NEBRASKA.

An Odd Fellows lodge has been organized at Dodge.

The gambling houses at North Platte have been closed up.

The Methodists are having a very successful revival at Bradshaw. The Burr creamery has been com-

pleted and is ready for pusiness. The mayor of Hastings has issued and order abolishing all slot machines. The merchants of South Omaha are

discussing the advisability of selling for cash only. The Republican Valley Poultry as-

sociacion will have a show at Superior on January 4, 5 and 6. The merchants of Newport report more than double the trade this sea-

son over the same period for last The Farmers' Creamery company

has completed a \$6,000 building at Newman Grove and turned out its first pound of butter. While starting a fire at her school

house, Miss Ines Stinsen, a teacher in

the Bancroft schools, was badly burned about the face and neck. United States Marshal Donnella arrested Fritz Gouger, a farmer living thirteen miles southwest of Bloomington for passing counterfeit money.

A man near North Platte who tried to beat the hired man out of six months' wages was cinched in court for \$90.10, including costs of prosecu-

J. A. Graham, managing editor of the St. Louis Republic, has promised to respond to the toast "The Press," at the Jacksonian banquet in Omaha January 8.

Seventy-five citizens in the vicinity of Tobias have cases filed against them in court to recover from them as members of a protective elevator association.

The ladies of Hastings are organizing to take part in the woman's work at the Omaha exposition and to assist in forwarding the girls and boys

building project. There is a noticeable awakening in many of the towns in the state among the business men looking toward organized work for the benefit and profit of their localities.

M. J. Drummond died very suddenly at his home in Columbus last week from heart trouble. Mr. Drummond was about fifty years of age and had been ill for about three months.

John Siler a young farmer living seven miles northwest of Humboldt, was shot in the leg by a companion with whom he was out hunting, causing a flesh wound which will not

prove serious. The postoffices at Exeter and Ravenna, Neb., will be raised from fourth class to presidential offices January 1. The salary of the postmaster at the former place will be \$1,200 and at

the latter \$1,000. Senator Allen introduced a petition from S. M. Benedict of Lincoln praying for the recognition of the belligerency of Cuba, also papers relating to the application of Sam H. Shir-

ley for an increase of pension. A. C. Holtzman of Chadron, who lost both his hands on the road a few months ago, has just received \$1,200 insurance from the B. & R. T., of which he was a member in good

standing at the time of the accident. Congressman Strode has been informed by President John R. Proctor of the civil service commission that J. W. Kerns of Lincoln has passed the clerk copyist examination with a general average of 82.70; that he will remain on the list until December 11 next, and that there are thirteen persons ahead of him on the register from

the state.

Captain Edward Kemys, one of the most noted sculptors of wild animals and Indians in the United States, if not in the world, has arrived in Omaha to confer with the management of the exposition regarding the placing of permanent statuary on the exposition grounds to remain in the public park for all future time as memorials of the great exposition.

The little 2-year-old daughter of Rev. E. B. Young of Wayne got hold of a bottle containing earbolic acid, on Sunday, and before being noticed had drank about a teaspoonful. Mrs. Young at once administered melted lard, causing the child to vomit. Dr. Blair arrived in less than ten minutes, and it is now thought the child will survive, although it was a very

The Hastings Republican gives this picture of a revival in progress there: Quite a sensation was created by two men that had been associated in sin and for the first time met in the house of God. In giving their testimony they recognized each other and then grasped each other by the hand, saying that the house of God was better than the saloon and other places of sin. The entire congregation was greatly af-

fected by the scene." As an illustration of what Buffalo county farms are worth and are capable of producing, there were shipped from Elm Creek, the first station west of Kearney on the Union Pacific railroad, during the months of September, October and November, 62,-300 bushels of wheat, 20,850 bushels of corn. 64,400 bushels of cats, 31,800 bushels of barley and 13,795 bushels of rye, and the farmers received \$64,-804 for the grain at their home mar-

The Lincoln street railway property was put up at auction and was bid in by the reorganization committee for 1,000. Two or three branch lines that have not been regularly operated were not included in the sale and

will be abandoned. The town of Elba, eight miles northwest of St. Paul, was visited by robbers. First they attempted to break the safe in the Union Pacific depot. Not succeeding, they broke into the store of Jay Smith and secured valuable goods. Finally they went to the store of J. N. Peters, where they broke open the safe and took a lot of valuable papers.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED HERE AND THERE.

Miscellaneous News Notes Gathered From This and Other Countries-Accidental, leading eastern cities. Criminal, Political, Social and Otherwise-Crisp Condensations From All Quarters.

Monnday, Dec. 20.

Steps are being taken to form a nail combine.

The Lutgert jury is now complete at the trial proceeds. Patrick Lealy and five children were

burned to death at Ottawa, Canada. Representative Smith of Illinois, by request, introduced a bill to permit the naturalization of Americanized

Chinese. The general offices of the United January 3, the wage scale will be low-States Express company will be re- ered. moved from St. Louis to Cincinnati, January 1.

Saturday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available | San Francisco to Sydney, Meblourne cash balance, \$229,020,434; gold reserve, \$139,631,691.

issued a call on national banks for a forged notes amounting to \$4,000, statement of their condition at the close of business on December 15.

The treaty between the United

been concluded and signed by the for sale in that state must be colored Dawes and Seminole commissioners. Retiring United States Minister Breckinridge was received by the czar and tendered letters of recall and pre-

A special from Monte Carlo says: There is good authority for stating that a further concession of fifty years has been granted to the Casino company.

The famous artists' model. Lucie Hagerland of Paris, has had her beauty destroyed by vitrol thrown at her by another model, named Judicelli, in a fit of jealousy.

Albert S. Warner, the Albany, N. Y., lawyer, arrested at Riley, Kan., charged with complicity in the kidnapping of Young Conway at Albany, N. Y., last August, was brought to Kansas City to await until extradition. papers shall arrive from New York.

Tuesday, Dec. 21.

Richmond, Va., felt an earthquake shock on the 18th.

John Alstot killed his brother Claude at Danville, Ky., while drunk.

The Commercial Travelers' League met in New York and denounced the anti-scalpers law.

Revenue Cutter Hugh McCulloch left Philadelphia to protect seals from poachers in Bering sea. The British fleet now in Chinese

waters consists of one ironclad, nine cruisers and eighteen smaller men-of-In an explosion aboard the British

steamer Southern Cross, which arrived at Maderia, several persons were killed or wounded. A meeting of the press club of Chi-

cago was held to arrange for attending the funeral of Washington Hesing, who was president of the club. Charles Byrne, president of the Brooklyn baseball club, is lying at his

home in Brooklyn in a very critical condition. Byrne was a resident of Omaha in the 70's. A well dressed lady, eighty-six years old, and evidently demented, was found wandering on the streets of Park.

Cleveland, Ohio. She has a daughter living at Gresham, Nebraska. At Elk City, Kansas, John Strauss is dead, his two sons are dying and Mr. Reed and hisdaughterare critically ill

from drinking coffee into which rat poison had dropped accidentally. It is said that Prince Bismarck, who Bryan was entertained at dinner by braced up for the emperor's visit, has relapsed into his former weakness, despondency and persistent insomnia.

Mentally and physically Prince Bismarck is rapidly declining. William Lloyd Garrison, the wellknown Boston reformer, addressed the ethical society of New York on the life, character and work of Henry George, whom he characterizes as one

of the greatest men of all time. Last Sunday Mr. Bryan attended divine service in the Evangelical church in the City of Mexico and was also the guest of President Diaz at the distribution of prizes to the Mexican exhibitors at the Chicago and Atlanta expositions.

The republican members of the house, who are framing a bill to reform the civil service law have not yet got together to draft their measure. Chairman Hepburn of the special committee says he expects the bill to be matured soon after the holiday recess

Wednesday, Dec. 22.

The Pope of Rome is reported in excellent health.

A curfew ordinance has been enacted in Indianapolis.

More Czech-German riots are reported from Bohemia.

The United States supreme court has adjourned for holidays.

Dolls of all nations will be display-

ed at the Omaha exposition. The Auditorium theater at Kansas

City burned. Loss, \$225,000. A number of microscopist appoint-

ments for South Omaha are announced from Washington.

N. F. Snyder, a millionaire of Pittsburg, gas man, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by his son charging him with the abduction of the latter's infant son.

The American Federation of Labor at Nashville adopted resolutions endorsing the bill pending in congress for the establishment of postal sav- | Herbert, whose tragic death shocked ings banks with the clause relative to | both the capital and the country.

National banks stricken out. The state of Nebraska, by the attorney general, has filed civil suit of venue from the recent order of against ex-Treasurer Bartley and his bondsmen for \$335 000. This is the amount which Bartley is charged with embezzling from the public treasury. Secretary Alger has cabled to William Akellmann, the chief govern-

Alton, Norway, to infram the war de- 1, 2, 5 and 10 cents and \$1.

partment immediately how soon 600 reindeer can be shipped to this coun-

Thirty pounds of Alaskan and Washington gold nuggets have been shipped over the Great Northern railroad by the bureau of information of the Seatttle Chamber of Commerce. The gold is to be exhibited in all the

Thursday, Dec. 23. The wife of Prince Hohenlohe, the imperial chancellor of Germany, is

The shops of Tripoli are closed and

the Arab agitation against the government is increasing. Among the seriously ill in New York are James K. Sackett, the actor, and

Mrs. Ballington Booth. Charles Depue, who has been on trial at St. Louis for killed Morris Pietsch, an aged grocer, was acquitted. Notices have been posted at the

Vessels for Australian trade are almost unobtainable. There are now three cargoes awaiting shipment from

Fiskdale (Mass.) cotton mills that

and Adelaide. Arnold Luetgert, son of Chicago's The comptroller of the currency has alleged wife murderer, admits that he

given to Attorney Vincent. Judge Lochren has decided that the Minnesota "pink law," providing that States and the Seminole nation has all oleomargerine or butterine offered a bright pink, is constitutional.

The Manufacturers' club at Philadelphia has passed resolutions favoring the establishment of a commerce and sented his successor, E. A. Hitchcock. | manufacturing portfolio in the cab-

> Bert Alward, one of the most prominent college athletes in the country, and widely known as a foot ball player, is dead.

> Mrs. George M. Pullman has decided to accept her dower interest in her late husband's estate, which gives her \$3,000,000 in personal property and one-third interest for life in the real

A snug fortune awaits Edward Rutledge of Huron, S. D., at his old home in Pennsylvania. Some time ago Rutledge's grandmother died, leaving an estate of over \$3,000,000, to be divided among forty-two heirs. Rutledge will get an even \$100,000.

Friday, December 24.

anti-scalping bill now before con-

Mrs. Ballington Booth is dangerously ill in New York.

masked burgiars, at his nome at wilton, Conn., is dead. At a meeting of the Iowa Whilesale Grocers' association at Cedar Rapids, resolutions were adopted favoring the George Bitner, wholesale poultry

catching numerous creditors for \$25,-The comptroller of the currency has received information of the failure of the First National bank of Bembina,

dealer at Bristol, Tenn., assigned,

The German warships, Deutschland and Geleon, under command of Prince Henry of Prussia, have started for Gib-

Dr. Noah Fields Drake, a graduate

student in geology of Stanford university, has accepted a position in the Tien Tsin university, China. Private John W. H Davis of the Fourth cavalry was frozen to death

while carrying mail between Lake hotel and Thumb station in National Assistant Secretary Howell has ren-

dered a decision in a customs case in which he holds that common goat hair is entitled to free entry under the new tariff law. Mr. Bryan called on all the cabinet ministers of Mexico, and, with Mrs.

President and Mrs. Diaz at their city residence. At the annual meeting of the New York Base Ball cluba dividend of 4 per cent was declared, the president, how-

ever, being empowered to increase it if he saw fit. The auction sale of the St. Carlo yearlings, bred at the McDonough farm, California, was a great success, eleven youngsters bringing an average of \$1,000 each.

Saturday, December 25,

China has granted Russia permission to winter her squadron at Port

At the commencement of 1898 the United States will have 184,464 miles

of completed railway. General Weyler in an interview is quoted as saying he has no hope of the success of autonomy.

The orange and lemon crops of Southern California have been injured by frost during the succession of cold

nights. A riot occurred in the court house at McArthur, Ohio, during a trial, Two men were seriously and probably

fatally wounded. Mrs. Jane Forrest, 69 years of age, committed suicide at Chicago by

throwing herself headforemost from a third story window. The American .. indow Glass company, which controls the output of the window glass plants of the country,

will advance prices January 1. Sam Brown of Shelbyville, Ky., sold to Ed H. Tipton of Lexington Lady Reel, the dam of the 2-year-old Hamburg, for \$15,000 cash.

President Samuel Sloan, of the Delaware, Lackawanna & western railroad, was presented with a \$16,000 gold table service by the officers and employes of the company. Impressive tuneral services were

held over the remains of Miss Leila Herbert, daughter of ex-Secretary Attorneys for Durrant have filed notice that they will ask for a change

sentence by Judge Bahrs on the ground that the court was prejudiced. The postmaster general has decided to order a postage stamp to commemorate the Trans-Mississippi exposition at Omaha the coming year. ment reindeer hunter who is now in | They will be of the denomination of

DEAL SOON AT END.

WHEAT MANIPULATORS MUST SHOW THEIR HANDS.

Friday is the Day Upon Which Deliveries Are to Be Made-Making the Seller Dictator of Price-Removal of Central Market From Liverpool to Chicago.

The Wheat Deals.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.-Friday, which will witness the close of the great trade, bids fair to prove a memorable day in the trade. No great excitement is expected in the wheat pit, but in oats a squeeze of shorts may occur.

"The wheat deal of my son has brought to the farmers of the United States 10 or 15 cents more for their wheat than if he had not gone into it," L. Z. Leiter said today, in talking of the great battle between Joseph Leiter on the one side and the elevator companies on the other. "My son has been the benefactor of the agricultural industries of the country to that extent. The seller is now dictating the prices of his product, not the purchaser. Chicago makes the market price of wheat, not Liverpool. And the local influences which have been so long for constantly lower prices have

ceased to control Chicago markets." The first purchase of wheat by Joseph Leiter was made in July last at 64 cents. The price for real wheat, such as the farmer sells, has been 99 cents and \$1 for several days. This makes a total advance since July of about 35 cents. Leiter, sr., gives the ordinary course of the markets credit for between 20 and 25 cents of the rise. The remainder he attributes to the substantial support given to prices by Leiter, jr., during the last six months.

It is believed that Mr. Leiter has been turing a trick on the trade in oats while everybody has been watching wheat. For weeks the oats pit has been practically deserted. Last week there was a disagreeable surprise to the men who had sold 6,000,000 bushels of oats for December delivery when they learned that no oats were cing delivered. Then they awoke to the fact that in all the Chicago elevators oats measured but 950,000 bushels of the contract grades. It was Wednesday when the discovery was made. The price of December oats was then 20% cents. On Friday the market closed at 22% cents. A cent advance in oats is as good as 4 or 5 cents in wheat. It is too late to rush in a supply to meet the calls which will be made for the grain at the close of business on Friday. Those who David S. R. Lambert, wounded by have not delivered the grain according to contract will be called upon to settle at the closing prices. The situation has all the elements of a squeeze.

THE INDIAN EXHIBIT.

Senator Allen Calls Upon His Brethren to Help.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Senator Allen has addressed the following letter to all members of the upper branch of congress in relation to his bill asking an appropriation of \$50,000 for a congress of Indian tribes at the Omaha exposition next year:

"My Dear Senator: I take the liberty of calling your attention to the bill introduced be me (S. 2,508) to provide for the holding of a congress of the Indian tribes of the United at the ctiy of Omaha, in the state of Nebraska, in the year, A. D. 1898, and for other purposes. You will greatly oblidge me if you will read the bill and the report accompanying it, and if you can, consistently with your sense of public duty, do so, I would be pleased to have you support the measure. I beg to sugest if the bill shoul become a law, this will be the first and probaby the last general exhibition of the savage tribes of America, and will be a source of great interest to many people who have never had an oportunity of observinb our Indian tribes. their habits and customs. No doubt the educational features will be of great advantage to thousands. Omaha is geographically well situated to hold such a congress at a minimum expense to the government. I believe the money will be well expended in au-

thorizing this congress. The auditor for the treasury department, William E. Andrews, has approved the requisition for the issuance of a warant to George A. Eartlett, disbursing agent of the treasury department, for \$25,000, to be used in construction of the government building at the Transmississippi exposition. This is the first money to be drawn on behalf of the government board and is understood to be for preliminary work in conjunction with puching the build- effect that the United States had deing to an early completion.

Sue the Secretary. WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.-The American Asphalt company of Colorado has brought suit against Cornelins N. Bliss, secretary of the interior, and William A. Jones, commissioner of Indian affairs, to enjoin them from declaring void a lease to certain mining lands in the Uintah Indian reservation and in interfering with the necessary operations of the company

on their property. Spala Should Have Navy.

MADRID, Dec. 27 .- Today Imparcial urges that in view of the character of the reply of United States Minister Woodford to the note of the Spanish government in answer to the first communication of the American government through him, it is necessary to increase the Spanish fleet as against the eventuality of a conflict with the United States.

French Statesman Dead.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Comte Anatole Lemercier, member of the chamber of deputies, is dead. Comte Lemercier was born June 25, Husted and Palatine. The wind was 1825. He was one of the seven depu- blowing a gale, when a sudden gust | Wheat-No. 2, red, Winter...... 1 00 @ 1 00% ties from Chariente Inferieure, per- caught him and whirled him to the sonally representing the first divis- roadside. The fireman backed the ion of Saintes. He was a descendant train and found him some distance of the Lemercier who figured in off. He was painfully but not badly France during the revolution. His hurt. father was for many years a member

of the chamber. He received the dec-

oration of the Legion of Honor and

published several volumes.

EXPOSITION STAMPS.

Third Assistant Postmaster General Asks for Designs.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 .- Third Assistant Postmaster General Merritt, who will have charge of the selection of subjects for the series of Trans-Mississippi exposition stamps, which the postmaster general has officially announced will be issued to commemorate the exposition, has written a number of letters to leading artists of the country asking for suggestions relative to designs. Three divisions are suggested in the letter:

First-That they should contain portraits of distinguished people identifled with the country.

Second — Appropriate historical events should be represented as illustrated by existing paintings or en-

Third-Unique pictures of national scenery or of other things associated with the progress of the Trans-Mississippi region.

General Merritt said that it would

be his aim to give the exposition-a series of stamps that would be artistic in character and would appeal to all classes of people and especially typical of the greater west. Incidentally he suggested that possibly one of the stamps might contain the reproduction of the celebrated etching known as "Fremont Hoisting the Flag on the Rocky Mountains." The well known statue of Thomas H. Benton at St. Louis contains upon one side of the base a quotation from one of Mr. Benton's celebrated speeches, wherein he outlines the possibilities of the country beyond the Mississippi, and it has been thought that the Benton statue would be an appropriate design for one of the stamps. The complex picture which hangs in the west corridor of the capitol, known as 'Westward ho!" emblematical of the hardships attendant upon the pioneer and suggested by Bishop Berkleys: quotation "Westward the course of empire takes its way," was also mentioned by General Merritt. There is a picture in the rotunda of the capitol-De Sato's discovery of the Mississippi river-which might also be used upon one of the denominations. General Merritt said the department would endrayer to select subjects that had been painted or engraved and would not call upon artists to draw new scenes, which would necessitate a great amount of time, but on the centrary, would endeavor to get photographs, reproductions of famous paintings and personages, so that the engraving of dyes might be quickly

done. The stamps will be somewhat of the same shape as the Columbian stamp, twice the size of the present postage stamp. They will be sought, after by collectors, and as there are nearly half a million of these people the government, instead of being of philanthropic, expects to realiza handsomely upon the issue. Columbian stamps today are selling at prices many times higher than was once paid for them and they are growing more valuable each year. It is the same way with the Centennial stamp, and it will also be true of the Trans-Mississippi stamp. Suggestions of scene on stamps are invited by the potoffice department as it is General Merritt's desire to give the exposition the handsomest set of stamps ever issued to commemorate an exposition.

Klondike Kings Christmas. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.-James I. Clements, the "Eldorado king of the Klondike," who is at the Lafayette hotel, displayed one of the costliest

if not the costliest Christmas tree

which will be seen the world around. On this richly laden three were 750 \$20 gold pieces and nuggets and presents worth \$5,000, which brought the total up to \$50,000. Last year the man who fixed up the Christmas tree dined on Christmas day in the Klondike off a piece of cariboo meat, with the top of a tin lard bucket for a plate and his fingers serving the purposes of knife and fork. The tree occupies space in the Hotel Lafayette, and those fortunate or unfortunate enough to be allowed to feast their eyes upon this prodigal display of wealth were granted permission by its owner to sift the \$20 gold pieces through their fingers, to lift double handfuls of gold nuggets, and guess how much they were worth, and every visitor carried away a little nugget whether "the Eldorado king" had ever seen them before or

Demand for Indemnity.

Sherman was seen tonight regarding a story cabled him from Madrid to the manded of Spain \$8,000,000 indemnity for American traders for damages sustained through the rebellion in Cuba. The secretary stated that if any such demand had been made he had not

heard of it. Judge Day, assistant secretary of state, said: "So far as I know there is absolutely nothing in the story. Some one may have attempted to foot up all the individual claims that have been filed, but even on that supposition I should not attempt to say their

estimate was correct.' At the Spanish legation it was said that no information had been received of any such action. The legation had heretofore been notified of Stags. all individual claims, but it was thought imprebable that any claim in bulk would be made.

A pension has been granted to the widow of Knud Knudsen, a soldier in the late war, the back pay of which aggregates over \$4,000.

Blown Out of His Cab.

BRIDGEPORT, N J., Dec. 27.— | Pork | Lard-per 10 lbs. | Cattle Choice beef steers. West Jersey railroad, was blown out

Mrs. Falk, of Omaha, died from burns inflicted by a lamp explosion.

FOREIGN NEWS NOTES.

The United States gunboat Newport, with the members of the Nicaraguan canal commission on board, has arrived at Greytown, Nicaragua. All the members are well and reported that the voyage had been pleasant and enjoyable.

The Paris correspondent of the Gazette telegraphed his paper a week ago that in spite of the protests of the Chinese, the British ship Daphne entered the inner harbor at Port Arthur. apparently uncertain to ascertain if there were Russian ships there.

Jimmy Barry, of Chicago, the bantam weight champion, who was arrested in London in connection with the fight of December 6, which resulted in the death of his antagonist, Croot, was released from custody, the public prosecutor refusing to take up

Charles Helmbold, son of the late Dr. Helmbold, of New York city, the well known patent medicine proprietor, has been locked up in London and is awaiting trial at Brow street police station on a charge of threatening to kill United States Consul General Osborne,

A special dispatch from Brest says the French cruiser Jean Bart has been ordered to proceed immediately to China. The Jean Bert is rated as & second-class cruiser. It mounts four six-inch quick-firing guns, six fiveinch guns, fourteen two and fivetenths-inch guns and has nine guns of smaller caliber. Its crew numbers 332

Several thousand Arabs who have been making a demontration outside the gates of Tripoli have been surrounded by Turkish troops. The shops of the city are closed and the Arab agitation against the government is increasing. There were disturbances on December 17 at Armus, near here. All the houses inhabited by Hebrews were pillaged. Thirty of the rioters were arrested by the troops.

Il Sorriere Della Isolla tells a shocking story of ill treatment of Princess Di Carini, who is separated from her husband. It appears that with her blind daughter she has been shut up for the past five years by her trustee and has only just succeeded in sending a letter to the police, revealing the fact of her imprisonment. The police have liberated the princess and the trustee has been arrested.

The Cubans in New York say of the battle at Yacta Ford that the Cuban loss was 106 killed and about 300 wounded. General Rabis men found 200 Spanish dead, and General Aldave said his wounded numbered 290. The Cubans believe they inflicted much more damage; that the Spanish troops carried away many of their dead and minimized the number of wounded, reporting only one-fourth.

The funeral of William Terriss, the actor who was stabbed to death in London by a super named Prince, took place at Brompton cemetery, an immense crowd of people being present. The principal mourners were the two sons of the deceased, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Hicks (the latter Eleine Terriss, daughter of the murdered man). Messrs, Gatti, Henry Irving, Charles Wyndham and George Grossmith. The floral tributes were very numerous.

According to a special dispatch from Shanghai the British squadron will make a demonstration at Chee Foo, on the north coast of the Chan Tung promontory, as a warning, it is supposed, that Great Britain intends to oppose the division of China without being consulted. It is reported there that Russia has offered China a loan to pay off the indemnity of the war with Japan, and it is believed, says the dispatch, that Japan and England are acting in concert to preserve China from disintegration, favoring the idea of a protectorate over Central China, with a capital at Nan King.

A German-Chinese commission has heen arranged, according to a dispatch from Shanghai to the Daily Mail, to settle the boundaries of the occupied district at Kiao Chau, and it is evident, therefore, that the occupation will be permanent. The same dispatch says it is rumored in Shanghal that the British intend to occupy Talien, south of Port Arthur. The Daily Mail's correspendent at Tokio says there is no excitement there over the news from Port Arthur. The press is calm and the public indifferent. It is rumored, also, the dispatch alleges, that a large Rusisan military force is

coming over from Siberla. LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.-Secretary Quotations From New York, Chicago, St.

	Louis, Omaha and Elsewhere.
	OMAHA.
	Butter-Creamery separator 21 @ 25
	Butter-Creamery separator 21 @ 25 Butter-Choice fancy country 14 @ 17
	Forces - Fresh 18 65 19
	Chickens-Per lb 42.66 5
	Turkeys, per lb 11 66 19
	Turkeys.per lb
	Ducks,per lb. 634 % 7 Geese Per lb. 71466 8
d	Rabbits-Per doz 50 % 1 25
	Pigeons-Live 75 66 80
	Lemons-Choice Messinas 3 25 56 4 60
1	Honey-Choice, per lb
1	Onlons—per bu 60 05 05
ł	Cranberries, Cape Cod, per bbl 8 50 % 7 00
ł	Beans-Handpicked Navy 1 25 6 1 30
1	Potatoes-per bu 50 65 75
	Sweet potatores Per bbl. 225 64 2 50
1	Oranges-Per box 3.50 @ 4.00
1	Apples-Westen stock, per bbl 2 75 10 a 50
ł	Hay-Upland.rer ton
ı	SOUTH OMAHA STOCK MARKET.
ł	
	Hogs-Choice light 3 30 @ 3 37

Calves. Western Feeders. Helfers ... CHICAGO. Wheat-No. 2 spring..... 88 @ Timothy seed - Prime per 50... 2 63 66 2 6

Cattle Christmas beeves..... NEW YORK MARKET. Corn—No. 2. 34 65 34% Oats—No. 2. 2. 66 27% Pork. 8 50 63 9 00 Lard...... 4 80 @ KANSAS CITY.

Wheat-No.2, spring...... 83 Corn—No. 2. 21 65 234 Oats—No 2 224 66 225 Hogs—Mixed 3 20 68 3 50 Hogs—Mixed 3 20 6 3 40 Sheep—Muttons 3 35 6 4 15 Cattle—Stockers and feeders 3 10 6 4 45