THE DESERET EVENING NEWS. TRUTH AND LIBERTY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 1900, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

One a Native of Utah and the Other Well Known Here-They are

Andrew A. Gibbons and Frank Lesueur-Shot Down by a

Gang of Arizona Robbers-Affair Causes Deep Gloom.

MURDER OF TWO MORMON

FIFTIETH YEAR.

TRIED TO KILL THE PRINCE OF. WALES

Attempt to Assassinate the Heir to Britain's Throne,

SHOOTING WAS IN BELGIUM.

Prince and Princess Were at Brussels Hallway Station, En Route to Copenhagen-Prince Not Hurt.

[Afternoon Dispatches.] fondon April 4 .- The prince and princess of Wales started for Copenhagen this morning for the purpose of attending the celebration of King Christian's birthday which occurs April

Frussels, April 4,-The police of Wales was shot at while leaving the milroad station here. He was not hurt, as the train was leaving the Northern station for the Southern railroad station an individual fired a revolver at the prince of Wales but missed his

the prince of royal highness. The attempt upon the life of the prince of Wales occurred at 3.55 p. m. The would-be assassin jumped upon the footboard of the prince's sailon car as the train was starting and fired into the car, aiming at the prince of Wales. The man was immediately arrested.

A BOY ANARCHIST.

The would-be assassin is a tinsmith named Siplde, a resident of Brussels 16 years old. His pockets were found to be full of anarchistic literature.

He fired two shots at the prince. The princess of Wales and others were The princess of Wales and others were in the car, but no one was touched. When examined by the station offi-cals Spide declared he intended to kill the prince of Wales, and that he did not regret his action and was ready to do it again if given a chance.

LONDON EXCITED AND INDIG.

London, April 4 .- The news of the attempt on the life of the prince of Wales spread with marvellous rapidity all parts of London and created the in all parts of London and created the most intense excitement and bitter in-dignation among all classes. The fact that the attempted assassiation oc-curred in a city where Dr. Leyds, diplo-matic agent of the Transvaal, has made his headquarters, was generally taken to indicate that the would-be assaustn was a Boer sympathizer, and this so infamel passions that most bitter invec-fives were hurled against the Boers and

The government was wholly ignorant attempt on the life of the prince steamenberg. Steamenberg. subject were communicated to the foreign office The marguis of Ballsbury immediate-ly degraphed to the prince of Wales his ngratulations on his escape, while the States charge d'affaires, Henry D. White, who was calling on the premier, promptly repaired to Mari-borough House and left his card there.

CONFERENCE **50 YEARS** ACO! Tilustrated, with half tones of the leading men of the Church AS THEY LOOKED

> 50 YEARS ACO. This will be one of the specially interesting features of the Big

CONFERENCE EDITION

of the "News" to be issued on

SATURDAY NEXT. Advertisers are re quested to note that during Conference all country subscribers of the "News" are given the paper FREE. grammannan grant

of the committee on Territories, was the first speaker. While Mr. McDowell was speaking the clerk of the Senate appeared and an-nounced the passage of the Puerto Rican tariff bill with "sundry amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested."

The bill was immediately referred un-der the rule to the committee on ways nd means, Mr. McDowell, one of the original opponents of the annexation of Hawali, inveighed against the labor conditions in the islands and the influence of corporations there.

ANIMATED CONTROVERSIES

House Committee on Idaho Investigation Like Fire in Rainstorm.

Pienty of Spluttering, and Nothing Cooked - Burbridge is Under Cross-+Examination.

Washington, April 4 .- The cross-examination of Frederick Burbridge, manager of the Bunker Hill mine, was continued in the Coeur d'Alene investigation today.

There were frequent animated controversies between members of the committee. One of these occurred over the authority of Mr. Crosthwalte, one of the private counsel, to appear. He denied that he represented the Bunker Hill mine or General Merriam, and said he was retained and paid by Gov.

Special Correspondence, St. Johns, Ariz, March 29 .- Again the good people here are in mourning. Two of our respected young citizens have been brutally murdered. At a desolute place about twenty or

twenty-five miles northeast of St. Johns, while trailing a band of thieves and ruffians, Frank Lesueur and Andrew A. Gibbons were shot to death by a band of as vile men as walk the earth.

The fiends were not satisfied with murder, but in a spirit of vandalism mutilated in a most shocking manner the bodies of their victims. On Monday, March 26, the mail driver,

carrying mail from St. Johns to Springerville, saw five men-KILLING A BEEF.

He carried the word to Springerville, where the sheriff, Mr. Beeler happened to be that night. The sheriff, with a posse started in pursuit that night. The thieves came on to St. Johns and were here at dark that same night, but went about three miles north of St.

Johns and camped. Sheriff Becler and posse came upon them early on the morning of the 27th,

and as soon as they saw the sheriff and posse, began firing at them. They kept up a running fight twelve or fifteen miles, when the horses of some of

the posse gave out and they returned, In the meantime the sheriff had left word for his deputy to raise another posse to follow him, leaving word four miles north of this place for the posse to follow their tracks.

When the sheriff and posse returned, the boys who followed missed them, but kept on, struck the trall of the thieves and followed it, thinking all the time that the sheriff was ahead or to the right of them,

PARTY SEPARATED.

When about twenty miles from St. Johns the party divided, four going to the north for the purpose of heading off the thieves from a ranch to which they were apparently steering; the other four, Francisco Ruiz, Antonio Jarimillo, Frank Lisueur and Andrew A. Gibbons, followed the trail. They saw a sheep herder, who told them that the thieves, five in number, had passed there about half an hour before, and showed the niles from here Ruiz's and Jarimillo's norses gave out, so they were compelled to return to the sheep-camp and stay the night. Gibbons and Lesueur stayed on the trail, Jarimilo and Ruiz tried to persuade Gibbons and Lesueur to return with them. Gibbons was inclined to do so; but Lesueur declined and said: "Let us go on; the sheriff is ahead and will need our belp." Then these two proceeded on the trail, and Ruiz and Jarimillo turned off. It was then between 4 and 5 o'clock p. m., Tuesday, March 27th, 1900. They had not gone more than five or six bundred yards from where they separated till they came to a rocky bluff covered with cedars, brush and large IS IRRITATED. boulders. The thieves were in hiding on the top of the hill. Lesueur having the best horse was about fifty yards ahead, and as the bluff was quite steep they were THE QUAY CASE CAME UP TODAY

riding slowly up a trail, the only one in that vicinity that went on top of the bluff. When within about fifteen feet of the thieves, without a word of warning, the desperadoes opened fire on the two unprotected, innocent boys. Lesueur was apparently Leaueur was apparently

KILLED INSTANTLY,

but Clibbons was shot in the bowels irst and ran some distance down the nil, using his handkerchief to wipe off the blood, before he was struck in the back by another ball, as his handkerhief was found near his body covered Not satisfied with committing such an

wful crime, the villions came down he hill to the bodies, put their rearms close to the boor boys firearing close to the poor boys' heads and shot them again and again, as each of their faces showed powder burns, and each had several wounds. "Uus has been a good boy all the days of his life, and if he has an enemy in the world. I do not know it." What father could say more? After thus

MUTILATING THEIR BODIES

the fiends took their horses, soddles and the fiends took their norses, saddles and guns, rified their pockets and stole their hats. Their bodies lay there from the time they were killed until the next day about noon, when they were found by a posse under Hichard Gibbens, who had gone in search of them. Richard Gib-bons and William O. Gibbons, a brother of the deceased remained with the bodies, while the others returned to town to bring the sad news. As soon as possible after receiving the word, a team was secured and a party of our citzens went after the bodies, which reached here yesterday morning.

THE FUNERAL.

In the meantime a report was sent to Navajo Springs on the railroad with a telegram to the officers in New Mexico and to friends of the deceased. Word was also sent to Fres. Udail at Springerville and Pres, Gibbons on the nountain.

Yesterday at 2 o'clock p. m. the restericzy at 2 o'llock p. m. the funcral services were held here in the assembly hall. The speakers were An-drew C. Peterson, Andrew V. Gibbons, Bishop C. P. Anderson, Pres. Elijah N. Freeman and Prez. David K. Udall, who all referred, in words of praise and commandation to the heavened and commendation, to the brayery and many sterling qualities of the two young men. They died as martyrs to the peace and safety of the citizens of this county, and their names will be held in sacred remembrance by all good people. Many of their friends were here from Springerville to attend the funeral, and all classes of citizens here were in attendance to show their respect for the departed and their sor-rowing friends, thirty vehicles following the remains to the cemetery.

RENDEZVOUS FOR ROBBERS.

mission to Great Britain September 28 1897, where he remained for over two years, reaching home November 18 1830) and four months from this date he lay a curpte on the scorching plains of Apacha county, leaving a young and affectionate with and a grief stricken father and mother. He filled an hon-orable mission as we can testify from the spirit he manifested on his return home. When the writer visited Elder home. Which the writer the said: Gibbons's parents his father said:

BOYS.

FRANK LESUEUR.

Frank Lasueur was the son of Hon. John I. Lesureur and Geneva Casto; was Joru in St. Johns, Arizons, September , 1859, being the second son of his par-nts, as Elder Gibbons was of his parents. He had attended the Brigham Young academy at Provo two years, and was ordained an Elder in Salt Lake City by Elder H. McCune and Presi-dent Udall. Last February he received a call from President Snow for a foreign mission, and was anxious to bonor the call; but had not notified the First Presidency, when he could leave, because he wished to meet and visit with his brother, James W., who is now on a mission to the British Isies, before he left on his mission.

These brothers were very much attached to each other, and as they had not been in each others' society much since they were grown, Frank desired to meet and visit James before he left. to meet and visit James before he jeft. When talking with the sorrowing par-ents concerning their gifted son, they said: "Frank was very outspoken, but was just as tender-hearted, always more than willing to make amends for any injury he done another, or to ren-der help in the time of need. He knew nothing of fear; and we never could impress upon him the necessity of cauloh." And the writer knows these things are true. He was a big-hearted, noble young man. noble young man.

On August 26th, 1899, he was or-On August 26th, 1899, he was or-dained and set apart as one of the tide to the Stake superintendency of Sun-day schools of this Stake, President E. N. Fréeman being mouth; and has labored difigently since in that calling, performing every duty willingly that he was called upon to do.

SORROW OF RELATIVES.

If the fiends in human form who committed this dastardly deed could have seen the grief and heard the pit-

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QUEEN HANDS OUT HEAD CRUSHED **REPLY AT DUBLIN** BETWEEN CARS.

Response of Her Majestv to the Lee Parker, R. G. W. Switchman, Address of Welcome. Killed at Ogden Today.

QUEEN IS ON IRISH SOIL. WORKING IN UNION DEPOT.

First Time in Thirty-nine Years-Day is Bright, and Huge Crowd Goodnatured.

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[Afternoon Dispatches.] Dublin, April 4, 11:45 a. m.-Queen Victoria landed in Ireland this morning for the first time in thirty-nine years. The disembarkation from the royal yacht was accomplished at 11:30. The commander of the forces in Ireland, the luke of Connaught, the lord lieutenant, Earl Cadogan, and their staffs greeted her hinjosty, and the ride from Kingstown to Dublin commenced in splendid weather and before huge and good na-tured crowds.

At the entrance to the city she re-ceived an address of weldome, and handed the lord mayor the following

hadded the ford mayor the converse reply: "I thank you beartily for the loyal welcome and good wishes which you have tendered me on behalf of yourself and your fellow clitzens on my arrival in the ancient capital of my Irish do-minion. I came to this fair country to seek a change and rest, and to re-visit scenes which recall to my mind the warm welcome given to both myself warm welcome given to both myself and my beloved husband. I am deeply gratified that I have been able at this time to see again the motherland of those brave sons who have recently dis-tinguished themselves in the defense of my crown and empire with cheerful val or as conspicuous now as ever in their God may ever guide and direct you in the high functions which you exercise for the benefit of your fellow citizens." The queen appeared to be much af-fected by the warmth of her weicome. Mr. Burke, a son of the former city sword bearer, took the place of Mr. James Egan, the sword bearer, who had refused to officiate, but the lord mayor himself handed the sword and keys to ber meterty who keys to her majesty, who touched

them. The ceremonies at the city gate were most picturesque. London's jubilee mayor, Sir George Faudet-Philips, said the ceremonies were the finest he had ever seen, far surpassing those of the great jubilee. In reply to the address of welcome of the town commission-ers of Kingstown the queen handed the following to the chairman. following to the chairman: "I thank you for your loyal and duti-ful address and for the warm wel-come he with you have greeted me. On setting foot again on Irish soil I received with heartfelt satisfaction your assummces of devicion and affect

Accident at 2:30 a. m. and Death at Sil7 a. m. Leaves Wife, Four Children, and Other Relatives.

ISPECIAL TO THE "NEWS."] Ogden, Utah, April 2-A fatal railcond accident occurred this morning at 2:30 o'clock, in the Union depot gards In which Lee Parker, a 1110 Grande Western employe, lost his life.

The R. G. W. was doing some switch. ing, also the Union Pacific, A coach was being out off from the R. G. W. train, to be attached to the Union Pacific No. 3, and Mr. Parker was between the two coaches, sutting loose the one to be attached to the Union Pacif. train, when unexpectedly the U. P. engine backed up with several cars against the car that was being cut toose, and by some means Mr. Parker's head was cought in between the platforms of the coaches, and crushed quite

He was taken to the Ogden general hospital at i a. m., and examined by Dr. Perkina, who found that the base of the skull was crushed in, and that just back of his ears there were two large cuts on each side. One of the gashes was cut nearly through the skull. He was given an anaesthetic to quiet his pain, and relaye the autoring for

his pain, and relieve the suffering, for it was evident that he could not re-cover. He died at 8:17 a. m., being 46

cover. He died at 8:17 a. m., being 40 years of age. Mr. Parker has only been in the em-ploy of the R. G. W. here at Ogden for about three months. He came here from Laramie, Wyo., where he was working for the U. P. as switchman. He was residing with his family at the corner of Orant avenue and 27th street. He leaves a wife and four children, two boys and two girls, also a mother, two bruthers and one sister to mourn his two brothers and one sister, to mourn his

demise. The funeral services will be held on Friday afternoon, April 6, at 2 o'clock, at the Methodist church.

DESERET TELEGRAPH DEAL

The Office of the Old Company Closes Today.

Western Union Handles All Business,

Commencing Tomorrow -Number

of Miles it Acquires is 910.

This will be the last day on which the

Deseret Telegraph company will re-

ceive messages. The wires running into

Its officers will be disconnected tonight,

and run into the office of the Western

Union company instead. Commencing

tomorrow morning, all people desiring

to telegraph to points hitherto covered

by the Descret line will have to write

their messages on Western Union

blanks and transact their business with

Western Union officials. The active ex+

istence of the Descret Telegraph com-

BOERS ARE BLAMED.

All the officials were greatly disturbed by the occurrence and the general view was that it must be connected in some way with the Transvaal, especially as the prince of Wales has always heretofore been such a favorite on the conti-nent, and never before has been mosted in the slightest degree.

One high official remarked: "That settles the question of the prince of Wales' visit to the Paris ex-Some fears were expressed as to the

first the occurrence may have in Dub-

t was pointed out that such attempts are contagious. On the other hand those who are best acquainted with Ireland outended that the only effect would be rease the determination of rish that no untoward incident should mar the success of the queen's visit. The news of the attempt on the life of the prince of Wales was immediate-If telegraphed to Queen Victoria.

Democrats Take Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 4 .-- Complete returns from the municipal election in this city give Mayor David S. Rose (Den.) a plurality over H. J. Baum-sartner (Rep.) of 2,374. Two years ago Rose's plurality was

CUBANS ARE FOREIGNERS.

Petition From Islanders Should Come Through State Department.

Washington, April 4 .- In the United States Senate today, Mr. Stewart, presented a petition from citizens of Cuba, representing \$150,000,000 of capital, "praying Congress to enact a law prohibiting the use of the United States military power to prevent the landing a competing cable from the United

Morgan called attention to a rule of the Schate that provides that no petition should be offered from citizens of a foreign country except through the state department. tate department. He did not object a the petition because he believed that Cube held such a relation to the United States as could be dissolved only by

Spooner said the rule was foundtd in good sense, and he believed the petiton ought to come through the sinty department. The chair held that the petition could be been believed that the petition could

not be received if abjection were made. Mr. Stewart urged that the petition did not come within the rule. The Cubana wing no other alternative appealed to

petition finally was read and ordered printed.

River Steamer Sunk.

Elsing Sun, Ind., April 4.—The steamer Henry M. Stanley struck a tow boat at 100 this morning and went to the bettom. No lives were lost,

Col. Bryan in Oregon.

Portland, Ore., April 4.-Col. W. J. Bryan arrived from Puget Sound today and took a special train for Yamphill and Washington countles, where he will make several specches today. He will return to Portland and will deliver an address at the specific specific states address at the exposition building.

Representatives Hay and Dick also joined issue over the extent of the inquiry, Mr. Hay contending that it was being curtailed to the prejudice of those making the charges, while Mr. Dick insisted that some limitation was essential in order to get through. During Mr. Burbridge's testimony he

stated that he was not a United States citizen at the time he became manager of the mine, but was admitted to cill-

zenship the following year. LONDON PUBLIC

London, April 1 -- General Colville and General French have given up the movement against the Boers cast of Bloemfontein and have joined the main army. It doubtless seemed to Lord Roberts a vain attempt to send 12,000 of his best troops into the wilderness with a field transport, in the direction at a right angle with his chosen line of advance.

The Boers have probably moved elsewhere, and if to the southwest General Colville could as easily strike them from Bloemfontein as by following them up across the plains. These inferences still leave the situation bewildering for the time being.

The enormously superior British forces appear inactive in every part of the war field, walting yet, probably, for the accumulation of material for a swift advance on the Transvaal fron-

tier, The London military commentators and the public to some extent are ir-ritated and confused by the situation Details received from the scenes of Green Market square, Capstown, Tues-day, when Premier Schreiner encountered an English demonstration, show that the premier, fearing personal violence, sought refuge in a restaurant He was hooted and tried to reach par

llament house, protected by police. The people shouted "Traitor," but he succeeded in reaching the house. Fin-ally the people again sang "God Save the Queen," when he raised his hat amid the cheers, and was heard 10 Bay

Reserve your judgment." Lord Roberts did not meet his wife at Capetown. She will proceed to

Bloemfontein. The permanent bridge at the Modder The permanent bridge at the abover river station has been finished. The first train passed over it Tuesday. The British garrison at Springfontein was rouged at midnight Monday by the intimation that the Boers in force more denuit to make an uttack but not were about to make an uttack, but not a burgher ,appeared.

GEN. GATACRE AWAKE.

Springfontein, O. F. S., Tuesday, April 3 .- Owing to information that the Boers are hovering in the neighborhood of the railroad running from this place to Bloemfontein. Gen. Gatacre is pre-pared to take vigorous measures to cope with any attempt to cut off Lord Roberts' line of communication at that point

150 MASKED MEN DID IT.

Blew Up Two Bridges and Barned Two Toll Houses in Indiana.

Discussing Hawaiian Bill. Washington, April 4.-Without pre-numed the consideration of the bill to Hawaii. Mr. McDowell (O.) a member

Attempt Was Made to Postpone it Announcement of Admiral Dewey's Till Tuesday Next.

HAD AN HOUR'S DEBATE, WHAT THE ADMIRAL SAYS.

morrow, and Alaska Bill Was Taken Up.

Matter Was Then Put Off Until To-

Washington, April 4 .- There was a lively time in the Senate today over the Quay case, it being a continuation of the contest inaugurated last evening. At the conclusion of the morning business, the chair laid before the Senate the resolution declaring that Hon. M. S. Quay was not entitled to a seat

in the Senate from Pennsylvania. That the question might be brought to a direct issue, Mr. Chandler, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, moved to strike out the word

'not' in the resolution. Speaking to this motion, Mr. Burrows said he would be glad to proceed with the case today, but a very important matter involving the seat of a senator was under consideration by the

committee on privileges and elections, and the attendance in the committee and the attendance in the committee room of the members was necessary. "I ask, therefore," said Mr. Burrows, "that the present order be continued until next Tuesday. We can then pro-ceed with it, ' hope, without intrrup.

Mr. Stewart protested that the case of Mr. Quay had already been too long The Alaska bill was then taken up, the

Quay case, after an hour's debate, go-ing over till tomorrow,

TRIAL OF WATER CASE.

The cases against Bines Dixon, Jens Jensen and Hans Anderson, charged with befouling the waters of Parley's canyon, is being tried before Judge Timmony this afternoon,

In their silent graves on the hill, in our quiet little grave vato now lay the mortal bodies of two of "Zion's noble, worthy gons, whose blood has drenched Arizona's sandy soil for peace, order and cod government! How long shall these things continue? How long will the Black river remain a rendezvous for thieves, robbers, cut-throats and murderers? Must the good citizens of these settlements continue to suffer at these settlements continue to suffer at the hand of this lawless element? Could not the officers of this fair Territory do something to break up this infamous roost?

SHERIFF ON THE TRAIL.

Sheriff Beeler is now on the trail of the murderers with a posse of our good and determined citizens, but the murdevers having thirty-six hours the start is probable they will not be overtaken.

WELL LAID PLAN

ANDREW A. GIBBONS was the son of President William H.

TO HEAD OFF BRYAN

Candidacy for President.

He Wants to be the People's Caudi-

date-Will Not Announce His Pol-

itics-His Candidacy a Surprise.

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homination."

continues:

eous aries of a wife, fathers and mo-thers, sisters and friends, if they had one spurk of human kindness in their wretched hodies, they would know no rest in this life! When they lie down at night, the memory of that awful deed would come before them in all its hid-eous details; when they arise from their restless couches, it would be with a vivid recollection of the events of that terrible day.

Can it be possible that men become through sin, so calloused and hardened in their natures as to have no remorse of conscience! They must, in their sober moments, suffer the torments of the damned! There is a retributive Hand of Justice even in this transitory life, which rests very heavily upon the guilty, and their burdens are hard to

The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved relatives of the deceased.

that I will not obey the will of the American people, if their decision is that I am a suitable person for the presidency. Beyond confirming my an-nouncement there is nothing further that I can promote say at present." ant I can properly say at present."

Washington April 4 .- Admiral George Dewey today confirmed the interview published this morning in the New York World, to the effect that he will ac-cept the presidency of the United States should the American people desire him to fill that office. He refused to make any further statement

The greatest interest was manifested n official and other circles today in In omenal and other circles today in the announcement by Admiral Dewey. His home was besieged all morning by reporters anxious to obtain additional information. To all the adjairal ex-tended a cordial greating but indicated that for the project at least there was nothing to add to what had been pub-lished concerning his willingness to stand for the presidential office, should the people nominate him. the people nominate him.

Naturally, the chief point of inquiry was as to which of the great political parties Admiral Dewey would be the

"It has developed that the announce-None of the officials at the mavy dement of Admiral Dewey's candidacy is None of the officials at the maxy de-partment cared to express publicly any optition as to the admiral's announce-ment, but it is plain to be seen that the announcement created profound sur-prise in every circle. The impression prevailed that regardless of the out-come of the admiral's movement from a political point of view, his entrance into the arena of politics morks a to: a part of a well laid plan of eastern Democrats to head off Mr. Bryan's The Evening Telegram's dispatch

he admiral will not be able to spare he time necessary for the discharge of burely naval duties. It is estimated that he practically indicated his purose to withdraw from active

BABY LAID TO REST.

Afternoon in the Twentieth Ward.

willingness to become a candidate that my troubles are beginning, but a map who has the interests of his country at heart cannot escape his share of them. Funeral services over the remains of and I am willing to risk all that may Chief Hilton's little daughter who was "'From every State in the Union and burned to death Monday, were held atfrom all classes of the people I have neceived gratifying evidences of a dethe Twentleth ward meeting house this afternoon at 3 o'clock. A large numeire for my nomination. The domand has become so general that I felt conber of friends, including a number of strained to give serious consideration to the matter, and although I had pre-viously stated that I would not accept a the officers, were in attendance and manifested their great sympathy for nomination, conditions have so changed in the few past months that I cannot the bereaved ones. The floral offerings In the few past months that I cannot were beautiful and profuse. Interment longer as a loyal American citizen say was in the city cemetery.

your assurances of devotion and affec-los towards me. I um looking forward with much pleasure to my visit to this part of my dominion and I pray may dod bleas inclouds wells. lod biess Ireland's welfare and pros-As this written ren'v was handed to

the chairman her majesty said: "I am very pleased to find myself in Ireland again."

GREAT FIRE IN KANSAS CITY.

Kanzas City, April 4 .- The mammoth and superb auditorium in which the Democratic convention was to have been held July 4, was burned to the ground by fire that started at 1:10 p. m. Within a few minutes after the fire caught, the whole structure, taking in half of a block each way on Thirteenth and Contral streets, was a mass of flames, and twenty minutes after the first alarm was turned in the mam-moth roof fell with a crash, throwing showers of burning embers in every di-

The fire started over the furnace room The fire started over the furnace room in the rear of the building. Before the first engine had arrived the fire was be-yond control. Within twenty minutes every engine in the city was at the scene, but the work of the firemen proved of no avail, and efforts were di-verted to saving the surrounding the rected to saving the surrounding property,

erty, Ai 1:30 p. m. the fire jumped two ways, attacking a half block of three story residences in the rear of the hall, on Twelfih street and across Central street, where it first caught the Sec-ond Prebayterian church, one of the finest edifices in the city, and then the Lathrop public school, which was par-tially destroyed by a tornado in 1888. The residences on Twelfth street to-gether with the church and school are a total lass. a total loss

At 2:25 p. m. the fire was pronounced under control, the flammes having been confined to three or four small resi-dences outside the hall, church, school and Tweifth street row. The total loss is roughly estimated at from \$350,000

\$450,000, with insurance about half the loss. Convention hall is well insured, and will be robuilt to time for use for the Democratic convention. Fifteen min-utes after the hall was known to be

comed members of the Commercia, lub, through whose efforts the strucure was built, began soliciting funds o begin rebuilding. The foundation remains intact,

ELECTION AFTERMATH.

Judge King's plurality, which now eaches 4.076, will, in the opinion of Chairman Walton, of the Republican State committee, be considerably fuced when fuller returns are received from Carbon, Garfield, Kane and Toocle counties as these are, he claims, in the Republican column under normal con-ditions. The Democrats, however, ex-pect to recoup these losses from San Juan county.

Congressman-elect King, and Mr.

Congressman-elect King, and Mr. Backman, his private secretary, ex-pect to depart for Washington early next week, probably Monday, though that has not yet been definitely determined upon.

Judge King's plurality in Sait Lake county will be nearly 1,000.

Judge King delivered a political speech before the Women's Democratic club this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Milando Pratt, No. 565 south State street.

pany ends (onight, and its legal existence will terminate as soon as the books and accounts can be closed up. This task, the late superintenden of the company, Mr. W. B. Dougall, will have in hand. The formal transfer of the line took place today, Col. J. J. Dickey, the gen-eral superintendent of the Western Inion, having come on from Onisha or the purpose of closing up the ar-

rangements. By the transfer the Western Union company acquires a line 789 miles long measuring the route by the poles. The actual number of miles of wire furned over is 910, with the fixtures and electrical apparatus in 42 offices. Wher-ever both companies now have offices that of the Deseret will be discontinthat of the Deseret will be discontin-ued, and the towns thus affected are as follows, the Deseret office being closed up. In each case and the wires run into the Western Union: Paris, Ida.: Franklin, Ida.: Logan, Brigham, Ogden, Sandy, Provo, Springville, Pay-son, Nephi, Mt. Pleasent, Eairview, Spring City, Ephrain, Manti, Gunni-son, Sailina and Richfield. Mr. W. B. Thourall said today that for

Mr. W. B. Dougall said today that for une time hence he would be occupi losing up the books and accounts of the old commany and in lending what and hight to needed to the Western Union in making the transfer. After that his business plans are undecided.

THE CROVES HOSPITAL.

Trustee Richards Takes One Step Towards Its Establishment.

East Temple Street Property Converts ed Into Cash, Which Will be Used Under the Doctor's Will.

Hop. Franklin S.Richards, trustee under the will of late Doctor William H. Groves, whose demise occurred in 1895, in this city, has sold a piece of property on East Temple street which belonged to the estate. The place is occupied by the Etah Liquor company and brought the sum of \$11,856. The estate is computed to be worth about \$75,000, all of which was willed by Dr. Groves to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Church of scales of the purpose of founding in his city a hospital to be known as "The Dr. William H. Groves Latter-day Saints hospital." Mr. Rich-ards said today: "We have no plans for the immediate erection of the hospital for the reason that not all the property a been sold and converted into cash

Of course, this sale is one step towards the establishment of the institution agreeable with the provisions of the will of Doctor Groves, and as soon as practicable his wishes shall be carried out."

candidate of, but to questions of this character the replies indicated no posi-New York, April 4,-A Washington tive determination had been reached. "There are no definite plans for the future," said a member of his official dispatch to the Evening Telegraph iouschold.

"The admiral will not admit that nha the arena of politics marks a ter-mination of his activity in the navy. Not that it is believed his retirement is bending, but it is felt that engressed as he would be in his other aspirations, there is any organization behind his candidacy, or state whether he would like the Republican or Democratic nomination. He told me today that he was . in the hands of the American people,

and was as willing to obey orders from them as he has been from his super-lors in the navy. He said: "I have every reason to believe that there is a popular domand for my nom-ination. I decline to say whether I am a Democrat or a Republican. "I want to be the people's candidate. I fully realize that in announcing my willingness to become a candidate that work in a conversation recently with an intimate friend and brother officer.

Funeral of Little Dora Hilton This