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PEIXOTO STILL ON TOP.

Inte Advices to Brazilian Ministers

Make No Mention of Rebel Success.

"I have received telegrams from Rio

this morning, but have no advices to

confirm the report of Melio's triamph."

minister here has received advices

from Rio de Janeiro, dated D cember

21, that no steps will be taken to carry

out the death sentence pronounced

upon the Benchimol brothers, until

further advices are received from

London Tue Benchimols are mem-

bers of a former shipping firm, are

charged with bringing firearms to

Brazil and were recently arrested on

an order from President Pexioto charging them with importing men to

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 .- The state

and navy departments are both posi-

tive in expressing their discredit of re-

ports that Mello has captured Rio. Word is believed to have been received

since yesterday in one department or

the other contradicting yesterday's

rumors.

The following dispatch was received

Rio, Dec. 26. - To Secretary of State,

Washington: American masters, each of them hold Brazilian Pacific

docks specified are contiguous points

Protection from shore fire promised

by government. Instruct Picking to

anchor off that point for convenience

until question equitably settled. In-surgents make lines of fire anywhere

to suit their purpose, thereby indefi-

by the state de artment to-day:

aid Mello.

Washington:

London, Dec. 2. - The Brazilian

# A TEN YEARS' FIGHT.

THE HOUSE BACKS DOWN ON A LONG CONTEST.

#### PRIVATE CLERKS FOR SENATORS.

Senators and Congressmen Who Are Not Chairmen of Committees Will Now Have Secretaries at Uncle Sam's Expense - The State Bank Tax Repeal Issue-Washington News.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The final aceptance by the house of representatives of the senate amendment to the argency deficiency bill, providing for the payment of saluries of the senate per diem clerks for the recess of the Fifty-first congress, probably marks the close of a contest between the two branches which dates back to a time far beyond the employment of these clerks for this work.

The contest began in 1883, when, upon a motion of Senator Butler, the senate voted to employ private secretaries for senators not chairmen of committees. At that time neither senators nor members who were not heads of committees were given clerks, and although the need of such assistance had been frequently commented upon in both houses, neither body was willing to vote itself aid until the For g-eighth congress when the sen-ate took the initiative. The house did not accept the innovation in a kindly spirit but at once began a war on clerks which continued until the presforces to see that Mello and DaGama ent time. The senators never failed to amend the legislative appropriation bill so as to provide for the pay of the clerks, but the amendment was seldom accepted by the house without vigorous comment and more or less parieying with the senate. The clerks were only paid for the time

> After the long session of the Fiftyfirst congress in 1890, when there were only two months between the close of one session and the opening of the next, the senators, finding a great deal of accumulated business on their hands, resolved to retain the services of the clerks during the The house objected and recess. the action of the senate in the matter had the effect of giving a stimulus to the conflict, which the house had shown some disposition to drop by providing for session pay in that congress without waiting for the action of the senate. Every year since the senate put the item on some appropriation bill sent over from the house and it was just as regularly rejected by the house until the present session when the senate, refusing absolutely to back down, the house, after tying up an apporpriation bill for two months, finally gave way.

that congress was in session.

The reason of the surrender of the house is that that body has found the example of the senate in employing clerks for individual members worthy of imitation and now employs such clerks itself. It is now admitted by a majority of the members that the business of senators and members is such that it is almost impossible to conduct it without assistance, and the war seems to have reached a termina-

#### THE STATE BANK PROBLEM. An Adverse Report and Settlement by

the Full House Probable. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The committee on banking and currency, the most discordant committee in the house, as one of its members declares the Prendergast case was completed it to be, will very likely reach some sort of an agreement shortly on the state bank tax repeal bill, as the members seem to have agreed outside of the committee room upon a plan, which they could not do in committee. It is now proposed to report adversely the bill introduced by Representative Cox of Tennessee and to authorize Mr. Cox to submit a minority report which would give him charge of the bill on the floor of the house. This is said to be the only way the committee can get out of the present tangle.

The state bank tax repeal question has the right of way in the committee and no other business can be conaldered while it is undisposed of. The plan of reporting is adversely seems to be the only method of getting it out of the way. It is understood that both factions would be willing to have it discussed on the floor, opponents bolieving that it will be defeated, while its friends claim that the Democratic platform would not be fulfilled unless it should be passer!

# BANDITS THWARTED

The Allance-Independent

The free and unlimit-ed coinage of aliver at the ratio of 16 to 1; in

other words, the restor-ation of silver to the place it held in our cur-

ency from 1792 to 1873.

That the Sherman law should not be re-pealed unless a law more favorable to sil-

ver is substituted for it

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ENGINEER LYON OUTWITS "KATY" TRAIN ROBBERS.

# THE FIBEMAN SHOT IN THE MOUTH

Highwaymen Pulled the Switch at Kelse Station, Ind. Ter., for the Purpose of Side Tracking and Holding Up the Train, but the bwitch Was a "Split" One and the Train Was Saved.

PARSONS, Kan., Dec. 26.-An unuccessful attempt was made to hold up south bound passenger train No. 8 on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad yesterday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at Kelso station, Ind. Ter.

The bandits pulled the swith north of the station, intending to sidetrack the train and then rob it, but their plans were completely frustrated by the engineer. George Lyons.

The moment the engine struck the The moment the engine struck the switch the engineer correctly suspicioned that robbers had a hand in the work, and knowing that he could not derail his train, the switch being a "split" one, he pulled the lever of the engine wide open and the train shot through the siding at a high rate of speed and in perfect safety.

The robbers seeing that they were beaten, opened fire on the fast flying train, wounding William Milne the fireman, in the mouth.

fireman, in the mouth.

For some days the railroad company has been in possession of information to the effect that a holdup was anbeen on their guard.

### A GAME FARMER.

The Man Who Killed Two Confidence Men Gives Himself Up.

Sioux Ciry, Iowa, Dec. 26.-It has been established that G. H. Mayer and George Blum, the crooks who were killed in a confidence gang's rendezvous in this city, were shot by A. H. Pilla, a well-to-do farmer from Chadsworth, Iowa. Pilla arrived in this city from Kansas City last evening and gave himself up to the police.

"I was at the union depot. Mayer asked us out to have a drink and coaxed me to the confidence joint. They wanted me to draw in a lottery to get a suit for \$1 and demanded that I show them more money. I took \$5 out of my pocketbook, which contained \$50, and both Mayer and Blum grabbed for it. They held my hands, and we fought quite awhile before I got loose. Then they grabbed me again, and I shot them. I would have given myself up before, but had bus-iness to attend to and did not know how long I would have to stay, so I went on and transacted my business. When I got through I came back here to stand trial if necessary.'

Pilla will be released on his own bond, and will probably never be

## FLORIDA'S GOVERNOR SAYS NO

Will Do His Utmost to Prevent the Corbett-Mitchell Fight.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 26.-The Duval Athletic club received a setback yesterday in its efforts to pull off the Corbett-Mitchell fight. The attorney for the club appeared before Governor Mitchell at Tallahassee and made application for a charter. This the governor flatly refused, stating that under cover of the charter the club proposed to violate the laws of Florida.

Of course this proved a surprise to the sports, and their consternation was further increased by the knowledge that a strong letter against the fight has been written by the governor to J. R. Tysen, a prominent gentleman of this city.

The managers of the fight say the

affair will come off despite the governor's opposition.

### Many Coal Barges Sunk.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 26 -Between 7,000,000 and 8,000,000 bushels of coal are now anchored along the wharf on the river front, waiting for more water to get away on. The Coal City sunk four barges at Caseyville, Ky. The Diamond sunk four boats at a same feet which was towed by the pier at the Louisville and Jefferson-ville bridge last night and suck a barge. The total loss on all will be

about \$30,000. Ripans Tubulos amist digestion; sweeten a sour stomach; cure liver troubles.

# To Every Lover of the People's Cause! NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Minister Mendonea, who is in this city said to-day:

#### A VOLUNTEER WORKERS' CORPS.

DEAR READER: We are working for you and yours. And that our work may be made effective to the utmost will you not help us in our efforts to reach and educate the people? We have no means at command to send a canvasser to your neighborhood, and if we had, no stranger could do as successful work as one who knows the people. We must depend on voluntary help to advertise and introduce our paper, and we appeal to you for the cause' sake, to help us reach as many as possible in the circle of your acquaintance. It need not be an expense to you. It need not take much of your time. And by telling the truth about the Populist state paper and handing copies to your friends you can easily induce them to subscribe. Is not this your part, your propaganda work? That we may know our helpers and communicate with them we ask that you sign and return the appended pledge, to do simply what you can for THE ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT in the way of getting subscribers.

ALLIANCE PUBLISHING CO. Lincoln, Nebraska.

Knowing that in the great impending conflict with the money power we must have votes to win; and that to gain votes we must get the people to read the truth; and that this cannot be done unless those now aroused bring one or more of our papers to the hands and attention of their neighbors; I, therefore, freely and gladly promise to do MY SHARE, and will exert myself to secure at least five new subscribers for THE ALLIANCE-IN ENDENT within the next ten days, sending in subscriptions as I am able to get them at

club rates. Dated......189...

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### BUSINESS STAGNANT.

Important Industries Continue to Shut Down-3,000,000 Employes Idle.

N v York, Dec. 26. -Bradstreet's says: "The features of the business week are the increased uniformity in reports that general trade is quite as much or more depressed than previously; that holiday trading has been unsatisfactory and far below that of a year ago, and continued closing down of important industrial establishments, reduction of wages and increased instances where short time is being enforced. Nearly all staple markets are quiet almost to stagnation, the exception having been cotton, the price of which was stimulated late in the week by revival of confidence in low crop reports. Wheat, too, was higher for a time, but reacted. On the other hand, pig iron never was lower than at present.

"Special telegrams from 119 important cities indicate the total number of employes in industrial and other lines out of work at this time from all causes, together with the total number of people directly dependent for support upon those so rendered idle, is nearly 3,000,000

### AN OFFICER SHOT.

In Attempting to Make an Arrest an Officer Is Wounded.

Eldorado, Kan., Dec. 26.-J. F. Cory, city marshal, attempted to arrest Ben Verbryck for disorderly conduct in this city about 7 o'clock last evening and the affair led to a shooting, which caused the whole city to become excited. The facts, as near as can be learned, are these: Verbryck resisted arrest and ran into a restaurant near by. He was followed ov Officer Cory and a fight ensued. Dave Whitehead, night watchman, went to Cory's assistance, when Verbrych ran out at the back door and was followed by the officer. As Whitehead stepped out a bystander whom Whitehead claims to be Bert Edwards, fired two shots at him, the latter inflicting a serious wound in the neck. White head was taken to the nearest hotel and now lies in a serious condition. Search was made at once and Edwards was found in Riverside and placed in jail. Verbryck has not yet

#### been captured. BIG FIRE AT SLATER.

Three Large Brick Buildings and Contents Destroyed-Loss, 833,000.

SLATER Mo., Dec. 26. About 1 o'clock yesterday morning fire was discovered in a vacant room over Phil 14 8004 in against 15 85 24 20 years reas-Tucker & Son's clothing store and before it could be checked had burned plies were that. The market was quiet and three large two-story brick buildings. So. Total loss is \$35,450 and the total in**surance** \$04,850.

Victim of a Gasoline Stove. PITTSBURG, Kan., Dec. 26 - Yester-

day afternoon a gasoline stove exploded at the home of James Heady. a 'Frisco railroad employe, setting fire to his wife's clothing and the house. Every stich of clothes was burned from the unfortunate woman's body, and her entire body with the exception of the lower part of her left leg, was baked and blistered. The sight of one eye is destroped. It is not thought possible for her to re-

Right of Way Through Oklahoma. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 .- The president has signed the bills granting the right of way for construction of a railroad through the Hot Springs reservation. Arkansas, also the bill granting the right of way to the Kansas, Oklahoma and Western railway company through the Indian and Oklahoma territories.

Whipping Tramps Out of Town.

ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 26 .- Owing to the number of trames Mayor McHune has issued an order instructing the chief of police to furnish each night patroimen with a blacksnake wnip. Every tramp will be whipped out of the city and given a severe lashing if he returns.

Reward for Bohanan, "Dead or Alive." DENISON, Texas, Dec 26 -- Governor Wilson Jones of the Choctaw nation has offered \$300 reward for the person of David Bohanan, who killed Ben Forem n at South McAlester and Tom McCoy near Durant, a few days ago: the reward is said to read 'dead or

### NO GRAIN MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 26 - No attempt to business was made by grain men to-day The receipts were 67 cars of wheat, 102 cars of corn, a cars of outs, I car of bran 2 cars of flux and 27 cars of hay. A year are to day 20 cars of wheat, 102 cars of corn and 11 cars of outreceived. A message from Chicago quoted May wheat on the "curb" files. A few sales of core here at 29 to were reported. The feeling was weak on both corn and whoat

### KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK.

KANSAS Crry. Mo., Dea. 26 -Cattle-Ro. celpts 2005 calves, fit shipped yester-kay, 2006. The murkes for above was active: good, too the his her, others steady cown wash to lover built, ex you atoriers and leaders Dressed boof and shipping steeps, \$100.04.65.

cows and unifore, Stiplical Texas and Luitan steers, \$1.50 at 15. Texas and Indian cows \$2.25 atochers and forders. \$2 50; mired, \$1.16(\$2.5). Hars - Breeipts. 3,996; shipped restarday. The market was notice and atrang with yesterday's high time "Laghts" and tops were the same and the buts of heavy house Sheep Bossipts, 179 as ahipmonts.

nitely bocking neutral commerce without previous notice. Mr. Towns is the United States ex consul general at Rio. His dispatch is constructed to indicate that the regular government of Brazil has granted permit to shipping to land and receive cargoes at certain wharves

general wants the United States naval respect these permits and not fire along these lines. MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 26.-News has

been received of a fight Wednesday between the rebels and the govern-ment forces from Santa Catharina. General Sarava's men had joined with those under Salgado, making a total of 8,000. The fighting took place in Itajahy, the insurgent divisions being led by Generals Pinheiro, Michado, Luna and Martins. According to the latest reports, the rebels had lost 400 men, but the government troops were so badly penned in that surrender

seemed unavoidable. The rebels are well armed, having lately received 2,000 rifles and guns from Rio on board the Aquid ban The Republica is taking on coal and is almost ready to sail. It is rumored that she is coming to Montevideo to fight Peixoto's squadron gathering

One of Mello's steamers, the Meteoro, reconnoitering the harbor entrance at Harra-Itaoahy, ran aground and the government artillery there opened fire upon her and kept up the cannonade till all of her crew were killed.

# ROBBED BY A PAYING TELLER.

Forty-Two Thousand Dollars Shortage

in the St. Nicholas Bank Found. New York, Dec 26 -Superintendent Preston and Examiner Judson while examining the books of the closed St. Nicholas bank yesterday discovered a deficit of \$42,000 in the accounts of Lewis A. Hill, the paying teller, and he was arrested at Newark, N. J., in the afternoon, taken to police headquarters and subsequently held in \$20,000 bond pending extradition proceedings in New York.

## THE EVIDENCE ALL IN.

Prendergast's Case Closed to far as the Testimony Is Concerned.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The evidence in to-day. An attempt to introduce surrebuttal evidence was made, but the judge would not permit anything of importance to be stated. The arguments in the case will be begun next

Another Kansas City Banner Arrested. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 26 -A warrant for the arrest of Willard T. Holmes, president of the Security Savings Trust company, which made an assignment last June, was issued to-day by Justice of the Peace Browne on complaint of County Prosecutor Marcy E Brown. As in the case of the other bankers who have been arrested the charge is grand incomy, by receiving deposits into an inscivent bank. Mr. Holmes gave \$1,000 bond.

### Parts Society's Latest.

Panis Dec. 26 .- Owing to an optdemie of smallpox numbers of the most prominent families have loads arrangements for the attendance of a doctor at their afternoon teas. The company is then vaccinated direct from the cow. Invitation cards are

## UNDER THE LOTTERY LAW.

Merchant's Novel Plan to Attract Cus tomers Held to Be Illegal. WASHINGTON, Dec. 2d.-Assistant

Attorney General Thomas of the postoffice department has decided an interesting case brought to the attention of the department. It was the proposition of a merchant to write the name of every purchaser of every dol-lars' worth of goods at his store opposite certain numbers following in rotation, giving the customer as many numbers as dollars paid for the goods. These numbers he proposed to copy on pieces of paper and deposit in a box, to select some person to draw out a name and give a prize to the person whose name appeared opposite that number. The department held that the scheme constituted a lottery.

Deputy Register Smith Resigns. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-Harry H. Smith, for some years journal clerk of the house of representatives and then deputy register of the treasury under General Rosecranz, has resigned owing to personal and official diffi-culties between himself and Register Tillman.

New England's Oldest Man Dead. SALEM, Mass., Dec. 26 .- The man whom the people of this city claimed as the oldest in New England, Daniel Hagherty, is dead at 104. He was been in Corle Ireland in 1920

Pardons by the President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-The president granted a number of pardons today, as follows: Joseph P. Barton, William E. Jones, Chet Palmontror and Stephen S. Barton, Utan, polygamy; John G. Wallow, Kansas, man-slaughter; John W. Pitts, Missouri, larceny, commuted to one year's imprisonment: Isaac A Stanley, Ohio, violation of the United States bank-ing laws: William W. Palmer, Arkan-

Catholics Pleased at Hopkins' Success MONTREAL, Dec. 26 .- The French-Canadian Catholic press of Montreal and Quebec is very enthusiastic over the election of John Hopkins, Catholie, as mayor of Chicago. Prominent French-Canadians in Chicago wired Senator Tasse that 6,000 French-Canadians voted for him. La Minerve declares that the election of a Catholic

in Chicago is a great event. Ten Years for an Express Robber.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 26.-Judge Reed this morning overruled the motion for a new trial and sentenced John Kittrell, the colored man arrested in Kansas City for complicity in the robbery of \$7,500 from a United States express wagon here, to ten years in the penitentiary.

Frightfully Injured by a Blast.

SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 26 .- A frightful accident happened at the Georgetown quarry yesterday morning. August Berge, a Swede, aged 32 years, fired two charges of giant powder at the same instant, and it was supposed that both had exploded. Just as Berge stepped over the mine a second explosion followed and he was blown into the air. His body was riddled with rock, his right eye was cut out, the upper part of his face stripped of flesh, the skull fractured and an arm and leg broken. Berge remains alive in an unconscious condition, but cannot surv ve his injuries.

sodd Placed Under Arrest.

El. Dorado, Kan., Dec. 26.-Commissioner J. F. Todd arrived in this city yesterday morning from Kansas City with a black eye and several scratches on his face, and was busy all day explaining how it happened. J. S. Cooper, a constable from Flor-ence, immediately placed Mr. Todd under arrest, charged with assault with intent to kill J. F. House of Flor-

Prominent Politician Assassinated. BENTON, Ill., Dec. 26.-Judge W. H. Williams was shot in the side on the street of Parish by a concealed assassin. Two loads of shots were fired, literally covering his body. The doctors say his injuries are fatal. Judge Williams is a prominent Republican politician, having served two terms as clerk of this county. He was also a delegate to the Chicago convention in 1880, being one of the famous 304. The would be assassin has not been

CHICAGO, Dec. 26. Six well known and highly respectable doctors told point down the river between Cairo the Premiergast jury yesterday that and Memphis Eight barges of the in their opinion the prisoner is sane and that at the time of the murder he knew the difference between right same place. The Jim Wood atruck a and wrong. The last witness of the day was Dr. Leonard St. John, the owner of the vessel on which McGarrigis made his escape to Canada.

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