

The Thirteen Towns.

FOSTON, (Folk Co.) MINNESOTA.

It is an easy matter to distinguish friends from relatives at weddings and funerals.

Shetland has had a wonderful hearing catch this season, 320,400 cans, valued at over \$1,500,000. This is a record for all Scotland.

An Indianapolis physician died the other day while laughing at a cartoon. This ought to be a warning to the comic artists not to be as funny as they can be.

Army estimates for the coming year are on the basis of a force of 100,000 men and include appropriations for bringing home the volunteers in the Philippines. The navy department also estimates for an increased force of enlisted men.

An edition de luxe, limited to 500 copies and offered for personal subscription at one guinea, will perpetuate a newspaper prepared by British officers while prisoners in Pretoria. The Gram, thus edited, was produced by means of the hectograph. When the time comes for a complete and dispassionate history of the South African war, the Pretoria paper will be an interesting witness.

Homestead grants for 20,000,000 people, it is said, will result if the plans of the National Business Men's league are successful. The league wishes the federal government to construct immense reservoirs for controlling the flood waters in the arid regions of the western states and to determine a practical method of irrigation for that country. To make the suggestions possible congress will be urged to give \$250,000 yearly.

The prize-firing returns of the British navy, recently issued, are said to show that the best work was done by one of the battleships on the China station. The worst firing is set down to the discredit of ships in the Channel squadron, which is charged with the protection of a region where inaccurate gunnery in time of war would prove costly. In modern warfare hearts of oak are not enough. Straight shooting also is necessary.

Boston is up in arms against Prof. Sheppardson of the University of Chicago for his assertion that her famous tea party owed its origin to mob violence. Boston, however, should be calm. Like the Triggs idea of fame this characterization of a famous act of American history is merely a Midway plausance snapshot. Bostonians do not seem to understand that the University of Chicago has several rare but unintentional humorists among its professors.

The schooner J. M. Weatherwax, which arrived at Port Townsend from Honolulu recently, had an unusual experience a few days before reaching port. When 150 miles off Cape Flattery, the schooner ran into an immense flock of birds, resembling the wild canary, thousands of which settled in the rigging and other parts of the vessel. The sailors furnished the feathered visitors with food and drink, and hundreds, if not thousands, of the birds remained on board till the schooner reached port. They became very tame, and left the vessel when it approached land.

Lord Lamington, the governor of Queensland, has left Brisbane for a tour through the northwestern district of that colony. The great pastoral region, along the shores of the Gulf of Carpentaria, is rarely honored with an official visit, and the settlers will, no doubt, be delighted to see the governor. Lord Lamington, on his side, ought to enjoy the trip. The blacks are still numerous in this part of Australia, and their habits and customs are very curious. But the governor's attention will be directed more particularly to the material resources of the country, and the possibility of increasing the means for its development.

While friends of education at home are largely concerned themselves with pictures in our public schools, foreign educators have been profoundly impressed with our public schools in pictures. The sixteen moving pictures of New York schools, showing nearly two thousand pupils in all parts of school work, including recess, cooking classes and fire-drill, were one of the wonders of the Paris exposition. They were accompanied by a phonograph, by which, for instance, when the children saluted the flag, the pledge of loyalty and patriotic songs were given at the same time. Both the Russian and the New Zealand governments have sent urgent requests for the loan of these pictures for display before the pedagogic societies of those countries.

Lieut. John S. Doddridge, U. S. N., has been in command of the torpedo boat Talbot during many of the experiments with liquid fuel the last year and has no hesitation in expressing an opinion on the merits of the systems hitherto tried on this little craft. So far these trials have not resulted in much valuable information, but have demonstrated beyond cavil that with the methods so far pursued in the use of liquid fuel for warships the system is practically useless and it is not believed the future will see much improvement in this matter.

GREAT TRIAL ENDED

MILLER AND HARDY ACQUITTED AT ANOKA.

Were Charged With the Murder of the Wise Family—End of the Most Noted Criminal Case in the Northwest—Mystery of the Great Crime Still Unsolved—Jury Had the Verdict Under Consideration for Twelve Hours—Other Charges Will Be Nolleed.

Anoka, Minn., Nov. 12.—The Wise murder case is a thing of the past. Elmer Miller and James Hardy, charged with the murder of Mrs. Eliza Wise, have been found "not guilty," and the most noted criminal case in the Northwest is now a matter of record. The case went to the jury on Saturday night at 10 o'clock. It took the jury just twelve hours to the minute to reach a decision. Judge Giddings delivered an impartial, unbiased charge, clear, concise and not garbed in words the jury could not comprehend. The jury filed into the jury room and there began its labors. They had a lunch at midnight. They did not retire during the night, but labored faithfully until the verdict was brought in Sunday morning as the church bells were ringing throughout the city. At a trifle before 10 o'clock a ballot resulted in an agreement, and word was sent for the sheriff, for the court officers, the judge and the prisoners and their counsel to appear. There was a great crowd in the court room. The fact that the jury had agreed was not known by many, but news travels fast, and fully 200 were there to await the results of three weeks of anxiety. The prisoners sat close to the clerk's desk. They were not nervous. They seemed to have no fear of the result.

The jurymen walked in slowly and took their places. The clerk read the roll, each man answered "here" in a clear voice, and then the court said "Gentlemen of the jury, have you arrived at a verdict?" They answered in the affirmative and the foreman handed a slip of paper to the judge. The court read it, solemnly handed it to Clerk Hart, and he read it aloud. As the words "not guilty" rang through the court room there was a murmur of applause; cut short by a call to order, and the jurymen were asked if this was their verdict. The judge thanked them and dismissed them. The relatives fairly enveloped the boys in embraces. The boys were taken in custody of the deputies and will remain so until this morning, to await the action on the other indictment against them for murder. They cannot be released until the prosecution permits and the judge decides. It is probable that the other indictment against them will be nolleed. The verdict of not guilty shows one of two things—that the boys either established an alibi or else the girls' evidence was not believed.

TWO VESSELS GO ASHORE.

Canadian Boat Arabian and Schooner Boaz Driven Aground During a Gale.

Whitefish Point, Mich., Nov. 13.—The Canadian steamer Arabian was driven ashore on Whitefish Point in the gale Saturday. It struck the beach about eight miles west of here, and, being without cargo, went high and dry. The crew was rescued with the aid of one of the life saving crews. The steamer does not appear to have been badly damaged, and the place where it struck was sandy.

Menominee, Mich., Nov. 13.—The schooner Boaz, laden with a cargo of elm lumber, waterlogged in the northeast gale and drifted ashore at North Bay. It is reported from there that the schooner is breaking up in the heavy sea. There is a heavy snow-storm, and it covers the ground to a depth of three inches.

FILIPINO TO SUE PROPRIETOR.

Says He Was Refused Seat at Restaurant Table Unless \$1.50 Was Paid.

La Crosse, Wis., Nov. 13.—George Schurmann, a Filipino traveling salesman for a perfume firm, will bring suit for \$5,000 damages against C. A. Sterling, proprietor of the Novelties restaurant of this city, for refusing him a seat at the table unless the sum of \$1.50 was paid.

OFFERS CANAL.

Government May Have Chicago's \$34,000,000 Drainage Channel as a Gift.

Chicago, Nov. 13.—Chicago has officially tendered its \$34,000,000 drainage canal to the United States government. The sanitary district trustees have memorialized the chief engineer of the government through the deep waterways commission now in the city, and that official body will transmit the memorial to congress in December. The memorial contains a direct tender from the sanitary district under the terms of the sanitary district law of Illinois.

HE FIRED THE FIRST GUN.

Stokeley Morgan, of Manila Bay Fame, Is No More.

Boston, Nov. 13.—Lieut. Commander Stokeley Morgan, U. S. N., retired, who had the distinction of firing the first gun in the Spanish fleet in the battle of Manila bay, died at his home in Roxbury yesterday. Death was due to paralysis. He was forty-one years old.

Monster Deer Killed.

Marshfield, Wis., Nov. 13.—A monster buck weighing 303 pounds when dressed, was killed near here by Andrew Hanna. The same animal, or one resembling it, has been chased by hunters for the past ten years.

Band of Carlists Captured.

Barcelona, Nov. 13.—The government troops have captured a band of fifty Carlists near Villa Franca del Pinades, twenty-seven miles west of here. They also captured a quantity of arms and ammunition.

THE MARKETS.

Latest Quotations From Grain and Live Stock Centers.

St. Paul, Nov. 15.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 75 1/4 @ 77; No. 2 Northern, 73 3/4 @ 74 3/4. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 39 @ 40; No. 3, 38 1/2 @ 39. Oats—No. 3 white, 24 3/4 @ 25; No. 3, 24 @ 24 1/2. Seeds—Timothy, \$1.75 @ 2; clover, \$5.20 @ 6; flax, No. 1, \$1.80 @ 1.82. Minneapolis, Nov. 15.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 78 1/2; No. 1 Northern, 75 1/8; No. 2 Northern, 72 1/8 @ 73 1/8. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 35 1/4 @ 35 3/4; No. 3, 35. Oats—No. 2 white, 23 1/2 @ 24; No. 3, 23 1/2 @ 24. Barley—Feeding grades, 43 @ 47; malting grades, 49 @ 58. Rye—No. 1, 49 @ 51; No. 2, 47c. Flax—Minneapolis spot, \$1.83; to arrive, \$1.83. Duluth, Nov. 15.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, cash, 78 1/4; No. 1 Northern, 75 1/4; No. 2 Northern, 71 3/4; No. 3 spring, 65 7/8; to arrive, 78 1/4; No. 1 Northern, 75 1/4; December, No. 1 Northern, 75 1/8; May, No. 1 Northern, 79c; oats, 23 @ 23 1/4; rye, 47 1/2; barley, 39 @ 55; flax, to arrive, \$1.79; cash, \$1.79; November, \$1.79; December, \$1.74 1/2; May, 1.76; corn, 37 3/4. Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 15.—Flour is steady. Wheat firmer; No. 1 Northern, 76c; No. 2 Northern, 73 @ 74. Rye is steady; No. 1, 51c. Barley firmer; No. 2, 60 @ 61; sample, 45 @ 60c. Oats quiet; No. 2 white, 25 3/4 @ 26.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Cash Wheat—No. 2 red, 75c; No. 2 red, 70 @ 71 1/2; No. 2 hard winter, 68 1/2 @ 71 1/2; No. 1 Northern spring, 71 1/2 @ 76 1/2; No. 3 spring, 65 1/2 @ 71 1/2; No. 2, 39 @ 39 1/2; No. 3, 37 1/2 @ 37 3/4. Oats—No. 2, 22 1/4 @ 22 3/4; No. 3, 21 3/4 @ 22c. Sioux City, Iowa, Nov. 15.—Cattle—Beeves, \$4.50 @ 5.30; cows, bulls and mixed, \$2.50 @ 3.75; stockers and feeders, \$3.25 @ 4; calves and yearlings, \$3 @ 4. Hogs, \$4.60 @ 4.75; bulk, \$4.65 @ 4.67 1/2. Chicago, Nov. 15.—Cattle—Good to prime steers, \$4.40 @ 5.50; poor to medium, \$4.40 @ 5.30; stockers and feeders, \$2.50 @ 4.40; cows and heifers, \$2 @ 4.75; Texas steers, \$3.30 @ 4.90. Hogs—Mixed and butchers, \$4.65 @ 5.05; good to choice heavy, \$4.50 @ 5.05; rough heavy, \$4.65 @ 4.75; light, \$4.65 @ 5; bulk of sales, \$4.80 @ 4.95. Sheep, \$3.75 @ 4.40; lambs, \$4.25 @ 5.40.

South St. Paul, Nov. 15.—Cattle—Good to choice butcher steers, \$4.65 @ 5.35; fair to good, \$4.25 @ 4.50; common to fair, \$3.75 @ 4.25; good to choice butcher cows and heifers, \$3.50 @ 4; fair to good, \$2.75 @ 3.50; thin cows and canners, \$1.75 @ 2.65; choice corn-fed bulls, \$3.50 @ 4; fair to good butcher bulls, \$3 @ 3.25; bologna bulls, \$2.50 @ 2.75; good to choice veals, \$3 @ 6; fair to good, \$4 @ 5; good to choice feeders, \$3.40 @ 3.75; good to choice stock steers, \$2.20 @ 2.50; fair to good, \$2 @ 2.25; common, \$2.50 @ 2.90; good to choice stock cows and heifers, \$2.75 @ 3; fair to good, \$2.50 @ 2.75; common, \$2 @ 2.40; good to choice steer calves, \$3.50 @ 4; fair to good, \$2.75 @ 3; good to choice heifer calves, \$2.75 @ 3; fair to good, \$2.50 @ 2.75; stock and feeding, \$2.50 @ 3; good to choice milkers and springers, \$3 @ 4; good to fair, \$2 @ 2.25; common, \$2 @ 2.25. Hogs—Good to choice light, \$4.60 @ 4.75; mixed and butchers, \$4.60 @ 4.70; good to prime heavy, \$4.55 @ 4.70; common to fair, \$4.40 @ 4.50; rough packers, \$4.30 @ 4.35; boars, \$1.75 @ 2.50; pigs and skips, \$3 @ 3.75. Sheep—Good to choice butcher lambs, \$4.60 @ 4.75; fair to good, \$4.40 @ 4.45; good to choice fat wethers, \$3.50 @ 3.70; fair to good, \$3.25 @ 3.50; fat ewes, \$3.25 @ 3.50; good to choice fat and feeding lambs, \$3.75 @ 4.50; fair to good, \$3.25 @ 3.75; feeding wethers, \$3.25 @ 3.75; stock and feeding ewes, \$2.85 @ 3; thin sheep, \$2 @ 2; buck lambs, \$2.75 @ 3; killing bucks, \$2 @ 2.50.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

Centennial Celebration at the National Capital.

Washington, Nov. 15.—A brilliant series of celebrations will be held here in December to commemorate the centennial. In picture and language the Washington of one hundred years ago and the capital of to-day will be contrasted, and the event will be made notable by parades, receptions in the White House and official functions, at which society and the resident lady will shine. Committees have been as busy as bees for several months raising funds and laying the plans for the celebration, and from the present prospect the affair is likely to be one long remembered by all who will have the good fortune to attend. The president is affording every aid possible to the celebration, which is being designed and executed by the residents of the city.

THIEF SLUGS MRS. POTTER.

She Awakes Just as He Is About to Chloroform Her.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—A negro burglar forced his way to the apartments of Mrs. Orrin W. Potter, wife of the millionaire steel man and banker, at her home, 130 Lake Shore drive, soon after 1 o'clock yesterday morning, and when discovered in the act of applying a sponge saturated with chloroform to her nostrils, he struck her on the head with a slungshot, rendering her unconscious. The doctors fear that she may not recover. The thief made his escape and has not been captured. Nothing was taken.

FITZSIMMONS DECLINES.

Newport News, Va., Nov. 15.—Bob Fitzsimmons last night rejected Champion Jeffries' proposition to take him on for another fight immediately at the close of the theatrical season. "I'll tell you what I'll do if Jeffries is so anxious to make a fight," said Fitzsimmons. "I'll stake my sparring partner, Ed Dunkhorst, and will back him against Jeffries and I'll post \$2,500 as a forfeit."

Two Children Burned to Death.

Wintershaven, Fla., Nov. 15.—Two children of Mrs. Mora Gaines who were locked in the house by their mother were burned to death here.

To Form a Big Cattle Trust.

Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 15.—George B. Loving of Fort Worth, Tex., passed through Cleveland on his way to New York where it is reported he will conclude negotiations for a \$50,000,000 cattle trust to absorb fifty Texas ranches.

Explosion Kills Three.

San Francisco, Nov. 14.—The gelatin mixing house of the Giant Powder company at Sausalito, fifteen miles from here, was blown up. John C. Hoffmeyer, foreman, and two Chinese were killed.

BIG ARMY AND NAVY

LARGE INCREASE IN OUR FIGHTING STRENGTH PROPOSED.

Officials Are Making Plans Which Will Necessitate an Appropriation of \$200,000,000 for the Maintenance and Increase of Naval and Military Resources—Thirty-Two Additional War Vessels Will Be Asked For—An Army of 60,000 Men Considered Necessary for the Present Needs of the Nation.

Washington, Nov. 15.—If plans now under consideration are carried into effect the next few years will witness a large increase of the naval strength and a reorganization of the land forces, which will place the United States on an equal war footing with any world or European power. As a beginning Secretary Long of the navy has given the finishing touches to a contract with the Carnegie and Bethlehem companies for armor plate involving an expenditure of \$17,000,000. With the approach of another session of congress both navy and war department officials are making plans which will necessitate an appropriation of \$200,000,000 by the next congress for the maintenance and increase of naval and military resources. The naval bill estimates for the year 1901 will be \$21,000,000 in excess of the appropriation for the present fiscal year, while estimates for the war department will be in the vicinity of \$140,000,000.

Take a Higher Place.

President McKinley concurs in the plans for a suitable permanent standing army to meet military needs at home and in the colonies, and he wishes to see the navy take a higher place in the list of the powers. While the navy appropriation for the present year, aggregating \$61,000,000, topped all previous records, the naval budget for the coming year promises to be considerably larger. A total of thirty-two additional war vessels will be recommended for construction as the naval program for 1901. This will include three 15,000-ton battleships of the most powerful type, two 15,000-ton armored cruisers, six 10,000-ton gunboats and colliers, repair ships and transports.

As to the Army.

It is proposed, according to the best advice, to organize an army of at least 60,000 men, but to give the president authority to increase the strength to 100,000 men as contingencies abroad may demand. The army of 60,000 men would be based on company formations of 60 men each, which could be increased to 120 men for each company. Quartermaster Luddington already is providing for the return of the 35,000 volunteers in service in the Philippines, whose terms will expire next July. This will leave about 20,000 regulars to defend the islands and maintain the garrisons, which is regarded by all concerned as utterly inadequate to meet requirements.

POSTOFFICE BUDGET.

Postmaster General Smith Will Require \$121,000,000.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Postmaster General Emory Smith has framed his estimates to be submitted to congress and will ask an aggregate of about \$121,000,000 as the appropriation for the entire service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902. This includes an estimate of \$3,500,000 for the rural free delivery service. By the close of this fiscal year 4,200 rural free delivery routes throughout the United States will have been established, and the general extension contemplated for next year will involve about 4,500 additional routes. The success of the service so far instituted has resulted in plans for a very general extension next year. The postmaster general is investigating, together with other officials, the feasibility of putting the service in operation at every point throughout the country not reached by the regular free delivery services in operation in the cities.

THEY WERE TOO SLOW.

Two Men Go Gunning for an Ex-Deputy and Are Killed.

Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 15.—William Kennedy and Daniel Kildee, both union miners, were killed by ex-Deputy Sheriff Dick Adams at Gem, Idaho. The men went gunning for Adams. About midnight they found him in Dixon's saloon. Kennedy raised his rifle to shoot, but before he could pull the trigger Adams sent a bullet into his brain. With lightning-like rapidity Adams repeated the performance on Kildee, who had drawn his revolver. Both died instantly. The shooting is the outcome of the Coeur d'Alene riot of two years ago. The coroner's jury exonerated Adams on the grounds of self-defense.

SLASHED HIS THROAT.

Doctor Under Arrest Attempts to Commit Suicide.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—George S. Phillips, arrested on the charge of causing the death of Bertha Young ten days ago, attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a butcher knife while he was standing before the sergeant's desk in the Stanton avenue station. One of the two women who followed him to the station and whose names are not known to the police, it is said gave him the knife. He was removed to the jail hospital, where it is thought he will recover. Bertha Young died Nov. 5 as the result of a criminal operation, and with her dying breath she accused Dr. Phillips of the crime.

Splendid Gift for the Illinois.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—The new battleship Illinois is soon to receive a splendid gift and the State of Illinois will be the donor. The gift is a silver tea service with candelabra, silver ladle, kettle, trays and the various other pieces that go toward the making up of a set.

Foul Play Suspected.

Winnipeg, Nov. 15.—A woman named Annie Bird was found dead in a house occupied by Mrs. Hattie Hall. Foul play is suspected.

SENATOR DAVIS MORE CHEERFUL.

Is Free From Restlessness and Pain and Eats Well.

St. Paul, Nov. 15.—Senator Davis was more cheerful yesterday. He was free from restlessness and pain. He ate breakfast with a better appetite than he has displayed since Sunday. He had practically no fever, and his pulse rate, although it did not fall below 120, was no higher than on Tuesday. This improvement, beginning at 4 o'clock yesterday morning, was the more welcome after a restless night. The latest bulletin yesterday was issued at 9 p. m. It read: "Senator Davis had a very comfortable day; slept about three hours; seems brighter and more cheerful this evening; temperature, 99; pulse, 120."—Alex J. Stone.

TO VINDICATE WELLCOME.

'Tis Part and Parcel of W. A. Clark's Plans.

Helena, Mont., Nov. 15.—W. A. Clark's managers are planning to secure the reinstatement of John B. Wellcome and the removal of the ban which hangs over his professional character. Wellcome was disbarred from practice in this state a year ago on account of his connection with the Clark senatorial campaign, after a long and protracted trial, during which Senator Whiteside swore he received \$50,000 from Wellcome to buy votes for Clark.

DEATH OF A MILLIONAIRE.

Henry Eiling Was Penniless When He Located in Montana.

Helena, Mont., Nov. 15.—Henry Eiling, a pioneer of Montana and president of six banks in this state, died after a brief illness at his home in Virginia City. Mr. Eiling came to Montana from Denver in 1864. He engaged in many enterprises, in all of which he was very successful. His mining and stock raising interests were very extensive. When he came to Montana he did not have a dollar, and he died several times a millionaire.

DEADLY CORN SCHELLER.

Lyman P. Hoyt Loses an Arm—Two Other Casualties.

Anoka, Minn., Nov. 15.—Lyman P. Hoyt, a prominent dairyman of Fridley, Anoka county, got his left arm in a corn sheller. Dr. Frank amputated it at the elbow. F. Hague of Grove lost the major part of his left hand by getting it in a corn husker. An employe on the Stockwell farm lost two fingers in a husker.

NARROW ESCAPE.

Seven People Saved From Death by Timely Assistance.

Kenosha, Wis., Nov. 15.—Seven people had a narrow escape from asphyxiation in this city, and one of the victims of the accident is still in a precarious condition. They were discovered by a neighbor at an early hour and the prompt arrival of doctors saved the lives of the victims.

Bold Daylight Robbery.

La Crosse, Wis., Nov. 15.—A daring robbery took place on the North side in broad daylight. A stranger entered the Swenson hardware store, and while Mr. Swenson stepped back in the store he engaged Mrs. Swenson in conversation and suddenly commanding her to keep still, rifled the showcase and lit out. He was captured.

Wealthy Cattle Dealer Missing.

Baraboo, Wis., Nov. 15.—D. S. Holcomb cannot be found after two days' search, and is believed to have been drowned in the Wisconsin river. He was a wealthy cattle buyer, and his friends think he fell into the river.

Busy Burglars.

Red Wing, Minn., Nov. 15.—Burglars in Peter Ruebeck's saloon got about \$4 and some cigars. An attempt was made to enter Adler & Schacht's clothing store also. There have been a number of petty burglaries lately.

Postoffice Building Blazed.

Tracy, Minn., Nov. 15.—Fire here partly destroyed the store building in the postoffice block occupied by the Nehls & Burlingame restaurant. Loss about \$1,700. The postoffice building was slightly damaged.

Unknown Tramp Killed.

St. James, Minn., Nov. 15.—A tramp who attempted to board a moving train in the Omaha yards, was thrown under the wheels. His legs were crushed and he died in a few hours.

Caught From Burning Leaves.

Baraboo, Wis., Nov. 15.—The little son of George Ments, at Loganville, was fatally burned as the result of his clothes catching fire while burning leaves in front of the residence.

An Overdose of Strychnine.

Yankton, S. D., Nov. 15.—Spencer Renson of Davis met an accidental death. He had been sick for some time and was taking strychnine as a medicine and took an overdose.

Blizzard in La Crosse.

La Crosse, Wis., Nov. 15.—A blizzard is raging in this city. A blinding snow, accompanied by a high wind, is falling. The mercury is near zero.

Accidentally Drowned.

Redford, S. D., Nov. 15.—Walter M. Wheeler, aged twenty-five years, was drowned in Twin lakes, about seven miles southeast of here.

First Skating Fatality.

Waseca, Minn., Nov. 15.—The eight-year-old son of Nick Roleger, ex-execution foreman, was drowned in Loon lake while skating.

New Elevator for Barley.

Red Wing, Minn., Nov. 15.—The Minnesota Malt company has established buying stations at Goodhue and Claybank and has let contracts for a \$15,000 bushel barley elevator at Goodhue and a flat house at Claybank.

Robbed of a Large Sum.

Stevens Point, Wis., Nov. 15.—Bartholomew Popowski, a retired farmer, was held up by an unknown man, clubbed into insensibility and robbed of \$2,100 in bills. The perpetrator is believed to be a local party.

OVER THEIR SCARE

CHINESE IMPERIAL FAMILY WILL RETURN TO PEKIN.

Imperial Edict Said to Have Been Issued Announcing the Return of the Emperor and Empress Dowager to Peking—Only One or Two Questions Now Remain Open for Discussion, So Well Have the Ministers Pushed Their Work—German Expedition for Loon Only.

Peking, Nov. 13, via Shanghai, Nov. 15.—It is reported here on excellent authority that an imperial edict has been issued announcing that Emperor Kwang Su and the empress dowager will return to Peking. The ministers at their meeting today practically finished their work of formulating the demands to be presented to the Chinese government, only one or two questions remaining open for discussion at another meeting, which will be held next Monday. Meantime the ministers are conferring with their governments regarding the points at issue. The question of permitting the succession of Chun, son of Prince Tuan, to the throne of China is considered so important that several of the ministers have asked instructions from their governments as to whether they shall support or oppose the heir. The Chinese commanders are more anxious than the powers to close the negotiations.

Hurry the Negotiations.

The dowager empress is blaming the commanders for everything that has happened since their appointment. She telegraphed denouncing them for not preventing the military expeditions that have been dispatched from Peking. Their position is most difficult, and the longer the time before the actual negotiations are begun the worse their position will be. The officials at Field Marshal Count von Waldersee's headquarters are outspoken in declaring that more expeditions similar to the one dispatched Sunday will be sent north. The only apparent object of these expeditions is to secure loot, though their ostensible purpose is to rescue native Catholics.

The French soldiers are acting like the Germans. Complaints are being received daily from the towns in the neighborhood of the posts of these armies that expeditions are looting and killing. The worst feature is that the victims are mostly aged persons who are perfectly harmless.

LED BY AN AMAZON.

Beautiful Young Woman at the Head of the Carlists.

London, Nov. 15.—Something more than a line of romance is given the Carlist uprising in Spain by the discovery that a beautiful Amazon led the rebellious hosts in Catalonia. The Daily Mail's Madrid correspondent says: "She was elegantly dressed and a finished equestrienne, and her carriage revealed a beautiful and distinguished woman. Some suspect that she is Donna Blanca, the duchess of Braganza, infanta of Portugal, and the wife of Don Alfonso, who is a brother of Don Carlos, and who took an active part in the late civil war in Spain, fighting in the foremost ranks of the Carlists. It is hardly likely, however, that Donna Blanca is taking a part in the present adventure, and probably the Amazon is one of the women of rank who abound in the Carlist party and are among the most devoted adherents of the pretender."

CZAR HAS TYPHOID.

Attack of Influenza Developed into Typhoid Fever.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 15.—The attack of influenza from which the czar has been suffering has now developed symptoms of typhoid fever. The indisposition of his majesty was first announced Nov. 2 and presented the usual symptoms until Tuesday, when his illness assumed the character of typhoid. Baron de Frederichs, the master of the imperial household, has issued the following bulletin: "His majesty passed a good night. His general condition is satisfactory. Temperature, 101.6; pulse, 92. His head is clear and the strength of the patient is quite satisfactory. The diagnosis shows typhoid, which for the present is cursing a thoroughly satisfactory course."

AFRAID OF KRUGER.

Mayor of Marseilles Does Not Want Him to Disembark There.

Paris, Nov. 15.—The Journal des