Books Tally.

HUNDREDS ARE DEAD OR KRAUSE PLACED ON TRIAL CHANCE AT THE OMAHA POST NEELEY CONTRADICTS REEVES WILL HOLD FAIR ON TIME

Earthquake in Southern Mexico Proves to Have Boon Disastrons.

CITY OF CHILPANCINGO IS DESOLATE Brocksman, the public prosecutor of Jo-

PARISH CHURCH CRUSHES WORSHIPERS

one Greatest Slaughter Occurs in Secred Edifice.

PROPERTY LOSS MEANS RUIN TO MANY

New \$200,000 Sugar Mill, Just Fitted with American Machinery, Destroyed-Troops Called Out to Succor the Populace.

state of Guerrero is reported to have ocfrom the stricken district are very meager, but scattering reports received here indicate that probably 300 persons were killed that the state capital, the Parish church tomorrow. and many business houses and residences were in rulns and that there is much suffering as a result of the awful seismic suffered most was the federal telegraph office, which explains the scarcity of news

Meager details finally began to arrive here. The telegraph lines and apparatus at Chilpancingo were badly damaged, but the employes, all of whom were uninjured. quickly proceeded to erect an improvised telegraph office on the outskirts of the speech of the German imperial chancellor, city. The number of deaths was greater Count von Buelow, to assurances received in the parish church than any other single place, as a crowd of worshipers was gathered there for the afternoon service. The solid masonry walls and the roof came toppling down on the worshipers and many of those within were killed.

Troops Work for Rescue.

The War department has ordered troops in the neighborhood to co-operate in the work of rescue. Until this work is completed it will be impossible to accurately learn the number of victims. It is believed, however, that this is one of the most destructive earthquakes that ever occurred in Mexico. The greater part of the population of the city are now camping out under tents around the town, which is

five days' journey from the national capital. Barthquake shocks were felt in many other cities and towns. In Mexico City the earthquake occurred at 5:07 p. m. yesterday and was of such violence as to shake the most substantial buildings. The Pan-American congress was in session at the time and many of the delegates were was one of trepidation and was very sharp. It was followed by an easy oscillatory movement northeast to south-southwest. The duration was fifty-five seconds. The damage in this city was slight.

Short Shocks the Worst.

The state of Guerrero has always been the focus of seismic disturbances. Reports received here state the shock was very severe at Chilaps. No casualties are so far reported from there. The duration of the Chilpancingo shock was less than that in Mexico City, having lasted fifty seconds, against fifty-five seconds at the capital. Up to 11 o'clock tonight no further news had come from the stricken city. The

earthquake was also intense at Iguila, in the state of Guerrero, destroying the parish church and many buildings. Among the latter was the sugar mill of General Fris-The mill had just been completed and fitted up with American machinery at a cost of \$200,000. The property loss is immense throughout the state of Guerrero

The Associated Press correspondent has just seen a private telegram from Chilpancingo saying: "I and family are safe; many houses destroyed."

DENIES CHARGES OF CRUELTY British Government Issues Book on Concentration

Camps.

today on the subject of the concentration for the appearance of liberals having the camps in South Africa contains further detailed explanations from Lord Milner, the British high commissioner, and Lord Kitchener, as to the causes of the excessive death rate in the camps, and refutations of the charges of cruelty.

Lord Kitchener emphatically denies Com mandant Schalkburger's allegations of forcible removal and exposure of sick women and of rough and cruel treatment of women and children, and says:

"I offered Botha to leave the families an would agree to spare the farms of the families of surrendered burghers. Botha emphatically refused, saying: 'I am entitled to force every man to join, and if they de not join to confiscate their property and leave their families on the veldt.

The blue book gives statistics for the month of December last, when there were 117,017 inmates of the camps and 2,380 deaths, of which number 1.767 were chil-

MOVING PAST THE CRISIS

Germany is Said to He Recovering from Adverse Economic Conditions.

BERLIN, Jan. 17 .- Replying to an inter peliation in the Reichstag today, Count von Possadowski-Wehner, secretary of state for the interior, said that the best statistics available showed that there were not more than 7,500 unemployed in Berlin, their number having been kept down by the efforts of the various federal departments to provide them with work wherever this was

The secretary of state assured the Reichstag that the government hoped that healthier agricultural conditions would be created so that the country laborers might

again prosper on the land. statement from Count von Possadowski-Wehner was taken as a direct bid for support from the government in connection with the tariff on grain.

The speaker further warned the country against the danger of overproduction and said that Germany would seen be past the industrial crisis.

Former Governor of Johanneshurg Faces Charge of Instigating a Murder.

Krause, the former governor of Johannesburg, on the charge of inciting Cornelius

Falling Buildings Destroy L. of Lord Roberts, opened at Old Balley toof the Inhabitants. the prisoner and his friends had
sen suspected of a design to explode dynain the court the precautions against mission of unauthorized persons have been more stringent. Every

> losely scrutinized and compelled to prodic a a card of admission. The prisoner pleaded not guilty and the solicitor general, Sir Edward Henry Carson. proceeded to detail the facts already testified to in the police court. Broecksman, whom Dr. Krause is alleged to have incited to the murder of Foster,

was executed by the British in South Africa. In the course of examination of the press censor of Johannesburg it transpired | ment of the Lakes. that the postoffice officials there were in the babit of sending to the censor all letters addressed to the United States consul, Mr. Gordon. The lord chief justice asked government appoint an inspector to inspect if such letters were subject to censorship. meat at the abattoir of Hugh Kennedy, who MEXICO CITY, Jan. 17.—One of the most on being informed that he was not bound is engaged in the packing business at South to reply, the censor declined to answer the Omaha. D. E. Saimon, head of the bureau, vault. Neeley made no record of these question. The evidence in the case was today sent word to the congressman that stamps, nor did Moya make out a requisicurred late yesterday afternoon. An ex- wholly a repetition of the facts already his request would be granted and that an tion for them. In answer to the fiscal's tremely violent carthquake shock was felt cabled. The defense submitted that no inspector would at once be assigned to at Chilpancingo, causing a great loss of statutory offense had been committed, as Kennedy's abattoir as soon as the new life and injuring many persons. Details there was no evidence that Brocksman had appropriation is available. Two years ago ever received the letters alleged to have Kennedy made application for an inspect records were kept in his office of the de-

LONDON, Jan. 17.-The trial of Dr.

hannesburg, to murder John Douglas Fos-

been written by Dr. Krause, The lord chief justice, Baron Alverstone and as many more injured. It is known intimated that he would deliver judgment request. This is an important matter to

disturbance. One of the edifices that Modification or Explanation of His partment for the reason that Mr. Kennedy Speech Deemed Unnecessary by

Commoners.

LONDON, Jan. 17 .- A. J. Balfour, the government leader, replied in the House of Commons today to a series of questions in regard to the reference in the recent by Germany on the subject of the utterances at Edinburgh of Mr. Chemberlain the colonial secretary. Mr. Balfour declared that no assurances had been asked by Germany, but in unofficial conversation Porto Rico, Mr. Cruzen's new post. The pointed out to the German ambassador that Mr. Chamberlain had made no charges of barbarity against the German or any other the direction of qualifying or withdrawing

the remarks of Mr. Chamberlain. Replying to another question, Mr. Balfour said Colonel Arthur Lynch, the recently elected member for Galway, who is said to have fought on the side of the Boers in South Africa, would be arrested immediately after landing on British soil.

GERMANS SECURE CONCESSION Anatolia Railroad Receives Permis sion to Build Line to the

Persian Gulf.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 17 .- An irade has been promulgated approving of the final convention for the construction of the Bagdad railroad by the German Anatolia railroad. A guarantee of 17,000 francs per kilometer is promised. The linwill be carried to the Persian gulf, but the proposal to fix the terminus at Kowelt is abandoned, owing to political considera-

tions. The concession for a line of railroad con necting the Bosphorus with the Persian gulf is regarded as extremely important, politically and commercially. When completed it will bring India within approximately eight days of London and it will open a new international granary and bring considerable part of Asia Minor under German influence. The German conces sion conflicts seriously with the Russian plans for the extension of the Siberian railroad toward India.

NO EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS Plans for Trading Captives Are Not Carried Out at Tobaga.

COLON, Colombia, Jan. 17 .- (Via Galveston.)-No exchange of prisoners took place at Tobaga yesterday in spite of the announcement that an exchange was to be effected then. The government commissioners and Captain Meade of the cruiser LONDON, Jan. 17 .- A blue book issued Philadelphia waited five hours fruitlessly government prisoners in charge.

> It is reported at Panama that General Castro recently engaged a detachment of the revolutionary forces and defeated them, though most of the liberals escaped to their vessel. Another report says liberal ships have been chasing the government gunboat Boyaca in the direction of Chiriqui. Both reports are unconfirmed.

The government fleet will probably eady to sail this evening.

relatives of fighting burghers in undis-turbed possession of their farms if Boths Exports for the Last Year Increase and Imports Fall

BERLIN, Jan. 17 .- The official provisional estimates of the foreign trade of Germany for 1901 give the imports at 5,567,500,000 marks, a decrease of 76,000,000 marks from the imports of 1900. The same authority gives the exports for 1901 at 4.759,000,000 marks, which is an increase of 7,000,000 marks over the exports for the preceding

The actual values of these imports and exports are much smaller than the figures here given, insomuch as the foregoing amounts are based on the price of goods prevailing in 1900.

OSCAR WANTS NEW INCOME TAX King of Sweden Advocates Progressive Laws in Opening Par-

linment.

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 17.-King Oscar opened the Swedish Parliament in person oday. In the speech from the throne his majesty expressed the earnest hope that house would grant the credits neces sary to render efficient all branches of the army and announced the introduction of bills extending the franchise for the election of members of the second chamber. providing for a progressive income tax and establishing an imperial insurance office. The king concluded with the expression

foreign powers,

sand Dollars to Make Captain William R. Grove to Assist Department of Missouri.

ANOTHER INSPECTOR AT SOUTH OMAHA

Hugh Kennedy's Petition for Government Official is Granted - Cruzen Starts for New Duties in Porte Rico.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 .- (Special Telegram.)-Captain William R. Grove is relieved from duty as assistant to the purchasing commissary at Chicago and will Major Albert Niskern, chief commissary, Department of the Missouri. Major Albert Niskern will then proceed to Chicago for duty as chief commissary of the Depart-

Congressman Robinson recently called industry for the purpose of having the tor, but at that time it was not deemed Kennedy, as the ordinances of Omaha pro-NO DEFENSE OF CHAMBERLAIN been inspected by the government. The former application was refused by the dewas not at that time doing an interstate trade, but his business has grown to such

> place. Ex-Senator and Mrs. Thurston entertained at a large reception tonight at their new home on W/oming avenue. The army,

represented. Cruzen Off for New Post.

A. R. Cruzen, wife and son left for New York to day and will sail tomorrow for Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, had temporary embarrassment resulting from the refusal of the solicitor general of the treasury to approve the bond of Mr. Cruzen because it was issued by a company not army. In the opinion of the government having an agent in the island, was obnothing was required to be said either in viated vesterday by the American Security company's serving notice on the secretary of treasury that it would put an agent in the island at once. Mr. Cruzen's bond thereupon was approved.

"The whole question in reference to the Chevenne and Standing Rock leases," said Senator Gamble today, "is whether the Indian office has been too hasty in making them. I believe that it is the best thing for the Indians that the grazing lands should be leased, but I also believe that the owners of small bunches of cattle, a few hundred each, should have been given a chance to combine their interests. This they could not do under the plan adopted, and I think a better arrangement might have been made which would have given our own people a chance to lease lands at perhaps better fig-

No Serious News of Pope.

Cardinal Martinelli, papal delegate to the United States, has received no advices from Rome concerning the reported illness of the pope. Nevertheless the cardinal is ready to start for Rome at a moment's notice to take part in the conclave which would meet ten days after the death of the pope to elect a new pontiff. "A cardinal is never notified of any illness of the pope," said an attache at the Catholic legation today, "unless the physicians announce that there is imminent danger of death. When this announcement s made the cardinal secretary of state casles the head of every nuncio and apostoli lelegation throughout the world. The firs official news here will come to Cardinal Martinelli. It will be his duty to notify the church in whose jurisdiction his home is situated. The bells of that church will be tolled constantly and in this way the people will be told that the head of the Catholic church is dying. Every cardinal and apostolic delegate will do likewise, and Catholics all over the world will congregate in their various parishes and pray for the departing successor of St. Peter.' Captain H. E. Palmer, chairman of the

national committee on the sanitarium for old soldiers at Hot Springs, S. D., is here to help push Senator Gamble's bill, which has been favorably reported by the senatcommittee.

Department Notes.

Jessie Jacob has been appointed postmaster at New Helena, Custer county, Neb., vice B. Smith, resigned.

Miss Emma E. Groff of Missouri Valley Ia., has been appointed clerk in the Des Moines pension agency.

The condition of Iowa banks December 10, exclusive of Des Moines, shows: Loans and discounts, \$60,471,427; gold coin, \$1,806, 690; lawful money reserve, \$4,542,617; in-dividual deposits, \$59,598,052; average reserve held, 26.64 per cent.

Postoffices established: Nebraska-North Star, Nance county Harrison I. Patten postmaster. Wyoming-Story, Sheridan county, Nathar

H. Gallant postmaster. Nick D. Gindback of Sioux Falls, S. D has been appointed fireman in the Postoffice department.

These rural free delivery routes hav

been ordered established March 1: Iowa-Comanche, Clinton county; area twenty-eight square miles; population, 540; Herbert Wilkies carrier; Dixon, Scott county; area, thirty-three square miles; opulation, 610; Horace G. King carrier. South Dakota - Hartford, Minnehaha county; area, thirty-four square miles; population, 576; Henry D. Borcherding carrier. Millbank, Custer county; area, seventy-two square miles; population, 1.140; E. J. Hinman and C. Porter carriers. Sherman, Minnehaha county; area, seventy-one square miles; population, 1,152; L. B. Locke and Swenson carriers

The postoffices at Allen Grove, Scott county, and St. Joseph, Grant county, S. D., will be discontinued.

NO NEWS OF THE MISSING SHIP British Sloop-of-War Condor Has Not Yet Arrived at Its Destingtion in Hawaii.

HONOLULU, Jan. 10.-The British sloopof-war Condor, long overdue from Victoria,

has not yet arrived at this port. Active work has begun on the Kona Kau railroad, which is to start from about of hope for a continuance of the good rela- Kailua, on the Kona coast of Hawali, and tions between Sweden and Norway and the run across the western and southern coast

Denies Giving Over the Four Thou-

HAVANA, Jan. 17 .- The cross-examination of Estes G. Rathbone, ex-director of ports of Cuba, at today's session of the court which is trying the charges growing

out of the Cuban postoffice frauds, brought out no new facts.

Counsel for W. H. Reeves, ex-deputy auditor for Cuba, who is also on trial, endeavored to put the responsibility on Rathbone for the neglect on the part of Cuban post, as failing to render monthly statements. Rathbone insisted that it was Reeves' duty to report irregularities of lic press has agitated the question of postthis kind. C. F. W. Neeley was called and examined by the flacal. Neeley said that he received his appointment from Washington and that Rathbone had made him proceed to Omaha for duty as assistant to chief of the finance bureau of the Cuban postoffice department after the organization of the Cuban postoffice system. He said that when the stamps were burned a certain amount was reserved for collectors. but he dld not know how many, and when the sales to collectors fell off he gave the upon the chief of the bureau of animal surcharged stamps to Senor Moya, a Cuban stamp clerk in the Havana office, instructing Moya to sell them.

He asserted that he took the money requestion as to why he had made no such record, Neeley explained that insofar as the new issue of stamps was concerned 1903. nominations sold, in order that he might advisable by the department to grant the be in a position to know what denominations to order from Washington. As to the matter of balancing the account, the hibit the sale of meats which have not stamps he turned over to Moya had no bearing thereon.

Neeley said he was charged with the whole amount of the value of the stamps delivered and that these he must account for either in stamps or money when called an extent that the government now feels upon to do so. For this reason, he said, it warranted in assigning an inspector to his made no difference whether these Mova sales were recorded. Instead of the stamps. he said, he had put the money in the vault. Necley denied having any interest in the Cowan Printing company of Muncie. Ind., navy and legislative circles were largely and said he had not received \$3,000 as commision from the Lock Box company that put in the lock boxes in the Havana postoffice. He explained that this company was the lowest bidder for that work.

Neeley was confronted by Reeves, who reiterated his statement that Neeley gave in 1903. him \$4,600 before leaving to make the books tally. Neeley answered that this was not so and that he was with an employe of the postoffice at the hour named by Reeves. At the request of Neeley's counsel, this employe will be summoned to testify. Neeley said he drew his salary for the coming month before he left Havana for the United States. The defense will contend that this action showed that Neeley needed money and under the circumstances would not give Reeves any.

OUTLAWS ESCAPE AT NIGHT Men Who Killed Two Officers After Being Surrounded by Posse Dis-

appear During Dirkness.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okl., Jan. 17 .- The outlaws who killed the sheriff of Caddo county and his deputy, who were believed last night to be surrounded by a posse twenty miles south of Anadarko, are thought to have made their escape under cover of darkness. No trace of them could be found at daylight. The outlaws, It to now believed, belong to the old Miller gang, whose haunts are in the breaks of Little

river. A telephone message from Anadarko late today says the outlaws have again been surrounded, this time in the Keechi hills, thirty miles southeast of Anadarko, in a rough country, from which it is almost impossible to drive them. The officers are guarding every avenue of escape and will

try to starve the gang out. GUTHRIE, Okl., Jan. 17 .- A company of soldiers left Fort Sill to aid the posses in the pursuit of the highwaymen who murdered Sheriffs Smith and Beck Wednesday morning. It is announced that the men are surrounded in the brush at the headwaters of Beaver creek near Rush springs. The bloodhounds tracked the robbers to that point from Apache and were then called off. not being allowed to enter the brush. The posse then surrounded the brush and began a siege while awaiting reinforcements. It was for this place that the troops started.

FARMER FIGHTS WITH WOLVES

Defends His Life Against Pack of Victors Animals with Serious Results.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 17 .- A special to the Pioneer-Press from La Crosse, Wis.,

SAVS: After a desperate struggle with a pack of wolves, Clay Halesrud, a well-known conclusion. If, however, they refuse to do farmer, residing about ten miles north of here, lies in a critical condition. His physicians say he cannot live.

Last night Halesrud was awakened by a disturbance among the animals in his barnyard. Going out, he was surrounded by a pack of wolves. He attempted to regain his house before escape was entirely cut off, but before he had gone twenty feet the wolves were snapping and snarling at his heels.

The farmer attempted to defend himself with a club, which he had snatched up, but several times he was forced to the ground with the wolves upon him. Each time, however, he managed to fight them off until he regained his feet. Fighting his way inch by inch, he finally succeeded in congress should desire this fair postponed reaching the door of his dwelling, and, half fainting, he staggered in and drew the bolt. Wolves have been so numerous and their work so destructive in this vicinity of late that an organized effort is being made to hunt them down

SCHLEY'S FIRST ADDRESS dmiral is Expected to Say Some thing of National Interest at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.-Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley has reserved his first public utterance since the recent famous Sampson-Schley controversy and court of inquiry for a Chicago audience. When the nero of Santiago stands before the banquet board as the guest of honor of the Hamilton club at the Auditorium a week from tomorrow night it is expected he will say something of national interest.

Official announcement was made to thi effect today. Just what the tenor of the admiral's remarks will be is not definitely known, but it is said for some time the admiral has wished to be placed in a position where he could make a public statement even brief in character, but under circumstances removing him from chance of official or other censor.

St. Louis Does Not Intend to Delay World's Expesition.

CONTRARY REPORTS OFFICIALLY DENIED

Executive Committee Issues Specific and Complete Repudiation of Rumors of Postponing the Great Event.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17 .- "Whereas, the pubponement of the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

"Resolved. That under the act of congress and under every plan of the board of di- and Charles Berger, laborers at the Proctor rectors and executive committee the expo- & Gamble soap works, were asphyxiated in WATER COMPANY ASKS FOR REDUCTION sition will open and close in the year 1903." These resolutions were unanimously adopted at a meeting of the executive committee of the Louisiana Purchase Exposi- track into another tank. The oil is what effect that the world's fair might have to considerable of the product remains on the be postponed from 1903 to 1904.

President D. R. Francis and Director Busch enter through a cupola on top, scrape the of the world's fair company as intimating oil remaining on the sides and bottom to- kept order at the Board of Equalization that the Louisiana Purchase exposition gether and scoop it up. Berger went into meeting yesterday afternoon. might not be held until 1904, created surprise among those who have from the first Much longer time than was necessary for and shouted himself hourse in his attempt consistently adhered to the statement that him to clean out the car had clapsed before to reconcile members of the Real Estate the world's fair would open and close in he was missed and a search was made, exchange and friends of the five franchised

Louisiana Purchase Exposition company, face downward at the bottom. Hagemeyer \$3,600,000. when shown the Associated Press dispatch from Washington expressed his surprise. committee was speedily issued. In the out, "Oh, let me out!" fell dead. absence of President Francis, W. H. Thompson, vice chairman of the committee, presided. Those members present were: Charles Knapp, Howard Elliott, Murray Carleton, L. D. Dozier, James Campbell, A. L. Shapleigh and Breckinridge Jones.

The matter for which the meeting was called was discussed at considerable length, all present being of the opinion, it was stated, that the original intention of the holding of the world's fair in 1903 should be adhered to.

It is well and generally understood that President Francis, the board of directors and the executive committee are working harmoniously for the opening of the fair The following dispatcth was sent today:

"To the Secretary of State, Department of State, Washington: In behalf of the city of St. Louis and of the directors of the Louislana Purchase Exposition company, we desire, most earnestly, to solicit your assistance to the end that St. Louis may be included in the itinerary of Prince Henry. A formal invitation will be forwarded by mail.

"ROLLA WELLS, Mayor, "DAVID R. FRANCIS, President." Among the roads whose managers are said to be figuring on connections that will enable them to operate passenger trains

between the two points are the Santa Fe Burlington and Northwestern. It is not believed that any of these companies will seek to effect permanent through lines be tween Chicago and St. Louis, but rather will attempt to lease or secure a one or two years' lease and a contract with some of the many existing short lines that cover the state which could be utilized as through routes if necessary. Many of the small roads, it is said, would be very willing to lease trackage rights for train provided their local business was not interfered

Francis Firmly Denies Postponement WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.-Ex-Governor Francis tonight in response to a request from the Associated Press made the following statement regarding reports that

the Louisiana Purchase exposition would be postponed: "I was much surprised to learn that statement had been printed to the effect that had virtuelly admitted that the fair would be postponed. I have never advocated nor contemplated such action. On behalf of the local company I desire to say

that it can be ready for the exposition i 1903 and will be ready. "When some newspaper men asked me oday if the fair would be postponed and made a negative reply I was asked if we could not prepare a better fair in 1904 than in 1903. I replied, 'Yes,' and so can we

prepare a better fair for 2004 than for 1904. I cannot say why this statement should be construed as an admission that the Louisiana exposition would be postponed from the date fixed by congress and announced by the president in his proclamation inviting foreign countries to particl

pate. "Some of the European governments have sent replies declining, and one object of my visit here is to ask the department and the administration to bring additional pressure on such governments to reconsider their so it would not mean that St. Louis would not have exhibits from those countries, as our commissioners would make appeals to manufacturers and others exhibitors therein. One or more of the foreign countries have given as reasons for their decli nation that they have not time in which to prepare. Whether the governments so declining would participate in the event of a postponement has not been ascertained. "I am still in conference with the State department and trust that within the next few days some plan will be evolved whereby foreign governments that have declined can be induced to reconsider.

"If," continued Governor Francis, "the State department or the administration or in order to give foreign governments longer time in which to prepare I have no doubt the local corporation would readily accede to such wishes.'

"Do you expect that such a contingenc will arise?" the governor was asked. "No, I do not expect it, but firmly be lieve that everything will be in readiness and the fair will open on time."

SECURES ANOTHER SENTENCE Preacher Released from Ohio Penttentiary Goes to Michigan

Prison for Fraud. DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 17 .- Judge Swan of he United States district court today sentenced Rev. G. F. B. Howard, who had previously pleaded guilty to using the mails to obtain money under false pretenses at

Horton, Mich., to two and a half years in the Detroit house of correction. Howard, who is well known throughout the country, was arrested by a United States marshal in Columbus several months ago as he left the Ohio penitentiary after serving a nine-year senience and was brought here. He made an eloquent and pathetic plea for mercy, but Judge Swan, although he was much effected by it, said that sentence must be imposed.

At Hawburg—Arrived: Patricia, from New York.

At Havre—Arrived: L'Aquitaine, from New York for Antwerp.

At Queenstown—Arrived: Cmyrio, from New York for Liverpool.

At Liverpool—Sailed: Parisian, for Halifax and Si Johns, N. B. Arrived: Numidian, from St. Johns, N. B., and Halifax.

At Hawburg—Arrived: Patricia, from New York.

At Havre—Arrived: L'Aquitaine, from New York for Liverpool. the Detroit house of correction. Howard, New

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER DEMAND EQUAL Forecast for Nebraska-Generally Fair Sat-

8 p. m...... 9 p. m.....

urday, Except Snow in East Portion Colder Sunday; Northwesterly Winds. Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hour. Deg 1 p. m..... 45 Hour. Deg. 5 a. m..... 32 7 m. m 32 3 p. m...... 4 p. m..... S A. M...... 34 5 p. m 10 a. m..... 37 6 p. m..... 45

TWO MEN ARE ASPHYXIATED

Die in Oil Tank While Scraping the Substance from Sides.

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12 m..... 42

CINCINNATI, Jan. 17.-Harry Hagemeyer

a remarkable manner in an oil tank today. Both men were at work pumping a tank of cottonseed oil from a tank car on the tion company this afternoon, to set at rest is known as the second product of cottonstatements coming from Washington to the seed oil. It is as thick as molasses and sides and bottom of the tank after the pump The dispatches from Washington quoting has exhausted its efforts. Workmen then the car tank to do this part of the work. Karr broke several gavels into splinters Hagemeyer and another employe looked William H. Thompson, treasurer of the through the cupola and saw Berger lying Estate exchange is seeking to have raised immediately descended into the tank. He stooped over and raised Berger's arm, but A call for a meeting of the executive dropped it almost instantly, and, crying

INDIANS GET THEIR MONEY Redskins Become Pencenble on Receiving Payment for Land Titles.

DOWAGIAC, Mich., Jan. 17.-Today every man, woman and child in the Pottawattamie tribe of Indians received from Attorney Robert Baines of Chicago a check for \$100. Yesterday the probate judge of the county interfered and directed that the money should not be paid to the Indians, but to their guardians.

Today the matter was argued before the judge and it was shown that the Indians were badly in need of money and the court withdrew his objections, allowing the payment to be made. Tonight the Indians are in a very friendly mood, and some of the younger ones are celebrating, but there is no disorder.

For the money thus paid the Indians surrender their equity in very valuable \$20,000 worth of personal property under lands along the lake front in Chicago. The cover. Mr. Poppleton resented the statepurchasers, it is said, will endeavor to establish the tribal rights to the property in question, their purpose being to wrest the land from the present holders.

THROWN FROM WRECKED TRAIN affront and exclaimed: Five Passengers Hurled from Track. but Only Three Seri-

ously injured. LAFAYETTE, La., Jan. 17 .- The fast Southern Pacific passenger train, which left New Orleans today, was wrecked this afternoon at Code station, twelve miles east of this city. Five passenger cars were thrown from the track, but only three persons were seriously hurt. The injured:

Dr. Smyson, Solcum, Ala., internal inurles Dr. Bocker, Detroit, leg hurt. Mrs. C H. Lambert, Buffalo, N. Y., in-

jured internally. The injured were brought here and sent to a hotel and are reported as doing well.

ORMAN WILL ISSUE THE CALL Governor of Colorado Will Convene Legislature in a Special Seasion.

DENVER, Jan. 17 .- Governor Orman today announced that he will issue a call tomorrow or on Sunday for a special session of the legislature to consider the following

subjects: The revenue bill which was attacked by he trusts and pronounced unconstitutional in part by the courts; the control of the corporations, especially railroad, by a commission or other, an employers' liability bill and a measure for financing the Gunnison tunnel and canal for irrigating pur-

PREACHER KILLS STEPSON Enraged Man Plunges Fatal Knife and in Fatally Wounded Himself.

ALTON, Ill., Jan. 17 .- The Rev. Mr. Gidding tonight stabbed to death his stepson Harry Highfield, and was himself perhaps fatally injured, sustaining two fractured ribs, besides internal injuries. The affair took place three miles east of Shipman, Ill The tragedy was the culmination of a feud of long standing between the father and son, dating from the marriage of the boy's mother five years ago. Highfield had just returned from three years' service in the Philippines.

SAYS COULD NOT LIVE ALONE Young Woman Kills Herself for a Man Accused of Wife Murder.

MUNCIE, Ind., Jan. 17.-Miss Edna Cook committed suicide late tonight at the Commercial hotel, where she rented a room for the purpose. She left a note saying that she could not live without Charley Pittser, the discharged soldier who shot his young bride to death on Tuesday. Pittser, it is said, tried to shoot this girl at a Yorktown dance a month ago, but was prevented by Marshall Leonard. Miss Cook went to see Pittser in jail last night.

Movements of Ocean Vessels Jan. 17 At New York—Arrived: Cathegian, from Glasgow: La Savole, from Havre; Columbia, from Genoa and Naples.
At Bostom—Arrived: Ultonia, from Liverpool and Queenstown.
At Antwerp—Arrived: Klek, from San Francisco via St. Vincent, C. V.
At Singapore—Arrived: Tenka, from Senttle, etc., for Liverpool.
At Boulogne—Salled: Amsterdam, from Rotterdam, for New York.
At Hamburg—Arrived: Patricia, from New York.

Real Estate Men Make Complaint Against Corporation Assessments.

INSIST ON TAXING FRANCHISE VALUES

Offer Valuation Figures Based on Capitalization of Companies.

FRANCHISE OWNERS MAKE AN ARGUMENT

Lawyers Dony Board's Right to Make Changes on Showing.

Session of Equalization Board Enlivened by War of Words Between Hascall, Poppleton and Hall -No Action Yet.

An army of blacksmiths could not have corporations whose assessments the Real

For three hours and a half the war kept up, to the great amusement of several hundred representative men, who gathered in the council chamber to hear the corporation assessments discussed. Poppleton, interlocutor for the Real Estate exchange, and R. S. Hall, attorney for the Omaha Water company, were the most bellicose of the orators, and came dangerously near to blows several times during the afternoon.

The meeting was like an old-fashioned country debating society. The opposing factions lined up on different sides of the hall. It was announced that the afternoon would be divided into periods and that speakers for the exchange and for the corporations would alternate. The plans miscarried. From three to thirty men spoke much of the time.

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It was a polite meeting until W. S. Poppleton took his turn at the corporations. Before Mr. Poppleton reached Councilman Hazcall explained with care that the corporations had some interesting things to say of Mr. Poppleton and had filed a complaint stating that he has ment and declared that it was a falsehood and had been prepared by some person who was interested in having corporation assessments cut down. As he spoke he looked at R. S. Hall, who resented the

"I want you to understand, Mr. Poppleton, that I had nothing to do with filing a charge against you and do not care to have you stare at me when you make

such statements." "Oh, I thought it was you. ways adopting such methods," Mr. Poppleton retorted.

The repartee that followed was a little too strong to go on record. Mr. Poppleton demanded that it be shown what property he has in hiding. Councilman Hascall suggested that \$400 worth of property is said to be silver plate. Mr. Poppleton denied that he had any such amount of silver and denounced the man who had circulated a report to the effect that he has not made honest returns to the tax

commissioner. War of Words Continues

The war inspired by Councilman Hascall's remark continued throughout the after noon. Friends of Mr. Poppleton attempted to prevent Councilman Hascall from gaining the floor to make interpolations in the speeches of their champions, but the councilman was not awed by their hissing and

jeering. F. D. Wead was the first speaker of the afternoon. He made a detailed statement of the property of the five corporations under discussion and urged that a total increase of \$3,000,000 in their assessments would bring them up to practically the same basis upon which realty is assessed. C. F. Harrison followed with a plea for the increase of the corporation assessments and showed the disparity between them and the assessments upon The Bee building, the New York Life building and other

well known structures. The first speaker for the corporations was W. W. Morsman. He spoke in the interest of the Nebraska Telephone company. He expressed surprise that the Real Estate exchange had not asked his company for information concerning its property and contended that the real estate men have no data upon which to base their claim that the company is not assessed high enough. Mr. Morsman stated that the personal property of the company can be replaced for \$400,000 with new materials and argued that the assessment of \$109,000 is great enough when the depreciation of the property is taken into

onsideration. School Board Protests.

M. F. Funkhouser presented the resoluion of the Board of Education asking that the assessments of the corporations be increased and empowering the attorney for the Board of Education to mandamus the council in case it refused to increase the assessments. The communication was read to the board and was greeted with loud applause from the real estate men. E. M. Fairfield presented a protest from

the water works company and asked that the assessment of the company's personal property be reduced from \$575,000 to \$390,-000. He named eight mercantile companies in the city which are paying taxes on from 8 per cent to 19 per cent of the valuation of their stocks, judging from the amount of insurance carried by them. He also named many prominent citizens of Omaha and gave the amounts of personal property upon which they pay taxes, as follows: Herman Kountze, \$4,075; A. L. Reed, \$500; Alvin Saunders' estate, \$525; Frank Murphy, \$1,300; Guy C. Barton, \$4,300; W. S. Poppleton, \$660; H. W. Yates, \$1,150; E. A. Cudahy, \$2,000. Granting that the sums upon which these men pay taxes represent 40 per cent of their personal property, the entire amount of their combined personal property would be \$36,275. Mr. Fairfield said it was absurd to maintain that these estates have only this small amount of personal property and urged that an in crease be made in their assessments.

Many Interests Represented. "The Commercial club, the Real Estate exchange, the press and the citizens of Omaha are a unit in demanding an increase in the assessments of the franchised cor-