CHINESE NAVY IS NO MORE

Chen-Yuen and Ting-Yuen Sunk Monday by the Japanese.

OTHER VESSELS PRACTICALLY USELESS

Terrific Combardment of the Island Forts Progressed at the Same Time as the Naval Engagement - Chinese Ships All Badly Damaged.

day the Japanese fleet opened fire on the Lui be the Russian envoy. Kung forts, which replied vigorously. The bombardment became terrific. The first Japanese division, including the flagship, di- Indications, However, Point to a Peaceful rected its force against the eastern island batteries, while the second division shelled Fort Zhih. The Chinese fleet soon came to the assistance of the forts. The Ting-Yuen four vessels fought desperately until dark, when the firing ceased on both sides.

The Chinese forts, especially Fort Zhih, suffered immense damage. The slackening no confirmation of this report. Chinese fire toward evening indicated that the guns were disabled, that the gunners were killed or that ammunition was becoming scarce. The sea was rough Sunday, but fearthat Chinese would endeavor to escape, Japanese fleet did not seek shelter, remaining to block the exits from the harbor. During the night the Japanese learned from a prisoner who had been captured ashore that Admiral Ting, the Chinese naval com-mander, had ordered the captains of the various ships to remain inside the harbor even if the islands should be captured, and endeavor to destroy the Japanese fleet. Every endeavor to destroy the Japanese fleet. Every officer was ordered to remain at his post until the last, under pain of dishonor or death. The bombardment was resumed today, Sunday's operations being repeated. The fire from Fort Zhih continued weakly. The Chinese men-of-war were so repeatedly and badly hit that their guns were handled with difficulty and with less spirit. Towards the close of the fight the Ting-Yuen and Chen-Yuen were disabled. They gradually settled down and foundered amid shouts of triumph from the Japanese both on land and sea. from the Japanese both on land and sea. The other Chinese vessels were in distress. The dispatch concludes with the statement that the Japanese are preparing to carry Liu-

Chen-Yuen and Ting-Yuen were built at the Vulcan works, Stettin, Germany. The former was launched in December, 1882, and the latter in December, 1881. Chief En-gineer King of the United States navy re-cently described the vessels as follows: They are armored ships of the barbette type, with a citadel amidships. Rising above it are two others placed encichelon, in each of which are mounted two twelve-inch fifty-ton Krupp guns, while on the bow and stern one of Krupp's long five-eighths-inch guns is

JAPAN CAN TAKE NO LAND.

Territorial Integrity of the Chinese Empire Will Be Protected.

LONDON, Feb. 7 .- A dispatch from Paris received instructions as to the attitude which Russia, England and France and, through Russia's intervention, the United States intend to take on the question raised by the war between China and Japan. According to the Times' correspondent it has been de cided that the eventful intervention of these powers shall take place at the proper moment. China will be asked in her own interests, as well as those of the civilized world, to open her ports, seeing that the present system has led to China's powerlessness and ruin. The powers will wait until China admits herself vanquished and sincerely ne-It will then be pointed out to Japan that Europe can not allow her to annex an inch of the Chinese mainland. But the same impossibility does not exist in regard to other annexations which will be open to discussion. There will be no inter-vention concerning vessels, arms and other booty nor as to the war indemnity. This question must be settled between the com-batants. No objection must be entertained as to Japan retaining certain positions as pledges of payment. But no commercia pledges of payment. But no commercial stipulations to the disadvantage of the powers will be permitted. The whole world is to profit by any opening of ports or liberty to penetrate into the interior of China. Finally the powers will insist that the Chinese cur-rency in future is to be on the European sysin order to facilitate the new loan to which China will be obliged to re-

from London, showing a purpose on the part of Great Britain, France and Russia to interfere at the proper stage of the hostilities between Japan and China, has attracted much attention among diplomatic circles here, and has acquired additional significance when taken in conjunction with the recent speech from the throne of Queen Victoria. The lat-ter, in a very guarded and diplomatic manner, hinted that when the time came the relation between the greater powers would be found ufficiently harmonious to insure the restoraion of peace between Japan and China. By the terms of the understanding, as reported, Japan will not be permitted to acquire an inch of territory on the Chinese mainland. This, of course, would prevent her from re-taining Pert Arthur or Wei-Hai Wei, the great naval strongholds of China, or any part of Manchuria, which she has occupied after hard fighting, but, on the other hand, it is believed here the statement is intended as a distinct intimation that Japan may claim the great island of Formosa, which is a most strateg'e point. This is inhabited by fierce Malay tribes, who have never been subjected. and, even after their long nominal posses-sion, the Chinese have been unable to do more than get a foothold on the coast. has been confidently expected here that

the European powers will intervene between Japan and China whenever it should appear the latter country was really vanquished and was suing in vain for peace upon reasonable lerms, but so far as the dispatch referred to indicates any possibility of an action in that line by the United States in conjunction with other powers, it is clearly erroneous, for it can be positively stated that under no conditions can the president be induced to depart so far from our established policy of non-intervention. It is no cause of surprise here that Germany, too, will refrain from joining in an intervention which would surely be d'sour consuls in the latter country show the German traders are making extraordinary progress in supplanting all other foreigners, even Americans, in securing control of the valuable Japanese trade.

Concord's Officers Not Arrested. NEW YORK, Feb. 8.-The World this morning prints the following cable: CHING KIANG. Caims. Feb. 7.—To the Editor of the World: There is no truth whatever in the report that any officers of the United States gunboat Concord have been captured or arrested by the Chinese hers. Moreover, there has been no trouble here of any sort in which the Concord's officers or any Americans are involved.

ALONZO C. JONES, United States Consul.

LONDON, Feb. 7 .- Two more bodies suposed to be of passacngers of the Bibe,

them has not been identified; the other is that of Edward Markowitz of Buda Pesth. It has been ascertained that the body brought to Lowestoft yesterday is not that of Pschunder, chief steward of the Elbe, as at first believed

CHINA SENDS AN ENVOY TO EUROPE. Commissioned to Secure Ald in Procuring

Peace. MARSEILLES, Feb. 7 .- Oung Tech Thaung, the Chinese envoy extraordinary, has arrived here. He is intrusted with a mission by his government to ask France, Germany, Austria and Russia to mediate for peace between China and Japan.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.- The Chinese legation here has no information in regard to the LONDON, Feb. 7.—A cablegram from Wei-Hai-Wei, dated February 5, says the Chinese having arrived in Marseilles. The officials fleet has practically ceased to exist. The iron-clad Chen-Yuen and her sister ship, the Ting-Yuen, have been sunk, and the other vessels of the Chinese fleet are within the grasp of the Japanese. At daybreak on Sun-

WAR TALK IN PROFUSION.

Settlement of the Guatemala Affair. CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 7.-There is still nothing of a definite nature to be announced in connect on with the Guatemalan affair, used her guns with effect, but only succeeded | The air is full of warlike rumors, but, it must in diverting some of the Japanese fire from be understood, they proceed to a large exthe forts to herself. The Lai-Yuen, a smaller tent from the populace, and carry no official ship, also fought well. There were many weight, People connected with the governcasualties. Two Chinese gunboats also as- ment decline absolutely to commit themselves sisted, but were not badly damaged. These in any way. As far as can be learned authentically, war preparations are still being car-ried on. Rumors are current her ton ght that Guatemala will concede the disputed terri-tory, but not the indemnity asked. There is

> Statement of the Bank of England. LONDON, Feb. 7.-The weekly statement LONDON, Feb. 7.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England issued today shows the following changes as compared with the Judge Sanborn has said that while he will previous account:

Total reserve, increase, £662,000; circulation, increase, £193,000; bullion, increase, £855,080; other securities, increase, £146,000; other deposits, increase, £53,000;

BERLIN, Feb. 7 .- The Economic union, a body composed of members of the Reichstag. has adopted a motion made by Count von Mirbach, German conservative, that applica-tion be made to the Reichstag to request the various federal governments to issue invita-tions to attend a bimetallic conference.

American Robbed Near Monte Carlo. NICE, Feb. 7 .- Mr. Fox, said to be the son of an American banker, was robbed on a train between Nice and Monte Carlo of £868. He made a complaint to the police yester-day, but withdrew it today, wishing to escape

RIDICULE KILLED THE MEASURE.

Silver Memorial in South Dakota's Senate Disposed of Without Trouble.

PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—The house having yesterday reversed itself on the free silver resolution by restricting its demand to the American product, the senate today wrestled with the subject. The senators seemed to be in a good deal of a quandary over it. The populists strove to strike out the limitations, but Senator McGee stated that limiting it to the American product would be practically making it unlimproduct was under discussion. Senator Hurt was under discussion. Senator Hurt was under discussion. Senator Hurt was under the to power. In this specch is her to power. In this speck is her to power. The suddiscussion. Senator Hurt product would be practically making it unlimited, as North and South America might be taken in. Senator Boyce moved to limit it to the product of the United States. Senator South Dakota. Senator Smith introduced a substitute calling on congress to raise whisky to its historic price of 5 cents a gallon and wheat to \$1, to guarantee that rains would fall when they were needed and everybody be generally prosperous.

By this time the whole matter had been covered with ridicule, and Senator Bennet pleaded to postpone the matter on the ground that South Dakota's credit had been hurt

badly enough by the Taylor defalcation with-out adopting the memorial. The matter was finally laid over till February 21. A sharp debate took place over the prop-osition to exempt \$200 worth of personal property from taxation, and it was defeated by practically a party vote. The constitu-tional amendment striking out the word "male" passed by twenty-seven votes to six. The bill appointing one woman a member of the Board of Charities and Corrections also passed by a vote of 28 to 13, as did a billegalizing the incorporation of Woonsocket

and the bill to remunerate Frank Stanton for loss during the Indian war. In the house the bill defining intoxicating liquors to be those holding more than 4 per cent alcohol, after a warm debate, in which the prohibition question was threshed over at length, was defeated by a vote of 62 to 17.

Jim French and Slaughter Kid Shot at Catoosa, I. T .- Bill Doolin Still Lives. CLAREMORE, I. T., Feb. 7 .- Jim French as met his fate. Last night French and Slaughter Kid undertook to rob the merchandise store of W. E. Patton at Catoosa, about twelve miles south of here. The bandits were recognized as they rode into town. They dismounted before the store of Patton, when a Texas cowboy from within opened fire on them, instantly killing Slaughter Kid with his second shot. He fired a third shot at Jim French, but missed. Having no more cartridges, he secreted his revolver. French entered the store and accused the cowboy of killing his partner in crime, but the cowboy protested that he had no gun, hence he was not the one, whereupon French turned and shot Manager Irvin, chief clerk of the store, through the body. Irvin drew a revolver and returned the fire, shooting French through the body and through the right eye. French managed to reach his horse, and mounting, rode to a house a short distance away. The man at once informed the town of French's whereabouts, and a crowd assem-bled to capture the dying bandit, who heard them approach, raised up and looked out of the window, and at that moment received a load of buckshot in the face, almost tearing his head off. Mr. Irvin's death is expected hourly, as the Winchester ball ploughed through his body from side to side just below the waist. He exhibited great courage in returning the fire after receiving his own

The death of these two outlaws entirely wipes out the Cook gang with the exception

Movements of Ocean Steamers, Feb. 7. At New York—Arrived, Circassia, from Liverpool; England, from London. At Southampton—Arrived—Lahn, from New At Liverpool-Arrived-Majestic, from New

York; Michigan, from Boston; Cephalonia from Boston
At San Francisco—Arrived—United States
steamer Monterey, from New Whatcom.
At Queenstown—Salled—Steamer Britannic, for New York.
At Bremen—Arrived—Escalona, from New
Orleans.

At Queenstown—Arrived—Cephalonia, from Boston, for Liverpool. Paule at a Factory Fire.
MILLVILLE, N. J., Feb. 7.—A fire in the

MILLVILLE, N. J., Feb. 7.—A fire in the factory of the Woodbine Machine and Tool company at Woodbine this afternoon partially destroyed the factory and caused a panic among the forty employes, many of whom were badly hurt in jumping from windows. One of the girls was so badly injured that she may die. The loss is small.

Took a Quarter Million of Gold. NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—One of the city posed to be of passengers of the Eibe, banks withdraw \$230,000 gold from the sub have been brought to Lowestoft. One of treasury today.

NEW JOB FOR MR. MANDERSON

Probability of the Senator Becoming the the Burlington's General Solicitor.

HE MAY STEP INTO MARQUETTE'S SHOES

Wanted to Succeed Thurston, but His Chances Were Small-Judge Horton of Kansas After the Union Pacific Place.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 7 .- (Special Telegram.)-It is gossip of the politicians and others who are on the inside of the fight for the general solicitorship of the Union Pacific, which John M. Thurston is expected to vacate before he is sworn in as senator of the United States, that Senator Manderson has withdrawn from the race and has been promised the general solicitorship of the B. & M. system west of the Missouri river, made vacant by the death of Mr. Marquette. Whether Senator Manderson discovered that he had no chance for the Union Pacific place is not known, but he politicians say that such really was his position in the fight and that he chose to make sure of the other place. Kansas people believe that the Union Pacific is fast shaping itself in favor of Chief Justice Albert H. Horton of the Kansas supreme bench for Thurston's place, notwithstanding the strong pull which John F. Dillon of New York is making in behalf of A. L. Williams of Topeka, the general solicitor for Kansas of the Union Pacific. S. H. H. Clarke is of the Union Pacing. S. H. H. Clarke is pulling for B. P. Waggoner of Atchison, the western attorney of the Gould system, but next to Waggener he is said to favor Horton. It is believed that Horton's strongest pull is consider the suggestions of the property be will be guided by his own judgment in mak-

Chief Justice Horton for the general solicitor-ship of the Union Pacific is sufficiently credited by Kansas politicians as to cause them

to speculate as to his probable successor on the supreme bench should he receive the appointment. The men most prominently mentioned are Solon O. Thacher of Lawrence, David Martin of Atchison, and T. F. Garver

SCENE IN WYOMING'S SENATE.

enator Burt Denounces Judge J. W. Blake

and Brands Him as Being Corrupted. CHEYENNE, Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram. The most exciting and dramatic incident of this session of the Wyoming legislature was enacted in the senate today while a bill changing Fremont county from the Third

Hamin of Sweetwater county arose to the defense of Judge Blake and demanded that Senator Hurt's words be taken down by the clerk. They are as follows:

"The judge of the Second judicial district has been guilty of conduct which would render him liable to impeachment and which could be proved here in fifteen minutes by reputable witnesses."

Senator McGill of Albany county, which is Judge Blake's home, replied to Senator Hurt as follows: "The statements of the gentleman from Natrona are unmitigated lies and he knew them to be such when he made them. I have known Judge Blake as a friend and neighbor for twenty-five years, and I know there is no more upright citizen in the state, or a man who is more highly esteemed as an official than he is."

he is."

The incident created considerable excitement in the senate and was the subject of discussion about the capitol during the day. Senator Hurt was generally condemned for his intemperate utterances.

FAILED TO TOUCH COLONEL RUTH.

views the Evidence in the Taylor Case. PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 7 .- (Special Tele gram.)—The joint committee to investigate the commissioner of school and public lands met this morning and spent the day look-ing over the transcript of the evidence drawn out by the Taylor committee so Importance was found in the documents, but several contradictions of importance upon material points were developed be-tween Colonel Ruth and some other wit-

tween Colonel Ruth and some other witnesses.

The committee will hold its first general session tomorrow morning in the senate chamber and this will be open to the public. Hans Smith, the auditor of Clay county, who is supposed to know about the famous letters from Ruth to Taylor, is in the city and will be one of the first witnesses.

The courts have appointed Ben P. Hoover receiver of the defunct bank at Gettysburg and this act bids fair to exercise large influence upon the Taylor investigation and the suit of the state against the bondsmen. The inside history of the deal has not been generally known. Taylor finding the old stockholders pinched financially bought up all but one share of the stock and closed the bank, transferring most of its assets through the mortgage company to his bank at Redfield. He also disposed of some collateral. The one stockholder now turns up and demands an accounting. The result is expected not only to get back large blocks of property into the state's hands, but also to put in an awkward place the officials of the mortgage company, whom, it is alleged, disposed of the property without authority.

MICHIGAN POPULISTS MEET.

n Convention They Commend the Attitude of the A. R. U. GREENVILLE, Mich., Feb. 7.-Michigan populists held their state convention here esterday and nominated the fi st of the candidates for supreme court justice and regents of the university, who are to be voted upon at the spring election. R. B. Taylor of Bay was nominated for justice of the supreme court, and George H. Smith of Benzie and V. J. Bower of Macomb, uni-

of the supreme court, and Grorge H. Smith of Benzie and V. J. Bower of Macomb, university regents.

Resolutions were adopted commending the course of President Debs et al of the American Railway union, urging workmen to unite with the populists, deprecating government bond issues, and the enlargement of the privileges and powers of banking corporations, and condemning the alleged attempts in congress to outlaw silver. The resolutions declare that no hope can be placed by the people in either the democratic or republican parties.

As a remedy, for the above alleged atrocities, the resolutions advocate unrestricted coinage of gold and silver, and the issuance of an adequate supplemental volume of paper money, without the intervention of banks of issue, and prohibiting any further issue of bonds or bank paper.

Parsimony Causes Great Suffering to Insine Patients.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 7.—The special ommittee to investigate the Anna hospital created a sensation today by scoring Gov-ernor Altgeld for his admenistration of ernor Altgeld for his administration of the hospitals of the state. The report was signed by three republicans and by two rural democrats. The committee reported that had the \$1,000 turned back into the state treasury by Governor Altgeld been judiciously expended for the purposes for which it was appropriated much of the distress complained of in many parts of the state would never have ensued and the 100 beds which Superintendent Law-

SCORED GOVERNOR ALTGELD.

rence of the Anna hospital declares were unoccupied would have been filled with unfortunate insane now being poorly cared for in uncomfertable homes and poor houses. The report was sent to the committee on public charities.

Chiengo Mayoralty Contest Out of Court. CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—In the contest of George B. Swift (rep.) for the seat of Mayor Hepkins (dem.), County Judge Carter today decided that the county court had no juris-diction. The case may be taken to the higher court, but as Mayor Hopkins' term expires next spring it is not considered prob-able that any further action will be taken by the contestant.

Hill Stelen from the Missouri Legislature. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 7.-A big JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 7.—A big sensation was occasioned in the legislature this evening by the discovery that some one had stolen a house bill providing for the collection of a special beer tax for road emprovement purposes. A duplicate bill was introduced as soon us the theft was discovered. It would levy an annual tax of about \$400,000 on the brewing interests.

Same Old Story in Idaho. BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 7.-The twenty-eighth ballot for United States senator was today without any change. There was one absent. Shoup, 19; Sweet, 18; Claggett, 15.

The house of representatives today, without division, adopted a memorial to congress against the president's plan to issue \$100,000,000 in gold bonds.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 7.—In the gubernatorial contest Governor Turney today filed his petition, which is in the na-ture of a specific allegation of frauds prac-ticed, where practiced and to what exten-Mr. Evans will also file a similar petition. l'ecoming Monotonous in Oregon. SALEM, Ore., Feb. 7.-There was no change in the joint vote for United States

Tennessee Gubernatorial Contest.

senator today. The vote \$tood: Dolph, 41; Hare, 10; Weatherford, 8; Williams, 9; Her-mann, 13; Lord, 4; Lowell, 3; absent, 2. Cut the Price of Sugar. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 7 .- All the sugar

refineries in this city cut the price of refined sugars one-sixteenth of a cent today. ON HER WRITTEN ADMISSION.

Queen Lit Implicates Rudolph Spreckets in the Revolutionary Plot.

Total reserve, increase, £662,000; circulation, increase, £193,000; bullion, increase, £530,000; other securities, increase, £530,000; other deposits, increase, £530,000; notes reserve, increase, £530,000; government securities, decrease, £ made on Washington place after the arrest of the ex-queen, resulting in the seizure of arms, ammunition and bombs, a number of papers belonging to the ex-queen were taken possession of and turned over to the government. Among the papers was a pemorandum in her own handwriting, dating back as far as last June and July, wherein occur frequent references to Rudolph Spreckels, in which he is quoted as repeatedly urging her to resort to force to regain her lost throne. These importunities were offset by J. O. Carter, one of her closest advisers, who counseled moderation.

counseled moderation.

"Another paper found among the ex-queen's papers referred to the commission founded by her several months ago to proceed to Washington and ascertain if President Cleveland would take any further steps to restore her to power. In this she again alludes to Washington and ascertain if President Cleve-land would take any further steps to restore her to power. In this she again alludes to Spreckels' advice to use arms and Carter's counter suggestion to attain her object by peaceful means, and says she informed Spreckels that she thought Mr. Cleveland would look upon the arbitation plan with much more favor. In this paper she charges that one of her commissioners to Washing-ton, Sam Parker, endeavored to sell the secret of his mission to W. G. Irwin."

Francisco that Rudolph Spreckels did not self, but merely advanced the funds required on the ex-queen's account, and that some body else made the purchase. Rudolp body else made the purchase. Rudolph Spreckels is the youngest son of Claus Spreckels and is about 25 years of age. He has lived in Honolulu much of his life and like all of Spreckels' sons has plenty of money. He is at present in San Francisco money. He is at present in San Francisco. W. H. Cornwell, who is wanted in Honolulu,

is also in this city.

The Examiner's correspondent at Hono lulu claims that it has been learned definitely that some of the leaders of the rebellion have been sentenced to death. He says it is known that the court-martial has passed the He says it is death sentence on some of the rebels, pre-sumably Wilcox, Bertelmann, Nowlein, Gul-lick, Walker, Davies, Richard, and sentence of life imprisonment for many others. These decisions have been handed to President Dole for final judgment and he will decide whether

not they shall be carried out.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—In an interview with LONDON, Feb. 7.—in an interview with A. Hofung, who was the Hawaiian charge d'affaires here under ex-Queen Liluokalani, is quoted as saying that the abdication of the queen would have a pacific effect upon politics, as doubtless the republic will make terms with her in regard to her future and the position of Princess Kaiulani, the young lady who considered herself the heiress to lady who considered herself the heiress to the throne of Hawaii. The princess is now in England. Mr. Hofung added: "Of course it was well understood that the republic of Hawaii was always prepared to deal with the queen liberally, provided she renounced her right to the throne, and doubtless numbers of royalists will now become republicans."

DIRECTORS NOT RESPONSIBLE.

End of Long Fought Litization Over a Louisville Cank Failure.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 7.—Judge Toney rendered his decision in the law and equity court today in the long fought case of the Germania Safety Vault and Trust company, assignee of the Masonic Savings bank, against Henry Peter and other directors of the bank for criminal negligence. The petition sought to hold the directors responpetition sought to hold the directors responsible for the losses sustained by the bank, the total amount being \$775,000. In the petition fraud and criminal neglect was charged, huge overdrafts being shown and a general laxity and departure from good banking methods being declared. In his opinion to the jury Judge Toney declared that the directors could not be charged with either misfeasance or malfeasance; the most that could be charged against them was non-appearance. The defendants had all lost large sums of money in the bank, and had, at most, been only ignorant, and had been deceived by the president, now dead. The petition was dismissed and exceptions entered.

McDonatd Will Flead Insanity.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7.—Counsel for R. H. McDonald, ip., on trial for perjury in connection with Pacific bank statements, outlined the defense this morning. He stated that the oath was not administered to McDonald by the notary who took the vice president's acknowledgement; that the statement was signed by McDonald at the bank and taken to the notary's office, who saw the seal affixed without the actual administration of the oath. The defense will also attempt to prove that "Dick" McDonald is mentally unbalanced. He had been foolishly overtrained by a stern father, crowded through the schools and trotted around Europe until he became an egotistical monomaniac. An unhappy marriage completed his mental unbalancing, making him an easy victim to scheming parasites, who had plotted his ruin to plunder the bank.

New York Whis'ty Dealers Assign.
NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Joseph M. Kochler and Alfred Kochler G. M. Kochler & Son), wholesale and retail whisky dealers at 20 wholesale and retail whisky dealers at 204
East Twenty-sixth street, have confessed
judgment for \$5,467 to David M. Koehler
for money advanced. The liabilities are reported to be about \$36,000. The attorneys
for the creditors attribute the failure to
dull trade and inability to collect outstanding accounts. ing accounts.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7.-The Pacifi Coast Steamship company now advertises a freight rate of 12 a ton to Puget sound a freght rate of \$2 a ton to Puget sound ports. The opposition line, Myyer & Akman, agree to cut under these figures and also under the cabin pass ager rate of \$10. The opposition line is doir ma good but iness, and announces that its rate to the sound will be permanently reduced.

ADRIFT ON LAKE MICHIGAN

Nine Men in Two Boats Carried Out at Milwaukee.

FIRE BOAT SEARCING FOR THEM

Unfortunates Started Out to the Assistance of Men on the Water Works Crib-Unless Speedily Rescued They

Must Perish.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 7 .- Somewhere out in the lake nine men are supposed to be adrift in two yawl boats that left the North point pumping station tonight. The first yawl boat is manned by four men who came in from the crib for supplies this afternoon and started that it drifted out toward midlake with its occupants. At 7 o'clock a second yawl boat, manned by five volunteers, went out to the steamship people that some part of her macrib in answer to distress signals. This boat end of the in-take tunnel. The fireboat Foley, surf boat, left the harbor at 8:45 p. m., and crib and then steam out in the lake in a southeasterly direction. The supposition is that the fireboat is out in search of the two chart the fireboat is out in search of the two chart the fireboat is out in search of the two chart the fireboat is out in search of the two chart that have prevailed for some days past she majority vote. Today they are not so sure vawl boats and their occupants, but up to yawi boats and their occupants, but up to midnight it had not returned to this port. If the men in yawis failed to land at the crib they were probably frozen to death, because the thermometer was 20 degrees below zero

on the lake, and some of them were scantily clad. The names of the men adrift, as nearly as could be learned, are: - Allen, John Barret, James Caddin, James Barry, John Daly, Jeremiah Fallen, "Slim Welsh and two unknown men.

The men are all miners, employed on the shore end of the tunnel. They had just come out of the shaft, and when they heard there

was danger on the crib they volunteered their services at once. The lake seemed calm near the shore end, but out a way a quite strong

northwest wind was blowing. Before starting the foreman instructed the men in the second yawl to hurry back and notify him as soon as possible what had hap-pened at the crib. Under ordinary circum-stances it takes about twenty minutes to row out to the shanty in the lake. There being four oars in the yawl, it was figured that the second yawl ought to have been able to get back at 7:30. Patiently the men on ahanty was on fire. Chief Foley of the fire department, with the tug Foley, started out with a volunteer crew at 8 o'clock, under command of Captain Boutin of the lifesaving station. Up to midnight nothing has been heard from either of the yawls or the third relief party.

KANSAS THOROUGHLY BLOCKADED.

Entirely. · KANSAS CITY, Feb. 7 .- Predictions of the coldest weather in this section for years proved true today. Tonight the thermometer is stationary, with the prospect that the temperature will remain below zero until tomorrow evening at 10 o'clock. This morning it had reached 12 below zero, while out in the country the 17 degree mark was registered. Railway time tables have been knocked to pieces. All trains are late and many are embedded in great piles of snow and sand. All day long a fifty mile an hour gaie blew from the northwest, piling the sand and snow in the cuts and making an obstruction that was in most instances impossible to pene-trate. Nothing has been heard from the Missouri Pacific train from Denver, while the Rock Island train from Denyer was aban-doned. The Santa Fe No. 2 from the west was reported to be six hours late. The southern Kansas Santa Fe is in a snowdrift somewhere out on the prairies and it is not known when it will reach the city. The St. Louis and Chicago trains out are having a battle with snow. The time of their arrival is marked indefinite. The Memphis train is marked several hours late. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas train due here this morning is engulfed in a snowdrift near Parkersville.

The brunt of the storm is felt in western Kansas, where the farmers are least able to meet with it. Though great suffering is caused no deaths are recorded. At Con-cordia, Kan., today it was 17 below zero. at Wichita 14 and at Dodge City 16 below In some localities, especially in the river bottoms, the storm was so heavily laden with sand that lamps had to be lighted in order to see.

WILD ANIMALS MADE DESPERATE.

Cold Weather in Arkansas Brives Them to the Settlements. of February was experienced here today when at 7 a. m. the thermometer registered 2.2 below zero, and the local forecaster predicts a still greater fall in the temperature. In the country wild beasts have been made desperate and many tales of adventure are reaching this city. Near Danville, in Yell county, while Mrs. Baker was at the cow pen milking a big bear entered her house and made off with her 4-year-old child. Mrs. Baker gave chase with a dog and recovered the child, who had been severely bitten by the bear. J. W. Ballard, a Green county farmer, had a lively tussle with a hungry pan-ther while enroute home, accompanied by his 13-year-old son, across Cache bottom. The panther sprang upon his mule from a tree near the roadside, and the sudden shock frightened himself and son half to death. After a severe encounter he succeeded in killing the animal, but received several gashes from the panther's teeth. Woives, panthers and deer are making night hideous in the bottoms of Saline, Hot Springs, Montgomery and Grant counties, and reports from there say the flocks of sheep of several of the farmers have been greatly decimated from attacks of wolves, while loss in cattle and hogs is enormous. A wagon containing several negroes was chased for two miles across the bottoms in Woodruff county by a pack of wolves, the men only saving themselves by the free use of clubs, with which they kept the approach to be the animals at bay.

Coldest to Thirty Years. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 7.-Zero was re corded here tonight, the coldest day for nearly thirty years. Indications are that the ecord will be broken before daylight. orts from Mississippi of severe weather and nuch suffering among cattle are coming, the temperature ranging from 1 to 10 Points in Arkansas report the coldest weather ever known during the month of

Ten Below Zero at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 7.-The cold weather that prevails over most of the country is very much in evidence here. The thermometer of the weather bureau on top of the building shows that the mercury has kept up an acrobatic alacrity which is surprising. From midnight Wednesday until this morn-8 degrees above to zero. From 5 o'clock

this morning until S o'clock the average was this morning until 8 o'clock the average was about zero. It then went down to 1 below and the rest of the day stayed around the zero mark until about 5 in the evening, when it again went below. The lowest registered at any time was 10 below. Most all of the trains arriving here were late, but the officials say none were seriously behind time. Great trouble is experienced both east and west by the drifting snow. Mails from all directions were delayed.

directions were delayed. OCEAN STEAMERS OVERDUE.

Non-Arrival of the Teutonic and La Gascogne Causing Much Uneasiness in New York. NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- Serious concern is felt here over the nonarrival of the White Star steamer Teutonic and the French liner La Gascogne The Teutonic, from Liverpool and Queenstown, was due to arrive at 1:30 yesterday morning to equal her record and in the ordinary course should have been in by 8 or 9 a. m. yesterday. At noon today she was bill levying a half-mill tax on the state twenty-four and a half hours behind her rec- can never be resurrected legally. Some of ord. It is suggested that she may have fallen the ardent champions of the bill in the Lanback with provisions at 5 o'clock. It is sup- in with the French liner La Gascogne and caster delegation freely concede the tenaposed this boat failed to reach the crib, and either be towing her into port or standing by bility of this position. The condition of the her in case of emergency.

La Gascogne, from Havre, is four days overcrib in answer to distress signals. This boat chinery has broken down and that having also has not been heard from again and it is made temporary repairs she is proceeding supposed that it, too, failed to reach the lake slowly toward port. Having only two masts and of the in-take tunnel. The fireboat Foley she could not spread any great quantity of end of the in-take tunnel. The fireboat Foley, canvas, consequently her speed would not be having in tow a crew of volunteers in the greatly increased if sail had been hoisted to surf boat, left the harbor at 8:45 p. m., and assist her progress. Should her machinery be was seen to communicate with the men on the

could make little if any headway. The National line steamer England, eighteen days out from London, passed Sandy Hook about 10:30 this morning. She brought no news of the missing vessels, The Anchor line Circassia also arrived today, three days overdue.

An immense field of ice drifted down the bay with the ebb tide this morning. This ice was so heavy and compact that inbound steamers and ferry boats going up the bay found much difficulty in getting through it. The ice reached from Staten island to the Long Island shore, HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 7.—The steamer

Alpha is three days overdue from Bermuda, a most unusual thing for this line. It is possible that the Alpha may have something to report of La Gascogne. The steamer Baracoa, from New York, is also overdue.

SMALL VESSEL LOST.

Passengers of the White Star Liner Majestic Observe a Boat Go Down. QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 7.-The White Star line steamer Majestic, Captain Parrell, from New York City, January 30, for Liverpool, arrived here at 11:40 last night. She reports having met terrific gales throughout the passage, which was the slowest she ever make an alarming report, which is confirmed by some of the crew. These passengers state that at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, when the steamer was about 200 miles west of Ireland, a small craft was observed to the northward of the Majestic, showing what seemed to be a torch signal of distress. The steamer's course was altered, and she stood out in the direction of the craft, but on approaching close to where the torchlight had been seen, it suddenly disappeared. The Majestic cruised in the vicinity for an hour, exhibiting lights, but nothing more was seen. A strong wind was prevailing at the time, and a high sea running. No doubt is entertained that the small craft foundered.

The Cunard line steamer Cephalonia, from Boston January 26, for Liverpool, which had calcily today. She reports that she entertained to create the range and variation of the tax levy of three-eighths of a mill for university purposes. When it is more than doubled, as it would be by the addition of the half-mill levy, it can be readily estimated how much it would cost the state at large to educate a favored few pupils at the university. But the most radical advocate of the present bill claims only that this money, is wanted for repairs on old and a few additional new buildings. The opponents of the measure admit a willingness to appropriate at lump sum for this purpose. There are indications that this bill will be the next move on the part of the strong lobby now working openly on the floor of the house for the university.

Following is the text of the resolution adopted today on motion of Schickedantz: Whereas, All the state institutions ask rived safely today. She reports that she en-countered terrible easterly and westerly countered terrible easterly and westerly gales, and for part of the passage tremendous head seas. Some of the Cephalonia's passen-gers report that about midnight on January 31 they saw a vessel on which a tar barrel was burned and a horn sounded, evidently signals of distress. The vessel, however, quickly vanished and was not afterward seen. Throughout the entire voyage the Cephalonia passengers were only allowed on deck two days.

EGREAS REMEMBERED IOWA.

ing with Her Neighbors. DES MOINES, Feb. 7.-It was 15 below

ero this morning. The indications are for older weather tomorrow. KEOKUK, Feb. 7.-The thermometer regisered 8 below and it is growing colder. A severe wind is blowing and train service on all but two roads is seriously blockaded. Freight trains have been abandoned. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Today has been the coldest of the season. At no time since early this morning has it been warmer than 4 below and at 6 o'clock it was 15 below, with good prospects of 20 below before morning. Reports from north of here show it as 35 below at Eather-ville, 30 at Pipestone and 28 at Watertown. Railway traffic is greatly impeded, all trains being from one to four hours late. The present cold spell has not been equalled

here in many years. During the past ten days the thermometers have only once or twice been above the zero mark. OTTUMWA, In., Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—The cold wave which was promised today seems to be materializing tonight. The thermometer has been 10 below all day and tonight it is 12 and growing colder. There is a strong northwest wind drifting the fine snow and there may be a blockade LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 7.—The coldest sending out passengers and way freights weather ever known in Arkansas in the month and so far have been able to keep trains moving, but all trains are from two to five

hours late. RED FLAG SENT TO THE SOUTH.

Emergency Warnings Carried Ahead of a Intensely Cold Wave. WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.-The weather

bureau furnishes the following special bulletin to the press: "During the past twenty-four storm in Louisiana has moved to the south Atlantic coast, increasing in intensity, and the area of high pressure has moved from north of Montana to North Dakots. Between North Dakota and the south Atlantic coast sharp barometric gradients will cause the severest cold wave and lowest temperatures ever recorded the first week in February,

"The temperature in Indian Territory and northern portion of Texas have fallen 30 to 38 degrees in the past twenty-four hours and are now 3 degrees below the normal. Emergency warnings for northwesterly gales and freezing weather have been sent to south Louisiana and Mississippi, to Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina and Florida warnings of a decided freeze last night are made more emphatic this morning. Northwest storm signals were hoisted on the gulf coast last night and have been hoisted from Jacksonville to New York City today, with warning of a decided fall in temperature and very severe storm conditions."

THIRTY BELOW AT CHADRON.

Eikhorn Trains in that Territory Late Several Hours.

CHADRON, Neb., Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram.)-The westbound Elkhorn, due here at 5 a. m. yesterday, did not arrive until 6 this morning, and the one due this morning is seven hours late. The wires were in such shape that it was impossible to reach Omaha or the east until today. The storm had abated and the road is now open. Stock

in this section will suffer severely. It was 30 below zero at 6 this morning.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—The worst storm of wind and snow that ever disturbed this section of the coun try commenced yesterday morning and para-

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BILL IS EVIDENTLY DEAD

Announcement of the Vote in the House on the University Levy.

FATE OF THE MEASURE FINALLY SETTLED

Little Probability that it Will Ever Be Resurrected at This Session-Per Capita Distribution of University Expenses at Prescut.

LINCOLN, Feb. 7 .- (Special.)-In the house and senate there are a number of good constitutional lawyers who say the university measure is this: The bill was yesterday put upon its passage. It requires a vote of 51 to pass a bill. The university bill received 48 votes to 47 against it. The speaker refused to announce the vote, although it was three times demanded by Ricketts, and once or twice by others. McNitt moved to recommit the bill for the purpose of amendment. A motion to table the motion of McNitt was then put and carried by the friends of the majority vote. Today they are not so sure about it. The record of the journal shows about it. The record of the journal shows the bill to have been lost, it not having secured a constitutional majority when put

upon its passage. In this connection it is interesting to note come of the discrepancies at present existing under the provisions of the law now provid-ing for a levy of three-eighths of a mill for university purposes. Douglas county now pays a tax of \$9,263.04, with thirty-two students in the university. The cost per capita is \$289.47. Formas county sands one student, and her total assessment is \$634.65. Lancaster county is credited in the twelfth blennial report of the board of regents with 571 students. In a foot note it is explained that 40 per cent of these are in families who are temporarily residing in Lincoln for the purpose of receiving educational privileges, Deducting 40 per cent, there are left 342. The assessment of Lancaster county is \$3,893.26, which leaves a per capita tax of but \$113 for each student, one-third of the cost of the Furnas county student, and less than half of the cost of the Douglas county

students.
Frontier county pays \$452.82 for her one student and Cheyenne county \$563.22 for her one delegate to the university. Garfield county, however, pays only \$86.57 for one student. Kieth for one student pays \$339.79. York, with eighteen students and a tax levy made. Some of the passengers on the steamer of \$928.39, pays but \$51.56 per capita. Holt make an alarming report, which is confirmed by some of the crew. These passengers state.

These facts illustrate the range and varia-

adopted today on motion of Schickedantz:

Whereas, All the state institutions ask for large appropriations, and
Whereas, The committee on finance, ways and means is not prepared to make the necessary appropriations without first examining the needs of the different institutions; therefore be it
Resilved, That the house grant permission to the members of the finance, ways and means committee to visit the different state institutions for the purpose of looking into their respective needs and that such visiting members shall be allowed each \$3 per day and necessary expenses, provided such visits are made during the adjournment of this house.

Representative Lamborn will attend as a

delegate the Russian thistle convention to be held at St. Paul, Minn., February 14. This is the result of a resolution by Burch, introduced today. Governor Holcomb appointed him, and the house confirmed the appointment and voted to pay his rallway fare. But is was the occasion of a hot debate. The opposition claimed that legislation would never eradicate the Russian thistie in western counties. In the east there would be reern counties. In the east there would be no injury done because there were enough people to keep down the peat. The whole question of junketing was threshed over again, and the same old arguments pro and con trotted out. The populist element supported

the resolution in a body. RELIEF DELAY DENOUNCED.

Effects of the Blizzard Finds a Vigorous Echo at Lincola. LINCOLN, Feb. 7 .- (Special.) -The acoustic properties of the senate chamber were severely tested this morning by a number of senators who displayed their forensic powers over a motion offered by Stewart relating to the suffering of the people in the drouth-

stricken districts. Immediately after opening Stewart sent to the secretary's desk a motion directing the appointment of a committee of five to at once take charge of the shipments of supplies now stored in Lincoln, and insisting that these supplies be shipped at once. Speaking to the motion, Stewart grew indignant over what he termed the neglect and incapacity of the State Relief commission. All over the central and western parts of the state people were on the verge of freezing and starvation. They were without food and fuel. At the present time a terrible blizzard was sweeping over the state, and with the thermometers registering away below zero, the incapable members of the State Relief commission, ensconsed in their cozy steam-heated quarters in this city, calmly ordered carload after carload of fuel, clothing and provisions into the warehouses of Lincoln, at the same time turning a deaf ear to the pitful cries of distress coming up All over the central and western parts of the of Lincoln, at the same time turning a deaf
ear to the pitful cries of distress coming up
from a stricken people. Even this morning the blood of some poor settler might be
frozen cold in his veins because of the cruel,
criminal neglect of the members of the State
Relief commission. He wanted to say that
if a single person in Nebraska perished in
the present blizzard the members of the commission should be indicted for mansiaughter.
McKeeby, chairman of the senate relief
committee, defended the state commission in
his usual deliberate and dignified manner. his usual deliberate and dignified manner. He characterized Stewart's motion as calculated to bring politics into a question that should be discussed from a non-partisan

standpoint. Sloan moved that Slewart's motion be tabled, but withdrew it at the request of several senators who desired to be heard

Dale spoke at length upon the gravity of the situation. He said he represented sev-eral counties in which hundreds of people were suffering. In one of those counties not a pound of supplies had been received from the State Relief commission. Jeffries read letters from Greeley county begging for immediate assistance. Hahn read from the report of the relief commis-sion showing that a large amount of sup-plies had already been shipped to Greeley

county. Other senators talked upon the question and the debate was by all odds the warmest of the present session. Stewart held the floor a dozen times, and at every pause in the discussion he sent up indignant protests against what he character-ized as the criminal neglect of the State Re-

lief commission and the "assinine stupidity" of the senate.

McKesson offered an amendment directing the governor to insist upon immediate action