# M'COOK TRIBUNE.

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Some cases of smallpox are reported

Measels have taken possession of

Methodists of Fremont are planning for a new church.

Fairmont reports over one hundred cases of measels.

Wymore has had to enlarge its school facilities. Fairmont Presbyterians have dedi-

cated a new church. The county commissioners of York county have bought a poor farm. Wymore authorities have reduced

the number of wards from three to Arthur Connors, living near North

Platte, lost sixty head of hogs within a week from cholera. E. A. Cary has been appointed court

reporter for the Thirteenth judicial district to succeed C. F. Scharmann. August Kissinger of Glenville had a horse and buggy stolen from his barn. An employe disappeared at the same

The daily receipts of the Hemingford creamcry averaged 12,207 pounds, which gives the local stockholders 12 per cent dividend. The insanity commission of Dodge

county found Mrs. John Mintkin, of the Maple Creek neighborhood, a fit subject for the asylum. Victoria Lynch of Sidney, an incor-

rigible maiden of sixteen summers, was taken to the Geneva Reform school by Sheriff King last week.

Both the Table Rock brick yards have suspended making for the season. During this season 5,000,000 brick have been made and shipped from Table Rock

The board of trustees of Syracuse have offered a reward of \$500 to anyone who would find a case of smallpox in town, or show that there had been one this year.

John Krause, who killed N. L. Sylvester during a quarrel over some hay land, was acquitted by the jury at Rushville. The defendant made a plea of self defense.

George Bassett, the 14-year-old son of Thomas Bassett of Fairmont Was thrown in a wrestling match with a schoolmate and had his right shoulder | ference. broken in the socket joint.

The department of agriculture has notified the postoffice at Fairmont that It has been placed on the list of emergency stations and will hereafter receive telegraphic warning of all sudden changes in the weather.

Joe Turecek, a Bohemian farmer living northwest of Butte, was thrown from his wagon in a runaway and instantly killed. He was on his way home from Butte, where he had been attending a meeting of his lodge.

John Pounder, a prominent farmer of the vicinity of Wood River, while unloading a load of oats at the sheep ranch of Edward Oswald, was stricken with apoplexy and died in a few minutes. He was about 70 years of age

and an old resident of the county. Several cases of blackleg have appeared among the cattle on one of the ranches in Cherry county. Prompt measures have been taken to prevent the spread of the disease, and it is not thought any cattle will be afflicted outside of the herd where it originated.

For some time W. H. Austin of Franklin county has been missing night before and several of Austin's hogs were taken after the snow had fallen, the thief was easily tracked about fifteen miles north of Franklin where the hogs were found at the E. H. Laux and a constable went to the deed was punished. make the arrest.

Osceola dispatch: The board of village trustees has just passed an ordinance for Osceola taxing every insurance company represented in the town the sum of \$5, and it is surmised that it will drive every old line company out of the town, or else they will have to have a rerating of the village so as to contrive some way to get the money back if they have to pay the tax. For a long time Osceola property has not been as cheap as now and it is thought the reason was that so many mutual insurance companies have started up, have ever taken out of the village as premiums.

Beatrice friends and relatives of the boys at Manila are considerably worried and still more angered over the fact that some of the mail from there has been tampered with on shipboard. In the last mail from there only thirteen letters were received, although considerable time has elapsed since the receipt of mail previous. Four of the thirteen letters came late and were tied in a separate bundle, attached to which was a note from the postmaster at San Francisco addressed to the postmaster here, requesting him to secure and return to him the four envelopes, as they bore evidences of having been tampered with. One addressed to Erastus Cooke's parents showed that it had been opened and re-sealed. It contained no money, but enclosed was a silk handkerchief, which, to the touch, appeared like This disclosure has caused some little uneasiness, as many who did not receive any mail fear their letters have been rifled and tossed

The private effects of Joe Grothe, who was killed at Santiago, were shipped from his regiment at Jefferson barracks, Mo., to West Point, where they arrived last week. It is expected some future time the government will ship the body of Joe Grothe at quarantine Admiral Sampson said from Cuba to his former home in Ne-

braska. Ten-year-old Hannah Kirby, living near Battle Creek, forged her mother's name to three orders and obtained a small amount of money on each. When she heard the forgery had been disand almost perishing from cold.

# TO HOLD THE WHOLE PACIFIC

Strategic Points Will Rapidly Be Occupied by Navy Department.

SIGNIFICANT ORDERS ISSUED.

The Political Geography of the Pacific Ocean to Be Maintained Absolutely as It Is at the Present Time Against Accession of Territory by Europe.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The importance of American interests in the Pacific ocean has received significant recognition from the Navy Department in the issue of orders to carry out plans which have been carefully matured in the last few weeks with a view to maintaining absolutely the political geography of that vast ocean as it exists at the present time, and to prevent any further accessions of territory by European powers in the tracks of American commerce or along the lines of communication between the United States and its most distant possessions.

Perhaps the official action of greatest importance related to the dispatch of the auxillary cruiser Yosemite about January 1 from Norfolk to the Ladrone islands, via the Suez canal. She will be held at Guam as station ship, and while there will be constantly prepared to protect the island of Guam against any unfriendly incursion. The islands commands the Caroline archipelago, being within a few hundred miles of the extreme islets of that

Another important order provides for loading the collier Abarenda at Norfolk with the best quality of Pocahontas coal and for the departure of that vessel about January 1 for Samoa via the Straits of Magellan, a voyage of over 10,000 nautical miles. The Abarenda will lie in the harbor of Pago-Pago, which is owned by the United States, doing duty as a station ship, until the arrival there next spring of the contractors and material for the coaling establishment to be creeted by this government at a cost of \$100,000. The Abarenda will be armed and fully able to give a good account of herself if the serenity of the Samoan group is too severely strained by German inter-

Before the end of January, with the Iowa, Oregon and supply ships at Honolulu, the Hawaiian islands will become a strong base of naval strength and in conjunction with the effective forces at Manila and San Francisco the men. It was utterly impossible will effectually command the entire to get them clothes and shoes, those

#### MEXICO PAYS FOR A MURDER.

Heirs Will Receive \$5,000 Indemnity for Hoppe's Killing by a Rurale.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The State department has just received through United States Minister Clayton, from the Mexican government, a draft for \$5,000, to be paid to the heirs of Henry Hoppe, a native of New Orleans. Hoppe had been working in Mexico and, while traveling in the mountains of stabulary, who are retained to protect the travelers. At the same time, stock from his feed yard and has been an Englishman, McSweeney, was unable to locate it until last week, killed in precisely the same fashand from his yards. As it snowed the paid the British government \$5,000 to yield to our representations in behalf of the American citizen, and make a similar allowance to the heirs of Laux farm. Papers were issued for Hoppe. The rurale who committed

# SUNNY SLOPE FARM SOLD.

A Hereford Breeder Buys the Cross Place for \$40,000.

EMPORIA, Kan., Dec. 24 .- The Sunny Slope Hereford breeding farm was sold to-day to C. A. Stannard of Hope, Kan., for \$40,000, \$5,000 in cash and the balance in periodical payments during eighteen months The receiver for the Cross estate and the receiver for the defunct First but there are some companies that National will deposit the proceeds in have paid more on losses than they a joint fund in the Emporia National and a friendly litigation for its disposition will follow.

Stannard, who bought Sunny Slope farm, owns the Sunrise Hereford farm at Hope, where he has 300 Hereford cattle. There are 200 Herefords on Sunny Slope and the two farms will be consolidated at Emporia under the name of Sunny Slope. It will be the largest Hereford breeding establishment in the world.

Nearly \$790,000 This Year for Missions. Boston, Dec. 21.-The annual report of the American Board of Foreign Missions, made public to-day, shows the following receipts: Gifts, \$252,-488; legacies, \$187,729; gifts for school funds, \$7,312; gifts for Micronesian navy, \$3,976; gifts for young missionary fund, \$3,017; gifts for debt of September 1, 1897, \$25,992; gifts for mission work for women, \$186,000; income of funds, \$6,293. Total receipts, \$671,-

Sampson Home for a Wedding. NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The United States cruiser New York, from Havana, has arrived here. Admiral Sampson is on board with Mrs. Sampson. To newspaper men who boarded the New York he had come home to attend his daughter's wedding, January 4, at Glen- his young wife in New York on Octoridge, N. J.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.- A dispatch from Valparaiso says the Oregon and Iowa sailed Wednesday. The people covered she ran away and hid in a gave the American vessels a cordial strawstack, remaining out over night reception. The United States minis-and almost perishing from cold. ter visited the battleships. COL. ROOSEVELT'S REPORT.

War Department Makes Public the

Rough Rider's Report WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. - The War Department yesterday made public two reports of Colonel Roosevelt, on the fights of the First United States volunteer cavalry (rough riders) in front of Santiago. One is addressed to Colonel Wood, commanding, and the other is to Brigadier General Wood, after Colonel Roosevelt took command of the regiment. The War Department has hitherto refused to make these reports public.

The second and more important report, after describing the operations and battles of his command up to the time of the first truce, July 3, says:

"For the next seven days, until the 10th, we lay in our line while the truce continued. We had continually to work at additional bomb-proofs, and at the trenches, and as we had no proper supply of food, and utterly inadequate medical facilities, the men suffered a good deal. The officers chipped together, purchased beans, tomatoes and sugar for the men, so that they might have some relief from the bacon and hardtack. With a great deal of difficulty, we got them coffee. As for the sick and wounded, they suffered so in the hospitals when sent to the rear for lack of food and attention that we found it best to keep them at the front and give them such care as our own doctors could.

"On the 10th, the truce was at an end and the bombardment reopened. As far as our lines were concerned, it was, on the Spanish part, very feeble. We suffered no losses and speedily got the fire from their trenches in our front completely under. On the 11th, we were moved three-quarters of a mile to the right, the truce again being on. Nothing happened here, except we continued to watch and do our best to get the men, especially the sick, properly fed, and having no transportation and being able to get hardly any through the regular channels, we used anything we could flad, captured Spanish cavalry horses, abandoned mules, which had been shot, but which our men took and cured, diminutive, skinny ponies, purchased from the Cubans, etc. By this means and by the exertions of the officers we were able, from time to time, to get supplies of beans, sugar tomatoes and even oatmeal, while from the Red Cross people we got our invaluable load of rice, cornmeal, etc., all of this being of the utmost consequence, not only for the sick, but for the nominally well, as the lack of proper food was telling terribly on they had being in many cases literally

#### Tuition Free Hereafter.

dropping to pieces.

COLUMBIA, Mo., Dec. 24.-Tuition will be free in all departments of the University of Missouri, except the departments of law and medicine. The first year's course in the medical department will be free, but tuition will be charged for the second and third years of the medical course and for both years in the law department. This will be the result of a resolution passed by the board of curators at Oaxaca, he was mardered by one their semi-annual meeting yesterday, of the Mexican rurale, or native con- and will take effect September 1, 1890

# Gives \$1,250,000 for Science.

London, Dec. 24.-Lord Iveagh (Edward Cecil Guinness), has presented when he found fresh tracks leading to ion, and as the state of Oaxaca the Jenner institute with the sum of \$1,250,000 for scientific research in bacon account of his death, it was obliged teriology and other forms of biology. The Jenner institute includes most of the leaders in medicine and its allied sciences in Great Britain. Lord Iveagh also proposes to expend \$1,250,000 upon the improvement of the unsanitary Bull alley area, in the heart of Dublin.

# Will Stay in the Army.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 24.-Colonel J. R. Campbell of the Ninth Illinois regiment, and who represents the Twentieth Illinois district in Congress, announced to-day that he is going to Cuba with his regiment, regardless to what Congress may do in reference to his right to retain his seat in the House and at the same time hold his commission in the army.

# Farmer Jumps Into a Well.

HAMILTON, Mo., Dec. 24 .- J. R. Hill, farmer who lives two miles northwest of here, committed suicide by jumping into a well at his home. Mr. Hill was 40 years old and well respected. No cause for the act. He eaves a wife and three children.

# Thiel's Wife Is Divorced.

Sr. Louis, Mo., Dec. 21 -The wife of lustavus H. Thiel, president of the Phiel detective agency, was granted a divorce and \$1,000 a year alimony by Judge Wood. The divorse was granted on the grounds of desertion and failare to support.

# Paper Money Men Out.

London, Dec. 24 .- According to a dispatch to the Times from Santiago de Chili, the reorganization of the Chilian cabinet, under Senor Carlos Walker Martinez, entirely eliminates the party which advocates a paper

# Wife Marderor Gives Himself Up.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. - Isidor Lorber, a dry goods clerk, surrendered that the New York authorities wanted ber 22.

# England Orders More Warships.

London, Dec. 24.—The British admiralty, it is reported, has just placed orders for four warships with shipbuilders on the Clyde.

# DYING ON TRANSPORTS.

Filthy Troop Ships Packed With Living

and Dead Together Leave Havana NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-A dispatch describing the embarkation of Spanish troops from Havana says: The men were scarcely able, after a quick march through the town, to hold their places in the boats taking them to the transports and several fainted from sheer exhaustion on the way. As for the sick, their condition was beyond description. Suffering from all kinds of diseases, principally fevers and horrible skin complaints, many died before they were lodged on board the fearfully crowded transports.

The Cheribou was crowded from truck to keelson, having more than 2,000 men aboard, 600 of whom were sick. These were crowded in cots on the lower deck, surrounded by filth of all descriptions and a stench unbearable. They had been only ten hours aboard, but eight had died and their bodies awaited burial when the ship got to sea. Uncared for, living and dead lay together, their bodies touching, in some cases a dead man's stiffened arm resting on the shoulder of a still suffering comrade.

Three doctors and several hospital corps will go with the ship, but there is a total absence of medicines and supplies. One doctor estimated that 30 per cent would die on the voyage.

#### NAMED FOR BOYLE.

Kansas Rallcoad Measure to Be Known as the Boyle Bill.

TOPERA, Kan., Dec. 24 .- The railroad bill to be introduced by the Populists will be officially known as the Boyle bill. This was agreed upon last night by the Populist joint caucus committee. The bill was named in honor of Attorney General Boyle because he is drawing it up, assisted by Judge Allen and the caucus committee.

The program, as outlined, is for the committee to introduce the railroad bill not later than Monday afternoon, when it will be read the first time. On Tuesday it is to be read the second time, and on Wednesday read the third

time and placed upon its final passage. The committee on rules is to report Saturday morning. That report will contain a clause making it optional with a majority whether a bill shall shall go through the committee of the whole. The plan on the railroad bill is not to allow it to go to the committee of the whole, where debate cannot be cut off, but to put it on third reading, subject to amendment and debate, and then limit debate to five minutes

#### A SWEEPING INJUNCTION.

Judge Woodson of St. Joseph Restrains Union Plumbers.

Sr. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 24.-Another turn was taken in the fight of the Journeymen Plumbers' union and nonunion employes yesterday when Judge Woodson granted an injunction restraining the union men from interfering with P. L. Bristol or his employes. The order is the most sweeping one of the kind ever issued from the circuit court. It restrains the defendants and their associates, confederates, agents and servants from interfering in any manner with the plaintiff or his employes or with any person desiring to enter his employ. They are also restrained from attempting to induce any man to quit his employ and from congregating, picketing and loitering about his premises or any place where his men may be at work.

# "SPORTS" OFF FOR HAVANA.

Corbett, Masterson, Earp and Others Turn to the Cuban Capital.

HAVANA, Dec. 24. - On the heels of the announcement that Jim Corbett will open a saloon here comes the news that Bat Masterson, Wyatt Earp, of Tombstone, Ariz.; "Doe" Holliday, Ed Sasey, "the kid" of Skaguay, Alaska, and "Doc" Brown of Spokane are coming to Havana to engage in various enterprises.

Judging from appearances the early history of the Western towns of America will be repeated in Havana. Gambling houses will be opened everywhere. It is a poor building in the business district which has not bids on it for a location for an American bar. There seems to be the idea among the sporting fraternity that Havana will be made another Monte Carlo, to endure through the reconstruction period at least.

# Mills, the Musician, Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24-A cable dispatch from Wiesbaden, Germany, announces the death of Sebastian Bach Mills, a pianist and composer, aged 60 years. His father was a musician and he showed that he had inherited his talent at a very early age, for he appeared as an infant prodigy and played before Queen Victoria by special command when he was only to-day. She had taken chloroform and 7 years old. He received his musical education at the Leipsie conservatory days. Miss Lawton was supposed to and came to this country in 1859. His be visiting friends in Evanston. She appearance at concerts, as well as his had been suffering recently from ill compositions, gained him wide reput health.

# To Sell Old Fort Supply.

himself to the police yesterday stating is surveying and dividing the aband- was sent by the University of cipient of a handsome and costly him on a charge of having murdered ply, fifteen miles north of here. The the flag was accorded to Father Mcand will be sold at \$1.25 an acre in his services in reopening the schools. bulk, or thrown open to settlement under the United States homestead laws. The fort reserve proper will be platted into a townsite and sold, with the improvements, which cost the government \$250,000.

# KERENS MAY GO TO RUSSIA

He Is Mentioned for the Embassy at St. Petersburg.

#### PRESIDENT CONSIDERING HIM

The St. Louis Man as a Probable Suc cessor to Hitchcock-A Few Years of Official Life Abroad Would Be Quite Acceptable to Him.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The President now has at his disposal two first class missions-Great Britain and Russia-paying annual salaries of \$17,500 each, and one second class-Spainpaying \$12,090.

There is authority for the statement that Mr. Bliss' retirement will have no effect upon the determination of the President to appoint Joseph H. Choate ambassador to England, but nobody seems to know who will succeed Mr. Hitchcock as ambassador to Russia. One name has been mentioned, however, and there is good reason to believe that it is now under consideration by the President. This is the name of Richard C. Kerens of St. Louis. It is stated by one of his friends to-day that for various reasons, Kerens would like to go abroad for a few years and that he would prefer to go as an ambassador rather than as a private citizen. Mr. Kerens has great influence with President McKinley and it is possible that his appointment as the successor of his friend, Mr. Hitchcock, may yet be

#### HAVANA DUNGEONS

Many Prisoners' Fate Will Be Unknown

Until America Takes Formal Control. NEW YORK, Dec. 24 .- A dispatch to the New York World from Havana says: Cabanas and Morro are being prepared for delivery to the Americans. Every article capable of being moved has been destroyed or packed in huge cases for transportation to Spain. The destiny of the thousands of prisoners in these places is unknown. Friends and relatives of missing men await anxiously to ascertain whether they still linger in dungeons or have gone the way of thousands of others in the

The Spanish government is exceedingly anxious not to leave behind a trace showing the gross irregularity killed Deputy Sheriff Frank Nye while with which trials have been conducted, or the exact number of victims who have gone to their doom there.

#### TO MAKE CANAL NEUTRAL.

Negotiations for an English Treaty Permitting the Waterway Expected Soon. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. - It is said that Ambassador Pauncefote expects instructions from London soon to enter upon negolation with Secretary Hay for the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and the preparation of a new treaty guaraanteeing the neutral-

ity of the Nicaraguan canal. The change of the attitude of the British government from its old position of insisting upon having a voice in the construction of the proposed canal is the result of representations made to Lord Sallsbury by Henry White, charge d'affaires of this government in London.

# BECHEL ACQUITTED AT OMAHA

Charges of Embezzilog \$159,990 Against the Ex-Auditor Dismissed by a Jury. Омана, Dec. 24.—The jury has returned a verdict of not guilty in the

case of W. F. Bechel, ex-auditor of the Pacific Express company, charged with embezzlement. Mr. Bechel was auditor for the company eighteen years. His succesor, Erastus Young, claimed there was a shortage of \$150,000. The clerks thought the money had gone for lobbying in the Nebraska legislature.

# READY FOR THE FILIPINOS.

Trouble Seemed Certain and Three Regiments Were Concentrated.

MANILA, Dec. 24.—The native troops encamped in the suburbs are again causing anxiety. The attitude of an insurgent detachment at the Panduchan bridge Wednesday was such that the California, Idaho and Washington regiments were concentrated in light marching order, at short notice, but trouble was avoided.

Miss Lawton a Suicids. CHICAGO, Dec. 24,-The body of Miss Desmonia Lawton, who with her brother and sisters came to Chicago from Kansas City a few weeks ago, was found in her room had apparently been dead for two

A Flag for the Malate Schoolhouse. MANILA, Dec. 24 .- The first Amer-Woodward, Okla., Dec. 24 .- Major lean flag was raised over the N. F. Jenks of the Interior department | Malate schoolhouse yesterday. It reservation contains over 40,000 acres | Kinnon of California in recognition of

> Spain to Pay Coupons on Cuban Bonds. MADRID, Dec. 24.—The minister of the colonies, Senor Giron, announces that the payment coupons of the Cuban mortgage bonds have been issued.

# FLAG ORDERED LOWERED.

Major Harrison Was Too Hasty in Rais-

ing It-To Feed the Hungry. HAVANA, Dec. 24.-Major Russell Harrison, the provost marshal, who on Tuesday raised the stars and stripes over Fort Atares without orders and in contravention of the promise of the United States evacuation commissioners that no American flags should be raised in Havana or its suburbs until January 1, was yesterday formally reprimanded by Major General Lee, who was instructed to lower the flag. Lieutenant Lee reported a few hours later to headquarters that the flag had been lowered.

Nevertheless, at the hour of filing this dispatch (4:30 p. m.), it is still flying on a tall staff over the famous fort, plainly visible from the harbor and city.

Major General Lee, having received a cable dispatch from Sacretary Alger saying that the secretary of war understood that there were thousands of persons starving in Havana and directing him to feed them "without delay," immediately ordered Lieutenant Colonel Wood to distribute rations and to make systematic efforts to feed the helpless, carefully avoiding waste. There are hundreds in Havana to-day who, though not actually starving, are in a deplorable state of weakness and disease, the effects of the cruel reconcentration policy. They need hospital treatment, which is not always available. Much of the wretchedness is due to the neglected condition of the tenements. Every day or so the relief distributors come upon dead bodies terribly emaciated.

#### Negro Soldier Slain.

MACON, Ga., Dec. 24. - Private Turner, of the Sixth Virginia regiment, was shot and almost instantly killed by O. A. Thrower, a street car conductor, yesterday afternoon. Turner, very drunk, boarded Thrower's ear and used vile language in the presence of ladies. Thrower pulled him out of the ear to the rear platform. While Thrower was assisting a lady off the car the negro kicked him several times and applied more vile epithets. Turner went back on the trailer, but soon returned and, with a knife in his hand, swore he would cut Thrower's head off. As he stepped on the platform Thrower fired, the bullet striking the negro in the mouth. He died in fif-

#### Officer Shot By a Boy.

teen mintes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24. - Thomas Crosby, the 12-year-old son of Margaret Crosby, a wealthy widow living in Edgewater, a suburb of Chicago, shot and Nye was attempting to serve a writ of restitution. The writ was based on a mortgage for \$20,000 which had been forcelosed on the Crosby homestead. The officer was warned by the boy not to attempt to enter the house, but disregarded the threat and attempted to tear out a window. The boy's mother and grandmother were in an upper room at the time. The boy said he had been instructed to shoot any one who attempted to enter the house.

#### Afrald to Claim Money. CHICAGO, Dec. 24 - John L. Bates,

who nineteen years ago escaped from the Anamosa, Iowa, penitentiary, where he was serving a three year term for burglary, was arrested here yesterday and will be taken back to lowa to complete his sentence. Since his escape, Bates has served a term in the Chester, Ill., penitentiary, and two years in Joliet, and was under arrest in Chicago for several months under suspicion of having been implicated in a murder. Bates is said to be heir to \$32,000 left him by his father in 1892, but fear of arrest has prevented him from claiming the money.

# Naval Authorities Dismayed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-The naval authorities have learned to their dismay that it is not possible for one of our big battleships, like the Oregon or Massachusetts, to get out of New York harbor during extra low water such as prevailed when the latter battle ship struck on Diamond reef a short time ago. Of course, these conditions are not normal in the harbor, but they may occur on any low tide with the wind in the right quarter, so the matter will be brought at once to the attention of congress, with a view to securing the removal of the upper part of Diamond reef.

# New Rubber Combination.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 .- A new combination of some of the leading rubber firms in the United States is now in process of formation and is expected to be completed in about a week. It is understood the organization will have a capital of \$30,000,000, \$15,000,-000 to be preferred stock and the other \$15,000,000 to be common stock.

Patriotism Cost Him Dear. CHILLICOTHS, Ohio, Dec. 24.-John W. Kelley, a veteran of the civil war, has received notice from the pension bureau that his pension of \$15 per month, issued for general disability, had been stopped because he did ser v ice in the war with Spain. Kelley first offered to enter the service as a soldier, but was rejected on account of

# A Sword for Schley.

mule driver.

disability, and then secured a place as

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Rear Admiral Schley was last night the reoned military reservation of Fort Sup- Pennsylvania. The honor of raising sword, scabbard and belt, presented to him in behalf of the people of this city and other cities in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, who contributed to a fund established for the purpose. The sword, scabbard and belt represent a cost of \$4,200. The blade is of fine Damaseus steel, appropriately engraved, and the hilt is elaborately decorated with diamonds and other precious stones.