for the purpose of inquiring into the charges.

Father Phelan of St. Louis, a friend and associate of the distinguished prelate, says of him: "He was a conscientious priest. He loved study not because he had taste for books, but purely because he felt that knowledge was power, and he would be strong to do the work of God in this country. He has been a hard student for fifty years, and no press of official duty and no distance from centers of enlightenment interrupted his study. The result was that for many years he was regarded as the foremost scholar among the American bishops. Many of his sermons will live and take rank with the best productions of the great pulpit orators of the golden age of the Catholic pulpit. As an administrator he was eminently just. He was considered cold and distant, but his nature was warm and affectionate. He did not seek companionship and social duties were irksome to him. But this was because of the hermit life he had lived and the little small talk he had at command. But to those who were privileged with his intimacy he was the most charming of men."

Funeral of Alice Beeson.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—The funeral services of the late Alice Beeson were held in the Methodist Episcopal church this afternoon at 2 o'clock and were conducted by Rev. Asa Sleeth, who paid a glowing tribute to the honor of the departed dead. The Cass county bar, of which deceased was a member, and Mayor F. M. Richey and the city council, attended in a body. Mr. Beeson was born in Highland county, Ohio, October 24, 1833. In 1864 he graduated from a law school in Cincinnati and was admitted to the bar and, with his family, he removed to Red Oak, Ia., where he remained until 1878, when he removed to this county, where he has since resided. His first partner in the law business here was ex-Judge S. M. Chapman, then A. N. Sullivan, and for nine years he was the senior member of the firm of Beeson & Root, his partner being County Attorney Jesse L. Root. At the time of his death his oldest son, A. J. Beeson, city attorney, was associated with him. He leaves a widow, four sons—Frank and Charles of Creston, Ia., Allen J. and John of this city—and two daughters, Mrs. N. Isabel and Gertrude of this city.

Pioneer Presbyterian Missionary.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., March 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Information reaches here of the death last evening at Springfield, S. D., of Rev. Charles Secombe, one of the pioneer missionaries of the northwest. He established the first Congregational church at Stanley Falls, Minn. He narrowly escaped with the lives of himself and family during the Minnesota Indian war and was one of the pioneer ministers of Dakota, having been the pastor of the Congregational church at Springfield from 1881 up to a year or two ago, when failing health compelled him to give up active church work. He was aged 83 years, and leaves two daughters and two sons, the two daughters residing at Springfield, one son, Charles, at Sibley, Ia., and the other in Chicago.

Funeral of Mrs. Arnold.

FREMONT, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—The remains of Mrs. Ella L. Arnold, for many years a resident of Fremont, who died at Denver February 28, were brought to Fremont on the Union Pacific this afternoon and buried in Ridge cemetery. Brief burial services were held at the cemetery by Rev. W. H. Buss of the Congregational church. Mrs. Arnold leaves a husband, two sons and three daughters. She was a sister of B. Lombard, organizer of the Lombard Investment company, and Mr. Arnold was for many years in the employ of that company as a general agent and inspector of agencies.

John Bradley.

AUBURN, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—John Bradley, an aged and highly respected resident of this place, died yesterday. He was born in England and has resided in Auburn for the last ten years. He was in his 76th year.

Prominent Iowa Physician.

DUBUQUE, Ia., March 4.—Dr. E. A. Guilbert, one of the most prominent physicians in the state, a former president of the State Board of Health and one of the leading Masons of the west, died tonight, aged 72.

B. F. McCune.

RED CLOUD, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—Benjamin F. McCune, foreman in the office of the Webster County Argus, died last night from lead poisoning.

FIRE RECORD.

Pennsylvania Tannery.

CORRY, Pa., March 4.—The Western Union Tannery at Spartanburg, with contents, was destroyed by fire today. With no means to fight the fire the citizens had to stand helplessly by watching the only industry of the town being destroyed. The loss is $80,000, fully covered by insurance. A hot journal in the drying room is supposed to have caused the fire.

"After doctors failed to cure me of pneumonia I used One Minute Cough Cure and three bottles of it cured me. It is also the best remedy on earth for whooping cough. It cured my grandchildren of the worst cases," writes John Berry, Loganton, Pa. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, croup and throat and lung troubles. Mothers endorse it.

Will Mandamus Board of Education.

A joint committee representing the interests of the patrons of the schools which have been recently closed by order of the Board of Education, met pursuant to agreement Saturday evening. These committees, clothed with full powers to act from their respective organizations, elected Edward Walsh as chairman and F. G. Davie as secretary. Resolutions were adopted by the committee to proceed to immediately have the schools reopened by mandamus proceedings unless the Board of Education by voluntary action reopens the same.

A subcommittee, consisting of Ed Walsh, J. Harry Minds, G. S. Ambler, I. N. Syas and John Wisler, was appointed to secure the necessary legal services to prosecute this matter. Some of the best lawyers of the city have advised the committee that the Board of Education could not, under the law, close an established school for any reason except to prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

Bohemian Amateurs Entertain.

The entertainment given by the dramatic branch of the Tel Jed Sokol at the new Bohemian Turner hall, Thirteenth and Martha streets, Sunday night, was one of the most largely attended gatherings of its kind in Omaha for years. Bohemian society in Omaha has among its members some excellent histrionic talent and it was given an excellent opportunity to show itself in the melodrama, "Podskalak," written by J. F. Samberk, one of the most famous writers of Bohemian literature. The cast included Mrs. E. Bandhauer, Mrs. N. Svoboda, Mrs. Anton Kmont, Miss E. Rosicky, Miss M. Novacek, Miss Carrie Nejezplusky, Joseph Bunata, Joseph Mik, Ed Michal, Joseph R. Fiala, F. Kotera, A. Knoll, Ferd Kunes, M. B. Letovsky, Bohdan, Pecl, Joseph Vrana, K. Spalek, E. Pakes, V. Raba and M. Slavik.

North Dakotan Wins Skating Match.

PRESTON, Ont., March 4.—The Canadian skating record was broken here last night in the first heat of the race between Norval Baptie of North Dakota and James Woolger of Collingwood. The rink is fourteen laps to the mile and Baptie won by seventeen yards in 2:55 1-5. Woolner won the second heat in 2:32 and Baptie the third and the race in 3:19 2-5.

Hood's Pills

Do not gripe nor irritate the alimentary canal. They act gently yet promptly, cleanse effectually and

Give Comfort

Sold by all druggists. 25 cents.

CHANCE FOR LOTS OF TALK

Porto Rico, Quay Case and Currency Bill in the Senate.

FORMER WILL BRING UP EXPANSION

Pettigrew and Others to Oppose Foraker's Measure on What They Consider Constitutional Grounds—Two House Contests.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—The question of seating Senator Quay, the conference on the currency bill and the Porto Rican government will divide the attention of the senate for the present week. By agreement the report on the currency bill will be voted upon at 4 o'clock Tuesday and will have practically the undivided attention of the senate until that time if there are senators who desire to speak upon it.

After Tuesday the Quay resolution will be the uppermost topic during the morning hour each day and the Porto Rican bill for the remainder of the day. There are still several speeches to be made on the Quay resolution, among those who are to speak being Senators Penrose, Spooner, Perkins and Carter, favorable to Quay, and Senator Burrows in opposition.

The Porto Rican bill will be debated at length. Senators Culberson, Turner and Pettigrew will make set arguments against it on constitutional grounds and Senators Nelson and Depew will talk in support of it. The broad question of expansion will be raised in connection with this measure and it will provoke much running debate, as well as many set speeches. Senator Foraker, who is in charge of the bill, says there is no disposition to accept the house bill and drop the senate measure, as has been reported in some quarters would be done.

The diplomatic and the pension appropriation bills probably will be passed during the week. Either of them is calculated to provoke prolonged discussion.

Contested Elections in the House.

The house will devote this week, except tomorrow, which is District of Columbia day, to contested election cases. The debate on the Aldrich-Robbins case, which opened on Friday, will continue Tuesday and Wednesday. After it is disposed of, the Wise-Young contest from Virginia will be taken up and probably will consume the remainder of the week. In both cases the majority has reported against the sitting members, who are democrats, and the house will probably sustain the reports, so that by the end of the week the republican majority in the house will have been increased by two.

TO THE POPE WITH PROTEST

Meiklejohn Tells Cuban Delegates This Country Cannot Interfere in Sbarretti Appointment.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—General Jose Lacret Molot and Felipe Perozo, the Cuban delegates who came to Washington to protest on behalf of the Cuban people against the appointment of Mgr. Sbarretti as bishop of Havana, have failed in their mission. After being informed by Acting Secretary of War Meiklejohn that the United States could not interfere in the matter, they called today on Mgr. Martinelli, the papal delegate. They presented their protest to him, saying that a number of Cuban priests were qualified to become bishop of Havana. Mgr. Martinelli informed the delegates that he had no authority to interfere. This information late today was cabled to General Gomez at Havana. It is likely that protest will now be made directly to the pope.

PENSIONS FOR WESTERN VETERANS.

Survivors of the Civil War Remembered by the Government.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—(Special.)—The following western pensions have been granted:

Issue of February 15:

Nebraska: Original—Isaac A. Cooper, Imperial, $6. Increase—Oliver Sharp, Broken Bow, $17 to $24; Stephen E. Welch, Stratton, $12 to $14; Alexander Russnogle, Germantown, $6 to $10; John T. Byers, Garrison, $14 to $17; Eugene Ceder, Farnam, $16 to $17. Original widows (special accrued, February 17)—Emeline R. Wilson, Tekamah, $8.

Iowa: Increase—Darwin Barker, Nevada, $6 to $8; Charles M. Whitford, Ruthven, $6 to $8; Israel Gaskill, West Liberty, $6 to $10; Jacob Leddic, Dunkerton, $16 to $24; Russell M. Skaggs, Tabor, $6 to $8; Thomas B. Martin, Grand Junction, $16 to $17; (special, February 17), Jefferson G. Crookham, Oskaloosa, $6. Original widows, etc.—Maria T. Mead, Brandon, $12.

South Dakota: Increase—James Rollins, Athol, $10 to $12.

Congressman Terry Defeated.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 4.—Congressman W. L. Terry of this city has been defeated for renomination by Charles C. Reid of Morrillton. The primaries held in Yell county yesterday settled the contest in favor of Reid. Terry has represented this district in congress for ten years.

Netherlands Minister Arrives.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Baron Gevers, the new minister from The Netherlands, arrived here tonight. The post of minister from that country has been vacant for some time, the business of the legation being transacted through the consul general's office at New York.

NEBRASKA NEWS.

Airing a Family Skeleton.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 4.—(Special Telegram.)—William Brownell, who has been running a drug store in South Bend, swore out a warrant in Police Judge Archer's court charging Dr. Isaac D. Jones with living and cohabiting with Hattie Brownell, wife of William Brownell. Constable J. S. Hartshorn of Louisville arrested Dr. Jones in a room over the drug store of Brownell in South Bend today and brought him to this city this afternoon and turned him over to Deputy Sheriff J. D. McBride for safe keeping. If County Attorney Root returns the doctor will probably be given a preliminary hearing tomorrow. Brownell's parents reside in Ashland.

Burlington Train Changes.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—It is said that since the recent change in the time table of the Burlington, that orders have been given at Table Rock to keep the switch thrown for the Lincoln line of the B. & M., since Nos. 15 and 16 run on that line, which is now considered the "through line," instead of the Republican valley line, as formerly. It is further announced that the company expects to carry its through west-bound passengers by way of Lincoln, in order to avoid the expense of running a through train on the Republican valley line.

Eyes Injured by Acid.

TECUMSEH, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—James Boggs, a deaf and dumb boy, lives with his sister, Mrs. J. A. Linford, in the northern part of this county. James is now suffering from the effects of an accident that promises to cost him his eyesight. He was experimenting with chemicals when a bottle containing nitric acid and other ingredients exploded in his face. His face was filled with the acid and particles of glass. The attending physician says his eyes are injured, but that his face is so badly swollen it is hard to say just how badly.

Joint Memorial Services.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—The Woman's Relief corps, in connection with John N. Gere post, Grand Army of the Republic of this place, held joint memorial services here, in their hall, yesterday afternoon, in memory of Mrs. Annie Wittenmyer, recently deceased, of Saratoga, Penn., who was president for several terms of the National Woman's Relief corps. The hall was decorated with the national colors and draped in black, and the impressive exercises of the orders were rendered.

Plattsmouth Woman's Club.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the Plattsmouth Woman's club it was decided by vote to retain the present plan of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs. The resignation of Mrs. S. Waugh as leader of current topics was read and accepted. Mrs. Asa Sleeth was chosen to fill the vacancy. The American literature lesson included sketches of Poe, Whitman and others, and was very interesting. The class study of "Evangeline" was instructive and entertaining.

Democratic Convention.

HEMINGFORD, Neb., March 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The democratic county convention was held Saturday and the following persons elected to attend the state convention as delegates: S. M. Smyser, Z. D. Goodwin, L. Fay, T. J. O'Keefe and W. J. Bean. The populist convention also convened and elected as delegates James Berry, J. H. Malley, L. S. Reed, William M. Iodence, Charles Parrish and J. W. Baumgardner.

New Preacher at York.

YORK, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—There was a fine song service at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning, and Dr. A. T. Wolf preached on "Christ's Cursing of the Fruitless Fig Tree," and in the evening service gave a prelude on "Sheldon's Newspaper Scheme" and also a sermon on "The Weak Husband of a Wicked Wife." Dr. Wolf has just lately been installed as Presbyterian pastor here.

Medics to Meet at Tecumseh.

TECUMSEH, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—The Southeastern Nebraska Medical society, with a membership of about seventy-five physicians, will meet in Tecumseh Friday, March 23, for a two days' session. Local physicians are of the opinion that attendance will be general and have arranged for the performance of a difficult surgical operation on a Tecumseh man at that time as a drawing card.

York Wants a Canning Factory.

YORK, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—York wants a canning factory. It has the building, canning machinery and the farmers are ready to contract vegetables and fruits. The canning factory here was successfully operated until the death of its owner and it was then taken in by the mortgagee, who is physically unable to operate it.

Building Boom at St. Edward.

ST. EDWARD, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—From present indications this is to be a boom year for St. Edward in the building line. Already contracts have been let for several private residences, and two business blocks are also contemplated, on which work will commence as soon as the weather will permit.

Pawnee County Convention Called.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—The Pawnee county republican central committee met yesterday at Pawnee City and called the Pawnee county republican convention to meet at Pawnee City, Saturday afternoon, March 31. The democratic convention will meet at Pawnee City, March 10.

Murder Trial at Auburn.

AUBURN, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—George Ray, the man who took the life of Cheesman at Brownville some moths ago, is on trial in the district court. Boss Biles of Rockport, Mo., is assisting in the prosecution and G. W. Cornell is conducting the defense. Judge Stull presides.

Railroad Project Discussed.

SUTTON, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—A public meeting was held in the interest of the Nebraska & Gulf railroad. The citizens and Attorney Cessna discussed the benefits of the road to the city. The road is expected through Sutton July 4.

Ready for Business.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—The Table Rock Clay company has its sheds completed and its new machinery has arrived and been placed in position. It is ready for business as soon as settled weather shall arrive.

Thrown from a Horse.

ST. EDWARD, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—George, a 15-year-old son of W. H. Kealy, was thrown from his horse Friday and was quite seriously injured, the animal falling upon him. He was unconscious for eleven hours.

Cass County Mortgage Record.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—The following is the Cass county mortgage record for February: Farm mortgages filed, $52,945; released, $49,476. City mortgages filed, $4,600; released, $4,990.

Hello, St. Edward!

ST. EDWARD, Neb., March 4.—(Special.)—The Bell telephone men are putting up the 'phones for the local exchange, which will start with thirty-five instruments.

Nebraska News Notes.

Dwelling houses are in demand at Bloomington.

Work has been commenced on the new Catholic church at Petersburg.

The Broken Bow creamery has started in business with a good patronage.

Charles Heinzleman, a Verdon miller, got his arm tangled in the belting and as a result it was broken.

The final muster roll blanks for the organization of a company of Nebraska National Guard in O'Neill have been received. Forty members have been secured. The organization has not yet been effected, but it is expected a meeting will be held next week to organize and elect officers. The muster-in will follow as soon as the men are organized.

The mortgage indebtedness record of Colfax county for the month of January, this year, was as follows: Number of farm mortgages filed, 34; amount, $42,057.71; number released, 46; amount, $46,181.65. Number city mortgages filed, 5; amount, $1,851.67; released, 4; amount, $2,741.50. Number chattel mortgages filed, 66; amount, $12,918.44; released, 30; amount, $10,683.27.

During February 11 farm mortgages, amounting to $6,350, were filed in the county clerk's office of Lincoln county, and 14, amounting to $7,700.86, were satisfied. Only one town mortgage was filed, amounting to $1,000. There was also only one, amounting to $352.75, released. The number of chattel mortgages filed was 85 and they amounted to $22,446.84. There were only 55 released, but they amounted to $29,469.38.

During the last year in which the Kansas City stock buyers have been operating in Webster county over 1,200 head of horses and mules have been shipped from Red Cloud, representing a cash expenditure among the farmers of about $65,000. The buyers assert that more animals have been shipped from that place than any other town in Nebraska. They are being bought for war use.

Burglars went through Staplehurst pretty thoroughly on Monday night, breaking into five places and only securing about $8. The places broken into were Madden's drug store, Meyer's hardware store, Maack's saloon, Forster Bros.' dry goods store and one of the grain offices. Bloodhounds were secured from Lincoln on Tuesday and followed a trail to the school house in the north part of town, where they lost it.

Social Note from Kentucky.

LONDON, Ky., March 4.—Millard Hughes was murdered and Henry Blevins and others were injured last night at a dance in Smallwood's resort near East Bernstadt, a mining town. During the dance Leonard Smallwood, Hamp Gragg and others attacked Millard Hughes on account of an old grudge. During the fusillade Hughes' head was shot off and Blevins and others were hit by stray shots. The shooting ended the dancing. Smallwood then went to sleep in the room with his victim's body. After the coroner's inquest today Leonard Smallwood and Hamp Gragg were arrested as principals.

To Cure Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fail to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

BATTLE IS ON AGAIN

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on they placed the gun on a wagon, which capsized in a donga (water hole).

During the afternoon whenever the Boers were seen approaching the British resumed the shelling of Bulwana. About 4 o'clock a terrific thunder storm broke over the town just after a message had been heliographed from Wagon hill that the Boers were in full retreat.

Other officers said they believed they could descry British cavalry, but most people supposed that the wish was father to the thought. As soon as the storm ceased the British guns reopened on Bulwana, gradually concentrating the fire on the left and driving the Boers before them, with the object of preventing the enemy from hampering any British approach.

An hour later a party of British horsemen could be seen crossing the flat below Bulwana, at a distance of some miles. It is impossible to describe the excitement and enthusiasm that followed. Most of the townspeople had been driven into the houses by the storm and did not learn the good news until later.

The storm broke out again at 7 o'clock in the evening and continued until 2 o'clock the next morning. It must have seriously hampered the retreating Boers. The British gunners kept a sharp watch to prevent any further attempt to remove the Bulwana guns.

The British naval gun was fired at intervals through the night and in the morning a force was sent out to look after the gun and to occupy Bulwana.

Lord Dundonald's force went after the retreating Boers, while 4,000 of the best men of the garrison went toward Elandslaagte in the hope of being able to cut off the Boers.

QUEEN WILL REMAIN AT HOME

Interest in the War Causes Her to Abandon Her Proposed Trip to Italy.

LONDON, March 5.—4:40 a. m.—Her majesty has abandoned her intended visit to the Italian Riviera and has decided to remain at home. Her decision to give up her customary spring holiday is accounted another proof of her deep interest in the outcome of the military operations. On Thursday she will come to London for a brief visit, remaining until Saturday.

Beyond the signs of a general retreat of the Boers throughout Cape Colony, there is little news from the front. Lord Roberts, in his dispatches to the War office thus far published, says little, but he is undoubtedly active in some direction.

The Oneland, the organ of the Afrikander bund, says:

"The Boers will now confine themselves to the defensive, abandoning an offensive policy."

Abraham's kraal, as shown in the War office map, is a group of three kopjes, situated at the junction of Kraal struit with Modder river. It is a natural point of concentration, which the Boers could make exceedingly strong, but after the proofs of the mobility of the army of Lord Roberts it may be doubted whether they will make a really serious fight to bar his advance there.

A noticeable feature of all the recent operations at the theater of war has been the active employment of colonial forces, which is in marked contrast with the policy adopted at the beginning of the war. The Australian colonies have decided to provide the 2,500 men Mr. Chamberlain recently asked for.

It is now seen how near Ladysmith was to starvation and the exhaustion of ammunition. The town could hardly have withstood another Boer assault, or have held out much longer. The Daily News has a dispatch from Ladysmith which says that supplies on hand were only enough to provide full rations for four days. The town might have held out another week, but scarcely beyond that.

PRINCESS SALM-SALM'S PLAN

She Arrives at Chicago and Talks of Her Scheme for Ambulance Corps.

CHICAGO, March 4.—Princess Agnes Salm-Salm arrived in Chicago today and went to the residence of her nephew, Edward Mendel, 4736 Grand boulevard.

"My plans are not matured yet," she said, "and a great deal depends upon the state of my mission in Chicago. My object is to interest humane and wealthy people in fitting out one or more ambulance corps. Each corps should have at least ten doctors, trained nurses and a liberal quantity of hospital supplies. Some people seem to think that the war in South Africa is practically ended, but I believe it will last for a considerable time; that, in fact, it is just beginning. Personally, my sympathies are on the side of the Boers, but, of course, that has nothing whatever to do with my humanitarian work.

"I am not a novice in hospital work. I made my studies in Rome and graduated as a nurse. In three wars—the American civil war, the Franco-Prussian war and the war in Mexico—I had ample opportunity to work.

"If I succeed in fitting out one or more ambulance corps I shall accompany them to South Africa."

FRENCHMAN WARNS FRANCE

President of the Chamber of Deputies Speaks Out Against Anglophobic Sentiment.

PARIS, March 4.—Paul Deschanel was banqueted today by his constituents at Nogent le Rotrou in celebration of his re-election to the presidency of the Chamber of Deputies.

In the course of his speech he uttered a warning against demonstrations of Anglophobia in the press and on the part of the public in connection with the war in South Africa. He said:

"When one does not aid the weak, even though they be admirable and heroic, it is both puerile and imprudent to torment the strong, and more especially to insult them. (Cheers.) Let us not set aside the great duties which the continental wars of the last half century have imposed upon us and let us continue to march in the direct road toward our invariable goal." (Renewed cheering.)

GERMAN FEARS OF ANGLOPHOBIA.

Semi-Official Berlin Paper Begs that it Discontinue.

BERLIN, March 4.—The semi-official Berliner Post, in a strong article today, again begs the Anglophobia press to discontinue the practice of abusing British statesmen and generals and British enterprises generally, declaring that "this does more harm than some may suppose."

The Post asserts, on the authority of a private letter from the Transvaal received at Hamburg, that the Boer republics on January 15 had issued altogether 46,000 identification cards to Boers in the field.

The writer of the letter says that these figures represented the total federal forces at that time.

German-Americans for Mediation.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 4.—At the regular meeting of the American-German league of western Pennsylvania, consisting of 200 branches and representing an aggregate of 20,000 members, a petition urging that the government of the United States use its friendly offices to bring about a cessation of hostilities between Great Britain and the South African republics was unanimously adopted. It was furthermore resolved that all Boer sympathizers throughout the land be cordially invited to co-operate with the association for the purpose of sending a general appeal to Washington at the earliest possible date.

WAR SAPS A NATION'S VITALITY.

David Starr Jordan Predicts the Downfall of Great Britain.

CHICAGO, March 4.—David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford university, California, lectured at All Souls' church here today, speaking to a large audience on "The Blood of a Nation." He said that the present century would witness the downfall of Great Britain. He declared that ultimately the people of South Africa would have their freedom. The speaker in emphatic terms asserted that the present inhabitants of Great Britain were a mere shadow of their forefathers in point of brains and health.

Jordan thinks that a nation that founds its destiny on war must reach a speedy decay. He said a great war saps the vitality of the best blood of the nation. Jordan deprecated the fact that so many of the best youths of a nation are killed during times of war. He remarked that this accounted for the existence of a weak nation, both mentally and physically.

The speaker declared that France more than any other great nation had deteriorated. He said war more than any other thing had contributed to this sorrowful condition. He continued:

"I think war more than any other agency destroys the vitality of a nation. Take for instance the present British-Boer war. The best representatives of both countries are now on the field of battle. War not only makes widows, but it prevents many marriages. I certainly am of the opinion that war is a curse on any nation unless it be the result of a fight for freedom. Such a thing as carrying on war for the sake of encouraging imperialistic ideas will wreck sooner or later a nation that tries such a scheme."

BRITISH FLAG TORN AT HANOVER.

Demonstration in Front of an Englishman's Residence.

BERLIN, March 4.—At Hanover some persons not yet identified tore a British flag and made an anti-British demonstration in front of the residence of an Englishman who had displayed the union jack in celebration of the British successes in South Africa.

PERSONAL SIDE OF FRICK.

Habits and Hobbies of the Man Who is Suing Carnegie.

Henry Clay Frick, who, by lawsuit, is trying to relieve Mr. Carnegie of some of the disgrace of dying rich, is directly the opposite in character of Andrew Carnegie, reports the New York Herald. While the latter is conservative to an unusual degree, Mr. Frick is daring, and in the game of business takes long chances.

While Mr. Carnegie and Mr. Frick have been associated in business for some years, there has never been anything that might be called fraternal social feeling between the two. Mr. Frick has been a member of the Carnegie firm since 1889, but Mr. Carnegie was a member of the Frick firm seven years before this.

The present trouble, it is said by persons who are close to both men, had its origin in a meeting of the old Pittsburg coke syndicate in 1885. At that time there were eight or ten prominent firms, which were afterward bought out by the Frick company, in the coke business.

In the fierce competition for trade prices got so low that to save some of them from ruination an association was formed. This was known as the "coke syndicate." Meetings were held daily in the Lewis block, Pittsburg, where the price of coke was agreed upon. Mr. Frick was the president of the syndicate. One day, after prices had been agreed on, John Walker, who for many years was prominent in the Carnegie company, walked into the room. There had never been a friendly feeling between Mr. Walker and Mr. Frick. Mr. Frick said:

"Mr. Walker, do you know that this is a meeting of business men and is private?"

Mr. Walker, with a wave of his hand, said:

"Oh, that's all right. Andy sent me here, and I just want to tell you that he says the price of coke will be $1.50. Good day."

The meeting had agreed that the price of coke should be something like $1.80 per ton, but when Mr. Carnegie sent word that it would be $1.50 Mr. Frick said: "Well, gentlemen, you have heard what the representative of the controlling interest in the Frick Coke company has said about the price. I don't see that there is any use of my staying longer." With that Mr. Frick walked out of the meeting, humiliated. It is said that he never forgave Mr. Carnegie or Mr. Walker for this slight.

In the light of Mr. Frick's suit, Pittsburgers are recollecting remarks made by Mr. Carnegie three years ago. At that time he was leaving Pittsburg and Mr. Frick had accompanied him to the railroad station. Just as he was about to step aboard the train he put his hand on Mr. Frick's shoulder and, turning to a crowd assembled, he said:

"Gentlemen, you don't know what Mr. Frick has done for Pittsburg. He is a great man."

Mr. Frick has two hobbies—music and pictures. His home is filled with the rarest examples of the art of painting. His private collection of pictures is one of the best in the country. One of the canvasses is a small Dagnau Bouveret, the famous "Christ at Emmaus." This picture cost Mr. Frick $90,000, and was presented to the Carnegie institute.

When not at his office Mr. Frick can generally be found walking near his home or entertaining his children, to whom he is very devoted. He is also an enthusiastic cultivator of mushrooms. Some time ago he engaged a professional gardener to manage his conservatories. He was careful to get a man who was well informed on the cultivation of the dainty fungus. His mushroom beds constitute one of the proudest possessions in his conservatories. His flowers are as much his hobby as is art, and several times a year he throws the conservatory open to the public.

Brome Grass for Sandy Lands.

In answer to the question: "Would brome grass do well in Johnson county, Ia.?" Wallace's Farmer says:

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AN INTERVIEW WITH A KING

Monarch of Sweden and Norway Talks on Affairs of the Day.

FAVORS BRITISH IN SOUTH AFRICA

Regrets Death of General Lawton and Hopes Both Wars Will Soon End—Speaks of Kentucky Feud.

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Feb. 12.—As cabled at the time, a representative of the Associated Press was recently accorded an audience of King Oscar of Sweden and Norway. The following details of the interview are interesting:

Every Tuesday morning, whenever King Oscar is at his capital, any of his subjects may be received by him with hardly any formality. Foreigners, of course, are only given an audience if they are previously summoned, and then only through the medium of their respective ministers. The correspondent arrived at the royal palace at 10 o'clock in the morning. Mounting five flights of stairs, he entered an antechamber, where one non-commissioned officer from each of the regiments of Life Guards stood at attention. Several lackeys helped the correspondent to take off his overcoat; he kept his hat, as it is the custom to carry it in the hand when admitted to the presence of the king. In the next room the correspondent was received by the king's adjutant. After a short conversation, he took the correspondent into another room, a grand salon, one of the most beautiful and gorgeous rooms in the palace. There the adjutant introduced the correspondent to the chamberlain, who thereupon went into the king's private rooms. Returning in a minute, he told the visitor the king was ready to receive him.

Informed on American Affairs.

King Oscar was standing in the center of the room, dressed in the uniform of a general of the Swedish army. His majesty is more than six feet tall; his face has an expression of sympathy and intelligence. From his sprightly movements one would not think that he is a man of 71 years.

The king advanced a few steps toward the correspondent, extended his hand and bade him welcome to Stockholm. His majesty was very much interested in hearing about conditions in America. Nothing happening there has escaped him. He spoke of the feud in Kentucky and about the educational institutions with the same knowledge of facts. He had regretted very much to hear of the death of General Lawton in the Philippines, showed a great interest in what was taking place on the islands and asked many questions in regard to the progress of the campaign.

Naturally, the king was much concerned about the war in South Africa. It must be remembered that Great Britain, though in no way an ally of Sweden and Norway, is the best guaranty for the independence of the two northern countries. Great Britain's world power once broken, it would not be long before the two little nations were swallowed up by their mighty neighbor in the east.

Favors British in South Africa.

From King Oscar's conversation the correspondent believed his majesty was in favor of the British in South Africa. However, he spoke in the highest terms of the great strategic ability of the Boers and expressed a fervent wish that our own war in the Philippines and the Transvaal war would soon be over.

As to the internal troubles of his two countries, the king naturally would not speak for publication. Toward the end of the audience the king took the correspondent into his private writing room, selected a splendid likeness of himself, said it was the best portrait of him and wrote his name across it and asked the correspondent to keep it as a memento of the audience.

The king then sent the greeting to the Scandinavians in the United States which was contained in the cable dispatch.

A few days later the correspondent was received by the new minister of foreign affairs, Mr. Lagerheim. At the time the correspondent had cabled a short account of the minister's opinion of the troubles between Sweden and Norway. Mr. Lagerheim, who was delighted at being offered the opportunity of giving his views, said:

"Having been away from Sweden for the last thirteen years as ambassador to Germany, it is naturally difficult for me to speak so soon after taking office on the political differences between Sweden and Norway. Until I have visited Norway and closely studied its side of the controversy I cannot express myself on the entire subject. I will say, however, that I think both countries might meet each other half way on many of their differences, and thus by mutual concessions take away the bitter feeling that exists in some respects.

Norway's Unreasonable Demands.

"I shall plainly state my irrevocable opinion as to the Norwegian demand for a separate minister of foreign affairs and a separate representation abroad. Such a condition is impossible, besides being unconstitutional. One Swedish minister of foreign affairs and one Norwegian and two sets of representatives abroad would be equal to a dissolution of the union and against such an end I shall work with all my might. This question of a common minister of foreign affairs and a common representative abroad is provided for in the act of union. Consequently it cannot be changed by the Norwegian Storthing alone and Sweden would never agree to such action."

Mr. Lagerheim also said he was sure most of the talk of unfriendliness between the two peoples was only on the surface, if even there, adding that if the time ever came when it would be necessary to make a common stand in defense of the union he had no doubt but that the world would find the Swedes and Norwegians united as one.

McKinley Goes to Church in Gotham.

NEW YORK, March 4.—Although President McKinley was up late last night attending the banquet of the Ohio society he arose about 8 o'clock this morning and breakfasted shortly afterward.

Later in the morning the president, accompanied by his brother Abner and Secretary Cortelyou, attended services at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, where the sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Edward G. Andrews, resident bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church of New York.

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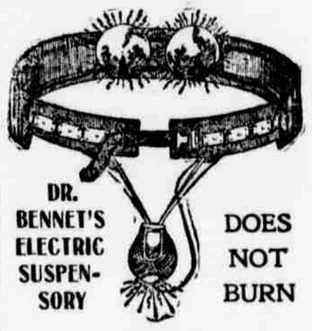

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