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Get up your muscle and nerve preparatory to turning over that new leaf.

A man who had lived in Des Moines, Iowa, for 60 years dropped dead Christmas morning. People of rival Iowa cities will probably concede that he had reason for dropping dead.

The Ponca Journal has recently absorbed the Dixon Tribune, making the second paper it has taken in within two months. The Journal is exercising the practivities of an octopus on a small

Senator Hanna played Santa Claus to a check for \$10,000. It isn't every little child that was able to pull such a gift ance, \$30,000. from his stocking. It was the baby's first Christmas.

Dennis O'Leary, after a few weeks as publisher of the Wayne Republican, has sold out to W. H. Gibson and Chas. S. Lewis who will issue their first paper next week. Mr. O'Leary announces that he will quit newspaper work and engage in other business.

The report is that a man has frozen to death in Louisiana. He escaped from jail and in an endeavor to evade the officers of the law the horrible fate overtook him. It is expected that the next news will contain information of people freezing to death on the Sabara desert.

And now it is claimed that a serum has been discovered for the cure of cholera, typhoid fever and other similar diseases. It is to be hoped that the doctors have not missed their guess. Undoubtedly consumption and other supposed-to-be incurable diseases will likewise shortly fall before the progress years ago. of science.

The practical joker has received another lesson. Frank Royal, a Duck Hill, Miss., man, entered the home of his sister after dark and failing to answer her challenge as to who was there. was shot and killed by his niece, 14 years of age, who used a double-barrelled shot gun with effect. He will frighten no more people.

. An Iowa juror went insane while trying a case and almost succeeded in wiptangled up some well recognized theories, one of which is that to go insane some original intelligence is requisite and another that a person who sits on a jury has no intelligence. Perhaps this is one of the exceptions necessary to prove the

U. Kawal, a Japanese newspaper man, is in this country purchasing material for a large modern daily newspaper plant in his country. There is little doubt that the Japanese people are progressing. This is but another evidence that their civilization is becoming of their place as the leading country of the

Innis, the band master, is one of the greatest advertisers on the road and those who believe in that method of making things win, will not doubt Mrs. Innes' claim that he is making \$30,000 to \$50,000 a year from his concerts and has \$100,000 invested in stocks. There are those who will believe that his suit for divorce is probably a shrewd advertising scheme.

Friends of Secretary Wilson had feared that the appointment of Governor Shaw to a cabinet position might mean his retirement, but Governor Shaw has relieved their anxiety by announcing that he made it a condition of his acceptance that Secretary Wilson should remain in the cabinet. Iowa politicians are evidently reaping a share of their reward for keeping the state in line with the national tion, returned a verdict late yesteradministration.

The ecclesiastical court of jurisdiction at Rome is evidently averse to hurrying religious matters in the way the modern world hurries other things. It has recently decided that it would be improper to hear confessions by telephone and now it has decreed that the asking and receiving of dispensations from canonical laws by telegraph and cable are not proper. Undoubtedly too many people would perform their religious functions on the rush order if they were permitted to believe that it was cannon and 45 guns.

Edward Sterricker, an Omaha man, has discovered that he is one of the to Germany's demands. heirs to 320 acres of land in the heart of Philadelphia which is now valued at Mass., gave employes a Christmas \$215,000,000. According to the press present amounting to 10 per cent story, Colonel Baker, an ex-officer in the British army, affiliated himself with The Boers still retain effective the Americans in the revolutionary war.

of land, which afterward composed the very heart of Philadelphia. It was leased to the government for a period of ninety-nine years. The property stood unclaimed for some time, when the lease expired, nine years ago. If Sleet and Snow Accompanied the heirs insist on removing their property after they have succeeded in establishing their claim they will make the Quaker City feel worse than the man from whom Shylock was to exact the pound of flesh.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

A Big Four train ran into a herd of cattle, killing ten, near Kansas, Illa. Alfred S. Dewitt, United States commissioner and city clerk of Guthrie, O.

T., died Wednesday. C. H. Patton, grand high priest of the Royal Arch Masons of Illinois, dled at Mount Vernon, Ills.

Dunlap Smith, a leading financier Wednesday of pneumonia.

President Roosevelt ordered E. S. the service of the government. A fire truck and a street car col-

killed and another fatally hurt. The foundry of George L. Mesker at-

Wednesday. Loss, \$60,000; insur-Frank Mallory, proprietor of a resand killed Wednesday by Frank Chil-

cut, a saloonkeeper. T. M. James, uncle of Frank and Jesse James and one of the leading crockery merchants of the west, died at Kansas City Wednesday.

Dewitt Clinton House, who is dead at his home in Kansas City, aged 74, was one of the oldest and best known traveling men in the United States. In defending his mother from an assault by her drink-crazed husband, Theodore Watkins, colored, 13 years

Richard Watkins, at Brazil, Ind. TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

The National Lead company and the CONDUCTOR BLOWN FROM TRAIN Union Lead and Oil company may indulge in a trade war. John J. Valentine, president of the

Wells-Fargo Express company, died at Oakland, Cal., Saturday. James Wilson, an Oklahoma farmer,

was arrested Saturday, charged with the murder of a man at Arno, Mo., 32

Omaha won the intercity team shoot score of 227 to 217. Charlie Budd of Des Moines won the Hazard trophy from Frank Parmelee in the shoot-off. had a nightmare Saturday night, during which he strangled to death his

ed at Butler, Mo., of murder in the first degree for killing a Colorado miner named Donogan, was refused a ing out his family. The incident has new trial and sentenced to be hanged Feb. 13, 1902.

British officials have taken preliminary steps to sound the Boer leaders in war. The intermediary is the Duchess of Albany, who has been visiting her sister, Dowager Queen Emma.

One of Sandow's Tricks.

One day in a London tobacconist's shop Sandow, the strong man, was handed some change, and in the middle of it he saw something that looked like a bad shilling. He pushed it back across the counter. "I think that one is bad," he said.

"Nonsense," said the shopkeeper, brass coin tester that was screwed to the side of the counter. Then he tendered it again. "It's quite good," he said. "I can't bend it."

his finger and thumb. "You can't bend it! May I try?" he asked.

"Certainly," said the man, with The strong man pressed the tip of

his forefinger toward the tip of his thumb and the spurious coin bent like tissue paper. "Well," said the tobacconist dum-

founded, "it looks like a wrong 'un after all! Perhaps you will accept another?" And Sandow did.

Lee and Garvin Found Guilty. Helens, Mon., Dec. 26 .- The jury in Robert E. Lee and Samuel Garvin, May street crossing. charged with stealing 700 cattle from the Indians on the Crow reservaday afternoon, finding both defendants guilty after a trial lasting two

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

A British punitive expedition in Baluchistan razed a fort and annihilated a band of outlaws.

tion restraining the Chicago board of trade from expelling A. R. Jones and M. J. Ryan. The Filipino General Samson and

Judge Hanecy dissolved the injunc-

all the insurgent leaders on the island the Canadian Soo and Webbwood, of Bohol surrendered, giving up 28 Ont., on the Canadian Pacific, col-

Germany has not yet sent an ultimatum to Venezuela, but this step will ing. Engineer McDivit of North Bay, soon be taken unless Venezuela yields of the freight engine, was killed and The Borden mills at Fall River,

wage increase for six weeks. means of communication in South Af-He received as compensation [320 acres rica and can organize a combined attack at any prearranged point.

by High Wind.

TELEGRAPH WIRES PROSTRATED

Spokane Is Completely Cut Off From the Outside World-All Trains Are More or Less Delayed in the Mountains-Storm Begins Suddenly.

Salt Lake, Dec. 27.-The storm which has been raging throughout the northern intermountain country struck Salt Lake at 4:30 p. m. meterday with days a suddenness and fur that startled the residents. From a dead calm the wind increased to remarkable rapidity and within a few moments had atand real estate dealer of Chicago, died tained a velocity of 50 miles an hour, bringing with it a blinding snowstorm, which raged with the fury of a Maclay peremptorily discharged from blizzard for over two hours. The storm came from the northwest and although of comparatively short dura-Hded at Toledo and one man was tion was one of the severest felt in this section for years.

All trains are more or less delayed, his grand child and presented him with Evansville, Ind., was destroyed by fire while telegraph service is completely prostrated. Spokane, Wash., so far as telegraphic service is concerned, is completely cut off from the outside taurant at Hot Springs, Ark., was shot world. Seattle, Tacoma and other points report terrific wind, and marine disasters are feared.

Blizzard Hits Helena.

Helena, Mon., Dec. 27.-A storm struck Helena yesterday afternoon with a startling suddenness. The calm morning was transformed into a howling blizzard in almost a twinkling. The snow descended rapidly, while the wind raged. The storm lasted almost an hour, and since then there has been a high wind. During the storm the wind attained a velocity of age, shot and killed his father, of 45 miles an hour. The storm came from the northwest and was general over western and central Montana

His Mangled Body Found at Bottom

of Deep Gorge. Missoula, Mon., Dec. 27.-Conductor Charles King was killed last night just across the line in Idaho. Conductor King, who had charge of a freight train, was blown from his train by the fierce storm raging while trying to reach the caboose. King had been helping a brakeman and had at 25 live birds from Kansas City by a started to the rear of the train when the disaster occurred. King's mangled body was found at the Bottom of a deep gorge, having been blown from Henry C. Krause of Cleveland, O., the train while almost in the center of a trestle. From Fort Benton comes reports of the worst storm aged mother, under the hallucination known in years. Big windows of the she was a dragon. Grief made him in- court house were blown in and other minor damage was done.

Mysterious Diamond Robbery. Washington, Dec. 27.-A mysterious robbery of a diamond chain, valued at \$3,500, of which either the Adams Express company or Shaw & Berry, a local jewelry firm, which shipped it to New York, are probably the victims, Holland on ending the South African occurred some time between Sunday and yesterday. The jewelry was dispatched from here to Joseph Franket & Sons, New York. When delivered there was no evidence that the seal had been tampered with and the package was not opened in New York, until yesterday, when the chain was found to be missing. The stolen gems num-

Has Been Adjudged Insane.

Chicago, Dec. 27.-The young woman known as "Frances Ross," who is the highest and that they are winning with an incredulous air. He took up supposed to have escaped from a Portthe shilling and tried it in the little land, Or., convent, was adjudged in sane here yesterday, experts testifying that the woman is suffering from religious melancholy. It is believed by physicians at the hospital that Sandow smiled and took it between treatment may restore her reason. Miss Ross will say nothing to establish her identity. When taken into custody she had nearly \$3,500 in cash on her person.

Meet Death Under the Wheels. St. Louis, Dec. 27.-John W. Taylor,

hief engineer of the Terminal Railroad company, and William Kent, whose home is in Louisville, were ground to death beneath the wheels of a Wabash switch engine at Second and May streets, in North St. Louis, last evening, after jumping panicstricken from a swiftly moving gasoline motor car which threatened to the United States court in the case of collide with the switch engine at the

Admiral Sampson a Mental Wreck. Urbana, Ills., Dec. 27.-John W Weeks of Champaign, a personal friend of Rear Admiral Sampson, has received a letter from Mrs. Sampson, in which she says the mental condition of the admiral is beyond recovery. The letter was written in reply to a note expressing sympathy with the rear admiral in the personal annoyances he has suffered in the controversy with Rear Admiral Schley.

Canadian Trains Collide. Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 27 .-The local express which runs between lided with a light freight engine a few miles east of Thessalon last evenseveral were badly injured.

Reese Declines Tendered Office. Des Moines, Dec. 27.-John P Reese of Albia, president of the United Mine Workers of Iowa, has declined the position of commissioner tendered by the Association of Iowa Mine | Bransch Avenue Owners and will stand for re-election.

BATTLE CREEK

Geo. Zimmerman is filling up his ice houses these days.

Misses Helen and Kate O'Niell were Norfolk visitors Friday.

The business men claim they had a very good Christmas trade.

Julius Glandt of Meadow Grove transacted business here Tuesday.

Joe Osborn shipped a carload of fat cattle to the Omaha market Friday.

Holy communion services will be held at the Lutheran church next Sunday.

Papa Brecheisen is very sick at this writing. Asthma is his main trouble. Julius Gardels of West Point is visiting here with relatives during the holi

Manda Thomsen of Antelope county was visiting here Monday with rela-

Owen Wade and son, John, were vis iting here Sunday with friends and rel-

Herman Eucker drove to Newman Grove Saturday on business and returned the next day.

Misses Jesse and Stella Leap left Fri day for Des Moines, Iowa, with the in tention of staying. Chas Wichman and family of Pierce

are visiting here with Mrs. Wichman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fuerst. A happy New Year and lots of prosperity to the News Journal family, this means to all those who read such a good

Christmas exercises were held in the Lutheran, Methodist and Baptist churches on the 24th and were well at-

Albert Gardels of South Omaha is here visiting his parents during the holidays. He is employed by the Cudahy

Mrs. A. H. Gardels of Hartington arrived here Monday to spend Christmas with relatives. Her husband came the

Game Warden Col. Chas. Worker of Pierce county was visiting Battle Creek Monday and had a friendly chat with your scribe.

Mrs. Hofman and Mrs. Henry Jost returned Monday from Sioux City, where they have been four weeks for treatment in the Lutheran hospital. Our jovial station agent, W. C. Day,

and family, drove over to Madison Wednesday to consume a Christmas turkey with his father-in-law, "Uncle Jerry Albert Hofman, son of Rev. Mr. Hofman arrived here Friday from Seward.

to spend the holidays with his parents. He is a student at the Lutheran college at that place. Herald, the four months old twin son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tegler, died Saturday and was buried Monday forenoon

in the Lutheran cemetery. Rev. Hofman was the officiating minister. Miss Lena Bredehaeft returned Friday from a six weeks' visit with relatives at Tyndall, South Dakota. Her cousins, John and Louisa Gering, re-

turned with her, to see this country. On the evening of Christmas a masquerade ball was held in the opera house. One fellow put a masque onto another boy's face, and for the doing of it he had to settle for it in Judge Neuwerk's court. Another fellow had to pay for his lodging in Flood's resort, in Lund's court.

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