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THE NEWS.

The anti-Hebrew troubles in Corfu have broken out afresh, and in a riot two Hebrews were killed.——Antonio Frederica has been arrested in San Francisco for the murder of Clarcio Jannelli at Conshohocken, Pa.——O. B. Wilson, of Great Bend, Kan., has victimized a lot of farmers and run away.——Miss Lillie Sheehan, of Springfield, Ill., was bound and gagged by a burglar.——Mrs. ex-President Polk, aged eighty-eight, attended a wedding at Nashville.——Thomas McGill, a well-known railroad man, died at Indianapolis of injuries received in a railroad accident at Mt. Jackson.——Capt. Charles Strecher, of Philadelphia, fell accidentally into the Delaware Canal, near Bordentown, N. J., and was drowned.——The Mexican Consul General at San Francisco says that his government will not permit the cruiser Charleston to seize the Chilian insurgent vessel Itata in Mexican waters, but that if the Itata carries contraband goods, the Mexican authorities may seize the ship.——The Mexican government has ordered a gunboat to cruise on the lookout for the two ships.——A Mexican paper publishes a rumor that the Charleston had sunk the Itata.——The one hundredth anniversary of the first meeting of the South Carolina legislature in Columbia was celebrated in that city.——The President was given an enthusiastic reception in Omaha.——John Allmon, aged fifty-eight years, of Wilmington, Del., was killed on the railroad.——The Annual Conference of Charities and Corrections was begun at Indianapolis, Ind.——The New York and Philadelphia Synod of the Reformed Episcopal Church was held in New York.——The inquest in the alleged ripper case was begun in New York.

A young bride at Ducktown, Tenn., who was whipped by whitecaps, has since died.——The residence of Mrs. Joseph H. Burleigh, widow of ex-Congressman Burleigh, at South Berwick, N. H., was destroyed by fire; loss $60,000.——Epaminondas Wilson, of Boston, manufacturer of pianos, under the name of the Boston Piano Company, has failed; liabilities $70,000.——St. Louis has subscribed $50,000, and will raise as much more, to entertain visitors at the autumnal festivals in the next three years.——J. Moore White, secretary of the Co-operative Beneficial Society, of Camden, N. J., has been arrested for violating the insurance laws.——An attempt to kill the Czarewitch, who is traveling in Japan, was made by a fanatical Japanese, who stabbed and cut him with a sword.——Edward Pinter, alias "Sheeny Al," an American swindler, was given a hearing in a London police court on the charge of obtaining $40,000 from a jeweler by the philosopher's stone trick.——The total returns from the Spanish municipal elections show that 2,753 Monarchists, 844 Republicans, 169 Independents, 31 Carlists, and 4 Socialists were chosen.——A cloudburst struck a party of campers at Liberty, N. M., and E. J. Wilcox was drowned.——John W. Linck, special agent of the Treasury Department, has found that since the operation of the McKinley law, Cuban cigars are made lower and smaller, saving from two to three pounds in every thousand cigars.——L. F. Burgess shot and fatally wounded S. G. W. Atwood at Pleasant Valley Church, while a service was in progress. Two years ago, Burgess' son attempted to rape Atwood's daughter.——A fire at 2346 Eighth avenue, New York, spread to a paint store of A. J. Kelly & Co., on the rear, and did $40,000 damage.——Eight more soldiers have been arrested at Walla Walla for participation in the lynching of Hunt. This makes sixteen now in custody.——Winter wheat in Illinois is more promising than at this date any year since 1880.——Antonio Batres, minister plenipotentiary from Guatemala to the United States, has reached Chicago on his way to Washington.

P. H. Downing, collector of the port at San Pedro, Cal., is dead.——The Opera House and other buildings at Plano, Ill., were burned. Loss, $30,000.——The Belding Motor and Manufacturing Company, of Chicago, assigned. Liabilities, $175,000.——The National Express Company now does business through from the Atlantic and Pacific.——John W. Penton, a bad man, was killed by sheriffs, near Milton, Fla.——The steamer El Monte put in at Southport, N. C., with her cargo of cotton on fire.——Edward Douglas and Charles Tilden, school children, were killed by a train, at Hartford, Conn.——Three men were killed in a collision at Sebpher, Mich.——The United States Supreme Court decided against George Wood, colored, and Nathan Jeffers, who are under sentence to be killed by electricity.——Fire did $50,000 damage at Weisport, Pa.——The United States cruiser Charleston is now believed to be in pursuit of the Chilian insurgents' steamer Itata, and, should the latter resist capture, a fight may result.——In a wreck of freight trains on the Norfolk and Western Railroad, a fireman and engineer were killed and five locomotives wrecked.——Ex-Senator Cattell, of Camden, N. J., and others have sold to an English syndicate 2000 acres of land in North Carolina, known as the Green Swamp tract, in the interest of the Norfolk, Wilmington and Charleston Railroad.——Three thousand miners resumed work in the Schuylkill coal fields.——In attempting to run a work train through a blazing forest on the Susquehanna Railroad, in Pennsylvania, the locomotive was ditched, owing to the intense heat having spread the rails, and the superintendent of the road and six workmen perished.——Martin Griner, Logansport, Ind., killed his mistress and committed suicide.——The Cincinnati, Wabash and Michigan Railway Company has placed a blanket mortgage for $47,000,000.——Oliver Patrick, aged thirty-eight years, was killed in a street fight in Norristown, Pa.——A passenger train on the Santa Fe Railroad was held up by masked bandits, in Oklahoma, and the express car robbed.——The Indiana Supreme Court has sustained the eight-hour law.——Four tramps and 300 head of cattle were killed in a railroad wreck near Trinidad, Col.——A young lady passenger on a Lake Shore express train made a remarkably narrow escape from a pistol shot fired through the car window.

The New Orleans Limited Express was wrecked on the Illinois Central Railroad near Duquoin, Ill., by a spread in the rails, and a number of persons were injured.——Charles Ford, whose father was hanged before him, met a similar fate at Ottawa, Ill., for instigating his wife to murder David Moore, a young salesman of Omaha.——A can of gasoline exploded in a burning barge, severely and a number of firemen were injured.——An incendiary fire at Marion, Iowa, did $125,000 damage.——Grain in other County agencies years was burned to death at Hazelton, Ga.——President Harrison was given an enthusiastic greeting by the Mormons and all the citizens of Salt Lake City, to whom he made an address.——H. F. Buchanan, a saloon keeper of Chester, S. C., shot and fatally wounded W. A. B. Wilson, a policeman who had arrested a woman with whom Buchanan was intimate.——Jacob Sawyer's planing mill in Philadelphia was destroyed by fire; loss $80,000.——J. L. Krell, a deputy United States marshal, was shot near Huntsville, Ala., by illicit distillers, making the third murder of United States officers within two years by moonshiners.

HALSEY C. IVES, who has been selected as art director of the Columbian World's Fair, is about 42 years of age and a native of New York. He has a high reputation as an art critic and connoisseur, having studied extensively the art schools of Europe and America.

A TWO-STORY frame building in Rochester, N. Y., was burned the other morning, and Herman Stephanski and an unknown woman occupying a room on the upper floor perished in the flames. The fire was caused by the explosion of a lamp.

PLUNGED INTO THE FIRE.

Workmen Meet Death in a Blazing Forest.

An Attempt to Run a Train Through the Fire Causes a Terrible Wreck, Owing to the Spreading Rails.

A despatch from Coudersport, Pa., says: The pretty little lumber farming towns of Austin, Costello, Galeton and Moore's Run, in Potter county, are on the verge of a panic, two especially being threatened with annihilation from fires that seem to form an impenetrable wall on every side. For several days the skies have been lighted up with fires apparently in every direction, but little fears were entertained by people living in the towns, as those threatened and in danger were farmers in the country districts or lumber camps in the midst of the blazing forests.

In spite of every effort, however, the flames crept in snaky lines of smoke and flame toward the helpless towns, until it was seen the people must fight back the flames or have their very houses burned down over their heads. At Moore's Run, on the Sinnemahoning road, a train-load of seventy-five willing men, sent out from Austin, had been fighting back the fire by every conceivable means. They made trenches, piled up earth and lighted backfires, but were finally obliged to retreat.

The men hastily boarded the train and started to make a run to another point, when it was found that they were hemmed in by the forest fires on one side and a huge skidway of logs on the other. It was finally decided to dash past the burning skidway, and the engineer and firemen, with faces covered with dampened clothes and hands and arms wrapped in wool, mounted the little engine and pulled out through the wall of fire. The seventy-five exhausted men gathered in groups on the flats for protection, or lay on their faces on the floor. As the blazing furnace of logs was approached the heat became unbearable, and the smoke so blinding and stifling the men were obliged to cover their mouths with clothes.

Just opposite the millions of feet of burning logs, where the heat and smoke and flame were the greatest, a terrible accident occurred. The engineer had forgotten that such great heat would surely spread the rails, and he pulled the throttle wider in the hope of sooner escaping from a torrent of heat and smoke. Then there was a lurch, an ominous heaving and a shriek of despair as the train toppled over into the fire. A scene ensued never to be forgotten by those who escaped, though every man will bear to his grave a mark of that awful moment.

The cars caught fire like so many paper playthings, and the men within, half blinded and scarcely realizing anything except that they were being slowly roasted to death, struggled fearfully to regain the track, where safety lay, for a time at least. Thus maimed from the fall, and only smarting from the pain of intense heat, they bravely turned their burned, blackened hands to aid their more unfortunate fellows. Superintendent Bodine, of the Sinnemahoning Valley Road, was in charge of the relief train, and had worked the hardest of all to save the properties of others.

When the train ditched and rolled over so suddenly, he must have been injured so as to be unable to help himself, and he was slowly burned to death. It is known that six others also perished at once or died soon after, and thirty others of the party were badly burned, many probably fatally, owing to fears that they inhaled the flames that seemed to fairly spring into their face. Some others of the party are missing and their fate is unknown, though they are likely to be in the charred wood of the logs of the train.

A wrecking party started for the scene as soon as the fearful news spread. Many relatives of the men injured insisted on accompanying the wrecking train, though they will hardly be able to reach the place of the wreck unless the fires have burned themselves out. Owing to the great devastation communication is badly interrupted, and it is impossible to learn the names of the men burned or those still missing.

As to the damage, it is known that thousands of feet of hemlock logs and timber, and 25,000 cords of valuable bark have been scorched, and the fires are raging without any appreciable diminution. A million of lights seem to be burning from every mountain and hillside, and the air is so oppressive that many seekers, faint from exhaustion and are dragged away from a flame that has done nothing as yet but steadily advance.

The body of Superintendent Badger has been found burned to a crisp, and the entire party would have perished in the burning train or forest fire, had they not rendered themselves in a crack.

DISASTERS AND CASUALTIES.

THOMAS B. POPE, the landscape painter, was struck by a train and killed at Fishkill, New York.

KITTIE STICKER, aged 14 years, was fatally burned at Tonawanda, N. Y., while making a fire with coal oil.

A fire occurred in a boarding house in Buffalo, N. Y. George King, 63 years of age, was suffocated by smoke.

DURING a fire in a tenement house in Quebec, A. Boucher, aged 22 years, was burned to death. He was married three weeks ago.

A TABLE containing two tons of molten iron capsized in Osgood & Barker's foundry, at Bellows Falls, Vermont. Four men were seriously burned, and one of them, John Stanton, is not expected to recover.

JOHN RUNKE'S sister died in Milwaukee, Wis., of trichinosis, making seven victims of the family who have died from eating diseased pork. Two others are still suffering from the disease.

WHILE a party of young people were returning from a dance near Chester, Ohio, they tried to cross a small pond in a boat, and the boat sunk. Four persons were drowned, Bertha McKain, Lizlie Eidemon, Charles Frank and Smith Melvale.

FRANK WILLIAMSON, his wife and three-months-old infant were crossing the river near Osawatamie, Kansas, in a wagon, when the vehicle upset. Williamson and the child were drowned. Mrs. Williamson saving herself by clinging to the wagon box.

A HEAVY freight train in the Union Pacific yards, in Omaha, Nebraska, was detached through the engine jumping the track. Conductor George Gleason was instantly killed, and Engineer Hammond Turnburg, fireman Turnburg were seriously injured. Five loaded cars and the engine were totally demolished.

JOHN PENFIELD, a horse importer, of Clarion, Ia., was leading two stallions through the street there, when they began fighting each other. Penfield attempted to separate them, when one of the animals caught him between its teeth and would not let go until its mouth had to be pried open. There are no hopes of Penfield's recovery.

THE tornado which was reported from Paducah, Ky., also passed through Eddyville, in Lyon county, and through Graves county. At Eddyville T. A. Metcalfe, superintendent of a large stove works, was fatally hurt by flying debris, and in Graves county a boy named James was killed by a tree being blown upon him while driving along the road.

A HORSE attached to a lumber wagon, took fright at the elephants in a circus parade in Jersey City, N. J., and dashed through the crowd of spectators. Delcate Walker, aged 10 years, and Mrs. Barbara Lunt, aged 50, were run over, and dangerously, if not fatally injured. Annie Clark, aged 16, was dashed against a telegraph pole by the horse and then trampled by the crowd. Her injuries are dangerous. Alice was forced through a show window and severely cut in the face.

IT STOPPED A TRAIN.

Wonderful Result of the Explosion of an Enormous Meteor.

A large meteor passed over Victoria, Tex., the other evening, causing considerable consternation. It came from the northeast, and was seen or heard all along the line of the railway from Rosenberg to Goliad, a distance of about 120 miles.

About the time it reached this vicinity it exploded with a tremendous report, like heavy cannon, the shock being felt for miles around. As the sky was perfectly cloudless, people imagined for a brief time that it was a boiler explosion, and then it was attributed to an earthquake.

Inquiry at the railway telegraph office elicited the information that it was a large meteor, and had been seen at different places along the line. The fireman on a freight train near Ivan, a small station 12 miles west of Victoria, saw the meteor plainly and says it literally broke up as it was one of the fragments, which appeared to be about as large as his head, strike the earth not more than 100 yards from the railway track.

The concussion of the explosion was so great that it momentarily stopped the progress of the train, this fact being noted by all on the train. The conductor thought the engineer had suddenly applied the airbrakes and ran to the door to see what was the matter.

CABLE SPARKS.

GREAT numbers of families in Northern Italy are emigrating to America.

GERMANY is negotiating with various European countries for commercial treaties, which, if concluded, will isolate France's trade.

THREE hundred students and four hundred other persons have been arrested in Warsaw for taking part in an orderly celebration of the Polish festival.

THE Archbishop of York, England, William Connor Magill, one of the greatest orators in England, is dead, an attack of the grip having ended his life.

THE tariff committee of the French Chamber of Deputies has decided to reduce the duty on wheat to three francs, the reduction to hold good for one year.

THE Gladstonians in the northwest division of Suffolk, Eng., won a decided victory by electing their candidate to Parliament over the conservative nominee.

PRESIDENT BALMACEDA, of Chili, has requested the United States government to act, in conjunction with France and Brazil, in an effort to restore peace in Chili.

LORD James Douglas, brother of the Marquis of Queensbery, while in a demented condition took his own life in a London hotel by cutting his throat with a razor.

SIR James Kitson, president of the British Iron and Steel Institute, believes that the United States is bound to become a great manufacturer of iron and steel.

PRESIDENT BALMACEDA, of Chili, has rejected the demands of the delegates of the insurgent party in that country, and as a result the peace negotiations have been abandoned. The struggle between the two parties must be fought out until one side or the other is utterly crushed.

BUSINESS in Moscow is disorganized, owing to the sudden expulsion of Hebrews from Russia. The Hebrews quitted the city leaving only property to the value of $150,000 to cover debts, and as a result thousands of persons employed are idle, hundreds of notes are protested daily, and many merchants in the Hebrew quarter are facing bankruptcy.

TWENTY thousand Boer farmers, who are dead shots and capable of suffering the most severe hardships without complaint, have determined, despite the warning of the British government that it will consider it an act of hostility to the Queen of England, to march to the district which extends northward from the Limpopo river to the Zambesi river, in South Africa, and establish a republic.

A MEMBER of the lower house of the Austrian Parliament, Herr Masaryk, intends interpellating the Austrian government as to whether it was aware that subjects of Austria-Hungary in the State of Virginia, United States, were treated as slaves, and if so what measures the government has taken to obtain redress. It is supposed that Herr Masaryk's interpellation refers to the report that Bohemians employed on the extension of the Norfolk and Western Railroad in Virginia were treated cruelly.

RECENT events in Rome, particularly the explosion of the powder magazine at Pozzo Pauliere, two weeks ago, which is said to have been the work of anarchists, the incendiary fire that destroyed the barracks of the city constabulary, and the diplomatic troubles which have arisen between Italy and the United States have caused a feeling of panic among the public officials and the inhabitants generally of that city. Thousands of workingmen are out of employment. The people live in daily expectation of hearing of some awful occurrence.

EXPEDITION TO THE ARCTIC.

Lieutenant Peary Proposes to Cross the "Ice Blink."

The Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia, will send an expedition to the Arctic ocean. The expedition will sail from New York about June 1. This expedition is an outgrowth of the expedition to be headed by Lieutenant Robert E. Peary, U. S. N., for the inland exploration of Greenland. Lieutenant Peary's expedition is to go out under the auspices of the Academy of Natural Sciences, and with the moral backing and patronage of several other eminent scientific societies.

Since the formulation of his scheme of crossing the "ice blink" of Greenland on the line of his reconnoissance of several years ago, and with the object of locating the northern terminus of Greenland and filling out the coast line as has never been practicable by explorations by water, the faculty and patrons of the academy have discussed the subject of sending an independent scientific expedition into northern waters.

The program is to charter a steamer for the summer months. The passenger will consist of Lieutenant Peary and his little band of six or eight hardy Northmen and a party of scientists, appointed by the faculty of the Academy of Natural Sciences, for exploration through the Arctic seas. The latter party will consist of specialists in all branches of natural sciences.

The original program of Lieutenant Peary was to sail for St. Johns, N. B., with his party at about this time, so as to make St. Johns by June 1. From that port he would take a whaler for Greenland, and attack the ice-belts at the advantageous point. While his departure is delayed for a couple of weeks by the new arrangements he will probably lose no time in attacking the ice-fields, from the fact that they will steam directly from New York to Greenland, and escape the delay incident to a sailing voyage from St. Johns.

RODE A MULE TO DEATH.

A Foolhardy Arkansan Races with a Locomotive for the Last Time.

Peter Smith, of Fisher, a station on the Cotton Belt Railway, twenty miles south of Newport, Ark., has been in the habit of riding a fast horse ahead of a passenger train on the track for about half a mile to a crossing, where he would turn and laugh at the trainmen as the train sped by.

His success in beating the train to the crossing on his horse encouraged him to try it with a mule. He mounted his mule, and as the train started up Peter set out ahead at full gallop. It soon became evident that the mule was not swift enough to reach the crossing in time. The train continued to gain on him very fast, and when within half a dozen yards of the crossing the mule stumbled and fell. He rolled over the rails, but Smith was run over by the train.

His head was cut off, both legs were cut from his body and scattered along the road for some distance.

KILLED BY A SOW.

Awful Death of a Little Boy in Kiowa County, Kansas.

A shocking tale comes from Kiowa county, Kan., relative to the death of Johnnie Renner, the 6-year-old son of a farmer.

The boy and an 8-year-old sister were playing at "burying." A hole had been dug. Johnnie sat down in it, and the girl had piled up the earth until it reached the boy's chin, and he was tightly imbedded. At this juncture an old sow and her brood appeared and savagely attacked the girl, who was standing over her brother's head and drove her away.

The sow then turned on the unprotected head of the boy in the ground and sank her teeth in the face and skull several times. By this time the screams of the children had been heard and assistance arrived, but by the time the boy was taken from his position he was dead.

MARKETS.

BALTIMORE.—Flour—City Mills, sup.—$3.87@4.10. Wheat—Southern Fultz, $1.16@1.22. Corn—Southern White, Southern Yellow, 70@.....c. Oats—Southern and Pennsylvania 50@52c. Rye—Maryland and Pennsylvania 88@90c. Hay—Maryland and Pennsylvania $16.50@17.00. Straw—Wheat, $8.00@9.00. Butter—Eastern Creamery, 30@31c., nearby receipt 27@28c. Cheese—Eastern Fancy Cream, 12@13c., Western, 8@9c. Eggs—14@15c. Tobacco, Leaf—Interior, $4.00@4.75. Good Common, $4.00@5.00. Middling, $6.00@8.00. Good to fine red, $9.00@11.00. Fancy, $12.00@13.00.

NEW YORK.—Flour—Southern Good to Choice extra, $4.25@5.00. Wheat—No. 1 White $1.11@1.12. Rye—State 58@60c. Corn—Southern Yellow, 70@75c. Oats—White, State 60@62c. Butter—State, 22@27c. Cheese—State, 7@10c. Eggs—15@16c.

PHILADELPHIA.—Flour—Pennsylvania Fancy, $4.25@4.50. Wheat, Pennsylvania and Southern Red, $1.22@1.23. Rye—Pennsylvania, 90@92c. Corn—Southern Yellow, 72@73c. Oats—Southern, 54@56c. Butter—State, 29@30c. Cheese—New York Factory, 10@12c. Eggs—State, 15@15½c.

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BALTIMORE.—Beef—$3.00@5.35. Sheep—$3.50@4.00. Hogs—$5.50@4.75.

NEW YORK.—Beef—$7.00@8.00. Sheep—$4.00@7.00. Hogs—4.90@4.95.

EAST LIBERTY.—Beef—$4.00@5.05. Sheep—$4.00@5.20. Hogs—$5.20@5.30.

STATE OF TRADE.

No General Movement, But Considerable Activity in the West.

A Fine Outlook for the Crops—Cold Weather Interrupts Seasonable Traffic—Business Failures.

Special telegrams to *Bradstreet's* as in preceding weeks, do not show a general growth in the volume of trade in staples, although there are instances where business is reported quite active and equal to expectations, even exceeding records of the like week a year ago. Minneapolis tells such a story, as does St. Paul, and, somewhat in ellipsis, the like is true at Omaha. There has been a pronounced gain at Chicago.

Nowhere else are announced expanding volumes of business and records in excess of 1890. Cold weather, has interrupted buying of some seasonable goods, but not seriously.

West and South the crop outlook is all that could be desired. Sugar is said to be a little late in Louisiana, but except the probability of a smaller area, planted to cotton, this month, all agricultural staples promise heavier yields than last year.

COSTLY INDUSTRIAL DISTURBANCES.

Industrial disturbances the first week in May have been numerous and costly. Nearly 25,000 coal miners struck for various causes, although a general eight-hour demand was not made. The building and allied trades have been disturbed by the eight-hour movement, and the total number of industrial workers on strike is not far from 50,000, as compared with 54,000 one year ago.

Announcements of the suspension of the usual flannel sales have lent strength to the tone of the woolen goods market generally. Wool is dull, with low grade Australians in large supply and poor demand. Low grade domestic wool is 1c lower.

SUGAR RATHER WEAK.

Sugar is weak and 1c off on raw and refined on weakness abroad. Domestic demand is still good, but prices promise to favor buyers till the June fruit canning demand sets in. Business failures in the United States number 166, against 190 last week and 152 this week last year. The total, January 1 to date is 4429, against 4280 last year.

Money has been more sensitive during the week, owing to continued exports of gold, with a prospect of further disturbance in European money markets, owing to Russia's demand for gold. Bank clearings at fifty-three cities for the week amount to $1,331,183,004, a decrease from this week last year of 1.7 per cent.

At fifty-seven cities—New York's total excluded—a gain of 2 per cent. is shown. Gold shipments, fears of tight money, and uneasy conditions abroad, have created a depressed tendency in share speculation, although the harmonious railroad meeting, the punishment of rate cutting, and the adoption of plans to render the Western railroad agreement more stringent, had a sustaining effect. Bonds are dull and steady.

EXPORTS OF WHEAT.

Exports of wheat, and flour as wheat, from both coasts include 2,000,000 bushels coming from the United States exclusively, 2,273,174 bushels, against 1,873,270 bushels in the first week of May, 1890; 1,273,000 bushels in 1889, and 1,435,000 bushels in 1888. The total July 1, to May 7, is 84,170,043 bushels. In a like portion of 1889-90, it was 93,270,000 bushels, in 1888-89 it was 75,000,000 and in 1887-88, 100,100,000 bushels.

Official reports with estimates indicate that only about 77,000,000 bushels of wheat, visible and invisible, remained in the United States on May 1. *Bradstreet's* and Beerbohm's lists of stocks of wheat, United States and Canada, afloat for Europe and available in Europe show that supplies have fallen off from January 1 to May 1, 1891, only 18,075,000 bushels as compared with 58,900,000 bushels in a like portion of 1890, and 43,966,000 bushels in four months of 1889. The price of wheat appears to show renewed strength after dropping 10c per bushel from the highest point reached.

WORK AND WORKERS.

THE plumbers in Dubuque, Iowa, have gone on strike for $3 for a day of eight-hours.

THE marble setters in St. Louis have been granted their demand for $3 for eight-hours' work.

THE miners in the five mines in Evansville, Indiana, have gone on strike for an eight-hour day.

THE painters in Bay City, Michigan, have gone on strike for nine hours' work and ten hours' pay.

FOUR hundred lathers went on strike in New York for a uniform rate of wages of $4 a day. They have been getting from $2.50 to $3.

THE carpenters in Covington, Kentucky, declared their strike ended. The decision of the Board of Arbitration was favorable to their claims.

THE frame.s' strike in New York is practically ended. Union men applied to the frame bosses for work, and every boss who needed men could get as many as they wished.

NEARLY all the men employed on city contract work of Duluth, Minnesota, have gone on strike for $2 per day. They have been getting $1.50, and the contractors offer $1.75.

A COKE famine is threatened at Chicago, owing to the strike in the Connellsville district. The Illinois Steel Company and the Calumet Steel and Iron Company have been compelled to abandon their furnaces for want of fuel, and more than 1,500 men have been thrown out of work.

THE third annual convention of the National Association of Machinists was held in Pittsburg. 115 delegates were present from all parts of the Union, Canada and Mexico. The association has a membership of 22,000, and the craft, working under the nine-hour rule, is said to be content. The name will be changed to international to cover the widening scope of the membership.

A DESPATCH from Chicago says that there is every prospect that the action of the North Illinois coal operators in refusing to grant the request of the miners' representatives for a conference to settle the question of wages will be followed by a general strike of all the miners in that district. Ten thousand miners are employed in the Northern coal fields.

AT the Miners' National Convention, in Brazil, Indiana, it was resolved to accede to the demands of the operators and go to work at once. They have notified the operators that they will sign the contracts individually at the mines, under protest, to waive their rights under the laws and resume work any hour. The rights waived are to be a bi-weekly pay day and the weighing of coal before screening.

ABOUT 400 carpenters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, are on strike. About 1000 remain at work for contractors who have granted their demands to have the minimum rate of pay fixed at 27½ cents per hour. The men who remain at work agree to pay 20 per cent. of their wages, while the strike is on, into a fund for the support of the strikers. The carpenters have decided to disregard the rule of the Building League forbidding them to work with non-union men of other trades, and the unions have authorized their members to work for anybody who will pay the union scale of wages.

POISON IN THE WHISKEY.

An Old Man's Death the Result of a Ten Year's Feud.

At Cardwell, Washington county, Kentucky, Jefferson Holiday, Sr., was invited by James Matherty to take a drink of whiskey out of a bottle. The old man took a large draught, but remarked that it tasted very bitter; also, expressing his surprise that Matherty did not also drink. At this Matherty ostensibly raised the bottle to his lips, but let it fall, spilling the contents on the ground. After partaking of the whiskey Holiday was almost instantly taken with excruciating pains, and in an hour died in great agony. Mr. Holiday is the father of Jeff and Jim Holiday, who overtook Cal Vest while returning home from this place last February and shot him to death in the presence of his bride, for which they are now in jail. It is the opinion of many that Matherty was employed by some of the Vest family to do the deed because of the killing of Cal Vest, as he was seen talking to one of the Vest boys just before inviting the old man to drink. The families have been at outs for ten years, and this is the fifth death in consequence. Indignation was so great that Matherty disappeared before he could be arrested.

THE miners of the Boone coal fields at Boone, Iowa, have signed contracts fixing the price of mining for the next year at one dollar per ton. No demand for an eight-hour day was made.

SOUTHERN ITEMS.

SOME INTERESTING NEWS COMPILED FROM MANY SOURCES.

Saturday, May 30, will be observed as Confederate Memorial Day at Charleston, West Virginia.

—Mr. E. B. Chambers, of Harper's Ferry, W. Va., has a calf that was born with but one eye and no sign of a tail.

—For the year ending May 1, $435,575 was spent in Staunton, Va., and vicinity in buildings, factories and development.

—A company with a capital of $150,000 has been formed to work a large deposit of fine white near Edinbury, Shenandoah county, Va.

—The Norfolk and Western Railroad Company has purchased land on which to erect a $20,000 passenger station at Berryville, Clarke county, Va.

—United States Deputy Marshal J. Lock Terrell, was shot and killed from ambush in Franklin county, Ala., near Russellville, while conveying a prisoner to jail.

—Rev. Thomas Smedley, the pioneer of the Baptist Church in Western North Carolina, died near Asheville, aged ninety-three years. He was a native of England.

—Mr. Lewis W. Mehrling, of Frederick, Md., has a hen egg on exhibition which measures six and a-half inches in circumference, and weighs three and a-half ounces.

—The southwest Virginia Baptist Institute, now located at Glade Springs, is to be removed to Bristol, where the extensive grounds and buildings will be provided for it.

—The Virginia State Firemen's Association will hold its fifth annual session in Danville June 3 and 4. The indications are that every fire department in the State will be represented.

—Oil and natural gas has been struck in large quantities on the farm of A. S. Bennett, near Weston, W. Va. This is the first strike in Lewis county, and develops an oil and gas belt heretofore unknown.

—A little baby, the child of M. A. Riffe, of Roanoke, Va., buried at Hinton, W. Va., eleven years ago, was disinterred last week and was found to have turned to stone, making a perfect statue of the little child.

—The Prohibitionists of Lincoln county, W. Va., are very much incensed because the county court has licensed a number of saloons, and within the last week two of the saloons have been mysteriously destroyed by fire.

—All reports from the work of repairing the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, which is now going on, concur in the statement that the repairs are being made thoroughly, and that when the restoration is completed the waterway will be in as good condition as it ever has been.

—The chartered rights and franchises of the Virginia and Carolina Railroad Company in this city have lapsed, and if so what complete, equip and put in operation twenty miles of the road in accordance with the act of Assembly, and therefore surrenders its rights in the premises.

—The work on the Warm Springs Valley extension of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway is being pushed forward with great energy. It is expected that cars will be running to the Hot Springs by July 1. Contractors are under bond for forfeiture to have it completed by that date.

—Three districts in Hardy and Grant counties, West Virginia, have agreed to make a large subscription to the proposed railroad from Bayard, on the West Virginia Central (the "Davis" road,) to Moorefield. Its projectors expect to extend it to Strasburg, and thus get a connection with the Richmond and Danville system.

—The Potomac Cement Company, recently incorporated, are making considerable progress preparatory to the construction of their mill near Potomac Bridge, Md., and an architect has been engaged upon drawings for the works and for the erection of suitable dwellings for the employees.

—C. G. Thomas, of Frederick, Md., while on a fishing trip last week, became tired of the sport and laid on a rock to sleep. On awaking he noticed a snake three feet in length crawl out from underneath him.