#### BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Postmasters of South Dakota have formed a state organization.

Marriage was invented to show that there were two sides to every ques-

tion. The total vote for president at the late election was: McKinley, 7,263,266; Bryan, 6.415.387.

Lord Roberts will take chief command of the British army January 1.

He is an Irishman. An effort is being made in this coun-

try to raise funds to erect a college for women in Madrid, Spain. The comptroller of the currency has approved the Merchants National bank

of Omaha as a reserve agent for the First National bank at Rawlins, Wyo. The Irish Times says that a huge newspaper trust is forming in London which will control several large weeklies, as well as morning and evening

dailies, in the metropolis. The fugitive ex-governor of Kentucky, Mr. Taylor, has settled in Indianapolis and opened a law office with two more Kentucky refugees who were members of his administration.

Half a million in gold was shipped to London December 8 for the payment of silver purchased for the coinage of rupees. The total purchased for this account since February is \$4,700,000.

It is intended by the people back of the international live stock exposition to make it not only an annual affair, but to make it the court of last resort, so to speak, upon judgment of live stock.

Panama canal lobbyists have circulated a report that Nicaragua will demand \$20,000,000 from this government in payment for canal cencessions necessary to establish a right of way across the isthmus.

R. G. Dun's estate is valued at \$2, 000, most of which was left to his wife and relatives. He gave \$5,000 each to four New York hospitals and twenty-five paintings to the Metropol-

itan Museum of Art. Martin Stickel, who was arrested and brought to Tacoma, has made a confession to the effect that he and E. G. Pierce murdered Cornelius Knapp and his wife near Castle Rock, Wash., last week; also that they murdered a rancher named Shanklin a year ago.

Representatives of nearly every church denomination in Chicago have resolved to unite in a crusade against civic immorolity and take an active part in the suppression of vice and the maintenance of law and order in Chicago.

The English capitalists who are trying to buy Colorado gold mines are believed to have obtained an option on the Gold Coin at Cripple Creek, Colo. It is said that the price mentioned is \$20,000,000.

General Joseph Wheeler's successor in the house of representatives is William Richardson, who was once sentenced to be hanged as a confederate spy by General Crittenden, but who was recaptured before the sentence could be executed.

The statistician of the agricultural department reports 10,100,000 bales as the probable cotton production of the United States for 1900-1901. In the making of this estimate the same methods and agencies have been used that were employed last year.

The American Steel & Wire company has declared a dividend on the preferred stock of 1% per cent, payable January 2, 1901, and directed the payment of the quarterly dividend of 1% per cent on the common stock, as declared at the beginning of the year.

Rev. J. H. Bitler, the Methodist evangelist who was recently given \$1,-000,000 worth of Cripple Creek mining property for reformatory work, has taken up his abode in Chicago. He will make his home in Englewood, and expects to start on his work at once.

The servant girls of Minneapolis are being organized into a union by the Trades and Labor council.

A New York real estate firm announces that a colony of Boers farmers is to be established on Long Island, between Hicksville and Syosset, in Nassau county.

A postoffice has been established at Byron, Big Horn county, Wyo., with Joseph H. Neville as postmaster.

H. Melville Hanna, brother of Senator Hanna, has given to Lakeside hospital in Cleveland, O., a thousand, shares of Northern Pacific preferred: stock, the aggregate par value of which is \$100,000.

The official vote of Washington state is: McKinley, 57,456; Bryan, 44,833; Frink, republican, for governor, 51,-944; Rogers, democrat, 53,574.

is left for the founding in Boston of

a hospital. After having received subscriptions for the famine stricken in India to the extent of \$252,988 the New York Committee of One Hundred ended its work. Representative Kitchen of North Carolina has introduced in the house a resolution for a constitutional amendment to repeal the fifteenth

amendment to the constitution. Robert W. Willox, Hawaii's delegateelcot to congress, arrived at San Francisco on the steamer Rio de Janeiro. en route to Washington.

Miss Amanda Kidder, an elocutionist well known throughout Wisconsin. has accepted the chair of elocution in

Lombard college, Dixon, Illinois. Joseph F. Wright, aged 70, secretary of the board of trustees of the University of Cincinnati, was struck by a street car and fatally injured.

The Lorain Steel company has resumed work at its converting, finishing and shaping mills at Lorain with more than 3,000 men employed in the entire plant.

# The Valentine Democrat | A GERMAN SHIP SINKS

Big Iron Training Vessel Goes Down in the Mediterranean Saa.

## THE NEWS IS FROM MADAGASCAR

Forty Persons Are Said to Have Perished in Their Efforts to Escape-Frigate Carried a Complement of 461-Belonged to German Navy.

MADRID, Dec. 17.-The German training frigate Gneisenau has foundered off Malaga, sixty-five miles northeast of Gibraltar. Private dispatches that forty persons were drowned.

The Gneisenau foundered at the entrance to the port of Malaga, where it was about to take refuge from the terrible storm prevailing. At the present time only the masts of the vessel

are visible. The training ship had been at Malaga since November 1, practicing with guns of large caliber. She had been previously at Megador, Morocco.

At 10 o'clock this morning a review of the cadets was in order. The wind was extremely violent and instructions were given to stoke up as rapidly as possible. But already the mountainous waves had struck the ship, snapping the anchor chains. She was driven helpless toward the port and sank. The men threw themselves into the sea and clung to the wreckage, but the majority quickly disappeared.

Captain Krestmann died at his post. The Malaga lifeboat made heroic efforts and rescued fifteen, but the weight capsized the boat and twelve were drowned. The other three were saved by means of ropes thrown to them. The port authorities saved many of the sailors. The survivors have been received at the hospital, the Hotel Deville and private houses. All the theaters in Malaga abandoned

their performances this evening. A large number of the cadets can be seen rom the shore clinging to the rigging. They are shouting and signaling for help. The captain and many of the cadets have been drowned. It is believed that a party who left in one of

the ship's boats and have not been seen since are also lost. The total loss is now thought to be not less than 100. Some dispatches say 140. Forty of those saved are bad-

ly hurt.

Indians Burned to Death. CANNON BALL, N. D., Dec. 17 .-An Indian family consisting of father, mother and four children were burned to death last night by the explosion of a can of gasoline. Another family of father, mother and one child are frightfully burned and will probably die. The Benton Transportation company had five tanks of gasoline on the river bank at Bismarck awaiting a boat. The bank caved in and all the oil went into the river. One tank was saved by an Indian. Last night this Indian, named War Bonnet, supposing the tank contained kerosene, lit a match to fill a measure, when the explosion took place.

### Insurgents Not Dispersed.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 17 .- Advices from Colon, Colombia, today regarding the recent fighting between the government troops and the insurgents at Tumaco, the rebel stronghold, which lasted three days, the insurgents then evacuating the town, say that the withdrawing insurgent force was not

On the contrary fears are entertained at Colon that this body of rebels will effect a junction with the force operating around Buena Ventura.

### Russia Defends It: Course.

ST. PETERSRURG, Dec. 17 .- The Official Messenger publishes an inspired statement as the views of the Russian government concerning the Yang Tsun-Shan Hai Kwan railroad, repudiating the charges that the Russians have acted illegally in handling the line, contending that Russia's actions was necessitated by military considerations, declining to recognize the British as owners of the line, but admitting that they have the preponderating financial interest.

Boers to Settle in German Colony. BERLIN, Dec. 17.—According to the

Lokal Anzeiger fifty Cape Colony Boers now in Amsterdam with their families, have been granted permission to settle in German Southwest Africa, the Ger-Damaraland and Great Namaquin land. | last. The Boers will leave Amsterdam on January 5.

### New Packing Plant.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.-A charter was filed in Recorder Simon's office today incorporating the John Cudahy company with a capital stock of \$500,000. The object of the corporation is to ment respecting their payment has conduct a general manufacturing and been reached. All this government The will of the late Robert G. Grig- mercantile business. A new packing secured up to this time is a series of ham leaves \$2,259,700, most of which plant will be erected immediately at promises to settle by the Ottoman Wichita, Kan. John Cudahy is the government. principal stockholder.

Confirmed by the Senate. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- Confirmations by the senate: Judson C. Clements of Georgia, to be interstate com-

### No Selection of Coadjutor Yet.

agency in New Mexico.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-Before leaving for his home in Minnesota last night, Archbishop Ireland stated that no selection of a coadjutor or assistant bishop for the archdiocese of St. Paul railway for the purpose of attempting has yet been made. During his recent to mediate the trouble between the visit to Rome the archbishop suggested | road and the Order of the Railway Telto the holy see the need of appointing egraphers. While no agreement was selves. Four other prisoners refused an assistant prelate for that jurisdic- reached the board of mediation was to take advantage of the opportunity tion, owing to its rapid progress. It is encouraged by Mr. Mudge to hold a yet a matter of conjecture whether conference with Third Vice President Bishop O'Gorman of South Dakota or Barr. They will, it is said, seek this one of the secular clergy of St. Paul conference at Chicago tomorrow or the details. The escape of the two was will be promoted to the office.

#### TARIFF FOR PHILIPPINES.

Judge Taft Declares New Measure will Be for Revenue Only.

MANILA, Dec. 17 .- Advices from Iloilo, island of Panay, report that the American troops have been moving northward and westward for several days and that detachments of the Sixth, Eighteenth and Twenty-sixth regiments have been acrive near their stations.

The insurgent losses during the last ten days have been five killed, seven wounded and forty taken prisoner. The Americans lave lost two killed and three wounded.

Large numbers of the natives, however, are swearing allegiance to the United States. In several recent attacks and expeditions in southern Luzon the insurgents have lost eight killed, seven wounded and about twenty captured. The Americans have lost one killed and two wounded. General Wheaton reports that 430 natives have entered Calanao for regis-

tration. Most of the time of the Philippines commission is now devoted to the tariff bill. Judge Taft said today that, generally speaking, the new rates would be about 40 per cent of the existing rates.

"It will be essentially a tariff for revenue," he remarked, "but some of the industries that are already established will be given protection. The commission is not considering the question of the constitutionality of taxing United States products. The precedents have been established in the case of Forto Rico and by the military government of the Philippines. The bill requires the washing of cotton goods so as to eliminate the clay used by Furopean manufacturers, which increases the weight. This will incidentally favor American goods. The rate on kerosene will be reduced from 11 cents a gallon to 4. Some American goods will be admitted free and almost all will come in at reduced figures."

#### FURTHER CHANGE DEMANDED.

Ernest Satow Instructed to Demand

Modification of Joint Note. PEKIN, Dec. 17.—Definite instructions, supplementing yesterday's communication from London, have been received by Sir Ernest Mason Satow, the British minister, and he now demands a modification of a point in the joint note which the foreign envoys generally regard as important. This means further delay, as all the ministers must communicate anew with their respective governments. Just what is the nature of the objection raised by Great Britain the ministers decline to say, but they admit that the new demand will involve a good deal more diplomatic procedure.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- Officials here are at a loss to understand the reasons for the important modification in the joint Chinese note, which it is reported the British minister to Pekin is to demand before signing that document preparatory to its presentation to the Chinese plenipotentiaries. They have no information on the subject, as nothing has been heard from Mr. Conger on the matter for some days. The understanding here has been that the joint note, as agreed upon by the envoys, was in the main satisfactory to the British government. It simply desired a slight amendment to the scope of the agreement. This did not conflict with any of the principles held out for by our government. Such being the case it was confidently expected the signature of the British minister would be promptly affixed to the agreement and the note presented to the Chinese at an early day.

### Locate Regular Magazine.

PEKIN, Dec. 17.-Yesterday while a private of the Ninth United States infantry was searching for two stray town where he found a rapid-fire machine gun with 5,000 rounds of ammunition, of which he took charge. He went back to the mail station for the night, but on returning in the morning he found several magazine rifles and 1,100 rounds of ammunition. When leaving the town he was fired upon, but he did not return the fire.

### Dollar-Makers Arrested.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 17.-United States marshals arrived here tonight. having in custody Samuel B. Latshaw and George E. Coast, who are charged with counterfeiting. Fifty spurious dollars, which were still warm, and a counterfeit plant were captured with the prisoners at Coast's home at Lisbon, Venango county. The prisoners are supposed to belong to an organman government having just assented | ized gang, of whom secret service men to the purchase of lands by them in have captured eleven since October

### Our Claim Not Settled.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17 .- Contrary to the impression which according to the Constantinople dispatches prevails regarding the United States claims for indemnity against Turkey, the statement is made that no settle-

### Vice Consul Kills Himself.

Antoine, vice consul of France and the head last night and will probably ing to cross the Union Pacific track merce commissioner (a reappoint- die. The shooting was witnessed by two miles west of North Bend. Tulley ment); Nimrod S. Walpole of Pueblo, a woman who is known as Belle was driving a wagon. He saw the to be Indian agent of the Jicarilla | Chappell. She has refused to make a | train coming and attempted to cross statement.

### May Decide to Arbitrate.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 17 .- Representatives of the trainmen, conductors, engineers and firemen held a confer-Tuesday.

#### NEW BRAND LAW HIS PLAN.

Sezator-Elect Van Boskirk Intends to Discourage Cattle Stealing.

LINCOLN, Dec. 17.-The extremely rapid growth of the cattle industry in Nebraska has prompted the proposal of several very important measures for the consideration of the next legislature. From the great cattle plains come appeals for more effective legislation and with a view to remedying the inefficiency of existing laws a bill has been prepared, under the direction of the officers of the Northwestern Cattlemen's association, which is designed to increase and extend the protection provided for cattle owners and ranchmen. The measure contemplates an amendment to the Brand Marks Commission act reducing the membership of that commission to one man, and revision for the inspection of cattle at the markets, inspection of hides and the publication of an official brand book.

reflect the wishes of the other officers and members of the organization.

The principal object of the bill will be to give cattle owners absolute protection against thieves.

"If we succeed in enacting the proposed law a man who steals a cow cannot escape detection unless he destroys the hide and eats the animals,' said Mr. Van Boskirk, "Provision will be made for registering all brands and for the publication of an official brand book, and a man will have to prove ownership before he can lawfully dispose of any cattle. If he takes a quarter of a cow to market, he will have to exhibit the hide as an evidence that it is his property. The official brand book will enable the purchaser to compare the registered brand with the brand on the hide and determine whether they are the sam in design.

#### Fancy Price for Live Stock.

OMAHA, Dec. 17.-The prize cattle that were on exhibition at the South Omaha stock yards were sold at the highest price paid in recent years on that market. The 3-year-olds which carried off first prize were owned and fed by John Shannon of Hoskins, and the Omaha Packing company brought them at \$7.50 per 100. It will be remembered that the same company also bought the highest priced cattle last year and paid \$7.25 for them.

Mr. A. W. Clark's load of yearlings, which were awarded first premium in that class, were also sold at a good figure. There were heifers in the bunch and the fifteen head sold at \$6 to the Omaha Packing company, which is the highest price ever paid for a mixed bunch of yearlings on the South Omaha market.

#### New Railroad for Nebraska.

OMAHA, Dec. 17 .- Mr. A. O. Perry of Atkinson, well known as a railroad promoter, is in town in the interest of his new enterprise—a railroad running from Callaway, in Custer county, to Gandy, in Logan county, a distance of ago Mr. Perry conceived the idea of Atkinson to the new town site of Perry on the northern bank of the Niobrara river, in Boyd county. He promoted the enterprise to the point where it was ready for the ties and rails and then his Chicago contractor fell down on him and brought everything to a standstill.

### Gentleman Pleads Not Guilty.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 17.-Nicholas Gentleman, who did the shooting muies near Ho Si Wu he arrived at a | at Platte Center a week ago, was arraigned in justice court, and upon the reading of the complaint he entered a plea of not guilty, waived the preliminary examination and was bound over to the district court without bail. The witnesses for the state were each required to enter into a recognizance in the sum of \$200 for their appear-

### Is Young in Crime.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Dec. 17.-James Mahan plead guilty in the district court to the charge of grand larceny. The prisoner, who is a mere boy, was employed on the government riprap work at Rulo and stole a sum of money from a fellow employe. He broke down when arraigned and Judge Stull was inclined to be lenient and gave him the minimum sentence, one year in the penitentiary.

### Farmer's Fall Proves Fatal.

SPENCER, Neb., Dec. 17.-At a lonely spot, four miles northeast of here. on the road to his home, the body of Anton Holechek has been found, and it is thought that he was killed by a fall from his wagon. He has occasionally taken liquor to excess while in town, and two years ago a friend of his, one Turachek by name, was killed in a similar manner as the two were driving home in an intoxicated condition,

### Tries to Beat the Fast Mail.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 17.—Patrick SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Paul Tulley, a farmer residing eight miles from North Bend, was seriously injured acting consul, shot himself through by train No. 101 while he was attemptahead of it.

### Jail Delivery at Beaver City.

BEAVER CITY, Neb., Dec. 17 .-Charles Griffin and Arch Bisbee, two ence this evening with General Man- prisoners of the county jail, sawed ager H. U. Mudge of the Santa Fe their way to liberty last night. A hole (7x13 inches) was cut in the steel cell through which they squeezed themand remained in their cells, although they later refused to divulge any of thus hidden from the officials.

#### BRAND LAW DOES NOT SUIT.

Stockmen Want It Amended so as to Be More Efficacious.

LINCOLN, Dec. 15 .- One of the innumerable bills that will be introduced in the next legislature for the benefit of cattlemen of western Nebraska wil provide for reconstructing the state marks and brands commission and changing in many places the law which governs and regulates the exercise of its authority. It is proposed to reduce the membership of the commission to one man, who shall maintain a permanent office at the state house, and to raise the fee charged for registering a brand from \$1.50 to \$2.50. The existing commission is composed of four members, including the secretary of state, each of whom shares equally the proceeds from the registration of brands.

S. P. Delatour of Llewellyn, president of the Northwestern Cattlemen's association and member of the Nebraska commission, is one of the men who are urging the proposed changes. He Senator-elect J. R. Van Boskirk of has devoted more time to the work of Aliance will probably introduce the the commission than any other man proposed bill in the legislature. He and is interested in seeing its authorihas been secretary of the Northwestern | ty and jurisdiction extended so far as Cattlemen's association for several possible. During the few months of years, and it is said that his bill will lits existence the board has registered over 3,000 brands, and applications for nearly 5,000 have been passed upon, many of which were returned because of duplication. Cattlemen in all parts of Nebraska are manifesting considrable interest in the work, believing that the time is not far distant when the official registration of brands will greatly benefit their class.

One of the arguments used in support of the plea for the amendments is that the work of the commission could be much more successfully prosecuted by one man giving his entire time than by four men who meet on y periodically. It is also argued that an increase in the fee would enable the commissioner to enforce the law and bring it into more general operation. However, the matter of fees is considered of secondary importance and the increase would probably not be urged should it meet with any strong opposition.

#### Kearney Wants Extension Completed.

KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 15 .- F. J. Keens, as a representative of the Commercial club of this city, visited St. Louis for the purpose of conferring with the officials of the Missouri Pacific road regarding the extension of the line from Prosser to this place. When the line was originally constitue. ed it was the intention to build to Kearney, but work was stopped when it was completed to Prosser, twentyfour miles distantt. General Manager Harding gave him encouragement that the line would ultimatery be built, and probably in the near future, but was not prepared at present to make a prepared at present to make a direct proposition. Mr. Harding denied there was any truth in the rumor that the Missouri Pacific had secured control of the Kearney & Black Hills line, running from Kearney to Callaway.

#### Must Show the Books.

LINCOLN, Dec. 15.-The supreme court has issued a formal order to the Standard Cil company to permit the attorney general to inspect the books of the company, giving the list of thirty-five miles. About three years stockholders at present and from the time the company was organized, the running a railroad from his home in | minute books of the company and other books and papers. The order was the decision of the court a week ago, wherein it declared it was competent to try the case of the attorney general against the Standard Oil company, in which it is sought to debar it from the state on the ground that it is a trust.

### Organize a New Church.

McCOOK, Dec. 15 .- The Congregationalists of this vicinity held an important meeting at the Noble schoolhouse, near Box Elder, fifteen miles from this city. A church of thirtyeight members was duly recognized by a church council and Rev. W. J. Turner of this city preached the sermon and Rev. J. S. Calhoun of Indianola, Rev. A. G. Axtell of Stockville, Rev. J. D. Stewart of Auburn and hev. H. Bross of Lincoln took part in the ser-

### Rulo Murderer Sentenced for Life.

FALLS CITY, Dec. 15 .- William Miller was arraigned in the district court on a charge of murder in the first degree, having shot and killed A. J. Wake, city marshal of Rulo, on the night of November 29. At first Miller entered a plea of not guilty, but after consultation with his attorneys withdrew the plea, interposing a plea of guilty. Judge Stull immediately sentenced him to life imprisonment.

### Booth Physical Director.

LINCOLN, Dec. 15.-Walter C. Booth has been retained as coach of the university of Nebraska football eleven for the next year. The regents of the university elected Mr. Booth to the chair of assistant physical director of the university, the position of director

#### temporarily remaining vacant. Buys Nine Quarter Sections. OSMOND, Dec. 15 .- W. H. Butter-

field of Norfolk, closed a ceal whereby he come into possession of nine quarter sections of land lying just thre miles east of town. He paid \$40,-000 for the tract and will open another big ranch.

A Cincinnatti wife attempted suicide because she didn't like her new hat. This should be a warning to other wives not to order new hats this fall.

### How a Farmer Fooled a Town.

ST. PAUL, Neb., Dec. 15 .- The oll boom at St. Paul has collapsed. Some time ago the excitement started over the report that oil was ozing out of a spring situated not far from town anu people had visions of fortune, with Coal Oil Johnnies on every block. Investigation has broken the spell. It appears that a farmer, with a view to having some fun. "saltel" the spring daily with coal oil. One day a party v sited it and found no oil. The farmer was away from home and the salting process had been neglected.

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