostly one. In the dim light the distance to the crushed cars was almost described

A lew mint lights in the hands of watchmen flitted about the sides of the heavy way across the vawning guit.

The people of Statesville deserve great cre lit for the heroic work they have done today. Since long before daylight this morning they have absolutely laid aside business, and devoted themselves to rescumg the dead from the sickening wreck and alleviating the sufferings of the in-

Among those who have been most active may be mentioned Sheriff Allison, Drs. M. R. Adams, T. E. Anderson, M. W. Hill, Junius Hill, J. F. Long and J. F. that what remain d there had izens may be named J. H. Hoffman, W. the passengers had crawled from the car well, A. J. Evans and others.

Heroes' Work.

Marshall Nix, J. P. Goodlake and Gus Guischard, of the Asheville boys, have been working like Turks, and are spoken

scene of the wreck as soon as daylight will allow, and give a candid statement as to any evidence which may exist as to the cause of the accident.

There are persons who think that victims yet remain at the bottom of the J. P. K.

THE ASEVILLE WOUNDED.

Getting Along Well-Cause of the Accident.

STATESVILLE, Aug. 28,-[Special]-The wreck is being moved as rapidly as possible, but it will take a day or two to get the creek so as to make the work difficult. No new bodies have been found today, and if any remain in the wreck it is probable that they are at the bottom and

A coroner's jury has been at work vesterday and today but will hardly render a verdiet for several days yet. The railroad authorities claim that the train was deliberately wrecked, the spikes and boits having been drawn. The coroner's jury still take evidence on this point.

possibly washed down the creek.

The Asheville Injured. John Gaze, Marshall Nix and Will Bradford, of Asheville, are doing well. Bradford is the most seriously injured of the crowd, but the doctors say he will recover. Sam Carter, of Beaverdam, is improving and will recover.

A. L. Sink, the newly married man of Lexington, N. C., is not expected to live; his wife will recover. J. P. K.

List of the Dead. WILLIAM A. WEST, engineer, Salis WARREN FRY, fireman, Hickory.

HUGH K. LINSTER, baggage master, Statesville. W. J. FISHER, Campobello, S. C. J. B. AUSTIN, Hickory.

L. BRODNEY, New York. REV. JAMES M. SYKES, Clarkesville, WILLIAM HOUSTON, merchant

Greensboro. PERRY BARNETT, Asheville. SAMUEL L. GORMAN, Asheville. CHARLES BARNETT, Asheville. W. E. WINSLOW, Asheville. MRS. POOLE, Williamston, N. C. JULIUS PHIRER, drummer. DOCK WELLS, colored, porter. -CLEMENT.

A. DAVIS, Statesville.

UNKNOWN WHITE MAN. UNKN WN NEGRO.

CHARLES G. WEBBER, Carson City. J. C. BRODIE, Chicago.

MISS OPHELIA MOORE, Helena, Ar MRS. McCORMICK, Alexander, N. C.

LADY, with linen marked M. M. R. The Injured. PATRICK E. RANSOM, son of Senator

Ransom, Northampton county; not dan-

G. W. SANDERLIN, state auditor; painully, but not dangerously.

OTTO RAMSEY, Nortolk, Va. WORTH ELLIOTT, Hickory, GEO. BOWLEY. Atlanta.

O. W. LAWSON, Louisville.

Miss Luemon Poole, Williamston, N

MRS. R. C. MOORE, Helena, Ark. A. S. SINK, (dying,) AND WIFE, Lexing-

B. M. Estes, jr., Memphis, Tenn. JOHN E. GAZE, Asheville, not seriously

MARSHALL NIX, Asheville. H. C. CLEPPER, sleeping carconductor. -SPAUGH, conductor.

W. C. BRADFORD, Asheville.

-SHOAF, flagman, Lexington, N. C. R. E. JOHNSON, newsboy.

Of the injured whose condition is not specially noted in the foregoing, the Statesville Landmark reports George clear and it is stated that proper look-Bowley, Atlanta, injured but walked to ours were not kept on either of the town. Conductor Spaugh, hurt but will steamers. were among those on board the train. live. Sleeping Car Conductor H. C. Father White had learned that some of Clepper, head cut, arm and ankle parishioners were among the unfortnate sprained. B. M. Estes, jr., Memphis, A Man Kills Himself and Family ones, and he was determined to be on Tenn., hurt but will live. Flagman hand and administer such spiritual con-Shoat, Lexington, N. C., burt but will

A Startling Charge.

The most horrible disaster in the history of railroading in North Carolina ocfar down in the gorge seemed much far- curred at 2 o'clock Thursday morning at Bostian's bridge over Third creek, two miles west of Statesville. At that hour west bound passenger train, No. 9, which had passed Statesville on time, at 1:52 a. oles in their heads. Beside the body had passed Statesville on time, at 1:52 a. emoankment, as the train slowly felt its | m., was hurled from the top of the bridge, a distance of 60 to 75 feet, the engine, tender, baggage and second class car, the first class coach, the Pullman sleeping car "Saluda" and the private car of Superintendent R. R. Bridgers, all going oveer board. The bridge was swept clear of iron from end to cad.

George Bowley, traveling for the Atlanta rubber company, and one or two other passengers who made their way from the car alive, came on foot to town and gave the news of the accident. In a little while the town was aroused, citi Carlton, of Statesville, and Drs Baker zeus in vehicles hastening to the scene and were perched, dazed, or their tops. Axes were put to work and the cars cut M. Howard, J. H. Stradlev, L. C. Cald. open, and so many of the passengers as could be found were dragged out-some the city's expense. dead, some alive.

By dawn great crowds of people were on the ground and nothing was left un- Typho-Malaria's Fatal Work in done. The dead and wounded were brought to town-the wounded disposed of at the hotels and private houses, the dead laid side by side on the floor of the Farmers' tobacco warehouse and the bodies tagged.

The train tell from the north side of the track. The engine lies partly up the embankment on the west side of the creek. The first-class coach lies on top of the second-class and Superintendent Bridge's car partly covers the sleeper.

Rotten Ties? It is supposed that as the engine, which was making 25 to 30 miles an hour on a down grade, struck the bridge the track spread. Why it should have done so is accounted for by the fact that the ends of the ties at the approach to the bridge were found to be rotten.

Engineer West was found ; injoned under his cab. Within arms-reach of known female passengers-how their bodies got from the first-class coach to the engine will never be known.

Miss Luellen Pool held the head of her mother out of the water until her strength was exhausted when the head dropped and the mother drowned.

Parts of the sleeper and of the firstclass coach are in the water

A car load of convicts arrived from Newton early in the morning and the wreck is being cleared. The bridge is not damaged in the least and trains will | From the Indianapolis Journal. soon be running over it. Telegrams From Mr. Cameron

and Br. Sanderlin. STATESVILLE, 10:30 a. m. Hon. Thos. M. Holt:

Thank God I am safe from the Boston bridge wreck and that I saved Auditor Sanderlin. Many killed.

Benehan Cameron. STATESVILLE, Aug. 27. Mrs. G. W. Sanderlin:

but not seriously hurt. Don't be alarm-G. W. Sanderlin. Lucky Wheat Raisers

From the New York Sun

There can be no doubt that the London Daily News is correct when it says that the American farmers are the masters of the situation, and can fix their own prices for the great crop now being har-

Had a Weak Point.

Prom Judge.

much of a sporting man? Bloobumper -No; he's secretary of the Young Men's Christian association.

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VESSELS IN COLLISION.

TWENTY-SIX PERSONS WERE DROWNED.

Two Steamers Come Tegether and a Great Paule and Loss of Life Follow-There Seems to Have Been no Cause for the Dis-

LONDON, Aug. 28 .- A despatch from Melbourne states that a collision occurred at one o'clock this marning inside port Philip Heads between the steamers Gambier and Easley.

The Gambier was bound from Sydney, N. S. W., for Melbourne and was just clearing the Heads when she met the Easley bound out. It was impossible for the vessels to clear each other, and the Easley strock the Gambier amidships crushing deep in her side.

A scene of terrible confusion and excitement followed. Most of the passengers were in their berths askep. They rushed frantically for the boats, but there was no time to lower them. The Easley re-mained alongside the Gambier and rescued many of the latter's passengers and CICW.

Seven minutes after the collision the Gambier sank carrying with her five saloon passengers, fitteen steerage passengers and six of the crew.

No explanation is given for the collis-The sea was calm and the night

ALL DEAD NOW.

In New York.

NEW YORK, August 28.-Tenants in the four story tenement house, 321 East 106th street last night heard pistol shots in a room occupied by a tamily named

This morning three policemen forced the door and there found John Baxter, painter, 30 years old, his wife M ry, aged 28 years, and their children Katie, six years old and John four of the husband and father lay a revolver with cartridges discharged.

It is supposed the husband killed his wife and children and shot himself. On the table was a letter written by him to his mother in which he told of his intention to kill his family and himself.

THIRTEEN BLACK COFFINS

Last Victim of the New York Ca lamity Identified.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28 .- A long row of black coffins stood in front of the morgue this morning. On each was a plate with the inscription, "Died Aug. 22, 1891." The last identification was made Thursday night. Mrs. Kate Barry identified Barry, 35 years old

Shortly after 10:30 o'clock thirteen hearses drove up, and the last remainders of the catastrophe were taken to Evergreens to be buried there in a grove at

TERRIBLY AFFLICTED.

One Family. RALEIGH, N. C., August 26.-In Duplin

county typhs-malarial fever attacked the family of Horace Brock. He died Saturday, one child died yesterday, today his wife died, and the five children re maining are at the point of death -Richmond Dispatch.

Will Not Lose a Cent.

Washington, August 27.-Bank Examiner Campbell in a report to Acting Controller Nixon, says the present indications are that the Farley National bank, of Montgomery, Ala., which closed its doors a lew days ago, will resume business, and the depositors and stock holders, he thinks, will not lose a cent.

President Harrison's Movements.

St. Alban's, Vt., August 27.-President Harrison left here this morning in a special train for Montpelier. He will be joined at Essex by ex-Governor Dilling, Secretary Proctor, representative, II. him were the bodies of two of the un- Power and H. R. Start, accompanied him from here. Stops of five minutes will be made at Richmond and Waterbury.

Spain Objects to the Treaty.

MADRID, Aug. 26 -The Barcelona chamber of commerce has resolved to and cortes against the new treaty with the United States, on the ground that the treaty inflicts grave injury on the trade of Spain with the Spanish West Indies.

Call the Moon Down.

"There are times," said the professional thinker of thoughts, "when man is made to realize his limitations, and is filled with utter despair." "Yes," replied Jungpoppe, "that's just the way I felt "Yes," replied when my baby wanted me to give him

A LIBERAL PROPOSITION Who has not heard of that paragon o

family papers, the enterprising and popular Weekly Detroit Free Press? For a generation its name has been a house-hold word and has become a synonym On wreck last night but safe. Badly for all that is excellent, pure and ing in journalism. It is delightfully enertaining, without resort to cheap sentimentalism, instructive without prosy or pedantic. Combining the literary qualities of the expensive magazine with the bright, breezy characteristics of the newspaper, it leaves nothing to be desired by the average reader. It is looked upon as a welcome visitor by every family who reads it, while thousands regard it as indispensable and would on no account go without it. An enormous circulation of 125,000 copies per week at-Spatts—That man seemed to be pleased tests its wonderful popularity. Recog when you called him "Old Sport." Is he are unfamiliar with its surpassing merits as a home paper, the publishers offer to send the Free Press to them the balance of this year (over five months) for only 30 cents—a club of four for \$1 or a club of ten for \$2.00. All of our readers should subscribe at once. Sample copies free.

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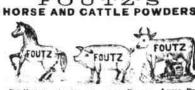
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