which in other states has proven to

be a great success.

The century just closed has been im-

of valor and love for country and hu-

manity, by appropriating a liberal sum of money to erect a fitting monument

Committees should be appointed at

once to visit our various state insti-

tutions, with instructions to make an

early report of their needs, so that the

egislature may have ample opportun-

ity to act intelligently in the matter

In conclusion, I wish to state tha

every act of yours or mine, should be

governed by that same honesty of purpose, and business tact and care,

as though our state and her institu-

tions were our own personal belong-

It must be confessed that the new

ing king of Italy are good. The duke

is a cousin of King Emmanuel III. He

is the father of two sons, whereas the

new king, who was married four years

A Novel Petition.

A correspondent of a southern

paper writes of an odd petition. It

was drawn up in the year 1734 by 16

young women of South Carolina, and

disease is about to sterilize the milk.

Water Supply for Tampico.

lishment in the port.

CHARLES H. DIETRICH.

appropriations.

ings. (Signed)

to the memory of our heroic dead.

Interstate Commerce Commission Again Urges Action Upon Congress.

THE MEASURE IS DAILY YIOLATED

Together with Populties for Violation tion of Matters.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The fourteenth annual report of the Interstate Commerce commission was sent to congrees today.

Attention is called by the commision to the necessity for further legislation amending the act to regulate commerce, the reasons for urging these amendments having been carefully explained in previous reports. Knowledge of present conditions and tendencies, they say, increases rather than lessens the necessity for legislative action upon the lines already indicated and in such other directions as will furnish an adequate and workable statute for the regulation of commerce 'among the several states."

"It is evident," the report states, "that railroad managers generally have made no attempt to conform their practices to the spirit of the law. They may keep within its letter and succeed in avoiding its penalties, but they claim that they are virtually compelled to counteract its aim and evade its observance. Thus it happens that some of the most important and useful incidents of railway service are maintained by methods which are believed to be inharmonious with, if not in actual violation of, a federal statute. This is more than the question of pooling contracts between rival carriers—it is the question of such agreements as relate to classification, terminal charges and the like-concerning which uniformity, certainty and stability are of manifest benefit and convenience to the public.

"Under the conditions now existing it is inevitable that frequent disacts of injustice be committed. Theoretically it is possible for each road to observe its published schedules in every particular, but this in many cases must be done, if done at al, only at the loss of needed traffic, unless all rival roads with equal strictness and bonesty conform in like manner to their published rates. The idea of public regulation implies certain standards of correct conduct to which all carriers shall conform. It also implies some measure of supervision and control over those subject to its requirements, to the end that these standards may be observed and practices made to conform thereto. This. without doubt, is inconsistent to some degree at least, with actual and constant competition as that term is commonly understood.

"The policy now pursued cannot and will not prevent an outcome of vicious discriminations. And what is most unfortunate of all, those discriminations favor the few and place the many at a disadvantage. They aid the strong, who have no need of assistance, and handicap the weak with burdens which, by comparison, are always unjust and often destructive.

"The present state of the law has undoubtedly furnished a great incentive to the consolidation or unification of rival lines, which is at once the the most conspicuous and most sig-nificant result of current railroad financiering."

BEET SUGAR FOR EVERYBODY.

Remarkable Extension of the Industry Reported from All Sections.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.-The remarkable extension of the beet sugar industry is glutting the markets of the world, according to United States Consul Hughes at Coburg, Germany, in a communication to the State department. The European producing lands are Germany, Austria, Russia, France, Belgium, Holland, Sweden, Denmark Bulgaria, Roumania, Switzerland, Italy, Greece and Spain. Persia is jus! entering the field and Egypt is waking up to the fact that her soil is adapted to the cultivation of the beet. The United States, says the consul, is pressing them all, with Argentina and Chili trying to follow in her foot-

Spain of late years has taken great interest in the industry. n a special report on the sugar industry of that country Consul General Lay at Barcelona states that the output of the beet sugar mills of Spain for the next year is estimated to be more than double the actual requirement for home con-

The question as to whether the surplus can be advantageously exported without the he'p of government bonnties is engaging serious attention. It is feared that even with the aid of tounties, which are granted in other countries, Spanish sugar would not be able to compete in a foreign market.

Gen. Batchelder Dend.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—General Batchelder, formerly quartermaster general of the army, died here this afternoon at 2:25 o'clock. General Batchelder has been in delicate health for several years, but his illness did not assume a critical phase until just fore the holidays, when he suffered from an attack of angina pectoris, Interment will be made at Ar.ington cemetery on Monday, after services in All Souls' Unitarian church.

Wants Coursi to Settle.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.- The auditing officers of the treasury have been engaged for some time in an effort to secure from United States Consul Radcliffe H. Ford at Yarmouth, N. S., a ter 9 o'clock this morning. They left Water street. Hurried efforts to disentisfactory explanation of certain dis- Norfolk, Va., at noon on Sunday last bursements made by him on account of the relief of distressed American sailors, but so far without result. The office has been investigated by the nearest consul general and unless some accounting is rendered for the items referred to the case will be reported to the State department,

Made Duchess by Pope Los.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 5.—The pope has created Madame Antonio De Mier to y Cellis, the widow of the late minister of Mexico, to be a duchess in recognition of her magnificent gifts to the church, one of them being a splendid esidence in Paris for the papel nuncio. Mme. Mier has recently given her husband's valuable collection of books to the national library of Mexico. city, for a hospital.

STRONG APPEAL FOR PEACE.

the Folly of Further Fighting. LONDON, Jan. 4.-The censorship has just permitted news of the following peace tentatives to emanate from Pretoria:

About the middle of December a number of prominent burghers who had submitted and were living in the Pretoria district formed a peace committee. Mr. Vans Rensburg, a formattee. Mr. Vans Rensburg, a formattee. mer member of the first Volksraad of the Transvaal, was elected president of the committee, which included other prominent former members of the Volksraad. The committee resolved to attempt negotiation and in response to a suggestion Lord Kitchener attended a meeting and addressed the committee. He said he was gad to meet a committee desirous of bringing the war to a speedy conclusion and he assured them that they could rely upon his assistance in every way calculated to further that object. He oceded to point out the fully of a continuance of guerrilla warfare, since the British government would never permit the re-establishment of the Boer government. Mr. Chamberlain's statements in Parliament Lord Kitchener contended, clearly showed that there was no wish to oppress the burghers. On the contrary, the British proposals foreshadowed an enlightened government, in which the

and the ancient laws and customs of the burghers. Lord Kitchener urged that it was useless to continue the present inhuman struggle, pointing out that the powers had refused Mr. Kruger's pleadings for intervention. The Boers, he said, had fought a good fight, but had been overpowered, and there was no dishonor in the leaders recognizing that fact. He reminded them that there were hosts of Boar prisoners waiting to be restored to their fami-

burghers would have a prominent

share, insuring the rights of property

KITCHENER RETURES THANKS.

Advises Cape Colony to Organize Force of

eral Forestier-Walker, in command of the British forces at Capetown, say-

I am glad to hear of the ministers' action. Give them all the assistance in your power. Use trains to get these colonists south of the enemy. Ask the premier to inform me if I can help in any way. Inform him that the enemy are few, but very mobile. Well mounted men are most required to surround them or drive them north. The action of the ministers of Cape Colony referred to by General Kitchener is the calling on the loyalists to assist the military by the formation of a paid defense force. A station master of the Fraserburg

road has seized a number of cases marked "condensed milk," addressed to Frazerburg, which contained 3,000 split bullets, 500 detonators and 150 pounds of dynamite.

Wells' Banch Sold for \$20,000. ONAWA, Ia., Jan. 5.—The Wells ranch, in Lincoln township, near the Missouri river, was sold to J. Mulhall of Sioux City for \$20,000. There are over 600 acres of land, which was formerly in timber. Many of the ties originally used in the construction of the Union Pacific railroad were cut on this land by Robert Moore and rafted to Omaha, and at one time there was a thriving burg there, called Tie Town.

For a Private Cable.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—At the regular monthly meeting of the chamber of commerce today Gustave H. Schwab introduced a resolution, which was adopted, committing the chamber to favor the establishment of an American trans-Pacific cable by private enterprise, and to the approval of the general principles embodied in the

atives by Mr. Sherman.

Armour Buys Salt Abroad. KANSAS CITY, Jan. 3.-Twenty-

bill issued in the house of represent-

five thousand tons of common sait purchased in Lisbon, Portugal, have been contracted for by the Armour Packing company of this city: "We found that prices have gone steadily up on account of the salt trust," said the company's purchasing agent today, "and so we went outside this country for our salt."

Amnesty for Veterans MARSHALLTOWN, Jan. 2.-Commandant Horton, of the Soldiers Home, has issued an order remitting all penalties for infraction of the rules of the home prior to Christmas day. The commandant desires that all the inmates should have an opportunity to begin the new year with clear records. bank hunting for old depositors

You Waldersoo May Be Dead PARIS, Jan. 4.-La Journal reports the death of Count von Waldersee, the report being that he was killed by an officer of the allied troops, the circumstances not being related. It is said the rumor is current in Berlin, where it is not confirmed,

Bryan at Pensacola PENSACOLA, Fla., Jan. 4.-William J. Bryan is here tonight. route to Tallahassee to witness the to his election as a bishop he was inauguration of his cousia, William pastor of the Central Methodist Episinauguration of his cousia, William S. Jennings, as governor of Florida

next Tuesday. Warships in a Storm.

BERMUDA, Jan. 4.—The United States warships Annapolis, Frolic, Womputuck and Piscatagua, anchored in St. George's harbor shortly afon their way to Manila, had very stormy weather that day and Monday, during which the Frolic lost her foretop mast. During Tuesday and Wednesday the warships had fine weather. They will stay here four or five days as they have to coal and take on some fresh provisions.

New Training Ship Needed.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The board on naval construction today decided nmend to congress the construction of a 3,000-ton training ship for the naval academy, in accordance with the plans of Superintendent Wainwright. It was decided that the peake is too small for the accomedation of the cadets.

Minister's Death Avenged PEKIN, Jan. 2.—The man who killed to the Antional library of Merico.

Baron von Ketheler, the German minister to China, in June last, was begrounds in Tucubaya, a suburb of this beaded today in the presence of a large-

In Less Than a Single Generation Volume Has Grown Two-Fold.

Then One Quarter of the Entire Circulation, According to the Report of Mis Director Roberts.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.-An increase of more than 100 per cent in the money of the world, in less than a generation, will be one of the exhibitions of the annual reports of the director of the mint. Nearly all of this increase is in metallic money and much the larger proportion is in gold. The total stock reported in 1873 was about \$4,600,000,000, of which more than half was in paper money, not fully covered by metallic reserves. The situation at the beginning of 1900 showed a total monetary stock of about \$11,600,000,000, of which only a little more than one-fourth was in uncovered paper money.

short space of seven years, while the at its maximum of about \$4,250,000,-000 at the beginning of 1896, has since been somewhat reduced by the sale of silver by Germany and its retire-

ment in other countries. The conditions of 1893 showed Mounted Mon to Assist,

CAPETOWN, Jan. 4.—General

Kitchener has sent a dispatch to Gen
coinage of silver in India and the coinage of silver in India and any material increase in the supply

AS TO TRANSMISSOURI RATES.

er There is a Combination. trust law. The committee is to report to the senate.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

president's official household.

Bishop Honde Found Dend. Methodist Episcopal church, was found dead in his bed at his home of death was heart trouble. He ata cold. The deceased had been a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church since 1884 and was known hout the United States. Pri copal church here, and was at one be annoying and disastrous to others

Iowa Duck Really Golden. CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—Shot amounting in value to nearly \$25 has been found in the crop of a tame duck which was offered for sale on South cover the point from which the goldbearing fowl was shipped to Chicago have narrowed it down to either Monticello, Is., or Larke Zurich, Ill., and farmers in the vicinity of those places have been notified to examine the feeding grounds of their fowls. The laws for the protection of these birds gold is of fine quality.

Crows on the Bounding Deep. New Orleans that were working on the Pat Crowe case are mistaken, that badly wanted individual is now sailing peacefully to Porto Cortes, Honduras on the fruit steamer Dudley, which left this port late this afternoon. On the strength of the word of Herman could not be found,

MESCAGE SIMPLE AND BUSINESSAME

Director Roberts finds that while the total money supply of the world has increased about \$7,000,000,000, the increase in gold money since 1873 has been about \$3,600,000,000, in silver about \$2,250,000,0000 and in uncovered paper money only about \$560,000,000. A large proportion of the increase in gold has taken place within the quantity of silver money, which was

total monetary supply of about \$10,-300,000,000, which has since been increased by about \$1,100,000,000. About \$940,000,000 of this increase has been in gold money. The great outbursts United States involving the rapid development of the mines of South Africa and the Klondike region with the increased output of Australia and California, it will be stated, has resulted further in supplying nearly the entire monetary needs of the world, without of paper money in circulation.

Investigation May Be Made as to Wheth WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.-Senato Harris today introduced a resolution in the senate directing the Interstate Commerce commission to investigate whether there now exists any association or associations of railroads formed for the purpose of restraining competition in transportation rates of traffic over lines from points between the Mississippi river and the Rocky mountains, which operate similarly to the association known as the Transmissouri Railway association, that was declared by the supreme court of the United States to be an unlawful combination and in violation of the anti-

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Senator Hansbrough today introduced a bill creating a department of education and giving the head of the department a place in the president's cabinet Speaking of the object of the bill Senator Hansbrough said that the educational interests of the country are constantly increasing and that with the addition of the new territory comprised in Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippines this interest would grow rapdly in scope and importance in the future. On this account, he said, he thought the head of the proposed de partment should be a member of the

CHEYENNE, Jan. 4.-If the present cold weather continues for another week Cheyenne will have to submit to the inconveniences and hardships of a coal famine. The lack of coal is due to the inability of the operators to fill orders, notwithstanding the fact that they have increased their forces, installed new machinery, opened new mines, etc. The order of the gove nment for over 100,000 carlcads of coal to be delivered on the Pacific coast, which was placed with the Rock Springs mines last June, is now tax ng the facilities of at least two mines at Rock Springs.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 4.-Bishop W. X. Ninde, aged 68 years, of the here today. It is thought the cause tended a funeral yesterday and caught time a missionary in India.

MOBILE, Ala., Jan. 4.-Unless the private detective agencies here and in we here, search was made, but he

New Governor Speaks to New

tives. Twenty-seventh Session of the Legislature of Nebraska: As your chief executive, I herewith

By the constitution, as adopted in 1875, provision was made for six judges of the district court, which number, the legislature in the exercise of its constitutional authority, has increased to twenty-eight, at a cost to the state of about \$115,000 per annum. It is generally conceded by members of the legal profession that a material reduction in the number of district judges can be made without affecting the adjudicating capacity or the efficiency of the judicial branch

of the government. There are nearly one thousand seven hundred cases ready for trial before the supreme court, and it is estimated that it will require about eight years before any new action can be prosecuted to judgment. It is well known that persons aiming at the adjudication of equitable claims are being made the prey of unscrupulous and ir-responsible contestants by reason of the delay incident to the congested condition of the supreme court docket, thus entailing unnecessary hardship and loss upon legitimate claimants, at the same time discouraging investment of capital, and making it diffi-cult for the honest borrower to obtain neither the state nor the individual can afford to license. Innumerable cases now pending before the supreme and district courts would be dismissed if a speedy trial could be had, and knowledge of the fact would no doubt greatly restrain litigants in the future. I therefore recommend, with a view to temporary relief, that an act be passed empowering the supreme court to appoint referees whose duty it shall be to assist said court, and whose tenure of office shall be for the immediate biennium. I also recommend the submission to

the voters of the state of a proposition to so amend the constitution as to empower the legislature, under proper restrictions, to provide for such an increase in the number of judges of the supreme court as shall insure per-

manent relief. The laws of Nebraska need amendment in many essential particulars, and should be codified. I recommend the creation of a commission of suitable persons, learned in the law, to submit for the consideration of the next legislature, a codification of our laws, and suggestions of changes where necessary, and to also prepare a revenue measure providing for an equitable taxation of all property

throughout the state. Section 26 of article 5 of the constitution should be so amended that the legislature shall have authority to create a state board of control for the nanagement of our state institutions. and I therefore recommend the submission of an amendment of that purport to the people without unneces-

Your attention is directed to the pan-American exposition which is to be held at Buffalo, N. Y., this year. A reasonable appropriation to be used for advertising the resources of our state will meet with my approval. Nebraska should be properly represented at the exposition to be held in St. Louis in 1903, and a liberal appropriation should be made for that

Your attention is hereby directed to the inadequacy of the law applying to the crimes of kidnapping and child stealing. I would recommend that the law be so amended as to make kidnapping or child stealing a felony. punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary for a period of not less than five nor more than thirty years, that the age limit be removed, and that the unlawful or forcible holding in captivity of any person at a place other than the natural or lawful domicile or abode of said person shall constitute a crime of kidnapping. I also recommend that an appropriation be made, to be placed at the disposal of the chief executive of the state, for use by him in apprehending such criminals or repressing this sort of

The state has several cases pending in the courts against sureties on official bonds. The prosecution of these cases has been attended with great expense, and has continued for several years. In the interim, some of the sureties have died, many have be-come insolvent, and the chances for ultimate recovery on the bonds seem to be growing less. It is the exception, and not the rule, that personal bonds have been satisfactory. Private corporations deem it for their interest to buy surety company bonds for their employes. Our present state treasurer finds it impossible to furnish a satisfactory personal bond without subjecting himself to terms and conditions which have proven to who have held the same position, and he has been obliged, as was his predecessor, to purchase a surety bond at ensurate with his salary. I submit that the law should permit corporate surety bonds to be given in all cases where a bond is required, and should provide that any public officer may be compelled to furnish a corporate surety bond, the cost thereof to be defrayed by the state or municipality for whose benefit such bond is required.

The game, song and other insectivorous birds are the property of the state and are being ruthlessly slaughtered. I therefore recommend that the be so revised as to prohibit their exportation from the state, and to pro-vide for a state game warden whose duty it shall be to see that violators of the law are duly prosecuted. The executive mansion should be either sold, or an appropriation made for its proper maintenance. It should be cared for as any other public prop-

Another matter to which your attention is called is the boundary line between the states of Nebrasia and lows. The original intention undoubtedly was that the center of the While hauling fodder he fell from his channel of the Missouri river should form the boundary line between these two states. Owing, however, to the result.

many places has been so changed that Nebraska territory lies east of the said river, lows territory lies west of the river, while in some instances the question of jurisdiction is in doubt and dispute. This state of affairs make to a condition of lawlessness, specially in the disputed territory, which should not exist. It is recom-

Probably Take Up. provided for by joint resolution of a two houses to act with a like com-

THE WORK AFTER THE HOLIDAYS

mission from our sister state of Iowa that shall have power, with the conment of the federal government, to es-tablish a permanent boundary line be-tween the two states. Your attention will be called to the dvisability of establishing a state cirating or so-called travelling library

mertalized for all ages to come by the gallant achievements on land and sea of the American soldier and ma-rine, and by the patriotic sacrifices of our American women. Let us, then, in this, the first year of a new century, bill, carrying as it does a com that throne and his chances of becom-

> urday. If the former, the length of time to be consumed is problematical.

petition stated that, whereas the titioners did humbly pray that all bachelors should be prohibited from marrying widows from that time forth. Place a jug of milk near fish for few hours and there will be a fishy flavor about it. In this same way that milk is susceptible to odors, so it attracts disease germs; diphtheria, tpphold lever, etc., are often contracted in this manner. This is not always due to carelessness, for these bacilli are in the very air we breathe. The only true safeguard when contagious English engineers are making sur-

Ruled Mexico Twenty-Four Years. When the presid tial term closed

on Nov. 30 Gener Porfirio Diaz had controlled the affairs of the Mexican republic for a period of twenty-four years, and under his wise, beneficent and energetic rule he has seen Mexico rise from a condition of industrial, commercial and political prostration and disturbance to a position which places it in an eminent niche among nations of the world.

The extent to which the people of the United States are interested in the general subject of coffee may be gathered from the estimated importation of 550,000,000 pounds annually, a consumption of nearly eight pounds to pared to this abroad, however, Holland consumes 21 pounds per capita, Denmark 13.89, Belgium 13.48 and Great Britain only one pound,

Great Work of Paster Rev. A. J. Bachmann of Schaefferstown, Pa., has for twenty-two years resided over seven country churches. During his ministration he has married 1,174 people, baptized 1,810 infants and 200 adults, preached 3,742 sermons, lectured 1,800 times officiated at 977 interments, paid 23,116 pastoral for benevolent objects and \$25,000 for congregational purposes,

Electric Fire Engines Economi The chief fire engineer of the New Orleans, La., department has figured out that the relative running cost as between a three-horse hitch engine of the first class and an electric power engine is \$60 a month for the former and \$27 for the same period for the latter. These figures show a clear gain of \$33 per month and \$400 per annum in round figures for the electric power

Indiana's Gold and Silver. Excitement of the wildest character prevails in Warwick county, Indiana, over the discovery of gold and silver near Lynnville. The land where the ore has been found is of the poorest, but owners are paying up back taxes in the hope of realizing handsomely. Hotels and restaurants are crowded With strangers and many more are ar-

wagon, his throat striking the sharpsoluted stubble. A tearing gash was

acte Will Probably Devote First Few Days to Discussion of Army Bourgani-

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 .- The house

probably will dispose of the reapportionment bill this week, although Chairman Burton of the river and harbor committee is inclined to contest the right of way with the census committee. The reapportionment tional requirement, is a matter of higher privilege than an appre-priation bill, and if Chairman Hopkins insists, it probably will be given priority. Mr. Hopkins, however, may yield if he finds that any large proportion of the members will not return from their holiday vacation in time to vote on the measure this week. A determined fight will be made against his bill by members from states which lose representatives under it, and Mr. Hopkins desires a full house when the vote is taken. He is confident that his measure will carry with it a full attendance. In any event, neither Mr. Hopkins nor Mr. Burton desires to proceed tomorrow, so that the session tomorrow probably will be brief and unimport ant. On Friday either the river and heir to the Italian throne is quite as harbor or the reapportionment bill interesting as the new occupant of will be taken up. If it should be the latter the expectation is that its con-sideration will be completed on Sat-

The general expectation among ago, has no children. While the king the time of the senate after reconis frail and dislikes physical exertion, vening tomorrow will be devoted to and has given the following letter for consideration of the army appropria-tion bill, but there is some disposition to make an arrangement for a division of time that will permit of the continued presentation of the ship subsidy bill during a part of each

When the committee on order of business, representing the republican was addressed to the governor. The side of the senate, made the subsidy bill the regular order of business at widows of the colony captured all the the beginning of the present session matrimonial prizes, his excellency's pe- there was an understanding that when the army bill should be presented for consideration the other measure should be laid aside temporarily if considered necessary in order to secure the prompt passage of the army bill. There is apparently a disposi tion on the part of some senators partially to disregard this agreement, and the friends of the subsidy bill, most of whom are also supporters of the army bill, are trying to secure an of Dodd' Kidney Pills, I scraped what understanding for confinement of the discussion of the army bill to the morning hour of the senate's daily proceedings, giving the time each day after 2 o,clock to the subsidy bill. 'A meeting of the committee on military affairs has been called for tomorrow, when the matter of procedure probably will be discussed and a decision reached as to whether the committee shall ask for all the time veys and plans of Tampico and the surrounding country with a view of of, or for only part of it. Some memsupplying the town with drinking water and a complete system of sewer- to divide time with the subsidy bill age. Should these works be carried for the present, but all senators, reout there will be an excellent opening gardless of politics, consider the army for the sale of plumbing supplies. At bill of pressing importance, because present there is no plumbing estabthe volunteer soldiers in the Philippines were enlisted has almost expired. Hence it is probable that some arrangement will be reached guarding against any protracted delay on the

military measure. While comparatively few of the opposition senators will vote for that bill, none of them appear willing to make any objection to its early consideration. There has been a general surmise that Senator Cockrell would offer a substitute for the army bill, but he stated today that he had no such intention, at the same time expressing his conviction that the bill should be pressed to early disposition, be-

cause of the condition of the Philip-

Codaby Gots Other Letters. OMAHA, Jan. 3 .- E. A. Cudahy, sr. received Wednesday two threatening letters, evidently written by two each person in the country. As com- cranks. Both were sent through the mails and both are printed with a lead pencil in an obvious attempt to imitate the letters written by the kidnappers. Both also refer to the reward, and seek to have it withdrawn. One says that if it is not withdrawn at once the entire Cudahy family will be wiped out and that poison will be the

expunging agent. WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The yearly coinage statement of the director of the mint shows that the total coinage of the mints of the United States calls, traveled 60,000 miles to meet his 572,942; silver, \$36,295,821; minor appointments, has contributed \$5,812 coins, \$2,031,128. was \$137,599,401, as fellows: Gold, \$79,-Of the silver coined \$24,960,912 was

in standard dollars.

The December coinage amounted to \$7,758,580, of which \$4,536,697 was gold and \$22,880,555 silver and \$301,328 minor coins. Erager Confined to His Bed. THE HAGUE, Jan. 3.-Mr. Kruger

bronchitis. While there is no anxie-

ty as to his condition, he is obliged to keep to his bed. Doctors Heynars, Van Khuyzen and Coert, during the day, issued the following bulletin: "Mr. Kruger has for some days been suffering from a recurrence of bronchitis, which, in view mate, make it necessary for him to be more than ordinarily careful."

Havemoyer Will Not Tall. NEW YORK, Jan. 3.-President Havemeyer of the American Sugar Rethat a settlement of the differences directors whose terms expire at this wire of all the banking and commis-

Among the best debaters in the senate are Chandles of New Hampshire and Spooner of Wisconsin. Chandler is the keener and more caustic of the two. Seconer has the advantage in

the spectacular surprises of a running debate. Chandler is more feared as an opponent than any other man. He has a genius for discovering the vulnerable point in the enemy's armor, and he is merciless in sending his weapons home. Both he and Spooner are invariably good-astured. Neither of them was ever known to lose his temper in debate.

Can't Pay a S-Cont Fare with 820. Some time ago Ida Balk tendered a street car conductor in Toledo a \$20 bill in payment of one fare. The conductor refused to accept the bill on the ground that he did not have change for that amount and ejected the woman from the car. She brought suit against the company for damages and the case was decided against her Judge Pugsley said in deciding the case that it was unreasonable to ex-

To Raise Georgia Preachers in Africa. A shipment of 100,000 young peach trees from Georgia nurseries, bound for Cape Colony and Natal, South Arrica, will be made next week. They go largely into Natal, and a large number of the trees going to that country are consigned to Ladysmith. Cape Colony fruit growers get less than half of the shipment.

pect the street car conductor to carry that amount of change.

MR. AYERS NOT DEAD.

Telling How He Was Saved. Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Few who knew how ill Mr. A. E. Ayers of this city had been with Bright's Disease and Diabetes ever expected he could live, Four doctors gave him but three or four days to live. He recovered through the prompt and continned use of a well-known remedy. where Mr. Ayers now resides. Soldiers and Sailors' Home,

Dodds Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.: Dear Sirs-I wist to tell you what Dodd's Kidney Pills have done for me. As far as I am concerned they are the best in the world, for they not only saved my life, but they have given me new life and hope. I lived in Minneapolis for forty-nine years, and am well known there by many people. I suffered severely with Bright's Diseast and Diabetes, Four well-known physicians gave me up to die. In fact they gave me only three or four days at the longest to live. I had spent nearly everything I had in the effort to save my life, but seeing an advertisement | The State of Mebraska. was nearly my last half dollar, sent to the drug store and bought a box. I had very little hope of anything every doing me any good, as from what the four doctors had told me, it was now a matter of hours with me. I commenced to take the Pills, and from the very first they helped me. I took in all about forty boxes. I doubtless did not need so many, but I wanted to make sure, and after all, \$20 is a small amount of money to remove the sentence of death and save one's life.

I have since recommended Dodd's Kidney Pills to hundreds of people, and I have yet to hear of the first one that did not find them all that you claim for them. I can remember of two people to whom I that recommended Dodd's Kidney Pills, and who afterwards said to me that they received no benefit. I saked to see their Pill boxes. | PER UNIT OF MEASURE WITH US and behold, instead of Dodd's Kidney Pills, it was --- 's Kidney Pills, an imitation of the genuine Dodd's, and not the real thing at all that they had been using. I gave each of them an empty pill box that Dodd's Kidney \$1.50 a Year. Pills had been put up in, so that they could make no more mistakes, and they afterwards came to me and told me that they had bought and used the genuine Dodd's Kidney Pills, and were

I still continue to use the Pills off and on, and would not be without them if they were \$50 a box. I think that every old gentleman in the world would be healthier and better if he would take one after each meal.

I wish I could think of words strong enough to express to you my gratitude for what your Medicine has done for me. It is not often, I suppose, that a man who is staring death right in the face, is permitted to live and tell of the means which saved him, and as that is my position, my heart is overwhelmed with thankfulness to God for His mercy to me in permitting me to see the advertisement of Dodd's Kidney Pills, when it seemed that I was beyond all earthly power to save that I cannot express my real feelings. If anyone doubts the statement have made, they may write to me, and I will try and prove to them that all I more than true. There are hundreds of people in Minneapolis who know all about my case and the way Dodd's Kidney Pills pulled me through, when I had been given up by the four doctors of Bright's Disease and Diabetes, and had practically lost all hope. You are at liberty to publish this testimonial is suffering from a slight attack of which I give you from the bottom of my heart, and I sincerely wish that I could find the right words to express my feelings of gratitude to you and to Dodd's Kidney Pills, for my restoration to life and health.

(Signed) Late of Minneapolis, now at Soldiers and Sailors' Home, Bath, N. Y. Mr. Ayers is only one of thousand of aged gentlemen who say that their of his age and the effects of the cli- lives have been prolonged and their declining years made worth living by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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