OMAHA, TUESDAY, MORNING, DECEMBER 27, 1887.

SHOT DOWN FROM AMBUSH.

A Colored Sergeant Foully Murdered Near Fort Robinson.

FOUND DEAD ON THE HIGHWAY.

The Assassin Still at Large-Believed to Be a Revengeful Subordinate-A Serious Runaway at Schuyler.

Shot From Ambush. CRAWFORD, Neb. Dec. 26.-[Special Telegram to the Ber.]-William Stance, first sergeant of troop F, Ninth cavalry (colored), stationed at Fort Robinson, was shot and instantly killed last evening. He was riding from Crawford to the fort at the time of the murder, and the man who did the killing had evidently laid in wait for him. The body was discovered early this morning where it had fallen from the horse, lying in a pool of blood in the center of the road. No clue has yet been discovered to the perpetrator of the dastardly act and no cause for the crime is known. Stance was a severe disciplinarian and some are of the opinion that one of the privates in his troop may have taken this method of wreaking vengeance on the sergeant for a reprimand or punishment inflieted. The murdered man was one of the most valued non-commissioned officers of colored troops in the service and had been awarded a medal by congress for bravery in rescuing children from the Indians. Every effort will be made to bring his slayer to

Hurt in a Runaway. SCHUYLER, Neb., Dec. 26.-[Special Telegram to the BEE.]-A team belonging to Dr. L. A. Shaffer of this place ran away this afternoon throwing out Mrs. Shaffer, breaking her leg and severely bruising her. Her injuries are regarded as very serious.

BLAINE IN EUROPE. The Gentleman From Maine Circulating in the Effete East.

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 26.-[Special Telegram to the BEE.]-A personal friend of Blaine, who left him two weeks ago in Paris, quotes Blame as saying: "We lead a very quiet life here. I am not talking politics nor rushing about sight-seeing to the exclusion of comfort. The more I study the legislative assemblies of the old world, the more I perceive our American congress the most dignifled and orderly of the law-making bodies on the globe. I think I never felt better in my life." As to what most impressed him, in comparing the old world with the new, he said in substance: "The marvelous growth of the United States is an industrial and democratic phenomenon which the so-called upper classes of Europe are unable to compreend. Twenty-five years ago represenatatives of aristocratic ideas in Europe sneered at America and at Americans, but now all this is changed. The utmost respect and courtesy is shown Americans throughout Europe, and in England especially." Blaine goes to Italy for the winter. The Maine sculptor, Simmons, has engaged him a very comfortable suite of rooms in Rome, to which city he will devote the larger part of the winter months. An audience with the king of Italy and other notables will be ac-corded him. Said Mr. Blaine's friend: "I heard a story in London which I think is strictly correct. One evening Blaine was being entertained at a dinner by a distin-guished Londoner, and the conversation turned on the relations between Great Brit-ain and the United States. One member of the British parliament, who sat by Blaine, good-naturedly criticsied Blaine for the form of one of his dispatches to the English gov-ernment when Blaine was secretary of state. strictly correct. One evening Blaine wa ernment when Blaine was secretary of state.

'It seemed to me at the time,' said the English statesman, 'that you were a little discourteous to England when you said in your dispatch to her majesty's government that the United States expected such and such things of England.' Mr. Blaine turned to his critic with the utmost nonchalance and said:

'You begin to the transfer of the 'You forget, my dear sir, that I merely copied the phrase of a dispatch from her majesty's government to the United States in the darkest period of our States in the darkest period of our civil war. The tables are now turned. Then, when we were in trouble, England expected my country to do such and such things. Now, if you will pardon me, the United States is in position to quote the phraseology and send it back sgain." Speaking of Blaine in 1888, the gentleman said: "I am not authorized to speak for Blaine but my convection is that Mr. for Blaine, but my conviction is that Mr. Blaine neither courts nor opposes in this matter. He is not a candidate in the sense that he could accept the nomination if he thought any considerable number of republicans thought another man stronger, but I believe that if the republican party in convention again declares with great unanimity that he is the man for 1888, Blaine will accept the nomination, though few know at what sacrifice of comfort and strength."

"THE BEGUM." Brilliant Rendition of a New Comic Opera at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26 .- A brilliant audience as sembled at the Chicago opera house to-night to witness the first production in Chicago of the; "Begum," a comic opera, composed and written by two young Chicagoans, Reginald DeKoven and Harry B. Smith. Reginald DeKoven and Harry B. Smith. It was essentially a society event, and in the assemblage which completely filled the house, almost every prominent family in town was represented. The opera was received with most enthusiastic applause, every song and chorus being repeatedly encored. At the end of the first act, after the curtain had been rung up three times, there were loud calls for the composer and author, who, in a brief speech, expressed thanks for his kind reception. Flowers from all parts of the house were thrown into the boxes occupied by the young men. Colonel McCaull was also called for, and after a few words of thanks predicted a brilliant future for the two composers. for the two composers.

Railroad Building for 1887.

St. PAUL, Dec. 26.-There has been an ur precented amount of railroad building in 1887 by all roads in the northwest. Besides the 3,535 miles of new road enumerated there have been about five hundred miles of road bed prepared, ready for the iron next year The list is as follows: Manitoba, 942; "Soo" Line, 428; Illinois Central, 387; Milwaukee, 331; Elkhorn, 358; Northern Pacific, 310; Kansas City, 306; South Shore, 204; Norther western, 136; Omaha, 34; Wisconsin Central, 24; St. Paul & Duluth, 15; St. Louis, 10.

A Little Girl Drunkard.

New York, Dec. 26 .-- Lizzie Degnan, only ten years old, was arraigned in the Jefferson Market police court to-day as an habitual drunkard. Last week she went to school so intoxicated that the teacher was compelled to send her home. Her father, James Degnan, went to the police court this morning to se-cure her release, but was himself so drunk that he was arrested and committed for ten days. The child was sent to the Sisters of St. Dominick.

The Sole Survivor.

PROVIDENCE, R. L., Dec. 96 .- The schoone Mosely, which arrived here to-day from Hayti, brought Borden Manchester, a sailor reserved from the wreck of the schooner Mary P. Collins, of Philadelphia. The other five members of her crew, together with the captain, went down with the vessel before the boat could reach them.

THE BIG RAILROAD STRIKE. Reading Shopmen Will Not Go Out

Probabilities For To-day. READING, Pa., Dec. 26.-There will be no strike of Reading railroad employes in this city. About twenty-five hundred men are employed in all the company's shops here. They held a meeting this afternoon and decided, by a large majority, not to engage in the strike, on the ground that it was premature, too hasty, and entirely local in its character and should have been confined to Port Richmond alone. It was resolved, however, if the managers of the strike should order its continuance elsewhere to give it all the financial support possible. Officials here were busy to-day employing men to move traffic to-morrow, and several hundred were shipped to-night to various points, where they will be needed in the morning. The officials claim they have enough hands to have

everything working in a few days. WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 26.-The freight trains were moved east on the Reading road trains were moved east on the Reading road to-day. The regular crews were off on a Christmas holiday. It is understood the men will go to work to-morrow.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 26.—Two freight trains were moved to-day in this region on the Philadelphia & Reading road. A small number of conductors and brakemen will report for duty to-morrow, and many engineers signify their intention to resume when called port for duty to-morrow, and many engineers signify their intention to resume when called upon, claiming that they are not Knights of Labor. It is believed the miners will strike if called upon, although a number of them are not in sympathy with the movement. The strike is generally condemned in business circles. pess circles.

The Strikers Still Firm. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.-The executive board of the employes of the Reading road were in session all day, and received telegrams from various points saying the men were still firm in their determination to hold They also received notice of the action of the shopmen at Reading, but did not seem to regard it of much importance. One of the members of the board said: "They can in no way materially affect the issue. The general order for the men to cease work will probable be sent out to more will be be sent out to wi bly be sent out to-morrow. The men in the mining regions have signified their willingness to follow the action of the employes at Port Richmond." A prominent official of the Reading road said this afternoon: "To-morrow morning every train that is scheduled will be revealed up to the service of the service will be moved and it is not expected the ser-vices of non-union men will be required to effect it."

"Indications at present" said he, "are that "Indications at present" said he, "are that there will be a liberal response in the morning from employes of the company for work, and the company takes the liberty to say that those who desire work will be accommodated and given protection. If the company is compelled to secure any non-union labor, that labor will be given permanent employment. The amount of coal in transit is about the said the twenty-six thousand tons. This will be moved to-morrow. Four freight trains were moved on the main line this afternoon, all moved on the main line this afternoon, all manned by Knights of Lobor. Other trains were moved on the different divisions by knights. We do not believe the defection will extend beyond the crews which we discharged for disobedience of orders. There are 45,000 persons employed by this corporation, 27,000 of whom are in the railroad service and the venginder are with the coal vice and the remainder are with the coal and iron company. We have no notice that there is any disaffection with those in that there is any disaffection with those in the employ of the coal and iron company and do not contemplate any. Among the railroad employes we do not believe there is a disaf, fection amounting to 2 per cent of the whole number, so far as our information goes."

An official of the company, when told there was an agitation for arbitration or compromise, said there was nothing to arbitrate or

Cold in the Northwest.

St. PAUL, Dec. 26 .- The weather report issued here to-night shows a low temperature throughout the northwest, all of the following being below zero: Duluth 8, St. Paul 2, Huron, Dak., 14, Moorhead, Minn., 20, Fort Garry 24, Fort Totten 24, Quappelle 24 and

Funeral of Congressman Moffat. TRAVERSE CITY, Minn., Dec. 26 .- The funeral of the late Congressman Moffat took place to day at the Congregational church Rev. S. C. Cole officiating.

The latest developments indicate that the The latest developments indicate that the strike will be a long and bitter one, and the crisis will be reached to-morrow when the order of General Manager McLeod goes into effect, directing that all employes shall at once return to work and those who do not return be dismissed from the service. A committee from Assembly No. 198, of Reading, composed of machinists and car builders, held a long conference with the executive committee of the employes' convention, who met in Port Richmond this evening. The Reading men expressed themselves entirely satisfied with the justice of the cause of the strikers, and promise their support, both financially and otherwise, to the full extent of their means. Besides the Reading men, there were represented at to-night's conference a large number of representatives of local assemnumber of representatives of local assemblies of this city and other places on the Reading line. Resolutions were adopted refusing to resume work until the men at Elizabethport, Port Richmond and other places had been reinstated and every "scab" who filled a vacancy discharged. All local assemblies along the Reading line were noti-fied that the men will not return to work. The Pennsylvania railroad district assembly offered assistance and refused to remove the offered assistance and refused to remove the freight of the Reading company until the present difficulties are satisfactorily settled. All assemblies connected with the Pennsylvania railroad system will give any assistance asked for, and will not, they say, handle any freight hauled by the Reading company in the event of "scab" labor being employed. A large number of Knights of Labor assemblies have adopted resolutions endorsing the blies have adopted resolutions endorsing the action of to-night's convention in making the strike general. The convention declared that while the trouble lasted peace would be the policy of the strikers.

The Crown Prince.

San Remo, Dec 26 .- Dr. Mackenzie says he is greatly pleased with the improvement in the crown prince's condition. The small growth in the throat is almost gone. The loctor says that time can only determine the exact nature of the disease. Mackenzie thinks the prince might be benefited by the hot baths of Hamman Rirsa, forty miles from Algiers, the health resort for consumptive patients and persons affected with bronchial troubles.

Failed to Cover the Crime.

St. Louis, Dec. 26.-The dead body of a aborer named Benjamin Voniliamaz, who worked on the farm of Hypolite Adele, living about five miles from East St. Louis, was brought to the coroner at the latter place this evening by Adele and another one of his laborers named Gus Frossard. They said Vonilia maz went to bed drunk Sunday night and was found dead in the morning and that they supposed death was the result of a debauch. An examination of the body re-vealed the fact that Voniliamaz had been stabbed through the heart and Adele and Prossard were put under arrest.

Steamship Arrivals. HAVEE, Dec. 26 .- [Special Telegram to the Bee. |- Arrived-La Normandie, from New

York. New York, Dec. 26.—Arrived—The Rotter-dam from Rotterdam. Victoria to the Pope. ROME, Dec. 26.-The pope to-day received the jubilee present sent by Queen Victoria. The gift consists of a golden ewer and basin. These the pope intends to use in celebrating

Frozen to Death in Texas Big Springs, Dec. 26.—The bodies of two men frezen to death were found near here to day. The weather is bitterly cold.

ubilee mass.

WHY KINGSLEY WAS KILLED.

A Coroner's Jury Closely Investigating the Supposed Murder.

WAS BILLINGS BLACKMAILING?

Evidence Which Goes to Prove an Attempt to Extort Money and Property From the Young County Attorney.

The Inquest on Lawyer Kingsley.

WATERLOO, Ia., Dec. 26 .- At the inquest on the killing of County Attorney Kingsley, who was shot by Lawyer Billings, the existence of a plot was proved by the evidence of Emily Shane, the girl who signed the affidavit taken from Billings, in which Kingsley was accused of having betrayed her. Under oath she testified as follows: "I signed the affidavit handed me by Mr. Billings without any idea that Kingsley's name was written there. Kingsley never addressed a disgraceful word to me." It was decided on the testimony of reputable witnesses that three shots were fired. Mrs. Billings will be called on to testify, and highly sensational develop-ments are expected. It is possible that the affair may prove a huge blackmailing the affair may prove a huge blackmailing scheme, and something like a conspiracy against the dead lawyer has already been unearthed. The papers which were taken from Billings at the time of his arrest included a chattel mortgage on all of Kingsley's belongings, his library, stable outfit and personel property. There was also a mortgage on the house which Billings had recently sold to Kingsley, and notes, bearing enormous interest, amounting to nearly \$3,000. These papers were all unsigned, but were in Billings' hand and made payable to were in Billings' hand and made payable to himself. Another important fact is that Kingsley apparently never owned a revolver in his life, and the weapon with which he was shot, and the cartridges in its chambers are of an old and unused style. Additional developments are expected when the inquest will be resumed. Billings will be called upon to testify, and it is impossible to understand how he will be able to explain away the evidence that now points to his will be able to his the style of the sty away the evidence that now points to his guilt. Mrs. Billings has taken quarters at the jail at the request of the sheriff, but does not see her husband. M. E. Billings is fifty years of age. He was admitted to the bar in 1865, and after serving continuously during the war was, in 1867, appointed Assistant United States Attorney at Russellville, Ky. He went to Kansas two years ago as civil engineer for a railroad, then to Missouri, and later to Iowa. Late in 1869 Billings came to Waverly, where he continued to practice law until his arrest for the supposed murder of Anthony Kingsley. He is a close student of spiritualism, and is bitterly opposed to any creed approaching a christian religion.

creed approaching a christian religion.

There has never been anything connected with Mrs. Billings' life worthy of note, except her elopement from school one day with Billings, who at the time was supposed to be a married man with two children. She was only fifteen years of age. They were mar-ried in Butler county, and on their return were met by the girl's father and a posse of men with a rope, and Billings came near being sent where the late tragedy could not have occurred. He was arrested on a charge of bigamy, and in time produced a transcript from the Minnesota courts showing a legal separation from his first wife. His second wife's father, William Welcher, now of Bris tow, Ia., has never been reconciled to the couple since the elopement and marriage. He came to Waverly immediately on hearing of the shooting, to be here, as he says, "to have a pull at the rope." He has been a bitter enemy of Billings all these years.

Big Fire at Grand Mound. gram to the BEE.]-Grand Mound, a small town in the interior of Clinton county, was the scene of a big fire early yesterday morning. The Tauser house, Weare & Blurick's general store, with a big stock of goods and a saloon adjoining, were burned. The loss is estimated at \$10,000 but lightly in-sured. The citizens had no engine and fought the fire with a bucket brigade.

MUNIFICENT CHARITY.

General Alger's Second Distribution of Clothing and Fuel. DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 26.-A year ago Gen ral Alger gave suits of clothes to 500 newsboys and sent coal or wood and flour to hundreds of homes. This year he will repeat his gift, only on a larger scale. From lists fur nished his secretary by persons who have means of knowing who are the legitimate and descrying newsboys of Detroit, needy news boys will be selected and sent 100 at a time to certain designated clothing stores, where they will be carefully fitted out with coats and trousers of cloth made to wear, and with good shirts and stockings. The second part of General Alger's benefit will be to supply 1,000 families in Detroit with a cord of wood or a ton of coal together with a barrel of

Gladstone Greetings. LONDON, Dec. 26.-Gladstone was greeted with mingled cheers and groans when he possed through London. While making for the train he was visited by a number of prominent men. The journey was made without a stop until Sandwich was reached, where Gladstone addressed a crowd. He subsequently proceeded to the residence of Lord Northbourne, whose guest he will be tonight.

Dougherty's Sentence Denounced. London, Dec. 26 .- The Observer to-day denounces the sentence pronounced upon Daniel Dougherty, the American who shot and killed Graham, as monstrous. It declares that the judgement of Justice Stephens was biased by the opinion he has often expressed that drunkenness increases instead of lessening the gravity of the offence a sentiment which mankind has pronounced contrary to common sense.

The British Grain Trade. LONDON, Dec. 26 .- The Mark Lane Express in reviewing the British grain trade during the past week says: "English wheat was slow to sell, but values were steadier especially Russians and American red win ters. At Liverpool the quotation for reds was ld per cental higher. Maize is in fair in-quiry and prices show a hardening tendency. Beans and peas are firm. Linseed, 9d

Churchill and the Czar. LONDON, Dec. 26 .- A dispatch from St Petersburg says the czar gave audience today to Lord Randolph Churchill. The Morning Post and Daily Telegraph both de-clare that Lord Randolph has no official

King John Obdurate. London, Dec. 26.-Advices from Masso wah say: The British mission in Abyssinia was unsuccessful in its efforts to induce king John to sue for peace, and the Italians are jubilant over the failure.

Mandeville Released. DUBLIN, Dec. 23.-Thousands assembled at Mitchellstown on Saturday to greet Mandeville on the occasion of his release from prison. Upon his arrival he received a most enthusiastic welcome. Mr. Spaight, a mag-istrate, and his wife were fired at while driv-ing at Killaloe, County Limerick, to-day.

The Atlanta at Naples. [Copyright 1887 by James Gordon Bennett.] NAPLES, Dec. 26s—[New York Cable—Special to the BEE. |-Mr. Gould's yacht Atlanta

GONE TO MANNING'S FUNERAL.

The President and Members of His Cabinet Started for Albany. Washington, Dec. 26.—The president, Secretary's Bayard, Pairchild and Lamar, Postmaster General Vilas, Attorney General Garland and Colonel Lamont left Wash ington this afternoon for Albany to attend the funeral of Secretary Manning. Secretary Whitney and Secretary Endicott will tary Whitney and Secretary Endicott will join the party at Albany. The party will return to Washington immediately after the ceremonies. Several officers of the treasury deparment have also gone to the funeral.

New York, Dec. 26.—President Cleveland, five members of his cabinet and Private Secretary Lamont, reached the city at 9:30 on their way to Albany, where the party will attend the funeral of the late ex-secretary of the treasury, Daniel Manning. The Pullman car which brought the party from Washington, was taken up in the Pennsylvania depot, hauled to Weehawken and attached to the West Shore train.

Funeral Preparations. ALBANY, Dec. 26 .- The funeral of Daniel Manning will take place to-morrow afternoon from the residece of his son. The remains will be viewed by personal friends of the deceased to-morrow from 9 to 11 a.m. The president and members of the cabinet will be guests of Governor Hill. From the executive mansion they will proceed directly to church. The pall bearers and other friends from New York will arrive here about I p. m. President Cleveland and his cabinet will leave Albany on their reand his cabinet will leave Albany on their return to Washington at 5:30 p. m. tomorrow. At St. Paul's church the regular Episcopal services for the dead will be said, Rector Rev. J. Livingston Heese, D. D., officiating, assisted by the Episopal clergymen of the city. The pall beards will be Manton Marble, Rufus W. Pekham. A. P. Gorman, Charles J. Canda, Sciney Webster, Conrad N. Jordan, Erastus Torning, Roscoe Conkling, Simon W. Rosendale, Samuel J. Randall, John H. Vanantwerp and Pascal P. Pratt. At the close of the services in the church the remains will be borne to the rural cemetery, followed by members of the family cemetery, followed by members of the family and mourners in sletchs. At the mortuary chapel the burial practer will be said by Rev. Reese, and the remains at once conveyed to the vault without further ceremony, where they will rest until spring.

OUT OF WORK.

One Hundred Thousand People Unemployed in New York City. YORK, Dec. 26.- Special Telegram to the BEE.]-The World has ascertained that there are at least one hundred thousand persons idle in this city at present and that notwithstanding the seeming general prosperity starvation manaces many persons who want work but cannot get it. The employment agencies are full of persons looking for work for whom nothing can be got. These are slack times for most of the trades, all men who work on buildings being laid off. Of the above number the superintendent of the Working Women's Protective union says 20,000 are women. The police stations every

point are women. The police stations every night are filled with persons unable to pay for lodging houses, and charity organizations are besieged by hungry men and women. The prospects for the winter months seem to indicate that this army of unemployed will be increased before winter has passed.

The Fire Record. IRON WOOD, Mich., Dec. 26 .- The best part of Wakeneld, Wis., is in ashes. Among the buildings destroyed are the Wakefield bank, Haywood, Westeott & Murray's large gen eral store, postoffice, R. A. Morris' jewelry store, a theatre, a dozen saloons and a large number of dwelling houses, about forty buildings in all. Loss will reach \$100,000.

Shot His Wife and Killed Himself. DENVER, Col., Dec. 26 .- At Boulder, Col., shot his wife twice in the presence of their four children and then killed himself. The wife is not fatally wounded. His act was caused by jealousy.

A Slight Derailment.

ROSEMOUNT, Minn., Dec. 26 .- The North field passenger train on the Milwaukee road was derailed to-night. Peter Phelan and John Truax, of Northfield were seriously injured and others shaken up.

A Prominent Divine Dead. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 26.-Rev. A. R Winfield, editor of the Arkansas Methodist, and one of the most widely known Methodist divines in the south, died tonight, of pneu-

REGRETTED THE GIFT.

E. N. Sutphen Changes His Mind About Making His Wife a Present. E. N. Sutphen came home last evening in a pretty mellow condition and when his wife asked him for some money he gave her \$35. An hour or so later, when he began to grov An hour or so later, when he began to grow sober and see the great mistake he had made, he demanded the money back again. She refused, but after a short struggle he succeeded in recovering it. Mrs. Sutphen was frantic and rushed out to find a policeman. She told Officer Godola that she had been robbed by her husband, but the policeman told her he could not arrest him on that complaint. She then preferred the charge of wife hearing. then preferred the charge of wife-beating against him. This had the desired effect, and Sutphen was tumbled into the patrol wagon and locked up at the central police station.

AGAIN BEHIND THE BARS. Elmer Clarke Arrested for Running Crooked Restaurant.

Elmer Clarke, who two or three months ago rained considerable unsavory notoriety on the charge of seduction of a young girl, is again in prison, this time for obtaining money under false pretenses. Clarke has been running a lunch counter in the basement of the old city hall. Julius Mason bought a \$4 meal ticket from him, and ate a couple of meals there. Clarke then, it is charged, told his waiters that the next time Mason came to tell him that the restaurant had changed hands and the ticket was now worthless. Mason came and the programme was carried out as per order. Mason imme-diately reported the affair at police headquarthere. Captain Green and Sergeant Mostyn took the matter in hand and hunted Clarke up. They found him in Captaiu O, Malley's saloon, and he was so taken by surprise that he inadvertently admitted his crime. He was arrested and put in the central station to await trial

Overcoat Thieves Captured. After finishing a game of billiards in Foley & Darst's last evening, Fred Johnson looked around for his overcoat and found it was missing. Upon inquiry he learned from one of the bystanders that Charles Cole had put on such an overcoat and gone out only a minute before. Johnson rushed out into the street and saw Cole walking rapidly down Douglas. In company with a policeman he overtook Cole, who was found wearing the missing garment. As he could give no satisfactory reason for taking the coat, he was turned over to Jailer Ormsby.

J. W. Robinson, a negro, went into Frank Warner's room at 1018 Capitol avenue yesterday afternoon and helped himself to Frank's overcoat. Warner left a description of the coat with Officer McCarty who a couple of hours later discovered Robinson wearing it. He was immediately arrested.

Hug Up to the Stove. Another cold wave is here, and the forerunner of Jack Frost arrived last night and began by coating the streets with the fleecy. The following telegram was received at the United States signal office at 7 p, m.: Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—[To the Observer at Omaha, Neb.]—6:20 p. m.: Hoist cold wave signal. The temperature will fall twenty degrees or more by 7 a. m., Wednesday

A VERY UNGRATEFUL MAN.

Why the Late Ex-Secretary Left the Cabinet.

THE MANNING CLUB AFFAIR.

Cleveland's Action Deeply Cut His Faithful Friend-Not an Ardent Supporter For 1888-Record of an Ingrate.

The President and Mr. Manning. WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE,

513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26. A good many doubts were expressed to-day whether President Cleveland would really attend the funeral of the late Secretary Manning. It is true that he promised on Saturday to go, but he also promised to attend the funeral of Mr. Hendricks, and although a vice president and closely associated with the chief executive, the latter said at the last moment that he would not go. He had no real excuse for not attending the funeral either. Then there was more reason for him to attend the funeral of the distinguished Indianian. Mr. Hendricks and the president were very good friends to the the former's death. very moment of An old New Yorker, who was thoroughly acquainted with both the pres/ dent and Mr. Manning, said to-night: "Mr. Manning, when he left the cabinet, did so because he could not get along with the president. Mr. Cleveland did everything he could to hamper his secretary of the treasury, and what hurt Secretary Manning more than anything else was that when the president ordered the dissolution of the Manning club, organized in honor of the secretary of treasury. Mr. Manning felt the little insults heaped upon him by the president, and to his most intimate friends he never failed to refer to Cleveland as 'that ingrate.' You know the rest. Dan Manning made Grover Cleve land. That's history."

When Mr. Manning was departing for Europe for his health, immediately after retiring from the cabinet, an old friend bade him good bye at the pier and said: "Now, Mr. Manning, I hope to see you return in good health so you can help us in the cam paign of 1888. I want to ask you if Mr Cleveland is renominated will you take an active part in the campaign!" To which Mr. Manning replied: "I am a democrat, and Manning replied: will vote the democratic ticket but I certainly will not again impair my health for a man who my nearth for a man who never had a grain of gratitude in his soul." The prediction that the president would not, at the last moment attend the funeral, were not well founded, for he left this evening for Albany. It is stated to-night that Mr. Cleve and received a number of letters from New Fork democrats urging him to be present at the funeral to-morow, and saying that if he did not he would lose a good many friends in the party in that state. the party in that state.

DAKOTA AS TWO STATES.

Division Sentiment Gaining Ground-Other Washington Topics. WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 .- [Currespondence of the BEE.]-"Things are beginning to look more cheerful for us here," said Senator-Elect Moody, of Dakota, to-day. "When I came here a few days ago I did not think it possible that the political prejudice in the house could be overcome so that Dakota might be divided before admission to statehood, but I now think there will be a bill reported from the house committee to the territory as a whole state, and that there are enough of her friends on the democratic side to so amend the bill as to divide the territory on an east and west line and let the southern half come into statehood. The senate will control the question in the upper branch of congress, and the republicans are solidly in favor of dividing the territory be fore making a state out of it; and, as I have said, I think there is a majority on the floor of the house of the same disposition."

FOR MODERATE TARIFF REVISION. "I am in favor of a revision of the present tariff laws, because there are many injus tices in them, and we have grown beyond the condition of affairs of twenty-five or thirty years ago, when the present laws were enac ted." said General Browne, of Indiana. who is one of the brightest members of the house committee on ways and means. "It would be absurd," continued the general, "to think that a law regulating the incomes of the government could stand a third of a century government could stand a third of a century without radical modifications. I am an ardent believer in protection to our industries by positive tariff laws, but do not believe in passing laws affecting the revenues and permitting them to stand years after the country has developed and grown beyond them. We can make it easier all around by reasonable modifications. The great body of republicans in both branches of congress, I believe, look upon the matter as I do, and the prospects are that there will be some legislation on the subject at this session."

NO MORE NATIONAL BANK NOTES. Whatever may be done on the subject of a new basis of national bank circulation, a number of the ablest men in congress have expressed the opinion to me that the issuance of national bank notes will be stopped. It is or national bank notes will be stopped. It is proposed to either issue gold and silver certificates, or the proposed coin certificates, or United States treasury notes. This would make the currency of the country more uniform, would obviate the redeeming process and would save to the banks the expense they and would save to the banks the expense they must now bear of having plates engraved and printing done for all of their circulation. National banks have to individually bear the outlay involved in the engraving of plates for the notes which they circulate and which bear their own name and signatures. There is no advertisement or advantage in national bank notes, and inasmuch as the government is to become responsible for their payment it is held that the government might just as well issue, in the first place its own notes, and save the expense, delays and vexations. Many of those who have most to do with this question in congress predict that it will be but a few years, at farthest, before the final disappearance of national bank cur-

UNDERVALUATIONS. The enormous amount of time and care which has been given to the investigation of which has been given to the investigation of undervaluations of imports at the port of New York, and the compilation of a bill on the subject by a special committee of the senate, have led the people to expect a measure which will very materially effect the price of imported goods. It is alleged that the undervaluations have averaged more than 20 per cent of the total value of goods imported. If this is true, and a law is enacted which will this is true, and a law is enacted which will prohibit anything of the kind, it can be seen that the retail value of imported goods will appreciate to that extent. Much of the fault in the undervaluation business has rested with the consular agents of the government in various countries as well as the appraisers at the port, and it is expected that the meas upe on the subject, which congress will pass, will close up not only these avenues, but those which have been opened to smugglers. With the great saving to the government which a law of this kind will make the necessity for some kind of a tariff revision will be made more urgent.

A Murderous Madman's Escape. Paris, Dec. 26.-Zangzerle, a German com mercial traveler, who attempted to kill a French customs officer at Pagny sur Moselle ast summer, has escaped from the madhouse

Gladstone Leaves for the Continent LONDON, Dec. 26 .- Gladstone left Hawarden to-day enroute for the continent. Five thousand persons gave him an enthusiastic welcome on his arrival at Chester.

END OF A REVOLUTION.

Guatemalan Rebels Badly Routed and Their Leaders Shot. NOGALES Ariz., Dec. 26.-The revolution headed by the ex-president of Guatemala Vincente Castano, against the government of General Barrillas for having proclaimed a dictatorship June 19, lately suffered a most humiliating defeat. There were two disaffected factions, one working from the

eastern department, the other from the western, the former under the generalship of Cas tano, the latter in charge of several well-known tano, the latter in charge of several well-known military men of the republic. In a range of mountains near the city of Guatemala a few days ago, a battle was fought between the federal and revolutionist forces, the latter suffering almost complete annihilation. The battle was desperate and sanguinary from the commencement and lasted over two hours, the field being strewn with dead at the conclusion. Castano was routed and the the conclusion. Castano was routed and th other revolutionary generals captured and shot. This ends one of the most bloody wars

the country ever saw. The republic now AN OPERATIC BREAK.

Story of the National Company's Troubles at St. Paul.

Manager Jones of the the Grand opera house returned home yesterday after a short visit to Minneapolis. He was requested to go there by the president of the exposition association to obtain \$700 which that corporation had loaned to Manager Locke of the National Opera company when the latter sang here week before last. The opera company got out of Omaha without much difficulty. They were liberally patronized by the people notwithstanding that unfavor able reports had preceded them from larger cities, especially St. Louis and Kansas City, where the patronage had been miserable Their receipts here were in the neighborhood of \$6,000. The only thing that handicapped of \$6,000. The only thing that handicapped them while here was a claim of \$1,287, held against them by Douglas of the St. Joe opera house. That was easily gotten rid of, and to enable Mr. Locke te get something ahead, the Exposition association advanced Mr. Locke \$700, which was to be repaid from the receipts at St. Paul and Minnearelis. Soveral business men in

and Minneapolis. Several business men in the city subscribed to a purse of \$500 more, while another purse of \$300 was given him by while another purse of \$300 was given him by the management of the opera house. All these facts prove incontestably that Omaha left nothing undone to give the National Opera company all the moral encouragement and financial support it deserved.

Mr. Jones arrived in St. Paul on Friday night, but found that the receipts at Minneapolis had already been attached by Mme. Fursch-Mahdi for \$7,500, for salary due her. This attachment was upon the receipts of the first three nights, the last three night performances being given in St. Paul. On the night

ances being given in St. Paul. On the night of Mr. Jones' arrival the hotel Ryan placed an attachment of \$200 upon the scenery, and later, McGukin, the tenor, and two other members of the company placed another at tachment of \$900 for salaries on a part of the same material. The opera was "Faust," and during its performance, the ballet "kicked" behind the scenes and refused to kick in front of them unless they were given their salaries. The management was forced to let them kick unseen, and as a consequence the ballet was dispensed. The chorus also refused to "go on" without their wages, but some compromise was eventually tachment of \$900 for salaries on a part of the retused to "go on" without their wages but some compromise was eventually effected and the choristers "went on" comforted. The next morning after the performance, between 1 and 2 o'clock, the chorus and other interested unfortunates held of and other interested unfortunates held a meeting and a man reputed to be a wealthy miller of the place named Bailey, who had taken quite an interest in the company, and whose lov. of music prompted him to do something to aid its members, was elected trustee, Locke being deposed, the members absolutely refusing to sing any more under his management.

Saturday afternoon the "Queen of Sheba" was produced before a small audience and "Lohengrin" was sung to a fair sized audience. The receipts of the two performances were turned over to Mr. Bailey. After the latter performance there occurred a lively skirmish between the management and the officers of the law, in which the latter were outwitted. Interested parties had attached certain parts of the scenery, but when it came to identifying the same, they were unable to tell one piece of an operatic setting from another, and in this manner the loading of the scenery on the cars was continued. As trunks belonging to the company were carried to the wagons and seized by the sheriff and his posse a dozen seized by the sheriff and his posse a dozen people were ready to swear that the packages did not belong to the opera management, with the result that the property was permitted to go free. These defeats discouraged the officers and by this time morning had advanced a couple of hours, so that new attachments could not be issued. And consequently after a night of fatigue and mental excitement all the people with a few excepexcitement all the people with a few excep-tions, got on board the first train and left for Milwaukee. Another train soon followed

Those who remained behind was Locke, the ex-manager; McGuckin, the tenor; Busset, another tenor; Jones, one of the agents and Ludwig, the bass. After singing in Milwaukee, the company will strike Grand Rapids.

Mr. Jones says the \$700 advanced by the exposition has been secured by a personal note from Mr. Bailey.

Presidential Timber.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]-A special from Washington says that a prominent Wisconsin politician, at present visiting in the capital, is of opinion that Wisconsin republicans will make an effort to put Governor Rusk's name before the next national convention as a presiden-tial candidate. The same gentleman asserted that while Vilas is anxious that the democratic convention should nominate him to a second place on the ticket, he would not ac-cept. Vilas, he declared, is scheming very hard for the top line on the ticket in 1892.

A Kentucky Killing. HAWESVILLE, Ky., Dec. 26.-Jack Hasson a restaurant keeper, shot and killed John O'Donnell, a railroad construction man, las evening. O'Donnell and Hasson's sister had o quarrel, which was taken up by the brother. O'Donnell's home was at Jackson-ville, Ill.

Business Troubles. Peoria, Ill., Dec., 26.-Mersereau Bros. & Davis retail dealers in dry goods, who started in business here less than a year ago, made

an assignment to-day to Robert M. Cox Assets, about \$70,000; liabilities, \$102,000 Their creditors are scattered throughout the principal jobbing centers of the east. For Nebraska and Iowa: Snow, clearing weather, in Nebraska, colder, fresh to brisk northerly winds with cold wave. For Dakota: Fair weather, followed by

slightly warmer and local snows, light to fresh variable winds. The Pope Advises Conciliation. Rome, Dec. 26 .- It is stated, on reliable authority, that the pope has instructed Arch-Bishop Weish and other visiting Irish prelates to adopt a conciliatory attitude toward the government in Ireland.

An Unpatriotic Editor. VIENNA, Dec. 26 .- The editor of the Parle nentare-Viennois has been arrested for pubishing articles in praise of Russia.

Drowned While Skating. PEORIA, III., Doc. 26 .- Emerson Littlefield aged nineteen, while skating to-day went into a hole and was drowned.

A Shower of Sparks.

A shower of sparks from a chimney of the Arcade hotel about 9 o'clock last night inspired some excited individual to pull box No. 4t. The firence responded, but their services were not required. No damage

COUNCIL BLUFFS' PUG WINS.

Brooks Knocks Out Billy Noise at Kansas City.

HOT BATTLE IN ILLINOIS.

Hogan Defeats Daily After Fifty-Three Hard . Fought Rounds - The

Coming Sporting Event in

Omaha-Local Gossip. Broke a Rib.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 26 .- [Special Telegram to the BEE.]-A prize fight between T. H. Brooks, of Council Bluffs, champion light-weight of Iowa, and Billy Nolan, an amateur pugilist of Kansas City, was fought two miles south of here to-day for \$100 a side. in the presence of about one hundred members of the sporting fraternity. The fight was a brief one, Nolan, though game, being no match for Brooks, either in science or strength. In the second round a terrific right-hander by Brooks broke one of Nolan's ribs. Nolan came to the scratch for the third round, but fainted before any blows were exchanged and the fight was awarded to Brooks. This is the first prize fight in this vicinity since the McManus-Crocker fight was broken up by the police about a year ago.

Fifty-Three Rounds With Knuckles. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 26 .- A fifty-three round prize-fight with bare knuckles took place this morning just outside of the city. Frank J. Hogan, the amateur middle-weight, of Springfield, and John Daly, of Pittsburg, were the contestants. In the first three rounds Daily clearly had the best of it and rounds Daily clearly had the best of it and felled Hogan twice, leaving two bad looking marks on his face. From this point on, however, the battle ran constantly in Hogan's favor. Daly received several very wicked blows, but continued to come to the scratch to the end of the fifty-third round, when his backer proposed to call it a draw, alleging that it had become too dark to fight leager. Hogan's backers refused to accede to this, and when time was called for the fifty-fourth and when time was called for the fifty-fourth round, Daily failed to come up. Another match is talked of.

TURF TOPICS.

The National Trotting Association About to Lose Its Best Officers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25 .- [Special Telegram to the Bgg.]-A local paper in its sporting news has an interview with a gentleman who attended the recent meeting of the board of review of the National Trotting association n New York. He says the association is about to lose two of its best officers, as Judge Grant will surely decline re-election and General Silton is in ill health and cannot devote much more time to the service of the association. With their retirement, the gentleman says, no one need not be surprised if Mr. Vail comes to the front again as the practical head of the association. He is now, it is said, busying himself writing letters to friendly members of the association, asking for proxies for use at the next congress. The board of review has tried to offset him by having the present secretary, Morse, write to all members requesting them not to issue proxies to unauthorized persons.

"All the same," said the gentleman, "Vail will get a lot, and it is the opinion of every man I talked to in New York that he is once more going to be the secretary of the National Trotting association." about to lose two of its best officers, as Judge

SPORTING GOSSIP.

The Tourney at Boyd's Opera House

Wednesday Eve-Notes. esting events that has taken place in Omaha. That the house will be filled goes without saying, as the entire sporting fraternity is on the tiptoe of expectation. Among the most prominent numbers of the programme is a Arthur Rothery. Both of these well-known pugilists have been in training for a week past and there is no doubt that each man

will do his best to win. A magnificent silver cup will be given to the winner. Tommy Miller and Tommy Burke will spar for points in a ten round contest. It is well known that the former is matched for a glove contest against the "Belfast Spider" a twenty round scrap, and the interest in he promising young pugulist is great.

Chronicle gives an elegant gold medal to the A great array of local talent will be there, and many interesting sparring exhibitions

Local Sporting Notes. Tommy Miller was presented with an ele-gant gold watch Sunday, the donor being Mr. Ed Rothery.

Patsy Fallon is still confined to his home by

. Mr. Fallon received many presents sickness, Mr. I on Christmas. Mr. Crawford, of the Chronicle, celebrated

Christmas in right royal style, and was the recipient of many valuable gifts. Jack Kellett, middle-weight champion of Nebraska, found a handsome diamond pin in his Christmas stocking. It was the gift of his

Colonel Forbes wore a 9x9 smile all day yesterday, and exhibited a million presents (more or less), sent to him by admiring friends. It might be apropos to remark that no "seventeen stiches" went on Christmas. Mr. Arthur Rothery was presented with a

magnificent diamond ring yesterday. The present was accompanied by a perfumed note, but Arthur can't get away with any bluff of this kind, as the gift came from his brothers, Ed and Al, and Colone! Forbes. Mr. Edgar Rothery had a set-to with Kris Kringle early Sunday morning, and knocked that venerable gentleman out in one round. Santa Claus afterwards explained that the many presents he had brought were the gifts of friends, and Mr. Rothery apologized and knocked the necks off of several large bothers.

Seth Cole was presented with a gold headed cane by the employes of the Olympic theater, and Major John Condon wears an elegant gold watch and chain as a mark of apprecia-tion from his employer, Patsy Fallon. Johnny

Armstrong is happy while contemplating i diamond breastpin that was given him by Harry Feight.

Higgins' Christmas Box. New York, Dec. 26.—[Special Telegram to

the BEE.]-Francis Higgins, a nurse in St. Mary's hospital, Brooklyn, was arrested Saturday on the charge of Miss Alexander, an orphan heiress of Brooklyn, for entering her house and claiming her as a wife. Her father when ill was at the hospital. She went there to nurse him, where Higgins saw her. After her father's death he wrote her letters claiming her as his wife. She went to Europe to escape the attention of an unknown admirer. On her return letters calling her his wife were renewed. Higgins
began calling at the house. Saturday a trap
was laid for him. A detective was secreted
n a room, and on entering the house he was
arrested. He claimed to the police that he
was married to her, but afterwards admitted
that he might be mistaken in the woman. He
was examined by physicians and pronounced
sane.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26,-[Special Telegram to the Brr.]-Claus Spreckles, who is now giving attention to the encouragement of beet sugar culture in Northern California, is quoted as saying that the beet sugar industry can be established in almost every state in the union, and will give a net profit of from \$50 to \$15 an acre to farmers.

Sexton Improving.

London, Dec. 26 .- Sexton is improving.