

A CAUCUS IN THE SENATE.

The Republicans Meet and Make Their Nominations.

RETRENCHMENT AND REFORM.

cesses Employed to be Dispensed With—Mr. Richardson Has a Very Shrewd Scheme—Watson is Leading Dempter.

Republican Senate Nominations.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The republican caucus in the senate met to-night and nominated the following officers of that body: Church, ex-president; Walt Seelye, secretary; asterly, first assistant secretary; S. S. Shurt, second assistant secretary; H. M. 's clerk of committee of the whole; E. Parkinson, of Seward, sergeant-at-arms; G. Bryant, of Ashland, assistant sergeant-at-arms; E. S. Gillespie, of Valentine, door-keeper; Rev. J. S. Tate, of Shelton, chaplain; S. L. M. Hayes, of Omaha, enrolling clerk; Miss Olinde, of Lincoln, engrossing clerk; M. E. Ellis, postmaster.

First Blood For Watson.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—There was an apparent first blood for Watson this evening. Watson's friends took possession of the parlors shortly after 8 o'clock, but it was nearly half past 9 before the Watsons were ready for the fray. They moved to the front of the house, and the Watsons were forty strong, and were led by the steady hand of Adams. Olmstead and Cady at their places in the procession, meek as was, and were loudly cheered as they moved through the hall.

Mr. Richards is Very Sly.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Mr. L. D. Richards, chairman of the republican state central committee, who had taken up his quarters in a capital hotel Sunday morning, has commenced a blank movement on the senatorial track which is both novel and audacious. He has solicited members to enroll their names at the bottom of an ingeniously prepared address to Senator Mansfield. The names are to be collected in a book, and the names of the flexible politicians will be written at the childlike and bland nature of the address. The names are to be collected in a book, and the names of the flexible politicians will be written at the childlike and bland nature of the address.

MIXING GRADES.

Lincoln Elevator Men Accused of Doctoring Wheat. ST. PAUL, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—For some time the elevator men in Minneapolis have been mixing grades, and having just heard of it, is angry to a degree, and says it has as good a right as any body to mix wheat. The practice threatens a permanent deterioration of grades in the state, a result which would be of great value to the grain grower. The mixing of grades in Minnesota has always maintained a high standard in the markets of the world, and the interests of the mill men that are dependent upon it are being sacrificed to the interests of the farmers. The mixing of grades is not done until after the grain has been threshed, and the farmers are not to be benefited by the mixing of grades. The mixing of grades is not done until after the grain has been threshed, and the farmers are not to be benefited by the mixing of grades.

Italian Officers Arrested.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—Two Italian engineer officers, disguised as stone masons, were arrested at Ivan Grod. Plans of fortresses were found in their possession.

Policeman Murdered.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—Police-Beat was murdered by a negro on Main street this evening. The murderer escaped.

LONDON FOG.

The City and Suburbs Covered With a Thick Woolly Blackness.

REVISING THE TARIFF BILL.

The Finance Committee in Secret Session on the Measure.

TOO MANY RECOMMENDATIONS.

Names for Political Preference Coming in Rather Thick From the Pacific Coast—Forestalling the Speakership.

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE, 513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 31.—Five well-known republican senators emerged from the committee of the senate committee on finance at 1 o'clock to-day, and filed down into the restaurant for lunch. They had been in conference all the forenoon, and from the expression their faces bore, the work they were doing was of a very important character. Some of them, however, were in a very bad humor. They were Messrs. Morrill, Sherman, Allison, Aldrich and Hancock, all members of the committee on finance. One of them ventured the information that they would be in session all the afternoon and would forego the festivities of to-morrow in order that they might as nearly as possible complete the tariff bill, which is now before them.

THE WOULD NOT BATHE.

A Jealous Husband Shoots His Wife and Kills Himself. NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Solomon Joseph, aged forty-seven, a traveling broker in laces and linens, shot and fatally wounded his wife, aged twenty-nine, and then shot himself dead in the street in front of their residence last evening. Joseph was a drinker and possessed a violent temper. He was extremely jealous of his beautiful wife. Last night, after a quarrel with her, he went to the bath, and, while taking a bath, he ordered his wife to go to the bath. She refused and he tried to force her into the room. She ran down stairs and he followed her. She shot her wife in the head and dropped dead. Mrs. Joseph was taken to a hospital, but she died before she could be revived.

Surrender of the Haytian Republic.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Secretary Whitney today received dispatches from Admiral Luce confirming the Associated Press report of the surrender of the Haytian Republic to the demand of the United States by General Legitime, the newly elected president of Hayti. The dispatches were immediately sent to Secretary Bayard. Secretary Bayard said this evening that it was not true, but that the Haytian Republic had been given up on condition that the case should be arbitrated by representatives of the United States and Hayti. Mail advices have also been received from San Juan in regard to the situation there, but they are not yet confirmed. The count of New Year's festivities to-morrow, the letters will not be read until Wednesday. In view of the fact that the advices came by mail, and that no telegram from San Francisco in regard to them was received, it is believed they do not contain any information not already unofficially known.

STOPPED BY THE POLICE.

The Mitchell-Kilrain Combination Not Allowed to Perform at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Natorium hall was closed to-night to the sparring match advertised between Mitchell and Kilrain, but the police prevented the match, the board of police commissioners having decided to strictly enforce the law against boxing. The crowd was orderly, although indignant at the interference of the police. Mitchell and Kilrain were seen to be fencing or wrestling. Short speeches were made by both Mitchell and Kilrain. The former said that the Americans were prejudiced against him because he was a foreigner. He said he was going to return to England in two weeks. Kilrain said that he was going to return to his native land in two weeks. The Buffalo meeting would be held and the battle fought.

A Receiver Appointed.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Confidential judgments were entered against the Jeffrey Printing Company this evening, amounting to \$40,000. The confessions are in favor of the First National bank and Burr Robbins. George E. Lloyd was appointed receiver. The receiver's office is at the corner of Third and Washington streets. The receiver is to take possession of the property of the company, and is to sell it for the benefit of the creditors. The receiver is to take possession of the property of the company, and is to sell it for the benefit of the creditors.

A Shot Gun Injun on.

LITCHFIELD, Ills., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Yesterday, being Sunday, the Jacksonville & Southeastern railway company thought they would build a track through the lot of James Hoban, of this city. They tore down the fence and got the ties laid, when Mr. Hoban and his two sons, armed with shot guns and drove the intruders off.

Will Unite to Beat Boulanger.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—A congress of senators and members of the chamber of deputies, municipal authorities and editors of all shades of republicanism, has decided to unite in nominating a candidate to oppose General Boulanger in his candidacy for a seat in the chamber of deputies, rendered vacant by the death of Huide.

LATEST NEWS FROM HAYTI.

American Vessels Have Hard Times—That Bombardment.

ONLY AN EMPTY FORMALITY.

Probability That the "Q" Strike Will Be Declared Off.

A FEW CONCESSIONS MADE.

But the Seats Will Not Be Replaced by Brotherhood Men—Talk of Another Strike Said to Be Untrue.

Result of the Conference.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The rather empty formality of declaring the so-called "Q" strike off will probably be gone through with to-morrow. A meeting to that end was held at the Burlington offices this morning between General Manager Ripley, President Stone and Solicitor General Wirt Dexter, representing the company, and Chairman Cavour and eight members of the executive committee of the convention of engineers, with full power to act. The engineers and officers of the road were in session from 10:30 o'clock until 1:30 this afternoon.

BAPTIZED IN ICE WATER.

Fifteen Colored People Have a Pleasant Experience Sunday. NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Fifteen colored people, eleven men and four women, were baptized in the icy waters of the Hudson at Nyack yesterday. After remaining in a hot house some time, the procession, headed by Revs. Wyan, Boswell and Green, started for the river, which was full of floating chunks of ice, while in shore a thick coating of snow had fallen. The fifteen were baptized in the icy waters of the Hudson at Nyack yesterday.

Indiapolis Postoffice Robbed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 31.—A daring and successful robbery occurred in the money order department of the Indianapolis postoffice at half past 12 to-day. Johnson, chief of the money order division, was persuaded to go out to the sidewalk to see a man in a buggy. Johnson was followed by a man in a dark coat and filled his pockets with greenbacks to the amount of about \$2,500.

For Passing Counterfeit Money.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Information was received here to-day of the arrest of a man near Fayetteville yesterday on the charge of passing counterfeit money. When the arrest was made the man had in his possession \$1,000 in counterfeit money. He was arrested by a deputy sheriff and taken to the jail.

Killed by a Mad Bull.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Information was received this afternoon that Charles J. Jones, one of the wealthiest and most influential ranchmen in Cheyenne county, was gored to death yesterday morning by a bull. He was the owner of one of the finest herds of cattle in the state, and while engaged in working his herd, the animal suddenly attacked him from the rear, and before he could escape he was knocked down and killed. His head almost severed from his body, and one arm torn to pieces.

Will Stay a While Longer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Russell Harrison has again delayed his departure. He had expected to go back Saturday, but he has postponed his departure until after the 1st of January. He is expected to spend New Year's day at one or two country houses, but he will be in the city on the 1st of January.

The Mahdi Has Been Defeated.

SUKKIM, Dec. 31.—A Greek has just arrived here from Khartoum. He started two months ago, coming by way of Kassala, and says that nothing had been heard at Khartoum of the fall of the government of the equatorial provinces or of the capture of Emin. On the contrary, he says that the forces of the Mahdi had been twice defeated in Bahrguel.

MURDER MYSTERY SOLVED.

Arrest of the Man Who Committed the Philadelphia Butchery.

MINNEAPOLIS MINISTERS WILL FIGHT THE SABBATH BREAKERS.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Presbyterian ministers assembled in Rev. David J. Burdell's study at Westminster church this morning and made some New Year's resolutions of an interesting character. As usual the talk of the meeting was more or less informal, but it resulted in a decision to wage war upon the Sabbath breakers in the city for a year or better, and to better enforcement of existing statutes. All the phases of the question were touched upon, but of course the Sunday papers came in for a large share of the attention.

Denies His Guilt.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 31.—Kalm, the man who was arrested on the steamer Lord Gough, when she reached here from Philadelphia on the charge of having murdered William Christian, in the town of Primrose, Wis., was arraigned before a Queenstown magistrate this morning. He was arraigned on the charge of having murdered William Christian, in the town of Primrose, Wis., was arraigned before a Queenstown magistrate this morning.

Indignant Over the Hoax.

CITY OF MEXICO, (via Galveston) Dec. 31.—President Diaz, Secretary of the Interior Romeo Rubio, and Secretary of Finance Dublan, expressed great indignation when they learned that the United States of America had taken place in this city. They say peace was never a factor in the matter. President Diaz has expressed his indignation to punish the author of the hoax, if he can be discovered.

The Visible Supply.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—The visible supply for the week ending December 29, as compiled by the secretary of the Chicago board of trade, is as follows:

Protecting Priests.

DEBUN, Dec. 31.—One hundred and twenty priests have signed a protest against the imprisonment of Father Kennedy, who was accused of attending a meeting of the suppressed branches of the national league. The protest affirmed that the national league was a political and not a criminal organization, and that Father Kennedy's offenses were of a political and not of a criminal nature.

Judgment Affirmed.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 31.—The general term to-day affirmed the judgment of Justice in the case of the people against Thomas C. Platt. The judgment affirmed that the one which removed Platt from the position of quarantine commissioner of New York on the ground that he was not a resident of that city.

A Complete Loss.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 31.—The steamer Bristol, which was burned yesterday, is a complete loss. The total loss is \$500,000, with an insurance of \$300,000.

The Lindaur Case Settled.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—In the county court this morning the sensational Lindaur case was settled by the agreement of all parties of the firm to pay 40 per cent on the dollar, which the court considered fair.

Journalists Coming Home.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—[New York Herald Cable Special.]—The two great American journalists, Mr. Charles A. Dana and Mr. Ballard Smith, sailed for New York on the Normandie.

ONLY AN EMPTY FORMALITY.

Probability That the "Q" Strike Will Be Declared Off.

A FEW CONCESSIONS MADE.

But the Seats Will Not Be Replaced by Brotherhood Men—Talk of Another Strike Said to Be Untrue.

Result of the Conference.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The rather empty formality of declaring the so-called "Q" strike off will probably be gone through with to-morrow. A meeting to that end was held at the Burlington offices this morning between General Manager Ripley, President Stone and Solicitor General Wirt Dexter, representing the company, and Chairman Cavour and eight members of the executive committee of the convention of engineers, with full power to act.

BAPTIZED IN ICE WATER.

Fifteen Colored People Have a Pleasant Experience Sunday. NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Fifteen colored people, eleven men and four women, were baptized in the icy waters of the Hudson at Nyack yesterday. After remaining in a hot house some time, the procession, headed by Revs. Wyan, Boswell and Green, started for the river, which was full of floating chunks of ice, while in shore a thick coating of snow had fallen.

Indiapolis Postoffice Robbed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 31.—A daring and successful robbery occurred in the money order department of the Indianapolis postoffice at half past 12 to-day. Johnson, chief of the money order division, was persuaded to go out to the sidewalk to see a man in a buggy. Johnson was followed by a man in a dark coat and filled his pockets with greenbacks to the amount of about \$2,500.

For Passing Counterfeit Money.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Information was received here to-day of the arrest of a man near Fayetteville yesterday on the charge of passing counterfeit money. When the arrest was made the man had in his possession \$1,000 in counterfeit money. He was arrested by a deputy sheriff and taken to the jail.

Killed by a Mad Bull.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Information was received this afternoon that Charles J. Jones, one of the wealthiest and most influential ranchmen in Cheyenne county, was gored to death yesterday morning by a bull. He was the owner of one of the finest herds of cattle in the state, and while engaged in working his herd, the animal suddenly attacked him from the rear, and before he could escape he was knocked down and killed. His head almost severed from his body, and one arm torn to pieces.

Will Stay a While Longer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Russell Harrison has again delayed his departure. He had expected to go back Saturday, but he has postponed his departure until after the 1st of January. He is expected to spend New Year's day at one or two country houses, but he will be in the city on the 1st of January.

The Mahdi Has Been Defeated.

SUKKIM, Dec. 31.—A Greek has just arrived here from Khartoum. He started two months ago, coming by way of Kassala, and says that nothing had been heard at Khartoum of the fall of the government of the equatorial provinces or of the capture of Emin. On the contrary, he says that the forces of the Mahdi had been twice defeated in Bahrguel.

MURDER MYSTERY SOLVED.

Arrest of the Man Who Committed the Philadelphia Butchery. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—The mystery surrounding the finding of the mutilated remains of a murdered man in east Fairmount park yesterday has been solved, the culprit identified and the murderer placed in prison. The motive for the deed was to obtain the money of the murdered man, but all that the murderer was known to have realized is \$80. The corpse was identified as that of a German named Schilling, who boarded with his partner, named Shroop, in a small grocery store. Shroop, when arrested, denied any knowledge of the murder. He made many conflicting statements and after a night in a cell, confessed the murder. The hatchet, which was used by Shroop, was found in the cellar of his house this morning covered with blood. The body, either before or after life was extinct, was carried into the cellar, where it was evidently hiding from the clotted blood, allowed to remain until the following morning, when, after having been cut to pieces, it was thrown into the cellar. The wooden floor with which a portion of the cellar is covered, is bloodstained in several places. Shroop's wife, who was arrested on account of her husband's arrest, is in custody as an accomplice.

DECIDED THE INUNCTION.

Decision by the Master in Chancery in the Anarchist Case.

A Partial Victory for the Anarchists—Chief of Police Hubbard Says Unlawful Meetings Will be Suppressed.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Several days ago the Arbeiterbund, an anarchist society, appealed to the court for an injunction to prevent the police from interfering with their public meetings. The matter was referred to Master in Chancery Windes, who made a report to-day. He finds no precedent for interfering by injunction with their official conduct, unless property rights are involved. He does not deem it within the province of a master to recommend an injunction save where it is clearly established by precedent that they should issue, and contents himself with suggesting that no issue. As to the facts, he finds complainant have a constitutional right to meet; that there is no testimony beyond the mere belief of Chief of Police Hubbard and Inspector Donahue that the meetings are a nuisance; that the members of the Arbeiterbund belonged to an anarchistic organization, which is a violation of state and national laws was advocated, is not sufficient to prove the Arbeiterbund to be an illegal association; that the statement of these defendants that some of the members of the Arbeiterbund belonged to an anarchistic organization, which is a violation of state and national laws was advocated, is not sufficient to prove the Arbeiterbund to be an illegal association; that the statement of these defendants that some of the members of the Arbeiterbund belonged to an anarchistic organization, which is a violation of state and national laws was advocated, is not sufficient to prove the Arbeiterbund to be an illegal association.

TO BOYCOTT SUNDAY PAPERS.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 31.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The Presbyterian ministers assembled in Rev. David J. Burdell's study at Westminster church this morning and made some New Year's resolutions of an interesting character. As usual the talk of the meeting was more or less informal, but it resulted in a decision to wage war upon the Sabbath breakers in the city for a year or better, and to better enforcement of existing statutes. All the phases of the question were touched upon, but of course the Sunday papers came in for a large share of the attention.

Entrance Gained.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—For some time past the St. Louis, Alton & Springfield railway has been endeavoring to gain an entrance to Alton, Ill., not only to an injunction sued out by Chicago & Alton to prevent the new line from crossing the Chicago & Alton tracks, but also to gain an entrance to the St. Louis, Alton & Springfield line. The St. Louis, Alton & Springfield line has been unable to do so. Yesterday the St. Louis, Alton & Springfield line conceived a new way of effecting an entrance by cutting away a portion of the Westport viaduct works and pushing the Alton side tracks over against the bluff. With a big force of men, they carried the idea out successfully, and this morning the road was in possession of the coveted inlet. Nearly a mile of track was put down yesterday.

Imports and Exports of Gold.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—For the year 1888 the exports of gold from New York were \$2,370,000, and the imports \$3,944,000. During the year 1888, 335,565 immigrants were landed at New York, an increase of 1,677 over the previous year.

She is Going to England.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—A dispatch from Madrid says Lady Conchagua, wife of the governor of Cuba, has left the government house, refusing to remain under the same roof with her husband. She took her leave suddenly, during the official ball, and went to a hotel. She is coming to England. Captain Quinn, aide-de-camp to the governor, had left the government house at the same time, the captain resigning his office. Madrid society, which is much excited over the scandal, is in sympathy with Lady Conchagua.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

DETROIT, Dec. 31.—An Evening Journal special from Edmore, Mich., says a boiler in a saw mill exploded yesterday. The boiler, which was used for heating, exploded, killing W. W. Dush, proprietor, and John Carr, millwright. Mr. Dush was fatally injured. Whole establishment completely wrecked.

The Lindaur Case Settled.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—In the county court this morning the sensational Lindaur case was settled by the agreement of all parties of the firm to pay 40 per cent on the dollar, which the court considered fair.

Journalists Coming Home.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—[New York Herald Cable Special.]—The two great American journalists, Mr. Charles A. Dana and Mr. Ballard Smith, sailed for New York on the Normandie.