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CURRENT COMMENT.

Worms has escaped bad storms this winter and the cattle are in first class condition.

HENRICH, town clerk of Berlin, is a defaulter for a large sum. He attempted suicide.

Rev. Dr. SPURGEON, the famous London Baptist preacher, has about recovered from the gout.

The Court of Cassa has conferred the highest possible decoration on the French Minister of Finance.

PRESIDENT HARRISON expresses himself as considerably troubled over the case of the South.

The mother of ex-Governor Warmouth, of Louisiana, has been awarded a Mexican pension with back pay from 1857.

It is rumored that the Duke of Cambridge, Field Marshal and Commander-in-Chief of the British forces, will resign.

POWER, Superintendent of the Census, has prepared instructions to supervisors desiring speedy and correct work.

The schooner John Hancock and a cargo of pearls has been stolen from the Chinese Company in Southern California.

The Chippewa Indians in Wisconsin propose to lay claim to land worth \$200,000 on the ground that only mineral rights were ceded.

EMERSON FRANCIS JOSEPH intimates to the burgomaster of Peeth that he will not reside in the palace there if Kosuth is elected as a citizen.

The first attempt at lighting the British museum by electricity has been successfully accomplished. The museum will be open to the public during the evening.

HENRY SCHMIDT imported workmen for his St. Louis tailor shop and was fined \$10,000 for the offense. He has fled for a remittance of the fine on account of ignorance.

JACOB WOOLKEL, of Peoria, a large stockholder of the whisky trust, states that the whisky trust will be incorporated under the laws of Illinois instead of running as a voluntary combine.

At the Treasury Department it is stated that the lease of Castle Garden would terminate March 31 and that suitable quarters for emigrants would be secured on Governor's island, which will be entirely under Government control.

The bureau of the French Chamber of Deputies have elected a Tariff Committee. The debates which have taken place in the various bureaus indicate that a majority of the men chosen as members of the committee are in favor of protection.

The steamship La Plac, which left Rio Janeiro January 3, has arrived at New York. First Mate Chase says there was no flag which was recognized throughout Brazil. The people of each province had a flag of their own.

SECRETARY NOBLE has had a conference with Senator Platt, chairman of the Senate Committee on Territories, in regard to the bill to establish a territorial form of government in Oklahoma and also upon the Oklahoma Townsite bill. The Secretary urged upon the Senator the necessity of securing speedy action by Congress upon both bills.

He regarded the situation in Oklahoma as grave, and was fearful that unless Congress provided a temporary form of government and took early measures for the adjudication of land disputes there would be considerable fighting and bloodshed between rival land claimants and their friends.

HUGH GARLAND MEKUM, aged twenty-five years, died at Mount Navage, near Cumberland, Md., recently of typhoid fever. He is the young civil engineer who two years ago made himself famous by walking into the very jaws of death in a successful endeavor to save human life. One of the mines operated by the Consolidated Coal Company had been driven into an old working that contained millions of gallons of water. The men outside were apprised of the mishap by seeing a torrent rushing out of the drift. Young Meekum started into the mine alone against the stream which was up to his armpits. He found the mine assembled together in a chamber awaiting death, told them to follow him and taking a boy on his shoulders led the whole party safely out.

The Herald of Baltimore, Md., has the following: "Thomas A. Jones, the Marylander who refused a reward of \$200,000 to betray the whereabouts of Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Lincoln, was in Baltimore yesterday. He said: 'It was reported at the time that Booth was secreted in the vaults of the old Catholic church at Fort Tobacco Point, now known as Chapel Point, a submarine landing, but such was not the case. He was in fact at that time hidden in a pine thicket about a mile and a half from the farm of Samuel Cox. All I did for Booth was done as a mark of friendship for Mr. Cox, who was a life-long friend of mine. I did not know Booth, but when Mr. Cox put him in my charge nothing could have tempted me to betray him.'

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Classed By Telegraph and Mail.

CONGRESS. AFTER the disposition of several resolutions, the Senate on the 27th reconsidered the bill to build a bridge across the Missouri river in Douglas County, Neb., amended in so as to provide that the bridge shall not be constructed within one-third of a mile of any existing bridge, and again passed it.

Senator Chandler's resolution calling for the report of the United States marshal of the Northern District of Mississippi concerning recent alleged outrages in that State was then debated until adjournment. After the introduction of bills in the House Mr. O'Connell (Ky.) offered a resolution congratulating the people of Brazil upon the peaceful establishment of a Republic and recognizing the same, which was referred. The bill appropriating \$2,000,000 for the building of three United States prisons for the imprisonment of United States prisoners was considered and finally passed. Pending a motion to reconsider the House adjourned.

AFTER the usual routine work the Senate on the 28th took up the bill to audit and pay to the several States of the United States the several States of the United States all collected duties under the direct tax of 1863. For some time the bill was passed. (The direct tax bill passed by the House and Senate and voted.) The Senate then resumed consideration of Senator Chandler's resolution as to alleged outrages in that State by Indians, by certain parties in Aberdeen, Miss., and the debate continued until adjournment. The House passed a bill providing that in cases of pension claims dependent parents it shall be necessary to show to the pension office that the parents are without other means of support than manual labor. Mr. Dorsey (Neb.) reported a bill from the Banking Committee to provide for the issue of circulating notes to National banking associations which was considered at some length and went over. Mr. Peters (Kan.) introduced a bill setting apart certain lands in Wisconsin for the propagation of buffaloes, and the House adjourned.

The session of the Senate on the 28th was brief and uneventful. Senator Ingalls offered a long preamble and resolution as to debts due by Southern States on Indian trust funds and the direct tax of 1863 and calling on the Secretary of the Treasury to furnish information on the subject, which was agreed to. Senator Mitchell then addressed the Senate on the bill for the free coinage of silver, and after an executive session the Senate adjourned. When the House met Mr. Daisell (Pa.) called up the contested election case of Smith vs. Jackson, from the Fourth West Virginia district, when Mr. Crisp (Ga.) raised the question of consideration. Upon the question the Democrats refrained from voting, and no quorum having voted Speaker Reed directed the clerk to record the Democrats not voting as present. This led to a storm that lasted during the sitting and the House adjourned without reaching any final result.

In the Senate on the 28th the bill instructing the Census Superintendent to collect information about farm mortgages was passed. The House bill as to duty on silk ribbons was passed. Senator Vance then addressed the Senate on the bill to provide for colored immigration. Senator Hampton followed, at the conclusion of whose speech the Senate adjourned. The House continued in an uproar all day on a partisan wrangle and accomplished nothing.

NOTHING was done in the Senate on the 29th. The session of the House was characterized by the same disorderly proceedings of the two previous days, the fight being a parody on the one before. The House adjourned without reaching any final result.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL. JUDGE LOUIS GOTTSCHALK, formerly of St. Louis but more recently of California, has been appointed Consul at Stuttgart, Germany.

RILEY BUNNETT, the noted organ manufacturer, died in Chicago the other night.

GENERAL CAREY, chief of engineers, has made a report adverse to the passage of the Senate bill to authorize the substitution of a pivot draw bridge across the Missouri river at Leavenworth in place of the present pontoon bridge.

JUDGE LOVE, of the United States District Court at Dubuque, Iowa, has refused to confirm the sale of the Fort Madison & Northwestern railway for \$29,000. He will order the road abandoned if a fair price is not offered.

The lower house of the New York Legislature has passed the World's Fair bill. Only one negative vote was cast.

CONRAD SKIPP, the millionaire Chicago brewer, is dead.

The Republican Club of New York will celebrate the birthday of Abraham Lincoln February 19 by a banquet at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. The principal speech will be made by Senator Ingalls in response to the toast, "To the Memory of Abraham Lincoln."

EDITOR M. H. DE YOUNG, of the San Francisco Chronicle, was reported seriously sick from pneumonia.

The Brazilian Republic was formally recognized by President Harrison on the 29th.

A NUMBER of French priests have arrived in Madrid. They state that they recently met Dr. Peters, the German explorer, concerning whose death many conflicting reports have been received, at Koki. He was in good health.

CHARLES EDWARD LESTER, the New York author and old-time abolitionist, died at Detroit, Mich., recently.

PHISILLA DECATUR TWIGG, aged eighty-eight, died at Philadelphia recently. She was related to several remarkable and historical personages.

The Ohio Senate recognized Hon. A. V. MARQUIS (Democrat) as Lieutenant-Governor by a strictly party vote—18 to 10.

JUDGE MANISTY, of the Queen's Bench division of the British High Court of Justice, died in London on the 31st.

The eldest daughter of Hon. James G. BLAINE, wife of Colonel Coppinger, was reported seriously sick at Washington on the 31st.

MISCELLANEOUS. LIEUTENANT WILLIAM D. WRIGHT, lately in charge of the signal service sea coast telegraph lines in New England, is missing. An examination of his money accounts shows him a defaulter to the amount of \$200.

Mrs. BOGGS, of Waverly, O., while returning home through a field the other evening, was attacked by a vicious hog. Before assistance reached her she was so horribly mangled that she can not recover.

PRESIDENT CLASSEN, of the Sixth National Bank, New York, and a broker named Pell have been arrested for frauds in the attempted wrecking of the bank. Cashier Colson gave information which led to the frustration of a gigantic swindle. Classen had but recently obtained control. The Lenox Hill and the Equitable, two other banks, were also involved.

It was at first thought that there was only one life lost in the burning of the De Soto near Owensboro, Ky., that of Brown Richardson, the colored fireman. William Steinasser, of Tibbett street, Newport, is missing, and the officers think he was lost. He was the second cook.

The annual report of the New York State Lunacy Commission shows many instances of abuses in the county management of insane asylums. The State institutions compare favorably with those of the country.

A PARTY of boys went skating on the river at East Dubuque the other evening. Two of them, Lewis Pierce, of East Dubuque, and Bert Clark, of St. Paul, skated into an air-hole and both were drowned.

GEORGE TONKER, a Choctaw negro, was hanged at Fort Smith, Ark., on the 30th for the murder of Irwin Richardson, a rival for a woman's favors. A year ago Toller's two brothers were hanged at Wichita, Kan., for murder in the Territory.

A BRIDGE at Dusseldorf, Germany, was carried away by the floods. The wreckage of the structure collided with a ferry boat, which capsized, and eight of the passengers were drowned.

AT Morgan, Calhoun County, Ga., during a race conflict, one white man was fatally shot and others seriously wounded. A number of negroes were also shot, but none killed. The row was caused by a drunken negro striking a white child.

SHERIFF HALE, of Independence County, Ark., gave a mob which wanted to hang young Schreiber, who had shot his sweetheart and rival, the slip and put his prisoner in the penitentiary.

THERE was a riot of glass workers on strike at Gablon, Bohemia, recently. The factory was wrecked and two of the rioters were killed.

A DISPATCH from Pictou, N. S., says the steamer Stanley, from Pictou for Charlottetown, with mails and passengers, was stuck fast in the ice five miles off Pictou, and could not move in any direction.

SUIT has been commenced in St. Louis against the "Frisco road for money due the State of Missouri.

THE Government of Cuba intends to impose a new duty upon all sales of sugar and molasses made on the island. The Chamber of Commerce of Havana has presented to the Intendant of the Treasury an energetic protest against the measure.

JOHN KUNKER, the Cronin suspect, who is now out on \$5,000 bail, walked into court at Chicago on the 31st and demanded a new trial. The case was continued to the next term of court.

FAT GRANT, "Railroad Laborer," is held in \$2,000 bail for libel on Dr. Keilly, the Irish, National League. The article was published in the Chicago Inter Ocean.

FIVE warships of the Turkish navy were launched at Constantinople on the 31st.

THE Capital Wagon Company, of Lansing, Mich., has failed with \$24,774 liabilities and \$121,216 nominal resources.

BUSINESS failures (Dun's report) for the seven days ended January 30 numbered (including Canada) 391, compared with 328 the previous week and 333 the corresponding week of last year.

ORDERS have been issued from Washington to allow matters to remain in statu quo in Oklahoma until Territorial Government is established.

THREE single houses and a double block in the town of Plains, about four miles from Wilkesbarre, Pa., dropped nearly out of sight the other day, the cause being caused by the "robbing" of pillars from the coal mines under the town.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES. CLEARING house returns for the week ended February 1 showed an average increase of 14.9 compared with the corresponding week of last year. In New York the increase was 17.1.

DISCOUNT was in demand in London during the week ended February 1. Business was generally better. American railroad securities improved. The Continental bourses were also reported better compared with the corresponding week.

THE Senate was not in session on the 1st. The House passed the day in confusion over the contested election cases, the Speaker continuing to count non-voting Democrats as present, to constitute a quorum.

THE Brazilian Cabinet overcame its recent crisis. Minister Robiera resigning, his place being taken by Francisco Gralorio.

Mrs. ALICE COPPINGER, eldest daughter of Hon. James G. Blaine, died at Washington on the 2d from brain fever, the result of an attack of influenza. Mr. Blaine was the recipient of much sympathy over the death of his daughter, following so soon after the demise of his son, Walker Blaine.

Mrs. PRESIDENT HARRISON has abolished the custom of hand-shaking at receptions and will inaugurate other social changes at the White House.

THERE was a riot at the Polish Church of Buffalo, N. Y., on the 2d, caused by an attempt of the unpopular priest to celebrate mass. Several policemen were injured, the congregation using brick-bats. Nine arrests were made.

THREE men were killed, three fatally injured and five entombed by an explosion in the Nottingham shaft at Wilkesbarre, Pa., recently.

Dr. EDWARD MCGILVER was recently seriously attacked with bronchitis.

The schooner John Hancock, reported to have been seized by the pirates, has arrived at San Francisco.

ALBERT NITZKE, the Cincinnati banker who left this country to avoid testifying in the Ives trial in New York, is reported to have established an immense electric light franchise in Rio Janeiro.

Ten influenza has assumed a virulent form in the City of Mexico and there have been many deaths. United States Minister Ryan's son was in a dangerous condition.

In a saloon room at Central City, N. M., the other night Henry Brooks, a colored soldier, shot and killed Deputy Sheriff Dallas and a colored woman named Carrie Drug and seriously wounded a second man. He was wounded himself in the affray.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS.

An insane youth from Waverly, named Post, was captured at the residence of Mike Kennedy, three miles north of Weeping Water, the other night. He rode a horse that was about worn out and asked to remain and rest until night when he wanted to go on, he said. Kennedy judged he was not right in his mind and sent to town for an officer, who made the arrest.

Miss ANNA ANDERSON died at Bertrand recently from injuries received in a runaway two weeks previous.

CAMPBELL has been recently incorporated and among the first ordinances adopted was one prohibiting boys from being out on the streets after eight o'clock in the evening.

The new residence of Mont Lloyd, living near Nebraska City, burned to the ground the other night. Loss \$7,000, insured for \$4,000.

In the district court at Nebraska City the other day the American Loan and Trust Company secured judgment on a mortgage against the Nebraska City Water and Light Company for \$1,628.10, and the court appointed Fred B. Smith a commissioner to sell the mortgaged property.

A PROMINENT Nebraska farmer says: "When my hogs become sick and refuse to eat, instead of doing them with medicine I load a few of them into a wagon and take them out riding, driving pell-mell over the lots and pastures, seeking the roughest places I can find. After a few such drives hogs that before refused to eat begin to feed and get better. I have not lost a single hog since I began the treatment."

SOME time ago a resolution was adopted by the State Board of Transportation by a unanimous vote instructed the secretary to prepare and report a schedule of rates for the State based on the Iowa tariffs. A few days later by a vote of four to one they rescinded that resolution, Attorney-General Leese voting in the negative. The majority of the board claimed that they wanted immediate relief on the corn rates, which the roads had agreed to grant, but they would contest in the courts a general revision.

A HEAVY fire at Osceola destroyed the livery stable owned by Durham & Stalaker, together with the Commercial Hotel, owned by Theodore Beebe. Durham and Stalaker lost ten head of horses, all the harness, robes, etc., and some of the carriages. J. L. Makeover's Little Boy, a trotter that he valued at \$1,000, was burned with the barn. Mrs. Burkhardt's dwelling was also destroyed.

YELLOW OCHER has been discovered at Indianola and a company will be organized to develop the bed.

The Brady Island bridge, which is the longest that spans the Platte river, measuring 4,792 feet, has been completed.

AL BRIMBATHON, about eighteen years old, accidentally shot himself in the breast with a musket at Franklin the other day, resulting in his death.

In the Federal Court at Lincoln the other day Horace R. Chase, superintendent of the Government Indian school at Genoa, was found guilty of keeping false books and presenting false vouchers to the Government for articles alleged to have been purchased and sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,500 and the costs of prosecution, and stand committed until paid.

NELSON OLSON, a settler living eight miles northwest of Grant, was pursued the other morning by a pack of eight gray wolves. Olson mounted a horse and escaped to his cabin.

ANDREW NORD, a farmer living west of Oakland, was recently badly if not fatally injured by the discharge of a gun. He was preparing to go out hunting and was standing near the door in the house leaning on the gun with both hands over the muzzle when some children who were playing near accidentally touched the hammer, discharging the gun. The charge passed through both hands and struck him in the face.

A BAKING forgery was perpetrated at the State Bank in Columbus the other day about noon. A man went into the bank with a check for \$642.10, purporting to have been signed by W. T. Rickey, a cattle and hog buyer of that city. The cashier paid the money but did not discover that it was a forgery for two or three hours after. During this time the forger had escaped.

D. L. WHITNEY, of Beatrice, was badly injured by a gasoline explosion the other morning.

REV. DAY, a Methodist minister of Union, while on his way to his congregation the other night, was held up about one mile south of Nebraska City and robbed of what money he possessed, three dollars. That was the meanest thief who has yet made a record in Nebraska.

A BURGALAR broke into the depot at Benedict the other night, but securing nothing of value he turned his attention to the stables of J. H. C. Brewer, a wealthy farmer, and helped himself to the best horse he could find.

Mrs. E. W. BRYANT, wife of a prominent business man of Tekamah, accidentally ran a pin in her eye the other day and will lose the sight of that optic.

The banquet to be given by the business men of Fullerton to the mill firm, capitalists and newspaper men of May 21.

BRAYERS are thick in Red Willow County, one man living near the Republican river trapping an even dozen in twelve nights.

A SCOTIA minister has discovered that more than \$7,000 is spent every year in that place for tobacco and only twice that sum for flour.

MORE than half the population of Campbell is in grips.

THOMAS WATLES, an old gentleman of Kearney, recently fell on the icy sidewalk and broke his thigh, from which he died several days later.

GEORGE SMITH, formerly a colored soldier, living near Fort Niobrara, was run over and instantly killed the other morning by the 3:30 eastern express, near Valentine. Smith went to town the previous night and after drinking heavily started for home in an intoxicated condition. It is supposed he went to sleep on the track, as his mangled remains were found between the rails next morning.

HORRIBLE FIRE.

A Holocaust in a Boston Tenement House.

A Second Disastrous Fire in Boston—Great Mass at Danbury, Conn.—Also One at Kenosha, Wis.

BOSTON, Feb. 2.—By the fire in the dwelling house 359 and 361 North street occupied mostly by Italians, yesterday morning, it is now known that ten persons were burned to death, three others fatally injured and six more seriously if not mortally hurt.

There is a diversity of accounts as to the circumstances of the origin of the fire, the alarm and the rescue. It is believed that the fire started in the clothing store of Maurice Ruhey on the first floor and some minutes before it was discovered it had eaten through the partition wall of the hallway, which contained the stairs leading to the tenements above. The wooden stairway was like a tallow candle and the flames swept up it like a flash. In doing so it lighted up the hallway and shot little flashes out through the cracks of the doors and soon attracted attention, but in a moment it had taken hold of the stairway ascending from the same hallway and thus cut off all possible passage to the street for the occupants.

The scenes which occurred among the inmates when they were awakened were of the most exciting description. There was no way for them to get down, and as they ascended to the attic the flames followed swiftly upon them. Shrieks of terror, groans of agony and sries for help filled the air. Men, women and children filled the windows and earnestly pleaded for help. Some of the more venturesome even hung from the windows by only a slight hold on the sills. Ladders were hurriedly hoisted, lines of hose quickly run off and "pipes" from the chemical engine was rushed into the flaming mass.

In ten minutes the fear of personal safety had subsided, those whom it was possible having been taken from their positions of peril and the wounded to places where their injuries could be cared for.

It was not until the fire had been practically extinguished that the interior of what was then but a shell could be examined. Chief Wobber, followed by several firemen, went into the building at a little after one o'clock and with difficulty ascended to the upper floor. The stairways from the street to the second floor were completely burned away. When the chief and his companions reached the upper floor, under one of the windows was found a human form, burned to a crisp almost, the two palms clasped together and the body kneeling as though at prayer.

Further search showed in other parts of the top floor seven other human forms, covered with cinders and ashes, naked, and discolored limbs that had been torn asunder by falling parts of the building. Seeing their escape from the flames below to the street impossible, because the stairs were raging masses of fire, the terrified victims had evidently rushed to the upper floor in their attempts to escape and had there been roasted as though held in a furnace. Later two bodies of inmates were found in other parts of the building and the completed list of ten human lives was made up. The injured were removed to hospitals and the dead bodies were taken to the morgue for identification.

BOSTON'S SECOND BLAZE. BOSTON, Feb. 2.—Following close upon the holocaust in North street yesterday morning, came a fire in the forenoon which in an hour's time almost totally destroyed the Sears building, a fire-story marble structure, corner of Court and Washington streets, owned by J. Montgomery Sears, and which at the time of its erection was the finest business building in Boston.

The walls of the building are about all that is left of any value. The building was valued at upwards of \$200,000, it being assessed together with the engines and boilers for \$197,400. There is an insurance of \$175,000, which will undoubtedly cover the loss.

FIRE AT DANBURY. DANBURY, Conn., Feb. 2.—At 12:30 o'clock yesterday morning fire was discovered in the basement of Samuel Harris' clothing store at Liberty and Main streets and before the flames could be extinguished the furniture store of Hull & Rogers was also burning.

The four story brick structure adjoining Hull & Rogers' block was badly damaged by fire and water. This building was owned by Henry Beard and was occupied on the first floor by a clothing firm, with offices on the upper floors.

The total loss is estimated at \$300,000. The insurance, so far as known, amounts to \$160,000.

There were several narrow escapes from death, many of the occupants of the flats over the stores being taken from their rooms almost suffocated.

FIRE AT KENOSHA. KENOSHA, Wis., Feb. 2.—Fire yesterday morning destroyed two of the six story buildings of Allen & Sons' tannery, filled with stock. The flames rapidly spread, destroying also the Denoyer water cure and the German M. E. church and parsonage. The loss will reach \$125,000. At one time the entire northwestern part of the city was threatened with destruction and an engine was sent from Racine.

The "Unlucky Islander" Is Lost. DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 2.—Pat Grant, special correspondent of the Chicago Inter Ocean, was captured at the instance of Dr. O'Reilly, treasurer of the Irish National League, for alleged libel by recent publications in the Inter Ocean over Grant's signature. He is held in jail awaiting bail of \$2,000, which he refuses to give while awaiting the action of the Inter Ocean manager.

O'Reilly and conferees are bitter and are determined to make an example of Grant, whom they characterize as "a miserable reptile." The Inter Ocean manager says he will use every effort to secure Grant's release.

BRAZIL RECOGNIZED.

The President Formally Recognizes the New Republic.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The formal recognition of the United States of Brazil by this Government was completed yesterday afternoon, when the President received the credentials of Senator J. G. Deamaral Valente, the new Minister, accredited by the Provisional Government, and also the credentials of Senator Salvador Mendonca as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary on a special mission to the United States.

The ceremonies were marked by great cordiality. The two Ministers, with their joint suite of four secretaries, made a fine appearance in their rich and brilliant uniforms. Secretary Blaine presented the two Ministers and they in turn presented their secretaries. The ceremonies were in the blue room.

The President, in receiving Mr. Valente, said: "Mr. Minister, I receive you as the representative of a new Republic—always a grateful duty to the Government of the United States. The peaceful course of events that has transformed the Empire of Brazil into the United States of Brazil has been observed with deep interest by the Government and people of this country. It is a source of profound satisfaction to the American people that the Provisional Government of the Brazilian Republic came into power without bloodshed and without violence. I trust this circumstance may prove a happy augury of peace, progress and prosperity in the career which now opens to the United States of Brazil. Speaking for the people of this country, it will be my constant aim to cultivate the most friendly relations with your Government, to increase the personal intercourse and to enlarge the commercial exchanges between the two Republics. I trust, Mr. Minister, that you will find in this capital a pleasant residence, as I am sure you will receive a warm welcome."

The Brazilian Minister aptly replied on behalf of his Government and was formally welcomed by the President as the representative of the new Republic.

BANK WRECKING. A Worthy Rival of "Napoleons" Ives Found in New York—Candidates For Stripes.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—The Lenox Hill Bank has suspended payments. It is controlled by the same parties who last week bought the control of the Sixth National Bank of this city, which has since been closed by the bank examiner. The knowledge of the relation of the two institutions caused a run on the bank which it was unable to meet.

The Clearing House Association yesterday acted on the Sixth National and decided to drop it from the association.

The Equitable Bank has also been mentioned in connection with the other two institutions. Its president makes the following statement: "The owners of the Sixth National have a minority interest in the Equitable only, and the bank is not affected."

Wall street looks upon the attempt to dispose of the \$623,000 in bonds owned by the Sixth National Bank as simply a case of highway robbery. President Classen, after abstracting the bonds from the safe deposit vault turned them over to George H. Pell, a broker of unenviable reputation, who attempted to dispose of them on the street, representing them to be the property of his wife.

Mr. Colson, the cashier of the bank, notified the clearing house and the bank examiner. The latter soon learned enough to cause him to close the bank and call on Classen for the return of the \$623,000 in securities. By his prompt action he succeeded in getting back \$201,000 of the bonds. In lieu of an account of the rest of the abstracted bonds Classen handed the bank examiner checks for \$382,000. These checks fell short of the market value of the abstracted securities \$140,000. The checks are being protested.

The United States District Attorney has issued warrants for the arrest of President Classen and Broker Pell.

George H. Pell, the broker implicated in the wrecking of the Sixth National Bank, was arrested last night and locked up in Ludlow street jail.

MISS ISLAND. Nellie May's Rival Arrives at New York From a Trip Around the World.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—A large crowd assembled at the Cunard dock yesterday morning to welcome Miss Elisabeth Island, the young lady who left New York on November 16 last to travel around the world and beat, first, the time of Jules Verne's hero of fiction Phineas Fogg, and second, Nellie May, who left nine hours earlier the same day and traveled in an opposite direction. The Bothnia, the slowest vessel of the Cunard fleet, was unluckily the only ship that Miss Island, who went to London instead of Paris, as was expected, could take. In this slow boat she left Queenston on Sunday, January 19, and, after ten and a half days' buffeting with fierce gales, arrived in port only yesterday morning. The French steamer La Champagne, on which she should have come, and which waited four hours for her in Havre Saturday, January 18, arrived on Monday last, and Captain Boyer said to a reporter yesterday that had Miss Island been on board he would have headed her on Sunday afternoon last, one day only behind her rival. The story has already been told of the arrangements made for Miss Island to get the French boat and the amazement of her friends that she did not do so.

Headlines. GAINESVILLE, Tex., Jan. 31.—An epidemic is raging in the western part of Cooke County, some twenty miles from here, the symptoms of which have the characteristics of meningitis. The patients in many instances die in a few hours. Some twenty-five deaths are reported to have occurred during this epidemic during the past twenty-four hours. So far physicians have been unable to check the ravages and it has already spread over the country to an alarming extent. Great excitement prevails and many of the citizens there are fleeing from their homes to other localities not yet visited by the plague.