IOWANS HUNTING FOR GOLD.

The Reported Rich Discovery of a Mahaska County Farmer.

A NUGGET WEIGHING SEVENTY OUNCES.

Suicide of an Insane Man at Mount Pleasant-A Little Girl Burned to Death at Oskaloosa-Iowa News.

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 26.- Special Tele gram to THE BEE. |- What is claimed to be one of the biggest finds of gold has just been rnade in Mahaska county, Black Oak township. The piece of what is supposed to be solid gold, weighing seventy ounces, was found by a farmer named Hollowman on the edge of a small creek. The farm upon which It was discovered belongs to Mr. Funson, a prominent land owner in that part of the state. Hollowman did not realize the value of the piece of bright metal that he curiously picked up, but some of his friends suggested that he have it tested. He took it to a Pella jeweler, who pronounced it to be genuine gold. If this is true it will be worth not less than \$1,100 or \$1,200. The people in that section are naturally excited over the find and are looking for more nuggets of gold.

An Insane Man Suicides. MOUNT PLEASANT, Ia., Dec. 26,- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- This afternoon an attendant of the insane hospital was out walking with a patient named Swenk. When near the railway station a passenger train approached. Swenk, heretofore quiet, became unmanageable, broke from the attendant, ran to the station and threw himself in front of the engine. The entire train passed over him, severing both legs and otherwise horriby mangling him.

A Child Burned to Death. OSKALOOSA, IA, Dec. 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The four-year-old daughter of T. C. Bailey was burned to death yesterday while playing with fire.

Found Dead in the Road.

INDEPENDENCE, Ia., Dec. 26. - Special Telegrain to THE BEE.]-Sylvester Caldwell, a popular and prosperous young farmer, was found dead on the Westburg road last night, He had started for the district Christmas tree well laden with gifts the evening before. Being missed from the festivities on that evening and the day following, a search was instituted with the above result. He had been dead about twenty-four hours when discovered. A well filled purse and a gold watch were found on him, banishing all idea

ARGENTINE COMMERCE.

Interesting Statistics Received by th Bureau of American Republics. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-The bureau of American republics has received a dispatch from the Argentine Republic giving a prief summary of the commerce of that country for the year ending June 30 last. It appears that notwithstanding the revolution the imports for the year amounted to \$175,955,000, and the exports to \$159,627,000. The wheat crop for the year has been enormous, and probably will be the largest ever grown in the country. During the year 289,000 emigrants landed at Buenos Ayres, of which number 109,000 had their passage paid by the governments. Information is also received by the bureau

Information is also received by the bureau that the government of Colombia has signed a contract with J. L. Cherry of Milwaukee, Wis., for the completion of the Gaucau Valley railway from Buene Ventura, the chief port of Colombia, to the cities of Calil and Manizales, with the privilege of continuing the road to the Gulf of Darien, on the northern frontier, Equador, on the south, and coatward to the navigable waters of the Amazon rayer. This read, when completed Amazon river. This read, when completed, will give a portion of Colembia that very rich in both agricultura and mineral resources access to tide water. The government guarantees an interest of 5 per cent in gold for eighteen year upon an expenditure of \$18,000 in gold per mile and the exclusive privilege for seventy years of operating a railway within twenty-four miles on either side of the route surveved and accepted, the title to all gold and other mines that may be discovered within the twenty-four miles limit and freedom from

all duties and taxes forten years.

The recommendations of the international American conference for the establishment of un American monetary union and the issue of ommon silver coin has been adopted by all the American republies except Guatemala, Uruguay and Paraguay, which have not yet been heard from. The first meeting takes place at the department of state Wednesday,

Will Give the Pool a Trial.

Curcago, Dec. 26.-|Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Chairmon Walker, Finley and Midgley, who will have charge of the northwestern passenger pool, will meet next Monday to decide on the percentages which each line shall take. It is conceded that the pool is not as strong as the one in the southwest on freight, as the Albert Lea line can with raw on five days' notice, while other lines, the St. Paul, Northwestern, Wisconsin Cen tral. Burlington & Northern and Chicago, St. Paul & Kansas City must give ninety days' notice. All the lines seem disposed, however, to give the pool a fair trial. The chairmen alone will know the percentages, at the real will be a blind one. as the pool will be a blind one.

Cannot Catch the Bandit,

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- A dispatch from Havana says: Although the government has offered \$10,000 for Manuel Garcia, dead or alive, during nearly two months nothing has been done and he continues in undisputed sway in his territory. In view of the statement of General Posavigo that he has fully two thousand men on his track, it seems strange that he has not been caught. Not only has the leader not been caught, but the shameful and disgraceful fact must go on record that the authorities have given up all hope of ever catching the murderers of the family of Fernandez, whose two daughters, wife and three sons were killed and whose money was stolen.

Reported Favorobly.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-Representative Cutcheon, from the committee on military affairs, today reported favorably to the house the bill that passed the senate some days ago to establish a records and pension office of the war department and appoint the officer now cherge of that work a colonel in the army. In its report the committee states that the establishment of the office will facilitate the work of the pension bureau and of all branches connected with or depending upon the examination of the records of the votun-

A Salt Lake Failure.

SALTLAKE, Utah, Dec. 26. - [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-S. Kellner, a retail dry goods dealer in this city, made an assignment today with liabilities of \$47,000. The assets will not be known until an inventory of the stock is taken, but it is believed the liabilito injudicious buying and bad management.

Fatal Collision Between Street Cars. PROVIDENCE, R. L., Dec. 26.-An accidental collision between two street cars this morning during a dense snowstorm caused fatal ries to the two conductors and shook up the passengers tadly.

Lepers Inoculated with the Lymph. laberd, Dec. 26. -Two persons suffering from leprosy, who were inoculated with the Koch lymph, are reported to be apparently rapidly improving since.

Will Nover Resist Again. ELOIX, Kan., Dec. 26.-C. C. Jones, while resisting arrest, was shot and instantly killed by a constable.

The Beath Record. Pants, Dec 2d.-Mme. Houper, widow of

Eugene Rouper, Nanoleon III's friend, adviscontinuity of the supreme court of South carolina, died at nie home in this city this morning of heart disease.

Parts, Dec. 20—The wife of Baron. Hauss-man, Dec. 20—The wife of Baron.

man, well known as the prefect of the Sein under the late Emperor Napoleon, died today IT COMES SLOWLY.

Money Subscribed at the Chicago Battery Meeting Unpaid.

Cricago, Dec. 26 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- The money subscribed at the Chicago meeting, where the Irish envoys appealed for aid for Ireland's evicted tenants, has not yet been paid up. There are a large number of subscribers who were at the meet ing and requested that their names be put down for good round sums who are de linquent. The excuse given for this failure to pay is that they desire to snow how the esent conflict between Parnell and his former colleagues will result. President John V. Clarke of the Hibernian bank today said: "So far, I have received only \$7,000 of the subscriptions for the battery meeting, and last Wednesday I forwarded a draft for \$6,000 to Joseph E. Kenney, member of partiament, and Alfred Webb, member of partiament, at Dublin. The gentlemen were designated as trustees of the fund for evicted tenants, and I have a letter of instructions signed by all the irish delegates, authorizing me to send the money to these gentlemen. There was at first some question between Mr. John Dillon and Mr. Timothy Harrington as to the purpose for which the money should be used. Mr Harrington favors Mr Parnell's cause, and, I presume, was anxious a know where the money would go. At a conference of the delegates it was decided to send the money to the evicted tenants fund and so satisfy all parties. Mr Kenney is in favor of the McCarthy party and Mr. Webb is on Parnell's side. I am holding nearly \$1,000 to liquidate some outstanding accounts, created by the visit of the employes, but pro-

pose to send along the money as fast as it The Irishm n in France. Paris, Dec. 26.—[Special Cablegram t THE BEE. !- The Temps announces that, after the meeting between Parnell and O'Brien, a formal conference of the Irish leaders will be held. Among those who will take part in the deliberations will be Messrs. McCarthy, Powers, Redmond, O'Kelly, Seaton, Kenney and Arthur O'Connor. The aim of the conference will be a reunion of the

two sections of the Irish party, based on the temporary retirement of Mr. Parnell from the leadership. The Debate asserts that Mr. Parnell will come to this city without having made a pre-vious arrangement with Mr. O'Brien for a meeting. The paper further says that Mr. O'Brien does not expect to discuss the position with Mr. Parnell personally.

A COUP EXPECTED.

Changes by the Pennsylvania Which

Keep People Guessing. CHICAGO, Dec. 26 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. 1-The Railway Press Bureau says: "Beginning with an offensive and defensive alliance with the Vanderbilts the Pennsylvania road has made such changes in its poricy of late as to set all its competitors to guessing. The most astonishing change materialized today in the receipt by western general passenger agents of floods of letters from ticket agents of the Pennsylvania road saving they were in the field with commissions and asking what was now being paid. To railroad men, this change is more significant than any other. Hitherto the Pennsylvania has instantly discharged any of its agents accepting commissions. The receipt of the letters started talk on all sides relative to the more liberal policy shown of late by the Pennsylvania and the concessus of opinion is that it is due to the aggressive action of the Baltimore & Ohio. The latter has, in the last few years, invaded the Penn-sylvania's territory and in many cases fairly divided the business. This was made possi-ble by the conservatism of the Pennsylvania and the aggressive liberality of the Balti-more & Ohio. Everyone is now looking for some sensational coup by the Pennsylvania.

The Year's Construction.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 26.—Statistics compiled by the Railway Age show that construction during 1890, amounted to about 6,080 miles, as against 5,200 miles last year. Over 2,000 miles of the year's construction are in south-ern states, and over 1,000 in the southwestern states. The northwestern group shows 1,057 miles, due largely to active building opera-tions of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern reads.

The St. Paul Approves. NEW YORK, Dec. 26 .- At the regular monthly meeting of the St. Paul directors today the president's agreement was ap-

PILES OF COUNTERFEITS.

A Plan Unearthed to Flood the Coun-

try with Bogus Dollars. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 26 .- A conspiracy to flood the United States with counterfeit silver dollars has been unearthed. Nineteen persons are already under arrest, and \$1,100 in spurious coin has been secured. The money was brought from a central depot New York to Pittsburg by a gang of Italians employed to pass it. The money was all in silver dollars and they are the best counterfeit standard silver do are the best counterfeit standard silver dol-lars ever made. Two Italians and their wives were arrested while trying to pass some of the spurious money. The flouse where they lived was surrounded and afteen other Italians were arrested and the counterfeit mone According to the information given by the prisoners, similar gangs have been sent out from New York to other cities, but the men could not tell what particular cities are being operated.

A Dakota Fire.

Stoux Falls, S. D., Dec. 20.- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- A fire broke out in the South Dakota planing mill in an unknown manner this evening. The three-story frame building burned like a tinder box and within half an hour was reduced to cinders and ashes. It was owned and operated by A. O. Almos, who estimales his loss at \$7,000, with \$2,500 insurance. The German-America Phoenix of Hartford, Phoenix of London Niagara and Connecticut are each caught for \$500. The fire throws twenty-five men out of employment.

Westinghouse Makes a Borrow. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 26.-A meeting of bankers and business men of this city, who have loaned George Westinghouse \$500,000 lately, was held today. An advisory board of five was elected to act with Westinghouse in placing the \$500,000 and managing the affairs of the companies requiring the loan. In an interview one of the subscribers stated that Westinghouse was negotiating a \$500,000 loan in the east when his competitors in business prevented it. The loan was being made to tide over the present stringency.

Appointed Indian Commissioners. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26. - The president today appointed E. Darwin James of New York and Phillip C. Carrett of Pennsylvania members of the board of Iudian commissioners, Messes Morgan (resigned) and Clinton B. Fisk (deceased).

Another House Adjournment. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-About fifty members were present when the house was called to order this morning. It was agreed that when the house adjourn it be to meet

Tuesday next. Adjournment was then

Killed by a Powder Explosion. NEW York, Dec. 26.-An explosion occurred this morning in the cartridge house of the American fercible powder company at Lake Hopatcong, N. J. Two workmen were

killed instantly. Fire Wipes Out a Town-

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 26.—It is reported here that fire last night wiped out the town of Ree Heights, about fitty miles east of here on the Northwestern railroad. No particulars can

THE CONTEST AT INDIANOLA.

Nothing of Importance at the First Day's

Session.

NARROW ESCAPE OF A WELL DIGGER.

Hayes Center Bankers Retire from Business - The Train Wreckers Plead Not Guilty-Two · Little Fires.

INDIANOLA, Neb., Dec. 26 .- [Special Teleram to THE BEE. | - The Boyd Powers contest was opened up here today before Notaries C. D. Cramer and E. C. Ballew. But one witness was examined, and his evidence reated to only matters at Heldrege. Nothing of importance was developed.

A Welldigger Injured.

BANCROFT, Neb., Dec 26.-[Special to THE

BEE.]-Zon Craudall received a severe scalp wound yesterday by a bucket falling on him while digging a well. The bucket fell forty-

two feet, inflicting a wound more than three inches long. Crandall was brought to town in an unconscious condition. There is no serious danger unless inflammation sets in. Winds up Gracefully. HAYES CENTER, Neb. (via Culbertson, Neb.), Dec. 26.—Special Telegram to THE BEE, |-R. B. Likes and A. A. Hatch, proprietors of the Farmers' and Merchants' bank of this place, have dissolved partnership and will discontinue the banking business. Mr. Likes goes east to accept a position with his brother, a capitalist of Des. Moines, Ia. Mr. Hatch will remain here and wind up the affairs of the bank. All depositors have been cared for and no one will lose any money, as the bank has been conducted in an honorable way and its affairs will be wound

up in a like manner.

The Littles Say Not Guilty. BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 26 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The hearing of Dave, Jim and George Little, charged with wrecking the Union Pacific passenger train near Holmesville, Sunday morning last has been set for Monday next. The culprits were arraigned before Justice Craig Wednesday evening and plead not guilty. The death of Bridge Inspector Mercer put too serious a phase on the wreck for the plea of guilty as first intended. So the case will go into the court on its merits.

Saved the City. FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 26 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE] -At 4 o'clock this aftersoon, during the prevalence of an excessive high wind, Crook & Swan's drug store was discovered to be on fire. A prompt response by the fire department put out the blaze be-fore much damage was done. Owing to the high wind the citizens were thoroughly alarmed for the city's possible fate.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 26 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The Senate restaurant was damaged by fire at noon today to the extent of \$100. The fire was caused by the verturning of a gasoline stove.

A Gathering on the Farm. SPHINGVIEW, Neb., Dec. 26 .- [Special to THE BEE. |- Representative-elect H. M. Hinkle entertained a party of his Springfield friends at his beautiful farm home, four miles southwest of here, last evening. The following were present: Hon. H. C. Lefler and wife, Dr. J. C. Miller and wife, J. W. Marshall and wife, C. F. Calhoun and wife, Dr. J. B. Lichtenwallner and wife, C. K. Spearman and wife, I. L. Freeman and wife, Colonel E. P. Swain and wife, S. O. Lovell

Lichtenwallner of Herold, S. D., and Miss Maud Crockett of Oietha, Kan. Mr. Hinkle is a successful farmer and a friend of the farmer in the true sense of the word, and will not only represent the interest of the farmers, but the interests of every other legitimate business. On the question of finance Mr. Hinkle is sound, believing money a commodity and worth what it will bring according to security offered. He is an able debater, and will no doubt be heard from during the coming term of the legislature.

and wife, W. H. Liddard and wife, Mr. Allen

Republicans Victorious. BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 26 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. | - The evidence in the Frank Collins senatorial contest case was concluded today and an adjournment taken to tomorrow afternoon. The legislative contest of Thad Williams vs J. W. Faxon and of J. W. Huston vs J. W. Williams were dis missed this afternoon by Referees O. P. Fulton and S. D. Killen, before whom the cases were being heard. The plaintiffs in each of the legislative instances are the defeated all inner conditions. feated alliance candidates and the defendants the successful republican candidates.

Dorsey at Home.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 26 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE.] -Congressman Dorsey returned home from Wasnington today to spend a few days during the adjournment of congress, looking after his private business.

Dr. Burnham Dead. PAWNER CITY, Neb., Dec. 26 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- Dr. Burnham, well known in southern Nebraska and northern Kansas, died at his residence in this city last

GIANT TREES.

Special Agent Caldwell of the Land

Office Makes His Report. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 .- Andrew Caldwell, special agent of the general land office, appointed to make an investigation as to giant trees (sequola gigantea) in the Stockton and Vusalia land districts in California, reports that in the Visalia district there is one small and one large grove of grant trees. The latter is the Virgin forest and contains over 1,200 giant sequoias and many more small trees. Some five years ago a co-operative colony located about forty entries in the neighborhood and are constructing a road to this timber belt. The colony it is asserted. numbers about six hundred members and has recently engrafted the Bellamy idea as its leading attraction. There is danger, the agent believes, that these people, if unmo-lested, will soon destroy this most wonderful and perfect body of gigantea in the world In a table giving the number and size of the trees in the groves visited only those of 45 feet in circumference and more, measured 3 feet from the ground, are classed as glants. Of these 2,075 were found. Forty-four are over 80 feet in circumference and several are more than 100 feet. One is feet in circumference or more than thirty-five in diameter. Secretary Noble has requested the secretary of war to station a company of cavalry in the Tequsia national park and another in Yosemite park to prevent depredations on the mammoth tree groves. It is stated that the so-called Bellamy colonists, who have in part perfected title to the lands on which these trees stand, have expressed a purpose to hold their claims in spite of all opposition.

MADRID, Dec. 26.- | Special Cablegram to Tue Bee. |-The decree issued yesterday by the minister of finance declaring that Spain must follow the protection movement in America by increasing the duty on many ports, is discussed in this city on all sides. There are many who approve of the step taken by the government, but there are others who do not look upon the move with favor. Following are two examples of the brood mares has been increased from 25 shillings to £5 los. The duty on wheat flour has been increased from 18 has been increased from 25 has been increased has been increased from 18 shillings to £5 6s.

Arrested for Embezzlement.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Damei W. Talcott, head bookkeeper for H. W. Sage & Co., lumber dealers, was arrested this evening, charged with embezziement. The amount of his thefts is not yet known, but it is believed

that it will run his hap fate the thousands. Same & Co's considertial clerk, Joseph B. Abbott, who killed himself December 3, was also an embezzier and Talcott is known to have been working in collusion with him.

0.61 AMESEMENTS.

Dion Bouccicault lent his genius and experience in adapting the farce comedy "Lend Me Your Wife," for the American stage and Roland Reed is devoting his talents to popularize and perpetuate the piece,

The large house avBoyd's last night gave evidence of the fact that, in so far at least as

popularity is concerned, the aim of the genial Roland had been obtained.

As a play, the piece is ineffably superior to nine out of every ten of the kind on the road. Some of the lines of Captain Abner Farbex, the character sustained by Mr. Reed, are far above the character sustained by Mr. Reed, are far above the character sustained. the character sustained by Mr. Reed, are far above the plane of farce comedy. They are certainly too far beyond the range of the character, but they are so admirably read by Mr. Reed as to make the humor all the more irrepressible. As the Captain Mr. Reed appears in a new role, it is essentially a comedy role. It is in some respects exagger-ated, but it is at the same time admirably conceived and most activities by delineated onceived and most artistically delineated With all its humor and grotesqueness there are at times excellent bits of character work which are more or less observable in every-thing that Mr. Reed does. Like all his other pieces, "Lend Me Your Wife" is a pronounced success. It is intended to provoke laughter, and it serves its purpose most admirably. There is not a sober scene in the piece, and as a consequence the audience roars almost from the rise to the last fall of Mr. Reed is supported by an excellent com-

TROUBLED WITH CONSCIENCE. An Alleged Burglar Returns to Omaha

to be Punished. Bill Newton's conscience troubled him so much that he came all the way from South America to Omaha to give himself up to the police.

There seems to be a soft spot is Bill's head. He relates that on the 22d of last March he burglarized Sam Snyder's pawn shop at Tenth and Harney streets and stole two revolvers, two watches, two coats and a grip. His excuse for not getting more plun-der was because Snyder opened the front door and then he went out the back way. County Attorney Mahonoy filed a complaint against Newton, charging him with burglary. The man will plead guilty when arraigned.

Policeman Johnson was shot in the arm by

Sayder on the same night of the robbery. He went to the pawnshop to investigate the matter and was standing at the broken window when Snyder fired, thinking that the thief had returned.

Newton is a healthy-looking young man and seems to be of sound, mind. He related to a reporter for THE BES how he had worried and suffered mentally for the crime, and that it was the only theft he had ever committed. He first went to California, from there to Texas and Mexico, and then to South America. He was now willing to go to the penitentiary, where becould learn a trade.

PITY THE POOR.

Supt. Mahoney Wants Assistance Enable Him to Care for Them.

Since the opening of the new hospital the number of applicants for admission to the poorhouse has increused in a marked degree and the increase in the duties of the office of poormaster, incidental to the change in location, have been such that Mr. Mahoney will make application to the commissioners for an assistant or a ciers. The care of the large building necessitates the constant pres ence of a governing hand, and the duties of the down town office also require the presence of some official the greater part of the day, so that Mr. Mahoney has concluded he has good grounds for an application for as-

He reports a marked deficiency in the number of applications for relief as compared with the number usual at this time of year. He has only about seventy-five families on his list, whereas last year he had about double that number. Fifty tons of coal have sufficed to supply the demand during the past month, but last December over one hundred tons were required. tons were required.

the mild weather and every sudden change sends a flock of applicants to the poormaster's office.

Wanted in Several Places. Edward A. Ise, the man now doing a year in the Joliet penitentlary, will be released in May. It is the intention of the authorities pere to bring him to Omaha on a requisition as soon as he is released. Ise is the man who swindled the proprietors of the Windsor hotel out of his board bill and also succeeded

getting them to cash a worthless \$75 The crime for which he is doing time was committed in Rock Island, Ill. He is also wanted in Ohio Captain Mostyn has received a letter from e penitentiary authorities and will go to Joliet in May and demand the custody of Ise upon the strength of the requisition which was granted him at the time Ise was arin Grand Island, after he had com-

mitted fraud in Omaha.

Caned. Mr. R. R. Ritchie, the general agent of the Chicago & Northwestfroad, was on Christmas presented by the attaches of his office with a magnificent cane of beautiful and imported wood highly finished and a solid silver head of beautiful design and chasing. The gift was accompanied by a letter containing an eloquent expression of the esteem in which Mr. Ritchie is held by his associates and was signed by the following gentlemen:
D. E. Kimball, D. L. Sturgis, G. F. West, D.
W. Albridge, J. C. Neff, R. W. Johnson, G.
G. Del.ee and J. Mellen. The boys are happy
and Mr. Ritchie is in a similar state of mind.

Cumulative Imprisonment. Frederick Gaun has splendid chances for spending the winter months in the county jail. Thirty days ago he was arrested and convicted of larceny. His outdoor existence was as many minutes as it takes to ride the county to the city jail. same charge he was again committed for thirty days, and when he shall have served this term, he will have to answer for seven complaints of the same kind. This worthy is the chop house flunkey who entered severa residences in daylight and stole nothing but clothing.

still on the Road. John Stoddard of Keokuk, Ia., one of the oldest engineers on the Rock Island system, spent his Christmas in Omaha. John is a familiar character anieng railroad men. He has pulled a passenger train for the last twenty-seven years and although he is seventy years of age he still has a regular run and is considered one of the safest and swift-est engineers on the road. While here he was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Frank

SOUTH DMAHA.

Notes About the City. Hon. John McMillen has returned from Mrs. Foxworthy wife of Judge Foxworthy, of Lincoln ma returned home.

Colonel John E. Yatts of the G. H. Ham-mond force has returned from Hammond, Superintendent A. C. Foster of the pack-ing firm of Swift & Co. has returned from

Ashland. Superintendent James Viles, jr., of the Omaha packing company, is out of the city Mr. and Mrs. Perry King of Fairfield, Ia.,

on their wedding tour, are the guests of Postmaster and Mrs. Glasgow. Frank Smith, chief clerk of the Cudahy consignment department, is sick at his home in Omaha with pneumonia. M. C. Cook spent Christmas in Schuyler, David H. Campbell in Kansas City and Pat-

rick J. McGrath in Chicago. Mrs. A. B. Young, with her son Elmer of Minden, is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Brewer. George E. Jonte has been promoted J. agent of the Missouri Pacific, vice Agent J. M. Gallaher, promoted to be stock agent with

DUN'S REVIEW OF THE WEEK

A Good Week in Spite of Holidays and Snowstorms.

DOUBTS OF MONETARY LEGISLATION.

Easier Money Markets in All Directions and Generally Favorable Reports-Only Natural Slack-

ing in Wholesaling.

New York Dec. 26 .- | Special Telegram o THE BEE.]-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly report says: Business has progressed as well as could be expected in a week broken by the Christmas holidays and a great snow storm. The holiday trade was remarkably heavy here and at nearly all other points good, which is by no means evidence that the tightness of the money market springs from any general embarrassment of business or indus ry. The volume of payments through the banks continues larger, thought but about 3 per cent larger than a year ago. Railroad earnings thus far reported for December hows a gain of about 4 per cent over hose of the same weeks last year. Foreign trade is very heavy in spite for to monetary legislation and its possible effects is still the great obstacle, but even this has a ess disturbing influence than it had a week or two ago, as the prospect of unwise action seems more remote. The money markets have generally grown easier during the past week, not only at the east, but at some of the western and southern centers.

Reports from other cities disclose no important change in the condition of trade Wholesale business naturally slackens and is quiet at this point in the year and the indisposition to act is rather increased by the tardiness of collections. At Beston prospects are considered better for the trade n woolen and cotton goods. The conditions at other eastern cities have been not essen tially different, though at Pittsburg Besse mer iron has sold at \$10.25, the lowest price for the year, and all pig iron is at bottom prices. Manufactured iron is in fair demand and rails unchanged. The flint glass trade i quite active, with fewer hands idle than fo months past and the window glass trade is fair. At points further west expectation of improvement after January 1 is general, shough the trade is quiet in wholesale lines out fully up to last year's. At Kansas City the trade is quite good, but eattle and hog re-ceipts are light. At Lincoln, Neb., business exceeds that of last year, though fears of exceeds that of last year, though fears of state legislation against lenders tends to increase the prevailing stringency. At Denver the demand for money is lighter and the supply equal to legitimate needs. At Sait Lake the money market is extremely close and the outlook unsatisfactory. At other points in the northwest the monetary situation seems rather better.

Removed from the south also indicate some

Reports from the south also indicate some improvement. Manufacturers at Louisville are fully employed though money is very close. Trade at Atlanta improves. Cotton is moving more satisfactorily and at Gaives-ton receipts exceed those of last year. New Orleans reports a fair trade, larger receipts of cotton, the crop being there estimated, at 7,700,000 bales and good receipts of sugar and molasses with stendy prices. Throughout the south the ficticious prices maintained last summer and fall for cotton have caused some embarrassment, being followed by the inevitable decline as the magnitude of the crops became known, but more than 5,000,000 have already passed out of the hands of producers, mainly at fair prices. It is especially encouraging that, thus far, there has been so little embarrassment and so few failures among the important manufacturing works recently established in that section. While the situation of the iron and steel in-dustry shows no improvement the fact that the closing weeks of the year are passing without any serious set back gives encour-agement. There is anxiety as to the demand which may appear with the new year, since it is generally perceived that many works must remain idle for a time unless there is a decided increase in consumption. For most finished products the consumption is even now so great that in any previous year it The exception is the steel rail busi factory. ness in which acrisis and destructive com petition seem imminent, a provisional ment made during the past week in this city having been defeated by the refusal of an eastern mill to sign. The woolen manufacturers are clearly en-

loying a larger demand for most products since the importations were checked, but as yet no considerable improvement in prices ha been found practical. The readjustment of prices in the boot and shoe and leather industries seems to be progressing fairly with less prospect of any serious embarrassment. On the whole labor has never been

ore fully employed than in the latter part The monetary situation grows more satis factory because treasury disbursements continue and arrivals of gold have given aid and the enormous excess of merchandise exports over imports is felt. In three weeks of December exports from New York have been 7 per cent greater than last year, which would ndicate heavier exports than in any previous months, while the increase in exports has been but 2 per cent. These facts point to an excess of exports as large as the \$37,000,000 of last December, and in November cess of exports over imports was more than

\$25,000,000 There has not been much activity in speculation this week though corn has fallen $2\frac{1}{3}c$ and oats 1c and cotton 3-16c. Wheat is $\frac{1}{3}c$ higher, coffee $\frac{1}{3}c$ and oil $4\frac{1}{3}c$. The stock market has been left the professionals, who have chosen to out little until the new year has begun. It s by all classes believed that the moneta ressure will cease soon after January 1 for a time and if no disturbing legislation rade may be expected to revive with vigor.
It is a good symptom that instead of increasing toward the end of the year, failures have become less important and less fre-quent. The business failures occurring broughout the country during the last seven days number 333, as compared with a total of 104 last week. For the corresponding week 404 last week. for last year the figures were 288.

Sixth Ward Republicans.

There were but about a dozen members the Sixth ward republican club present last night at the regular weekly meeting at the headquarters on Lake street. Louis Littlefield, the vice president, called the meeting to order, and Peter Grant was chosen secretary in the absence of the official who usually performs the functions of the scribe for the

Mr. Littlefield suggested that inasmuch as

here were but few present, the meeting had

better be adjourned without taking up the business that should have been transacted. Matters of considerable importance were liable to come before the club, and in that ase there should be a full attendance. Mr. W. P. Morrow was present and was opposed to an adjournment until he had been given an opportunity to answer some of the charges that had been made against him, and for which alleged offenses he had been re-quested to relinquish his place as a member f the executive committee and withdraw from the club. He began a speech upon his loyalty to the club and his work for Mr. Boyd, but other members of the club objected to the hearing of any talk of that kind before the matter comes regularly before the club Mr. Frank Spore, the other gentleman who has been notified that his resignation as a nember of the executive committee and his withdrawal from the club would be acceptable to the majority, was present and wanted the investigation, or inquisition, or whatever the club proposed to do, sprung right there and then. But a motion to adjourn was put and carried with the understanding that a full meeting of the club will be called for next Friday night, and the charges against Messes. Spore and Morrow will then be heard and a disposition of their cases will be made.

An Alleged Embezzter. Charles Fishbach was arrested and lodged in jail last night at the instance of Mr. Rosenkrantz, the commission merchant, who charges Fishbach with the embezzlement of

A Diamond Dealer Assigns. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-William H. Sandifer, dealer in diamonds and fine jewelry, assigned Be Sure

If you have made up your mind to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla do not be induced to take any other A Boston lady, whose example is worthy imitation, tells her experience below: "In one store where I went to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla the clerk tried to induce me buy their own instead of Hood's; he told me their's would last longer; that I might take it on ten

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days' trial; that if I did not like it I need not pay anything, etc. But he could not prevail on me to change. I told him I had taken Hood's Sarsaparilla, knew what it was, was satisfied with it, and did not want any other. When I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla I was feeling real miscrable with dyspepsia. and so weak that at times I could hardly

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stand. I looked like a person in consumption. Hood's Sarsaparilla did me so much good that I wonder at myself sometimes, and my friends frequently speak of it." Mrs. ELLA A. GOFF, 61 Terrace Street, Boston.

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THE PALACE BILLIARD TOURNEY. A Large Attendance and Interesting

Contest. The Palace billiard tournament opened yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large crowd of spectators. The first contest was between "Minnie" Cahn and Harry Parrish, 200 points, Parrish receiving a 60 point handi-

up. Heek won by a score of 200 to 133. Beek's best run, 12; average, 2.7-9. Magner's best run, 16; average, 2.9-10. The contest this afternoon will be between Harry Parrish and William Haie, 200 points up, and this evening Cahn vs Hale, Hale to receive a 60 point handleap.

The Wool Market.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-There has been a quiet market for wool, the sales averaging well, footing up 2,600,000 pounds of all kinds. Nearly a million pounds of this amount is Texas wool. Some rarge lots of fall wool have been sold at 18@23c and spring at 21@24c. Terri-. tory wools have been quiet at 60c clean for fine, 58c for fine medium and 55c for medium, while in Oregon and California wools there has been nothing doing. There has been a good inquiry for Michigan X fleeces, with sales at 28%@29c. Ohio fleeces have been selling in small lots at 31@32c for X and at 33@34c for XX and XX above. Northern wools have been quiet at 38c for Ohio and at 37c for Michigan. Comping delaine fleeces haue been in moderate demand at preivous prices. In pulled woels fair sales have been made at 40@45c for best super, 35@38c for fair to good super and 22@30c for extra. For eign wools have been quiet but firm.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

E. N. Crane of Denver is at the Casey. O. D. Carpenter of St. Louis is at the Pax-H. C. Patterson of Boston is at the Mur-

H. H. Bancroft of Salt Lake is at the Mil-H. J. Robbins of Shelton is at the Mer-M. W. Lynch of Madison, Wis., is at the

William H. Dailey of Philadelphia is at the D. H. Galloway of Chicago is in the city, H. H. Wilson of Lincoln is in the city, at

the Paxton W. E. Robinson of Baker City, Ore., is at the Millard. H. Middleton of Cheyenne is in the city, at

D. M. Tarish of Chicago is registered at

the Murray. C. H. Howard of St. Louis was at the Millard last night. W. H. Fisk of North Platte was at the Casey last night J. H. Smith of Portland, Ore., was at the

Paxton last night B. S. Paddock of Fort Robinson was at the Murray last night W. H. Merritt, jr., of Des Moines is in the city, at the Murray A. L. Spearman of Springfield was at the

Merchants last night. John G. Higgins of Grand Island is in the J. S. Sykes of Cheyenne was in the city last night, at the Merchants. Mr. T. C. Brainerd of the Paxton is confined to his room with a slight illness

Mr. E. F. Guertin has succeeded Frank Faherty as chief cterk in Dun's Commercial Agency J. W. Johnston of Tekamah is at the Paxton, having just returned from a three months' visit at Belfast, Ireland.

Leon J. Klein, society editor of the Kansas City Times and Kansas City repre of the Sporting News, is in the city Gearge W. Lasburg, secretary of the Fairbank investment company, left yesterday for New Hampshire, where he will visit rela-

Miss Emma Monzingo, assistant to Secretary Connoyer of the board of education, left for Coin, Ia., vesterday afternoon, where she will spend her vacation with her relatives. L. P. McClarren, one of the editors of the Sioux Falls, (S. D.) Daily Press, was in the city yesterday on his way to the western part of the state to look after some business mat-

E. L. Lomax, general passenger agent of the Union Pacific, returned yesterday after noon from a week's absence in Chicago where he attended a meeting of the passenger association.

B. A. Zeigle, one of the boomers from Fort Pierre, S. D., is in the city for a few days. In speaking of matters in his country he states that the Indian troubles have knocked the real estate market cold. Fort Pierre is a new town on the recently opened Sioux reservation, at the mouth of Bad river, a stream that flows from the bad lands.

Frank H. Faherty, chief clerk of R. G. Dun & Co. of this city for the past four years, has gone to Deaver, where he will assume the duties of city reporter for the same company. Mr. Faherty's connection with the Omaha office has been of credit to himself and satisfaction to his employers, and his promotion is the result of both



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