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CITY NEWS.

Mr. A. L. Smith who has been quite sick is improving.

Have you used Black Kid Hosiery? If not try them, 518 E. Locust street

Mr. H. S. Hazard of Omaha who spent a part of this week here, returned to his home Wednesday noon.

The Imperial Orchestra will give another concert on the 25th inst. Read their ad in this issue.

Hurry up, only a short time for you to subscribe for the Iowa State Bystander at the Holiday Rate of \$1.00 per year.

It is stated that Mrs. S. Davis who is very low at her home on East Lyon street is improving slowly.

Mr. W. H. Birney, the only colored deputy assessor, began work last Tuesday morning as clerk in the city assessor's office.

Mrs. William Smith burnt her arm very badly last week, in reaching over a lighted gas jet her sleeve became ignited and before the fire was extinguished her arm was burnt.

The Union Congregational church will give an old fashion chicken dinner at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening, January 18, at the church. Everybody invited.

The Corinthian Baptist Sewing Circle met last Friday at the home of Mrs. Reeves in Highland Park. Friday the 20th the Circle will meet at Mrs. Wm Woods, 756 Ninth street.

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Mrs. Geo. Patton, 124 W Grand Ave.

Mrs. Frank Hughes returned to her home in Chicago last Sunday, after having a very enjoyable and interesting visit with the Des Moines people. She made many friends while here.

Miss Lydia D. Lockridge who has been visiting in our city more than a month, has returned to Hot Springs, Arkansas, to resume her place as teacher. She was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Patton, 124 West Grand

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McClain at their sixth wedding anniversary party were made the recipients of a very pretty blue floral plate, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Coalson and a beautiful decorated Haviland China chop plate the gift of Miss Olive Smith and Mr. Lou Holmes.

For good lunches or meals go to N. W. corner of Third and Walnut. Open all night, Fox & Evans.

Mrs. H. E. Jacobs has been quite ill this week.

Married on Monday December 26th at the bride's home in Lake Park, Mr. C. H. Browning to Miss Bell Jackson. The wedding was a quiet one, as only a few friends and relatives were present. The bride is formerly from Muscatine, while the groom is in business with Mr. Windsor. They own the Owl Pool Hall. We extend to the happy couple our wish for their success in married life.

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Services at the Union Congregational church, Sunday 15. Morning service, topic—"Righteousness Exalteth a Nation." Evening service, topic—"A Parable the Base of Real Life." David and Jonathan League at 3 p. m., topic—"Where There is Unity There is Strength." What constitutes unity?

All men who are interested in that which pertains to the progress of the race are invited to attend the league and to become a member. All our meetings of the past have been interesting and very helpful to all who attend, and it is our purpose to make them more interesting from week to week.

Left Money for Lighthouse. M. Charles Petros, a Parisian philanthropist, has bequeathed \$50,000 for the construction on a rock in a dangerous part of the Atlantic sea coast, whereby the Isle of Ushant, of a group of the best materials obtainable for the light and most

The contract has been signed and the material is being placed on the ground this week for remodeling of St. Paul's A. M. E. church, and according to plans, when completed will be the finest church edifice anywhere in the north-west owned by colored people.

BARNES
MEN'S OUTFITTER
317 5TH STREET

The Athenian Literary society held a very interesting meeting at the home of J. C. Williams last Tuesday evening. The life of Walter Scott was discussed, also the influence of Napoleon upon Europe. The society is planning to give a memorial exercises on Lincoln's birthday. Watch for announcement later. Next meeting will be at Mrs. Marie Bell's home.

Mr. Thos. Allen of 1056 B street entertained at dinner Thursday evening in honor of Mr. John Tyler, who is visiting in this city from Minneapolis. Covers were laid for ten, and E. Diggs acted as toastmaster. After the dinner the hours were spent in music. Messrs. White and Raglin contributed several vocal solos the evening's pleasures.

Probably one of the swiftest affairs given during the holidays was the five o'clock luncheon, served in three courses, given by Mrs. H. Gould last Sunday in honor of Mrs. Frank Hughes of Chicago and Miss Nettie Franklin of Bedford, Ia. Covers were spread for 12 ladies. The decorations were pink and green. The dining room and parlor was illuminated with the brightest of lights.

"The Co-mopolitan" is running a series on the "Great Industries of the United States" which is arousing much interest. The January issue describes the manufacture of musical instruments, and most people will be surprised to learn of the magnitude of this important business in this country. Very interesting pictures especially taken for this article accompany the text.

On December 30, 1904, Charity Lodge No. 2102, G. U. O. of O. E. elected the following year officers: J. C. Childers, Chaplain; I. M. Jones, P. S. address 318 W. 3rd street; E. S. Morgan, E. S.; L. M. Brown, Advocate; I. M. Lewis, Treasurer. Quarterly officers: C. H. Harr, V. G. John, Gaiter, N. G.; Dennis Burroughs, P. N. G.; Marshall Howard, N. E.; John Long, P. N. P.; B. J. Mitchell, Right support to the V. G. H. F. Burroughs, Right to the N. Frank Isbell, Warden.

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At the annual meeting of the Union Congregational church, Wednesday evening, Jan. 11th, the following officers were re-elected to serve for the ensuing year: Church clerk, Harry Hughes; treasurer, J. H. Shepard; deacons, J. L. Thompson, C. C. Stewart, J. L. Thompson, Richard Harris, J. R. Weeks; deaconesses, Mrs. Emma Harris, Mrs. Robinson, W. H. Hughes, Ada Stewart, trustees, J. H. Shepard, C. C. Stewart, J. L. Thompson, J. R. Weeks, J. T. Blagburn, E. T. Blagburn, Wm. Coalson, Harry Hughes. Sunday-school superintendent, J. L. Thompson; assistant superintendent, C. C. Stewart. Bible class, Rev. H. W. Porter; senior class, J. H. Shepard; intermediate class, J. H. Shepard; J. H. Porter; primary, Mrs. Ada Stewart; junior, Mrs. J. W. Jackson. Money raised for building and other church purposes during the past year, \$2,000.

Our purpose is to move on and endeavor to glorify God by holy lives, and by devotion to the interest of his kingdom. To save men by God's way, the preaching of the gospel. Our prayer is that God will use us as humble instruments, for his glory, for the salvation of souls, and for the strengthening of them that believe. Therefore, our church is open for you and our hearts are warm to welcome you.

Not in our strength, but in the strength of the Lord we shall accomplish much for God and humanity during the year which has opened before us with such a bright and hopeful prospect. Henry W. Porter, Pastor.

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Left Money for Lighthouse. M. Charles Petros, a Parisian philanthropist, has bequeathed \$50,000 for the construction on a rock in a dangerous part of the Atlantic sea coast, whereby the Isle of Ushant, of a group of the best materials obtainable for the light and most

STATE FEDERATION OF COLORED WOMEN.

State Convention to be Held at Muscatine, Iowa, May 22, 23 and 24.

Program.
Executive Board Meeting, May 22, 4:30 to 6:30 p. m.
Board of Directors meeting, May 22, 7:30 to 9 p. m.
May 23, 9:00 a. m.
Credential committee, 9 to 10.
10:15—Son—Blest Be the Tie That Binds.
Invocation—Rev. M. L. Gordon, Muscatine.
Greetings.
Report of Credential Committee.
Address of welcome on behalf of citizens—Mayor McNeill.
Address of welcome on behalf of club—Miss Mand Outley.
Response—Miss Flora Calloway, Davenport.
Adjournment.
1:30 p. m.
Song—Iowa, Beautiful Land.
Invocation—Mrs. C. H. Marshall, Davenport.
Roll call.
Minutes.
Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations.
2:20. President's address—Mrs. Stille Graves, Des Moines.
2:45. Reports of clubs, standing committees and state officers.
4:30. Question Box. Questions must be from the following subjects: Emerson, Longfellow, Whittier, Lowell, French History, Sociology, Negro Authors.
Adjournment.
5:30. Evening Session—7:30.
Music—Muscatine orchestra.
Invocation—Rev. Clark, Davenport.
8:30. Mrs. Helena Downey, State Organizer.
Echoes of the N. A. C. W. held in St. Louis in July.
8:50. Song—Selected.
9:00. Recitation—Mrs. Fannie Grooms, Muscatine.
9:10. Five minutes with Ex-Presidents and Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Ruth Bright, Davenport; Mrs. Emma Jackson, Des Moines; Mrs. Marshall Davenport; Mrs. M. A. Strother, Ottumwa; Mrs. Gray, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Z. Taylor, Ottumwa.
Song—Scatter Sunshine.
Adjournment.
May 24—9:30 a. m.
Federation Song—Desires Not Words.
Invocation—Delegate Self-Culture club, Buxton.
Roll call.
10:00. New Business.
11:00. Paper—Social Purity. Mrs. Gertrude Evans Culbertson, Clinton.
Discussion led by Mrs. Sanders, Davenport.
11:30. Paper—Household Economics. Mrs. Anna Bettus, Keokuk.
11:45. Discussion led by Mrs. A. G. Clark, Oskaloosa.
Music.
Adjournment.
Afternoon Session—2 p. m.
Invocation—D. League Industrial club, Buxton.
Music—Miss Alice Thompson, Muscatine.
2:20. The Benefit Derived from Mothers' Clubs—Mrs. S. V. Holly, Cedar Rapids.
2:35. Discussion led by Mrs. Foster, Buxton.
Music—Miss June Hardy, Oskaloosa.
2:55. Committee Work Simplified by the President.
Questions.
4:00. Election of officers.
5:00. Adjournment.
Evening Session—7:30.
Invocation.
8:00. Paper—Benefits Derived from the Reciprocity Bureau—Mrs. Emma Gardner, Ottumwa.
8:15. Discussion.
8:30. Power of Education—Mrs. Palmer, Des Moines.
8:45. Discussion.
9:00. Report of Committee on Resolutions. Installation of Officers.
Adjournment.
Reception.

Settlers' One Way Second Class Rates to the Southwest.
Via the North-Western Line, will be in effect on the first and third Tuesdays in January, February, March and April 1905, to Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Florida and other southern states. For full information, tickets, etc., inquire of agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

Difficult Road Building.
Thirty-three tunnels were blasted with dynamite in the construction of the circum-Balkan branch of the Transiberian railway. The entire length of the line is only 152 miles. Its construction was begun in 1894.

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EDITORIALS.

DR. CRUM CONFIRMED.

Last Friday afternoon the United States Senate in executive session confirmed the appointment of Dr. D. R. Crum to be United States revenue collector of customs at the port of Charleston, S. C. Dr. Crum and his friends have had a hard fight for confirmation. President Roosevelt sent his name in three years ago and the democrats made a hard fight against him, first alleging one thing than another against Dr. Crum. Upon investigation it was found that none of their charges were true. He was a gentleman, well qualified, high character and good morals. It was found that the real and only reason for opposing his confirmation was that he is a colored man and the white people did not want a Negro revenue collector. When President Roosevelt found that was the only cause to oppose him he then written his famous letter which was the bravest public letter ever transmitted to the South, telling them in plain terms that he would not, nor could not close the door of hope of opportunity against the colored man on account of color. Although a republican senate refused to confirm him for three years, yet the President has sent his name in five times, and at last he was confirmed and will now draw the three years salary of \$3,500 per year. All praise to our brave and true President. The threats of Ben Tillman and his gang did not move brave Teddy from the path of his plain duty.

DEATH OF WILEY JONES.

The death of Wiley Jones of Pine Bluff, Ark., removes one of the richest colored men in Arkansas. He was owner of the street railway and race track of his native town. He was successful in many other business ventures and his fortune is estimated at about \$300,000. It is now rumored that most of his wealth will fall into the hands of white people according to his wish, which if true, we feel sorry because the race is entitled to this wealth.

JEFFERSON AND THE NEGRO.

A correspondent of the New York Evening Post calls the attention of that stalwart democratic journal to the fact that Thomas Jefferson appointed a Negro to office more than a century ago. When he was secretary of state he wrote to the Marquis de Condorcet, under date of August 30, 1791, as follows:

I am happy to be able to inform you that we have now in the United States a negro, the son of a black man born in Africa, and of a black woman born in the United States, who is very respectable mathematician. I procured him to be employed under one of our chief directors in laying out the new federal city on the Potomac, and in the interval of his leisure, while on that work, he made an Almanac for the next year, which he sent me in his own hand writing, and which I enclose to you. I have seen very elegant solutions of Geometrical problems by him. Add to this that he is a very worthy & respectable member of society. He is a free man. I shall be delighted to see these instances of

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moral eminence so multiplied as to prove that the want of talents observed in them is merely the effect of their degraded condition, and not proceeding from any difference in the structure of the parts on which intellect depends.

The rock-ribbed stand-patters of Jeffersonian democracy who have been attempting to make political capital out of the Dr. Crum incident seem to have overlooked this action on the part of their chief apostle.

INTER-STATE LITERARY MEETING.

The fourteenth annual session of the Inter-State Literary Association which was held in Topeka, Kansas last week was the grandest ever held in this state. After a very successful and intellectual meeting the following officers were elected for 1905-6:

President, Jas. Guy, Topeka.
First Vice, I. F. Bradley, K. C.
Second Vice, Mrs. I. B. Clark, Wichita.

Third Vice, R. Fulbright, Olathe.

Rec. Sec., Miss Midta Beck, Topeka.

Ass't. Sec., Miss Nettie Phenix, Kansas City.

Cor. Sec., Miss Amanda Moore, Kansas City.

Treasurer, J. P. King, Topeka.

Historian, Miss Ethel Stafford, Kansas City.

Executive Committee—Prof. I. Horton, Chairman; A. M. Wilson, Leavenworth; W. E. Gray, Atchison; Mamie Dillard, Lawrence; F. Martin, Quindaro; Prof. E. J. Hawkins, Ft. Scott.

It is seldom that one sees in a single issue of a magazine three such clever articles by women as Elizabeth M. Gilmer, Eliza Calvert Hall and Anna A. Rogers contributed to the January issue of "The Twentieth Century Home." The first talks "Some Women We Could Do Without" as her topic; the second, "How to be a successful Old Maid," and the third, "Navy Women." Aside from the subjects, the style of their treatment is such as to make their perusal a pleasure and a profit.

IF YOU DO NOT GET ONE YOU MAY LOSE YOUR JOB.

If you cannot wake up without being called, you had better take advantage of the generous offer on alarm clocks, which will be made by the Arntz Jewelry Co., upstairs across from the street car waiting room, commencing Monday Jan. 16th, and lasting until Jan. 21st, inclusive, the latest model and best long alarm clocks on the market, will be sold to everybody at 98 cents each, generally sold from \$1.50 to \$2.00. Remember these clocks are not the common cheap goods, but the best long alarm tattoo clocks on the market, and are fully guaranteed in every respect.

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ALBIA NEWS.

R. v. Mrs. Howard, a traveling evangelist has been in our city the past week preaching some very stirring and wide awake sermons. On Wednesday and Thursday nights she preached to the young people.

Mrs. Anna Davis entertained Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Davis, Mrs. Ada Reed and Miss Jessie Davis at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Lulu Miller presented the old settlers of Albion some very fine photos of Rev. Griffith and family.

Rev. McCallister is with the pastor of the A. M. E. church this week.

Mr. Wallace Davis spent Sunday in Mocking.

CLINTON HAPPENINGS.

Owing to the busy period of the holiday season we have been unable to give any attention to the correspondence from this city.

Messrs. David Winfield and Cassius

Clay have been confined for sometime past with illness. At this writing they are still unable to perform their daily labors.

F. K. McNeil received the sad intelligence some days ago that his brother Thos. Phillips had passed away at his home in Savannah, Ga. The deceased was a resident of this city some two or three years ago, being in the employ of Mr. McNeil. After leaving Clinton he resided for several months in Davenport. After several months illness he was prevailed upon to come back to Clinton for treatment; remaining in Clinton for about two weeks shortly after Thanksgiving he left for his home; his demise taking place shortly after arriving there.

An emancipation celebration was held at the Clinton Club Rooms on Wednesday evening January 4, under the auspices of the officials of the A. M. E. church. During the evening a program was rendered.

Miss Ethel Taylor has been confined to her home by illness for the past 10 days. She is slightly improved at this writing.

The annual Christmas tree and exercises took place on Christmas eve at the A. M. E. church.

Friends in this city received the sad intelligence of the death of Miss La Vell at her home in Chicago just prior to the holidays. Miss La Vell was a resident of this city for several months.

MUSCATINE MUSINGS.

Mr. John Johnson, formerly of Burlington, Iowa, is lying very low. Mr. Johnson was born in St. Louis, Mo., forty years ago. When very small he was brought to Burlington by a family who had adopted him, and was raised in Burlington, where he has relatives. It is to be hoped that he will recover, but he is a very sick man.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones of Davenport are in the city and will make this their future home.

Mrs. Laura Jordan has been complaining for some time. Her friends are afraid it will prove to be cancer of the breast.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Evans have taken a room and board at the "Scott" house.

Mr. Nelson Carr continues quite ill. Mrs. Eliza Townly has returned from her visit to Chicago.

Miss Cora Phoenix has gone to Ottumwa for an indefinite stay.

The Dunbar club women will give a charity social Wednesday night for the benefit of a sick member.

The Mite Missionary society is busy preparing for their fair to be given three nights next week.

MOLINE GLEANINGS.

The reporter is glad to be able to report a gain for the paper, after a long rest.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones, who spent a fortnight in Kalamazoo, Mich., have returned home. They report a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, who have been visiting in Joliet, have returned to our city again.

Mrs. Harry Robinson, who has been in our city for some time, has departed for her home in Toledo, Ill.

Last Sunday was quarterly meeting at our church. The presiding elder was with us and he preached a stirring sermon in the afternoon. At night he preached in Rock Island.

Mrs. Lee Hart passed to her rest last Friday morning after a lingering illness. Her son, William Hartley, has left her four children, who have the heartfelt sympathy of all friends.

Little Roberta Pollard, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is better of that disease but now has the mumps.

Mr. Snively of Davenport was in our city Tuesday, the guest of Mr. Earl Bradley.

Mr. Charles Jones, of Rock Island, spent Sunday with his father, Mr. J. L. Jones.

Mrs. D. M. Maxie is on the sick list; also Mrs. D. S. Delward.

The husband of Mrs. F. Jones is quite ill at his home on Twelfth avenue.

Misses Mae O. Wood and H. Willis of Rock Island were the guests of Miss Veolia Bradley Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Bradley received the glad news from her sister in Michigan that her son, William Bradley, has left the wild and wicked world, and has come over on the Lord's side.

BURLINGTON NOTES.

Vern Johnson is still quite sick. Miss Myrtle Drake is in St. Francis hospital, where she is threatened with pneumonia.

The week of prayer at the A. M. E. church was quite largely attended last week.

The revival meetings at the Union Baptist church are reported as having been quite a success, almost twenty having been added to their number.

Mrs. Lucy Edmonds' name was omitted from those who will take leave of Burlington friends for the far west in the spring.

Mr. George Watkins is beginning to think that all the bad luck is for him. Last Thursday he buried his baby and on Friday night he fell on a defective sidewalk, breaking his left leg at the ankle.

It is reported much better. Mr. J. L. Brooks has closed out his saloon and is again in the restaurant business.

Mrs. Rebecca Pleasant, who has been quite sick, is able to be about again.

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Miss Ada Bailey is still on the sick list. Little George Wagner, the two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wagner, was buried Sunday afternoon. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. L. J. Phillips.

Misses Ruth Phillips and Edna Martin spent the holidays in Kirksville, Mo. The ladies report a very enjoyable visit and only regret that they could not remain longer. Miss Lulla E. Franklin of Oskaloosa accompanied them; returning to her home last Wednesday. Although comparatively small city Kirksville certainly can hold her own in the art of up-to-date entertaining.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Collins of Shelby, Mo., parents of Mrs. S. H. Phillips, spent Christmas in this city with their daughter. They have decided to make home in Ottumwa to the satisfaction of their many friends.

Mrs. Mamie Mosely of Chicago, Ill., is at the home of her mother, Mrs. Essex Horn.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Batel have returned from Chillicothe, whither Mr. Batel went to claim his bride. They are at home to their many friends in a new little cottage on Center avenue.

Mr. Oliver Jackson, nephew of Mrs. Batel, is making his home in Ottumwa with them.

Revival meeting will soon be in order here. The many cottage prayer meetings had fair to reap much good fruit in the meetings to come.

British Commons' "Egg Boiler."

In the British house of commons, as soon as the question to be decided is put from the chair, a clerk at the table sets in motion a huge sand glass, familiarly known to members as the "egg boiler," probably because it takes three minutes to run out. As the last sand runs through the glass the sergeant-at-arms instantly locks the massive oak doors of the chamber, and only those members who have succeeded in getting through the doorway can vote.

Wrong End of the Bargain.

"It is always well to know which end of a bargain you have," said an Irishman when he first made the acquaintance of a bee. Another case that proves the point was that of the man who bought half of his son-in-law cow. The following morning he went over to get his share of the milk. "Not on your life," responded the son-in-law; "I sold you the front end of that cow."

Schoolboy's Composition.

Here is a schoolboy's composition: "Winter is the coldest season of the year, because it comes mostly in the winter. In some countries, winter comes in the summer, then it isn't as worse. I wish winter came in summer here, then we could go skating barefooted and make snow balls without fingers freeze. When it snows in summer they call it rain."

Cocaine in India.

The natives of India are becoming so much addicted to the use of cocaine that the British authorities are taking measures to restrict the distribution of the drug. The Hindoos chew it in a leaf, mixed with areca nuts and various aromatics. Within a few weeks \$33,000 worth of cocaine was shipped from London to Calcutta.

No Incumbrances.

"Have you any children?" he asked. "No," replied the beautiful grass widow; their father wanted his people to bring them up, and my lawyer thought it would be foolish of me to fight for possession of them as long as they could have such good care and so many luxuries if I let them go."

Whales Attain Enormous Age.

Whales have been killed whose age was estimated at 400 years. The method by which they determine this question is the counting the layers of laminae forming what is popularly called "whalebone." These laminae increase yearly, as does the growth of the bark on a tree.

Island Acts as Magnet.

The island of Bornholm, situated in the Baltic, acts as a huge magnet. It exerts such an influence on the compass that it can cause a vessel to turn perceptibly from its course. The effect of this magnetic island is perceptible at a distance of nine and a half miles.

Profit in City Ownership.

Street railways owned by English municipalities make handsome profits, which materially reduce local taxes. During the current year, it is estimated, Nottingham will clear \$90,000 from this source, Liverpool \$123,000, Leeds \$300,000 and Manchester \$850,000.

A Barrier.

"What have you in the way of beefsteak today?" asked the cheerful customer, who hadn't paid his bill. "Well," replied the frank butcher, "I reckon about the only thing in the way is its price."

Increase in Bank Deposits.

Bank deposits have increased 55 per cent in two years.

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Col. Greene declares that he lost \$4,000,000 in less than a week. What a loss!

War's now king is very hard up. He has only \$557,500 a year, with six young children to support.

A war correspondent says many of the Japanese private soldiers are not fit. All of them seem to be tough.

Pepper is reported to be selling for \$3 a pound in the Klondike. The natives are probably not doing any smoking.

H. H. Rogers is in a position to prove that it is a mistake to suppose that a man who has \$75,000,000 can do as he pleases.

Tom O'Brien, king of the gold trick men, died the other day in a French prison. The queen of the tribe is in jail at Cleveland.

It will be remembered that those persons who tried to have fun with young Gould's celebrated grandparent generally came to grief.

An Ohio burglar remained concealed under a piano while a girl played for an hour. He was punished enough and ought to be turned loose.

People in large towns live three and a half years longer than people in the country. But if they live so much faster where is the advantage?

"Shall women run push carts?" asks a New York paper. If women must operate push carts, perhaps they should be limited to pushing them.

Countess Cassini, the daughter of the Russian ambassador, has been poisoned by something she has eaten, but a Japanese plot is not suspected.

Mr. Morgan showed poor judgment in paying \$5,000 for the oldest piano in the world. He could have got one every bit as bad for a great deal less money.

Arthur Bartlett of Oakland, Me., is 20 years old and has just been shot accidentally for the fifth time. One might think he would be gun-shy by this time.

The Moscow zemstvo has decided to quit and go home. It's a wise zemstvo that knows when there's no use hanging around and running up board bills.

Harvard may not win very often at football or rowing, but when it comes to chess, it is Harvard, Princeton, Columbia, Yale. Now for the ping-pong championship.

It is not true that Arthur P. Duffer, the spritely, is going to Australia to get points from the festive kangaroo. He is going to show the "no fear" fellows how to travel.

A town named Hocus in New Jersey has produced another Mrs. Chadwick. The village should petition the legislature for authority to change its name to Hocus Pocus.

A nude man on the top of a heap of snow and armed with nothing but a crow-bar kept a dozen New York policemen at bay for half an hour. He must have been a cool one.

Maine's official game record shows that 4,471 deer, moose and bears were shot during the past season. The rest of the sport was furnished by six men who were mistaken for deer.

A pretty girl kissed Senator Culom the other day for saving her lover from going to the Philippines. Does anybody wonder that a senatorship is considered such a desirable berth?

The Japanese art of jujitsu, it appears, is difficult of acquisition. It cannot be learned in a few easy lessons or from a correspondence school, as cooking or the French language can.

A visiting English earl finds an American murder trial very interesting. It is good to find earls interested in other things in America than the bank account of a marriageable young woman.

Down at Salem, Mass., a woman has sued for divorce because her husband kicked her with his wooden leg. He will no doubt set up the plea that he couldn't stand on his wooden leg and kick her with the other.

Dona Maria Francisca O'Reilly de Camara, Countess of Buena Vista, is suing to recover the hereditary Havana monopoly of slaughtering cattle. A name like hers would make a great sign over a slaughter house.

A German court has decided that poetry is not a game of chance. It certainly isn't when an innocent stranger sits down to take a hand in a friendly little game operated by gentlemen who depend on it for a living.

It is a pleasure to learn that all the soldiers in the vicinity of Mukden now have shoes. There are a great many things funnier than going barefoot in a country where snow and ice conspire to hide the green grass under about five feet of chaffiness.

The Bishop of London recently received a \$4 note from an undertaker who contributed it as a thank offering because business had been so brisk. Why should there be any further doubt about the Englishman's possession of the sense of humor.

The news about the western railroad man who has resigned a \$30,000 place that he has held for fourteen years, to accept a \$15,000 place on another railroad, is also interesting as a reminder that there are big salaries paid to able men outside of politics.

FACTIONAL STRIFE BLAMED FOR FIRE

Town of Arispe, in Union County, Suffers Loss.

FIRE CLEARLY INCENDIARY

Conflagration Starts in Arispe Mercantile Co. Store—One of Merchants Burned Out Was Refused Insurance Because of Bitter Feeling

Afton, Jan. 12.—The best part of the business portion of Arispe, a small town six miles south of here, was wiped out by a \$20,000 incendiary fire, which was first detected by the crew of a passing Great Western train at 1 o'clock yesterday morning. The flames were burning fiercely at that time and despite the energetic efforts of the citizens who hurried to the scene, two of the best business houses were totally destroyed and a third badly damaged.

The fire seemed to have had its origin in the back part of the store of the Arispe Mercantile company. Some one had evidently broken into the place and deliberately started the conflagration. Before the flames were finally checked the large double store of the Arispe Mercantile company was a total loss, as was also the general merchandise store adjoining, owned by C. E. Names. C. W. Dutcher's stock was badly damaged by fire and water and an attempt to remove it to a place of safety. The total loss will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000; the insurance so far as known is \$11,000.

The fire is the culmination of bitter factional strife which has raged in Arispe for some time past. Each of the factions is now accusing the other of starting the fire and feeling has run high of late.

The merchants have become very nervous over the situation and have carried all the insurance local agents would write. Only last week one of the merchants whose store was burned down yesterday morning came to Afton to get additional insurance on his stock, but on account of the tense state of feeling known to exist in Arispe no agent here would accept the business offered. The insurance companies will undoubtedly carefully investigate the situation before making good the losses.

HELD FOR MURDER.

Dan Shepperd is Accused of Atrocious Crime.

Fairfield, Jan. 12.—Dan Shepperd, the man seen by Mrs. Womelsdorf Thursday at about the time of her husband's murder at Brighton, was arrested at Washington yesterday by Sheriff Tetter of that county, was bound over to the grand jury after hearing and is now confined in jail here. It is claimed that damaging evidence has been secured against him. Shepperd's stepmother says that he told her that if she would secure chloroform for him he would see she would get enough to keep her the rest of the winter, that he often threatened to kill and rob and that he was out until 8 or 9 o'clock Thursday night, was very restless when he returned and has been so ever since. Shepperd's stepmother said that Dan said that Womelsdorf had much money and that he would divide it with his brother who he claims that Dan said that he would do it alone. Some of the family testified that Dan said that he would knock Womelsdorf down, turn the horse loose, let the horse tramp him to death, get and fix the old woman and get all the money.

A pair of Womelsdorf's trousers were found in a wood shed two blocks from Shepperd's house. A whole suit was missing after the murder. The coat and vest have not been found yet.

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CARMAN HELD INNOCENT.

Case That Agitated Marshalltown People Ends.

Des Moines, Jan. 11.—N. A. Carman, a prominent buggy manufacturer of Marshalltown, is relieved of a sentence of two years' imprisonment by virtue of a decision of the supreme court yesterday morning. Carman was the junior member of the Rhoads-Carman Buggy company of Marshalltown. They sold a large quantity of buggies to Roemer & Miller of Hampton and accepted a note in payment therefor. This note was transferred to a third party. Subsequently it was found that the company had received \$385 of Roemer & Miller to apply on the note, and had failed to so apply it. Carman was charged with responsibility and found guilty of embezzlement, resulting in a two-year sentence. He appealed to the supreme court, in which the verdict and sentence aside, the supreme court asserts that there was no evidence at all that Carman was directly responsible for the failure to credit the money on the note, and that it was admitted that he was without his knowledge and due to the mistake of a clerk or bookkeeper. It was admitted to be shown that Carman was responsible for the use of a system of bookkeeping that rendered it impossible for a subordinate to make such a mistake, and that he was, therefore, criminally responsible. The supreme court takes no stock in this theory. It holds that his liability cannot be criminal, but civil, that it is not on the same status as all that of a banker who receives money after he knows his institution is insolvent, or who misappropriates it.

CLAIM FUNDS ARE MISSING.

Worth County Co-Operative Concern Starts Action.

Mason City, Jan. 10.—Suit was instituted at Northwood yesterday by the Farmers' Mutual Co-Operative Live Stock association of Kensett, Worth county, to recover \$26,000 which Manager F. E. Lillingston, Bookkeeper T. S. Bakken and Treasurer Haugen are alleged to have misappropriated. The affair has caused a great sensation in Worth county on account of the prominence of the men charged with the wrongdoing. Nearly four hundred leading farmers are members of the association.

The matter was brought to a crisis at the annual meeting which was held at Kensett Saturday. Nearly all the members were present and when the report of the expert accountant, Hort Francisco, who had been engaged to examine the books, was read they became wildly excited. Francisco claimed that there was a shortage of about \$7,000 when there should have been a surplus of \$19,000.

Ellingson and the others were represented at the meeting by Attorney Johnson of Northwood. First, Mr. Johnson asked the members to elect officers, but the farmers refused. Then he pleaded to have the case adjusted out of court. The farmers would not listen to this, and adjourned without taking definite action. Some of the leading members evidently got together after the meeting, for the suit was filed yesterday.

BANK OF IRWIN WINS.

American Express Must Pay for Money Stolen.

Des Moines, Jan. 12.—By a decision of the supreme court yesterday, the victory of the Bank of Irwin over the American Express company, in the famous case of the theft of \$2,000 in transit, the bank's winning it clinched and the decision of the Shelby district court is affirmed. Judge Sherwin wrote the opinion.

The money was shipped from the Des Moines National Bank. The Express company, in support of its appeal, undertook to show that the bank had been losing money through thefts by some one of its employees prior to the date the package was shipped. When the money was reached the Bank of Irwin it was found to contain only brown paper, and the express company was held responsible for the loss.

Some of the pieces of paper found in the envelope when it was delivered to the express company were stained. They were exhibited to a witness and he was permitted to testify to the color of the pieces of the counter of the Des Moines National Bank. Further testimony on this point was excluded from the jury's consideration, and its exclusion is approved by the supreme court.

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HURRYING HER PREPARATIONS

Russia Prepares Another Batch of Warships for Far East.

TO SAIL LATE IN JANUARY

Is the First Division of Third Pacific Squadron—Russians Had Engines of Destruction Within Radius of Forty Miles From Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 11.—The Russian confirms the Paris Temps' report that the first division of the third Pacific squadron will leave Libau at the end of January, and will consist of the warships Sonjavin, Gen. Admiral Apraxin, Admiral Oushakoff and Nicholas I., the cruiser Vladimir Monomach and several torpedo boat destroyers and torpedo boats.

In a lengthy review of the military situation, the Novoe Vremya urges the immediate reinforcement of Vladivostok, the island of Sakhalin and Kamchatka. The paper says: "There is little probability of the Russians being caught as unprepared at Vladivostok as at Port Arthur, but the moral responsibility rests upon the government to see that nothing in the way of defensive preparation is overlooked. Sakhalin and Kamchatka are both harder to defend, and have a scantier population, but both are rich in mineral and other resources, and are especially tempting to the Japanese to whose scheme for national expansion they are necessary."

Continuing, the Novoe Vremya points out that it is possible to send reinforcements and supplies to Sakhalin and Kamchatka while the ice lasts independent of sea power, and begs that this should be done at once.

Touching on the general peace talk in the foreign office the Novoe Vremya summarizes the list of Russian reverses in the present war, and asks if it is possible to consider the question of peace without substantial Russian victories.

RUSSIA'S PLANS FOR WAR.

More Ships Going to the East—Must Protect Vladivostok.

Tokio, Jan. 11.—The navy department says that the district covered by submarine mines had a radius of 40 miles outside of Port Arthur. It reports the destruction and explosion of 495 of these mines to date.

Ten additional survivors of the third expedition of the Japanese to blockade the entrance to Port Arthur have been found in Russian hospitals. They have been transferred to the Japanese.

General Nozi reported additional prisoners of war, as follows: Major General Kikini and Rear Admiral Wren. The paroled besides General Nozi and Kostinow and Rear Admiral Prince Adomskoy, Gregorovich and Rostislavsk and Engineer-in-Chief Rindeback.

SAYS PEACE IS APPROACHING.

Russian Admiral Gives Significant Interview.

Paris, Jan. 12.—The declaration made by Vice Admiral Doussoff, third Russian member of the international commission to inquire into the North sea incident, in an interview to the effect that an honorable peace between Russia and Japan is likely to be made is considered highly significant. The admiral, who is chief of naval construction, says he submitted to Emperor Nicholas last Thursday a plan to complete the rehabilitation of the navy. Doussoff says the emperor has approved the plan, and that he will submit it to the council of ministers.

"I am convinced," said Admiral Doussoff, "of the immediate necessity for the reconstruction of our fleet at all the Russian and foreign shipyards for the purpose of securing strength sufficient to command supremacy at sea. This is absolutely indispensable if we are to expect victory from the next war with Japan. The remnant of our fleet is hardly more than debris and entirely unequal to Japan's naval strength."

The admiral further said it was necessary to recognize these conditions, however painful they might be to national self love.

"Therefore," he added, "I do not hesitate to say that we tend toward war. We will leave Japanese Port Arthur and the territory they now occupy in Manchuria. We will set ourselves resolutely at work to prepare a powerful invincible navy, as this peace will be but temporary and the next time we shall be amply prepared."

The official views is that Admiral Doussoff's statement is expressive of the growing sentiment within Russia favorable to peace. Reports show that the movement has made notable progress in recent days, particularly at Moscow. Emperor Nicholas has shown a disposition to check the movement, although personally he disapproves of its opportuneness.

PORT ARTHUR A NAVAL STATION

DIGNIFIED PEACE CONFERENCE

Russia Will Prolong the Fight Against Japan.

RUSSIA IS MUCH CONFUSED

Her Interior Affairs Are in Very Bad Condition—General State of Distrust Responsible for Shaken Confidence in Government's Affairs.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 13.—The government seemingly is about to make the irrevocable decision that the situation at home necessitates the continuation of the war till peace with dignity is possible. Beyond this point, however, confusion exists, especially regarding the immediate development of the interior situation. Emperor Nicholas is still apparently vacillating as to whether he shall allow M. Witte to fall away, in the meantime declining to permit Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky to retire. The latter persists in the view that the confidence of the people in the manner in which the reform manifesto is to be worked out is vital, and that this is impossible if the work is to be left completely in the hands of the bureaucrats. Direct consultation with the representative classes interested he considers essential.

It has now been definitely established that the third section of the manifesto as it was originally drafted by Minister Sviatopolk-Mirsky provides for representation of the zemstvos in the councils of the empire, and that it was stricken out against his earnest protest.

Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky's retirement from the ministry of the interior continues to be considered as only a matter of a short time, although there is some opinion that the emperor hopes by temporizing to avoid the necessity of concentrating the reins of power in the hands of M. Witte. Should a real storm break, however, no one doubts that M. Witte is the one strong man in sight who can be called to the bridge.

The lack of cohesion and alignment of the forces opposed to the existing state of things and mutual distrust of each other's programs seems to make anything approaching actual revolution at the present time unworthy of serious consideration. Socialists, revolutionists and other extreme elements, as well as the subject of races on the borders of Russia, all have different objectives, with which the conservative liberals whom the government really hopes to appease have little in common; and above all Russia's unnumbered millions of peasants, although they have manifested an abhorrence of war, principally for economic reasons and because it takes their loved ones away, have given almost no evidence of having been stirred by the prevailing political agitation. Demonstrations are regarded by the authorities as possible, accompanied by a recurrence of the terrorism by those who believe the bomb is the only weapon with which they can fight absolutism.

This last is really considered the likeliest and most deplorable possibility in the near future. For the moment, however, all is quiet in the interior, the people seemingly being absorbed with the Christmas holidays. No further disorders have occurred in connection with the mobilization, the only active movement of any sort noted being demonstrations at Nijni Novgorod and Moscow, both confined to meetings of school professors, who took advantage of the occasion to protest against the difficulties under which they labored, and adopted resolutions in favor of reforms on the lines of the recent zemstvo memorial but going further than the emperor's manifesto. The meeting at Nijni Novgorod was dispersed by the police and several persons outside the hall were injured, but none seriously.

GENERALS LOSE CONFIDENCE.

Russian Generals Said to Be Growing Discontented.

Tokio, Jan. 11.—Information which has reached certain reliable quarters here, states that the Russian generals in Manchuria are losing confidence in General Kuropatkin and that the Russian situation around Mukden is a serious one. It is feared that if Kuropatkin attacks the Japanese position along the "hakke" river he will court disaster and that his further retreat will mean the demoralization of his army.

This information goes on to say that there is constant bickering at Russian Manchurian headquarters, and that the soldiers are discontented, dissatisfaction beginning with serious retreats after the battle of Telissu (Yafangow) and the withdrawal from Liao Yang, when it was believed it was possible to hold that place. The climax came with the Russian defeat at the battle of Shikhe river, following Kuropatkin's strongly worded order directing the forward movement dated October 2. This defeat brought a storm of criticism upon the commander-in-chief and resulted in discord among the officers.

Long inaction, the information alleged, is undermining the morale of the Russian army, and it is pointed out that recent skirmishes and outpost brushes indicate that the Russian soldiers are becoming disheartened, as they do not show their former fighting spirit or qualities.

Miss Deene Operated Upon.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—Governor Deene's daughter, Dorothy, who was operated on for appendicitis Tuesday evening, is progressing favorably. The physicians reported today that she was doing as well as could be expected.

Republicans Opposed to Revision.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The canvass of the house to test the sentiment on tariff revision proceeded today. It is being made by states, and has proceeded far enough to indicate that a majority of the republicans are opposed to revision.

Worry in the worst wolf that comes to our doors.

CONGRESS.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Senate—Senator Bard today occupied the entire time of the senate given to the joint statehood bill. He made an argument against the union of Arizona and New Mexico on the ground that the people of the two territories do not desire it. Several bills of minor importance were passed.

House.—The house today passed the fortifications bill and adjourned until Monday.

Washington, Jan. 9.—Senate.—After the passage of the omnibus claims bill and fixing January 28 for the delivery of addresses in memory of the late Senator Hoar, the senate devoted today to the statehood bill. Mr. Morant spoke for two hours against the bill.

House.—The senate resolution providing that the inaugural ball shall be held in the pension building was passed. Representative Hepburn of Iowa introduced a bill today, appropriating \$111,000 for the construction of a lighthouse on the Midway islands.

A minority report signed by the democratic members of the house committee on appropriations was filed today on the pension appropriation bill. The minority oppose "executive order No. 78," providing for the payment of pensions to old soldiers who have reached the age of 62 years. This order, the report states, has resulted in a demand from the commissioner of pensions for a deficiency appropriation of \$4,500,000. Under this order, the number of claims filed, according to the commissioner's testimony before the committee, number 48,852. Of these 30,055 have been allowed.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Senate.—The senate today continued consideration of the joint statehood bill, the chief accomplishment being the acceptance of most of the amendments suggested by the committee on Indian affairs. Speeches were made by Messrs. Stewart of Newlands, the former advocating an amendment for the protection of the interests of the Indians in Indian Territory, and the latter favoring limitation of the area of lands to be sold to Indians.

House.—The session of the house today was given over almost entirely to discussion of the amendments reported by the committee on banking and currency to "improve currency conditions."

Washington, Jan. 11.—Senate.—The attention of the senate today was divided between the statehood question and governmental regulation of railroads. Mr. Newlands made a formal speech on the railroad subject and at its close engaged in a spirited controversy over the points involved with Senators Spooner, Foraker and others. All amendments to the statehood bill that recent that relating to honor traffic in Indian territory, were agreed to.

House.—The army appropriation bill was under consideration. Hull offered an amendment, providing that retired officers above the grade of major should not receive the full pay of their grade when assigned to duty with the militia of the several states. Several members declared that the amendment was directed especially at General Miles, but Mr. Hull insisted that he had no such thought in mind and argued that the best results were obtained from officers of the lower grades. Cook declared that it was simply penalizing superior officers to the advantage and profit of inferior officers. After a lively debate, the amendment was adopted.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Senate.—The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was today read at length in the senate and there was considerable discussion of the civil service question and the provision for an investigation of foreign trade conditions by the department of commerce. The bill for the encouragement of the merchant marine was reported to the senate and Mr. Bailey made the point that the commission had been pledged to report in favor of discriminating duties, and not in favor of ship subsidies.

The suggestion was combatted by Senators Gallinger and Lodge, who were members of the commission.

Purley Rinker of Seymour, the Iowa university representative in the Chicago Hamilton club oratorical contest, accused by the Hamilton club committee of plagiarism, has been expelled from the university by the faculty. The committee showed that Rinker used phrases from the oration of the Michigan representative two years ago. Rinker did not deny the charges.

Jens Veersmerch, an aged man, lies at his home at Clinton in a critical condition as the result of an assault made on him by his son-in-law, Chris. Christopherson, who deserted his wife, a daughter of Veersmerch, and went to the home of his father-in-law, where his wife was staying with her parents. He was denied admission to the house by his father-in-law. He became enraged and struck the old man on the head with a piece of iron. The old man lunged forward and fell with such force that his arm was broken. Christopherson was later arrested. His wife and three children were witnesses of the tragedy.

The Woman—"No, I can't give you a meal." The tramp—"I didn't think you could, mum; you look too young and inexperienced to know how to cook."—New York Sun.

Church—"I see the attorney-general is going to stop all this guessing business in the newspapers." Gotham—"Whom do you suppose that's aimed at? The weather bureau?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Lucky stars—"I've had a very successful season," said the professor, looking theatrical manager. "Well, you can thank your stars for that." He replied the seedy-looking manager.—Yonkers Statesman.

Old Friend—"Is your part very difficult to play?" Barnstormer—"Well, rather; I'm living on one meal a day and playing the role of a man with the gout!"—Detroit Free Press.

Atlas was holding up a birth. "Ha!" he chuckled, "this makes Mrs. Chadwick's game look small." Giving it a little jolt to see whether Port Arthur would fall, he continued his work.—New York Mail.

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"They say that alcohol will clean silver up nicely," remarked the man who acquires facts. "It will," agreed the red-nosed individual; "it cleaned up all my silver."—Philadelphia Record.

Passenger—"This train is nearly one hour behind time, is it not?" Guard—"Yes; but that's all right. We'll get in in the usual time. Passenger—"What time is that?" Guard—"Two hours later."—Glasgow Evening Times.

Mr. Figgjam—"Tommy, do you ever use slang?" Tommy Figgjam—"No,

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ALL DONE OUT.

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IN FAVOR OF EARLY ACTION

President Looking Toward Revision of Tariff by Congress.

HAS SO EXPRESSED HIMSELF

Details of Last Saturday's Conference Leaking Out—President Regards Freight Rate Legislation the Most Vital at the Present Time.

Washington, Jan. 11.—President Roosevelt favors the earliest possible action looking to a revision by congress of the tariff. He so informed the senators and representatives who were in conference with him at the White house last Saturday, and he has made plain his position to others since that conference. He will call the Fifty-ninth congress into extraordinary session as soon as the committees have indicated that they are prepared to submit a tariff measure for passage.

One of those present at the conference on Saturday said yesterday, in view of the many conflicting stories published regarding the meeting, it can be stated that the president informed those present that while he did not believe in any sweeping revision of the tariff, and would abide absolutely by the judgment of the two houses of congress, in a matter that related so particularly to them, yet he did think the time had come when the schedules should be thoroughly examined and there should be a readjustment as to certain of them.

The president added that his own view was that the special session should take place at the earliest date by which the committees of the two houses could come to an agreement as to a bill. If they took this view, he said, he would hold himself ready to call the extraordinary session at whatever time the members of the two committees, and especially the house committee on ways and means, should inform him they would be ready with their report. If congress should act on the tariff question in accordance with the president's desire, it was made perfectly plain yesterday that the extraordinary session would be called to assemble the coming spring.

It has been pointed out, however, by the tariff experts of the house, that it will require many weeks to prepare a measure for submission to the house. The president realizes that this is a practical objection to an early spring session of congress, as the members of the committee have not the time now necessary to devote to the preparation of a tariff bill. So far as the president is concerned, he would be willing to have congress in session during the entire summer months. He has indicated his entire readiness to remain in Washington next summer if congress will undertake at that time the consideration of a tariff measure; but congress, thus far, has shown no disposition to accede to the proposition of a hot weather session.

While no decision of a definite character has been reached as to the time of the extraordinary session, it is reasonably certain that, if one should be held, it will be called to meet next autumn, probably in October, as by the agreement to be reached between the president and the leaders of the senate and the house of representatives the extraordinary session will not be called until the committees are ready to report a bill.

On another question, however, that of legislation relating to the interstate rates on railroads, his mind is quite made up. He will fight for that legislation and fight hard. He hopes to secure from congress some definite action regarding that legislation at the present session; but if he does not, he will bring the subject again before congress at the proposed extraordinary session and will urge with all his power the crystallization into law of the recommendations he already has made to congress on that question. The freight rate question he does not regard as one of expediency. He holds that it is a subject in which great moral principle is involved and one very near to all the people of the country. He regards it, in fact, as the paramount issue at this time, far and away more important than the proposed revision of the tariff. He spoke plainly of his attitude of his views at the conference on Saturday concerning the freight rate problems. The expression of his attitude on the subject led to a free interchange of opinions regarding it, but no conclusions could be reached at that time.

GREAT EXPLOSION AT PORT ARTHUR

London, Jan. 10.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Che Foo reports that the Japanese consul there has received news of a disastrous mine explosion at Port Arthur.

The same correspondent asserts that a large proportion of General Nogai's army has been already hurried north to Liao Yang.

Tokio, Jan. 10.—It is believed that the Russian casualties at Port Arthur will total about 25,000.

London, Jan. 10.—A dispatch from Port Louis, Mauritius, to the Daily Mail, says:

"Nothing has been seen or heard of the Russian Baltic fleet. It is supposed it is sheltering either in some harbor off Madagascar or off the Comoro islands."

"There are mysterious rumors here of the approach of Japanese cruisers and of the receipt of strange wireless messages."

Frank P. Flint Chosen Senator.
Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 12.—Frank P. Flint of Los Angeles was chosen senator in caucus yesterday. The call for a caucus was signed by 75 members of both houses. Sixty-five attended and voted.

ALVA ADAMS IS INAUGURATED

Another Step Taken in Disentanglement in Colorado.

ENEMIES STAND SIDE BY SIDE

Gov. Peabody With Adams When He Takes the Oath—Pays Attention to Strikes in Inaugural and Recommends Enactment of 8-Hour Law

Denver, Colo., Jan. 11.—Standing beneath the folds of the American flag while the walls about him, and the floor beneath him trembled in response to cannon that roared a salute in his honor, Alva Adams was at noon yesterday inaugurated as governor of Colorado.

While he stood with uplifted hand, taking the oath of office administered by Chief Justice Gabbett, there was at his side the athletic form of ex-Governor James H. Peabody, who will today probably inaugurate the most energetic and bitter contest that Colorado has ever seen for the right to fill the position that Governor Adams has just sworn by the ever living God to administer to the best of his powers of body and mind.

The inauguration ceremonies were simple in the extreme. A few minutes before 12 o'clock Governor-elect Adams called at the office of Governor Peabody, who was to accompany him to the house of representatives, where the inauguration was to be held. Arm in arm, the two men, Peabody on the right, Adams on the left, entered the house, which was packed almost to suffocation by senators, representatives and visitors. Lieutenant Governor Haggett, presiding over the joint session of the legislature, greeted both men as they stepped upon the rostrum with a shake of the hand, and seated Governor Peabody on his right, the governor-elect on his left.

"The chief justice will now administer the oath of office to Alva Adams," he said.

Chief Justice Gabbett stepped forward and in a few seconds a few minutes later, Adams and Alva Adams were given and taken, and Alva Adams was the governor of Colorado.

Lieutenant Governor Haggett, still reserving the seat of honor for the governor of the state, requested ex-Governor Peabody to change seats with Governor Adams and the man who went out, passed to the left of the presiding officer while the man who came in took the post of honor on his right.

Governor Adams then commenced the reading of his inaugural address. In his address Governor Adams said during the past two years Colorado has many incidents to regret, many deeds to deplore, but much of our evil fame is due more to our own exaggeration than to facts. The truth has been lied and without partisan color, and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of Defiance Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 16c package contains 16 ozs., while all the other kinds contain but 12 ozs. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses Defiance Starch will use no other. Quality and quantity must win.

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CONFERS WITH PRESIDENT.

Prominent Members of Congress Called to White House.

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It can be said on the authority of the president that no conclusions were reached at the conference. Indeed, the statement is made that other conferences will be held before decisions of definite character are reached. At the conclusion of the conference, the president authorized the following statement concerning it: "These gentlemen came to discuss various matters of policy before congress, including the tariff and the interstate commerce law; but they are not ready yet to announce any definite conclusions."

The president would go no further than that, but he emphasized the point that no definite conclusions had been reached.

A friend of Joseph Sharris narrates the following conversation overheard between two fellow-townsmen of the author: "Heard what Joe Sharris is doing now?" "Lawyer, ain't he?" "No, he's out that out now. He's writing fiction for a living." "What?" "Writing fiction—stories, you know." (After a solemn pause)—"Don't it beat thunder what some folks'll do for a little money!"

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Every school-boy is familiar with the saying of Benjamin Franklin, as the group of anxious-faced, yet loyal men, stood around to sign the immortal declaration of independence: "Now we must all hang together, or we'll all hang separately." But the rejoinder of the signer, Benjamin Harrison, to the above witticism is not so well known. Harrison, a portly man, looking down over his ample proportions, replied: "Yes, but when they drop us off at a rope's end, some of you lightweights will be kicking and suffering long after I'm done for."

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MEDICAL EXAMINER

Of the United States Treasury Recommends Pe-ru-na.

Another Prominent Physician Uses and Endorses Pe-ru-na.

Dr. Llewellyn Jordan, Medical Examiner of the U. S. Treasury Department, graduate of Columbia College, and who served three years at West Point, has the following to say of Peru-na:

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