comes on April 15 this year. The weatherman celebrated Washington's birthday by turning loose on that day the severest blizzard this country has experienced since the winter of 1906-07. A lot of new; snow fell on Tuesday and with the large amount already on hand, there was enough when the gale started in in earnest Wednesday to make things interesting. The Branch passenger made no attempt to make its regular run either on Wednesday or on ' Thursday. Friday it got as far as ! Cooperstown; Saturday as far as Binford; on both days having to run backwards clear to Sanborn there being no turntable between McHenry and Sanborn. Saturday night a rotary snow plow, pushed by three locimotives, opened the line and now traffic is almost back to normal.