BEATEN BY A VERY CLOSE MARGIN

A County Local Option Bill at Once Introduced, Which it is Believed Some Republicans Will Support-Other Legislation,

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 24. - The Schmidt ficense cill was defeated in the senate today because it lacked a majority of the votes of all the senators elected. The question came up on the adoption of the minority report of the committee on the suppression of intemperance made by the republican members, recommending the indefinite postponement of the bill. The majority report recommended its passage. The minority report was rejected by a vote of to 23, Reynolds, republican, not voting. The majority report was then adopted by a vote of 25 to 23. When the bill came up for engressment, it was ordered by a party vote. Roll call on the bill showed all the democrats voted for it, and republicans present went against, the vote standing 25 to 23. To pass the bill required a majority of all the members elected to the senate, hence the bill was declared lost.

Immediately a bill was introduced providing for county option as to the sale of intoxicants and allowing cities of a thousand or more inhabitants to license the manufacture

and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Among the bills introduced in the senate were the following: Prohibiting the use of explosives in fishing; compelling railway companies to equip cars with safety hand A joint resolution was presented giving

on the right to vote at all elections, In the house, several bills were introduced, among which were the following: To levy an additional tax in aid of rairroad construction; to indemnify the Des Moines river land settlers; to regulate and define the rates of telegraph companies in the state; to regulate the sale of liquor by pharmacists. A bill was passed placing the loaning o county funds in the hands of Boards of Supervisors and taking that power from coun treasurers. Both houses adjourned til

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into the treasury the difference of the bullion value and the coin. In this way the owner only receives the market value of his coin dollar and the treasury receives the balance as payment for coining and plucing the flat

stamp upon it. If these statesmen find any objection an this plan and as the people only desire to increase of currency let them do what will be equally desirable—secure an increase of legal tender to the same number of dollars free comage would provide. Then the na tion would be benefited, and no penalty paid. Pharisees in politics are just as bad as Pharasees in religion. The holier-than-thou

apostles are always dangerous.

Our opponents of both parties are par Our opponents of both particles of excellence champions of honest money. So excellence champions of honest dollar. So do

we. There is now no sword hanging by a thread over our head and to claim the people shall have no relief lest foreign war or internal rebellion may threaten our existence is as hostile to the happiness and prosperity of the people as secession, which we battled at over four This is treason to the individual as much as thirty years ago secession was treason to the nation.

We are safe from war for a century unless forced, as was the last, by capital and our political masters, if the people will see to it that injustice is prevented and reforms secured by legislation. Let us resolve in all walks of life that ballots are more effective

Relief Must Come at the Polls.

Every industry must be united, and then all the industries must gather at the ballot box. Then rises another how! of danger that the common people should form unions. And decrees go forth they must disband; not that they are political, as most of them are not, but unions of toilers created for charitable purposes, for social improvement and m advancement, and sometimes for material benefit, are all under the ban. The owner of the various syndicates and monopolies an corporations may pool and combine to wring the last dollar the traffic will bear, but di missal from the service will • be the reward of the employe if he dare meet in union with Privileges for the few; stripes for th

What better than the baughty aristocracy of England, which recognizes nothing below rank in civil life or in the army, as at the battle of Inkerman, a sergeant who saved the British army could not be mentioned by Lord Raglan because the military hierarch does not allow any hero below the rank of officer to be mentioned in dispatches.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Row Precipitated by the Presentation of a Minority Report-An Interesting Time. St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 24.-The fight for recognition of the prohibition issue in the platform was started immediately upon reassembling of the convention. Miss Frances E. Willard presented a minority report, which she moved be adopted immediately as an amendment to the majority report, The minority report favored woman suffrage and demanded the suppression of the liquor

Attempts to head Miss Willard's reading of the minority report off with points of order were ineffectual.

A strong speech, opposing the "dragging in of outside issues," by A. S. Mann of Florida. was answered by Miss Willard in a spirited address. She charged that the full platform committee was not present when the temperance plank was omitted.

Potter of Michigan demanded to know whether, if the minority report was adopted, the prohibition party in Michigan, for exam ple, would disband and give their votes to the people's party.

Congressman Jerry Simpson declared himself satisfied with the majority report. They must cure poverty before they could intem-

Split on the Prohibition Plank.

Upon motion of Jerry Simpson to lay the nority report upon the table, a viva voce to was taken, showing the convention almost split evenly for and against a prohibition plank.

Miss Willard called for a formal division,

but points of order and parliamentary tactics of every sort intervened.

A Texas prohibitionist delegate declared that he had been assured the national prohibition party would be satisfied with either woman suffrage alone or the liquor plank

woman suffrage alone or the liquor plank proposed by Miss Willard.
Coached by Mr. Powderly, a Miss Emma Curtis of Colorado, a handsome young woman with snapping black eyes and a dashing Gainsborough hat, captured the floor and proposed the following substitute:
We demand that the question of universal suffrage be submitted to the legislatures of different states and territories for favorable

different states and territories for favorable

Miss Curtis made a clever speech. Jerry Simpson shouted, "She has solved the problem," and some one immediately demanded the previous question, the substi-tution was made by a crushing majority amid volleys of cheers, Miss Curtis blushing like a rose and laughing heartily at the success that had crowned her effort. Miss Willard, sested upon the platform, looked as sober as if attending a funeral.

Powderly Consults Miss Willard. Powderly hurried to the platform and held a hasty conference with Miss Willard. Soon afterward, before roll call, which was de-manded, could be taken, sunouncement was made in Powderly's name that Miss Curtis'

proposition as part of the platform had been withdrawn to be offered later on as a simple resolution.
To the surprise of everybody and the

chagrin of Powderly, General Weaver and other lenders, Miss Curtis arcse and declared she had done no such thing. The idea of dealing with the liquor question by a separate resolution instead of in the platform had been broached several times during the confused discussion, and had been favorably received.

It was now apparently the purpose of Powderly, having kept Miss Willard's minority report out of the platform, to placate her and her friends by having the convention adopt the Willard plank as a resolution in place of that of Miss Curtis.

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When a roll call was finally reached on what had now become Miss Curtis' minority platform report the vote was taken by states, and it looked while the voting proceeded as if the Powderly Weaver following were resenting the "spunkiness" of Miss Curtis and that the minority report would be bowled out of the convention, out Powderly enig-matically proceeded promptly to counteract that impression by attempting after the roll call ended to add the vote of the Knights of Labor in a body in favor of the minority re

Secretary Haves declared the minority report carried by a vote of 254 to 246, counting the Knights of Labor organization as voting solidly ave. Unofficial taily keepers made the totals very different—352 noes to 238 aves, defeating the minority report even by counting the knights as voting eighty-two ayes. Meanwhile Miss Willard and Lady Somerset had slipped out of the hall unob-served and did not again return.

Sprung Another Surprise. Powderly now had another surprise. He shouted to all Knights of Labor present to follow him and go outside of the hall for a caucus. They did so like magic, and the farmers alliance at the call of McCune also temporarily withdrew, notwithstanding the loud protests of their national lecturer, Wil-lets of Kansas, that their action amounted to

breaking up the convention in a row. After a half hour's painful uncertainty the convention slowly got together again. natius Donnelly was granted three minutes. and to the somewhat general surprise de clared all the business of the convention could be finished up within half an bour. Defer by unanimous consent the little woman suffrage matter, he smoothly urged, adon the noble majority platform report, appoint a committee to act with the national committee of the people's party to call a national convention to nominate a president and vice president of the United States and the thing

was done.

The idea took like wild fire among the harrassed, hungry delegates. Two minutes later the majority report had been swallowed at one gulp, being adopted without a solitary voice of dissent. A great pent-up volume of doubt and despair seemed to be lifted to the roof in the enthusiastic cheering that broke forth on every hand. Hats, papers, umbrellas, flags, everything portabl reach, was flung into the air, then followed ten minutes of continuous applause, stop ping only with five minutes more of a tre "glory, glory hallelujah!"

Took Up a Collection,

The woman suffrage resolution as a substi tute for prohibition was lost sight of in the xcitement, and the convention took up a colction to pay expenses, endorsed laws bidding option deals not specifically men

ioned in their "patch" statute. When the woman suffrage resolution did at last come up Acting Chairman Terrill, in response to an inquiry, announced that it had nothing to do with prohibition. Washburn of Massachusetts insisted that

he resolution was a substitute for both o Miss Willard's minority planks, prohibition and woman suffrage, the idea being that wherever throughout the nation woman suffrage was secured, prohibition would soon

The previous question was called and Mis-Curtis' resolution, now thoroughly separated from the platform, was adopted without further opposition.

Numerous efforts to have the convention proceed to appoint the committee suggested by Donnelly to act with the people's party national committee were wholly ineffectua under the rulings of Acting Chairman Terrall and the insistence of a motion on the part of the farmers alliance to adjourn.
Without stirring from their seats the dele

gates, after Terrell's gavel fell ostensibly adjourning the convention, went right on, but with General Weaver in the chair and appointed the much-talked-of committee as pointed the much-taked-of committee as follows: General Van Wyck of Nebraska, C. W. McCune of Texas, M. I. Branch of Georgia, H. I. Powers of Nebraska, T. M. Maguire of New York, T. L. Polk of North Carolina, J. H. Willets of Kansas, President Humphreys of the National Colored alliance Pierce Hackett of Missouri, H. M. Lanett of the Illinois Farmers Mutual Benefit associa-John Seits of Ohio, Mrs. Mary E. Lease of Cansas, Mrs. Dr. Dabbs of Texas, Benjamin

Terrell of Texas.

The exact wording of the minority report offered by Miss Willard was much sought after tonight as likely to play an important part in the coming national convention of he prohibition party. The full text is a

Miss Willard's Minority Report.

First-We demand universal suffrage with out distinction. Second—We believe that the liquor traffic is full great enemy of reform in this nation. It is the chief foundation of corruption in our politics, and we denounce its peraicious in-fluence upon our citizens, and we demand its

duence upon our citizens, and we demand its suppression.

We hold that the states respectfully have the authority to lexislate concerning the sale of intoxicating liquous within their borders. Therefore, when the people have by law interdicted or restricted the sale thereof it is the duty of the federal government to respect their action and collect no revenue from the traffic within such state, except if the persons are permitted to sell under state authority and whenever the laws of any state shall prohibit or restrict the sale of intoxicants, we demand that congress, in the exercise of its powers to regulate commerce among the states, shall forbid, under proper penalty, all persons except those duly authorized by local authority, from transporting ilquors into such states; and we arraign the republican and democratic parties for not respecting the reserved rights of states in these particulars.

FRANCES E. WILLARD, E. W. FISH.

Mus. Dr. Dabbs.

Georgia's Meanest Man. One of the meanest men in Georgia is

a job printer, who lives in Columbus, who had four small boys arrested recently for doing some job printing on their own account, says the Philadelphia Ledger. About a year ago, it seems, that these boys invested 50 cents in a primitive hand press, and commenced doing business in a small way by printing letter heads and other trilling matters for their friends and relatives. The eldest of the four boys has reached the advanced age of 12 years, and as they all go to school every day their working hours are short and their receipts not large. By industry and thrift, however, they ac-cumulated a capital of \$8, which they invested in a larger hand press, and commenced doing business on a more extensive scale. Thereupon the job printer had the boys arrested for carrying on business without a license. The case against the lads was dismissed by the mayor, who also praised them for their industry.

An Epidemic of Hiccoughs.

What is called an epidemic of hiccoughs is reported as prevailing on the Maryland and Detaware peninsula, and in some cases it has proved fatal. case of Richard Cole, colored, who resided near Middletown, Del., baffled the physicians, as have others, and he fell a victim after coughing violently for four weeks. His death has attracted much attention from physicians. Edward Pardee, a farmer residing in Jones Neck. was stricken sixteen weeks ago with the disease and has hiccoughed incessantly since. At times his life is despaired of but the attacks become less violent and he rallies. He is now slowly improving. Every mail has brought letters to the family of the sufferer for many weeks, the writers advising the use of different remedies, all of which have been tried to no avail.

Doyle and Evans to Fight. Cuicago, Ill., Feb. 24.—Con Doyle, a light weight of this city, and Wiley Evans, a colored Californian middleweight, are matched to fight to a finish for \$500. The fight takes

place within a hundred miles of Chicago March 19. Dr. Birney cures catarra. BEE bldg

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PARISIANS CROW RESTLESS

Volatile Inhabitants of the Gay Capital Chafe Under the Great Political Strain.

CARNOT SUBJECTED TO MUCH CRITICISM

Harsh Comment Heard Concerning the President's Delay in Calling a Cabinet-Prophesying in Advance of Labor Day-Rouvier for Premier,

[Copyrighted 1892 by James Gordon Bennett.] Panis, Feb. 23.-|New York Herald Cable Special to THE BER. | - The public is beginning to resent the long delay in the appoint ment of a new cabinet, for we are still without one. In political circles M. Carnot is being harshly criticised, and it must be owned that, to a certain extent, he deserves the criticism. To be sure, it must be hard find statesmen willing and able to rescue the country from the prevailing confusion, but the methods employed to convince the people that such and such a minister should be kept at his post, at all hazards, strike one as childish. Today, for instance, a great ado is being made over the theft of a quantity of dynamite. Now it is not pleasing to hear that any dynamite at all has vanished from the place in which it should be lying. But, surely we need not magnify the incident into an affair of state, and at thound of February alarm the public by foretelling what may or may not result from the theft on the 1st of May.

During the night of the 14th of February number of thieves stole 380 dynamite cartridges from the quarries of Sorson Settdles. The total weight of the missing dynamite was thirty-five kilos. The authorities insti tuted an inquiry tending to fix the guilt on the Paris anarchists, who had abstracted the explosives with a view to using them on Labor day, May 1. A search at the homes of the chief anarchists, organized by thirteen commissaries of police, has resulted in the recovery of 100 of the missing cartridges, six entimetres long and three centimetres thick Three aparchists have been arrested and the search goes on. All the prisoners are young. The Catholic episcopate has just had a sad loss in the death, today, at Berne, of Cardi-nal Mermillod, who played such a conspicu-ous part in the struggle between the Swiss federal government and Rome. He was the hero and the cause of the Swiss kulturkampt

ng piety. He acted as bishop of Lausunne Geneva. The speech made at the opening of the Hungarian Parliament by the emperor of Austria (king of Hungary), had no political

a man of rare intelligence and uncompromis

ignificance President Carnot this afternoon sent for M. de Freycinet and requested him to form a cabinet. M. de Freycinet refused. This evening the president made a similar proposition to M. Rouvier, who was the minister of finance. M. Rouvier asked until tomorrow to consider the matter. Possibly he may accept, and in case he does the complexio of the next cabinet will be almost identical with that of the late ministry. JACQUES ST. CERE.

LATIN-AMERICAN NEWS.

President Barillas Keeps Up His Name A

a Bad Man to Oppose. [Copyrighted 1892 by James Gordon Bennett.] SAN SALVADOR, (via Galveston, Tex.) Feb. 23 .- By Mexican Cable to the New York Heraid-Special to THE BEE,]-The shooting of General Miguel Enriquez at Zacacopa, Guatemala, the other day has created a great deal of bitter comment here, and started stories discreditable to President Barillas.

The account sent out by the Guatematan authorities was to the effect that Enriquez. who was one of the most promiffent conservative candidates for the presidency, organized a revolt against the government, was defeated and snot as a traifor.

Widely different is the report that has reached this city from the opponents in Guatemala of the present administration. It s alleged by thom that President Barillas bore a personal spite toward Enriquez, and in revenge issued secret orders that he be shot at his bacienda under the protest tha ne was at the head of a revolutionary fac

The two brothers of General Enriquez nowever, were informed of what had been done, and realizing that no time was to be lost, fled and joined him. They armed all the servants in the havienda with shot-guns and revolvers and resolved to sell their lives dearly. The government troops soon arrive upon the scene and to their suprise met with most desperate resistance. A regular battle ollowed. General Enriquez, his two brothers and two servants were killed and three more of their little party wounded before the building in which they were entrenched starting the troops. How gallantly the Enriquez people fought is shown by the loss by the government forces of two officers and the killing or wounding of eleven sol-

It is also rumored here that it would not h mexpected if Barilias should dispose of all he presidential candidates in the same ncluding General Reina Barrios. Salvador s perfectly quiet.

Uruguay in a Foment,

MONTEVIDEO, Urugusy (via Gaiveston, Tex.), Feb. 23.—[By Mexican Gable to the New York Heraid—Special to The Bee.]— The situation of affairs is regarded with such alarm by the authorities that all army chiefs have been changed. Quite a scare was occa-sioned the other day, owing to the sudden departure of the artillery from the barracks without leave. President Obes promptly sought refuge in the Cabildo. It is rumore: that there may be a military uprising at any

The president has accepted the resigna-tion of Minister of War Callorda and appointed General Perez in his place. The other ministerial appointments were as follows: Minister of the interior, Senor Ganza; minister of foreign affairs, Senor Aerrero Espinosa; minister of hacienda, or Ramires, and minister of public works, Senor Capurro.

Word from Chill. VALPARAISO, Chili (via Galveston, Tex.) Feb. 23. - By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to The Ber. |-The torpedo Saergenta Aldea, on a voyage from Talcultuano to Valpuraiso, ran short of coal and provisions. Captain Espenosa, in at-tempting to land, was drowned in the surf. The corvette Magailanes is convoying th

Aldea into port. Lieutenant Harlow, the World's fair commissioner to Chill, will leave this country within a few days. There is no doubt if another man was sent here the Chillans might be induced to make some showing at the fair. Even if there were no official exhibit prominent wine growers and those interested in mines would participate in the

MADE MURDER A BUSINESS.

How a Bloodthirsty German Couple Added to Their Wealth.
Bentin, Feb. 23.—The police of Magde-

burg, a large town eighty-six miles from this city, are instituting an inquiry into a series of murders of servant girls.

These murders resemble, in most of their horrible details, the startling list of murders which were not long ago unearthed in Vienna, in which city a man named Schnel der and his wife, by means of decoy advertisements asking for servants, lured a large number of girls to their residence where upon the first favorable opportunity Schnei-der, assisted in his revolting work by his wife, would treat the unfortunate girls in the most outrageous manner and then strangle his poorvictims to death, afterward-

taking possession of all their valuables.

The prisoners who are charged with the murders in Magdeburg are a man named Fritzerbee and his finnce, Dorothy Buntrock, and since their arrest enough evidence has been collected by the police to implicate them in the experience discoverance of two serin the mysterious disappearance of two ser vant girls.
The authorities are not satisfied, that they have unearthed all the crimes committed by the prisoners and they are still prosecuting their investigation lute the matter. The

scheme of the conspiracy for luring their victims always took the form of an adver-

act as compassion to a wealthy lady.

Dorothy Buntrock has broken down and made a confession, in which she described the manner in which the murders were com-mitted. She admits leading the girls to a wood where Fritz was waiting to s upon them and where, after his bloody to spring was finished; the victims were stripped of all their clothing and money or valuables in their possessionand their bodies were hidden in a anot where it was not likely they would be discovered. The affair has caused a sen-sation in the vicinity of where the murders were committed and public indignation is very strong against the prisoners.

MYSTERHOUSLY MISSING. Strange Disappearance of a Wealthy Eng-

lishman.- A Woman in the Case. LONDON, Feb. 23.-The case of W. R. Lidderdale, a prominent banker of liminater Somerset county, who disappeared in Janu ary last on the eve of his marriage, becomes more and more mysterious the deeper it is investigated. On February 10 there appeared in the columns of the Times the following death notice:

On the 30th of January, on Miss B. A. H. Vining's yacht Poresight, William Robertson Lidderdale of Ifminster, from the result of an accident on January 8, alighting from a carriage when in motion.

No mention is made of where the yacht was when the alleged death occurred.

Messrs. Pritchard & Matshall, Mr.
Lidderdalo's solicitors, advertised in the Cimes offering £25 reward to any one who would give them any information concerning

the news conveyed by this notice.

A representative of the Associated press called on Messrs: Pritchard & Marshall today and attempted to learn something of the case, it being said that Miss Vining is an American The solicitors stated that they were still unable to establish the identity of Miss Vining. An attempt was made to learn her whereacouts, but the so-licitors stated that they had no idea where she is at present. It may be added that the family of Mr. Lidderdale and his solicitors though have left no stone unturned which may lead to his being found. They think he has been either killed or kidnaped at the instigation of a woman who was determined that he should not marry another woman No such yacht can be found.

EXPELLED FROM THE COMMONS.

De Cobain Would Not Return for Trial-The Welch Church. LONDON, Feb. 23.-Mr. De Cobain, mem per of the House of Commons for East Belfast, who is charged with the commission or grossly immoral acts, and who fled from the country months ago to escape the service of a warrant issued against him, has not complied with the request of the house, made on motion of Mr. Balfour on February 11, to

present himself in the house February 22. Mr. Balfour today gave notice to the house that on Friday next he would move that Mr. De Cobain, having fled to escape justice, be expelled from the House of Commons. Mr. Samuel Smith, member of Flintshire, moved the disestablishment of the church in Wales. The Weish people, he said, could not ecognize the state in religious matters. Sir Edward Clarke, solicitor general, op-posed the motion, and in his remarks claimed that no proof had been adduced that a majority of the Welsh people were in favor of

isestablishing the church. The motion to disestablish the church was rejected by a vote of 207 to 230.

In the debate on the motion Mr. Balfour declared that the nonconformists avoided re ligious measures and rested their case on unverified statistics. The fact was, he said, that they wanted, not disestablishment bu disendowment; not reform, but plunder Their motive was:envy, not piety.
Sir William Vernon Harcourt (Gladston

ian) supported the motion. Mr. Chamberlain, the unionist leader, and i few other unionists, voted with the minorty. The conservatives loudly cheered on arning that the majority against the tion was 47, as they had a majority of only 31 against a similar motion in the previous

STORE DYNAMITE.

Paris Anarchists Suspected of Having a Lot of the Explosive in Their Possession. Paris, Feb. 23.-Some excitement was caused a few days ago in police circles by the information that a large quantity of dynamite had been stolen from the factory belonging to the state, where the explosive is made with many safeguards as to its manu made with many safeguards as to its manufacture and as to its subsequent storage and disposition. It was immediately concluded that the theft was the work of anarchists and today the police searched all the houses in Paris and vicinity known to be occupied by anarchists in the expectation of finding

lynamite. The police refuse to divulge th result of their search, and it is not known whether they found the explosive.

The police pretend to be on the track of a gang of dynamite conspirators preparing for May-day. The police connect this conspiracy with a recent robbery of seventy-five pounds of dynamite from the seine stone quarries Early this morning under a ministerial order, domiciliary visits were made to all houses suspected. Altogether 360 houses were searched. Only a few of the miss-ing cartridges were obtained, most of which were found in the lodgings of a man named Borgier, who is known to be an anar-chist. When questioned Borgier declared

that he knew nothing whatever about the The Journal des Debats says that the prefecture of police has information that the cartridges were designed to blow up the spanish embassy in Paris in order to avenge recent execution of four anarchists in

ORDERED TO HIS ESTATE.

Count Tolstol's Work of Charity Among Russia's Starving Interfered With.

Loxpox, Feb. 23.-A dispatch to the Stand ard from Moscow states that Count Tolstoi who has been engaged in the work of reliev ing the distressed families, has been ordered the government to return to his estate This action is taken in consequence of a le tor concerning the famine which was recent! published in London as written by Count Tolstoi. Countess Tolstoi denies that her husband is the author of the letter.

Settled by the Sultan. CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 23.-The discussion concerning the investiture of the new khedive of Egypt, which has been carried on almost since the accession of Prince Abbass to the knediveship, has been brought to an end by the sultan when he deputed Marshal Ahmed Eycub to convey the firman of in vestiture to the knedive.

Reciprocity with Austria. LONDON, Feb. 23.-The Vienna correspond ent of the Times says that negotiations for the establishment of reciprocity relations are bout to be commenced between Austria and the United States

Looking to a Federation. Sydney, N. S. W., Feb. 23.—The premie of New South Wales announced in the assembly today that a federation bill would be

IMPORTED LABORERS.

Custom Officers Stop a Batch of Them at Haltimore. BALTIMORE, Md2 Feb. 23.-Eleven immi-

grants of 237 arrived here yesterday on the

steamship Weimarare detained. One of the batch, Paul Krantz, who claims to be an American citized, States that he engaged the men to work for the Connellsville Coke and Iron company of Connellsville, Pa., and that Superintendent Mitchell of that company had advanced him the money to pay the passage. He further stated that he was to get about \$3 a head for every man he could bring over, and that it was a paying business. The men said, further, that they were told that nothing less than \$3 to \$2.50 per day was in store for them. Each was provided with tickets clear through to Connellaville, the cost of was 110 marks each. This was to be taken from their wages.

Minton Divorce Case on Trial. YANKTON, S. D., Feb. 23 .- Special Tele gram to THE BEE. | - The final proceedings in the Minton divorce case, celebrated because of the high social standing of the interested parties in New York city, occurred before Judge Smith in this city today in chambers. The defendant, J. McKim Minton, treasurer of the illustrated American company of New York, in his answer to the complaint of his

wife charged her with adulters and the evidence presented before Judge Smith today was upon that question. Judge Smith has taken the case under advisement and will probably not render a decision for a week. W. Weston, the New York exchange broker who is said to be the cause of all the trouble, was in Yankton with the party, but he left the city at noon today by an unusual route, because he was afraid Minton would kill him. Mr Minton is willing his wife should

ing the contest. BEST OF THE SERIES.

have a decree of divorce but wants the cus-tody of his children and for them he is mak-

Lieutenant Arrasmith Handles His Cue With Much of His Old Grace and Skill. Yesterday afternoon at the billiard tournament Cahn and Hayes played, neither showing up strong. Hayes is entirely out of condition and Cahn seems to suffer from ner vousness. The score:

Vousness. The score:

Cahn—7. I. 5, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 5, 0, 0, 6, 0, 8, 0, 5, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 5, 3, 1, 6, 2, 11, 7, 7, 2, 1, 0, 6, 2, 0, 0, 3, 1, 2, 10, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 18, 5, 4, 1, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 18, 5, 4, 1, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0, 2, 1, 0, 8, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 3, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 3, 7, 0, 0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 13, 1, 0, 2, 6, 0, 1, 0, 3, 7, 0, 0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 2, 2, 3, 0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 13, 1, 0, 2, 6, 0, 1, 0, 3, 7, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 7, 0, 11, 1, 4, 0, 3, 1, 0, 7, 0, 7, 3, 0, 0, 0, 6, 3, 2, 0, 0, 1, 1, 7, 0, 11, 1, 4, 0, 3, 1, 0, 7, 0, 7, 3, 0, 0, 0, 6, 3, 1, 0, 2, 5, 1, 1, 0, 0, 3, 4, 0, 3, 4, 3, 1, 0, 8, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 3, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 4, 0, 3, 1, 0, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 1, 2, 0, 3, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 2, 2, 2, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 3, 0, 1, 1, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2, 0, 1, 22 x

Best runs, 11, 11, 8, average, 161.

Laşt evening there was a good attendance

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of ladies to watch the game between Arra-smith and Symes. And well were they repaid for their presence, as the game was by far the best of the whole series. Lieutenant Arrasmith was in good condition, and, in-spired by the plaudits of fair critics he played a very strong game. His entire play was marked by old time confidence and dash, and the score is but a poor criterion by which to judge, as it fails to show the brilliancy of his open table work or the delicacy of his nursing strokes. His average is low because of extremely hard luck in opening positions. On the other hand Symes played the poorest game he has yet put for ward. He seemed nervous and totally de vold of confidence. At no time did he ap pear to be a factor in the game This is singular, in view of the fact that Symes played a strong game all last week, defeating every one of his opponents with apparent ease, and seeming to be in the best of form. He met his first defeat last night by this score:

0, 0, 0, 2, 1—169. Best runs, 13, 10, 9. Average, 1.83.

This afternoon Symes will play Hayes, and this evening Keniston meets Cahn. Ladies are welcome at all evening games and are adfree. There are reserved seats for adies and their escorts. Last night's game puts new interests in the outcome, for should Keniston win one from

Symes and Arrasmith win one from Kenis ton the three will be tied for first place This is quite within the range of probabil COMMERCIAL CONGRESS.

Delegates Attend the Transmississippi Convention at New Orleans. New ORLEANS, La., Feb. 23.-The Transnississippi Commercial congress as:embled today at the St. Charles theater. Delegates were present from nearly every state and territory west of the Mississippi river, and include many prominent men in commercial as well as political circles of their respective states. Several are men of national prominence, whose presence lends to the gathering an importance which renders its deliberations of material consideration. The theater was handsomely decorated in honor of the

Captain A. K. Miller called the congress to order. He said that this was done pursuance of a resolution adopted at the meeting of the congress in Denver last year. The importance of the gathering he said was unquestioned, and it was to be hoped that the deliberations would bring forth much

benefit to those participating.

After Rev. Dr. Palmer, who invoked the divine blessing on the proceedings of the congress, Governor Nichols welcomed the delegates to the state, after which ex-Governor Bowen of Texas responded. There were many matters of importance to come up, he said. The delegates had met to urge upon congress the necessity of certain legislation of the greatest importance to all represented cured and the results were already apparent Mayor Shakespeare welcomed the delegates to the city in a short speech. He said that when he was in Denver he had prom ised to show the people of that arid region plenty of water, and it was here for them to

look at. Hon. George T. Anthony, ex-governor of Kansas, was introduced. He said that the welcome on the part of the gentlemen here was an easy, natural and fitting task, beause they were welcoming wn, for was not Kansas a for Louisiana. Had it not i rib of the Louisiana purchase. cause He with the others, was coming down here like wise to gather in their own. They came with a sense of business and intended to accomplish something.
Mr. H. H. Smith of the Board of Trade acted as temporary secretary. After ap pointing committees on credentials, perma-nent organization, rules and resolutions, the

congress took a recess to enable the commit tees to prepare their reports.

THEY LOST MUCH BUSINESS. Burlington and Rock Island Officials Desire

to See Rates Maintained, CHICAGO, III., Feb. 23.-The Rock Island and Burlington roads have jointly sent a communication to Chairman Smith of the Transmissour association, requesting him to call a special meeting of his association at as early a date as possible to consider the rates to and from Colorado and Utah. There seems to be no doubt but that these rates have been in a demoralized condition for several months, and there is no prospec of an improvement in the situation unti something is done by the interstate roads to put a stop to irregular competition, the Rock Island and the Burlington being bound by their agreement to maintain the associa-tion rates and to keep within the provisions of interstate commerce law. They claim to have lost nearly all of their car load traff to and from Colorado and Utab, to say nothing of the effect this unauthorized competition has had upon their business at points of and west of the Missouri river. Unles matters can be satisfactorily arranged at the proposed special meeting, it is understood that the Rock Island and the Burlington will ask to have the rates reduced about 30 pe

Once more the story is telegraphed from New York that the Vanderbilts have secured control of the Chicago, Milwankee & St. Paul road, and that the grand alliance now includes the St. Paul, the Unicago & North western and the Union Pacific. The stor declares that active efforts have been going on in this direction since J. Pierpont Morgan succeeded in converting \$20,000,000 floating dept of the Union Pacific into interest bearing certificates. After that deal Morgan & Co., it is said, succeeded in bringing into intimate relations with the Vanderbilts and their friends outside parties who have heretofore controlled St. Paul, and the deal was finally consummated. It would proba bly be impossible to find a prominent railroad man in Chicago who puts any faith in these reports. President Roswell Miller of the St Paul said: "I cap only repeat what I have frequently stated before concerning similar reports, that I don't believe there is any

The commissioners of the Western Traffic association met at Chairman Walker's office this morning. The first case heard was an application from the Burlington and Rock Island roads for authority to reduce the rate on ore to \$2 from Colorado points to the Mis souri river. The present rate is \$5.

The request for a reduction is based upon alleged rate manipulations. The commis-sioners took the matter under advisement. This afternoon the Atchison application for a reduction of immigrant rates from \$35 to \$14.30 between the Missouri river and Califormia points was heard. These opposing the reduction argued that a better way out of the existing difficulty would be a reference of the matter to the advisory board, with the recommendation that a joint agency be esbished in New York for the routing of cound what husiness wast of Chicago. second class business west of Chicago.

BRIMFUL OF PATRIOTISM

Though a Day Late the Memory of Washington Was Honored.

WAS AN IMPROMPTU AFFAIR

Many Omaha People Indicated Their Love of Country at the Grand Opera House Last Night-An Interesting Program Rendered.

Patriotism was extremely popular at the Grand opera house last evening.

The idea of having such a blow-out occurred a few days ago to a few enthusisette patriots, and the affair materialized almost without any further thought or discussion The need of a more pronounced celebration of Washington's birthday suggested the

demonstration, and although it came a day into the ebultition of patriotic enthusiasm more than made up for it. The building was jammed with loyal humanity. Every seat, both upstairs and down,

was occupied, and long before 9 o'clock it was absolutely impossible to get inside the On the stage were seated several scores of

well known citizens, and just back of them

was the Seventh ward band of twenty pieces.

The great auditorium was decorated from pit to dome with American flags. They depended in graceful folds from the boxes, were arranged in groups along the balcony railing and even found resting places on the scenery and in the flies. Mayor Bemis presided, and never had pre

siding officer a more attentive or harmonious

sudience. The program was very tastily gotten up on the souvenir order, and although lengthy it contained many good hings. Bishon Newman enlogged Washington and ton, R. V. King reviewed the life and work of Abraham Lincoln. Colonel Scott spoke of "Our Flag" and Rev. Stuart of Council Bluffs, of "Our Constitution." W. F. Gurley discussed "Citizenship" and H. D. Esta-brook grow eloquent over "The American

it was nearly 11 o'clock when the program was fluished, but interest did not abate minute from the time that Prof. Kratz stopped out in front to steer the band, quar ette and audience through "America" unti the last strains of "Yankee Doodle" died thunderous and long continued outbursts of applause furnish a fit criterior by which to judge, it has been many a long day since any certain spot in Omaha containing as many people held as much patriotism meb as did that same Grand

opera house last night, And patriotic music and rhetorical thunder was not all, for right on the other side of the partition in Exposition hall a grand ball was n progress, and that, too, was a part of the Washington and Lincoln program. Louis Littlefield officiated as master of ceremonies. and he was ably assisted by the following Reception-J. M. Scanlon, George

Floor-A. N. Lund, C. A. Edling, Edgar Smith, J. Z. Hissen, Harry Smith, A. A. Winter, Charles Olson. Winter, Charles Olson.

The twenty numbers on the dancing card were dedicated to Washington, Lincoln, Grant, Jefferson, Garfield, Jackson, "Star Spangled Banner," "Dixio," "America," "Little Red School House," "Yankee Doodle," the Grand Army of the Republic, Women's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, Loyal Legion, Sons of America, Our Ladies, Council Bluffs, South Omaha and "Home

Grigg, R. R. Bentz, W. E. Stockham, H. C.

Sweet Home.' There were many couples on the floor be fore the entertainment in the opera house was concluded, but after that the great hal was crowded. There could scarcely have been any more

accommodated in any event, though it can positively be stated that the inclement weather kept many away. REPUBLICANS DISAGREE.

Mississippians Get Into a Jangle in Their State Convention. JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 23.—The republican convention to send delegates to the national convention at Minneapolis met here at 7 p. m. The fight between B. E. Bruce, register of deeds, and John J. Lynch, fourth auditor of the treasury, on the one side, and James Hill, postmaster at Vicksburg, and A. T. Kimberly, internal revenue collector, on the other, was furious from the start. Bruce and Lynch had possession of the committee and the Hill men claimed that the roll ex cluded many Hill delegates from big repub

ican counties on frivolous grounds.

The secretary of the state committee announced the selection of J. for temporary men nominated The Hill men Before the result was an Mollison. dusion of Hill delegates from Hinds and ther counties and Mollison was picked up and put on the stand. Matthews also ap peared at the same time and both presided The convention is a perfect bediam. Both have appointed committees on resolutions and credentials and pandemonium reigns. Hill has a large majority of individual

lelegates present. Results at Gloucester.

GLOUCESTER, N. J., Feb. 23.-Weather cloudy; track heavy;
First race, seven-eighths of a mile, selling; Paola won, Kingdom second, Sam D (the favorite), third, Bohemian, Edward F, Chirles Reed and Lleweilyn drawn, Time: 1:40½.
Second race, five-eighths of a mile, selling, Sycar-oids: Minme J (the favorite), won, Uproar Colt second, Knapp third, Stringfellow, Anne E and Miller drawn. Time: 1:00½.
Third race, thirteen-sixteenths of a mile, Can't Tell won, Gloster (the favorite), second, Hourt third, Austral drawn. Time: 1:21½.
Fourth race, one and one-eighth miles, selling: Ed McGinnis won, Vendetta second, Crispin (the favorite) third, Katie C, Birthday, and John Arkins drawn. Time: 2:00½.
Fifth race, nine-sixteenths of a mile, selling: John Lackland won, Fast Time second, Uncertainty (the favorite) third. Time: 1:02½.
Sixth race, six and one-fourth furionss, selling: Lee S won, Goodly second, Pitgrim third, Dr. Helmuth, Tappahannock, Lady II and Pembroke drawn, Prodigal (the favorite) ran unplaced. Time: 1:2½. cloudy: track heavy:

Going at Guttenberg. GUTTENBERG, N. J., Feb. 23.-The track was in a terrible condition today. The atendance was small, First race, five furiones: Sir Launcelot first, Quibble second, Marty B third. Time: 1:10 Second race, five furiones: Crab Cider first, Lady Pulsifer second, Lester third. Time: i:03 Third race, six and one-half furiones: In-sight won. McKeever second, Granite third.

Time: 1:344.
Fourth race, four and one-half furlongs:
Objection won, Bolivar second, Idea third.
Time: 1:0234.
Fifth race, six and one-half furlongs: Alma
T. won, Bill Barnes second, Joe Courtney
third. Time: 1:3:34.
Sixth race, seven furlongs: Longstride won,
Kempland second, Pelham third. Time: 1:434.

New Orleans Rucing. NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 23. -Pleasant weather, fast track and fair attendance were today's conditions:

First race, seiling, five furiones: Hamilton, Johnnie Greener second, Stover third Time: 1:03.
Second race, selling, five furlongs: Winnie Davis won. Captain Pennyweight second. Clandine third. Time: 1:02%.
Third race, five and one-half furlongs: Abandon won. Dick Wick second, Zoolite third. Time: 1:08.
Fourth race, selling, six and one-half furlongs: Askry won, Modjeska second, Lady Unde third. Time: 1:23%.

Secretary Foster's Plan.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.-The financiers of he country admit that all danger that is now apprehended in regard to the silver question would be eliminated if international ection on the subject could be sured. It was learned today by Tribune that, although Secretary Foster's trip abroad is said to be entirely personal, he will meet George J. Goschen, the British will meet George J. Goschen, the British chancellor of exchequer, in England, and the ultimate result will probably be that arrange ments for an international conference to take

Hor Springs, S. D., Feb. 23.- Special

given bere just night by Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Gillespie was the most elegant affair that has ever taken place in the Black Hills. About 130 guests were present, including the cite of Hot Springs, and representatives from the cities of the upper Hills were

NEWS FOR THE ARMY.

Complete List of Changes in the Regular Service.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- The following assignments to regiments of officers recently promoted and transfers of officers are or-

The leave of absence granted Second Licutenant George B. Davis, Twenty second infantry, January 18, Department of Texas, is extended one month. The superintendent of the recruiting service will cause twenty recruits to be assigned to the Second cavairy and forwarded under proper charge to such point or points in the Department of Texas as the commanding general of the depart-ment shall designate, Major Culver C. Shiffen, paymaster, will report in person without delay to the paymaster general United States Army, for temporary duty in the city. The extension of leave of absence on surgeon's certificate of disability, Major Leaves of States and States a Joseph W. Wham, paymaster, September 28, 1891, is further extended one month ou account of sickness.

Western Patents. Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.-[Special Telegram to Tue Ben. |-The following list of patents granted is reported by THE BEE nd Examiner Bureau of Claims:

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Giles Bowle, Layton, U. T., automatic brake; Albert W. Beash, Newark, S. D., water motor; Leonides W. Carson, Elma, Ia., car coupling; Henry Hartman, assignor to A. D. Volght, B. Ternes and J. W. Patterson, Ogden, U. T., saddle attachment; Wayne J. Hull, assignor of one-half to C. W. McCrone, Alexandria, S. D., powder dividing aparatus; John Kyle, Omaha, sack holder; Richard McCoy, Creston, Ia., railway ticket; Philip R. Miller and P. Barker, Kearney, Neb., sash holder; Leonard J. M. Nehf and G. W. Mitchell, Sutton, Neb., cultivator; Henry Nesson, Bristol, S. D., stool; Friend C. Page, Creston, Ia., electoral burg-Friend C. Page, Creston, Ia., elected ar alarm for windows; Paul M. Reagan Chicago, Ill., assignor to Hinson Car Couple company, Des Moines, Ia., car couplings; Elisha S. and K. S. Sheffield, Woodward, Ia., wind mill; Thomas M. Stuart, Council Bluffs, Ia., car coupling; William H. Tiller, David City, Neb., earth auger; Orin P. Whipple, Council Bluffs, post auger.

Secured a Pension in Three Months, WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 23.- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The Washington office of THE BHE Bureau of Claims was today notified by the commissioner of persions of the allowance of the pension claim of Jeseph Eby of Hastings, la., on February 10, at the rate of \$6 per month from October 29, last, Eby's claim was prosecuted by the Washing on office of THE BEE Bureau of Claims. His declaration was filed October 29, 1891. The pension was granted February 10, 1892, in a of less than three and one-half

months. Electricians in Council. Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 23.—The fifteenth annual convention of the National Electric Light association began today. President Huntley delivered his annual address.

The California Electrical society sent a pressing invitation to hold the next ion in San Francisco. Referred to the ex-

ecutive committee. The subject under con-sideration was "Underground Conduits and On Trial for Murder. NEW YORK, Feb. 23. -The trial of Burton C. Webster, bookmaker and race horse owner, for the murder of Charles Goodwin at the Percival apartment house on August

20 last, was begun today in Part III. of the

LONDON, Feb. 23.-Evidently another

court of general sessions. Wrecked Off the Irish Coast

wreck has occured off Connemara on the west coast of Ireland. At low water off Slyne Head there is visible the null of a large vessel which is supposed to be heavily laden. There is no trace of her crew. Gold for Europe

New York, Feb. 23. - The German steamer Sproe, which left this port today, took out \$1,000,000 gold, generally understood to be evement of gold fo Europe amounts to \$1,500,000. Trouble Brewing at Coal Creek. Chattanooga, Tehn., Feb. 23.-Two pick

ets on duty at Coal Creek were fired on from

ambush. They returned the fire and wounded one bushwhacker. More trouble will follow. DISCUSSED THE PARK QUESTION. North Omaha Improvement Club Members

go in for Basiness. The regular meeting of the North Omaha Improvement club was held at Thirty-second street and Ames avenue last evening. Owing to the celebration of Washington's birthday the attendance was not up to the usual standard, but notwithstanding this the me mbers present showed by their earnestness and zeal that they have taken hold of the are determined to carry them through as far is lay in their power.

The progress which has been reached in

procuring various improvements was dis-cussed and many favorable opinions expressed at the result. The park question was brought up again for discussion, and any attempt to divert the bonds voted for park purposes and for the specific locations selected by the park com nissioners was condemned and a appointed to wait on Mayor Bemis to ac aint him with the feelings of the majority of the people and expressing their confidence in the Board of Park commissioners.

The club then enrolled about ten new mem-It was decided to call a grand rally for next meeting and have all the members possible in attendance, when it is expected

to push our effort more strenously than ever CAPTURED AN OLD TIME CROOK

Sergeant Ormsby Takes in a "Strong Arm" Man to Keep Him Out of Trouble. Sergeant Tom Ormsby took an old time and exceedingly well known crook in out of the damp air last night and gave him a cell in the city jail right next to a steam radiator. Ben Neil is the name the young man is best known by, though he has a dozen or more aliases. Neil is what the police call a "strong arm" man and does mything in the criminal line from picking anything in the criminal line from bucking a pocket to blowing a safe. Two years ago the prisoner was implicated in a safe break-ing episode at the Turf Exchange saloen in Council Bluffs and later on was caught by Officer Ormsby in the act of picking a man's pocket at the race track in the Bluffs. When the sergeant saw Neil coming out of a Douglas street salcon iast evening he surmised that he was in town for no good purpose, and accordingly called the "hoodoo" wagon "Benney" down to keep him out of mischief for a couple of days.

Fires in London. The statistics of the London Fire department, just published, show that there were nearly 3,000 fires in London last year, and during that time 61 lives were lost at fires and 207 lives were saved by the firemen. more fires last year than in 1800, and 691 more than the yearly average for the past ten years. Of last year's fires 266 are attributed to lights carelessly thrown down, eighty-two to explosions and other accidents with spirit haraps and sixty-two to children playing with matches. There were more fires in December than in any other month, and Christmas week was a particularly unfortunate period.

Steamer Arrivals. At London-Sighted, Teutonic and Rhine-land, from New York.

At Boston—Lake Huron, from Liverpool. At New York—Belgravia, from Giasgow; Wyoming, from Liverpool; Maasdam, from tterdam; Westernland, from Antwero At Queenstown—Arizona, from New York. At Philadelphia—Maine, from London.

At Autworp—Hinois, from New York.
At Liverpool—Bothnia, from New York.
At Southampton—Elbe, from New York.
At Boston—Lake Huron, from Liverpool. action on the silver question will be made. Telegram to Tun Bes. |-A leap year ball