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Gerard, Ks., 6.—At Baxter Springs, Cherokee county, a girl 14 years old was waylaid, ravished and terribly maltreated on Saturday afternoon. John Lawrence, colored, aged 17 years, was arrested for the crime, and was brought to Columbus early last night for safe keeping. A mob followed, and in some way a young white man named Wolfe, one of the party, was shot and killed. Yesterday morning the colored boy was brought here and lodged in jail. When the train from Baxter Springs reached here at noon to-day, about twenty men got off near the station and scattered through the town. Haif an hour later a number of armed men made a dash for the jail, broke down the iron door, took the prisoner out, marched him up one of the main streets, and placed armed men around him to keep the citizens from interfering. They took him two blocks west of the jail and hung him to a rafter of an unfinished house. Then one of them, said to be the father of the girl, emptied his revolver into the body. The participants in the mob then walked out of town and returned to their homes.

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CHEAGO, 7.— Notwithstanding the riotous demonstrations yesterday afternoon, the West Division Street Railway Companysentious 32 of its cars at 8.30 this morning, on Madison, Randolph, Lake and Van Buren street lines. The cars are now guarded by

from six to eight policemen riding on each car. while the streets are patrolled by a large reserve force. The early down town cars were well patronized; ladies and working girls constituting the bulk of the passengers. Outwardly everything was quiet along the several car routes, crowds not being permitted to assemble. Cardriver Wallace Chaffee, who was assaulted by the mob last evening is at the county hospital in a precarious condition. Eight persons have been arrested for participation in the disturbances yesterday afternoon. In the meantime the residents of the West Division were dependent very largely upon express wagons and other improvised corveyances by which to reach the business portion of the city, and are compelled uniformly to pay ten cents for fare.

CLEVELAND, 7.—Great excitement prevails in the eastern part of the city this morning. Twelve hundred strikers from the iron mills at Newburgh marched into this city and visited the Chisholm shovel works on Case Avenue. This establishment is operated by the Chisholms, who also own a controlling interest in the Cleveland Rolling Mills. The strikers forced the workmen out and closed down the factory. They then proceeded to the Union Screw works on Case near Payne Avenue. They were denied admittance, where-upon they broke in the windows and forcibly took possession of the place. The workmen there quit rather than have a riot and at this time (1.30 p.m) the establishment is being closed. Several men were badly hurt by stones, but no intended violence against workmen by the strikers is reported.

WASHINGTON, 7.—A dispatch was received at the office of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to-day, from Inspector Armstrong, reporting that some of the Cheyennes have broken away from the reservation and gone into the Pan Handle of Texas. Secretary Lamar sent a dispatch to the President.

CLEVELAND, 7.—At the Screw Works, which are partly owned by the Chis-

being scrutinized with more than usual care.

Chicago, 8.—The resumption of the street car traffic is complete this morning. The cars are running on ail the west side lines, manned by the late strikers. The company concedes that the causes leading to the discharge of the 16 men, whose reinstatement was demanded, shall be left to a committee of disinterested persons, and if there were no proper reasons for their discharge, they will be reinstated.

CHARLESTON, S. C., S.—About the middle of June, Governor Thompson was informed the convicts employed in grading the Savaanah Valley Railway were cruelly treated. One convict had died in consequence of brutal whipping by the guards: that they were overworked and excessive mortality prevailed among them. The Governor immediately instructed the superintendent of the penitentary to investigate the charges, and the official report which has just been received shows that 16 deaths have occurred since Jan. 1st, out of a total force of 120 convicts; that seven are unable to work and that the convicts are required to march three miles to work with shackles on their legs; that on account of the bad quality of the food scurvey has made its appearance, and there has been excessive cruelty in punishing the convicts. In describing the effects of the beating of Henry Porter by A. W. Jackson, who had charge of the convicts, during the absence of the regular overseer Dr. S. Pope, the penetentiary physician says: "As evidence of the severity of the whipping inflicted, I would state that the tissues have sloughed off, leaving an open sore eighteen inches lang by ten inches wide. The punishment must have been very cruel. I doubt his complete recovery." Other convicts were also cruelly beaten, although the condition of those now at work is said to be "very fair." Jackson the inhuman guard had fled to Georgia, but efforts are being made to secure his arrest.

There is great indignation at these outrages, and steps will probably be taken, at the next session of the legisature, to discontinue the practice of larming out convicts to railroad comfanies and phosphate miners.

HANNIBAL, Mo., S.—The Globe Hotel. Louisana. Mo. caught fire vester. CHARLESTON, S. C., 8.—About the piddle of June, Governor Thompson

COURT-MARTIAL.

The court-martial appointed to try Paymaster-General Smith of the navy

convened to-day. The detail of the court is as follows: Commodore Alexander A. Semmes, President: Commodore A. W. Queeu, Commodore Geo. E. Belknap, Captain J. A Greer, Captain Wm. P. McCann, Captain A. P. Cooke, Pay Directors J. D. James Fulton, Captain Shenck, Captain M. Bunce, Pay Inspector Rufus Parks, and Paymaster R. W. Allen, Judge Advocate. The charges on which the Paymaster-General is to be tried are: Scandalous conduct, tending to the destruction of good morals, and culpable inefficiency in the performance of duty.

VACATION.

The Star says the President is preparing to depart from Washington for his summer vacation. His plans have been arranged and it is expected he will be able to get away within a day or two. He will go to New York State and betake himself to the woods for a few weeks, to get away from the worry and bother of office-seekers and politicians. His plans have been made very quietly and he will probably leave as soon as the appointed time arrives without making any previous announcement. The President wants a period of perfect rest, and does not propose to be followed into his retreat. Office-seekers will wake up some morning very soon and find the White House deserted.

### CHANGES.

The President has suspended Mark L. Blunt, Register, and Michael H. Fitch, Receiver of the land office at Pueblo, Colorado.

The President has accepted the resignation of P. B. S. Pinchback, Surveyor of Customs at New Orleans.

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T. D. Kelher of Albany, N. Y., has been appointed disbursing clerk of the Treasury for the Sixth Anditor's office. Kelher was at one time private secretary to Senator Fair.

The Secretary of the Navy has appointed a board to examine the present foremen of the navy yard shops and applicants for such positions, with a view of determining the efficiency of the incumbents and making changes where it is necessary or advisable.

## EXONERATED.

Judge McCue, the Solicitor of the Judge McCue, the Solicitor of the Treasury, to whom was referred the evidence taken during the investigation of the charges preferred against Russel B. Harrison, assayer in charge of the United States Mint and Helena, Montana, has made a report to the Secretary of the Treastry in which he exonerates Harrison. W. P. Towner, who was sent to make the investigation, speaks in high terms of the system employed in the office. The solicitor's report is satisfactory to the Secretary of the Treasury and Harrison will be so notified.

## THE CATTLE TRAIL.

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The reported obstruction of the cattle trails through the Indian Territory, by settlers upon the Cherokee strip is engrossing the attention of. the Secretary of the Interior. In answer to complaints made by drivers, that they were not permitted to take their cattle over the established trails, the Secretary telegraphed that no one had a right to obstruct them. Nevertheless it appears that the officers of the Federal courts in Kansas, whose jurisdiction extends over the Cherokee strip, have disregarded these telegrams and persisted in excluding Texas cattle under the act of May 24, 1884, which forbids any person to urive cattle on foot through any State or Territory, knowing them to be infected with contagious disease. Secretary Lamar has now requested the Attorney General to instruct the officers to ease their opposition to those using the established trails, and to refrain from interfering with the cattle drovers while on the trails, in the Indian Territory.

## A HISTORIC PISTOL.

Judge Chenowith, on behalf of a number of ex-Confederate soldiers, to-day presented General Rosecrans with a pistol captured by Texans in a raid on his baggage train in the summer of 1864. On the stock of the pistol is inscribed the names of the battles in which Rosecrans was victorious. The General was much pleased with the present and the manner of its restoration.

In the convention of the representatives of agricultural colleges begun here to-day Commissioner Coleman briefly sketched the discussions in Congress which preceded the magnificent grants of lands for the endowment of agricultural colleges in several of the States of lands for the endowment of agricultural colleges in several of the States,
and said it would be conceded that the
general public professed a degree of
disappointment in the outcome of
those institutions. Atter alluding in
detail to some of the branches which
should be fundamentally taught in all
agricultural colleges, he referred at
some length to some of the operations
and plans which might be carried out
on the college farms by the college
faculties, and which would be
more particularly under the auspices
of the Department of Agriculture and
for its special use and advantage—the
operations and plans involving problems which could only be solved by
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at no distant date this would be realized, for agriculture, the nursing mother of all industries, was entitled to such recognition. After the conclusion of the Commissioner's opening address, the temporary officers were made permanent. Commissioner Colman this afternoon announced that he had received a letter from Miss Cleveland of the Executive Mansion, which he did not think was intended as a private communication. He said Miss Cleveland had manifested a laudable interest in one of the industries in which the whole country was interested. The letter was read and is as follows:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, Washington,

I venture to ask if the subject of silk culture in the United States is one which will receive attention from the agricultural convention? I find myself feeling a deep interest in this industry, not only because it seems right and fitting that we should produce our own silk in successful competition with the world, but because this industry, when so established, as it may be by encouragement from the Government, will afford one more avenue of self-support to women. I am sure you desire, with me, to see such avenues increased in a worthy and legitimate way. I am hoping to have the pleasure of visiting your bureau before long.

Very truly yours,

ROSE ELIZABETH CLEVEAND.

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At the afternoon session an invitation from President Cleveland to visit the White House to-morrow afternoon was accepted.

Willetts of Michigan, Lee of Mississippi, Atherton of Pennsylvania, Fairchild of Kansas, and Dwinell of California, were made Vice-Presidents.

A resolution favoring the passage by Congress of the Cullom bill tor an appropriation for agricultural experiments was passed The recommendations of the Commissioner of Agriculture in his address were approved by resolutions. A discussion followed, in which the distribution of seeds by Congressmen who know nothing of their value or the reverse, was condemned.

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The evening session was devoted to the reading of papers.

CLEVELAND, 8.—A heavy detail of police was sent into the 18th Ward early this morning to quelt the strikers if it became necessary. There was no trouble and no demonstration until this afternoon. The strikers then assembled in the 14th Ward, elevated the red flag and started for the mills in Newburgh. On arriving there they made a great deal of noise, but did not offer any damage to life or property. The police are prepared to move on a moment's notice if the strikers become turbulent.

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GRENADA, S.—The mob, after hanging the murderers McCristian and Williams yesterday, started after two other men implicated. Williams had confessed, stating that Bartley James and John Campbell had assisted in killing the two peddlers. The mob found James at his house, carried him to the Union church, about ten miles from Grenada, and hanged him to a tree. They then went to Campbell's house. Campbell fired upon the mob, wounding one of the vigilantes, and then made his escape. It is rumored that at daylight this morning the mob overtook Campbell. He refused to surrender and they shot him dead.

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