Big Iron Training Vessel Goes Down in the Mediterranean Sea.

CATASTROPHE REPORTED FROM MALAGA

Forty Persons Are Said to Have Perished in Their Efforts to Escape.

FRIGATE CARRIED COMPLEMENT OF 461

Gneisenau Pelonged to German Navy and Was Used as School Ship.

ONLY THE BAREST DETAILS RECEIVED

Scene of the Disaster is Sixty-Five Miles Northeast from the Fortress of Gibraltar and Off the Const of Spain.

MADRID, Dec. 16.-The German training frigate Gneisenau has foundered off Malaga, sixty-five miles northeast of Gibraltar, Private dispatches that forty persons were

The Gneisenau foundered at the entrance to the port of Malaga, where it was about to take refuge from the terrible storm the Chinese at an early day. prevailing At the present time only the masts of the vessel are visible.

The training ship had been at Malaga since November 1, practicing with guns of large caliber. She had been previously at Megador, Morocco.

At 10 o'clock this morning a review of the cadets was in order. The wind was extremely violent and instructions were given to stoke up as rapidly as possible. But already the mountainous waves had struck the for the night, but on returning in the ship, snapping the anchor chains. She was driven helpless toward the port and sank. The men threw themselves into the sea and clung to the wreckage, but the majority quickly disappeared.

Captain Krestmann died at his post. The Malaga lifeboat made heroic efforts and rescued fifteen, but the weight capsized the boat and twelve were drowned. The other three were saved by means of ropes thrown to them. The port authorities saved many of the sailors. The survivors have been received at the hospital, the Hotel Deville and private houses.

All the theaters in Malaga abandoned their performances this evening.

A large number of the cadets can be seen from the shore elinging to the rigfor help. The captain and many of the cadets have been drowned. It is believed that a party who left in one of the ship's boats and have not been seen since are also lost.

The total loss is now thought to be not less than 100. Some dispatches say 140. Forty of those saved are badly burt.

According to the naval pocketbook the 1879, was an iron vessel sheathed with wood and had a displacement of 2,856 tons. She was 242 feet and nine inches in length and forty-five feet and eleven inches in the beam baying a mean draught of nineteen feet and eight inches and a coal capacity of tons. Her speed was thirteen knots. Her armament consisted of fourteen 5.9 inch Krupp breechloaders, two %-inch quickfirers, one boat or field gun, and seven torpedo tubes. Her complement was 461 and she was used for training boys.

Colombian Rebels, Forced to Evacuate Tumneo, May Have Joined Wing Operating at Buena Ventura.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 16.-Advices was not dispersed.

On the contrary fears are entertained ta a function with the force operating around Buena Ventura. Telegraphic communication with the in-

terior has been suspended by government order and fighting is proceeding at various points, although without important results. Both sides lost heavily in the battle at Tumaco. The government forces destroyed the rebel steamer Gaitan. They also destroyed a large supply of ammunition. General Alban, governor of the state of Panama, who was in command of the government troops, left for Bogota after the evacuation of Tumaco and the destruction o

American Example Followed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 16 .- Owing to the success of the United States in pressing claims for compensation in connection with the Armenian disorders, Great Britain is now uging the Ottoman government to pay similar claims put forward by British subjects. It is expected energetic means will be taken to obtain a settlement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- Contrary to the impression which, according to the Constantinople dispatch, prevails regarding the United States claims for indemnity against Turkey, the statement is made that no hawsers until December 12. These parted patch from Lord Kitchener, dated yesterday, settlement respecting their payment has in a fierce gale and the Kansas City did not All this government secured up to this time is a series of promises to settle by the Ottoman government. The reported action of the British government in urging its claims for compensation against the Turks because of the reported success of the United States in that regard is not calculated in the minds trying to swim to a line attached to a buoy, of those best posted here to accentuate affoat from the Kansas City, was drowned, our success in the negotiations now progressing between the United States and Turkey, but on the contrary to hamper and here and will then proceed to Liverpool. it retard them.

Boers to Settle in German Colony. BERLIN, Dec. 16 .- According to the Lokal Anzeiger fifty Cape Colony Boers, now in Amsterdam with their families, have been granted permission to settle in German Southwest Africa, the German government having just assented to the purchase of lands by them in Damaraland and Great Namaquin land The Boers will leave Amsterdam on January 5.

FURTHER CHANGE DEMANDED WAR OFFICE IS KEPT OPEN SUNDAY NIGHT LYNCHING FROZEN TO YAWL'S BOTTOM

sir is familiary in an of Joint Note PEKIN, Dec. 16.3

supplementing yesterday. anication from London, have been rec. ed by Sir Ernest Mason Satow, the British minister, and he new demands a modification of a point in the joint note which the foreign envoys generally regard as important. This means further delay, as all the ministers must communicate anew with their respective governments. Just what is the nature of the objection raised by Great Britain the ministers decline to say, but they admit that the new demand will invoive a good deal more diplomatic proedure

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.-Officials here are the important medification in the joint Chinese note, which it is reported the British minister to Pekta is to demand before signing that document preparatory to its presentation to the Chinese plenipotentiaries. They have no information on the subject, as have sent a fresh and urgent request to the | ning to the jail. nothing has been heard from Mr. Conger government to send out every available on the matter for some days. The understanding here has been that the joint note, as agreed upon by the envoys, was in the neighborhood of Thaba N'Chu the serious main satisfactory to the British government, said to be in the nature of a mere ish people they may well begin to ask, as change in style of language to be used. they do, why Lord Roberts is allowed to rather than any amendment to the scope of the agreement. This did not conflict with any of the principles held out for by our to enlist 5,000 men instead of the 1,000 government. Such being the case it was previously asked to be recruited in Great confidently expected the signature of the Britain for General Baden-Powell's con-

Yankee Soldier Captures Rapid-Fire Gun. Several Rifles and Large Quantity of Ammunition.

PEKIN, Dec. 16.-Yesterday while try was searching for two stray mules near Ho Si Wu he arrived at a town where he found a rapid-fire machine gun with 5,000 ounds of ammunition, of which he took charge. He went back to the mail station morning he found several magazine rifles dld not return the fire. A village five miles southeast of Ho Si

Wu has been fired upon by Chinese twice within half a mile of the mail station

RUSSIA DEFENDS ITS COURSE

Inspired Article in St. Petersburg Paper Dealing with Seizure of Railroad in China.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 16 .- The Official Messenger publishes an inspired state ment as the views of the Russian government concerning the Yang Tsun-Shan Hai Kwan railroad, repudiating the charge that the Russians have acted illegally in handling the line, contending that Russia's action was necessitated by military considerations, declining to recognize the British as owners of the line, but admitting that they have the preponderating financial inging. They are shouting and signalling terest, and finally promising to restore it to the former administration after the foreign troops have evacuated the province

Complain of Native Christians. PEKIN, Dec. 16.-The British are con-

inually receiving reports of dissatisfaction from the districts around Pekin under their pecial charge. The officer in command has Soura-Noons, five miles southeast of Pekin, ire constantly moving about and levying Gneisenau, which was built at Danzig in blackmail. The marauders are alleged to be Catholics, led by a French missionary wearing Chinese clothing.

KAISER REVIEWS VETERANS

Public Reception Tendered to German Troops But Recently Returned from China.

BERLIN, Dec. 16 .- A portion of the German contingent that recently arrived from China was publicly received here today accordance with the express desire of INSURGENTS NOT DISPERSED Emperor William, great enthusiasm being displayed by the crowds that lined the route from the Lehrter railway station, which was beautifully decorated.

The troops here the shot-riddled German flags, which were taken into action at the storming of the Taku forts, together with from Colon, Colombia, today regarding the several captured Chinese flags and guns. recent fighting between the government The procession went to the arsenal, where troops and the insurgents at Tumaco, the the Chinese colors were deposited. In front rebel stronghold, which lasted three days, of the arsenal were Emperor William, the the insurgents then evacuating the town, empress, Prince Henry of Prussia, Prince say that the withdrawing insurgent force Rupprecht of Bavaria, Count von Buelow, imperial chancellor, members of the general staff and other persons of high rank. After Colon that this body of rebels will effect saluting the troops the kaiser inspected them, speaking to those who had been wounded or had received decorations and

then addressing all formally. LONDON, Dec. 16 .- The Berlin corres pondent of the Daily Express asserts that Emperor William, when complimenting the

troops, said "After today the army and navy are one The world shall know there the emperor shook his marshal's baton vigorously) that where I put my blue boys nobody shall re-

LOSES PROPELLER

Transatlantic Liner Towed Into Port After Battling for Several Days with Violent Storm.

QUEENSTOWN, Der. 16 .- The liner Cuffe. Captain Caven, from Liverpool on December 4 for New York, was towed to anchorage here at 4 a. m. by the British steamer Kansas City, Captain Lewis, which sighted the Cufic on December 9, in latitude 51.34 north, and longitude 21.24 west, the day the liner lost her propeller. Owing to the terrific weather it was impossible to connect the succeed in resuming towing until the following day. The hawsers broke again Saturday night off Kinsale, but after a quantity of ammunition. short delay towing was resumed. Off Cork local tug assisted. In one of the attempts to connect with the Kansas City Mr. Crosby, chief officer of the Cufic, while

although a powerful swimmer. The Cufic will await the arrival of tugs carries no passengers. The Kansas City's machinery was strained and there is a heavy list to the starboard. It will recoal and may resume within a day or two its voyage to New York, whither it was bound from Bristol, after touching at Swansea on December 6, when it sighted the disabled vessel.

Movements of Ocean Vessels Dec. 16.

Anxiety of British Public to Hear from South Africa at Fever Heat.

BOER VICTORIES PROVE RUDE SHOCK

Advisability of a Continuation of His Tour of Europe to Be Followed by a Visit to the United States Urged Upon Mr. Kruger.

LONDON, Dec. 17 .- Lord Salisbury and tucky, arrived with a trained bloodhound, his colleagues must today feel greatly relieved that Parliament was prorogued Saturday. A grim irony now attaches to Lord followed it until he reached the house where are at a loss to understand the reasons for Roberts' description of the war as "over." Yesterday the War office, for the first time in many months, remained open throughout a Sunday in response to the for the excited citizens. Within a few mindemand of public anxiety to learn the lat- utes a mob of 1,000 howling citizens, with est news. Lord Kitchener is reported to sledgehammers, ropes and guns, were runmounted man. With General Dewet again

The Colonial office announces its decision expected.

plied with ammunition, but terribly in want f food and clothing. Mr. Kruger at The Hague received William T. Stead yesterday. Mr. Stead urged cousty for mercy, but the mob swiftly him to continue his tour of Europe and to go to America. The Boer statesman lisprivate of the Ninth United States infan- tened attentively, but declined to commit himself by any definite statement. It is reported that he is about to remove from his hotel to a private residence, as though

on board the Canada, did not go ashore at the terrified negro as he crouched in the and 1,100 rounds of ammunition. When St. Helena, though the steamer touched leaving the town he was fired upon, but he there. Ninety troopers, members of the Seventeenth Lancers, stationed at Ballindolig, were arrested yesterday for insubordiration. They were about to start to the courthouse yard and swung on the for South Africa and were annoyed at not tree beside the body of Rowlands. Firing getting license to carouse

British Captured at Magaliesburg Are Given Their Liberty by

Boer Captors. LONDON. Dec. 16 .- The following dispatch has been received by the War office

from Lord Kitchener: PRETORIA. Dec. 15.—Five officers and 15 men, Magallesburg prisoners, have been de men, Magallesburg prisoners, have been released. The Boers surrounded and captured 129 of Brabant's Horse in a defile in the Zas-

of Branch a trond tron district.
Colonel Bomfield, moving on Vryheld, lefeated the Boers with heavy loss, driving them from Scheeper's nek and capturing a quantity of arms. The Scheeper ack a quantity of arms. The Scheeper ack movement occurred on December 18.

The Boers who attacked Vryheld on December 19 lost 190 killed and wounded before they retired. The fighting lasted all day, the enemy drawing off * 7.20 p. m. The British loss was six killed, nineteen wounded and thirty m.ssing. Our casualties include two officers, who died of their wounds.

Wiring from Pretoria yesterday (Saturday) Lord Kitchener, after announcing that informed General Gaselee that armed bands the released Magallesburg prisoners have of native Christians from the village of arrived at Rustenburg, says that the Boer force divided into two portions, one moving south and the other west

BATTLE OF MAGALIESBURG

London Standard Prints Graphic Story of Latest Boer Victory In South Africa.

LONDON, Dec. 17 .- The Magaliesburg affair is described as follows in a dispatch to the Standard from Reitfontein:

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The scene of the engagement was a horse-shoe-shaped depression. The Northamber-lands occupied the center. General Clement's camp was pitched 1,000 yards lower down at the eastern point of the horseshoe and Colonel Legge's camp was about 300 yards distant.

General Delarey's 1,000 men, against whom General Clements had fought repeated actions, were, unknown to General Clements, reinforced by 3,000 men from Warm Raths under Commandant Boyers. At daybreak Colonel Legge's picket descried what seemed a fresh force of British thirty yards

under Commandant Boyers. At daybreak Colonel Legge's picket descried what seemed a fresh force of British thirty yards distant. The strangers were challenged. They replied with a volley, revealing 400 Boers in khaki. The firing became heavy and the noise aroused Colonel Legge's troops, who arrived just in time to save the outposts from capture.

A furious engagement ensued. Artillery was brought up and it compelled the Boers to retire. Colonel Legge, following up the withdrawal, was shot dead by a builet through his head.

General Clements and his staff soon arrived. The staff suffered severely, but General Clements appeared to have a charmed life.

While mounted men were driving

While mounted men were driving the enemy back along a slope, covered thickly with dead Boers, a deafening rifle lire soon broke on the plateau above. The signaliers heliographed that the Northumberlands were being attacked. General Clements, convinced that they would easily hold their own, disposed the remainder of his forces on the flanks and rear of his two camps.

At 4:39 a. m. a heliograph from the western peak announced that the Boers were about to overwhelm the Fusileers. General Clements was unable to send adequate help, but dispatched yeomany to climb the precipitous hilliside and create a diversion. Before the yeomany could come into action the Boers had overlapped the Northumberlands and were in possession of the entire horsesshoe, firing down on the yeomany, entangled in the bushes.

The Northumberlands made a magnificent defense as long as their ammunition lasted. According to Boer accounts many, even when resistance was hopeless, died fighting. General Clements, now left with 709 men, made superhuman efforts against the bullets the Boers were pouring over the peaks and managed to save his guns and camp equipment. He retired in splendid order and at 4 p. m. started to march to Reitfontein, fightling a rear-guard action all the way and arriving the next day at 4 a. m.

Lord Methuen, according to another dis-

Lord Methuen, according to another disattacked and captured a Boer laager near Lichtenberg on December 14, securing supplies of cattle and sheep and a considerable

A further dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, December 16, states that Lord Methuen has official confirmation of the death of General Lemner, the Boer commander.

ANOTHER BRITISH REVERSE

Party of Brabant's Horse Engages Boers Year Zastron in Orange River Colony and Suffer for It.

ALIWAL NORTH, Cape Colony, Dec. 16 .-A party of Brabant's Horse, consisting mainly of raw recruits, engaged a superior force of Boers on December 13, near Zastron, Orange River colony, losing four killed, sixteen wounded and 120 taken pris- Winona, Ind., and it is said he looks on

Vegroes Who Brutally Mardered Barber Taken from Jail at Rockport, Ind., and Kanged.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 16 .- A special o the Sentinel from Rockport, Ind., says Two negroes, Jim Henderson and Bud Rowlands, who waylaid, brutally murdered and rebbed Hollis Simous, a white barber early this morning, were lynched in the jailyard by a mob of 1,000 frenzied citizens tonight. The negroes were arrested early and although Rowlands' clothing had bloodstains on it the men claimed they were innocent of the crime. In the meantime Sheriff Clemens of Union county, Ken-

m response to a telegraphic summons. When the dog was placed on the trail he Rowlands lived, six blocks from the scene of the murder, and went baying to the bed the negro had occupied. This was enough

Sheriff Anderson and his two deputies made a stand and attempted to protect the escaped through the British cordon in the prisoners. The officers were seized by the leaders of the mob, who disarmed them. affairs at Vryheid and Zastron and the The sheriff was then locked in a room and ment. It simply desired a slight amend- Magaliesburg disaster confronting the Brit- placed under guard, but he stoutly refused ish people they may well begin to ask, as to give up the keys or tell where the prisoners were hidden. Failing to get the keys the mob made a determined but unsuccessful attempt to break in the jail door, By this time the would-be lynchers were in a British minister would be promptly affixed stabulary, which shows that recruiting in caved in the side wall of the jail. The door to the agreement and the note presented to South Africa is less active than had been of Rowlands' cell was then quickly broken Dispatches from Lourenzo Marquez assert LOCATES REGULAR MAGAZINE that all the Boer forces are plentifully sup- a neese was placed about his neck. He

contemplating a prolonged stay at The the cell occupied by Henderson, but before Lord Roberts, now returning to England sledges some one in the crowd fired upon

PRISONERS ARE RELEASED away to catch the other negro implicated proving an alibi for him. The mob then

city, as he was going to his home from his barber shop, at 2 e'clock this morning. As was customary with him, he carried TARIFF FOR PHILIPPINES the receipts of the day at his place of business. The negroes were aware of this and evidently laid their plans accordingly. Crouching behind a fence, they awaited their victim and jumped from their place of concealment and attacked him from behind, striking him over the head with a heavy club with a large pail driven into the end of it. Although terribly beaten, Simons made a desperate fight and his cries and struggles soon attracted two boys who went to his assistance, but they were a moment too late, the victim of the negroes having succumbed to the terrible beating. The murderers then drove the would-be rescuers away, securing a bag containing something over \$40 from their victim. They then made their escape. Simons was terribly beaten, his skull being crushed in and his head and face beaten into a pulp Four gaping wounds showed where the spike on the club had punctured the dead man's skull and penetrated his brain. . Walter Evans, one of the young men who attempted to help Simons, and who afterward assisted in the removal of his body to his home, was greatly affected and

almost suffered nervous collapse. Tonight he witnessed the lynching and he is now a raving maniae. The dead man's wife is prostrated and it is believed she will die from the shock. Hollie Simons came here from Winslow,

Ind., three years ago, and was a popular young man. The feeling against the negroes was intensified by the fact that within the last two months over a dozen houses have been robbed in Rockport, and Henderson and Rowlands were suspected of being the leaders in these robberies. The mob announced that in the case of all future robberies the guilty persons would be run down and lynched. Many negroes left the city tonight. Those remaining are keeping themselves closely indoors. Eight other negroes were arrested as suspects and would have been lynched had they not been able to

DEATH MADE DOUBLY CERTAIN EARTHQUAKE AT SANTIAGO to recommend to those bodies any proposi-

Woman Tired of Life Uses Both Chloroform and Illuminating Gas as Means of Spicide.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 16 .- A woman calling herself Gladys Esmond committed suicide in a tooming house here today. The suiupon which she was found dead had been dragged from the original position in order to bring it in close proximity to the gas jet. Over the face of the suicide was a sort of miniature tent made from a piece of muslia, upon which was stitched a quantity of cotton batting. Fitted upon the gas jet was a paper tube, the other end of which then turned on. Examination of the batting proved that it had been soaked with chloroform. On the bed within easy reach was a sharp knife.

The woman was about 28 years old and t is believed she gave a fictitious name to the proprietor of the house when she rented the room last Saturday. She was well dressed and appeared to be a woman of considerable refinement.

In a letter addressed to the coroner. which was found in the room, the woman stated that she was an orphan and usually made her home in Chicago. The letter also stated that she had been in poor health and was tired of life.

SCHOOL FOR LIBRARIANS

Andrew Carnegie Said to Be Evolving New Scheme Out of His Philanthropic Brain.

RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 16.-Andrew Carnegie is considering the gift of a sum sufficient to endow a school for librarians at the plan with favor.

Horrible Experience of Lighthouse Keepers on Storm-Tossed Michigan.

THREE OF PARTY DIE OF EXPOSURE

Lashed to Their Overturned Craft with Two Dend Women, Also Tied, Two Survivors Managed to Attract Help and Are Rescued.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 16 .- A Sentinel speial from Manitowoc, Wis., says: The steamer Manhattan arrived here today with W. H. Shields and William Me-Cauley, lighthouse-keepers on Squaw island, and the bodies of Mrs. Shields and her niece, Mrs. Mary Davis. They were picked up Saturday afternoon in the lake, where they were found lashed to an overturned yawl. They had been thus exposed since Friday, when they were capsized by a squall while sailing from the island to the mainland. Lucien Morden of Montague, Mich. was also an occupant of the beat when it

capsized and was drowned before he could be lashed to the overturned craft. The two rescued men were badly frozen and it is thought that they may have to suffer amputation of their lower limbs. They were taken to the Holy Family hosrital here, where the following story of the terrible experience was told by Mr.

this time the would-be lyachers were in a perfect frenzy and securing a telegraph to the time the would-be lyachers were in a perfect frenzy and securing a telegraph to the the side wall of the jail. The door of Rowlands cell was then quickly broken in with sledges and he was dragged from the jail to the east of the courtyard, where a necese was placed about his neck. He was given time to make a statement, in which he implicated Jim Henderson and another negro. Rowlands then begged pitcotsly for mercy, but the mob swiftly swing the confessed murderer to a tree and riddled his body with bullets.

Henderson Next Hanged.

Leaving the body of Rowlands dangling from the limb of the tree the mob rushed back to the jail and attempted to burst open the seled bars yielded to the blows of the cell occupied by Henderson, but before the steel bars yielded to the blows of the cell occupied by Henderson, but before the steel bars yielded to the blows of the selection of the corner of his cell.

A few minutes mere and the door of the cell was broken in, The negro, more dead than alive, was dragged at a rope's end to the courthouse yard and swung on the tree beside the body of Rowlands. Firing a parting volley at the swinging bodies the mob, eager for another vietim, harried a parting volley at the swinging bodies the mob, eager for another vietim, harried a parting volley at the swinging bodies the mob, eager for another vietim, harried a parting volley at the swinging bodies the mob, eager for another vietim, harried a parting volley at the swinging bodies the mob, eager for another vietim, harried a parting volley and manger Debrulers of the swinging bodies the mob, eager for another vietim, harried and the wolley and myself remained alive, with the two dead women is the courthouse yard and swing on the tree beside the body of Rowlands. Here we was the courthouse was placed and way to catch the other negro implicated by Rowlands in his confession. He was porten, the first provide we were taken by the wind into the actual to Shields.

after much maneuvering, succeeded rescuing us and the bodies of my wife

dispersed, apparently satisfied with its awful work of vengcance.

The negroes' victim, Simbns, was waylaid and murdered in the most brutal manner one square from the main street of the forts were unavailing. Both men are about 40 years old,

adge Taft Declares That New Me ure Will Be Essentially for Revenue Only.

MANILA, Dec. 16.-Advices from Hollo, troops have been moving northward and several shots with the miscreants. No one influence. westward for several days and that detach- was hurt. ments of the Sixth. Eighteenth and Twentysixth regiments have been active near their

stations. The insurgent losses during the last tea days there have been five killed, seven wounded and forty taken prisoner. Americans have lost two killed and three wounded.

Large numbers of the natives, however are swearing allegiance to the United States. In several recent attacks and expeditions in southern Luzon the insurgents have lose eight killed, seven wounded and about Wheaton reports that 430 natives have en-

tered Calanao for registration. Most of the time of the Philippines commission is now devoted to the tariff bil: Judge Taft said today that, generally speaking, the new rates would be about 40 per-

cent of the existing rates. "It will be essentially a tariff for and John J. Mitchell, president of the revenue," he remarked, "but some of the United Mine Workers. industries that are already established will be given protection. The commission is not government of the Philippines. The bit: requires the washing of cotton goods so as manufacturers, which increases the weight. This will incidentally favor American goods. The rate on kerosene will be reduced from 11 cents a gallon to 4. Some American will come in at reduced figures."

Two Fashionable Functions Considerably Shaken Up by a Pronounced Shock.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Dec. 16 .- A sharp earthquake shock was felt here last night about midnight. It wis the most severe that cide was most carefully planned. The bed has been experienced in several years and almost created a panic at the San Carlos club, where a grand ball was in progress. It was preceded by a dull sound like a mine explosion. Two shocks followed, the first being quite severe and the last scarcely perceptible. The ballroom at the club became a scene

of frantic excitement. Several women was under the face-covering. The gas was fainted and the people rushed into the streets, expecting another and severer shock. At Morro castle a military ball was in progress and the American women present had ment service, was found dead in bed this expressed great interest, but no fear. Litsmall buildings are said to have been without noticing that the gas was escapslightly damaged.

DOLLAR MAKERS ARRESTED

United States Marshals Swoop Down on Pennsylvania Gang and Get Coins That Are Still Warm.

oners are supposed to belong to an organ- proved unavailing. ized gang, of whom secret service men have captured eleven since October last.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

four. Deg. 5 s. m. 35 Hour. 0 m. m..... 30 2 p. m. 5 p. m..... 6 p. m.... 7 p. m...... 11 a. m 45 9 p. m

MAY DECIDE TO ARBITRATE Delegation of Trainmen Proposes to Mediate Between Santa Fe

and Operators. TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 16 .- Representatives of the trainmen, conductors, engineers and firemen held a conference this evening with General Manager H. U. Mudge of the Santa Fe railway for the purpose of attempting to mediate the trouble between the road and the Order of Railway Telegraphers. While no agreement was reached the board of mediation was encouraged by Mr. Mudge to hold a conference with Third Vice President Barr. They will, it is said.

seek this conference at Chicago tomorrow

or Tuesday. "Representatives of the different rallway orders," said Mr. Mudge tonight, "held a short conference with myself and Mr. Resseguie this evening. They stated they had no grievance against the Santa Fe, but at the request of the telegraphers desired to offer their offices to mediate the differences between the Order of Railway Telegraphers and the company. They expressed a desire to act for the entire system and included the trouble on the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe and also the lines west of Albuquerque As my authority extends simply over the Santa Fe proper I could not deal with them. They will probably hold a meeting with Mr.

upon the best possible basis to be obtained for the telegraphers." But little information about the conference could be obtained from the members of the board of mediation. They were not disposed to talk about the situation, but intimated that there would be something

Barr and attempt to reach a settlement

te give out in a day or two. ance all day. The representatives of the different orders held a lengthy conference ony action in the matter. When shown a telegram from Wichita

showing that the telegraphers on the Oklahoma division were petitioning Superin-"There is nothing in the story. The teleg-

firm and will stay out until this matter is definitely settled. "We are in this fight to stay. We have 2,000 members of the order in the counway to settle the difficulty they will boycott the Santa Fe and route through busi-

ness over other lines. "As a matter of fact the strike is spreadtion that old men who did not go out on the first call are throwing up their post-

Mr. Mudge. ARDMORE, I. T., Dec. 16 .- At Dougherty, for in staving off the caucus that finally T., tonight unknown persons smashed nominated Senator Hayward. The caucus the Santa Fe station windows with stone agreement was not reached until Thompand fired on the new operator. Marshals son had exhausted himself in the open sesisland of Panay, report that the American who were protecting the building exchanged sion and the Thompson scare had lost its

ADVOCATES OF ARBITRATION Meeting of Men Who Would Settle Labor Troubles Without Strikes

to Meet at Chicago Today. CHICAGO, Dec. 16.-Prominent employers of labor and labor leaders from all over claims. America and several from abroad arrived in Chicago today to attend the arbitration conference which opens at Steinway hall tomorrow. Among those who are already here twenty captured. The Americans have loss and will take a prominent part in the delibone killed and two wounded. Generat erations are: Carroll B. Wright, United States commissioner of labor; Warren A. Reed of Massachusetts; Hugh W. Lusk of an assurance of election. Should the cau-New Zealand; Frederick Driscoll, representing the American Newspaper Publishers' association; Thomas P. Rixey of Missouri; Thomas A. Smith of Maryland; John Tobin of Massachusetts; David Ross of Illinois,

Samuel Compers, who has been attending the American Federation of Labor convenconsidering the question of the constitu- tion at Louisville, and about fifteen others tionality of taxing United States products, of the delegates there, are due tomorrow The precedents have been established in morning. Mr. Gompers will be one of the the case of Porto Rico and by the military principal speakers at the opening session. The prime purpose of the conference is to discuss and, if possible, name a joint nato eliminate the clay used by European tional board on arbitration to settle important industrial and trades disturbances. such board to be representative of the labor organizations and the employers of labor. Another duty of the board would be to frame goods will be admitted free and almost all and present to the state legislatures and the national congress any subjects that might come up for permanent settlement or bitration.

Ralph M. Easley, secretary of the Civic Federation of Chicago, under whose auspices the conference is being held, said: "I believe a joint national board will be appointed as a result of this arbitration conference. It would have to be a non-partisan body, of course, but with this precau tion taken I believe such a board would be

a success. TWO DIE OF ASPHYXIATION

Escaping Gas from Stove Results in Death of Men in Adjoining Rooms in New York. NEW YORK, Dec. 16 .- Miles Novotny,

23 years old, and believed to have been stenographer employed in the governtheir first experience of an earthquake. They morning at his boarding house on West Porty-seventh street. It is believed he tle damage was done in the city with the had accidentally opened the cockstop to a exception of breaking dishes, although a few small heating stove and had gone to sleep ing. Letters found in the room bore his rame with the address of 613 Oxford building, 84 LaSalle street, Chicago.

to have practiced law in Chicago. The physician who was summoned in the case selection. More than one-half of the memnoticed that there were some large cracks in a wooden partition which separated selves still undecided as to their choice for OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 16.-United States Novotny's room from the next one. He marshals arrived here tonight, having in advised that the occupant of this room custody Samuel B. Latshaw and George be summoned to inquire whether he had cially if the contest is settled in caucus E. Coast, who are charged with counter- noticed the escaping gas. The door, how- promptly, as now seems to be the general felting. Fifty spurious dollars, which were ever, was found locked and on being broken desire and expectation. still warm, and a counterfeit plant were in the occupant of the room, Henry B.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER FOR A PAIR OF TOGAS

Lineup in the Senatorial Fight is Becoming Decidedly Interesting.

HISTORY IS NOT LIKELY TO REPEAT

Conditions Are Much Different from Those Frevailing in 1899.

THOMPSON CANNOT COMMAND THE FIELD

His Known Strength Insufficient to Land the Caucus Nomination.

LIST OF CANDIDATES IS A LONG ONE

Eight Men Are Known to Be Asplrants and a Host Are in the Background Waiting for an Opening.

LINCOLN. Dec. 16 .- (Special.) -- The allabsorbing topic of the hour is the rapidly approaching senatorial contest. The state capital has witnessed many exciting scenes. and hard-fought struggles for United States senatorships, but this is the first time since Nebraska went into the union that one legislature is called on to elect two senators at the same time. Whether this is to be a long-drawn, stubboruly-fought or a short, sharp and decisive combat it remains to be seen. The deadlock of two years ago, which lasted two months, has caused a general reaction in favor of dispatching the business of senator-making to short order. Experienced politicians appear to concur in this view, especially those who took part in the slege of the

last session. Conditions Are Different. Conditions this year are altogether different from what they were two years ago, Refore the legislature of 1898 had convened the impression prevailed that the republic-The telegraphers' headquarters at the ans would get together early, nominate a National hotel presented a lively appear. South Platte candidate in the caucus and elect him on the first joint ballot. At that time the ambition of John L. Webster to in the afternoon before they decided to take overturn the time-honored usage of location was considered simply as a prelude to his avowed candidacy for the Thurston succession in 1901. The intrusion of D. E. Thompson, as it was termed by the supporters tendent Tice for reinstatement, Mr. Dolphin of Hayward, caused a deflection in the line of battle. The mystery with which Thomp son managed to enshroud his strength and raphers all over the system are standing the claim that he had grappling hooks on a majority of the republican members frightened his opponents out of their wits. He was credited with controlling anywhere from twenty-five to forty votes and his try on other roads and if there is no other persistent demand for a secret ballot seemed to give plausible color to the current estimates of Thompson's "reserve force." All the strategy that both Hayward. Webster and the field could bring to ing. Only today I have received informa- bear was focused on heading Thompson off. The first step in that direction was a secret agreement said to have been entered into tions and new men have been induced to by thirty members to withhold support from Thompson under all circumstances. Mr. Dolphin refused to talk of the inter- While the existence of this compact has view between the board of mediation and since been denied it is, nevertheless, generally believed to have been the main fac-

Not a One Man Year. With two senators to elect this year there is no probability that any candidate will be able to frighten the entire field. While Mr. Thompson is again in the race and his ardent supporters are pursuing a course calculated to create the impression that he is already as good as elected, the effect of last year's experience is to discount his

The most reliable estimates obtainable at this stage credit Thompson with from twenty-two to twenty-five votes out of the seventy-one republicans who hold certificates, with a possibility of increasing his strength to thirty. This constitutes a respectable following, but it is by no means cus require only a majority vote Thompson, without combination, would still fall short by at least six votes, while if a twothird rule prevails, as it did two years ago, he would lack eighteen votes, which at this

time are not in sight for any combination During the campaign the hue and cry of he fusion papers and speakers was that the election of a republican legislature was tantamount to the election of Thompson and Rosewater as senators. Since the election this confirmation has been reaffirmed by some and discredited by others. As far as can be ascertained no such combination existed either before or since the election. It is an open secret that within the past few days Thompson and his friends have been industriously trying to work up a sentiment in favor of electing him for the unexpired term of Senator Hayward immeliately after the legislature organizing, leaving Thurston's successor to be elected two weeks later in a free-for-all scramble The publication in The Bee of the federal law governing the election of United States senators and requiring the balloting for both senators to begin on the same day has effectively pricked the bubble and leaves racetrack wide open for all entries. What effect this will have upon the other candidates it is yet too early to predict.

Meiklejohn's Candidaes. George D. Meiklejohn, next to Thompson and Rosewater the most prominent candidate in the field, is expected to reach here temerrow or next day, and with him Major Brad Slaughter, who figured conspicuously the manager of Thampson's senatorial boom two years ago. Quite apart from the well known close relations between Thompson and Meiklejohn, the fact that Slaughter will act as Meiklejohn's chief engineer gives countenance to the stories that the real cembine is to be Thompson and Metklejchn. On the other hand shrewd politicians refusa to believe in it because Metklejohn has no transferable or exchangeable following. With the exception of three or four Hinshaw supporters, who is the strongest of Thompcon's South Platte competitors, and who are also said to favor Meiklejohn, the latter can muster nobody who is not already enroiled

in the Thompson column. A survey of the field, which, besides Thompson, Meiklejohn, Rosewater and Hin-He had been in New York for about a shaw, includes Crounse. Hainer, Currie, year, and is believed previous to that time | Harlan and a number of herses more or less dark, shows a wide range for operations and bers who have been sounded declare themone or both of the candidates. The chances naturally favor the strong candidates, espe-

captured with the prisoners at Coast's Gibbons, 63 years of age, was found dying Former Railroad President Bankrupt. home at Lisbon, Venango county. The pris-oners are supposed to belong to an organ-proved unavailing.

GOSHEN ind. Dec. 16 -C. C. Black this city has illed a petition in bankrupt. Gibbons had only been in the house for a week and his antecedents are unknown. Railroad company.