# "SUNSET" FORGETS HIMSELF.

He Starts to Open the House Without the Usual Prayer.

MANDERSON MILITARY MEASURE

Representative Dorsey Thinks It Will Go Through Without Any Great Opposition-Mrs. Grant at the Capital.

# Laughing at the Speaker. WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE, 513 POURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20.

Sunset Cox. as speaker pro tempore of the house, walked in a very stately, dignified manner, yet with his usual steps, up to the speaker's chair to day and, picking up the gavel, exclaimed in stentorian tones: "The house will come to order and the clerk proceed to read the journal of yesterday," and, dropping the diminutive maul, the little statesman from New York sat quickly down in the chair and began rummaging over his memoranda. The members of the house looked at him questioningly and in amazement. The reading clerk arose with the manuscript journal in his hands and was on the point of beginning to read when the speaker pro tempore looked a few feet to his right and discovered Rev. Dr. Milburn, the blind chaplain, waiting to be escorted up for the invocation. Quick as a flash Cox sprang to his feet and, holding his hand admonishingly towards the reading clerk, exclaimed: "Oh, held on-prayer first." There was a ripple of half-suppressed laughter in the galleries and on the floor of the house as Dr. Milburn walked up in front of the speaker's desk and began his prayer. A few of the members let their risables rise to such an extent that they were compelled to retire to the cloak rooms for a hearty laugh.

LIVELY TIMES IN THE ROUSE. Mr. Springer, of Illinois, under a question of privilege, arose when the journal of the house was read and said it was not true, as stated by Judge Kelly, of Philadelphia, in the house yesterday that he (Springer) had charged the government \$10,000 for putting into the bill which loaned a half million of dollars to the Philadelphia centennial exposition, in a clause which enabled the government to sue and get the money back again. He acknowledged, however, that as attorney in collecting the loan, he had asked for service rendered and that a bill was introduced to pay him \$10,000 for such service, but he declared that the measure had not been acted on by congress, and that he had received no pay. But Judge Kelly, who is the oldest member and known as the "father of the house," did not retreat from his utterances. He said that the thing had an ugly odor about it at the time, and that it was not sayory now. The talk be-tween the two men made a sensation.

THE THOEBE-CARLISLE CONTEST.

About three hours were consumed in the discussion of the Thoebe-Carlisle contested election. The majority of the committee re-ported in favor of confirming Mr Cariisle's title to the seat, but the minority divided and submitted two reports, both against Carlisle's right to the seat, but proposing different ways of getting at that fact. Judge Lyman, of Council Bluffs, spoke half an hour in favor of the minority report, asking that the case be reopened and a special committee sent into the district to take testimony and make an investigation into the charges of fraud in the returns of the election. He was given more attention than any one who spoke to-day and brought out applause a number of times. When the previous ques-tion was called a substitute was offered to reopen the case and make an investigation. reopen the case and make an investigation, and, greatly to the surprise of the democrats, it was only defeated by seven votes. Seven democrats—Bynum and Shively of Indiana, Foran of Ohio, Fillman of South Carolina, Harcof Texas, McKinney of New Hampshire and Weaver of Iowa—voted for an investigation. Had four more voted in the affirmative the case would have been re opened and in the opinion of a majority of people in Washington it would have led to the unseating of the speaker. The vote was ayes, 125; nays, 132. Then the vote recurred on the previous question. On this the ayes were 140 and the mays 5-all but three republicans refraining from voting. The point was made that no quorum had voted and so the previous question was not ordered. The house then adjourned till tomorrow. It was a close call for the speaker The republicans will likely continue to re-frain from voting to morrow, thus compelling the democrats to drum up a quorum and vote the speaker in by strict party work. The re publicans say that it is an outrage to refuse an investigation in this case when 4,000 voters in the district have petitioned for it, when investigations have been ordered on the petition of twenty, and, besides, they do not think Mr. Carlisle was elected and say they will not be a party to a declaration that he is entitled to the seat he now occupies. MANDERSON'S MILITARY MEASURE.

Representative Dorsey said to-day that heartily supported the Manderson bill to in ciency of the infantry branch of crease the efficiency of the infantry branch of the army and that it was to receive the approval of the house committee on military af-fairs. He expressed the belief that there would be as little delay as possible in the passage of the bill, explaining at the same time that there would be strong opposition, as there is always an effort to defeat any kind of increase of the army or navy.

THE GREENBACK FILIBUSTERING Representative Wilkins, of Ohio, said to-day that he intended to keep up his fight for the passage of his bill increasing the bank circulation to the par value of bonds deposited till it was adopted if it took him all summer. There was a clear majority in the house in favor of the measure, and he did not intend to let a few demagogue greenbackers and obstructionists frustrate him. Mr Wilkins is very much in earnest, and will un doubtedly succeed. The handful of green backers who are flibustering are making a cost to the country of hundreds of thousands ot dollars every day by the waste of time. Their objection to it is that it increases to the extent of about 10 per cent-\$20,000-the circulation of bank notes, and therefore it is legislation in favor of national banks. The chances are that a good deal more time will be wasted before the measure is disposed of. The greenback ers have made an expense already by filibus tering which will amount to 10 per cent of the proposed increase of the circulation of notes. This is a dead loss to everybody Weaver, of Iowa, imagines he is making great deal of capital in what he is doing.

ATTACKING SENATOR MANDERSON. Yesterday's Post, democrat, of this city, which backed the president in his vetoes of private and general pension bills, had an attack upon Senator Manderson and other republicans who are advocating pensions. It declared that they were doing it for bun combe and to compel the democrats to show their hands. This morning's National Repub-lican comes to the defense, and among other things, says: "The statement made is that the senators who introduce pension bills are hypocrites and demagogues. This charge is almost silly enough to carry on its face its own refutation. In the first place the record shows that General Manderson, who appears to be singled out for some reason for an especial attack, has introduced but three genera pension bills, one being the G. A. R. measure, backed up by 3,000 old veterans. This bill hardly has the contempt of the soldier, as alleged by the Post. The second bill offered by Manderson is the measure to pension the survivors of the barbarities perpetrated by a democrat named Werz. Manderson's third measure proposes to increase all pensions below \$2 to \$8. It is well known to all patriots and all loyal men who have fought, voted and written on the right side during the war, that the condition of the surviving veterans is such that 7 cents a day in no way believes them and that the number of allowances at 85

a month has been very large under a demo-

cratic administration, A stipend but #2 a month is more of but \$2 a month is more of an insult than a favor. It sets too low a price on the wounds and other distoo low a price on the wounds and other dis-abilities of a veteran and merits aught but contempt. It is also shown that if the re-publicans are guilty of introducing pension bills' for buncombe, the democrats are equally guilty." A list of general pension measures introduced by well known democrats is given. It might have been added that if the design of the republicans was to make the democrats show their hands, they succeeded and the bands were decidedly against the and the hands were decidedly against the

soldier. MRS. GENERAL GRANT IN WASHINGTON Mrs. U. S. Grant, who is the guest of Mrs. Senator Stanford, is attracting unusual attention in Washington society. Mrs. Grant was always a great favorite at the national capital, and her return, after an absence of many years, has brought to her many pleas-ant new acquaintances, with old, happy and sad memories. She assisted Mrs. Stanford at the latter's reception yesterday and the house was densely crowded all the afternoon, Mrs. Grant wore a trailing gown of dead black silk and a diamond pin of unusual beauty. She is quite stout, shows her age beauty. She is quite stout, shows her age much more than was expected, and does not recognize her friends as quickly as they ex-pected. Mrs. Grant intends to remain in Washington some time, and is experiencing some difficulty in deciding which, among a flood of invitations to dine out, she is com-relial to decime. pelled to decline.

A SEASON OF CONVENTIONS.

There have been about a dozen conventions There have been about a dozen conventions of representatives of various manufacturing interests held every day in Washington during the past week. The city and hotels are crowded with strangers, and those who look for meeting places and meetings, when the places are found, experience not a little diffi-culty in locating them. Most of the con-ferences are in secret and it is as difficult to ascertain where they occur as to learn the proceedings. The agitation of tariff and the internal revenue in congress is what brings so many people and makes such frequent meetings.

POSTAL MATTERS.

The superintendent of the railway mail service has has directed that after this week the through registered mail pouch exchanged between Nebraska City and Chicago will be discontinued.

Changes have been ordered in the time schedule of the star mail route between Fairfield and Compentine, Ia., as follows: Leave Fairfield daily except Sundays at 12 m.; arrive at Compentine by 5:15 p. m. Leave Compentine daily except Sundays at 5:20 p. m.; arrive at Abingdon by 7 p. m. Leave Abingdon daily except Sundays at 7 a. m.; arrive at Fairfield at 10:30 a. m. Penay S. Heath.

# Army Orders.

Washington, Jan. 20.-[Special Telegran to the BEE. |- Captain Frank Barker, ordnance department, has been appointed to act as inspector on certain unserviceable medical property at the Frankford arsenal, Philadelphia

Second Lieutenant Tyree R. Rivers, Third cavalry, is relieved from recruiting service at Memphis, Tenn., and ordered to join his

The leave of absence of First Lieutenant George B. Backus, First cavalry, November i, is further extended fifteen days. The leave of absence granted Major William R. Livermore, engineer corps, December 13, is extended ten days. The leave of absence granted First Lieutenant Luther R. Hare, aide de camp Seventh cavalry, November 10 is extended one month. Ninety-five recruits are ordered for assign

ment, forty to the Tenth infantry and fifty-five to the Thirteenth infantry. Thirteen colored recruits are ordered for assignment to the Twenty-fourth infantry. Nebraska and Iowa Pensions. Washington, Jan. 20 .- [Special Telegram

to the Ber.]-Pensions were granted to the Howme Nebraskans to-day: Martha R mother of John P. Hickerson, Seward Original-David V. Coe, Ewing; Patrick Maher, Cambridge; James Robinson, Min-Increase -James Brown, Mexico John Uhlmann, Arapahoe; William Stack man, Lincoln; William A. Ellis, Odell; Mi chael L. Little, Central City; John T. Labille, North Platte, Restoration and reissue—John W. McReynolds (deceased), Ashland. -Alfred W. Shipman, Plattsmouth Milton D. Capp, Wahoo.

Pensions for Iowans: Mexican war-Daniel Pensions for Iowans; Mexican war—Daniel Loper, Anamosa. Original—Charles Ball-stodt, Mansion; Charles Markham, Vinton; Edward N. Kitchen, Mount Pleasant; Jacob Smith, Monona. Increase—Mathias Christ-ner, Maquoketa; Daniel N. Smith, Glidden; Edward Gill, Anamosa; Cyrus N. Bradley Springfield; Adron B. Story, Epworth; Jo seph S. Cole, Independence, Reissne— Charles Blacklege, Salem, Reissue and in-crease—John Rowe, Sidney, Restored and reissue—Benjamin Anderson, Davenport.

The National Board of Trade

Washington, Jan. 20.—The national board of trade to-day adopted a resolution asking congress to amend the naturalization laws. It provides that no person be naturalized who does not present to the court a certificate from the custom's officer setting forth the date of the arrival of such person; the port whence he departed for this country, place of maturity and the country he shall have left. Other resolutions were adopted as follows Advocating the refunding of the present per cent debt of the United States at a lov rate of interest, torbe redeemable in annual installments from 1891 to 1921, with a view to use the new loan as security for the circula-tion of the notes of national banks; urging the repeal of the law providing for the compulsory purchase of silver bullion; declaring that the government should tions regarding the extradition treaties, pro

pay American steamship lines a fair price for fair service irrespective of amount of postage collected on any particular route and that every legitimate means be used to foster our merchant marine. A preamble and resoluposed by the Chicago board of trade, were dopted. They declare that, as immunit from punishment of embezzlers and default-ers by escape to Canada and elsewhere exposes the business community to crimes of great gravity, it is the duty of the national government that will enable it to secure the return of persons accused of such crimes and that congress be memorialized in accordance with this proposition. Adjourned sine dic. The board meets in Chicago on the second Wednesday of November next. The Pure Food Convention.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 .- At the pure food convention this morning a resolution was adopted recommending the necessity of the immediate enactment of laws to prevent the adulteration of food. At 1:30 the president received the delegates in a body. The consideration of the adulteration bill was resumed at the afternoon session and approved and a resolution passed instructing the committee on legislation to urge its enactment by congress. In its main features the bill re-mains as introduced by Senator Sherman. A permanent organization was effected under he title of the National Pure Food associa tion, and officers were elected for suing year as follows: President, J. W. Callihan, Nyack, N. Y.; secretaries, K. H. Grannis, Chicago, Louis W. Buckley, Philadelphia, Benjamin Johnson, Boston; treas-urer, Finley Acker, Philadelphia. A vice president for each state represented was also

### Postoffice Changes. Washington, Jan. 20 .- [Special Telegram

to the Res. |-A postoffice was established at Morse Bluff, Saunders county, Anton K. Walla appointed postmaster.

## Steamship Arrivals. Boston, Jan. 20 .- [Special Telegram to the BEE . - Arrived-The Bulgarian, from Liverpool. PLYMOUTH, Jan. 20.—Arrived—The Moravia, from New York for Hamburg.

The Fire Record. PITTSBURG, Jan. 20.-Fire destroyed a brick block occupied by McCloy & Co., wholesale stationers, this evening. The losses aggregate \$100,000; insurance, \$55,000.

# LOCKED THE TEACHER OUT.

The Palmyra School Board Gets Into a Wrangle.

YORK CITIZENS KILLED BY GAS.

Father and Son Asphyxiated in a San Diego Hotel-Hasting and the Missouri Pacific-Measles in lowa.

Locked Her Out. PALMYRA, Neb., Jan. 20 .- [Special Telegram to the BEE.]-There has been an interesting case in school district No. 8, near here to decide, in which the school board and teacher are the principal actors. A month ago the board became dissatisfied with their teacher and asked her to resign, which she refused to do, and continued to teach for one month longer unmolested. The board then proceeded to lock the door of the school The teacher has now brought suit nouse. The teacher has now brought suit against the district and the citizens refuse to pay damages, but are determined to make the board lose the money because their action in discharging the teacher was unwarranted.

Will Build Through Hastings.

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 20.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—Church Howe, general attorney for the Missouri Pacific railroad, has been in this city several days, clearing up complications regarding Missouri Pacific af fairs here. The enemies of Hastings have for weeks been engaged in circulating reports that this road would not build into and through Hastings. The work of systematic misrepresentation has been seconded by the officers of the construction company, who decided to frighten the citizens of Hastings into giving them a free right of way. Last week the Missouri Pacific directors took the road into their own hands and decided to build 300 miles of road in Nebraska, Mr. Howe assures the people of Hastings that the Missouri Pacific never had any intentions of building around Hastings, and that the re-ports circulated by the construction company were without foundation. Mr. Howe is now buying a right of way and depot grounds in this city and guarantees the completion of the road immediately. The track-layers have already crossed the southern line of the county and the bridge builders are building across the Little Blue river, thirteen miles south of Hastings, and the road will be finished as soon as the weather will permit. is the intention of the company to push the road northwest to Wyoming at once and also to complete a line from Crete to Hastings early this summer.

### Died in San Diego.

York, Neb., Jan. 20.—[Special Telegram to the Ber.]—A dispatch received here to-day announces the death of F. L. Mayhew and his son George, of this city, at San Diego, Cal., last night. Mr. Mayhew and his son occupied a room in a hotel at San Diego and upon retiring failed to properly turn out the gas and were found this morning smothered in bed. The news comes like a shock upon the city of York, as Mr. Mayhew was the wealthiest man in the city and the leading spirit in every enterprise

Allowed Minors to Play Billiards. YORK, Neb., Jan. 20.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—D. O. Leavens, a billiard hall man of Benedict, this county, was arrested and brought here to-day by Deputy Sheriff Tom Hamilton, charged with allowing two under the billiards in his hall. The peculiar feature o the case is that the father of the boys, who brings the contplaint, came in the hall with them and played with them in the game upon

## which he brings the prosecution. The cas was continued until the 30th.

Want the County Printing. Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 20.-[Special Telegram to the BEE. |-Papers were filed with the clerk of the supreme court to-day asking for a writ of mandamus compelling the county board of Dixon county to award the county printing to William Huse & Son, of Ponca, proprietors of the Northern Nebraska Jour The petition also asks that the boar be compelled to award them the delinquent tax list for 1887. The petition claims that the parties are entitled to the work under adver-

### tisement of the board inviting bids. Alleged to Be Insanc.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 20.- [Special Telegram to the BEE.]-D. A. Holmes, as attorney, has commenced original proceedings in the supreme court for Henry Paulson, a convict in the penitentiary, serving a fifteen years' sentence for murder in the second degree. The petition asks the court to set aside the proseedings in the Cherry county district court in which Paulson was convicted, alleging that Paulson was insane at the time, and that the district court had, after it was too late

Death of Ex-Congressman Drummond SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan 20.-Major Willis Drummond, who came here a few weeks ago for his health, died here yesterday of consumption. He was formerly commissioner of the general land office and representative in congress from Iowa.

A Sketch of Major Drummond. DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 20.- [Special Telegram to the Bee. ]-Major Willis Drummond,

whose death in California is announced to day, was a very conspicuous figure in Iowa politics a generation ago. He was a member of the state senate, the first session after the capitor was removed to Des Moines thirty years ago. He was then a young man of handsome presence, very popular in the leg-islature, and influential in its work. He was for some years editor of the McGregor News, and served with distinction in the war. Soon after he was appointed commissioner of the general land office by President Grant. After his retirement he became land commissioner for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, and continued in this position until failing health compelled a change. For the past few years he has been practicing lay in Washington, and has been entirely out of

# An Old Man Hangs Himself. CRESTON, Ia., Jun. 20.—[Special to the Ber.]—About 8 o'clock this morning the life-

Iowa politics.

less and frozen body of Mr. Frederick May was found hanging under a railway bridge about one and one-half miles west of this city Mr- May came to this locality from Germany about thirteen years ago and was fifty-four years of age. His relatives and friends have for a long time regarded him as of unsound mind. Until two years ago he had owned and operated a farm about six miles west of here, but having trouble with his wife they separated. The farm was sold and each took th share of the proceeds of the sale agreed upon Since then he has been of a wandering dispo sition, and the efforts of his sons to have him settle down failed of effect. He had at different times made his home with a son Charles, and on yesterday afternoon he visited this son, after an absence of some four months, and asked to again make his hon with him, but the son would not consent, whereupon the father left and nothing was heard of him again until his body was found

#### this morning. Mundfrom's Latest Dodge.

WATERLOO, Ia., Jan. 10 .- The mystery sur rounding the murder of Christian Hemme is deeper than ever. William Mundfrom, the stubborn witness who went back on his confession, and who swore that he murdered Hemme alone, has made another statement in which he asserts that Hemme was not murdered, but committed suicide. He says he was driving cattle with Hemme a few foot year. There is a general holiday there.

days before his death, who stated to him then that he did not want to live any longer and should kill himself.

Mundfrom has been returned to the penitentiary to serve a life sentence for this murder. He was convicted solely upon his own confession, and it is believed now that in his last statement he is trying the insanity dodge for the purpose of getting a pardon.

A VERY COLD COLLATION.

News of the Blizzard and the New Cold Wave.

# An Epidemic of Measles.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 20 .- | Special Telegram to the the BEE. ]-The state board of health has been informed of the existence of measles in an epidemic form in West Union, Elgin, Clermont and at the Upper Iowa uni versity. So far nine of the cases have proved fatal and the disease is not of a malignant type. Dr. Kennedy, secretary of the board, says that the health of the citizens of Iowa is much better than usual at this time of the year.

# George C. Miln as a Correspondent. DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 20,- | Special Telegram o the BEE. |-George C. Miln, the expreacher and ex-actor, arrived here to-day as correspondent for a Chicago paper. He is spending some time at the state house col-lecting statistics about the operation of the prohibitory law. He has visited other Iowa

cities on the same mission. Three Prisoners Recaptured. ADEL, Ia., Jan. 20 .- [Special Telegram to the BEE. ]-The three prisoners-William Hoite. John Hathaway and Charlie Hubbardwho escaped from jail Thursday by sawing one of the bars of the window, were all re-captured to-day. One was found at Desoto and the other two at Earlham.

# CORA LEE'S TRIAL.

Very Sensational Testimony Given By Charley Graham.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Jan. 20 .- In the second trial of Cora Lee for complicity in the Sarah Graham murder, to-day, Charley Graham testified regarding what he saw between Cora Lee and Graham at Elgin, Ill., and at Washington, Kan. Graham was manager of a paper known as the Morning and Day of Reform, and Cora worked in the office. His mother and Sarah Graham managed the house. He had seen Graham and Cora in bed together after Mrs. Graham had gone stairs in the morning. down Mrs. Malloy in bed with Graham twice. He saw all three in bed together at the Malloy farm. The witness then told at some length about going to Springfield, Mo., and mentioned that Cora asked if his mother had come with him. When the body was found Cora went to the well but did not want the children to go. He saw Cora and Etta Malloy burning letters written by Cora to Graham.

On cross-examination the witness said when he and Roy were being taken to the Malloy farm Graham told them to say they last saw their mother in St Louis. He also told them she was really the control of the con in Pierce City; that he owned half of the Malloy farm, and that as soon as he could get it all he would send for her and send Cora and Mrs. Matley away. He also spoke of meeting Mrs. Graham in Springfield, and when asked why the latter and Roy were not taken to see her, said he did not know she was going to be there. Other witnesses testified as to the suspicious actions of Cora before and offer the myster. before and after the murder.

The Case of Mrs. Parmelee. NEW YORK, Jan. 20 .- [Special Telegram

to the Beg. |-New and important developments came to light yesterday in the mysterious case of Mrs. Parmelee, of Brooklyn. J. A. Bowman, a well known Brooklynite, said "Saturday afternoon, on West Twentyeighth street, near Eighth avenue, I saw com ing toward me a lady of fine appearance and richly dressed. Immediately behind me was a man whom I had passed, but to whom I had not paid much attention. He was of middle age. As I approached the woman I noticed that she was pale, and from her manner she appeared to be suffering. As I passed the lady tottered, gasped and grew whiter than before. I heard her, as she put her hand to her face, groan: 'I am very suck.' Just at that moment she seemed about to hind her ran forward and caught her by the arm. He supported her for an instant and then assisted her into the nearest house. I remarked at the time that the number of the ouse into which the woman had been taker as 110. I am now sure that the woman saw fall fainting on the stone steps and as sisted into the house was Mrs. Parmelee Business engagements kept me from making the revelation at once, and in view of the publicity, I hesitated to say anything for fear of notoriety." Mrs. Parmelee's eldest son of notoriety." Mrs. Parmelee's eldest son said when told of the statement of Mr. Bowman: "It harmonizes with the belief we have all along held; that mother went into that house ignorant of what sort of a place

#### it was.' Mormonism in Georgia.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan 20.- | Special Telegram to the BEE.]-Mormon preachers are at work in several parts of Georgia, openly preaching the doctrines of polygamy. In Warren county they have become exceedingly bold, one of them having claimed a division of time last Sunday with a local Methodist preacher. On the line of Clayton and Fayette, an apostle named Murphy, who had been formerly a rewent to Utah, having now returned as a Mor mon missionary, is strenously spreading the tenets of the Latter Day Saints. The mis sionaries have lately located in that country while others are spread over northwes Georgia. There is much feeling in the sec tions thus selected and many threats of sum mary punishment have been made.

Chicago's Natural Gas. Cincago, Jan. 20.-Charles Dabney, who i sinking the shaft for the new city water tunnel, claims to have discovered natural gas in

it. He is an engineer of considerable experience and claims that this apparently confirms the theory he has held, namely, that there is a leak along here from some big gas deposit. The shaft is on a line with the places where gas has been found within the past two or three weeks. Dabney thinks a big reservoir is located very near.

#### A Railroad Attached. New York, Jan. 20.-Judge Andrews, i the supreme court, granted an attachment

against the Cedar Falls & Minneapolis rail road company, in a suit brought by M. K Jessup and George J. Forrest as trustees mortgage given to secure bonds for \$1,407,000. The amount sued for is \$49,000, the interest due January 1, 1888. Interferes With the Strikers. READING, Pa., Jan. 20 .- The shipments of

#### bituminous coal and coke from the western section of the state in the Schuylkill valley

scriously interferes with the plan of the strikers. It is thought that the miners of the Connellsville region will be asked to go out if the operators there persist in shipping bituminous coal and coke here The Hopkins Case.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 20.—The government closed its case against Ben E. Hopkins, of the Fidelity bank, this afternoon. The jury was then dismissed to enable them to visit their homes with instructions to return Monday afternoon. In the meantime the defense began its argument on the demurrer.

#### Two Men Blown to Pieces JANESVILLE, Wis., Jan. 20.-An explosion occurred at Gagen & Co's, feed mill, com pletely wrecking the establishment and damaging several warehouses adjoining. Two men were killed. No estimate of loss can be

given. Coal Found at Bloomington. BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Jan. 20.-Coal was

ONE MORE BROKEN BOW VICTIM

Fatal Spree of a Farmer-Saved By Horse's Sagacity-The Terrible Death Roll-More Chilly Weather.

Froze to Death While Intoxicated. BROKEN Bow, Neb., Jan. 20 .- [Special Telegram to the BEE. ]-The report of blizzard fatalities in this section has been somewhat exaggerated. Instead of fifteen persons dying in Custer county, as rumored, there was only one victim, a farmer named John Reed. Mr. Reed, who resides two and a half miles south of Arnold, came to Broken Bow last Wednesday in company with others, and dis posed of a load of hogs which he had. He remained in town Wednesday night and Thursday filled up with intoxicants to such an extent that he became utterly irresponsible for his deeds, and proceeded on Thursday afternoon on his way to Merna to purchase coal, but instead of going northwest as he should have

went, went southwest, and when about two miles southwest of Broken Bow got out of the wagen and lay down on the ground where, in his drunken stuper, death overtook him. When his body was searched, a bottle of liquor and \$54 in cash was found.

The weather is very moderate here at pres

ent, the thermometer showing from 10 to 18 °° above zero. While the blizzard raged the weather was the coldest ever known here, it being 35° below zero at one time. Live stock was pretty well taken care of and very little was lost.

# Saved By His Horse.

Chadron, Neb., Jan. 20.—[Special Telegram to the Ber.]—A bad case of freezing is reported from Grand Lake, the terminus of the B. & M. railway. Stevens Gooden started to go from Grand Lake eleven miles in the country and became snow-blind and got lost and wandered in the sand hills for four d ays and nights, when hishorse finally heard a train whistle ten miles away and took his rider to the track, and railroad men took him to Grand Lake, but there being no surgeon there it was necessary to come Chadron, a distance of seventy miles. Harris drove across the country and suc ceeded in saving his life by amputating both limbs.

#### Deaths From the Blizzard. St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 20.-An evening paper figures the loss of life in last week's

blizzard at 235. A dozen new cases are reported from Vermillion, Dak. Over thirty persons were frozen to death in Lake county but it is said the local authorities are suppressing the news. This rumor lacks con The thermometer indicated 30° below here

this morning. Trains from the west and south are all badly delayed and the Omaha has abandened its trains out of St. Paul and Sioux City. The state board of railway com-missioners to-day investigated the reports of suffering from scarcity of fuel on the Brown Valley branch of the Manitoba railroad, which has been blocked for a month. They found no suffering, but coal supplies were running low. General Manager Manvel promised to double the force employed in pening the road.

#### The Biting Cold. MUSCATINE, Ia., Jan. 20 .- The mercury dropped to 10° below this morning. There is no storm. Trains are running on time and no fatalities are reported.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 20.-The mercury wa 16° below at 7 this morning. Trains were delayed somewhat last night by snow 100 miles west of here.

OUNCY, Ill., Jan. 20 .- At 6 this morning the mercury was 8° below zero. Trains are running regularly and thus far there has been no fatalities reported from cold in this

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Jan. 20.-The cold was accompanied by high wind, but no snow. The temperature reached 19° below last night. Drifting snow delays all roads in central Iowa more or less. Both the Central Iowa and Chicago, St. Paul & Kansas City have had freight trains in the snow since yesterday, preventing through trains moving.

La Crosse, Wis., Jan. 20.—The temperature to-day is 20= below zero and is falling. No fatalities reported. Brown's Valley, Minn., Jan. 20.—This

lace has been blockaded for three weeks. inless a train comes in with fuel within three days there will be serious suffering here and in the vicinity. There is no wood or coal in

OTTUMWA, Ia., 20 .- The cold wave reached here yesterday, and the thermometer fell to 12 5 below zero last night. Trains about on

WINONA, Minn., Jan. 20 .- The cold wave caused a drop of 40°, and this morning it was 26° below. The weather is clear and free from storm, but is accompanied by wind. which fills the railroad cuts and causes blockdes west of St. Peters.

Madison, Wis., Jan. 20.—The minimum temperature last night was 14° below zero. At 7 o'clock this morning it was 12° below, and at noon 11° below. The sky is clear and and at noon 11 below. The say is clear and
the predicted blizzard has not reached here.
Davenport, Ia., Jan. 20.—The cold wave
has not reached here. The mercury is 2 below. Trains are but slightly delayed. SIOUX CITY, Ia., Jan. 20.-There is storm at this point and very little wind. The thermometer at midnight stood 15≈ below, at 7 this morning 17° below and at noon 12° below. Trains north and west, except the Yankton connection, are abandoned on ac-count of badly drifted roads, resulting from

so far reported. JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Jan. 20.—Although there has been a change of 35° in the mer-cury within the last twelve hours, there have been no fatalities. The thermometer hovers BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Jan. 20.—At noon there were no signs of a blizzard. The thermometer ranged 5° above and the weather is

yesterday's wind. There is only one road open east to Chicago. The Sioux City & Pa-

cific south is not interrupted. No fatalities

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Jan. 20.—The force of last night's terrible storm did not reach here. Fifty miles north and west the storm raged all night. The thermometer was 27° below. Trains are all late. No fatalities are re-ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Jan. 20.—At 1:15 the

emperature was 2° above and slowly fall ing. A cold wave is evidently approaching. Weather Indications. For Nebraska: Warmer, fair weather, fol-

lowed by snow, light to fresh winds, becoming southeasterly.
For Iowa: Warmer, fair weather, fol-lowed by snow, light to fresh winds, becoming southeasterly.
For Dakota: Slightly warmer, fair weather,

### light to fresh variable winds. Vanderbilt Bullion. NEW YORK, Jan. 20 .- [Special Telegram to

the BEE. |-The World says: Not contented with leasing one of the fairy-like palaces of the late King Ludwig, of Bavaria, W. K. Vanderbilt appears to be further disposed to adopt some of the eccentricities of that illfated monarch. If we are to believe an English journal, the French actor Couquelin gave a private performance during his stay at Constantinople on board of the Alva, at which Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt constituted the sole audience. The charge for this en-tertainment was \$3,900. Little Josef Hoffmann was paid \$3,000 last Saturday nish music at a musicale given by Mrs. Cor nelius Vanderbilt in this city.

A British Rear Admiral Suicides. FALMOUTH, Jan. 20 .- Rear Admiral Louis Hutton Versturme, of the British navy, com mitted suicide here to day in a fit of insanity

# AFTER AMMUNITION. The Kansas County Seat Fight May

Result in Bloodshed. TOPERA, Kan., Jan. 20.-A special from Bird City received to-night says that persons were in town there to-day from Eustis. Sherman county, in search of rifles and ammunition and that a fight between Goodland and Eustis, the rivals for the county seat, was an-

ticipated. E. L. Dyons, of Eustis, the missing county commissioner of Sherman county. who was thought to have been kidnapped while en route to this city to confer with the governor concerning the Eustis-Goodland county seat fight, arrived here safely to-night. He left Eustis Sunday, but was un-avoidably delayed by the trains. Soon after his arrival here he received a tele-gram from J. H. Tait, of Eustis, editor of the Dark Horse, directing him to re-turn via Colby and to be on his guard. Lyons says that the aggressive Goodlanders are beginning to cool off and realize what risk they have run by forcibly removing the records from Eustis and that the probate judge and county clerk have already returned the records. The mob he says which recently at tacked Eustis was frenzied by whisky, and it is little less than a miracle that the town was not burned and the inhabitants massacred. He believes the trouble is now over and that the Goodland people and their supporters, the homesteaders, have concluded to allow the courts to settle the matter. Lyons re-turned come to-night.

# ANTI-TARIFF WOOL DEALERS. Significant Sentiments Expressed

Through a Boston Newspaper. Boston, Jan. 20.-The Commercial Bulle tin will give to-morrow a special report on carpet wools and the advisability of remov ing the existing duty on that grade of fleeces. Opinions are contained in the letter from the argest carpet manufacturers in the country largest carpet manufacturers in the country, the leading wool growers, including the president of the national association, leading blauket and woolen manufacturers, leading importers, and chief dealers. From the replies it may be said that free carpets will be favored by the carpet and blanket manufacturers, the government statistician, a strong minority o wool growers, practically the whole of the importers, and many of the large manufac-turers. A duty on carpet wool is favored by the Philadelphia wool trade on masse, by deal ers in the interior markets and by most of the wool growers.

### A St. Petersburg Reception.

[Copyright 1888 by James Gordon Bennett.] St. Peterseurg, Jan. 120. - [New Yorl Herald Cable-Special to the Ber. |-The reception given by Lady Morier was attended by a large number of the corps diplomatique and the most brilliant society of St. Peters burg. Lord and Lady Randolph Churchill attracted great attention and much curiosity, especially among the ladies present. Lady Randolph Churchill resplendent in diamonds. Lord Chur chill, in the course of conversation with some of the Russian political celebrities expressed the utmost satisfaction with his stay here. He would have liked to postpone his departure, he said, but he esteemed it his duty to return to England without delay. From some further remarks dropped by Lord Randolph it might be concluded that immediately after his return home he intends to open a serious campaign against Lord Salis bury, if not for the purpose of overthrowing him, at least to prevent him from joining the

### triple alliance. Don Carlos' Ambition.

[Copyright 1888 by James Gordon Bennett.] MADRID, Jan. 20.—[New York Herald Cable-Special to the BEE. J-Friday, on re turning from the papal jubilee, Senor Ortega Munilla; a liberal journalist, had an inter view with Don Carlos in Venice. Don Carlos it seems, thinks it certain that the present regime in Spain will be logically overthrown by republicanism. He will not interfere in Castillian politics unless again asked by the Spaniards. In that case his programme would include the annexation of Morocco, the in crease of the naval and military armament and an active foreigh policy in order to make Europe admit Spain as one of the great powers. The description of the interview resem bles a page from Daubet's norel, "Kings in Exile.

# Carney Replies to McAuliffe.

[Copyright 1888 by James Gordon Bennett.] LONDON, Jan. 20.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to the Ber. |-Carney, who is giving a sparring exhibition at Hull, thus

writes to the Sporting Life;

Sir: In reply to the boasting way in which Mr. McAuliffe talks, I think it makes him look like what he is, a coward, and his backer as he calls him, Jem Colville, was one of those scamps who cut ropes and helped break in the ring when his man McAuliffe was beaten. But to show that I mean fight, I will fight McAuliffe for a stake of a £500 to £1,000 and pay all his expenses of coming over to England, or I would go over to America and meet him if I could be sure of getting fair play, although, after the other fight. I think I should not get it. I waited one year to fight him over in his own country and he told the people he would not fight till he secured a mob, which he did that robbed me of the fight. Twice I have been over to fight him. Once he gave me a forfeit. The next time he had his mob, but I will beat him mob and all should be come over, though I am afraid he never will. I will ensure him fair play and fight him staking odds two to one. My money was down three weeks after the last fight to make another match, but failed to see him or his backers. They were afraid to come to terms. Yours, etc.,

# J. CARNEY, Lightweight Champion of the World.

O'Brien Released. DUBLIN, Jan. 20.-William O'Brien, M. P. and editor of United Ireland, who has been confined in prison since October 31, was re leased from Tullamore jail to-day. He pro ceeded to the priest's house in Tullamore followed by a large crowd, which cheered

him repeatedly.

O'Brien arrived in this city this evening He was greeted at the railway station by an immense crowd, which included many mem-bers of parliament and a large number of priests. On alighting from the train he entered the lord mayor's carriage and wa driven to a hotel, followed by a long pro On arriving at the hotel O'Brien made a brief speech. He rejoiced that spite of the efforts of Balfour rish were stronger than ever. Although the English were slow in joining them, would be slow in deserting them. The would not resort to outrage but would follow Parnell and Gladstone, trusting to the denocracy of Great Britain to make Ireland a nation. O'Brien's looks denote that his con-stitution is shattered and his physicians in

sist that he should go to the south of France O'Brien received many congratulatory let-ters in the course of the day, some coming from America. Referring to Blunt's charge against Balfour, he said he had heard them from Blunt long before there had been a likelihood that Blunt would be the victim. It was because he (O'Brien), had that state-ment in mind that he told Moorhead and Egan in the beginning that he believed h had been brought to prison to be murdered Apart from Blunt's relations he thought the had a right to infer the worst from Balfour' secreey in immuring them in what he sup-posed would turn out to be the Tullamore

Called Hence, LONDON, Jan. 20.-Sir Robert Walter Car den is dead. He was eighty-seven.

# DEFENDING HIS COMPANY,

The Western Union President Discusses Postal Telegraph.

# DEATH TO PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.

Why the Government Would Be Obliged to Buy Out the Present Line What a New One Would Cost.

### Postal Telegraph. WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 .- Senator Sawyer,

chairman of the senate postoffice committee, called his committee to order this morning, and Dr. Marvin Green, president of the Western Union, addressed the committee in pposition to government telegraph bills. He devoted himself first, though briefly, to constitutional questions, to which the measure give rise. He quoted the decision of the supreme court in effect that telegraph is necessary to commerce, and that the telegraph is in itself commerce. He touched upon this constitutional point, he said, merely because constitutional point, he said, merely because he did not wish the committee to understand the company waived it. He claimed that no people on earth enjoyed as perfect a system of telegraph as the Americans. Green then compared the telegraph systems of England and the United States and asserted that the long distance rates of the Western Union were cheaper than any other long distance rate in the world. He denied the charge that the Western Union was a monopoly, said it enjoyed no exclusive franc said it enjoyed no exclusive franchises or legislative grants, and that the fleid was open to anybody who might choose to enter it. In regard to the charge that rates would be raised the present year, he said that on the centrary the rates would be reduced. The speaker said the Western he said that on the speaker said the Western Union had to pay from \$100,000 to \$200,000 a year for its mistakes. He believed that the deficit of the government system, as suggested in the Cullom bill, would be from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 a year. He wished to say concerning the Western Union that its value, as stated by the press, would not buy the wire at the factory, and the company's other equipments amounted to three or four times the value of the wire. The property of the Western Union could not be duplicated to-day for its capitalization.

If the government did run a telegraph system it must buy up existing lines. No private enterprise could run in competition against the United States treasury. Would the government be responsible for delays and errors; he asked. No government sys-tem ever was. There was a popular belief

that the company's system was owned by one man. The company's directorate was composed of thirty men. The millionaires of the country had less than three-eighths of the stock. Over twenty thousand people in all were interested in this property. "I am told," the doctor continued, "that a petition bearing 500,000 signatures is to be sent to this committee in favor of the government system. They will come by command, originating in spite against one man with whom Mr. Powderly had a quarret. Not one in a hundred of the signers ever use the telegraph; yet they were asking to be taxed for the benefit of rich brokers, bankers,

merchants, commercial operators and speculators." Dr. Green said he had prepared a petition and remonstrance to congress which he in-tended, by the courtesy of some members, to get before the senate and house and he would

not longer detain the committee.
Gardiner G. Hubbard addressed the committee in favor of the postal telegraph system proposed in the bill introduced by Senator Dawes. He gave it as his opinion that of the \$86,000,000 capital stock of the Western Union company, about \$8,000,000 or \$10,000,000 had been paid in cash by the stock holders of other telegraph companies which had be-come bankrupt and been bought up by the Western Union, and that the rest of it had been taken from the public in the shape of telegraph tells. It was true the present value of the property was very large. He did not believe it possible to duplicate its 600,000 miles of wire for less than \$60,000,000. Over and above this value of property were other large values. He had always regarded its right of way over the railroads of the territory as being nearly as valuable as the other franchises of the company. There was, then, this great monopoly with a capital of \$86,000,000, nearly three-eighths of which was held by the directors of the company. They, therefore, had virtually a monopoly would be utterly impossible at any stock-holders' meeting to obtain the controlling vote of stock held by the directors themselves. Dr. Green corrected this statement and said that at a stockholders' meeting three-

fourths of the capital stock was frequently represented,
Mr. Hubbard said that in this country there was practically no competition in the telegraph business and there could be none, for it was a business which could be managed more easily and cheaply by one company than by a number, but the question arose whether the government could not manage it more cheaply than the Western Union and and whether the Western Union itself could not manage it much more cheaply than it does. This question should be answered in the affirmative.

Mr. Hubbard then gave his well known views on the subject of postal telegraph at great length.

Dr. Nadal's Case. Washington, Jan. 20. — The statement cabled from Madrid that the United States government has demanded of Spain heavy damages on account of alleged ill-treatment of Dr. Nadal by the authorities of Porto Rico is not strictly correct. The department of state has taken the diplomatic course usually adopted in such cases and has instructed our minister to Spain to lay Dr. Nadal's claim before the government with a representation that if the allegations contained therein are found to be true he is entitled to compensation. Dr. Nadal, while on a visit to Porto Rico, was arrested on suspicion of belonging to an autonomist society and so maltreated that

#### National Capital Notes. Washington, Jan. 20,-A favorable report

he has since lost the use of one of his arms.

on Mason's bill, providing for an investigaion of trusts and combinations, was ordered by the house committee on manufactures. The subject of the Reading railroad strike came up before the house committee on commerce to day through the request of the subcommittee, to which had been referred the Anderson resolution providing for inquiry into the strike, that it be discharged from further consideration of the matter. As a reason for making this request, the sub-committee stated that it regarded the subject as one of such gravity as to demand consideration at the hands of the full committee. After a short discussion the request was granted and an earnest debate ensued upon the merits of the proposition. The matter will be further considered next Tuesday, when an effort will be made to dispose of the resolution. A delegation from the national encampment of the Grand Army, before the house com-

of the Grand Army, before the house com-mittee on invalid pensions to-day, urged the formulation of a dependent pension bill sub-stantially similar to that introduced in the senate by Mr. Manderson.

The postmaster general has issued a cir-cular embodying the rules and regulations which will hereafter govern under the new law relating to permissable writing and print-ing on second third and fourth class mail

ing on second, third and fourth class mail James J. Brooks, chief of the secret ser-

vice of the treasury department, tendered his resignation when the present administra tion came into power and it was accepted to day to take effect February I. John S. Bell, formerly chief of police of Newark, N. J., will succeed him.

## Transcontinental Details Arranged. St. Louis, Jan. 20.—At a general meeting of the transcontinental lines to-day various

details were arranged. Headquarters were established at St. Louis, where Chairman Leeds will open an office February I. Agencies will also be established in New York and San Francisco.