# LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

### VAST PROFITS SHOWN

OIL OCTOPUS RESPONDS TO MR. KELLOGG'S PRODDING.

Financial Statements Showing Earnings of Seventeen Subsidiary Companies in 1903 and 1906 Are Produced in Federal Court.

More light was shed upon the remarkable earning capacity of the various subsidiary companies of the Standard Oil company Wednesday when Frank B. Kellogg, who is conducting the federal suit in New York succeeded in placing upon the record the profits of seventeen of the principal subsidiary companies in the years 1903 and 1906. The statement of the earnings of the Standard Oll Company of Indiana, which was recently fined \$29,240,000 by Judge Lundis, of Chicago, for rebatling, disclosed that in 1906 the company earned \$10,516,082 on a capital of \$1,000,000, or over 1,000 per cent a year. The Indiana company in 1906 earned more than any other subsidiary company of the big combine.

Mr. Kellogg developed during the day, while Chrence G. Fay, assistant comptroller of the Standard Oil company, was on the stand, a curious prob of financial bookkeeping, or handling of accounts, which Mr. Fay failed to explain. From figures submitted it was shown that the Standard Oil Company of New York in 1904 made a profit of \$7,751,160, and paid in dividends to the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey the total sum of \$32,-998.430. This transaction reduced the net assets of the New York company from \$40.425,900 to \$15,179,706. while the liabilities leaped from \$47,-646,235 in 1903 to \$81,395,145 in 1904. an increase of nearly \$34,000,000. The gross assets of the New York company, however, increased from \$88. 074.561 in 1903 to 396.574.852 in 1904.

Meanwhile the accounts receivable of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey grew from \$19,045,014 in 190; to \$58,272,924.

## REAL WIFE IS DISCOVERED.

Settlement of Novel Dispute.

The real Mrs. Klimovicz has been found. A few days ago John Klimoviez, of Grand Rapids, Mich., was arrested on complaint of Miss Tillie Toland, of Chicago, whom he had been annoying by claiming she was his wife. In court Mrs. Mary Sematis, of Grand Rapids, Klimovicz's mother-inlaw, identified the girl as Mrs. Klimo vicz. The girl asked for one of the missing woman's shoes, expressing the opinion that she could put both of her feet in it. This so piqued the real Mrs. Klimovicz, who has been living near here, that she came to Chicago to settle the controversy. She says she fears Klimovicz and wants a divorce

# HE HAS JEKYL-HYDE IDEA.

Indiana Man Imitates Ravings and Becomes a Lunatic.

After witnessing a production of "Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde" some time ago Albert Deaver, of Newcastle, Ind., Anttempted to imitate the ravings of Mr. Hyde. He became so adept that his impersonation amazed his friends, and in a few weeks he began to experience the same difficulty Dr. Jekyi did in returning to his normal self. A few days ago he lapsed involuntarily into the character of Mr. Hyde, which now has complete control of him. He was taken to the insane hospital.

Germans Win Balloon Race.

The long distance prize in the international balloon race has been won by the German balloon Pomeru, piloted by Herr Edbslof, The Pomeru came down at Hayonne, France, 621 miles from Brussels.

The "A. P." Stands Pat.

At the annual meeting of the members of the Associated Press held in New York Wednesday a resolution was unanimously adented approving the course of the officers of the association dealing with the telegraphers' strike

Robbers Kill Bank Cashier.

Two Russians entered the bank at Montreaux, Switzerland, shot and killed the cashier, scized the cash box and fled. A crowd gave chase and the robbers were captured.

H. W. Trowbridge Dead. Alva H. W. Trobridge, former president of the American Bankers' association, died at his home in Hackensack, N. J., Wednesday.

Sioux City Live Stock Market. Wednesday's quotations on the City live stock market follow: Butcher

steers, \$5.40@6.25. Top hogs, \$6.00.

New York's School Children. Six hundred and thirty-sever thousand, three hundred and eighty-seven children are enrolled in the schools of New York, an increase of more than 20,000 over last year.

Many People Perish. A Japanese steamer, said to be the Tafu Maru, has burned three miles from Ching Kiang, China, on the right bank of the Yangtse Klang. It is re-

ported 100 lives were lost.

FOR MURDER OF MRS. GENTRY. Trial of Frank Constantine Begins in Hearing in

Chicago. In the criminal court at Chicago the staged, where Frank J. Constantine his life for the murder of Mrs. Arthur

Frank Constantine boarded at the New York. The prosecution will conwhile Constantine and his lawyers will quarrel with her husband,

Mingling with the facts on the side of the defense is a mystery involving these vast sums, the statement showed a telephone conversation which Con- that the assets of the company grew stantine relies on in hope of proving from \$200,791,523 to \$371,534,531. his contention of suicide. A steno- The capital stock is \$98,338,382. grapher employed in Gentry's office, It is asserted by the defense, will take the stand and swear that just before husband to the telephone and they quarreled over an engagement.

#### H. H. ROGERS VERY ILL.

Oil Magnate Tells Son He is "About Done."

That Henry H. Rogers is in a very weak physical condition; that his face is distorted and his speech affected; that his left side is not in its normal state, and that he is unable to transact any business or even discuss ordinary affairs, was the substance of testimony given by Rogers' son-in-law, Urban H. Boughton, in the supreme court at

Boston Monday afternoon. H. H. Rogers, Jr., testified that his father had signed but three checks and a power of attorney to open his vault since July 22. His condition, Mr. Rogers, Jr., said, has shown some slight improvement in the past few

Mr. Boughton also testified that recently Mr. Rogers had told him to take up business where he had left it, as he (Rogers) was "about done." After hearing this testimony Judge Hammond denied the motion to bring H. H. Rogers into court for the pur-

#### CANNOT WED AFFINITY.

Artist Earle's Wife will not Get a Divorce.

Ferdinand Pinney Earle cannot marry his "afflinty," Julia Kuttner, after all.

Mrs. Earle has decided not to get a divorce. Earle lacks ground to sue. So if his wife refuses to help him he has no way of severing the matrimonial ties, and he and Miss Kuttner must stay apart.

"My gracious," Earle remarked nervously, in discussing his wife's plans for a divorce, "suppose she shouldn't get it!" In such a case he admitted he saw no alternative but for Mrs. Earle to return to him.

This is just what Mrs. Earle is counting on. She says openly she does not think "Ferdy" knows his own mind. She expects him to tire of "Affinity" Kuttner and seek a reconcilia-

Then, too, she is beginning to see in what an unfortunate position her contemplated renunciation of her husband will place her little son,

Admiral Walker Bead.

Rear Admiral John G. Walker, U. S. N., retired, died suddenly Sunday

night at the home of a friend at High Pasture, York Cliffs, Me. Admiral Walker was 72 years of age and a native of New Hampshire.

Frederick McNally Dead.

Frederick McNally, of Chicago, for three years president of the publishing house of Rand, McNally & Co., died Monday. Mr. McNally had been ill for due to overwork.

Applies to all Retired Privates, Comptroller Mitchell decided that all retired private soldiers, whether retired before or after the passage of The act of March 2, 1907, are entitled to \$15.75 a month as provided in that

Noted Grafter Blind, Mrs. Cassie M. Chadwick, the noted witch of finance, who is serving a term in the Ohio penitentiary for swindling bankers and capitalists out of millions, was stricken with nervous collapse Monday which left her blind.

Innocent Man to be Freed.

After thirteen years of a life sentence for burgiary had been served by William Evans in the San Quentin. Calif., prison, positive evidence has reached the authority of his innocency and he will be immediately released.

Welsh Coal for the Navy. The United States navy department has, according to a disputch from Cardiff, Wales, contracted with a Welson firm for 100,000 tons of the best steam

Six Workmen Drowned. Panic stricken when a barge in which they were crossing the Allegheny river at Pittsburg, Pa., began to sink six workmen jumped into the King Haakon, died Tuesday, aged 27, river Monday and were drowned.

Navy in Disgrace.

The baseball team of the United States cruiser Colorado was defeated at Honolulu Monday. The score stood

#### BIGGEST OIL BATTLE.

Suit to Dissolve Trust Begun.

Delving into the financial workings curtain was raised Monday on one of of the Standard Oil company, of New the weirdest criminal dramas ever Jersey, the holding company of all the subsidiary organizations of the so-callplays the role of defendant on trial for ed oil trust, Frank B. Kellogg, conducting the federal suit for the dissolution of the company, brought to public view in New York Tuesday for Gentry home and was there at the the first time the enormous profits time the woman met her death. He made by the company. In seven years successfully eluded the police for a from 1899 to 1896, nclusive, the Standlong time and was finally captured in ar' Oil company, by a statement spread upon the records, was shown tend that he committed the murder, to have earned profits of \$499,315,934, or at the rate of more than \$61,000. offer evidence tending to prove that 000 a year. It distributed to its sharethe woman killed herself following a holders in the same period \$308,359,-403.

While the company was earning

Financiers and those seeking knowledge of the exact profits of the Standard Oil have striven vainly to obtain Mrs. Gentry's death she called her the figures which Mr. Kellogg succeeded Tuesday in placing upon the record of the court. The Standard Oil company makes no statement of its business, and other than declaration of dividends it makes no public announcements by which its business may be gauged.

The hearing Tuesday brought out much information which Mr. Kellogg obtained from the company. Mr. Kellogg got a statement showing that the company controlled over seventy companies by stock ownership engaged in the refining and transportation of oil by pipe lines.

#### TURNS MEAT INTO STONE.

Chemist Discovers Method of Artificial Petrifaction.

Agostino Giuseppe Giosso, a chemist of Vercelli, Italy, now in New York, declares he has found a way to turn organic matter into stone,

Fourteen years ago, while he was In Peru, he had occasion to take a case of eggs to Ecuador. He had no way of refrigerating the consignment. and began experimenting with preservatives. He bored tiny holes in the eggs and tried injecting various chemicals. None seemed to accomplish the work. In trying one powerful drug he injected a small quantity in several eggs and a few hours later found every one of them as hard as a rock. He tried to break the shells, but could not

make the slightest dent. He continued his experiments on

the same. The chemist went back to Vercelli, and before a gathering of doctors gave

successful demonstrations.

# JAP AMBASSADOR TO QUIT.

Mikado's Representative in Berlin Asks to Be Relieved.

It is understood in Tokio that Count Inouye, Japanese ambassador to Germany, has intimated his desire to resign his post at Berlin. Rumors are rife as to his successor, and Viscount ton, has been mentioned as a possible successor. The Japanese foreign office. however, is not prepared to make an official statement on the subject. Should Aoki desire a change it is possble that Baron Kaneko may be appointed ambassador at Washington if the government can spare his services as president of the exposition to be held at Tokio in 1912, in which at present he is actively interested. Baron Kaneko is considered to be one of the most capable diplomats in Japan.

# OFFER BOYS AS SACRIFICE.

An Insane Mother Slays Her Three Children.

Mrs. John Anderson, wife of a farmer residing a mile and a half from Midale, Sask, on the Soo line, took her three children, all boys, to a potathree weeks with nervous prostration to patch and there knocked them on the head with a hammer, after which she cut them up in a horrible manner. with a big knife.

She had not shown any signs of insanity before, but had been ill and was suffering from religious mania. She is 25 years of age. Her husband was not at home.

The woman shows no remorse for what she has done and expects to be hanged. She believes it was some kind of blood sacrifice.

Killed by Pitched Ball.

Henri Pilor was struck over the heart by a pitched ball in a baseball game Sunday at Montreal, Que., and died almost instantly. The ball passed through the hands of another player and struck Pilor.

As the result of a recent conference, President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, will issue an appeal for aid for the striking telegraph

Aid for Telegraphers.

Prisonkeeper for 37 Years. John McLaughlin, keeper of Block well's island for thirty-seven years, died at St. Vincent's hospital, in New coal, the delivery to extend over 1908. York, after an operation

> Composer Benning Dead, Odis Louis Benning, of Milwaukee, a well known planist and composer, who composed the coronation ode to from an opration for appendicitis,

Increased Wages for Shopmen. Apprentices in all the shops of the Santa Fe have been granted an inby a nine of the Chinese Athletic club crease of 2 cents an hour, dating back to Sept. 1. The raise was granted vol-

# • \*\*\*\*\*\*\* A BATTLE ON KANSAS PLAINS. News of Nebraska

\*

HURRIED BACK TO JAHL

Nebraskan Broke Release Pledge and

Started War on Family.

fore the district court of Cuming coun-

ly in November. He remained in town

he broke the most sincers promises

made to his attorney and the court to

the upper hand of him again.

volver, evidently intending to

SWINDLER GETS MONTH IN JAIL

John Richardson Worked Ministers by

Smooth Trick.

John Richardson, who attempted to

windle Frement ministers out of

mall sums, pleaded guilty to vagrancy

in justice court and was sentenced to

id a baby he wanted baptized the

Man.

a crowd and created much excitement

Sward Surrenders Pass.

Some time ago the state board of

health issued an order that none of

the secretaries should ride on passes.

In response to this order word has

been received from Dr. Sward, of Oak-

land, one of the secretaries, that he

had returned his pass to the Great

Northern road and notified that sorpo-

by him for that corporation would be

Former Nebraskan Dead.

Burkett Against Big Shows.

Germans Celebrate,

held their annual two days' schutzen-

fest and harvest picnic at St. James.

A very large crowd was present the

Rodwell Gets Appointment.

Profrie Chicken Season Opens,

game laws, was the opening day on

rairie chicken, and many a true

sortsman shouldered his musket, un-

chained his bird dog and started forth.

Some big kills are reported in the ter-

citory north of Central City, one party

Potato Growers Meet.

Democrats Delay Feast.

coln and the two events might conflict. to Long's house in search of her.

of the board of directors.

Sunday Sept. 15, according to the

Word has been received that Hon.

on a cash basis.

in the future.

bration every year,

ration that hereafter any work done

Officer Brown, of Omaha,

up John Jones at Thirteenth

thirty days in the county jail.

the western part of the state.

generally worked.

keep sober, go home and treat lis

amily with due respect. Whisky got

about three days, during which time

DR. JAMES CARROLL IS DEAD.

Scientist Whom Nebraska University Honored is Victim of Disease.

Dr. A. S. von Mansfelde, of Ashland has received word of the death in Washington, D. C., of James Carroll, on whom, in recognition of his services to science and medicine, the University of Nebraska last apring conferred an honorary title. Dr. Carroll died in Washington from the effects of the yellow fever infection which he submitted to during the sanitary campaign instituted by the surgeons of the United States army in Cuba some years ago.

Dr. Carroll was associated with the late Maj. Waiter Reed, surgeon in the United States army, in the study of Sanarelli's supposed yellow fever bacillus, during the years 1897 and 1902, both in Cuba and the United States. To justify experimentation on other per ons, he volutarily submitted to the bite of a contaminated mosquito that had previously been caused to bits three well-marked cases of yellow fe Within four days he was taken Ill and suffered a severe attack of the ase—the first case of experimental yellow fever on record. His sacrifice took him to West Point. His wife inproved of inestimable value to the experimentation planned by Major Reed himself in the successful campaign against the disease.

#### SALOON ROBBED.

Liquor Dealer Leaves Boy in Charge and Loses \$80.

Sheriff E. A. Dwyer, of Pierce, was called to the village of McLean by the news that the saloon at that place had been robbed the evening before. seems that the proprietor. William Feddern, had gone to Sloux City and had left one of the Scripter boys to charge of the saloon. At 6 o'clock the boy locked the saloon and went home to supper. On returning he found the back door open, and on going to the money drawer he saw that it had be pried open and the contents, amounting to nearly \$80, taken. No tramps or other suspicious looking characters had been seen about the village during the day, so it is thought by many that it was the work of local talent.

CARS FOR SHIPPERS TO OMAHA.

Great Northern Ordered to Permit Di reet Shipment to Gate City. The state railroad commission has issued a formal order commanding beef and vegetables. The result was the Wilmar and Sioux Falls Railway company to furnish cars at the stations along its line for the shipment of grain direct to Omaha. This follows the complaint of the Omaha Grain exchange made some time ago agains the Great Northern road, as owner of the Wilmar & Sloux Falls branch, charging; that it discriminates against Omaha in furnishing cars and making shipments of grain.

New Rates on Cream.

The state railway commission anounced the promulgation of new rates on cream and milk on passenger trains in Nebraska. The minimum The shooting attracted considerable of Aoki, now ambassador at Washing- charge on a ten-gallon can of cream up to twenty miles distance is made 15 cents. The maximum rate between 550 miles and 600 miles is 68 cents per can. The new rate does not change the rate on long shipments and reduces the rate on short hauls.

Brakeman Killed at Elwood.

An accident occurred at Elwood by which Charles Reynolds, aged brakeman on the Burlington lost his Reynolds was riding on the pilot of the engine. He fell in front of the engine and was dragged about thirty yards before it was discovered he was under the engine. He was badly mutilated and life was extinct when he was gotten out.

Severe Storm at Pierce. A heavy storm of wind and rain came up from the southeast and did quite a good deal of damage to property in Pierce and vicinity. A number of trees were badly damaged. A bolt of lightning struck near the Gar-Pesidence, and one of the boys. who was sitting near the window, was stunned.

Embezzlement is Charged. Richie O Taylor, arrested at the instance of the American Telegraph town had been a lamentable fallure and Telephone company at Omaha. and he would oppose all such projects

was charged with embezzling \$1.350. Taylor came originally from the east, but was employed in Lincoln for some Beri-Beri in Jap Camp.

Dr. Jones, of Murdock, informed the state board of health that twenty cases of beri-beri existed among a number of Japanese laborers at Alvo. The state board of health sent a representative to make a thorough investiga-

Gas Stove Explodes.

Mrs. C. A. Powell, of 515 Court street, Beatrice, was severely burned about the face and hands by the explosion of a gas stove at her home The windows were blown out and the kitchen badly disarranged by the force of the explosion.

Man Who Passes Bad Draft Caught. G. T. Durst, who succeeded a obtaining a ticket to Denver and \$290 in money from City Ticket Agent H B. Eller, of the Union depot at Fremont. by means of a fraudulent draft, was arrested at Evanston, Wyo., and is now in inil at that place.

Suspected of Being Train Robbers. Believing he saw before him the two men wanted for holding up the Great Northern train at Bedford, Mont., Sheriff Ress. of Lincoln, arrest. ed Edward Clark and Fred Montgom ery near Firth. They deny being

Thought Gun Was Empty. While handling a revolver supposed o be unloaded John J. Haul, director of the State bank at St. Paul, and son of the bank's president accidentally shot himself through the heart.

merican Artillery to Reproduce the Great Mukden Conflict.

Out on a wide stretch of Kansas plain the savage battle of Mukuen is to be fought again-a mimic struggle which for ten smoke-blown days is to stagger over 80,000 acres of government reservation There will be the crash of heavy siege guns and the stench of pieric as the disrupting shells hurl earthworks and their dummy defenders in the air.

The infantry, with its siege guns and field artillery, will throw its strength against the redoubts which the engineers Henry Mahler, who was in jail for have constructed-a fortification which few weeks on a criminal charge preduplicates as far as possible the one be ferred by his 16-year-old daughter, hind which Kuropatkin intrenched his was released from custody at West Russians at Mukden and over which the Point when his mother signed his little brown men swarmed after their ond for \$500 for his appearance be-Shimose shells had blown great breaches

It is chiefly for the purpose of seeing what American artillery can do under identical circumstances that this mimic battle is to be fought. Dunnite is the explosive with which our shells are to be charged, a pierle compound which takes its name from Major Beverly W. Dunn

coarded the evening passenger train for Peemer very much intextcated. of the United States Ordnance Corps, when Sheriff Machow, without any The works which are to be attacked preparation, with not even his cont, by this shell were constructed by the stepped abound and followed him. At Third battalion of engineers, now stationby this shell were constructed by the beginer, near where his home is situ- ed at Fort Leavenworth. The redoubt ated, he engaged a liveryman to drive is 30 feet through at the base and 12 him out to his home, tried to have him feet at the top. It is rivetted with faget him a pint of whisky and then cines, hurdles, brush and sod and is made went to a hardware store to buy a reas strong as the nature of the soil and subsoils of the region will allow. On the out the whole family. At this point inner face a banquette tread, about four the sheriff took him in charge and and a half feet below the top, has been constructed, and on this will be placed a mediately swore out a complaint of large number of dummy figures represent keep the peace and he was placed un ing men, to test shrapnel fire. der \$1,000 bonds, which, being unable

The work of making this redoubt has to procure, he once more languishes occupied the engineers all summer and they believe that it will put the artillery to a stubborn test. It is practically the strongest fortification that modern mill science could construct.

In all about 5,000 men will be engaged in the maneuvers at Fort Riley.

WORSE THAN BLACK PLAGUE.

Greatest Catastrophe World Ever He was identified as the same man Knew Now in Progress. who worked the Lincoln ministers in The greatest catastrophe the world has the same way last April and had done ever known is in progress at this present the same kind of a trick in Omaha and oment and the world recks little or

nothing of it. Each of his intended victims says This is the plague epidemic in India, man showed thorough knowledge which has now been raging for more than of law and creeds of the different eleven years, nad which, so far from churches and is a very smooth fellow, showing any tendency to die out, keeps His scheme was to call at the house steadily increasing in intensity. of a clergyman, tell him that himself during the six weeks ending May 11 last, and family were members of his de-481,892 persons perished from it, or at commination and had just moved onto farm a few miles from town. He the rate of over 80,500 deaths a week.

Nothing approaching the appalling hornext day, when he and his wife would ror represented by these figures has ever be in and would bring in some vegeta- been recorded before. The nearest to it bies, and could the minister pay him was in 1905, when, during the last week in advance? The scheme, he said, in March, the epidemic was responsible for 57,702 deaths. No pestilence of ancient or modern

OFFICER BROWN CREATES STIR. imes, of which we have any knowledge, has slain so many millions of people as Fires Four Shots in Effort to Halt has this one and the end of which, mind, is not yet. fired The "Great Plague" of London, for four shots at Henry Moran and three example, about which everybody has others who were thought to have held heard, killed at the outside some 80,000 Douglas, but none of the shots took people in seven months, or about as many

effect. Moran was caught. It appears, as are dying weekly in India from a dishowever, from investigation that it ease which is identical with it in every was not a case of holdup, but that the The "Black Death" is said to have three simply intended to give Jones a beating as a result of an old grudge. slain one-third of the then population of England-say 1,500,000 persons; but this is doubtful. Even admitting the correctness of the estimate, however, the mor tality of the present epidemic in India

has already more than doubled this hugtotal. What will be the end no man car foresee or venture to forecast. It may be that all that has gone before, and all that is happening now, inexpressibly aw ful though it is, is but the prelude of

# HIGH PRICES FOR COAL.

Car Searcity May Make Cost of Fuel

Highest in Years. The Pittsburg Coal Company, the Mo-R. F. Jones died in a hospital at Seat-Wash, where he had gone from nongahela River Consolidated Coal and his home at Waterville, Wash., to be Coke Company and the Pittsburg and operated on for a gathering 13 his Buffalo Coal Company have refused to head. He was an old and highly re- accept an order from the Italian govspected pioneer of Lyons, and at one time represented Burt county in the shipped to Italy. ernment for 500,000 tons of coal, to be

For some time past a representative of the Italian government has been in this country trying to obtain coal, first in the Senator E. J. Burkett, who left reanthracite field and afterward in Plitsburg. In both places he has been unhe would fight the Alaskan-Yukon exsuccessful. The Pittsburg operators have position appropriation in congress. He decided that it would be impossible to declared that the exposition at James- fill the order because of the great home demand for coal.

There is a shortage of miners at the present time, and the car shortage is so serious that it would be impossible to get the coal to tidewater. Besides, there The Bow Valley Schutzen Verein are no boats available on which the coal

could be shipped. According to the operators, there is

every reason to believe that the price of last day of the celebration. The socoal will be higher this winter than ever ciety was organized eleven years ago, before, mainly through the car shortage and has since given a two days' cele-The railroads entering Pittsburg have served notice on the operators that hereafter no cars will be allowed to be sent Bedwell, superintendent of the off the lines owning them. This action Norfolk schools and formerly county will prevent the shipment of thousands of superintendent of Douglas county, has tons of coal until the order is rescinded, been appointed a member of the which is not expected to happen until afboard to examine teachers for state ter the crop movement is completed. The certificates. He takes the place of situation was never more serious than at the board formerly occupied by E. D.

present.

Brief News Items. Chicago banks send millions of dollars West to aid in crop movement. Mayor Becker of Milwaukee intimates that he will in a short time be a full-

A strong sentiment favoring Roosevelt for a third term as President is seen from that place bagging fifteen birds, by Secretary Straus during a trip. During a reception at the Eagle Club

rooms in McKeesport, Pa., Louis Delo, a

fiedged candidate for Governor.

The Brown County Potato Growers' well-known athlete, attempted to kill himsociation held its annual meeting self by shooting. His condition is critaturday. The new officers are, A. D. Heebe, president; Park Stillman, sec-The Panama canal cost the American relary; Hugh Booth, treasurer, and J. government \$84,449,000 up to Dec. 31, Fornau and T. J. Hastings members 1906, according to a statement of the

audited expenditures made as of that date and just published. The Democratic executive commit-Sherman Long, a carpenter, was shot ter decided to postpone the banquet and killed at his home in Columbus, Ohio, set for Sept. 24 because that is the by Frank Miller, his brother-in-law, who date for the state convention at Lin- has had trouble with his wife, and went OKLAHOMA GOES DRY.

Election Returns from New State Indicate Success of Prohibition.

Oklahoma has ratified the enabling act and become a State so far as Oklahoma and Indian Territory are concerned. Returns from the largest cities and counties of Oklahoma and Indian Territory up to midnight Tuesday indicated that the constitution of the proposed new State has been adopted by a large majority; that the prohibition clause of the constitution has been adopted and that the Democratic State ticket, headed by C. N. Haskell of Muskogee for Governor, has been elected over Frank Frantz, the present territorial governor of Oklahoma, who was the Republican nominee. In the enabling act Congress provided for prohibition in Indian Territory for twenty-one years from Jan. 1, 1906. The prohibition clause voted on applies the same provision to the Okla-

homa side of the new State. All of the elements of a national campaign were at hand in the canvass. Secretary of War Taft was the chief representative of the Republican side and William J. Bryan was brought in to answer Secretary Taft and to lead the Democratic fight for the constitution and the Demo-

The election was held under the terms of the act of Congress granting joint statehood to Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory. The statehood bill was passed at Washington after a strenuous fight which was carried through several sessions of Congress. President Roosevelt intervened on behalf of the people of the territories, and, while each territory was anxious for separate statehood, a compromise was affected by which the friends of statehood accepted the joint bill rather than have none at all. Immediately after the statehood bill was sign. . ed by the President the battle for the political control of the new State opened.

#### NEW CHARTER BEATEN.

Chleago's Proposed Measure Is De-

feated Two to One. Chicago's proposed new charter was defeated at the polls Tuesday by a vote of more than two to one. The measure was snowed under in many strongholds of both parties alike, losing in all but four of the thirty-five wards. Fifty per cent of the registered electors turned out, and their ballots killed the act by a vote

of 59,581 for to 121,479 against. Knowledge had hardly been obtained that the charter was dead than a movement was on foot to secure another instrument that will contain the good features of the defeated measure while holding none of the alleged defects that led the voters to turn it down.

An analysis of the vote shows that the campaign made by the United Societies bore much fruit in the shape of ballots against the measure. A survey of the situation indicated that the defeat of the charter was due most largely to the contention that taxes would be raised uninstrument, and that the Sunday closing laws would be put into force.

On the North and West Sides bundreds of small property holders turned out to register an adverse vote because of the taxes argument, while in the thickly settled foreign sections a heavy vote against the act was tallied because of the "personal liberty" appeal.

The ward gerrymander, too, undoubtedly played an important part in the defeat. The political aspect it gave to the charter led many an independent voter to show his resentment by marking an adverse

STANDARD OIL PROFITS.

Earnings from 1899 to 1996 Shown

to Be \$400,315,934. Sensational disclosures regarding the fabulous earnings of Standard Oil were brought out in New York at the hearing in the suit of the United States government to dissolve the corporation. Adroit questioning drew from the reluctant lips of Clarence G. Fay, resident compredler of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, the admission that in seven years Standard Oil's total profits amounted to \$490,315,934, or something over \$70,000,-

000 a year. Mr. Fay was also forced to admit that in 1899 the profits were nearly \$80,000,-000 instead of \$34,000,000 as set forth on the books of the company. The Standard Oil managed to cover up its great earnings in that year by deliberately failing to credit the earnings of nineteen subsidiary companies that contributed vast sums to the parent corporation. This is the first time the company's earnings

have been made public. Figuring on the capital stock now outstanding-\$98,330,382-this is an annual profit of something over 70 per cent. Figured on the basis of the Standard Oil trust, which had a capitalization of \$10,-000,000 when it was dissolved and reorganized into the present company without any additional investment on the part of Mr. Rockefeller and his associates, the annual profit is something like 700 per cent. On the basis of the original Standard Oil Company, with a capitalization of \$1,000,000, the annual profit is a little more than 7,000 per cent. On the basis of the little refinery Mr. Rockefeller had when he started out, with an invested capital principally of nerve, the percentage of annual profit is-well, the statisticians haven't figured that out yet.

# BLAST ON JAPANESE SHIP.

Twenty-Seven Men Killed by Explosion on the Kashima. Twenty-seven of the crew were killed

and many were injured on the Japanese battleship Kashima by the explosion of powder after target practice near Kure, The Kashima, under command of Captain Koizumi, went to Kure, where the wounded were placed in the hospital. The dead included a Heutenant, two cadets and one staff officer.

Details regarding the effects of the explosion are lacking, but it was terrific and the ship was severely damaged. The blast followed an attempt to remove an unexploded shell from the gun. A majority of the bystanders were fearfully mutilated.

The explosion is under lavestigation. It occurred inside of the shield of the starboard after ten-inch gun. It was not the shell which exploded, but powder, which evidently caught fire from the gas emitted from the breech when opened to reload the gun. The hull of the Kashima is not damaged.