BRIEF TELEGRAMS. [

The town of Venura, Iowa, suffered a fire loss of \$500,000.

The government tariff bill was passed by the German reichstag.

The body of Mrs. Grant will be laid by the side of that of her husband.

Vice Admiral Kruys, the minister of

expanded greatly since American pos- ficulties. sion.

The Treasury department does not

Another contribution of \$1,000,000 from John D. Rockefeller to the University of Chicago was announced at the convocation last week

The Victoria hotel in Quebec was completely destroyed by fire. The guests and employes escaped uninjured. Loss \$110,000; insurance \$75,-000.

At New York, on the 16th, negotiations were concluded for the importation of \$250,000,000 in gold from France this week. The metal will leave Havre next Saturday.

A general increase in wages of trainmen on the Southern railway, averaging about 5 per cent in amount, has been granted by the officials of that road.

Lieutenant Colonel H. J. Foster. commanding the Royal engineers on the Island of Guernsey, has been appointed military attache to the British embassy at Washington.

Cardinal Martinelli has recommend ed to the congregation of the propaganda the appointment of the Rev. J. F. Regis Ganevin, rector of St. Paul's cathedral, Pittsburg, to the post of coadjutor bishop of Pittsburg.

The testimony taken by the subcommittee of the senate committee on territories on the house omnibus statehood bill, has just been printed as a senate document is now made public.

Texas, reports having found bear in that might be rendered by the arbitrathe Davis mountains and has assured tors. It believes that the force of President Roosevelt that if he will public opinion would absolutely income down the boys will hold one sure a settlement. while he shoots it.

During a quarrel at Clinton, Ia. Charles Grenderson of Sioux City. was shot and killed, Benjamin Carroll was wounded twice, and Mrs. Carroll was probably fatally shot. The shooting resulted from jealousy.

George W. Prescott, aged 65, one of the founders and first president of the Union Iron works, was found dead in the note of March 8, 1901, marked his apartments at the Palace hotel. San Francisco. It is believed that death resulted from heart failure.

Three girls, aged two, four and seven years, children of Louis Smith. a negro, were burned to death in a Sixteenth street tenement house, in New York. The parents went out, leaving the children in bed asleep.

So many stories of the way bears are running riot in the far west have reached the president since he has returned from the Mississippi cane brakes, that he has decided to try his luck out beyond the Missouri next time.

W. C. McMillan, son of the late Senator James McMillan, denied the rumors that he might run against Senator Alger for election to the United States senate in the session of the Michigan legislature to open in January.

The Hudson Valley Railway company, operating between Albany and Warrensburg, has engaged C. O. Fitch of Omaha, Neb., as superintendent of power and wires, with head- the requirements. quarters at Glen Falls. Mr. Fitch was chief electrician of the Cudahy Packing company.

Major Alexander Shaw, financier, coal operator and philanthropist, died suddenly of heart failure at his home in Baltimore. Alexander Shaw was born in Long Branch, N. J., in 1837. He came to Maryland twenty years later, and became identified with the coal mining industry of Alleghany county.

The corrugating mills, the paint shop, the store room and the building containing the flour mills of the West Side of the American Sheet Steel company's mills, burned to the ground at Canal Dover, Ohio, and the company is confronted with a loss of over \$1,000,000; nearly \$750,000 in finished product and the balance in buildings and machinery.

Dr. Wyman, government physician at the Sac and Fox Indian agency in Oklahoma, announces that a large majority of the tribes are afflicted with suberculosis, scrofula and other incurable diseases, and adds that the tribe will be practically annihilated within a few years. The latest report says there are but forty members of this once powerful tribe left.

THE FRONTIER POWERS ANSWER

BRITAIN WANTS SAFEGUARDS AND GERMAN APOLOGIES.

********* NEED OF GUARANTY A DRAWBACK

Private Financiers May Step in Now-Individual Firms May Offer Assurances-England Sees No Value in Arbitrators' Award.

WASHINGTON.-Secretary Hay has ceived partial responses from the marine of the Netherlands, is dead. governments of Great Britain, Ger-The bureau of insular affairs report many and Italy respecting the proshows that the Philippine trade has posal to arbitrate the Venezuelan dif-

Great Britain is favorable to arbitration with proper safeguards; Germany feel called upon to take any action to accepts arbitration in principle, but relieve the Wall street financial strin. finds a multitude of small adjustments to be made before entering into the agreement; Italy, as the junior partner of the allies, declares that it is favorable to arbitration, but would be bound by the action of the senior partners

> As far as England is concerned the safeguards referred to are believed to relate to the question of guarantee which is full of difficulties. In this connection some consideration is again given to the feasibility of responsible parties assuming responsibility for any award assessed against Venezuela.

> If this can be arranged the United States government will do what it car to reduce their risks.

> The feeling is growing here that The Hague tribunal should undertake the case if arbitration is agreed to. Mr. Bowen, it is reported, wishes to come to Washington in order personally to effect an adjustment with the resident ambassadors of the allies, but, while the State department makes no statement on the point, it is be lieved that it does not regard this plan with favor. It is also pointed out that in some phases the disputes will not admit of arbitration. Such, for instance, as the attacks on Britisl: and German subjects and the German legations at Caracas, and the arrests of consular officers.

The United States government in clines to the view that there is a disposition to insist needlessly on guar-J. J. Terrell, land commissioner of antees for payment of any judgment

Answers German Demands.

CARACAS-The Venezuelan answer to Germany's ultimatum has just been made public. In part it is as follows: "The Venezuelan government is un-

able to discover in its correspondence a single sentence offensive in tone.

"With regard to the publication of 'confidential:' This note lost its confidential character through the publication of a memorandum by the German ambassador to the United States in which was incorporated the note in question.

"Regarding the other points, each of which comes within a certain law, it is only necessary to call your attention to the abnormal circumstances which have paralyzed any course of action relating to these matters. The Venezuelan government is now considering the appointment of a fiscal agent.

"The imperial government desires that Venezuela immediately satisfy the claims arising from the civil war and that other matters be arbitrated.

"The Venezuelan government only awaits the time when the work of pacification, in which it is earnestly engaged, shall permit it to issue an order re-establishing public credit. The claims arising out of the present war, which still devastates the republic, will be treated with all justice under the laws to be passed to cover

"Upon the special command of my government I refrain from replying to that part of your note which relates to joint action on the part of Germany and the United Kingdom. A power like Venezuela, which is in need

of no stimulus to cause it to fulfill its legal obligations to its utmost ability, can never expect any course of action which shall not conform to the principles of mutual respect and the rules of reciprocal cordiality.

"R. LOPEZ BARALT, "Minister of Foreign Affairs."

Rounding Up Ladrones. MANILA .- The roundup of Ladrones in Risil province is proceeding. A large force of constabulary is in the field and the Manila police are cooperating with it. They are cordoning the north part of the city to prevent the Ladrones entering. The United States fleet is assembled for the evolutions which are to commence temorrow and continue for a fortnight. They will consist largely in landing tactics and the seizure, fortifying and supplying of a naval base on the west coast of Luzon, near Subig. The battleship Kentucky is here

and the Oregon is expected daily.

CASH FOR CATTLE.

It is Voted by the Lower House of Congress.

WASHINGTON .- The house on Monday passed the senate bill for a union railway station in this city, to cost \$4,000,600. The station is to be situated north of the present site of the Baltimore & Ohio depot at Delaware and Massachusetts avenues, and in front of it is to be a large plaza

The Pennsylvania is to remove its tracks from the Mall and reach the site of the proposed station through a tunnel to run bteween the capitol and library buildings. The government is to pay the Pennsylvania railroad \$1,500,000, and the Baltimore & Ohio \$500,000, in addition to providing for the plaza park.

deficiency bill, which carried among other items an appropriation of \$500,-000 for eradicating the foot and mouth disease in New England. A bill was in severalty of the lands of the New before the regular meetings begin. which Waldo Wintersteen of Fremont York Indians. The bill provides that prior to allotment the claims of the be here Tuesday to attend the busi- ing democrats of the city and county Ogden Land company should be decided in the courts, and if found good should be purchased for the benefit ing \$200,000.

The senate on Monday discussed the militia bill and also the omnibus statehood bill.

ber 20 to January 5, Mr. Proctor (Vt.) from the bill section 24, naving particular reference to the reserve force if enacted would be an infringement of the constitutional authority of the states, and put the custody of the militia into the hands of the general government.

The bill was laid aside for the omni- Farmers Complain That They Cannot bus statehood bill, Senator Dillingham (Vt.), who is opposed to the bill, occupying the remainder of the session in rehearing the testimony taken by the subcommittee on its tour of investigation.

Mr. Bate (Tenn.) submitted a report of the minority on the omnibus statehood bill, which was read. It favored the omnibus bill.

A message from the president was the payment of indemnity to the heirs of certain Italians killed in the southern states.

Consideration of the statehood bill was resumed. Mr. Quay (Pa.) said that as the senator from Minnesota (Mr. Nelson) had "suddenly and tumultuously" withdrawn the substitute it was his desire to know if Mr. Nelson intended to re-report the same. Replying, Mr. Nelson said that it was his purpose to re-report, but could not say at this time when he

FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE GRAIN MEETING.

Called at Lincoln, Nebraska, Jan. 22nd, 1903.

There will be a meeting held at Lincoln, Nebraska, Jan. 22nd, 1903, at 2 o'clock p. m., in University hall, in the interest of and for the purpose of advancing the Farmers' Co-Operative Grain and Live Stock association and extending its usefulness in Nebraska All farmers and others interested in extending the work of the association and in the building of Farmers' Co-Operative elevators are requested to attend and take part in the meeting. We recommend that farmers and shippers meet at the various shipping stations of Nebraska and send representatives or delegates to this meeting. All persons interested in the success of the co-operative movement and desiring information regarding the same are cordially invited. James Butler, manager of the Central association and other speakers from Kansas will address the meeting. Reduced rates have been granted by all railroads in the state. Ask for them when buying your ticket. THE FARMERS' GRAIN ASS'N, of

Benedict, Neb.

D. W. BAKER, Pres. E. E. WATTS, Sec'y. THE FARMERS' GRAIN ASS'N, of

Thayer, Neb. R. B. PRICE Pres-. T. C. PRATHER, Sec'y. THE FARMERS' BUSINESS ASS'N,

of Shelby, Neb. H. THELEN, Pres. H. H. HEWITT, Sec'y.

Pension Appropriation. WASHINGTON-The senate on Wednesday passed the pension appro priation bill without discussion. It carried \$139,847,00. An urgent deficiency bill was also passed. The amount carried by this bill is \$1,148; 400, and includes an item of \$500,000 to enable the secretary of agriculture to stamp out the foot and mouth disease, which has become epidemic in the New England states.

NEBRASKA IN GENERAL

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Superintendent Losks Forward to a Well Attended Meeting.

Superintendent of Instruction Fowler believes the meeting of the state teachers this year will be more successful and of more interest than any previous meeting. In an interview he

ing them. Many will be here Monday and Tuesday (29th and 30th) to take Beghtol. The house also pased an urgency the state examination for life certifiness session in representative hall and the other half to discuss school law. The educationtion for an adjournment from Decem- Paul's church to the university with- ard proposes to fight the case. out hitting a schoolma'am. And they called up the militia bill. An amend- will not all dissolve from view Friday remain faithful to the program at St. of trained men, provoked some dis- Paul's church Friday evening and go afternoon or night, "Much Ado About

CLAMORING FOR GRAIN CARS.

Nothing."

Get Their Crops to Market.

THAYER, Neb .- The farmers living around Thayer are complaining bitterly of the treatment that the Farmers' Grain Elevator company is receiving at Thayer from the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad. They assert that the Elkhorn is furnishing the trust elevators with empty cars and that the farmers are unable to get a car. Officers of the company are laid before the senate, recommending leaving for Omaha, where they will see the proper officials and see if they cannot receive fair treatment from the Elkhorn. The grain bins are full and farmers have had to stop threshing machines. They think it pretty hard to have to stop taking grain when the company elevators are taking in grain right along and are receiving cars.

BENEDICT, Neb .- Elevator men on the Kansas City & Omaha railroad complain that since the road has been operated by the Burlington it is harder work to get cars than under the old management. Every elevator is full of grain and many of them in York county on the Kansas City & Omaha have filled the driveways. Corn shellers and threshing machines have had to stop, as elevators cannot take any more grain.

FREE DELIVERY IS ASKED.

Protest Against Changing Land Leasing Laws.

WASHINGTON - Representative Burkett on Wednesday called at the postoffice department, and requested the establishment of a free delivery service at Plattsmouth. Three deliveries of mail in the business portion and two deliveries in the residence sections is desired a day.

Both Burkett and Mercer introduced resolutions in the house from the George A. Custer post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Omaha, protesting against any change of laws affecting the leasing of public lands in Nebraska. Frank I. Teeter of Nebraska, clerk in the pension bureau, has received a salary promotion from \$900 to \$1,000 a year.

Saves Life by a Miracle.

BEATRICE, Neb.-Gus Schmidt, a resident of this city, came very near losing his life while shoveling snow off the roof of a brick building. He of the roof that was concealed by the heavy snow drifts and fortunately caught himself by a piece of 2x4 projecting from the fire wall. He hung there for some time suspended forty feet above the ground, and by the himself back on the roof, thereby saving himself from a serious if not fatal accident.

Found Hanging in Barn. BLOOMFIELD, Neb .- William Hilkemeier, a well-to-do German farm-

er, living south of this place, was found hanging from a beam in his barn. When the body was discovered life had been extinct for some hours. Hilk-meier was a widower with several his rash act.

********************************* TEACHERS COMING IN FORCE. Mrs. Guy Barton, who has been held at Sheridan, Wyo., on the charge of killing her father-in-law, returned home to Plattsmouth, accompanied by her brother, Lawrence Stull. Mrs. Barton was released upon bail pending her trial, which is set for Febru-

Governor-elect Mickey was a visitor at the State Industrial school at Kear-"The teachers of Nebraska are com- ney, dropping in without announceing to the state association this year | ment of his coming. He made a critiin larger numbers than ever before. cal inspection of all parts of the in-The vastly better program is attract- stitution, but made no comment on the administration of Superintendent

A new democratic daily will be cates. In fact, the office of the state started in Fremont about January 1, superintendent of public instruction or before. A stock company has been will not be large enough to contain formed and will be incorporated as them all. Many other teachers will soon as a few preliminaries are out of passed to provide for the allotment be in Tuesday to see the art exhibit the way. The stock will be \$4,000, of 'the county superintendents will all will own half and about twenty lead-

The "Hello Bill" company, which al council will meet Tuesday evening showed at Beatrice, had the receipts of the Indians for a sum not exceed- and Wednesday forenoon, and Wednes- of the box office and baggage attached day afternoon nine meetings of the by Miss Mildred Claire and Frank T. auxiliary association will be in full Glenn, members of the company, who blast. From that time until Friday claimed that Manager Kellogg owed night you won't be able to throw a them back salaries to the amount of snowball on O street, or between the \$100 each. Mr. Kellogg denies the After agrecing to the house resolu- Lindell and the Lincoln, from St. fact that he owes the alleged debt

Fire broke out in the store of the Anderson Mercantile company at Nement by Mr. Pettus (Ala.), striking night. Many will remain over Saturday ligh and the fire and water rendered to do some shopping, and others will the stock of merchandise nearly a total loss. The stock was probably worth \$10,000, on which there is but cussion, Mr. Pettus raising the point to the "play" at the Oliver Saturday \$2,000 insurance. The fire came from a lamp set too near some cotton wrappers displayed on a line through the store. The building is badly damaged.

> Plans are being made by a number of local business men o fAshland to purchase the south half of block 17, Flora City addition, and present the same to the City of Ashland, to be used as a public park. The ground is finely located for a park, being within one block of the business center. F. H. Chickering and C. N. Folsom are circulating a subscription paper, headed by a donation of \$1,000 from E. A. Wiggenhorn, and ranging in amount from \$150 down to \$50.

> The Nebraska Association of Osteopathic Physicians held its annual convention in Lincoln. A number of interesting papers were read and discussed and a legislative committee appointed, which will look after matters of interest to the association before the coming legislature. These officers were elected for the coming year: Dr. Milligan of Grand Island, president; Dr. Moss of Ashland, vice president; Dr. Grace Beedan of Omaha, secretary.

Twenty-four hours after leading his bride to the altar, Mead Morrell, a fireman on the Burlington railroad. lost his life in a head-on collision a Table Rock. Train No. 64, standing in the yards, was about to pull out. Train No. 67, coming into the yards at twenty-five miles an hour, crashed into the standing engine. Both engines, their tenders and a number of cars of merchandise were totally destroyed. Morrell was told to jump, but evidently did not have time.

Governor-elect Mickey was in Nebraska City to investigate the management of the institute for the Blind. In an interview Mr. Mickey stated that he found the people very well satisfied with Mr. Morey, the superintendent at the institute, but that there is some dissatisfaction as to the way in which the school is managed. Mr. Mickey said he had not yet decided whether he would retain Mr. Morey, but would carefully investigate the situation before rendering a decision.

Much legislation is asked from the coming legislature by the legislative committee of the State Teachers' association, which met in Lincoln with State Superintendent Fowler. One of the most important recommendations is in regard to the age of teachers. The committee was unanimous that no person under the age of 17 years ought to be permitted to teach in the public schools of the state. This measure will result in many changes if adopted by the legislature. There are hundreds of teachers in the state accidentally slipped off the rear edge below that age. To exclude them will cause a greater demand for older teachers and the increased demand will probably be followed by a raise in the wages that the teachers will receive. The rules of the State Normal school at Peru may also have to be greatest effort succeeded in pulling changed to conform to the new measure.

> The four men who robbed Havden Bros. at Grand Island, Saturday night were captured in Kearney and the Grand Island chief of police arrived and identified some of the articles stolen.

The water famine at Nebraska City is over and the company has all the water needed to supply all of the demands of the city and industries. The river has been rising steadily for some small children. It is supposed grief time past and now there is three feet over the loss of his wife impelled or water at the intake pipe at the pumping station.

There are plenty of people who have become depressed and discouraged, because that dry, hacking cough hangs to them continually. have taken much medicine, mostly of the advertised quack sort, nothing like Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Breast Tea, the discovery of a then noted German physician 60 years ago. We do not say that this will cure a case where the lungs are badly diseased, for it will not, and up to this date there is nothing that will cure under these conditions; but on the other hand, if the lungs are not hard hit, the patient should take Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Breast Tea, a cup full every night on going to bed, have it hot, drink slowly, then every other night rub the throat and top portion of the lungs with St Jacobs Oil, cover with oil silk, let it remain an hour, then remove. Eat good, plain, nourishing food, live in the open air as much as possible. By all means sleep as near out of doors as possible, that is, windows wide open, except in the very severe weather. Take a cold sponge bath every morning; then immediately rub the body vigorously with a coarse towel. Take Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Drops every other day according to directions. One can buy the three remedies for \$1.25 of any reliable druggist. Begin the treatment at once and see how much better you will be almost within a week's time.

Hadn't Found Either.

Henry Ward Beecher returned to Indianapolis after he had cone to Brooklyn, for a little visit, and his friends arranged a reception for him, which was inadvertently planned for Wednesday evening-prayer-meeting night. Late in the evening there appeared severe looking elderly gentleman, who came to Mr. Beecher with an air of rebuke, and said: "Mr. Beecher, this is prayer meting night. I went to the First Presbyterian prayer meeting, to the Third Presbyterian prayer meeting, and to the Fourth Presbyterian prayer meeting, expecting to meet the Lord Jesus and Henry Ward Beecher.' The good man paused, and Mr. Beecher replied with that irrepressible twinkle in his eye: "Well, my dear sir, it's plain that you didn't find either of

A Versatile Typewriter.

Selim Haddad, a Syrian educated at the American college at Beirut, Syria, has perfected a typewriter for writing in Turkish, Arabic and Persian, Though these languages each have over 600 letters or characters he has reduced the number of keys to fifty-The machines are being made in this country, and the inventor has presented samples to the Sultan of Turkey and Khedive of Egypt.

A Problem Solved.

Cabbel, Kans., Dec. 22nd.-This part of Kansas has solved the great question, How can Kidney Troubles be cured, and as Rheumatism. Bright's Disease, Diabetes and other ailments resulting from Diseased Kidneys are common to all parts of the country the news is of great interest.

The cure is Dodd's Kidney Pills. Hundreds of people will tell you this of their own experience. Take J. B. Cunningham for example. He had Kidney Trouble of long standing. He sought relief in vain. He had tried Doctors and Medicines of different

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