David and Coliath .- 1 Sam. 17: 1-18: 5. Commentary .- 1. Goliath defies 1srael (vs. 1-10.) The giant, Goliath, who same out as the champion of the Philistines, "belonged to the primitive race of the Anakim of which the Israelites had found a small remnant at the time of the conquest, four hundred years before (Num. 13; 32, 33; Josh. 14; 12.) These, driven out by the Israelites, attached themselves to the Philistines; and Goliath appears to have been one of a family of giants, all of whom were slain by David and his men (2 Sam. 21: ously estimated at from nine to eleven feet. His armour is continued to Goliath's height has been var weighed about 157 pounds; while the head of his sphere weighed about nineteen pounds. In those times great size and strength and armor were of immeaadvantage in battle. This armed and plumed giant defied the arm ies of Israel morning and evening for forty days. His appearance sent dismay hearts of Saul and his people of Saul's soldiers dared to fight with him, for no one could overcom him with the ordinary weapons of war ; II. David offers to fight Goliath (vs 0-37). Just at this point David ap peared on the scene, and, much to the astonishment of Saul, offered to champion the cause of Israel and go out and meet the Philistine. At first Saul hesitated, but David soon convinced the king that he possessed the elements necessary for success, and Saul reluctantly consented to his going. David's statement (vs. 34-37) shows that he had (1) courage, (2) strength, (3) agility, (4) confidence in his own ability, (5) humility, (6) perseverance, (7) wisdom, and (8) faith in God.

HI. David slays Goliath (vs. 38-58.)
38. His armor—The word for "armor" in R. V. is "apparet." "Probably a special military dress adapted to be worn with armor."—Cam. Bib. Coat of mail The aucient Hebrews were particular-ly attentive to the personal safety of their warriors. "The coat of mail was their warriors. "The coat of mail was usually made of leather or some pliant material, sometimes covered with metallic scales, and capable of taking the form of the parts of the body it protected."—Bib .Dic. 39. Assayed to go "By making the -Endeavored to go. "By making the attempt David showed his courtesy and deference to his superiors." Cannot go with these—The shrewd, practical sense of David admonished him of the folly of attempting such a combat with weapons with which he had no skill.—Terry. "He is a wise man who knows what he cannot do as well as what he can." Put them off.—This was likewise from the Lord, who would have it made manifest that his servant fought and conquered by faith, and that the victory was from him, who works by the most despised means and instruments."—Scott.

40r His staff—His shepherd's crook. Five smooth stones—Had they been rough or angular, they would not have passed easily through the air. Shepherd's bag—Used to carry his daily food. Sling—A favorite weapon of Eastern shepherds. It was also very effective in shepherds. It was also very effective in war, and was regularly employed, not only by the Israelite troops, but also by the Syrians, the Egyptians and the Portion of the only is composed of the circumstance. The strap is in the middle, and is the place where the stone lies. The string on the right end of the strap is firmly fastened

right end of the strap is firmly fastened to the thumb. The string on the left is held between the thumb and middle joint of the forefinger. It is then whirled two or three times round the head, and when discharged, the finger and thumb let go their hold of the string on the left end." The sling was a formidable weapon in the hand of a skilful person. A stone could be hurled with a velocity that would make it as fatal as a rifle-ball. that It was a very common weapon in David's jaminites could sling at a hair's-breadth. 41. Philistine came on—Goliath, "in his shining armor, with his dreadful clanking tramp under the hundredweight of met-al." 42. Looked about—"He scanned the whole scene, and could hardly persuade himself that this boy was Israel's cham-pion." Disdained him—Got th seemed insulted that such a young, unarmed lad as David should approach him. "The in-finite resources of alliance with God are not visible to the heedless and hostile world. Unchristian people do not understand the character and serviceablethey derided our Saviour on the cross; they deride us almost every day of our lives, collectively and individually. You have not gone very far in Christian experience if you have not been pained by the derision of worldly men, who in the main are friendly, but who are disposed main are friendly, but who are disposed foolish and weak because ness of God's help. They derided David; they derided our Saviour on the cross; your strength is in the Lord."—Hurlbut's Com. 43. Am I a dog—He hurls a thrust at David, suggesting that he knew no more than to control his shepherd dog. "Pride goeth before destruction, combat thus became a question not merely between David and Goliath, but between God and idols. If Goliath was successful then idolatry would gain stronger hold may be the sum of the winter fairs to oats.

Were n.t a sufficient number of societies entered in other kinds of grain we are confining this competition at the winter fairs to oats.

Further particulars will be mailed you later and a haughty spirit before a fall" (Prov.

stronger hold upon the people.

Missionary instruction.—The giant Goliath was, 1. A ponderous foe. The heathen world is so extensive that it seems impossibly to reach it with post that the people truth. 2. An insulation of the giant that we will be mailed you later.

Further particulars will be mailed you later.

I trust that you will appreciate the desire of the Minister of Agriculture to improve the standard of the grain crops in the Province of Ontario and give us your hearty co-operation in the standard of the grain crops in the Province of Ontario and the people. it seems impossibly to reach it with gos-pel truth. 2. An insulting, haughty foe. Heathen religions are contemptuous toward the Christian religion, 3. An easily

ward the Chris-conquered foe.

David is a type of the Chris-than who, comes with the smooth tian who comes with the smooth stones of the gospel truth to combat the sin and ignorance of the combat the sin and ignorance of the world. 1. David was small and appeared insignificant. The Christian religion appears small and weak as compared with the other religions of the world. 2. the other religions of the world. 2. David possessed real power. His help was in God. "One, with God, is a major-

thendom. "O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain'—the mountain of vision, where the darkness of the world may be seen."

Questions.—Who came to fight against Israel? What was the position of the two armies? What giant defied Israel? Why was Saul at first unwilling to allow David to go against him? What'did David's statement to Saul show? Why David's statement to Saul show? Why did David put off the apparel and coat did David put off the apparel and coat of mail Saul wished him to wear? What weapons did he take? Describe the slug. What can you say of its power? How did Goliath deride David? What was David's reply? Describe the manner in which Goliath was slain. What was the final result? Of what are Goliath and David wright? David typical? What portion of the world is Christianized? Give the religious

census of the world. PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS. The Christian is a "soldier" (2 Tim. 1:18). It is a "fight—of faith," for righteousness and holiness (1 Tim. 6:12; 2 Tim. 4:7). God is our commander.

2 Tim. 4:7). God is our commander. He teacheth our hands to war (2 Sam. 22:25; Psa. 144:1); and "who teacheth like him?" (Job 36:22).

1. Fight with God's weapons. "Saul armed David with his armor" (v. 38). But David had a better defence than Saul's coat of mail (Eph. 6:11-18). "The

weapons of our warfare are not carnal"
(2 Cor. 10:4). Not force but faith is our victory (1 John 5:4).

II. Discard worldly weapons. "David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these, for I have not proved them" (v. 39).
"We do not war after the flesh" (2 Cor. 10:3). Our warfare is consistent. 10:3). Our warfare is a spiritual warfare, not against unbelievers, but against unbelief. Our weapons are "mighty through God" (2 Cor. 10:4). His promise is, "No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper" (Isa. 54.17)

Heathenism is an armored, massiv Goliath. Ignorance, superstition and caste are the armor in which heathen religions are encased. "According to the latest and most trustworthy statistics the great religions of the world are represented as follows: Christians, 550,000,000; Confucianists, etc., 290,000,000; Mohammedans, 217,000,000; Hindus, 209. 000,000; Pagans, 175,000,000; Buddhists, 138,000,000."
"Of the Christians it is reckoned that

"Of the Christians it is reckoned that about 27,200,000 are Roman Catholic; 166,000,000 Protestant, and 118,000,000 Eastern Catholics."

Says a writer, "A friend of mine was standing on the top of one of the sacred mountains in China, visited annually by thousands of pilicims and he noticed thousands of pilicims and he noticed raduntains in China, visited annually by thousands of pilgrims, and he noticed one man who had climbed up those thousands of steps upon his knees. He said to him, 'What are you looking for?' 'Oh,' he said, 'I am looking for heaven.' Have you found it?' 'No,' he said, 'I feel and I feel hit I cannot find the feel and I feel, but I cannot find the door.' Jesus is the door; but those who most need that door are groping blindly for it and cannot find it. You and I may have the privilege and the joy of helping them find that door. Is there anything in life that can be compared with that?" "They that turn many to righteouness (shall shine) as the stars for ever and ever" (Dan. 12:3).

## PROVINCIAL PRIZES TO BE OFFERED

To Competitorsin Standing Field Crop Competitions. The state of the s

Sir,-The increased number of societies which are taking part in the Standing Field Crop competitions this year and the excellent results that have already accrued have been so marked that the Hon. Nelson Monteith, Minister of Agriculture, has onsented to extend the competition still further by arranging to have the five prize winners in each of the different Agricultural Societies competing enter into a Provincial contest at the winter fairs at Guelph and Ottawa. Each exhibitor will be required to forward two bushels of the grain wit which two bushels of the grain withe takes a prize in the Standing Crop competition the year. amounts offered in prizes at each of the above named winter fairs will be 1st, \$35; 2nd. \$30; 3:1. \$20; 4th, \$10; 5th, \$5. All societies west of Ferente will compete at Guelph and those east will compete at Guelph and those east of Toronto at Ottawa. Each exhibitor will send his grain by express C. O. D. addressed to the superintendent of the fair at Guelph or Ottawa and the transportation charges will be paid by the Department of Agriculture. culture.

The grain winning the prizes at htese winter fairs will become the property of the dept. and will be used

each exhibitor at the time of making entry certifying that all the grain ex-hibited by him and was grown on the plot which was judged by the official sent by the Federal Department to judge the grain while standing in the judge the grain while standing in the field. Owing to the fact that there

J. Locheed Wilson, Superintendent.

PILLAGING IN PERSIA.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 3.- A special despatch received here from Tabriz, Persia, says that the horsonen under Rachid Khan, who is operating on the side of the Shah, have pillaged the Russo-Persian High School at Tabriz, destroying the laboratory and library of the institution. Later they sacked the warehouse of an American sewing machine company, located next door to the school. Finding the machines too heavy to company to the school. David possessed rear policy. David possessed rear policy. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds" (2 Cor. 10: 4). The light of the gospel is destined to whoever would buy and for whotever they could get. The prices range and from 25 cants to 30 cants anieca.

# **BODY FOUND** IN BONFIRE.

Disfigured Remains of a Woman Discovered In Dump.

Police Believe She Was Murdered and Placed In Fire.

New York, Aug. 3.—An autopsy will be necessary to determine the cause of the death of the man or woman whose charred body was found in a bonfire on a vacant lot in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn to-day. The legs and arms of the victim were nearly burned off, and the body so disfigured that the police were unable to decide the sex of the victim. A stableman, who discovered and extinguished the fire, was de-

tained by the police, who have no information as to how the body was placed in the fire.

A physician's examination disclosed that the body was that of a woman, and small pieces of clothes and hairpins found near the body confirmed this decision. round near the body confirmer that decision. The pieces of a large glass bottle which lay near the body led the police to believe that acid had been used, posto believe that acid had been used, sibly to disfigure the body or to cause the fire to burn more briskly. The matica are working on the theory that police are working on the theory that the woman was murdered, and her body carried to the dump and set on fire to conceal the crime.

## KEEP OUIET.

Sultan Sees No Need for Further Demonstrations.

Populace Wants His Old Advisers Dismissed.

Constantinople, Aug. 3 .- The crisis in Turkish affairs is by no means over. The demonstrations that have been in favor of the Sultan may at any moment turn against him if he does not yield to the demands of the constitution party for the dismissal of the palace camarilla.
It is believed that the Sultan will

make these concessions, although to do so is difficult. Some of the officials already have been removed, and it is be-lieved that others will either flee the leved that others will either flee the country or seek refuge at one of the foreign legislations. It is apparent that the Sultan is becoming uneasy. Troops yesterday evening prevented further demonstrations in front of the palace.

An Imperial irade made public to-day convokes the first Turkish Parliament under the new constitution for North

under the new constitution for Nov. 1. The document announcing this decision appeals to the people to cease their demonstrations sointing out that as the Sultan has proved his good sentiments and his intentions strictly to observe the constitution and labor for the prosperity of all his subjects there is no longer reason to continue the manifestations, which only impede progress.

### FISH KILLED.

TO THE REAL PROPERTY. Pollution of Water Condemned by Member of Commission.

New York, Aug. 3.—The killing of fish by the pollution of waters in which they feed and spawn has become a matter for international consideration. This is the opinion of Dr. David Starr Jordan, President of Leland Stanford University, and one of the most eminent ichthyologists of America, who is a member of the International Fisher Commission. This body, consisting of United States and Canadian experts, was created in accordance with the provisions of a treaty between the United States and Great Britain, and is engag ed in the task of framing statutes which shall protect the fish in international waters along Lake Champlain, the St Lawrence River and the Great Lakes.

When these statutes have been adopted they will be enforced by the general governments of the treaty-making pow-In a letter to Edward Hatch, jun., of

New York, Dr. Jordan says:
"It seems to me that the pollution of international waters is a matter which this commission must take very seri-ously. We shall provide adequate means for reinforcing whatever statute are adopted. The New York statute seems to cover the ground very well I am told it is not enforced against the great pulp mill corporations."

#### FARMER'S TOMB.

INSISTED THAT HE BE BURIED BESIDE HIS HORSE.

but Obeyed the Injunction.

Pittsburg, Aug. 3.—"See that I'm buried near the old gray horse. He was my faithful friend. I'd rather be buried in - than in that cemetery, among

This was the instruction given James McMillen, executor, by Warren Phil-lips, a wealthy farmer, of Upper St. Clair township, some weeks before his death, which has just occurred. The rich farmer has been interred by the side of his old gray horse, "Phil. Sheridan," and Western Pennsylvania tongues are warging wildly over this are wagging wildly over this most unique burial.

unique burial.

A grave which had been prepared for Phillips by his widow before she became acquainted with the remarkable provision which her husband had made for his own interment, both by word of mouth and in his will had been fined. In the absence of the executor Fhilng interred among the people whom he had said he wanted to avoid, but at the last moment Squire Andrew McMillen, who had drawn Phil-lips' will, rushed to the front, declar-ing that the will must be opened now; that there must be no wrong interment. Grave-diggers were required to rest on their spades while the will was sent for and opened. The first paragraph read as follows

"I direct that my body be plainly and decently buried on the northeast portion decently buried on the northeast portion of my farm; place to be selected and my burial to be under the direction and control of my executor hereinafter named, and I direct that no mark of any kind shall be placed on my grave.

Executor McMillen was then sent for and said that his instructions were to bury Phillips close to "Old Phil," whose bones had rested in the northeast part of the Phillips farm since Decem-

whose bones had rested in the northeast part of the Phillips farm since December, 3, 1899.
There was almost a riot among the aristocratic Phillips connection when it became known that Warren had chosen became known that Warren had chosen to lie beside his old gray horse instead of in the pretty little cemetery on the hill where the Phillips family for many generations had been buried; but there was no way out of it, and the cemetery grave was filled and a new one opened beside that of Phil. Sheridan on the other hill, and there the farmer was buried. Rev. Chester A. Wyckoff readburied, Rev. Chester A. Wyckoff read-

# FIGHT IN A JURY ROOM.

Jurymen Disagreed Over An Indecent Show Trial.

Chicago, Aug. 3.— Personal violence in the jury room yesterday brought to a sudden termination the case of Eugene B. Hobson, manager of a Tukish theatre in Amusement Park, on trial before Judge Beitler for presenting an indecent show.

The jury was given the case for consideration, and a disagreement was anticipated later in the day when heated arguments were heard. Then a water goblet was sent hurling through the glass door of the jury room and Judge Beitler ordered Bail-iff James Hart to quell the disturbiff James Hart to quell the disturb-ance. Hart discovered half a dozen jurors in a clinch, chairs were broken, and the room was in general confu-sion. Two of the men were exchangsion. Two of the men were exchanging blows and the others were striving to separate them. Hart was told that the jury stood eight for acquittal and four for conviction and that the battle started when one of the men tried to "convince" anoth Judge Beitler dismissed the jurors a reprimand and ordered

#### ease for re-trial August 26th. PRINCE IMPRESSED.

Canada's Greatness Must be Made Known.

London, Aug. 3.- The Prince Wales told a special correspondent of the Times that he was profoundly moved by the experiences of his Cana-dian visit. It made him feel more than ever the absolute necessity of increased efforts to make the people of Great Britain understand the greatness of the conditions and opportunities of Canada and the other great es. The unbounded hospitality him made him wish on returning that Canadians were not so much swamped in the vastness of London's social life. He hoped that efforts would be made to overcome this and strengthe

#### HAS ENEMIES

MR. M'CALLUM'S STOCK POISON-ED BY PARIS GREEN.

Hawkesbury Farmer Loses Three Cows and Three Horses, and His Barn is Fired-Poison Found Spread Over the Pasture.

Vankleek Hill, Aug. 3.-Mr. Malcolm McCallum, who resides in East Hawkesbury, about six miles from Vankleek Hill, had three cows and three horses poisoned by some unknown party leaving Paris green in the pasture. Metcalfe had one of the dead animals examined, and found Paris green, and as a result a search was made and quantities of Paris green were found in several Some one also tried to burn places. down Mr. McCallum's barn, but the fire was discovered in time to prevent it

from doing any damage.

Mr. McCallum married a daughter of
Mr. Alex. McKenzie, of St. Anne de Prescott, a few weeks ago, and it is reported that prior to the wedding she was told that if she married McCallum Grave-Diggers Halted — Aristocratic lalso that McCallum found a note post-Relatives Shocked and Amazed, ed on the fence saying he would have more trouble. This happened after the

first cows died.
Mr. Maxwell, the Crown Attorney has communicated with the Govern-ment officials, and it is expected a man will be sent here immediately to investigate.

RUINED BY BANK'S FAILURE. Largest Cutlery Manufacturer in Sol-

ingen Goes to the Wall. Cologne, Aug. 3.—F. W. Rauth, the largest cutlery manufacturer of Solinge1 is irsolvent, it was announced yesterday, as the result of the failure of the Solingen Bank, of Solingen, whose formal bankruptcy was declared July 25th. Pauth's assets are said to exceed l'auth's assets are said to exceed 25th.

Another large cutlery manufacturing and exporting firm, Von Zur Gathen, suspended en Saturday, and it is reported in financial circles here acquainted with the situation at Solinger, that about forth further. gen that about forty further suspen-sions are expected there, these being



FARMERS' MARKET There was no grain received to-day, and prices are purely nominal. Hay offered more freely and ruled firm. 25 loads sold at 315 to 316 a ton for old, and 310 to 311.05 for new. One load of straw sold at 312 a ton. Dressed hogs are steady. Choice lightweights sold at \$9.50 to \$9.75, and heavy at 50.25.

90.26 at 10.00 to \$3.76, and heavy at \$9.26 at 10.00 to \$3.76, and heavy at Wheat, white, bush \$0.83 \$0.85 Do., red, goose \$0.83 \$0.85 Do., goose, bush \$0.81 \$9.82 Oats, bush \$0.52 \$0.00 Barley, bush \$0.50 \$0.50 Barley, bush \$0.76 \$0.00 Hay, old, ton \$15.00 \$16.00 Do., new ton \$10.00 \$11.50 Straw, per ton \$10.00 \$12.00 Dressed hogs \$9.25 \$9.75 Butter, dairy \$0.22 \$2.50 Do., creamery \$0.22 \$2.50 Eggs. dosen \$0.22 \$0.50 \$2.5 choice, carcase Do., medium, carcas Mutton, per cwt. .. Veal, prime, per cwt. Lamb, spring, per cv

SUGAR MARKET St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: granulated, \$5.00 in barrels, and No. 1 gold-m, \$4.00 in barrels. These prices are for de-ivery; car lots 5c less.

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Receipts of live stock at the city market, as reported by the railways, were 91 car loads, composed of 1,182 cattle, 1,788 hogs, 1,312 sheep-and lambs, with 187 calves.

There were few well-finished cattle on sale to-day.

Exporters—No loads of export steers were reported on the market, although one or two loads could have been disposed of. A few export bulls were reported as being sold at \$3.76 to \$4.69 per cwt.

Butchers—The highest price reported as being paid for a load of butchers' cattle, and they were good, the best on the market, was for a load sold by Maybee, Wilson & Hall, weighing 1,060 lbs. each, at \$5 per cwt. Geo. Rowntree, who bought 170 cattle for the Harris Abattoir Company, reported his best loads at \$4.40 to \$4.85; good cows and medium butchers' at \$3.76 to \$4.25; canners at \$1.50 to \$5.50 per cwt.

Feeders and stockers—A few of both classes were sold at unchanged quotations. Milkers and Springers—There was a good trade for good qualities at unchanged quotations. Prices ranged from \$30 to \$57 each.

Veal calves—Veal caves were reported as being slow sale at \$2 to \$6 per cwt.

Sleep and lambs—The market was firm for sheep, but lambs sold at lower quotations. Export ewes sold at \$3.76 to \$4 per cwt; rams, \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt; lambs sold from \$8 to \$6.66 per cwt.

Hogs—Mr. Harris reported hop prices unchanged from last week's quotations; selects, \$6.90 fed and watered at the market, and lights, \$6.65.

#### OTHER MARKETS.

NEW YORK SUGAR MARKET. Sugar—Raw, firm; fair; refining, 3.75c ntrifugal, 96 fest, 4.25; molasses sugar 5c to 3.60c; refined steady. WINNIPEG WHEAT MARKET.

Following are the closing quotations on Winnipeg grain futures:
Wheat—July \$1.06 asked, October 91½c bid, October 90c bid.
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Montreal—About 350 head of butchers' cattle, 45 milch cows, 150 calves, 300 sheep and lembs and 200 fat hogs were offered for sale at the east end abattoir to-day. The hot weather had a depressing effect on trade, but there were no material changes in prices, excepting that hogs are lower; prime beeves sold at 5½ to 5½ per pound; pretty good cattle, 4c to 56, and the common stock. 2½ to 3½ per pound. There were a number of hard looking buils on the market, which sold at about 3c per pound. Milch cows sold at \$25 to \$50 each; calves sold at \$3 to \$10 each; sheep sold at 3½ to 4 per pound; lambs at \$4 to \$5.50 each; good lots of fat hogs sold at \$7.25 to \$1.35 per cwt.

CHEESE MARKETS.

Montreal—Steady: easterns, 11%c to 11%c;
westerns, 12c to 12%c;
Woodstock—Factories offered 765 white and
1,185 colored; sales at 11 13-15c.
Madoc—765 boxes cheese boarded, all selling at 11 15-16c.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS. London-London cables for cattle are steady, at 11½c to 13%c per pound, dressed weight; refrigerator beef is quoted at 10½c to 10½c per pound. WOOL MARKET.

WOOL MARKET.

Wool prices, which this season have been much lower than usual, are not likely to go higher, but still lower, if the London wool sales of any indication if the trend of the market, and would drew the attention of our readers to the report of the London sales of the 28th, where a dectine of from 2½ to 10 per cent. has taken place on the highest prices during the present series, which brings all classees back to practically the old level. In view of this and the fact that the sales have been shortened by seven days and some 70,000 bales have been withdrawn the present series as they have been quoted for Canadian fleece during the present season have been well within the limit of a liberal price.

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London—The wool sales were continued today with offerings of 12,206 bales, A small supply of merinos sold at unchanged rates; cross-breds, comprising the bulk of offerings, were in good demand, though the inferior sorts continued irregular. The withdrawals to-day were fairly numerous and scoured slips were in good request, especially by France. Suitable lines of greasy were taken to America. The following is the sale in detail: New South Wales—600 bales; scoured. Is 4d to 1s 6d; greasy, 10d to 11d. Queensland—100 bales; scoured. Is 3d to 1s 9½d; greasy, 3½d to 10d. New Zealand—\$300 bales; scoured. 9d to 1s 8d; greasy, 4½d to 10d. Punta Arenas—3,100 bales; greasy, 8¾d to 10d. Punta Arenas—3,100 bales; greasy, 8¾d to 10d. Punta Arenas—3,100 bales; greasy, 8¼d to 10d.

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WALL STREET NEWS.

Copper in London was 6s higher yesterday. New York banks lost \$1,897,000 through sub-Treasury operations since Friday. Plan to revive Morse Steamship Line provides for \$40,000,000 of new stock and \$15,000-000 of bonds.

Bankers working on plans to pay off Wheeling and Lake Erie \$8,009,000 impending indebtedness.

Unions revolt against Gompers and plan new central Federated Union.

Standard Oil to be tried in Tennessee courts November next on 1,634 counts, for which maximum penalty is \$30,000,000.

Late President Cleveland left a fortune of \$250,000.

Late President Cleveland left a fortune of \$250,000. President Roosevelt will discuss with New York Republican leaders advisability of running Hughes for Governor for second time. Bryan may take the stump to answer Tatt's excoriation of Democrat platform. Erie will test the eight-hour law. Commercial organizations report better business in South.

Bradstreet's Trade Review.

Montreal.—There has been but little change in the trade conditions during the past week. The volume of business does not materially improve, although some wholesalers state they find orders somewhat heavier than was the case a week ago. Trade has been to some extent affected by the recent unfavorable weather for crops in Quebec province, although conditions continue most favorable in other parts of Canada. The hay crop is about an average, and oats are not looking nearly as well as was ex-pected. All this has had some effect upon country trade, and orders for fall have suffered in consequence. Industrial activity has not been lessened by these

conditions. .
Toronto.—General business continues

ports from Ontario and the West say crop conditions are in every way favor-able. Sorting orders here are keeping up well, and fall and winter business continues brisk. In the matter of dry continues brisk. In the matter of dry goods there are some authorities who go so far as to prophesy a record season's trade, although this opinion is hardly general. The western yield of grain will be larger than ever before, and that of Ontario will be good. Falt wheat is already being shipped, and its quality is excellent.

Winnipeg: Plenty of rain has fallen in all parts of the country during the past week, and the outlook for crops has still further improved.

past week, and the outlook for crops has still further improved. Vancouver and Victoria.—General busi-ness holds a good tone here and all along the coast. Quebec.—Wholesale trade is quiet, most of the travellers are off the road, pend-

of the travellers are off the road, pending the feta.

Ottawa: Trade is moderate, although active preparations are going forward forward for later business.

Hamilton.—Wholesale and retail trade is fair to good, the tendency in the former being towards further improvement. Country trade is quiet, and collections are only fair. Fall and winter orders for general lines promise well. orders for general lines promise well.

London: General business here holds a steady tone.

#### THOMAS L. HISGEN

Presidential Nominee of the Independent Party.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—The First National Congress of the Independent party finished its labors early to-day, after nominating Thomas L. Hisgen, of Massachusetts, for President of the States, and John T. Graves, of Georgia, for Vice-President, and adopting platform of principles.

The nomination of Hisgen was reached on the third ballot. Graves was named for second place

on the ticket by acclamation.

John L Sheppard, of Kansas, who attempted to put W. J. Bryan's name in nomination, had to be given the protection of the entire force of the Independence party officials to save him from the infuriated delegates. Sheppard was escorted from the hall

by a detail of sergeants at arms, while the crowds of delegates surged around and denounced him as a traitor. The National committee was expected to meet to-day, having been authorized by the convention to fill any and all va-

## **CLOSED PORTS.**

President Castro Cuts Off Trade With the West Indies.

Port of Spain, Aug. 3.-Following the issuance of a decree by President Castro last May prohibiting the despatch of vessels from Venezuelan gulf ports to Trini-dad, cocoa and other Venezuelan pro-ducts have been forwarded from these ports to the Island of Grenada, in the lesser Antilles, and thence to Trinidad.

President Castro has now is President Castro has now issued a de-cree prohibiting the despatch of vessels with cargo for Grenada or other islands in the Antilles, thereby closing the gulf ports entirely to export and import trade with the West Indies.

Great indignation is felt in the British colonies, and it is expected that the aid of the British Government will be sought to secure ts protection against the meth-ods of President Castro.

#### DECLARED INSANE.

Yet He Was Discharged From the Asylum as Sane.

Pensacola, Fla., Aug. 3 .of testimony presented in the criminal court in the case of Geo. C. Scudamore, alleged embezzler of \$70,000 from the Pensacola Bank & Trust Company, end-ed last night. The court decided Scuda-more to be mentally incapable of con-ducting his defence. The defendant was adjudged insane some months ago and sent to the asylum. There the physicians, after watching him for a number of weeks, declared him to be feigning, and dismissed him from the asylu

WHERE LOVE LAUGHED.

Knot Was Tied Through Cell's Barred Window

Cripple Creek, Col., Aug. 3.—A marriage at the county jail took place under unusual circumstances last night, when Prof. Hans Albert, a musician, formerly of Omaha, and Miss Grace Hadsell of Ottumwa, Iowa, daughter of the United States Marshal at that place, were declared man and wife by the Rev Mr. Inman, a Methodist minister of Gold-field, Col. Albert's arrest was caused

Saturday by the girl's father to prevent the marriage, the charge being insanity. Last night Miss Hadsell and the minasker high raises and the minister visited the jail and asked to see Albert. The request was refused, and the jailer, thinking the incident closed, went upstairs. During his absence a box was placed outside Albert's cell window, Miss Hadsell mounted it, and classing Albert's head though the clasping Albert's hand through the bar-red window, was made his wife.

MILLIONS FOR PROVINCE.

The Loan Will he Floated in the

Toronto, Aug. 3.—Hon. Colonel Matheson, Provincial Treasurer, is planning a trip to England in October to float a loan of \$4,000,000, credit of which was given by the Legislature at the last session, and of which the Government have availed themselves to the extent of \$2,-

Most of the money is for the exten-sion of the Temiskaming & Northern. Ontario Railway, which is now being built from Matheson to make a connec-tion with the Grand Trunk Pacific. For this work the money has been taken tivity has not been lessened by these ditions.

Toronto.—General business continues the treasury notes given for the advance and when the loan is floated all the treasury notes given for the advance will be redecined.