THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: THURSDAY. JANUARY 19, 1888.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS. The Senate Passes the Bill Refund-

ing the Direct Tax of 1861.

GOVERNMENT BOND PREMIUMS.

Plumb of Illinois Alleges That the Refunding Act Has Been Misprinted and Misconstrued By the Treasury Secretary.

Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- The bill was passed reducing the charge for passports from \$5 to \$1.

The Morning business being finished, the bill for refunding the direct tax of 1861 was taken up, the question being on Mr. Chandler's motion to recommit the bill. The motion was rejected. The question was then taken on the amendment offered by Mr. Edmunds, requiring all claims to be filed within six years, and it was agreed to.

Mr. Berry offered an amendment pro viding that no part of the money collected from individuals shall be retained by the United States as set off against any state indebtedness. The amendment was agreed to.

The amendments to the extended pro visions of the bill to pay the tax collected under the law of 1862 and subsequent laws; restricting the terms of the first section to moneys paid by state treasurers, and inserting in the third section a provision for the return to individuals of sums paid by them; and to repay the income tax collected from military and naval officers during the war, were rejected.

Mr. Plumb offered the last amendment. bill was then passed-yeas, 48; nays, 10.

negative votes were those of Berry, Blair, Jones of Arkansas, Paddock, Piatt, Plumb, Saulsbury, Teiler, Vest, and Wilson Platt. of Maryland.

The bill directs the secretary of the treas ury to credit to each state and territory and to the District of Columbia a sum equal to all collections made therefrom or from citizens or inhabitants thereof, or other persons, under the direct tax of August 5, 1861. It remits all moneys still due to the United States under such act and it appropriates an amount necessary for the reimbursement of the sums collected directly from individuals. e held in trust by the state for the bench of the persons from whom they were col

lected or their legal representatives. The Blair educational bill was then taken up and Mr. Brown addressed the senate in support of it.

at the conclusion of Mr. Brown's remarks Mr. Blair continued his speech in support of the bill

Adjourned.

House. WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.-Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio presented a memorial of the board of centennial commissioners at Marietta, O., in regard to the centennial celebration of the northwestern territories, and it was ordered printed in the Record.

The committee on public lands reported a resolution calling on the secretary of the interior for information as to what legislation is necessary for the disposal of public timber lands so as to secure at the same time the preservation of natural forest lands at the headwaters of navigable rivers and put within the reach of settlers legal means for provid ing themselves with timbers for building and domestic purposes Adopted.

Mr. Plumb of Illinois asked unanimous consent to offer for immediate consideration a preamble and resolution. The preamble recites that the secretary of the treasury. acting in accord with the views of the presi dent, has paid out of the revenues collected from imports the sum of \$2,852,015 in premiums to holders of government bonds, assum-ing that in no other way under existing laws can the requirements of the sinking fund bo met but by the terms of the refunding act. All of the bonds called "4 per cents" are pay-able at the pleasure of the United States for thirty years from the date of their issue, a provision which, if understood and acted n in accordance with its manifest wording

and intention, makes possible not only the

of those seized. We did not believe the firm on Union square had any evil intent, but we did want to show the wickedness of such pic tures. Thirty-one artists have signed a paper to suppress the society and its agent. Our semies are numerous, chiefly among them the National Defense association, which composed of ex-convicts, abortionists, free thinkers. Among them is a liar and blackguard, whose financial embarrassment seems

to be his principal recommendation, judging from his late appeals for money." Right here the citizen referred to arose, in the person of Lum Smith, of Philadelphia, and said: "I am here, Mr. Comstock, to de-Comstock turned to Superintendent Mur-

ray and should: "That man, Superinten-dent Murray, is Lum Smith of Philadelphia. If he don't keep quiet, I want you to arrest him Superintendent Murray arose and said: I shall arrest you, sir, unless you keep juict. If the exercises here are disagreeable

o you, you may leave the hall. Comstock went on sprinkling pepper this way: "We have convicted many criminals in spite of the daily press and in spite of the monthpiece of our enemies, himself a black guard and liar.

Treasurer Killaen Van Rensselaer then read a report. Referring to Smith he said : "Our splendid work induced such enemies as the disreputable person who stood up there

the disreputation person who been a pro-to be more active." President Samuel Colegate said: "I want to defend our agent. He has been a true man. We wish here to support him. He has been accused of receiving blackmail. There

s absolutely no truth in it." The Rev. Dr. Parkhuršt made an address. Of Comstock's theories of art he said: "The hing to look at is whether the pictures would of that one thousand times better than all artists. They see only the beautiful artistic effect. When I go into the houses of our best families I see pictures on the walls. I would not think of looking at them when other people came into the room. Let them a hanished.

Talmage addressed those present as "Friends of home, friends of society, friends of God," and then said: "In thinking of the good work of this society, past and future, although I am not a Methodist, I could shout, I will shout, 'I all, glory to God! Glory to God!' Prevention, not cure, is what we want. Is there any way out for our poor girls who want to be good? Yes, the East river will receive them. Any other way! Yes, the sharp curve on the railroad offers a way. Don't God forgive! Yes, but man don't. Don't the church forgive! It says it will but it don't. God save New York, God save the world !!

Just before the benediction by Rev. Halse; Moore, Lum Smith left the house. He stood at the front door as the people filed out gin his arms he held a bandle of papers which he distributed right and left. He explained to the crowd he was there to convert them, and they would be benefited if they only read his paper. A large and much excited individual placed himself beside Smith and asked: Jsn't that the damnable Philadelphia paper? You have no business here. You belong in helt. Go back to Philadelphia."

Then addressing the people as they came out the fat man cried, "I want you all to know that he is distributing the damnable Philadelphia paper. All you people that war his damnable sheet walk right up and get it. There were shouts of "arcest him." There was no officer in sight. Suddenly a sma SILLA but greatly excited man put himself in front of Smith and began to take off his Throwing his arms tragically up in the air h "As a citizen of New York I arexclaimed: rest you in her name. I wish somebody would hold my umbrella while I arrest that

"Oh, I'll hold your umbrella," said Smith "Where's your warrant?" The small man, who was Comstock's agent.

Joseph A. Britton, again asked for a disin terested person to hold his umbrella, and told Smith he might consider himself under arrest. Smith said, "I guess not," and started toward Third avenue with a crowd at his heels and an officer of the society on each side. Suddenly the crowd closed around him and he was grasped from sides. There were shouts, "duck him," " him in the snow," and it looked for a while as though he would be roughly handled. A Britton buttonholes policeman appeared. him and said, "officer, I want you to arrest that man, He's Lum Smith, and he insulted Superintendent Murray to-night." "Then why don't Superintendent Murray have him arrested !" inquired the cautious

policeman. He refused to arrest Smith with-out a warrant and the officious agents of the society were compelled to retire and let Lum go in peace.

A Strike of Leading Sports.

SEVEN PERSONS DROWNED. The Terrible Fate That Befell a Skat ing Party in Texas.

ENNIS, Tex., Jan. 18.-Seven persons were drowned to-day in Sand lake. Two young women, daughters of William Williams, a farmer, and a young man named Babbitt were skating on the lake, when the ice gave way. Miss Babbitt and two little girls, aged eight and fourteen years, also daughters of William Williams, who were on shore, watching the sport, were drowned in attempt ing to rescue their friends. A very small child of Mr, Williams also fell through the ce, but was saved by one of the drowning

young ladles catching and throwing it out on the ice. Young Williams, brother of the young ladies, saw the trouble and ran to the assistance of the unfortunates, but was soon overpowered by the struggles of those who were drowning and he, too, was drowned. Mrs. Williams, his mother, made an effort to save them all, but she was pulled down and would have met the fate of her children but for the timely aid of her two daughters, aged ten and twelve years. These children threw her a rope and succeeded in pulling her ashore.

BLIZZARD VICTIMS. Several Additional Deaths Reported

From Dakota. ST. PAUL, Jan. 18 .- It is figured out that there have been 217 deaths by the blizzard.

The remains of many people who are reported missing may not be found until the snow thaws in the spring, the bodies being covered by the deep drifts that formed over them. The following new cases are reported from Dakota points: Hired man and sevenyear-old child near Canton, Lewis Forsie, near the state line, in the vicinity of Crystal City, Manitoba; a man named Tysdal, near Brookings, who went to the well to water stock and perished twelve feet from his house; Annie Anderson, a school girl, nea Chamberlain; Maggie Dunn, Hand county The story from Aberdeen that a school teacher and sixteen children were frozen to death, is false. The body of James Reed. living near Hatton, has been found. Mrs. Lupke, living near Hutchinson, Minn., who was frozen Thursday, has just died in hor rible agony.

Yankton reports that the storm was severe about Santee Agency, Neb. Some live were lost and there was great damage to stock. J. Millbyer, frozen at Lesterville, Dak., died this morning. Harold Baker, an English boy, left Yankton the day of the storm for his ranch in Nebraska and has not been found. Two men living west of Willow City, Dak, are missing. The wife of one ecame insane through anxiety. Frandreau, Dak., reports the finding of

the body of Mrs. Owens not far from Went worth. The body of a child frozen to death when found. It had been partially devoured by wolves. ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 18 .- Reports re

ceived late last night add several more vid tims to the list of those frozen to death in the recent blizzard. The loss of two farmers is reported from Aberdeen, Dak. Reports from Warner, Dak., say a teacher and six childre who were thought to be lost were found. H H. Chapin, of Minneapolis, supposed to have been lost, arrived in Aberdeen last night Sister Willimeya, of St. Stephen mission, near Highmore, Dak., was frozen to death. Mrs. Anthony Haby is reported lost. Word comes from Walsey, near Huron, Dak., of two more deaths from freezing-a boy named Schofield, and a girl named Druse. Only two deaths are reported so far in Yankton county. In the second secon Bonnhomme county nineteen deaths are re-

rted From south Dakota 200 deaths are re ported. Cattle and hogs are freezing all over the state. The snow drifts are said to be thirty feet deep. A German named Balzer Parytalung is reported lost near Aurian, Minn., in Thursday's storm.

A Russian Religious Ceremony,

[Copyright 1888 by James Gordon Bennett.] Sr. PETEUSBURG, Jan. 18, -[New York Herald Cable-Special to the BEE.]-To-day at noon the czar, bareheaded and attended by a brilliant suit, crossed over the quay from the winter palace to the pavillion erected over the edge of the Neva to wit ness the dipping of the holy cross by the metropolitan archbishop into the river through a hole cut in the ice in the celebra-

tion of the fast of Epiphany. This act of blessing the waters was accompanied by the usual artillery. The colors of all troops were then sprinkled with consecrated water. The empress, diplomatic body and Lord and Lady Randolph Churchill witnessed the scene from the windows of the palace. Fortunately for the vast crowds standing bareheaded during the ceremony the weather was fine and the frost not severe.

THE LIVE STOCK SHIPPERS

Great Event of the State Association at South Oniaha.

BUSINESS BEFORE PLEASURE.

Important Action Taken in the Afternoon, Followed By a Brilliant Banquet in the Evening - The Toasts.

Business and Banquet.

Probably the most interesting event that has ever taken blace in South Omaha occurred vesterday afternoon and evening, the occasion being the annual meeting and banquet of the Live Stock Shippers association of Nebraska. Representative men from all parts of the state and Iowa were present. and the affair was both a business and social success. Appended will be found a complete report of the proceedings.

THE BUSINESS MEETING.

In the absence of President Dibble the meeting was called to order by Vice President David Anderson, of South Omaha. The roll call showed thirty members present. after which the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Applica tions for membership were read and ap proved, and the following new members it very soon and every preparation for the coming season just as though the American association did not exist. There will not be conflicting dates. We shall not make our schedule until after the National league and elected: W. T. Rickley, Columbus; J Lemke, Millard; J. H. Dickson, Bennett Charles Redion, North Loup; James Cum-mins, Talmaget A. J. Vail, Bennett; P. J. O'Neill, Battle Creek, and Jerry Bailey, of Cortiand. The reports of the officers were then read and were of a most interesting character, that of Secretary Works bailet communication His American association have completed theirs, in St. Louis, we can easily arrange to avoid it here." Mr. Menges did not seem to think that the establishment of another club here Wiggins being especially commendable, report shows that at the organization of H would damage him very much and seemed 11 association twenty-eight shippers constituted the membership, while at the present time ninety-nine members were on the roll with two clubs. prospects of a still further increase. The finances of the society are in a healthy con-Minneapolis and St. Paul Will Give dition and a neat balance is shown.

The officers elected were: John Kehoe, Platte Center, president; David Anderson, South Omaha, vice president: John Wiggins secretary, and John G. Smith, Blair, treasu rer. The other officials are as follows: Di rectors-John Kehoe, David Anderson, John Wiggins, A. C. Virgin, J. H. Dickson, Joseph Foley and E. D. Welker, Committee on

are much excited over the coming battle and Transportation-David Anderson, South Omaha; E. L. Martin, Fairmount; James Smith, Schuyler; Thomas Self, Brock, and S. B. Grosvenor, Tekamah. both pugilists will meet with a grand reception. Much money has been wagered on the result, the odds being \$75 to \$50 on Weir. The finance committee is composed of J. G

Hall, Gibben; F. Hay, Silver Creek, and A.J Vale The following resolutions were unanimously

adopted : Resolved, That all shippers to these yards feel under lasting obligations to the Union Stock Yards company for their successful efforts in establishing four of the largest packing houses in the world at this point, and that we, fully realize the great necessity of a beef slaughtering and coming establishment so that a perma-neut and reliable market will be afforded for all grades and classes of catle placed on this market; and we would advise the stock yards company to induce such an enterprise to locate here at as an early date as possible.

Whereas, The railroad commissioner and attorney general are demanding of all rail-roads in the state a reduction of freight and

assenger rates, be it Resolved, By stock shippers and stock raisers represented, that we join hands with the attorney general and, sustain him indi-vidually and collectively in his bold and manly stand in behalf of the interests of all shippers, farmers and manufacturers in our state. That it is our belief that the earn ings of the railroads will justify them in making a reduction of two cents per mile

passenger rates. A resolution compelling the commission men to give bonds was referred to a committee consisting of James Danley, E. W. Beam and E. L. Martin, with instructions to re port at the next meeting. A resolution thanking the Nebraska Ren-dering and Refining company for their action in advancing the price of dead hogs was

manimously adopted Other matters of interest were also at-

tended to, after which the meeting adjourned to meet on the second Wednesday in April, 1888. THE BANOURT.

To the Editor-Sir: I see in to-day's Life a challenge from Davis, but I don't think he would care to meet me in the prize ring all the same, any way. If Davis really wants a trial I am willing to accommodate him on the following conditions: I wager £100 I knock him out in side of six rounds, Marquis of Queensbury rules, any time he likes to appoint within one month from January 18. Four weeks is ample time to train for a boxing contest. Further, two weeks later 1 will fight him under the new rules of the P. R. for £500 to £1,000 a side. Davis can either have one or both matches, but no other terms will suit, and should he not accept my offer, which is a fair one, no notice will be taken by me of any further challenge that emanates from him. Yours truly, JAKE KILRAIN. To the Editor-Sir: Knowing that Smith has faithfully promised Sullivan to fight him so soon as it pleases him after his battle with Mitchell, and considering the easy defeat Davis met with at the hands of Smith when

another matter. He said he had already SEVENTEEN NEW POLICEMEN. The Commission Selects Additional

Members of the Force. The fire and police commissioners held

another matter. He said he had aircredy given the matter some study, and among the cities who would probably be glad to come into the Western associa-tion he mentioned Peoria, Oshkosh, Du-luth, Davenport, Denver, Lincoln, St. Joe, or Hastings. However, not one of these named is very desirable. Denver is too far west, Duluth too far north, and the remain-des with exactly the covertient of Denvis ong executive session at their office last evening, their deliberations continuing until after 11 o'clock. The only appointment made der, with possibly the exception of Peori are not claimoring for any more base ball di in the fire department was that of W. J. Cuff. Seventeen new policemen were added tinction than they can get out of their con-nection with one of the lesser leagues to the present force. They are to report for . Peoria is and always has been an en-thusiastic ball town, and is accus-tomed to seeing good ball, but whether she could hold up her end in as expensive company as the Western association will be the coming season, is extremely problemati-cal. As to Lincoln, St. Joe or Hastings, they work to be a search over the the the second duty February 1, having nearly two weeks in which to get ready for their new positions, secure uniforms, etc. They are each to receive salaries of \$30 per month for four months, and at the end of that time, if their services be satisfactory, their salary is to be raised to \$70, or whatever amount is deter-mined upon by the proper authorities. There possibilities. The two former have no con were fifty-two applicants examined and the following is the list of the ones selected: W. R. Adams, A. B. Blout, James L. Boyle, is identifies. The two former nave has conven-ient geographical situation to offer while the latter has absolutely none However, a conference of the association of ficials must necessarily be called soon, and W. R. Anamis, A. B. Blout, James L. Boyle, A. H. Burr, John F. Byrnes, G. M. DeGraves, Peter M. Lee, Z. M. Ellis, Patrick C. Foley, C. J. Gregg, Warren M. Hagey, Patrick C. Hughes, Richard Marnell, Roderick Mc-Grath, Frank Robbins, Daniel C. Rowden and Martin Shields. They are all a well-built computed annearing lat of follows. at the discussion of the question there, all the interesting points touching upon the eligibility of these towns will be developed. The local officials will meet one night this built, competent appearing lot of fellows, and the chief expresses himself as well Later news of the situation in Kansas City pleased with the selection made. Their ages range from twenty-seven to thirty-eight Their ages base ball affairs shows that there will be clubs in that city the present season. years. Some of them come to their new Monges says in an interview: "I am in the positions experienced policemen. DeGraves was formerly chief of police at Port Huron. Western association and expect to play ball in it this summer, regardless of what the Mich. Foley was a member of the Irish con-American association may do. I believe i the survival of the fittest and I think one set I believe in stabulary at Dublin for two years. Robbins has been a special policeman for three years son will be sufficient to show which club wi and at present is engaged in that capacity for pay the best. The contract for our grand stand has been let and work will be begun of Fowler Bros.' packing house. Shields was a member of the Omaha police force two years

ago. To day the secretary of the board will notify the new men of their appointment. SCARED OF A BLIZZARD.

The Union Pacific Road Having a Hard Time of It.

The train dispatcher's office of the Union Pacific railway in the union depot last night was crowded with conductors, engineers and brakemen, who seemed to be greatly interested in the ticking of the telegraphic keys, and appeared somewhat agitated. The bulletin board was covered with instructions to railroad men, and framed in a manner which can only be deciphered by that class. A Bar reporter questioned the men as to the cause of the unusual eathering, and was informed by them that a severe blizzard was raging in the west and that the management o the company was somewhat in doubt as to the practibility and safety by sending out trains, especially freights. Passenger trans were reported away behind time, and as a sample the BEE's informants pointed out that the overland fiver due yeserday morning at a little after 8 o'clock did

not get in until late in the afternoon.

The force of the storm is felt chiefly west of Cheyenne, and is rapidly approaching the east with all its wildness and fury. Trains that should have went out for the west early in the evening were held back, awaiting or ders which would be transmited from that point later in the night, and for the time be-

ing further information was lacking. At 11:30 a BEE reporter visited the train dispatcher's office and was informed that the reports of early evening had been greatly exaggerated. It was at this time, however, that a storm was raging in the neighborhood of Cheyenne, but its course was not yet di-rected to the east and the management fell ent felt no alarm in dispatching trains. Accordingly there was a general movement, and trains sent out.

M'CRACKEN'S CAPTURE.

South Qmaha's Marshal Lands a Supposed Seducer in Jail.

Marshal McCracken of South Omaha. made a clever capture last night, and one. that if the facts as stated are borne out by evidence, entitles him to the thanks of all respectable residents. Thomas Lody is the prisoner, and hitherto his chief claim to notoriety has been the fact he consorts with the most vicious of both sexes. The police say he has no visible means of support, but somehow he secured board in the home of a respectable working man. He made use of his time in winning the affections of a fifteenyear-old daughter of his host, and on being forbidden the house, met her clandestinely and arranged for an elopement. She accordingly left for Omaha yesterday morning. and her father, becoming alarmed, on the ndvice of the marshal procured a warrant for the arrest of Lody. That worthy had not left town but the marshal had, and

A GIRL'S RASH DEED.

She Throws Herself Under an Express Train at Colorado Springs.

COLORADO SPRINCS, Colo., Jan. 18.- [Special Telegram to the BEE.]-William Ray, a wellto-do citizen of this place, some six weeks ago left with his wife on a tour of the larger towns of Nex Mexico and southern Colorado, leaving his only daughter, Minulo, and a young lady music teacher, by name Maude Dobson, in charge of the house. The daughter was between fifteen and sixteen years of age. To night while her companion was sleeping Minnie stole from the house and threw herself in front of the engine of the Midland express, which passes here at half-past 11 o'clock. Her head was crushed and torn from the body, death resulting instantly. She left the following letter lying on the table in her room

My Dear Papa and Mamma: You will forgive this wild act of mine. It is better so, I would rather die ten thousand deaths than I would rather die ten thousand deaths than live and be a carse to you. I am a vile, vile sinner, but perhaps I will have a chance to repent in the next world. God knows how I struggled to overcome sin in this. Good bye all I love. My dear parents, I was afraid to live lower for oth how on only knows. to live longer, for oh! heaven only knows, might have come to a still more terrible end Pray for my soul. Good bye. May God bless you both. Your sinful, MINNE.

bless you both. Your sinful, MIXXIE. It seems that soon after her father left the if scents that soon after her failed for the the girl rented a cottage belonging to him near by for \$20, and then spent the money. The matter seemed to have prayed upon her mind until she concluded to end her troubles by taking her life. It was this she referred to in her letter. The coroner's jury concluded that perhaps the girl had been guilty of indis-cretions, but a post mortom examination proved otherwise, and they returned a ver-dict of suicide while temporarily deranged. It was the coolest work imaginable. Last night at 7 she asked her companion to play and sing some hymns to her, a which she sat down and wrote to her, after note and retired to her room. She dressed in her best clothes and then, lying down in bed, waited until she heard the thunder of the ap proaching express, which passes the rear of the house. She must have ran from the room and threw herself under the wheels. Her parents, who were at Raton, N. M., have been telegraphed and now are on the way nome.

Russian Prisoners Fight for Liberty. LONDON, Jan. 18.-A convoy of prisoners which was being taken from south Russia to the Caucassus mutinied and attacked the engine driver. The train was stopped and a desperate fight ensued, in which eight sol-diers, two gendarmes and thirty-one prisoners were killed. Twenty-one prisoners es-

When Edwin Booth Swore.

caped.

Pittsburg Dispatch: "I played an enire season with Edwin Booth," said a theatrical man yesterday, "and I can testify that only once I heard the great tragedian swear. it is proverbial that he is not at all addicted to profanity.

"But you heard him swear once? "Yes; he was playing 'Hamlet' to a large but awfully sleepy audience in a town west of Chicago. Usually, if an audience appears to lack appreciation, Mr. Booth's efforts become relaxed, and he drops in a measure from his high histronic plane.

But this night the coldness of the night seemed to drive Mr. Booth to the use of all his powers. He worked harder than usual to provoke applause. It was no use; either there was an unusual number of dunderheads in the audience or the atmospheric circumstances or something else inducea sleepiness where there should have been lit responsive fire. When the curtain fell for the last time Mr. Booth came up to me as he went toward his dressing-room and said:

"By the gods! I'd rather play before a lot of - plates. Yes, and broken plates at that!"

A Cleveland scientist thinks the reason birds can fly is that their flesh and bones are a battery of such a composi-tion that the rapid quivering of the feathers charges the body with negative force, and, in consequence, the wings have but little labor to perform further than to propel and guide the body onward. He thinks this could be proved by harnessing up a flock of wild bigeons and causing them to discharge their electricity into a receiver. By supplying men with a sufficient quantity of electricity, says this Cleveland geentleman, they could be taught to fly. The musical and reading which has been arranged for the entertainment Thursday evening, at the rooms of Trinity cathedral, promises to be unusually fine. The Mendelssohn quartette, Mrs. Cotton, Miss Roeder, Mr. Wilkins, Mr. France, assisted by the ladies' quartette. Mrs. Cotton, Mrs. Squires, Mrs. Esta-brook and Miss Elizabeth Pennell. A duct by Emil Yates and DeWitt Burgland, and reading by Miss Mabel Fonda and Mr. Robinow.

Hawley

Another sport bet \$80 to \$100 that Miller yould win the fight. A large number of local sporting men will

[Copyright 1888 by James Gordon Bennett.] LONDON, Jan. 17.-[New York Herald Cable-Special to the BEE.]-Sporting Life this morning says: "Jack Davis visited the Sporting Life office yesterday in company with Andy Anderson, a bookmaker, who deposited £100 in our hands to match Davis o fight either Jake Kilrain, John L. Sullivan, Jem Smith or Jack Ashton, first come first served, for £500 a side, the fight to take place in six months from signing the articles, business only being meant. Anybody covering Davis' deposit can rely upon a match, the Sporting Life to appoint the referee. * THE CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.

LONDON, Jan. 19, 4 a. m .- [New York Herald Cable-Special to the BEE.]-The following letter appears in the Sporting Life this morning:

The friends of Wier are very confident of their man winning the fight, but are not will-ing to bet two to one as they announced some time ago. The friends of Miller in this city have the greatest confidence in his powers and are willing to take all the bets offered at the above odds. Tommy came into town yesterday for a turkish bath. He is in fine form and is confident of winning. He has worked hard for the past two weeks and his trainer

ought not be considered even in the

says that when time is called Monday night he will be in the pink of condition. Tommy will be seconded by Prof. Billy Hawley and Prof. Ed Miller of this city. The former bet \$100 even yesterday with a well known sporting man that Tommy would ive Wier a harder fight than Warren did

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willing to let the people judge between the

THE WIER-MILLER FIGHT.

the Pugilists a Grand Reception

with handsome lithographs advertising the

great Wier-Miller fight at Minneapolis next

Monday night. Private dispatches from that

city state that both Minneapolis and St. Paul

The bill boards of the city are covered

accompany the young pugilist.

A Sweeping Challenge.

payment of said bonds as fast as any surplus available for such purpose may accumulate in the treasury, but also refunding the same at a rate of interest that would save to the taxpayers more than ₹300,000,000. It is said that the refunding act, however, has, as it appears, without due authority, been so altered and published in the statutes "payable at the pleasure of the United States after thirty years" instead of "for thirty years," as voted, thus entirely subverting years," as voted, thus entirely subverting the manifest meaning of this provision of the act. The resolution calls for a committee of five members to make a careful examination of all the facts concerned with the subject The resolution was not received.

The house then went into committee of the whole on the agricultural experimental stations bill. The bill appropriates \$55,000 to establish agricultural experimental stations in connection with colleges established in several states under the provisions of an act approved July 2, 1862. The committee rose and the bill was

passed. The banking bill was called up as unfin-

ished business and an effort made to get the friends and opponents of the bill to stop their fillbustering factics. Mr. Weaver of Iowa would not give up his right to antagonize the bill at any time and

the house adjourned.

The Shipping Congress.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18. - The American Shipping and Industrial league to-day elected the following officers: President, General Joseph Wheeler, Alabama; first vice presi dent, Captain Ambrose Snow, New York; second vice president, L. Merritt, Florida; third vice president, George A. Kelly, Pennsylvania; fourth vice president, Hon. John Gear, Iowa; fifth vice president, Thomas G. Thompson, California; secretary, Charle-Hill, Washington; treasurer, A. Vanderbilt New York. Resolutions were adopted de adoption of prompt and efficient manding measures for the restoration of American ship ping, urging immediate provision for coast defence, the building of a strong navy and the improvement of the rivers and harbors of the country. Adjourned sine die.

The National Board of Trade.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.-The national board of trade began here to-day its annual meeting with Frederick Fraley, of Philadelpina, in the chair. Mr. Fraley was re-elected president and Hamilton Hill, of Boston, secretary. The board reaffirmed its action regarding the necessity of a judicious national anti-adulteration law. The question of spurious lard, submitted by the Chicago board of trade was discussed and a resolution adopted petitioning congress to enact a law providing that all packages containing impure or spurious lard shall be so plainly labeled as to avoid deception. After passing resolutions favoring coast defenses and the improvement of rivers and harbors, the board adjourned.

Portugal Renounces a Protectorate. WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- Portugal has noti-

fied the secretary of state that it has renounced its protectorate over Dahomey, which it assumed in 1885, because unable to holish human sacrifices and other barbarou customs.

ST. ANTHONY'S DANCE.

A Lively Meeting of Smith and Com

stock. NEW YORK, Jan. 18.-[Special)Telegram to the BEE.]-Whoever, of the large crowd which attended the annual meeting of the society for the suppression of vice, at the association hall, expected a quiet meeting with a suppressed religious air about it, was doomed to disappointment. It was red hot from beginning to end. The beginning was Comstock's reading of his annual report. He traveled along at a good pace from topic to topic, something this way: "The feeling between the police and the society has been most friendly. Some people feared for art last November. The pictures published in a certain evening paper were not reproductions

NEW YORK, Jan. 18 .- | Special Telegram to the BEE]-There has been a miniature earthquake in the Police Gazette office. Archibald Gordon, editor-in-chief; Arthur Lumley, managing editor: Theodore Butler, superintendent of art department; George McAvoy, artist, and thirteen engravers have left. Richard K. Fox, the proprietor and Jake Kilrain's backer, says he discharged them. They say they resigned after various disagreements, but mainly on account of a difference of opinion over the Smith-Kilrain fight. Gordon said to a reporter: "As ed itor of the paper, I wished to see the Smith Kilrain fight fought to a finish and on its merits. Mr. Fox declined after the draw to to insist on another fight, and gave up the stakes. I have reason to believe that he knew the fight was a fake, or else he was badly handled. Charley Johnston, a friend of Mr. Lumley, and myself went over to see the battle, but were not allowed to be present." The secoders expect to start a new paper. Mr. Fox was asked if the trouble was about the Smith-Kilrain fight. He replied that the fight was not a fake, and he had discharged the editors and artists as a matter of business and to reorganize the

staff.

A French Warning to Italy. PARIS, Jan. 18 .- The Republique Francais has a telegram from Rome which says that Flourens, French foreign minister, has combark's crew were drowned. One man was plained to the Italian foreign minister of Italy's delay in settling the Florence consu late incident and warned him if the Italia judge at Florence executes his threats to re enter the French consulate and sieze the pa pers sought after. France will recall her am onssador and take such measures us th nonor and interest of the country demands. The strained relations with Italy in const mence of the Florence consulate affair de pressed both commercial and financial busi ness to-day. The bourse was heavy.

It is semi-officially announced that Count le Mouv, the French ambassador at Rome. having informed Flourens that the practor of Florence had intimidated his intention to remove, Friday, the seals affixed by the French consulate to the documents relating to the Russian succession, Flourens has re-quested De Mouv to inform the Italian minster of foreign affairs that if such act of violence is committed the French govern-ment will hold Italy responsible.

Minnesota Republicans Organizing. MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 18 .- A representative convention of Minnesota Republican clubs was in session here to-day, with 250 delegates present, the purpose being the formation of a state league as a branch of the recently formed national league. Ex-Governor Barto, of Sauk Center, was mide permanent chair-man, and Lientenant Trussell, of Minneap olis, secretary. Stirring speeches were made.

The Bulgarian Throne.

PESTH, Jan. 18 .- The Pester Lloyd says that Russsia's candidate for the Bulgarian throne is Voivode Marks Milanoff, of Kue Si, a leading Montenegrin commander. The pa-per considers, however, that he has even less chances of success than the prince of Mingrelia.

· Father Ryan Released.

DUBLIN, Jan. 18.-Father Ryan was released from Limerick Juil to-day, and on his arrival home made a speech advising the ten-ants to adopt a plan of campaign, which, he said, was moral and just, notwithstanding everything the lords, both spiritual and temporal, said to the contrary.

Three Days For Drisco II.

ALBANY, Jan. 18.-The court of appeals has refused a stay in the case of Daniel Driscoll, who was sentenced to hang Friday, but the governor has granted a respite for three days.

Colonel Moulton at Death's Door. NEW YORK, Jan. 18 .- Colonel C. A. Moulton, brother-in-law of General Sherman, was reported very low to-night. His trouble is congestion of the brain.

Weather Indications.

For Nebraska: Colder, fair weather, preceded by snow, fresh to brisk winds, becom ing northerly.

For Iowa: Warmer, followed by colder, snow, followed by fair weather, light to fresh southerly winds, increasing in force and be-coming northwesterly. For Dakota: Snow, colder, with cold wave, fresh northerly winds. A cold wave is indicated for Dakota, Min-nesota, Iowa, Nebraska and Wisconsin. The emperature will fall 15 to 25 degrees by Fri-

day morning. Sunk With Thirteen Men.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 18 .- The British steamer Toronto from Portland for Liverpool arrived in Mersey to-day. She reports that during a fog off Skerries, Ireland, she collided with and sank the Norwegian bark Freidis, from Liverpool for Savannah and thirteen of the

A Dishonest Trustee.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18 .- John P. Hutchinson with his brother and sister, brought suit here to-day against Jason C. Ayers, a capitalist of Dixon, Ill., for embezzling \$40,000. Ayers was trustee of the will of John Hutchinson's father and business agent for the widowed Mrs. Hutchinson, now dead. Ayers denies the charges.

A Musician Arrested For Murder.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 18 .- Charles Meyer, a member of the Sixth infantry band at Fort Leavenworth, was arrested to-day and taken to Independence, Mo., where he is wanted for the morder and robbery of James Weir about three weeks ago. Meyer's home is in Altoona, Pa.

Wabash Mortgages to Be Foreclosed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18 .- At an adjourned meeting of Wabash second mortgage bond holders held to-day it was decided to push the foreclosure as rapidly as possible.

Courts Built to Convict.

DUBLIN, Jan. 18 .- W. J. Lane, member of parliament, has been sentenced to a month's imprisonment, without hard labor, for incit ing tenants to resist balliffs. Manitoba's Ministry.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 18.-The Journal's Winnipeg (Manitoba) special says the ministry took office and were sworn in to-day.

Sourgeon's Resignation Accepted. LONDON, Jan. 18 .- The Baptist union has accepted Spurgeon's resignation.

Patti is to take with her on her South American tour forty-three wardrobe trunks. Her "Traviata" costumes alone have cost \$15,000.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Promptly at 9 o'clock the orchestra struck up a popular melody and and the ladies with their escorts, to the number of eighty, filed into the spacious dining room of the Exchange where an elegant repast was served, to which all did ample justice. At the conclusion of the feast toasts were given and responded to in a happy manner. At the conclusion of this feature of the entertainment dancing was indulged in until a late hour. NOTES.

Savage & Green had their office tastefully decorated. E. B. Branch, cashier of the Stock Yards

bank, enjoyed himself as well as anybody. Court Horne was there. Vice President Anderson felt as happy as

anybody. The "jolly" gleg club furnished excellent music between the acts.

"Jack" Walters was present at supper and looked as happy as any one. Joseph Cook was there, accompanied by Mrs. Cook

Waker Woods was present.

A large number of ladies graced the banquet with their presence. Among the num-ber were Mrs. Mayor Savage, Mrs. Burke, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Anderson and many others.

BASE BALL.

The Cowboys Jump to the American Association.

Again there is a stir in base ball circles Kansas City has jumped the Western association and gone into the American, and Kansas City will rue the day she made the jump. It is like matching a street-car horse against Jay-Eye-See, for there are no two ways about it the American association far outclasses the Western as to playing strength, and while the Cowboys could have been up in the lead of the latter organization's chase for the championship pennant, they can't reasonably hope to make anything they can't reasonably hope to make anything but a very poor tail-ender for the former. It would strike an ordinarily posted admirer of the game that Kansas City had had an elegant sufficiency of shabby, slouchy base ball on account of being outclassed. When a member of the National Lengue, and their team then was much stronger than the one engaged for the coming season, they were defented with such an unvarying and monot onous regularity that they were the butt of ridicule of the whole profession, and the ex-perience all but killed the national pastime in the city at the mouth of the Kaw. Menges, the president of the club, may possess some little business astateness, but he makes a lamentable failure of displaying it in this instance, and he will wish he was back in the Western association before the season is a month old. Kansas City's ambition to again get back into one of the older associations

has long been suspected, and their procrastination in filing their bond guaranteeing to play the season out has all along given birth to the fear that there was a senegam-bian in the wood-pile. This bond, as is gen-erally known, is \$1500, and is filed with the secretary and treasurer of the association for the purpose above named. The other seven clubs promptly filed thems, but Kansas City

clubs promptly filed theirs, but Kansas City deferred such action, which is proof sufficient that she has been dickering with the American people ever since the collapse of the Metropolitans, and an eighth chub was to be chosen. The disloyalty of Menges and his followers to the Western association is undentably a blow that will occasion much perpiexity and trouble. They had a strong team in this association, and would have played good ball, and Kansas City, with their club up in the lead, would have been probably the best ball town in the whole circuit. Now the Western is in precisely the same predicament in which the American found itself on the sale of the Metropolitan franchise to Brook-lyn late last fall. They want an eighth club and where they can find a town with the and where they can find a town with the nerve and the money to jump in and fill the vacancy is the question. The Bre man vacancy is the question. Thes BEE man called on Dr. Worley, the local secretary, this morning and found him in anything but an angelic humor over the Cowboys desertion. He thinks, however, that the hole thus occa-sloned can be filled without much exertion.

they fought, Smith is naturally surprised to see a challenge from Davis. However, after Sullivan and Mitcheil fight, or whatever the result of the engagement so far as it has gone, may be, Smith will be pleased to make a match to fight Davis in eight or nine weeks after signing articles for as much money as he chooses to risk. Yours, FLEMING.

Jack Hickney, who has sparred with Sullivan's boxing party, also sends a letter ac cepting Davis' challenge.

Frozen Limbs Amputated.

Charles Wienenshiek, the German who had his hands and feet so badly frozen on Tuesday night of last week, had to have one of his feet and five fingers amputated yester-day. The physicians say that he will lose his other foot also, and it will probably be amputated to-day.

Cap O'Malley Fined.

Captain O'Malley, the well-known saloon keeper, was arraigned before the police magistrate yesterday on the charge of as-saulting Minnie Fairchild. He plead guilty and the judge let him off with \$3 and costs.

Tampered With the Cell Door.

Four prisoners confined in the solitary cell at the county jail tampered with the lock on the door and succeeded in getting it out of plumb by four inches during the watching hours of Tuesday night. Their mischief was discovered by the jail guards, and the rascals were put under restraint quietly and without the knowledge of the rest of the prisoners.

"Rats" Behind the Bars.

A notoriously vicious bootblack named John Fitzgerald, better known as "Rats," who is a terror to all the small boys brought in contact with him, was arrested last night for beating a little fellow about half his size. Flizgerald is eighteen years old and takes a delight in being thought tough. He looks wonderfully at home behind the bars.

Franko Goes.

The Dixey-Adonis combination left on a special train over the Chicage and Northwestern road, for St. Paul, yesterday morning at 1 o'clock. They were accompanied by Mrs Edith Franko, who will appear in the bur-lesque as Artea. Mr. Franko has also left the city to enter the employ of Rice & Dixey.

A Swede named C. Jorgensen was found lying dead drunk on the Belt line railroad track last night by Officer Haze. He was taken to the police station and this morning on awaking from his drunken stupor will in all probasioned can be filled without much exertion, bility curse the policeman who saved but whether adequately filled or not, that's him from a horrible death.

the girl to one of the nu ous houses in this city. He took 'boarding" her from there and placed her in a place of known respectability, and then returned in time to arrest Lody at the South Omaha depot just as he was leaving to follow his victim. On being taken to the lock-up he endeavored to obtain his release on his own recognizance, but it would'nt work, and he spent last night behind the bars. The case will be heard before Judge Reuther this

morning. J. Berryhill, who is charged with

stealing an overcoat belonging to W. Cox from the hallway of Mrs. Doran's boarding house, 422 South Eighteenth street, was arraigned for trial yesterday but secured a continuance until to-day at 2 p. m.

Over 4,000 jugs of whisky were ship-

ped in two days during the holidays prohibition counties in Alabama and Mississippi from Mobile. One boat took 2,500 in a day.

Ninety-eight teachers will be thrown out of employment by the abolition of German from the St. Louis schools.

Death of Dr. Gordon.

TEXARKANA, Tex., Jan. 18.-Dr. John Gordon died Monday night in a little cabin which charitable neighbors here had provided for him. He was born in Scotland in 1813 and is a cousin of George Hamilton Gordon, fourth earl of Aberdeen.



A CONSULTATION. (The Only Hope) CARBOLIC SMOKE BALL.

Why were over 5.00 "Carbolic Smoke Balla" sold in Omaha in the past year? Because it has proved to be the only sure and permanent cure for Catarrh. Asthma Eronchilis, Neural-gia, Croup, Catarral Deafness, Diphtheria, Colds, etc. FREFTES given at our office from Sa, m. to s.p.m. Sent by mail on receipt of price, 12, and is postage, Debelator, 11

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