OMAHA, FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 26, 1890.

WRECK ONTHE IOWA CENTRAL

A Passenger and a Wrecking Train Collide Near Grinnell.

QNE ENGINEER FATALLY WOUNDED.

A Great Crowd in Attendance at the Fifth Annual lowa Eistedfod at Oskaloosa-Verdict in the Webb Case.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Dec. 25 .- A head end collision occurred on the Iowa Central last night near Grinnell, between a passenger and a wrecking train. Six passengers were injured, but not fatally. One of the engineers was fatally hurt by jumping. The names of the injured are not obtainable. A misunder-standing of train orders is the alleged cause

A Fatal Row at Des Moines.

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 25,-In a free-for-all fight at a festival and dance by the society of Druids this morning, Assistant City Engineer B. Schreiner was fatally shot by James Dempsey, an employe of the electric light

The lowa bistedfod.

OSKALOSSA, In., Dec. 25.-[Special Twogram to THE BEE, |- This city was overflowing today with Welsh people from all over Iowa and Missouri, in attendance upon the fifth annual Iowa eistedfod. The large open house was insufficient to contain those who wished to attend, and the exercises were of the highest order. Four hundred and fifty dollars was distributed in prizes, and there were about six hundred contestants in the singing, recutations, etc. The principal prize of the morning session was \$50 and year's tuition in Druke university for the best year's tuition in Drake university for the best essay on historical literature pertaining to the Welsh people, and it was won by William Jonas of Minneapolis. The Given choir of children secured the \$20 prize, and the \$40 prize for the best original poem on Henry M. Stanley was won by "Osman Pasha" of Cleyeling, O. In the adult choir contest the prize of \$50 was divided between Given and prize of \$50 was divided between Given and Carbonado representatives.

Found Guilty of Assault. OSEALOOSA, Ia, Dec. 25.—[Special Tele-gram to THE BEE.]—The Webb case, which has occupied the attention of the district court here for the past ten days, and at tracted widespread interest, was concluded this morning in a verdict of guilty of assault against the defendant, Mrs. Webb. Her husband will have a separate trial at once Webb and his wife were indicted or the charge of causing the death of a five-year-old daughter by cruel and inhuman treatment. The little girl was the daughter of Webb by his first wife, and the evidence went to show the most and the evidence went to show the most shameful treatment by the step-mother and her children, with the father's knowledge, which finally resulted in the death of the child by brain fever, supposed to have been caused by blows on the face and head, and general neglect. There was great indigna-tion at the time, and there is now a feeling that the verdict is rather weak.

Asphyxiated by Gas.

Sioux City, Ia. Dec. 25 .- |Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Yesterday forencen a young woman came to this city and registered at the Hotel Booge as "Miss Wilson, Broken Bow, Neb." She was neatly and pisinly dressed but was apparently troubled. She said that she was out of money and was seek ing work. She ate neitherdinner nor supper, but about 5:30 was assigned a room and gave instructions that she be called at 8.30 this morning. An hour before that time an odor of gas was discovered in the hall and a search showed that it came from Miss Wilson's room. The door was forced and the gas was found turned on and the girl was dead in bed Her body was yet warm and physicians la-The door was forced and the gas was bored over her some time, but could not re-store respiration. Nothing is known of the girl's history or whether her death was ac-cidental or intentional. The coroner is investigating.

Her Injuries Proved Fatal.

SHENANDOAH, Ia., Dec. 25.—[Special Tele gram to The Bee.]—Tuesday afternoon, De cember 9, while Mrs. Prof. Croan and her sister, Mrs. Prof. Kinsley of the Western normal college, were out driving, their horses became frightened and passed up Clarinda avenue at a fearful speed. The ladies, think-ing the horses not under the control of the driver, and fearing a collision with several teams were preparing to save themselves from injury when a sudden lurch of the carriage threw them to the ground. Mrs Croan was severely bruised, but is now slowly recovering. Mrs Kins-ley fell directly on her head, sustaining a bad fracture of the knee and internal injuries. She was taken to her hom in an unconscious condition and the best of dical skill obtained, and all that numerou riends could do were done to restore her life. She remained in an almost unconsciou condition until today, when death relieved her of her sufferings. Mrs. Kinsley was a member of the Western Normal college faculty and was widely known by the thousands of students from all over the Unite States who have attended college here.

A Chicago Controversy.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25 .- A curious controversy is in progress here over a resolution intro duted in the city council proposing an investigation of the present system of teaching deaf mutes in Chicago's public schools. Alderman Vierling presented the resolution, he said, at the request of mutes, who declared that the methods could be improved and the expense lessened. In an interview this even-ing Superintendent Philip Emery of the school staff, himself a mute, vigorously com-bated the assertions of the mutes, who are backing the proposed changes. Emery, speaking in the sign language, speaking in the sign language, said excitedly: "The attack on Chicago schools comes from the graduates of the lllinois state school at Jacksonville, who wish to get jobs. These Jacksonville mutes are very clannish and have united together to secure control of the Chicago schools. The latter are not expensive, for it only costs the city \$95.34 annually for each pupil, while at eksonville it costs the state \$347.

A Peculiar Case. ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 25,-[Special Tele gram to Tun Bun !- The doctors in this vicinity are marvelling over a most extraordinary occurrence. They have ransacked the records and can find no case equally strange. On November 19 last Mrs. John Sullivan of Parrow street, this city, gave birth to a baby which was strong and healthy and is doing well. Mrs. Sullivan recovered from her sickness and proceeded with her household duties until Tuesday, when she gave birth to a second child, also strong and healthy. The attending physician, surprised at this abnormal event, called in a dozen of the most prominent physicians in Orange, Although an old practitioner himself, he could not account for the occurrence, nor could his colleagues.

Shot His Employer.

NEW COMERSTOWN, O., Dec. 25 .- |Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- James Booth, farmer, was shot this morning on his farm four miles from here by Henry Worley, one of his hands. Both men had been drinking yesterday and bad quarrelied. This morn-ling at the breakfast table the quarrel was renewed and Worsey blew the top of his em-ployer's head off with a shotgun. Worsey aped and citizens are now hunting for him

HANDS ON SADDLES.

The Seventh Cavary Momentarily Ex-PINE ROSE AGENCY, S. D. (via Rushville, Neb.), Dec. 25.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The Seventh cavalry has been prepared all day to jump into their sad dies, but has not moved as yet, though they momentarily expect the word. No word from Henry has increased the excitement

CAP. FOUNTAIN SURROUNDED

among the friendlies here over Christ Hop-

C. H. C.

Mr.jor Carroll Makes a Forced March to His Assistance.

DICKINSON, N. D., Dec. 25, -Major Carroll mude a forced march Tuesday night with a force, of sixty-five miles in fourteen hours, arriving at New England City at S a. m., complying with orders from Fort Yates by courier to the effect that Captain Fountain of the Eighth cavalry was surrounded in the Cave hills by 500 Indians. A two hours' rest was taken at New England City and Major Carroll continued his forced march southwest in the direction of Cave hills, fifty miles distant. His force got to Captain Fountain's assistance this morning.
Aid may have come in from the south, and if
not surrounded the forces are thought to be
in a position to hold off the Indians until as-

AT FORT BENNETT.

The Hostiles Arrive and Surrender to the Authorities Their Arms. PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 25.-Captain Norvime, special agent, has returned from Fort Bennett and reports the Indian war there'over. It seems the Indians were afraid they would be massacred or they would have come in before. After the Indians arrived at Bennett councils were held to determine whether they would give up their arms or not. Agent Palmer said: "No arms, no rations or blankets." This soon brought them to time and all arms are now stacked up at the agency. Captain Hearst, commanding officer agency. Captain Hearst, commanding office at Fort Sully, has received the capitulation of 174 Uncapaças, including seventy of Sitting Buil's band and fifty from the Rosebuc agency. Narcisse Narcello, a boss farmer, brought in 412 of Big Foot's Indi-ans. Out of these, innety-cight stands of arms were collected. Sitting Bull's men want to remain at Cheyenne and say they are afraid to return to Standing Rock. All have surrendered and the best of care is being taken of them. Many of th rers among the Indians acted very ugly in making the final settlements.

Gone to the Field. VALENTINE. Neb., Dec. 25 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- For the last week a special train of passenger coaches has been standing on a side track here, with the engine steamed ready to start on short notice. Colonel Shafter, commanding the First infantry, lately from California, but which regiment has been waiting at Fort Niobrara under orders to be ready to move at any moment, received the orders last night and it was but a short time before the troops broke camp. A little delay was occasioned on ac-count of having to secure transportation for the troops after leaving the railroad but by it o'clock this morning two special trains steamed out of here for Fairburn, Dak., where the regiment is to take the field. The officers and men were in excellent health and

Canadian Reserves Quiet.

Orrawa, Ont., Dec. 25. -According to rement it appears that the commissioner three weeks ago issued orders to the border patrols disarm all United States Indians coming into Canadian territory and collect a duty or their ponies or else tern the Indians back. These instructions were carried out, with the result that everything is quiet on all the

Will Invade the Cherokee Strip. AHKANSAS CITY, Kan., Dec. 25.-A courie arrived here this evening from the boomer's camp near the state line. He says 200 men with teams and farm implements and camp equipage will invade the Cherokee strip to morrow evening. This action is probably due to the fact that the last detachment o United States troops has been withdrawn.

PARNELL'S OPINION.

The Irish Leader Expresses Himself

on t'e Kilkenny Verdict. DUBLIN, Dec. 25 .- In an interview today before his departure Parnell said; "Being awake of the conditions we had to fight in Kilkenny, I know that the carrying of the seat was almost hopeless. I never expected to win. The conduct of the priests almost surpasses belief. The pressure brought to bear upon the masses of the people who would have voted for us had they been left to exercise their own judgment without intimidation was undreamed of. Was it kind of a priest to hold over his flock threats of spiritual penalties! Interference with the liberty of an elector cannot be tolerated. Cases have occurred, of which there is the fullest proof, that threats of personal violence were used. It is a remarkable and encouraging fact that in districts where people were not correct by priests we polled 90 per cent of the votes. I wished to penetrate the district around Cortle Co. the district around Castle Comer, but was prevented by fear of bloodshed." "Scully is a strong Catholic, but he sees

clearly that if the priests are permitted sim-ilarly to influence the coming elections Ire-land will be lost. The general election is not far distant, and I shall push forward prepa-

rations for it.

What view do you hold of the prospect of the different parties!"
To this question Parnell replied: "Should dissolution occur soon, Gladstone will have very little chance of returning to power. As

to my position, time is on my side." O'Brien and Gill.

Pants, Dec. 25 .- O'Brien and Gill arrived at Boulogne this morning and were met at the landing place by McCarthy and Sullivau They said they were overjoyed at the result of the election in North Kilkerny. interviewed by a reporter O'Brien refused to express an opinion on the present situation in Ireland. He started for Paris Sexton and others will retur

An Offensive Partisan Killed. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 25 .- A special to the Appeal-Avalanche from Carrollton, Miss., says that John Prentiss Mathews, republican postmaster at that place, was killed today by W. S. McBride, a wealthy and prominent young druggist. The dispatch asserts that Mathew has rendered himself odious to the people of the community by dissolute conduct, etc. McBride had an altercation with him at the postoffice last night, resulting in a fight. Today, the dispatch says, Matthews started out armed with a rifle. cursing and threatening to kill McBride was finally arrested by the sheriff. released on bail he returned to the postoffice. got his gun and started for McBride's store. McBride came out with a shotgun and fired killing him instantly. Matthews' brother is United States marshal for the southern dis-trict of Mississippi.

A Burglarious Musician.

Berlin, Dec. 25 .- [Special Cablegram THE BEE.]-A young musician named Broese ker last night burglarized the residence of Mr. Schaefer, a merchant. The family was absent, the only person in the house at the time being a maid servant. The burglar as-sulted the servant with an iron bar, knock-ing her senseless. Subsequently Broseker became terrorized and surrendered to the

CANADA ROADS MUST SUBMIT.

Representative Burton's Scheme to Bring Them Under the Interstate Liw.

THE SENATE CLOTURE RESOLUTION. in mute but emphatic revelation, a story of a

There Seems to Be no Doubt About its Passage-Indications Point to the Re-Election of Senator Ingalis.

WASHINGTON BURRAU THE OMAHA BEE,)

VASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25. Representative Burton proposes to take the Canadian radroads by the throat and choke them into submission to the agrarian interstate commerce law. This is about the meaning of his bill introduced the other day for the purpose of licensing Canadian raff reads to do business on this side of the border. There have been numerous solutions to this railway problem offered, but the Burton plan is probably the most radical one. It provides that no Canadian railroad can do business on this side of the border unless it first file a stipulation that it will conform to the interstate commerce law. An agent must be kept on this side upon whom papers may be served. The interstate commerce commission has, however, authority over the Canadian railroads and may at any time suspend the license of a Canadian road when it is found that there is a breach of the interstate law. On the first breach of the law the suspension is for three months, on the second breach six months, and in case of a continuance of the breach the suspension may be continuous. The custom house officers are called upon to do an extraordinary duty in stopping the Canadian railroad at the border in case the interstate commerce commission orders the suspension of the road's traffic. Speaking of this proposed license system of solving the Canadian railway question, Senator McMillan said to ay that it could not possibly be carried into operation. The suspension of a railroad business for three months was equivalent to suspending it for good, for when a barrier was once put

upon a road it would depress its financia standing and permanently cripple it. THE SENATE CLOTURE RESOLUTION. There was a complete suspension of business—federal, legislative and civil—in Washington today. Snow fell from early morning till night and few people were on the streets. There was little said of politics or legislation, but the expressions heard were generally to the effect that the cloture resolution will be passed, yet it may come at so late a day that neither the election or financial bill will be passed. There are about a dozen general appropriation bills to be passed and only about fifty-five working days remain of the session. It may be necessary to pass the cloture resolution in order to complete any important business. Surely this must be done if the democrats are no assured that the election bill is not to be pushed to a vote, so the adoption of the cloture resolution does not necessarily mean the adoption of the election bill.

SAYS INGALLS WILL BE RE-ELECTED. Senator Plumb of Kansas says Senator Ingalls will be re-elected. Mr. Ingalls is now among his constituents. The farmers' alliance republican members of the legislature are having the reins pulled hard against the brilliant Ingalis, but there is now every evi-dence that he will be re-closted next month. Private telegrams from North Dakota received by republican senators say that Senator Gil Pierce will be re-elected. Senator Pierce has made a splendid record, has a powerful influence, is a sterling republican and if returned will be able to render con-

spicuous service for the new state he repre-Senators Moody and Pettigrew, who have left for South Dakota to look after the former's re-election when the legislature convenes next month, will return here as soon as needed to make a republican majority for the adoption of the rule to close debate in the

General Browne of Indiana thinks of intro ducing a bill making the pay of census enu-merators average up to \$3 a day. I has been discovered that some who has been discovered that some who did the hardest and most satisfactory work received less than \$2 a day, while some who had the easiest work made as high a PERRY S. HEATH.

PADDOCK INTERVIEWED.

He Will Push Forward His Pure Food Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 .- The Post tomorrow will say that Senator Paddock of Nebraska was in earnest when he warned the senate a few days ago that he would soon move to lay aside the election bill and take up the pur food bill, and he will before long again take occasion to renew his warning. He will first give his party, however, ample opportunity to either pass the election bill or conclude to lay it aside. In this connection it may be inceresting to state that Paddock has been mi quoted from the beginning in regard to his position on this bill. A dispatch originally sent from here ascribod an interview alleged to have taken place between the president and the senate, in which the former is said to have upbraided the latter for not supporting the bill.

"The interview thus picturesquely related not only never occurred," said Paddock, "but the president never mentioned either the elections bill or the tariff bill to me. I have never said I would not vote for the elections bill," he continued, "although I have been quoted as saying so. The truth is that there is nothing in the provisions of the bill objectionable to me. My position is that I regard the consideration of the bill at this time as unwise. I think it would be better to discuss and pass financial meas-ures. The elections bill is purely a ures. The elections bill is purely a political matter, in which only straight-out republicans in the country are interested while financial legislation vitally concerns all business men and is sadly needed. yet received a single letter from my state either for or against the elections bill, which is a sure indication of lack of interest in it. Another thing against the elections bill is that it is regarded with a suspicion that may not be well founded, but which is certainly

operating to disturb business relations be-tween the north and the south."

The Post also says: "There is at present an interesting point of difference between Senators Edmunds and Hoar regarding the future programme in the senate. Edmunds believes it would be perfectly right and proper for the presiding officer of the senate to refuse to recognize the minority of the senate and thus bring the elections bill to a vote Senator Hoar and others do not go this far, but claim that the presiding officer has the power to bring to a close any filibustering proceedings which have for their object the defeat of a rule. They as-sert that foreible measures in this case would be constitutional because the constitution gives each house the right to determine its This distinction between the cloture and the cloture for a rule is a fine one and has not hitherto been commented

One Bullet Does Great Damage. WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 25-Mose Howe went into the residence of G. E. Norris, at Parkersburg, tonight and drawing a revelver fired at Mrs Norris, the ball passing through her nose and through both wrists of her little daughter, and finally lodging in Mr. Norris' leg. Howe was arrested before he could do

Big Miners' Strike in Prospect ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 25 .- The miners of the central Pennsylvania coatregions have served notice on the operators, demanding 50 cents net, instead of 50 cents gross per ton and a new working scale of prices. If their de-mands are not granted men to the number of 15,000 will quit work the first of the year.

NEVER KNEW HIS WEALTH.

The Heir to Many Millions Dies in Poverty in Texas. San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 25.-A romantic, yet tragic, event occurred in this city recently, the circumstances relating to it being discovered yesterday. A pine coffin and an unshrouded corpse were all that was left to tell,

sad life and its end. The victim was John Jemison, He lived what to many would be considered an eventful life, the heir, without knowing it, to wealth greater than that attributed to the

weath greater than that attributed to the fabled "Monte Cristo," and died so poor in ready cash as not to have enough to bury him decently.

J. H. Summerlin, a prominent lawyer of this city, was delving in some old faded musty letters which had belonged to the deceased yesterday when he discovered the secret that trakes the heirs of Lemson the owners of makes the heirs of Jemison the owners of many millions of dollars' we the of property. The letters were written in 1836 by one of the heroes of the Teras struggle. He was a Captain Jemison, in the service of the command of General Samuel Houston, when mand of General Samuel Houston, when Texas was a republic. In this epistle, which is written to a relative in Chicago, he professed that he will not be able to return to the loved ones at his home, but that he expected to meet the very fate that did befall him when, some time after, he fell on the field, his heart pierced by a shot from the foe. The man who died here recently was his descendant in a direct line and of his his descendant in a direct line, and of his identity there is not even the shadow of a

The soldier who was his accessor had property in three different states in three hold erty in three different states in three holdings. It was of comparatively triffing value and Captain Jemison, its owner, was a comparatively poor man when he died. Some of this land was located in the very heart of Chicage and a portion of what now comprises Hennepin park in that city. The powers of attorney have been received by the lawyer who made the discover; and he has filed them with the clerk of the county court here as a preliminary step toward the recovery of some valuable property located in the city. Since the death of Jemison the property that was his has enhanced several thousandfold in value and today that portion of it located in value and today that portion of it located in Chicago alone is estimated at \$40,000,000, while the balance is equally as valuable.

DESPERADOES SHOT.

Three of Them Have a Brilliant but Brief Day of Excitement.

HINCKLEY, Minn., Dec. 25 .- [Special Tele gram to THE BEE. |-The bodies of two desperadoes lie at the city hospital, having been shot dead by Marshal Booth at 10 o'clock this morning. Michael, John and Peter Kane, brothers, came into town and in less than an hour had driven everybody in the place off the streets by indiscriminately firing revolvers and flourishing knives. They confisvers and flourishing knives. They confis-cated liquor right and left and were soon hilariously intoxicated. Marshal Booth finally corralled them in an alley and by a liberal display of arms placed them under arrest. He marched them up the street half a block when they broke away and began firing at him. The officer, however, was too quick for the desperadoes and sent as unerring bullet into the head of John Kane, who fell dead. The other brothers then quickly turned a corner and attempted to escape up the rall-read track towards Duluth. Marshal Booth read track towards Duluth. Marshal Booth followed, firing as fast as he could cock his revolver and finally planted a leaden missile in the back of Peter Kane's head. He died from the wound during the afterboon. Michael Kane was captured and placed in jail where he is in momentary danger of being lynched. The dead men were single and had been the termoral the lumber camps of this region for a time lime. They were about twenty-eight and thirty years of age and half from Hastings, Minn. Marshal Booth gave himself up to Sheriff McLaughlin.

AFTER BOODLE.

A Pair of Safe Crackers Celebrate the

Day by Robbing a Orug Store. Madison, S. D., Dec. 25,-|Special Tele gram to THE BEE.] -Just before midnight last night two strangers entered W. M. Bartlett's drug store just as the proprietor was closing up after a big holiday trade. One of the men proceeded to examene some albums while the other quietly bolted the front door. While Mr. Bartiett was wrap ping up the album one of the man grappled him and in the scuffic a show case was overturned and considerable havoc done. The other stranger then came to the aid of his partner and dealt Bartlett a blow on the back of the head, felling him to the floor, where he remained unconscieus. The robbers then rifled the safe, which had not yet been locked, getting about \$3,000 in cash and decamped. Mr. Bartlett gave the alarm as soon as he regained consciousness, but the strangers had fied. Today word was received from Winifred that the men had een caught and Mr. Bartlett will go there

Senator Stanford's Loaning Scheme WASHINGTON, Dec. 25:-Secretary Windom expressed to a senatorial caller the otherday his opinion of the proposition of Senator Stanford to lend money to farmers at two per cent upon their lands. Secretary Windom gravely informed his senatorial caller that he favored Mr. Stanford's proposition if he could add three amendments to it. The first amendment was that the loans should be extended to all classes of property. There is no reason, he said, why a special class should be favored. The second would be to lend money to men who had brains but no property. His third amendment was to lend simply upon the title of American citizenship to mer who are so unfortunate as to possess neither brains nor property. With these three amendments Mr. Windom said, with a cheerful smile, the proposition would undoubtedly be hailed by great outburst sof popular ap proval.

PRESCOTT, A. T., Dec. 25,-John M. Stoop who shot and killed Grant Le Barr at the Peck mine Saturday night, was arrested and placed in jail here yesterday. He admitted the killing and his preliminary examination was set for December 26 About 9 o'clock this morning, while one of the prisoners in the jail was engaged in shaving he laid the razor down a moment, when Stoop suddenly picked it up, went to his cell and slashed himself across the throat from ear to ear be fore the horrified prisoners near him could prevent it. As soon as he committed the eed he walked out into the corridor and at tempted to speak to the prisoners who had followed him, but immediately sank to the

The Scotland Strike Serious. Glasgow, Dec. 25. It is now estimated

hat 9,000 men are out on a strike on the various railways in Scotland. Traffic on the North British railway has almost ceased. Many assaults by strikers are reported. The employes of the Caledonian railway company are gradually joining the strikers. The Glas-gow docks are closed. The gas supply at Perth is threatened with exhaustion owing to the inability of the companies to obtain

Promises Lots of Snow.

Washington, Dec. 25.—A special bulletin issued by the signal office, referring to the present storm, which extends from Indiana to Virginia, says it promises the greatest amount of snow in any single storm for set eral years. Warnings were sent to railroads in Pennsylvania and New York today that the storm will reach New England by Friday. From three to seven inches of snow fell today in the Ohio valley.

A Kentucky Christmas Scrap. Louisville, Ky., Dec. 25 .- In a fight at

Christmas entertainment at a church at Nabb's station, near Joffersonville, last night Joseph Taffinger and Bud Robinson wer fatally wounded.

SANTA CLAUS IN LINCOLN

He Appears as a Bold Burglar at the Store of Curtice & Thayer.

ONLY THIRTY DOLLARS PLUNDER SECURED

Three More Days Will End the Testimony in the Election Contest-A Pioneer's Daughter Married

-Christmas in Nebraska. LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 21 .- | Special to THE Beg.]-Another safe was cracked in Lincoln last night, the victims this time being the firm of Curtice & Thayer, at 207 South Eleventh street. The bold burglars effected an entrance by prying open the front door of the store with a chisel. After getting inside they nailed the door up so that it would be impossible for any officers or other persons to get in in case they were discovered. The cracksmen used twenty penny spikes and ten penny nails in putting up the barricade, and must necessarily have made considerable noise in so doing. It is believed that a con-federate must have stood on the sidewalk and watched for the police while the daring work was being carried on. The safe was then tackled, the mode of

proceedure being to bore a hole midway be-tween the combination and knob, and then to insert a steel rod. A few blows on the rod demolished the delicate machinery of the combination and the door flew open by

merely turning the knob.

Fortunately there was only about \$30 in the safe, but the thieves took every cent of this. They made their exit through a back door and left it standing open. It is sup-posed that the fellows are the same who cracked Nissiey's safe, as their methods are

The Contest.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 25 .- |Special Telegram to Tue Bee. |-The taking of testimony in the great election contest has begun to drag in Lincoln. Only about four hours were devoted to it last week, two on Friday and two on Saturday, and then adjournment was taken until last Tuesday. On Tuesday adjournment was taken until Wednesday and yesterday another adjournment was taken until tomorrow. This leaves only three more days in which testimony can be taken, as all must be in by Monday night. It is be-lieved that the bulk of the testimony is in, although it is surmised that the prohibition ists, who seem to be ready for any mean and despicable advantage, are keeping the most important testimony back, if there is any, until the last day so that Boyd cannot get

any testimony in rebuttal, A Pioneer's Daughter Married. CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Dec. 25 .- [Special to THE BEE.]-The marriage of E. C. Fisher and Miss Nettie Vieregg was solemnized at the Episcopal church in this city December 28 at 8 o'clock, Rev. A. E. Marsh officiating. A reception at the home of the bride's parents followed, at which there was present upwards of two hundred guests. Particular interest attaches to this event from the fact that the bride's father, James Vieregg, was the very first man to stake out a house in Merrick county, having come here in 1856, and the bride was one of the first children born nere. No family is better known in this part of Nebrusia. Among these present at the reception were many friends and relatives from Laramie, Wyo., Grand Island, Plattsmouth and South Omaha. The groom is one and is reported as well blessed with this world's possessions. The couple was remem-bered with an array of presents the like of

which was never before seen in Central City The supper served on this occasion is worth table was graced by a huge roasted pig brought here and presented by Z. Cudding-ton of South Omaha. The couple will make

their home here.

A Happy Christmas. NEBRASKA CITY, Nob., Dec. 25 .- [Special to THE BEE. |- Christmas day brought joy to many poor homes in Nebraska City. The fund started for that purpose by Genera Van Wyck grew to good proportions by con-tributions from our citizens. Cash, fuel, eatables and clothing were distributed among

the deserving and needy. An Old Settler's Death.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dab. 25 .- [Special Tele gram to THE BEE.]-Fred Mathews, an old resident of this place, who came here in 1868, died today of heart disease at his residence in the western part of the city. While in Europe last summer with Buffalo Bill he was prostrated by a stroke of paralysis and re-turned home a few months ago. He was on the street yesterday talking with friends and seemed to be improving in health. All the old settlers will attend the funeral. He was

Burglars at Loup City.

Loup City, Neb., Dec. 25 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-About 2 o'clock this morning the general store of J. S. Pyre was entered by burglars and the safe blown, but no valuables secured. They then entered the general store of R. Taylor and secured about \$18 in small change from the cash drawer, a few pairs of gloves and a number of silk handkerchiefs. W. J. Ditto's drug store was next entered, but only a few nickels were se

Hartwelt-Stiegimer.

PAWNER, Neb., Dec. 25 .- [Special Tele gram to THE BEE. |- Walter Hartwell, cashier of the Farmers' National bank, and Miss Addie Stiegimer, daughter of ex-President M. Stiegimer, were married last night. The s one of the most popular couples of young people in this vicinity.

After Tabor College. NEBHASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 25.-[Special to THE BEE.]-A meeting of the board of trade has been called for next Tuesday evening to consider a proposition for the removal of the Tabor, Ia., business college to this city.

A Masonic Blaze. BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 25.—The Masonic temple burned today. Nearly all the records of the Maryland grand lodge since its organi zation were destroyed. The fire broke out in the theater on the second and third floors. The fine building, which cost \$450,000, was entirely gutted.

The theatrical company was just preparing for the Christmas matinee. The actors all escaped, but all their wardrobes were lost. The total damage to the building and connts may reach \$300,000. Tragedy on a Train. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 25 .- A special to the

Globe from Dickinson, S. D., says: D. A. Shannon, a one-armed newsboy, was shot by Lewis G. Buss this afternoon on a Northern Pacific train between Andrews and Little Missouri. Buss, who is from Sac City, Ia., Missouri. Buss, who is from Sac City, in, on his way to Seattle, jumped and ran as soon as the act was committed. The train was stopped and the passengers gave chase. Buss showed fight and was handled roughly and seriously injured. Shannon, who is from Mason City, ia., will probably die.

A Fatal Collision.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 25 .- This afternoon a Pleasant Valley electric car and a Penn avenue cable car collided with terrific force. Both cars were filled with passengers and a panic ensued. Alexander Robinson, colored, was fatally and several other passengers

FARMENS DECLARE WAR.

They Object to the Power of the Exchange in th Selling of Stock. CHICAGO, Dec. 25.-|Special Telegram to THE BEE.|-The war of the farmers against the Chicago live stock exchange has begun in carnest. Cicero J. Linnley, state president of the Illinois Farmers' Mutual Benefit assoclation, and M. L. Crum, state president of the farmers' alliance and industrial union, have filed informations with Attorney General Hunt at Springfield advising him of the existence at the Union stock yards at Chicago of an organization known as the Chicago live stock exchange, with a membership of about five hundred commission merchants and buyers of live stock on the public market at that city which assumes to fix the rates of commission for the sale of live stock at the Union stock yards, and to prohibit members of its organization from buying stock from any person doing business at the stockyards who is not a member of the exchange. The in-formation sets forth that this organization has fixed minimum rates of commission for the selling of live stock and under its rules affixes rigid penalties to prohibit its members from buying live stock from any person hav-ing business at the stockyards who does not comply with the rules of the exchange; that this Chicago Live Stock exchange is incor-

porated and acts under the laws of this state; that an effort has been made by an organization of stock producers to procure their stock to be sold on the Union stock-yards market in such form that the proceeds resulting from such sales over and above the necessary expenses should be divided, so that 65 per cent of such excess printing that the process of the stock sold in might go to the owners of the stock sold in the ratio to the number sold, but that a com-bination exists between the buyers at the stockyards and the commission merchants by which the purchasers of live stock (being also members of the exchange), are refusing to buy cattle shipped to the stockyards from any persons except the members of this live

porated and acts under the laws of this state:

stock exchange, who charge the extravagant rates complained of.

The information says these regulations are designed to prevent members of the ex-change from handling stock shipped in by the American live steck commission company, which is composed exclusively of stock producers in this and other states and which has employed agents to sell their stock for them and for such others as might see fit to send stock to them, adding that the experience of the latter company demonstrates that cattle can be profitably handled as to the buying and seiling at 25 cents a head. The informants aver that the union stockyards is a public market and should therefore be open and free, and they ask the attorney gen eral to take such steps in the premises as will result in affording relief to the live stock pro-

ducers, assuring him that further informa-tion will be furnished if required.

It is announced that the farmers' alliances of seven northwestern states will join in this contest to protect their own stockyards agents against the boycott of the Chicago ex-

A BRAZILIAN BANK. News Received of the Organization of

a Monster Corporation. Washington, Dec. 25.—The bureau of American republics has received information of the organization of a corporation in Brazil under the name of "Bompanhia Nova Era Rural do Brazil," with a capital of \$25,000,000, a large part of which has been furnished by bankers and merchants of Europe. Its object is to establish twenty agricultural settlements upon public lands in Brazil, which are given free of cost by the government to aid the enterprise, to construct lines of railwa

for placing these settlements in commu to carry out other engineering works, mining operations and the manufacture of sugar, bricks, tiles, lime and other articles for expert as well as for local consumition. The port as well as for company proposed to select thousands of fam-lies in Europe, consisting of skilled agricul-turalists and mechanics, and transport them to Brazil, where houses will be prepared for their occupancy and tools and implements furnished for their use. These colonists will be divided into villages and scattered over the state as a nucleus for imme-grants to be brought there later. The federal and several state governments of Brazil have offered a quarterly of 5 per cent interest on one-third of the capital in-

vested in the enterprise.

An expedition was sometime ago sent by the Argentine government up the Paparing river to explore what is known as the Gran river to explore what is known as the Gran Chace tract of country, in the northern part of the Argentine republic, as unknown as the interior of Africa. The expedition has returned, having traveled some four thousand miles, and reports that Gran Chace, which was supposed to be a sort of a swamp, is on the contrary a land of much promise, the climate being mild and healthy and the soil rich and dry. Maize, corn and sugar cane rich and dry. Maize, corn and sugar can re attain enormous size, and there is much

SAWTELLE CONVICTED.

valuable timber.

The Famous New Hampshire Fratri

cide Sentenced to Death. Dover, N. H., Dec. 25 .- Arguments in the noted Sawtelle murder trial were closed and the judge charged the jury this afternoon. At 7:30 this evening they returned to cour and announced that they had reached a verdict finding the prisoner, Isaac B. Sawtelle guilty of murder in the first degree. Judge Doc then sentenced him to be hanged the first Tuesday in 1892, and to be confined in the meantime in the state prison at Concord. Sawtelle betrayed no emotion.

A Sad Christmas at College. ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 25.—The sad drowning of two students made this a gloomy Christmas at the college. Last night two medical students, Frank E. Dickinson of Dubuque, fa., and Minnie Brundage of Long Island, left for the mill pond to skate. They did not return and this morning early a searching party found a hole in the lee and a muff lying near by. They commenced drag-

ging and this afternoon found the bodies. A Desperate Chistmas Deed. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 25, - William Rock well, a laborer, last night called on his former mistress, Mrs. Rockwell, and attempted to persuade her to return to him. She refused and he shot her, inflicting a slight wound. The woman fainted, and thinking he had killed her, Rockwell turned the weapon upon her little daughter and inflicted a slight wound. He then fied.

The President's Christmas. Washington, Dec. 25 .- The president an ne members of his family did not attend

church this morning. They spent most of the morning in the library, where the McKe pables had a big Christmas tree. At 1 o'clock luncheon was served, the president, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. McKee, Mrs. Dimmick and A Christmas Cremation.

HOLDEN, Mo., Dec. 25, -The house of Sam uel Malone was burned early this morning and he and his brother-in-law, John Hicks, perished. Malone was an old pensioner and ways kept considerable money in the house Foul play is suspected, Riot at a Christmas Festival.

Oxnoon, Ala., Dec. 25 .- A rot broke up

Christmas festival at a negro church near this place. Over fifty shots were fired. Ben Butler was killed outright and Tom Alexaner and Hobron McIntosh fatally injured. Wintry Weather in Pittsburg. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 25.-The very heavy nowstorm which began early this evening

ontinues at midnight. Several street car haes are blocked and travel suspended. Less Hours and More Wages

LONDON, Dec. 25 .- One thousand railway men at Hull have struck for shorter hours and more wages.

THEY MUST FACE THE MUSIC.

Some Knotty Problems That Will Confront South Dakota's Legislators.

THE STATE TREASURY IS DEPLETED.

A Vast Amount of Fine Figuring Necessary-Outlook in the Contest for the United States Senatorship.

Pinne, S. D., Dec. 25,-The state legislature will meet at Pierre January 6. That the legislators will have a vast amount of fine figuring to do to meet the exigencies of the hour there is no doubt in the minds of those well posted regarding the state's affairs. The state treasury is utterly depleted and has reached the constitutional limitation as to the raising of revenue. The present year the taxes of South Dakota were raised under the 3-mill levy made under the territorial law made last year, and in addition bonds to the amount of \$100,000-the constitutional limitwere issued and sold; and yet within much less than a year the treasury has been emptied, and a stoppage and closing of every public institution is threatened. These things were made plain to the legislature last winter in a message from the governor, but no head was given. That body went abead in a reckless manner, creating new officers, making

large appropriations, and opening new chan-nels for the state funds to escape.

Of course hard times and a failure to col-lect taxes has had something to do with the state's financial condition, yet the fact re-mains that if all the taxes were collected the amount would be still far short of enough to cover the deficit. There is but one temporary expedient at hand, which is a consti-tutional provision allowing the legislature to order an extra levy to meet casual deficits and failure in revenue, but even that is not readily available.

readily available.

The amendment voted on at the late election to increase the bonded indebtedness to \$500,000 was defeated by a large majority. If this had carried the legislature would have easily tound a way to solve the problem; but the voters of the state did not seem

to understand the state's finantial straits. From different portions of the state come rumors of proposed new legislation, such as radical railroad legislation, including a 2-cent fare, fines for the acceptance of passes by public officials, taxation, etc. Then there are those who will urge a reduction of the membership of the legislature—the house to seventy-five members and the senate to twenty-five members, the membership in the two houses now being double that number. There will proposely be an area double to the control of the control will probably be an amendment to the constitution proposed relative to aid for irrigation, a bill looking to this object having been vetoed by the governor last winter on account of its being unconstitutional. Then there are those who will urge the resubmission of the prohibition amendment and possibly of the woman suffrage amendment, and there is talk that Huron will endeavor to have the consti-tution amended so that the capital location

may again be voted upon.

But the great and all-absorbing topic is that of electing a United States senator for a term of six years to succeed G. C. Moody. The political complexion of the legislature is divided between the democrats, independent divided between the democrats, independents and republicans, neither party having a majority on joint ballot, though the democrats and independents together have a majority of five on joint ballot. It is believed by many that the democrats and independents will join in an effort to organize both houses, and that the officers and charrmanships are to be divided between the independents and democrats, the speakership to pendents and democrats, the speakership to go to the independents; that the independents and democrats will unite to break down senator Moody at the outset; then the inde-pendents will be at liberty to vote for their candidate, Mr. Wardall, and the democrats at liberty to vote for Mr. trip, their candi-date, but if at any time either branch of the fusion can form a combination that will elect either Tripp or Wardell, they are to unite for that purpose without further ceremony. Should it be demonstrated that neither Wardall nor Tripp

can be elected a new man is to be taken up, either democrat or independent. Should this programme be carried out, Moody will stand no show.

But the republicans assert that they will be able to control enough independent members to elect Moody or some other republican. Senator Pettigrew will use his influence to re-elect Moody, and he is a power in South

Dakota politics.

There are others mentioned in connection with the senatorship. Governor Mellette, A. Melville, F. L. Pinsham and C. T. McCoy, republicans; J. W. Hardin, George Crosse, independents, and M. H. Day, P. F. McClure and L. Q. Jeffries, democrats, are

Miller Bound Over.

Hor Springs, S. D., Dec. 25. - Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Robert Moore, who last Monday night killed a young mon named Frank Miller at a point on the B. & M. railway in this county, known as Chilson, was brought to this city last evening and, upon being arraigned for preliminary hearing, waived examination and was bound over in the sum of \$1,000 to await the action of the next circuit court. It has been learned that Miller became too intimate with Moore's fourteen-year-old daughter and in the fracus which ensued the murderer bit his victim a harder blow than he intended on the back of the head, causing almost instant death. Miller was but nineteen years old and was night watchman at the steam shovel located

The Third Party Movement. TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 25 .- Mr. McGrath, president of the Kansas farmers' alliance, in an interview today said that at the meeting of the legislative committee of the nationa alliance in Washington some time in February the third party movement would be one of the principal things to be acted upon. "This movement," said McGrath, "will even-tually embrace all the labor organizations in the United States. In fact, about all of them are committed to it now except the 'grange,' and most of the grangers are members of the

The Scotch Railway Strike.

GLASGOW, Dec. 25 .- A railway chair was found fastened to the tracks on the line between this city and Kilbride, but was discovered in time to prevent an accident. The purpose was to derail the night train, and the strikers are accused of the fiendish act. Many Aberdeen strikers are resuming work. The prospects are that the strikers in Glasgow and at Edinburgh will consent to arbi-

Snow at the National Capital.

Washington, Dec. 28 .- It is snowing hard this evening, with every indication of a protracted storm. A dispatch from Harrisonburg, Va., says a severe snow storm set in this morning and it is still snowing. The country roads are yet blocked from the storm of the 17th and 18th and trade is almost entirely suspended. The same condition of affairs is reported from Staunton.

A Virginia Negro Lynched. RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 25 .- Knich Freeman, negro charged with the murder of N. B. Adkins and his mother, was lynched yesterday morning by a party of masked men.

The Weather Forecast. For Omaha and vicinity-Fair; warmer, For Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota-

Archb shop of York Dead. Dunian, Dec 25. The archbishop of York