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cations relating to News and Editorial mat-ters should be addressed to the EDITOR OF THE BYE.
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### OMAHA PUBLISHING CO., Prop'rs which the Pacific railroads passed. E. ROSEWATER, Editor.

THE star route thieves have no con fidence in Brewster and Bliss.

THE Mississippi and Missouri are making themselves heard in congress.

OMAHA must save her young men by closing the vile dens which disgrace the city.

WISCONSIN got there, after all, on that postmaster general race. She now knows Howe it is herself.

pressed by as rigid laws as those covering other kinds of highway robbery. VAL got a committee after all, and

he will now be able to put in his spare and cabbage exotics. AFTER two weeks of hard labor

spent in convening and adjournment, Congress has taken a rest until after the Christmas holidays.

chairman of the Ways and Means committee by Speaker Keifer. Mr. Kelly is the heaviest weight protectionist in the country.

CHRISTMAS and New Years will be universally observed throughout the country by everybody except newspaper men on the Monday's following the 25th and the 1st of January.

THE constitution says that exces sive bail shall not be required. It would be interesting to know what is generally considered "excessive bail" for a person suspected of contempt of

give everybody a chance to take a jerk at the handle."

THE intention of the license law was to put the sale of liquor into the hands of respectable and responsible men. The people of Omaha will insist that the intent of the law shall be carried out.

THE Republican claims that the editor of THE BEE is a "crank." The editor of THE BEE is not a crauk that turns a railroad organ, and that is where he differs from the brass collared editor of the Republican.

THE rapid extension of the southwestern railroad system and its connecting branches over the borders makes it probable that within eighteen months there will be direct communication by rail between St. Louis and the City of Mexico.

A Boston paper says that the little experience the people of that city have had of woman suffrage 'has not been so encouraging as could be wished," their exercise of the right in choosing members of the school committee having done very little to improve its membership. Woman suffrage will never bring a political millenium.

In one district of Chicago made up of thirty squares, there are 500 saloons, 600 other rooms for gambling or other vices, four variety theatres of the lowest grade, 100 concert saloons, fif. William Platt, to and has no desire to improve upon it.

sure that is beyond the reach of in- the farce of defending the Union Pa- have decided upon the following refluence or argument, the plantations cific. This bogus suit, as might have muneration to the physicians and more between now and 1899.

Nashville has crept up from 17,000 through with in the supreme court population to 75,000. The growth of Chattanooga, Knoxville and other towns has been at proportionate rates.

Itself felt and the same sham was gone through with in the supreme court where the judges sustained the decision of the lower bench. There is no doubt that if the case had been honceive two-thirds, which would give to in the amangement of acting the management of congress will be of congress will be of congress will be of congress will undoubtedly endeavor to enforce with considerable vigor the past legislation which has been lumical to the Chinese in the spring. One Marshalltown man in the supreme court where the judges sustained the decision of the lower bench. There is no doubt that if the case had been honceive two-thirds, which would give to

A MONSTROUS OUTRAGE

granted in 1862 to the Kansas, Union been upheld. and Central Pacific railroad companics provided that five years after the entry under the homestead and preemption laws of the United States. This, provision was inserted to disprove the arguments of congressmen Determined and Remittances should be addressed to The Omaha Publishine Conferes to Drafts, Checks and Postselfice Orders to be made payable to the

10th of May, 1869. Although the lent opposition of the monopolies. It railroad was operated from that time is not "a lawsuit of comparatively trived not to have it accepted by the Union Pacific organ. It involves government until 1874. This dedge millions of dollars of property of the corporation gave them an ex- claimed by that corporation. tension of five years for the sale of their lands. This limit fixed by the is making such an outrageous fight charter expired in 1879, and by jus- upon the character of Arndt. This is tice and equity all lands for which why they want the case so summarily patents had not been granted by the disposed of. They are endeavoring to company reverted to the company.

much bound by their charters as in- and confined in default of outrageous-RAILROAD brigandage should be supdividuals by their solemn, legal en- ly extortionate bail which it is well in Kansas and Nebraska availed themselves of the privilege granted by the
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The monopolies at once took the alarm. A test case was immedi- the power of the corporations. This Pic Iron Kelly has been appointed on a quarter section of land forfeited Nebraska understand it the better. by that company with the intention of proving up his claim under the homestead laws of the United States. laws. An appeal was at once taken long.

the United States into a pump, and Marble, now commissioner of patents. grants of the Pacific roads were for- against legalizing these vile dives by a ters of record by the government.

railroad land grabbers. Hundreds of risk of being waylaid and murdered. locations were at once made upon the The editor of THE BEE has taken that ! land grants by parties who in- risk by calling upon the mayor to do since congress met; or at least Table Rock spects. It seems that, outside of Omaha has got its "Valentine" in advance of the and De Moines no other station reporting tended to become actual settlers and to cultivate thousands of acres which had been withheld from the market by the railroad companies in in order to realize greater prices from There are thousands of men and woa speculative advance in value. Among others was August Arndt, who, justified by the decision of Sec retary Schurz and backed by the advice of the department of justice in undertake to waylay a whole commuthe Dymot case, filed on a quarter nity. section of land in Saunders county in this state.

The railroad companies were thoroughly frightened. They saw that the occupation of their land department was about gone. The managers of the B. & M., in order to take no risk, sold out their surplus lands to an inside ring called the South Platte Land company, in order to evade the law. But the Union Pacific, always bold and aggressive, and conscious of the immense power which they wield, decided to put up a sham test case and wrest a favorable decision from the government. They caused their land agent at Grand Island, which places are supported by 12,000 suit against them to conpersons, chiefly young men. St. Louis pel the company to yield possession has not yet taken notice of this item Judge Wakeley, formerly assistant attorney of the Union Pacific, was retained by Platt, presumably at the THE Atlanta, Ga., Constitution expense of the railroad company, and sickness and death are at work and it thinks that under an inexorable pres- Poppleton and Thurston went through

will split into small farms, and small been expected under the circumstanfarmers will take the place of large ces, was decided in favor of the Union sickness: planters. The same causes that Pacific in the United States district sliced nearly 70,000 farms from the court of Nebraska because the geon General Barnes with the rank Georgia plantations in ten years pre- showing was one sided. It was and pay of a major general instead of ceeding 1880, will cut off as many promptly rushed into the supreme a brigadier as he now is. Dr. Wood-SINCE 1865 Tennessee has acquired as the government was an interested by act of congress to the special rank uearly 400,000 additional population, party, Attorney General Devens, who of colonel, to be created for him in and has made crops every year of an had been retained in the Ames in- recognition of his services to the average annual net profit of \$27,500, terest in Boston, was called upon to rep- wounded president. Under the act 000. Since 1860 Memphis, in spite of resent the people. The Ames interest, to pay all the expenses incident to and the war and three epidemics, has which is of course Union Pacific, made incurred by President Garfield's ill-

that the disposal contemplated by the tion of the new tracks laid in Washgovernment was actual sale to ington and at Long Branch. who opposed the gigantic donations of bona fide purchasers, and every the public domain on the ground that sensible man knows that disposal of such gifts would create a land monop- property consists in putting it out of oly. Its evident intention was to the control of the party who disposes ly as possible and thus to assist in the difficult to see how they have disposed settling up of the country through of it. Here, then, are the foundations of August Arndt's suit in the The Union Pacific made its junction prosecution of which he has sunk all with the Central Pacific on the his savings and encountered the vioon, the Union Pacific managers con- triffing importance," as stated by the And this is why the Union Pacific

prejudice public opinion against a man Presuming that corporations were as who is jailed on a trumped up charge, the settlers of Nebraska so that they will not dare to pit themselves against ately made by the Kansas Pacific is the true inwardness of the Arndt against one Dudymot, who had settled case, and the sooner the people of

### NOW OR NEVER.

The time has come for Omaha to Land Commissioner Williamson, who purify and redeem herself. The cesshas distinguished himself as a land pools of vice and crime where for grabber in New Mexico and elsewhere years hellish orgies have been carried gained several months by his industry, and who had been land commissioner on in the very heart of this city in work. of the Union Pacific when first organ- defiance of all decency and law must ized, was applied to by the rail- be closed. The robbers' roosts and out in a mammothth ten page sheet this week containing a detailed view of the road company for a decision on low dives, into which boys in their the case. General Williamson decided that the railroads had not forfeited that the railroads had not forfeited that the railroads had not forfeited to the case. In a purple of the case to the consequently not open for entry un- and disgrace that these moral cancers der the homestead and pre-emption have been tolerated in our midst so

from the decision of Gen. Williamson | These haunts of vice and crime Col. Ingersoll says that White House receptions are a humbug. "They simply convert the president of advice of Assistant Attorney Ganaral of bulls." In the secretary of the interior, and the injured Omaha beyond calculation in creating the impression abroad that our population is made up mainly advice of Assistant Attorney Ganaral of bulls. "They simply convert the president of advice of Assistant Attorney General of bullies, rowdies and rogues. The opportunity to rid Omaha of these Instructions were immediately is dens of iniquity is presented now sued to every land officer that the land Omaha must rise en masse to protest, rial honors slumbering in her midst feited under the charter and subject grant of license under the Slocumb for them. to entry and that filings of claims law. It is given out that no man to this class of applicants This was a critical juncture for the for liquor license without running the

his duty and suppress these disorderly new year. houses.

But we ask no other man or woman to take such a risk individually. men in Omaha that feel and think in this matter as we do and we ask them to protest en masse. It is not likely that the desperadoes will

never. If these vile dens are allowed to take out liquor license to keep up their infamous vocations we never shall be able to get rid of them.

Let us say to these people you cannot keep up these criminal resorts in

You must find some legitimate calling or leave this city for the good of the community. To the impractical reformers who want prohibition or nothing, we sav-let good enough

You can accomplish a great deal by closing the low dens. In this you will have the active co-operation of the well-behaved, respectable dealers who keep orderly houses and are willing to comply with the law in every respect.

THE committees to settle the bills resulting from President Garfield's is stated on good authority that they nurses who attended him in his last

Congress will be asked to retire Surcourt on the ground that it was a very ward, now holding the rank of major important matter. There, inasmuch in the medical corps, is to be advanced

estly argued, Secretary Schurz's deci- each about \$24,000 or \$27,000. The land grant clause in the charter sion in the Dudymot case would have The four nurses are to receive \$2,-500 each. Dr. Lamb, of the surgeon There is no occasion for entering general's office, is to receive \$100 for ipon a discussion of the grounds on the autopsy which he made. Dr. completion and acceptance of the Pa- which the Union Pacific based their Reyburn, who was Dr. Bliss' assistcific railroads by the government, the case. Briefly stated, they claimed ant, will also receive a reasonable 1.00 land remaining unrold should revert that they had already disposed of their sum for his constant attendance. It to the government, and be subject to lands under the land grant by issuing is not known what charge the railroad mortgage bonds payable from their companies will make for the use of sale. The company knew very well the special trains or for the construc-

## STATE JOITINGS.

Madison now has four hundred houses, Arapahoe's telephone system is com-

Wymoreans will exterminate the wolves

Welves are feasting on stray turkeys nd chickens near Arapahoe. Syracuse is on the boom and is enjoying William Phillips, of Norfolk, was killed

The wagon bridge over the Republican ver near Bloomington will be completed William Orendorf, of Valparaiso, died

y the cars at Long Pine last Friday.

suddenly last week, by the bursting of a blood vessel. Miss Jennie Mears, of Fullerton, has

been commissioned a notary public - the third lady notary in the state. The Republic on Valley Sentinel, published at Orleans, has donned a new suit. The Sentinel is a typographic d Martin-et

The well-known river navigator. Cap-tain S H. Morrison, of Nebraska City, has become so deranged as to require constant care and quiet.

Mr. Burkeys, late of Illinois, had the painful misfortune to have one of his little boys drowned in the Blue river, near Dorchester. The bodies were recovered. ast accounts.

One of the jurors in the case of Alex. H Hickey, ex-chief of police of Nebraska, convicted of manslaughter, asserts that he

The Alma Herald announces the discov ery of coal near the town. Mr. Frank Conklin, while boring a well, struck a vein at the depth of thirteen feet from the surf ce. After striking the coal he bored eighteen inches further, the coal becoming plentier at each turn of the auger.

A novel case has been brought before Judge Philpot, of Lancaster county, for settlement. A convict just discharged snes Boss Stout for \$60.25 for overwork. In order to make his sentence as brief as He wants the above amount for the extra The North Nebraskan, of Ponca, come-

Fremont has tears to shed now

discovery of swill milk, which has been palmed off on that pretty propinquity for many years as the genuine article. In the agony of his retching, the discoverer ex-claims: "M screams with cheek to resort

Business is on the boom and our busiess men are happy.

Pawnee has a cardidate for gubernate The holidays are no v here in all their

The fine new bank building of C. F Edec upon such lands would be made mat- can file a written objection & Co. is now nearing completion, and will be the finest in the state when completed. The Cincinnati postoffice will close it-doors after the 1st of January, and the key returned to the department at Wash-

Table Rock enjoys a new postmaste

Protracted meetings, holiday balls, marriage bells, and Christmas (sprees) trees are the way our people will amuse themselves during the last days of '81. While Omaha has been enjoying mud, moist weather and bad roads. greatly to the disgust of her keener and higher sensi-

bilities, pretty progressive Pawnee has been enjoying fine weather, good roads and good health. It cost Pawnee county just \$54.80 to hold an inquest over the body of Adulterer Myers, who was shot by Stanton some

time ago. Powder must be dear to tax-But our people must act now or payers, or else such worthless carcasses must cost the people enormously away down here. A Farmers' club is being agitated here and pronounced a new idea. This only shows how far our farmers are behind

other parts of the state in this direction. But at all hazards it should be encouraged as it can only be the development of goo A fine new eating and lodging parlor has been opened in our city this week that sur-passes anything in that line heretofore attempted. It is presided over ty Mrs. J W. Burdick, who is well versed in the

culinary art, and promises to supply a long-felt want in our city. At one of the largest literary societies in the county, the woman's rights ques-tion was discussed at length, and received such a severe drubbing that the decision was unanimous again t the question. This shows that we have lew, very few females that entertain favorable views on such 'damphoolery" as the woman's rights

The Pawnee County agricultural ciety, at its annual meet ng the other day, re-elected all the old board by acclamation, and reported the society out of debt and in a flourishing condition, with over 81,000 cash on hand for next year. This is regarded as one of the strongest and best societies in the state, and will eclipse

the state fair in two years more. the state fair in two years more.

Our city complains of the inefficiency of its City Marshal and only pays him \$25 per month for his services. Complaints are made of petty thieving, drunkenness, and fighting that have been perpretrated during his administration. In our opinion any city that cannot pay an officer of that kind more than \$1 a day for such services is a disgrace to the map on which it claims respectable mention and ought to be stolen blind. Who is most to blame, the Marshal or the City Council?

PAWNEE CETY, December 19.

PAWNER CITY, December 19 TOWA ITEMS.

The iron stairways in the new capitol at Des Moines will cost \$27,892. The finishing touches are now being put on the new court house at Malvern. The s-veral coal companies of Fort Dodge pay out about 860,000 monthly for

The coal product of Adams county amounts to nearly ten thousand tons an

controls \$50,000 which he proposes to invest in O'Brien county lands.

If Pacific Junction is incorporated ac rding to the plan now on file, it will con

The Red Oak vinegar works have been neprporated with a capital stock of five Teachers' salaries in the Des Moines

blic schools average 860 per month, and n those of Dubuque 838. Keokuk shipped during the past season 10,500,000 dozen eggs, and claims to be biggest ben fruit market in the world.

During the two weeks ending on the 15th the pension office at Des Moines cashed 10,000 vouchers, amounting to \$320,640, The entire amount of delinquent taxes in Page county, as shown by the recent sale of lands, fal's considerably below two thousand dollars.

A gang of silve coin counterfeiters has been broken up at Brooklyn, Poweshiek county, and the three operators are in the clutches of the law. The German Methodists of Ida Grove have raised \$701 for a church builting, which will be commenced when the fund

has reached \$1,000. The supreme court has decided that the

township and not the county is responsible for bills contracted in renting halls or places at which to hold elections. On the arrival of the new railroad at Lake City the citiz as gave a grand banquet to all the employes of the road that were present and they numbered about

### AFTER THEIR BEER.

eighty.

How Two Milesian Ladies Attempted to Capture a Keg.

There are many varieties of larceny, but hat practiced by two women from that historic portion of the city known as "the patch" Tuesday is somewhat novel and not lacking in humorous features. About three o'clock in the afternoon two females of decidedly Milesian accent , took in G. Zimmerman's saloon, corner of Tenth street and Capitol avenue, and asked for a 'drap of the craythur" in the shape of two glasses of beer. They were politely but decidedly refused unless they had the ducats to put up for the same. After considerable talk they departed, leaving male-

lictions in their wake.
About ten minutes passed, and everywould have held out for acquittal till the thing was serene about the neighborhood.

4th of July but for the expense it would The dispenser of the cheering lage was quietly dozing behind the bar, while in various points bouned up as bencon lightseveral rubicund countenances for parties who had dropped in to see a man, and forgotten that their visit was already to prolonged. All of a sudden there was a commotion in the rear. A colored gemmen rushed in with the excited exclamation that two females were walking off with a keg of bear. The bortender become su denly interested in the condition of affairs outside and rushed to the door just in time to see the precious pair he had refused a drink a few minutes before waltzing off with several gallons of the beverage. One of the women had shoul-dered the keg, while the other had thrown a shawl over her companion's head and attempted also to cover the beer receptacle

from sight.

They were thus proceeding to the tune of Mulligan Guard, when the barkeeper

whole column, and the retreat was condweted in as good order as possible. But the ordnance stores were too cumbersome, and so they were dropped and the ranks divided. One woman went one way, the other another, and the bar-keeper shouldered his beer back to safe

## New, quick, complete cure in four days, rinary effections, smarting, frequent or difficult urination, kidney diseases. \$1. Draggists. Depot at C. F. Goodman's. (5)

THE STORM

"Buchupaiba."

Fair Weather Predicted for the Holidays .- The Streets as Bad

The storm which set in on Sunday evening at 7:40 and raged with such disagreeable effect to the pedestrians of Omaha ever since, was a remarkable one in several reand DesMoines, no other station reporting to this Signal Office has had much, if any, rain or snow-fall during that period, but most of the time clear or fair weather preailed at Denver, Cheyenne, North Platte, Yankton, Davenport and other places.

Yankton, Davenport and other places.

The prevailing wind direction at first was southely, and the temperature very high for this season, but on Monday evening the wind veered to the north, and a decided change in the themometer followed in consequence. The highest temperature recorded since the beginning of the storm, on the 18th, was 49° Fahrenheit, the lowest 29°. The highest velocity attained was 28 miles per hour, at 9 o'clock p. m. on yesterday, and the total amount p. m. on yesterday, and the total amount of rainfall and melted snow, so far, 1.09

nches.
Considering that the snow when melted measures only about one-t-nth of its orig-inal depth, it will be seen that we have had our goodly share of wet weather during this month, and may reasonably exp ct some finer weather during the approaching

holidays. At 11 o'clock yesterday it began a gentle rain, some feathery flake of snow falling. The streets are nearly as bad as they were a month ago and broken wagons, stalled teams and delayed street cars are again the order of the day. The paying ques-tion will come to the front, it is said, as soon as the holidays and the Slocumb ex-

## A Renovating Remedy is to be found in BURDOCK'S BLOOD BITTERS. As an antidote for sick he dache,

female weakness, biliousness, madigestion, constipation, and other diseases of a kirired nature, these bitters are invaluable. Price \$1.00, trial size 10 cents. CHINESE DIGNATARIES.

The Chinese Embassy, En Route to Washington, Pass Omaha.

Attached to Union Pacific train No. 4. from the west yesterday afternoon, was a special car which contained the Chinese minister to the United States, and suite. The party were accompanied by T. D. McKay, the genial and widely known sgent at San Francisco of the popular C.,

B. & Q. railroad. The Chinese minister, who is also min ister to Spain and Peru, rejo'ces in the badly spelled name of Ch ng Tsao Ju. He badly spelled name of Ch ng Tsao Ju. He is accompanied by his wife, a very pretty, though highly painted, almond-eyed lady, with feet as small as a baby's; his secretary, Shu Shau Pang; chief interpreter Cheng Shing Fouch; and about a dozen servants. They came direct from Hong Kong, China, and thence through in the special car referred to. They left in another special car on the U. E. & Q. road, and will proceed to the national capital as expeditiously as possible. The minister is a man of fine appearance and undoubted ability as a diplomat. His part in the management of matters during the

How Speaker Keifer Solved the Committee Problem

Kelly Gets the Ways and Means, Hiscock Appropriations, and Reed the Judiciary.

Williams, of Wisconsin, the Foreign, Townsend the Railroads, and Deering the Indians.

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While Our Own Land Grabber Heads the Sunflower Seed Committee

### HOUSE COMMITTEES.

National Associated Press. THE COMPLETE LIST.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 21. In the house Speaker Keifer announced the standing committees as follows: Ways and Means-Kelly (chair-man), Kasson, Dunnell, McKinley, Hubbell, Haskell, Russell, Errett Randall, Tucker, Carlisle, Morrison

Appropriations — Hiscock (chair-man), Robeson, Cannon, Burrows, Butterworth, Caswell, Ryan, O'Neil, Ketcham, Blackburn, Cox, Atkins, Forney, Lefevre and Ellis.

Banking and Currency (chairman), Webber, Dingley, Moore, Cornell, Buckner, Hardenbergh,

Flower and Ermentrout. Education and Labor-Updegraff (chairman), Sherwin, Carpenter, Davis, Page, Tyler, Willis, Clements,

Morey, Dibble, Dowd. Rules-Mr. Speaker (chairman) Orth, Robeson, Randall, Blackburn Mileage - Jargenson (chairman), Rich, Ward, Cobb, Moulton.

Joint Committees: On library McCook (chairman), Lindsey and Geddes; printing—Van Horn (chairman), McClure, Springer; elections -Calkins (chairman), Hazleton, Wait, Thompson, Ranney, Ritchie, Petti-bone, Miller, Jacobs, Paul, bone, bone, Miller, Jacobs, Paul, Beltzhoover, Dugro, Jones, Judiciary—P.ees, Willets, Robinson, Briggs, Humphrey, Taylor, Mc-Cook, Kasson, Norcross, Knott, Ham-mond, Culberson, Guenther, Townsend (Ills.).

Agriculture - Valentine (chairman) pdegraff, Carpenter, Anderson, Gottschalk, Wadsworth, Rich, West, Cullen, Hazleton, Hatch, Dubrell Aisen, Black, Post.

Postoffices and Post Roads-Bingham, Anderson, Jorgensen, Lacey, Farwell, Morey, Springer, Morse, Evans, Armfield, Brents. Public Buildings and Grounds-

Singleton, Herbert. Mines and Mining-Van Vorhis, Davis, Bingham, Fulkerson, Hobbs, Calkins, Young, Cassidy, Berry,

Wood, Brumm, Ouray.

Manufactures — Campbell (chair-Mississippi river improvement-

Thomas (chairman), Carpenter, Prescott, Darrell, Rice, Moore (Tenn), Jones, Burrows, King, Thompson, Guenther, Carey, Whitthorne. Foreign Affairs-Williams (Wis). (chairman), Orth, Kasson, Rice, Dun-pell, Lord, Walker, Blunt, Wilson, Deusber, Belmont.

Coinage, Weights and Measures -Fisher, (chairman), Belford, Mc Glure, Lacey, Washburn, Payson, Hazleton, Stevenson, Slaughter, Blade, Lane.

Commerce-Page (chairman), Rich, Bownsend, Washburn, Hook, Chandler, Ward, White, George, ther, Lane, Ross, Herndon.

Naval Affairs - Harris (Mass.), chair man, Robeson, Harmon, Thomas Watson, Ketchum, Deesendorf, Morris, Davidson, Talbot, Harris Harris Military Affairs-Henderson (chair-

man), Hiscock, Bayne, Steele. Davis, Spaulding, Spooner, Sparks, Upson, Bragg, Wheeler, Magianis. Invalid Pensions-Brown (Indiana). chairman, Joyce, Cullen, Ray, Dawss, Pettibone, Parker, Rice, Wadsworth, Matson, Caswell, Simonton, Caldwell,

Latham, McMillen. Interior Department Expenditures Hubbell (chairman), Crapo, Wood N. Y.), Schultz, Simonton, Blanchard, Burrows (Moh

Robeson (chairman), Harris (Mass.) Harmer, O'Neill, Morris, Phelps, Turner. Public Expenditures — Randall Blackburn, chairman),

Wood, DeMotte, Lewis, Todd, Pulker

Navy Department Expenditures-

son, Martin, Guenther, Berry. District of Columbia—Neal (chairman), Heilman, Barr, Turner, Smith (N. Y.), Pierce, Decsendorf, Clotz, Garrison, Cassidy, Allen. Pensions - Marsh (chairman), Hep-

burn, Rice, Stone, Steele, Weber, Fulkerson, Hewitt, Robinson, Burnows (Mo.) Railroads and Canals - Townsend chairman), Dwight, Henderson, Campbell, Schultz, Lord, Brewer, Kenna,

Wise, Hoblitzell.

Civil Service - Orth (chairman) Casson, Horr, Briggs, Nacl, Hubbell Butterworth, House, Randall, Tucker, Phelps.
Territories—Burrows (chairman),
Aldrich, Van Vorhis, Miller, Dawes.

Cromley.

Postotice Department Expenditures—Walker, Pound, Farwell, Reagar, Fighnen, Ladd.

Law and Election of President and Vice President-Updegraff (chairman) Camp, Crapo, White, Fisher, Jacobs, Lindsey, Stevens, Merrison, Carlisle, Hewitt.

Pensions, Bounty and Back Pay-Joyce (chairman), Brown, Lindsey, Hawk, Whitthorne, Mosgrove. War Department Expenditures - Briggs (chairman), Miles, Steele, Briggs (charman), Sines,
Marsh, Blackburn, Jones, Sparks.
Enrolled Bills—Aldrich (chairman), Kellogg, Peirce, West, Shal

lenberger Warner, Belmont. Consuls-Prescott (chairman), Sherwin, Tyler, Bayne, Fulkerson, Mc-Cord, Peirce, Cox, Colburn, Wise Figlman. Indian affairs-Deering (chairman),

ardson, Hooker, Scales, Wellborn

Blanchard, Ainsley. Revision of Law—McKinley (chairman), Robinson, Buck, George, Brumm, Hall, Chapman, Covington, Richardson, Jones, McMillan.

Accounts-Turner (chairman), Skinner, Brewer, Candler, Morton, Hardy.

Patents-Young (chairman), Skin-

ratents—foung (chairman), Skin-ner, Farwell, Jones, Spooner, Vance, Turner, Scoville, Shelly. Claims—Crowley (chairman), Tay-lor, Bowman, Mason, Thompson, Ray, Peel, Hill, Smith (Ills.), O'Neill, Hutchinson, Turner, Clarke, Otis. Public Lands-Pound (chairman) Belford, Hepburn, Dwight, Watson, Straight, Rice, Cobb, Webster, Mil-

ler. Militia-Straight (chairman) Guenther, Bayne, Houk, Morey, Valentine, Thompson, Mosgrove, Jones,

(Tex.) Pacific Railways - Hazleton (chairman), Harmer, Camp, Robinson, (Ohio), Hammond, Paul, Darrell, Farwell, McKenzie, Bliss, House, Dunnell, Nolan.

Priyate Land Claims Pacheco chairman), Norcross, Hazleton, Cornell, Morris, Cutts, Muldrow, Wiliams, Ford, Shackleford, Houk. War Claims-Hawk (chairman Updegraff, Smith, Dunnell, Chal-ners, Hall, Robertson, Geddes, Hol-

man, Barbour, Chapman. Treasury Expenditures—Belford chairman, Reed, Holman, Scranten, Chornton, Buckner, Curtin.

Expenditures of the Department of State-Deering (chairman), Lindsey. Williams, (Wis.), Herndon, Barr. King, Frost. Department of Justice Expenditures-Willits, (chairman), McCord,

Norcross, Neal, Singleton, Blunt. Bragg. Public Buildings Expenditures Errett (chairman), Robinson, (Ohio), Houk, Grant, Wise, Garrison, La-

theam. Public Health-Van Aernam, chairman), Updegraff, Bowman, Cullen, Hobbs, Rosecrans, Colerick,

Aiken, King. Alcoholic Liquor Traffic—White (chairman), Joyce, Chase, Hepburn, Vance, Dunnell, Williams, Atkins,

Congressional Library Accommodations Rice (chairman). Farwell, Humphreys, Geddes, Gibson.

Sv. Petersburg, December 21.

### Foreign Intelligence.

For some time past the authorities have been fully aware that the apparent inactivity of the nihilists was only assumed, and that plots of the most serious nature were being formed. Numerous arrests have been made from time to time without any important results, but to-day the officers succeeded in laying their hands on a clew which will probably lead to the detection of some of the principal leaders in this latest conspiracy. Cortain suspected persons had been very carefully and closely watched for Public Buildings and Grounds—
Shallenberger, Lewis, Cutts, Demotte
Scranton, Ford, Smith, Cook, Hewitt,
Simpler Harbert Harbert Scranton, Ford, Smith, Cook, Hewitt,
in the rear of the building occupied by the manistry of the interior, and were carrying dynamite bombs enclosed in orange skins, from which the pulp had been removed. The bombs were very cleverly arranged so that their explosions, when thrown upon the ground would be inevitable man), Hammond, Mills, Gottschalk, upon the ground would be inevitable west, Chase, Finley, Marsh, Morse, and most probably fatal. Further information concerning the arrests is at present denied.

General Anantchim, governor of Kastern Siberia, has had a special conference with the czar at Gatchina in regard to the relief of the crew of the steamer Jeannette. The czar ordered that all necessary supplies, money and transportation be placed at their disposal at once. Gen. Anantchim expressed the opinion that the rest of the crew have been fallen in with by natives and hospitably entertained.

St. PRIEMSBURG, December 21. Lie Nord Senie, official organ of the government, in discussing Mr. Blaine's-despatch, declares no guarantees of the canal are efficacious uness shared in by all the powers. The juestion must be settled at once for ill, by making Europe the guardian of herown interests ce-jointly with that of America.

General Ignatieff is superintending the arrangement for the search for the missing officers of the Jeannett & Durain, December 21. Two boxes of rifles and other weapons have been stolen from Cahill station, near Glonmel. The theft was skillfully planned

and adroitly executed, but it is thought

here it must have been by the cons

vance of part of the men in charge of

St. PRIERSBURG, December 21!-

### the property. Absconded.

CHICAGO, December 21.- Its is reported this morning that Albert Ariendell, a well known wine merchant of this city, had absconded with \$9,900 to \$10,000 no t his swn. He recently visited New York, where he collected \$7,000 from Ives, Beecher & Co. for other firms. After, it appears he went to Canada.

Made an Assignment.

### Chicago, December 211 The extensive sewing machine manufactory, etc., of Goodrich & Co. made an as-

Liabilities, signment this morning \$50,000; assets, \$20,000; Died a Maniae. DAVENPORS, December 21. George A. Davenport, once the wealthiest citizen of this volace, died last night at

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