SOLEMN SCENE IN THE SENATE

Last Tribute of Respect to Senator Piumb at the National Capital.

HUNDREDS MOURN OVER THE BIER.

Brief Services Attended by Both Branches of Congress, High Officials and Other Friends of the Dead Statesman.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21 .- Today the United States senate, the house of representatives, the executive and judicial departments of the government, representatives of foreign powers and his many friends among the Washington public, paid the last tribute of affection and respect to the memory of the Inte Senator Plumb.

Early this morning the body was placed in a handsome cloth-covered casket of cedar, on the lid of which was a plant silver plate, bearing the following inscription:

PRESTON B. PLUMB.

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Born: Oct. 12, 1837. Died: Dec. 20, 1891.

At 10 o'clock the casket was removed to the senate chamber, where it was placed upon a black catafalque. When the senate met at noon the chamber was partly arranged for the funeral obscuries and the desk and chair of the deceased senator were heavily draped. The calleries were crowded with spectators, except the diplomatic and vicepresident's galleries, which were reserved.

In the opening prayer, the chaplain referred in a feeling manner to the death of

Senator Plumb.
On motion of Mr. Manderson, the reading of the journal was dispensed with, and Mr. Peffer rose to make the formal announce-ment of Mr. Plumb's death, and to offer the usual resolutions. He said:

Mr. President: I esteem myself peculiarly unfortunate in that, before I have been a member of this body long enough to have become familiar with even the dimensions of the chamber in which we sit. I am called upon to amounce the death of my distinguished colleague, upon whose wonderful resources I expected largely to rely.

After eulogizing his late colleague eloquently, he introduced resolutions pro-viding for the appointment of a committee of five senators to take charge, with a like com-mittee of the house, of the funeral arrange-ments and accompany the remains to Kan-

sas; and that the senate attend the services in the chamber. The resolutions were adopted and the vice president announced the committee on the part of the senate—Messrs. Peffer, Dolph, Paddock, Hanson and Palmer. The senate

then took a recess.

At 1 p. m. the senate was called to order by the vice president. During the half hour's recess the work of preparing the chamber for the funeral ceremonies had been completed. A row of armed chairs had been placed in the area in front of the clerk's desk, and the western side of the chamber was set apart for the occupancy of the mempers of the house of representatives. Shortly before I o'clock President Harrison and the cabinet officers and assistant secretaries of the executive departments

began to arrive and were shown to the presi-dent's room. Mrs. Harrison, escorted by Lieutenant Parker of the navy, occupied a

seat in the reserved gallery.

At 1:20 the speaker and members of the house were annuanced. The speaker was escorted to a seat on the right of the vice president, and the members took the seats assigned to them. Members of the diplomatic and were shown to their seats in front of the members of the house. They were followed by the chief justice and justices of the supreme court, who took seats in front of the

the presence of the president of the United States, and his cabinot. The senators and spectators stood up to do them honor. President Harrison and the members of the cabi net took arm chairs on the right side of the area. General Schoffeld and Commodore Ramsey preceded the president and cabinet and had taken the two end chairs on the

same side.

The house committeee consisted of Messrs. The house committees consisted of Messrs.
Funston and Brederick of Kansas, Cate and
Reet of Arkansas, Youmans of Michigan,
Post of Illinois and Cogswell of Massachusetts. The floral offerings were numerous. At 1:45 the floral committee of the two houses, escorting the body of the dead senator, appeared at the main entrance, and while all in the chamber stood up, the procession moved up the aisle, the cappiain reciting the opening sentences of the funeral service. The chapitain finished reading the funeral services and appropriate se lections from the scriptures, and closed with

The body of the deceased senator was then borne out, to be taken to the railroad station. The senate then adjourned till tomorrow. Following the remains came the sonators and representatives, who formed by twos, with Vice President Morton at the head, and accompanied the body or foot to the station. The president and his cabinet and other distinguished persons were ushered to their carriages and joined the pro-

The body was placed in the car provided for its reception, and that and another car for the special use of the congressional committee were attached to the train which left the city at 3:35. The body is expected to arrive at Emporia., Kan., Wednesday after-

Arranging for the Interment.

Toreka, Kan., Dec. 21.-Arrangements were made today to hold funeral services at the capitol here over the remains of the late Senator Plumb. Mrs. Plumb was communicated with today by telegraph, and she has

consented to the plan.

The funeral train will arrive in Kansas City Wednesday morning. There it will be met by the state officers, led by Governor Humphrey, who will accompany it to Topeka. At Topeka the body will lie in state for two hours, after which funeral services will be held. From Topeka the body will be con-veyed to Emporia. There services at the home will be held. Thursday, morning, and later at the First Congregational church. after which the interment will take place.

Senator Plumb's Family.

EMPORIA, Kan., Dec. 21.-Mrs. Plumb has partially recovered from the grief with which she was prostrated yesterday at the sudden nanouncement of her husband's death. Today she has been in a better condition than could have been expected. Miss Mary, the cidest daughter is confined to her bed by a severe attack of la grippe, but is somewhat better this morning. Miss Ruth, the second daughter, who was in Topoka visiting, is now at home and hears up with fortitude. Amos H., the eldest son, is at the Philadelphia Medical institute under treatment for a nervous disease. It was thought at first he would be unable to come home, but word has been received from his physicians that he will be bere. The two youngest children, Carrie and Preston B., are at school at Nazareth,

Pa , and are on their way home. Ingalls Reminiscent.

ATCHISON, Kan., Dec. 21.-Mr. Ingalls was leeply affected when he heard af Senator Plumb's death. They were colleagues in the senate for thirteen years, and although not intimate, they were nevertheless good friends. Mr. lngalls in an interview today told of many pleasant reminiscences of Sena-

told of many pleasant reminiscences of Sena-tor Plamb, and said, among other things:
"Mr. Plumb's temperament was not such as to permit intimacy, as that term is gen-erally understood. He was not by nature or habit a sentimentalist. There was no gush nor pathos, no reverie nor reminiscence about him, but I think he gave me as much of his confidence as he ever gave maybody, and I found much in his life gave anybody, and I found much in his life that was worthy of admiration. He lacked

discipline and training in early years, and while he displayed immense energy, much of it was irregular and at random, so that he did not accomplish as much as he might with dld not accomplish as much as he might with stendier and more continuous force exerted in one direction. But, his impulses were good, and I never heard him express a con-viction that did not appear to be dictated by a sincere desire for the success of the repub-lican party and the welfare and honor of Kansas and the nation."

PLUMB'S PROBABLE SUCCESSOR.

Governor Humphrey Will Wait Until After the Funeral.

TOPERA, Kan., Dec. 21. - Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Governor Humphrey arrived in the city this afternoon from Independence. He found as great political excitement as was witnessed during the senatorial fight which resulted in the defeat of ingalis. Letters and dispatches had poured into the executive office during the day from every section of the state. Tonight the hotel lobbies were crowded and there was a mad scrample for the executive car.

A dispatch sent from this place last night announced that the governor would resign his seat and have the president appoint him as Plumb's successor. The state executive was indigmant when questioned about this possibility and said: "I do not understand the mad scrample for this place. There is no occasion for the disgraceful nurry and I shall make no indecent haste. The rumor that I will resign is absurd. I shall fill out the term as governor to which the people have elected me and will appoint a successor

for Senator Plumb in due time."
It is evident that the governor will wait until after the funeral before making his choice known. The fight seems to have dwindled down between George Chandler, assistant secretary of the interior, who was assistant mecretary of the interior, who was formerly a law partner of Governor Humphrey in Independence, George R. Peck, general solicitor for the Santa Fe, ex-Congressman B. W. Perkins, of the Third congressional district, J. W. Ady, United States district attorney, Ben Simpson of the supreme court commission, and ex-Governor Osborne, Chief Justice Albert H. Horton, of the supreme court, who was regarded as the most probable successor to Plumb, stated today that he would not accept the appointnent if it was tendered him. Topeka, Kan., Dec. 21.—The list of prob-

able successors of the late Senator Plumb is increasing rapidly. The candidates most prominently mentioned are: Chief Justice Albert H. Horton, ex-Congressman E. N. Morrill, ex-Congressman S. R. Peters, George R. Peck, general solicitor of the Santa Fe: ex-Governor Thomas A. Osborne, Benjamin Simpson and George T. Anthony. Justice Horton, who has been more prominently mentioned than any other poli-tician, stated this morning that under no circumstances would be accept the position if it was tendered him. A personal cumity between Governor Humphrey and ex-Senator Ingalls, it is believed, places Mr. Ingalis out

HER BEAUTY AVAILED NOTHING.

Queer Story of a Chicago Woman's Domestic Infelicity.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 21.-A decree of divorce was today granted Florence Cuthbertson from Sydney F. Cuthbertson, a real estate dealer of Chicago. The case is in some respects a remarkable one. In 1886 the plaintiff was married to William Douglass, a broker of Chicago, and the two lived happily until about a year ago, when Douglass found in his wife's writing desk a number of warm letters written by Cuthbertson. Douglass hired a lawyer, Isaac Adams, and the two called irs Donglass into Adams! office. Mrs. Douglass admitted the letters, but declared that she had not been intimate with Cuthbertson. Adams said it was all right and Mrs. Douglass went home. Two days later she was called before Judge Horton, and in fifteen minutes a divorce was granted Dong-lass. Cuthbertsen testified to criminal intimacy between himself and the woman. The plaintiff says no papers had been served upon her, and she did not know what had been

lone until the decree was granted. Judge Horton told Cuthbertson that he nust marry Mrs. Douglass within twentyfour hours or go to the penitentiary, and Mrs. Douglass was told by her husband's lawyer that she must marry Cuthbertson or go to jail for five years. The woman begged and pleaded, and agreed to leave Chicago forever if she could be spared the marriage. Adams and Douglass insisted, and the marriage accordingly occurred at 3 o'clock the next morning, at Racine, Wis. The plaintiff has never lived with Cuthberson as his wife hough she occupied the same house with him for four months. The plaintiff is about 23 years of age, and one of the most beauti-I members of the cotony. She has left for

lhicago. Heavy Snow in South Dakota Stoux Falls, S. D., Dec. 21 .- | Special relogram to The Bee. |-At noon a heavy win storm set in. At 3 o'clock it changed to snow, which fell in larger quantities than in any storm of the winter. By 10 o'clock two inches had fallen. The storm is general, and telegrams from Madison, Parker, Scotland, Redfield and Armour, 100 miles west, report

CITY OFFICIALS INDICTED.

Penasylvania Again Furnishes a Batch of Dishonest Public Servants. Pirrsnung, Pa., Dec. 21.-True bills were found today by the grand jury against Mayor Wyman and ex-Mayor Pearson of Alteghany

for embezziement.

Mayor Wyman was indicted on four differeat counts, two for embezziement and two for extortion. One indictment for embezzlement was entered against ex-Mayor Pearson, and one against Market Clerk David Hastings, for the same crime. The case against Pearson is based on the misappropriation of witness fees amounting to \$704, while in the Hastings case the amount of \$2,104 is alleged is shortages in the books of the market house. In the first and second counts, Mayor Wyman was charged with extorting witness fees from a number of Hungarians in order to conduct a case. The amount to one case is \$117.50, while another charges him with appropriating to his own and other uses wit ness fees amounting to \$550.

He Asks to Be Appointed to a Consulate in the United States. City of Mexico, Dec. 21.-The St. Louis, Mo., consulate question appears to be settled,

and matters will remain as they are. The evidence clearly shows that Mr. Cahill has been entirely honest and that all his acts have been within proper limits. It is said that no species of trickery can remove him, and that the government will not take up or onsider any more differences between local

Congress has closed until April, when the states right divorce bill will be taken u again and the new budget presented, which vill show a considerable surplus in favor of the government, as President Diaz is reduc-ing expenses by introducing many economics. Catarino Garza, the socalled revolutionist has proposed to the government to lay down his arms for \$10,000, or for a consulate in the

United States. CABLE CAR ACCIDENTS.

Two Men Killed in One Day at Denver, Colo. DENVER, Goto., Dec. 21, -- This evening J. J.

Gangloff, aged 67, a mining operator of Alias, Colo., was run over by a cable car and both of his legs were cut off. He died from the his injuries a short time after the accident.

Another cable car accident occurred about an hour later, and but a short distance from the former one. Joseph S. Hensley, a flagman in the employ of the Cable Car comwas caught beneath the wheels and instantly

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

Important Cases Which Have Peen Passed Upon by that Body.

CHILIAN NEWS SCARCE AND HARD TO GET.

Gold in the United States Treasury-An Incident in the Senate -Gossip and News Items. from Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21 .- The United States supreme court, in an opinion written by Justice Lamur, today reversed the deision of the supreme court of California in the case of Thomas Knight vs the United States Land association and Clinton T. Tripp. This case has attracted much attention on the Pacific coast, and concerns title to property in San Francisco of great value. The effect of the decision is to sustain the ruling of the Interior department. The case involved a controversy as to the boundary of the city of San Francisco on the bay. Phat city claimed, as the successor of a Mexican Pueblo, four square leagues of land on the northern part of the peninsula on which the city is situated. It presented its claim to the Board of Land Commissioners, created under the act of congress of March 3, 1851, for its adjustment and confirmation. The board confirmed it for a portion of the land and relected it for the remainder. The case was appealed to the United States district ccurt and then transferred to the United States circuit court for the district of California. Then the claim was confirmed on the 18th of May, 1865, for the four square leagues. The case was further appealed to the supreme court of the United States, which, in December, 1866, on motion of the attorney general dismissed the appeal. A survey was made of the claim. The decree bounded the claim on the east by the high water mark of the bay of San Francisco, as it existed on the acquisition of the country July 7, 1846. A dispute arose as to where this line should be run, whether it should follow the high water mark of the bay and cross the mouth of the creeks and estuaries that run into the bay or whether it should follow up the banks of these streams. The Interior department, held, after repeated arguments, that the line should follow the high water mark of the bay and cross the nouths of all creeks that run into it, and a survey, in conformity with that decision, w sapproved and a patent issued. Certain parties claiming land along the creeks, as marshes or tide lands, resisted the enforcement of the patent, and the matter has been in more or less litigation for years. This controversy is finally decided by the decision of the court today, in accordance with the ruling of the Interior department, approving the survey adopted by that department and the patent issued thereon. This is said to end a litigation which has lasted for nearly thirty-nine years. The lands affected though originally line lands, have been im

proved, and now form a valuable part of San Francisco. The supreme court today affirmed the decision of the lower court de-claring the provision in the New York law providing for the solitary confinement of persons condemned to death and other features as unconstitutional. The egality of the punishment of death by means of electricity is not attacked.

The court also advanced the bearing of

arguments in sults involving the title to large amounts of property along and under he lake in Chicago, to the second Monday

Classen and Simmons Sentenced. The court, in an opinion rendered by Justice Gray, affirmed the decision of the lower court in the cases of Peter J. Classen and Frederick S. Simmons, convicted of ember dement and "kiting" operations in con-nection with the failure of the Sixth National bank of New York City. The decision of the court was foreshadowed at the time of the argument, when the court in-formed Solicitor General Taft, who was arguing the case for the government, that it was not necessary for him to argue the Simmons case that it had already heard sufficient argument. Is is said that the counsel for the prisoners have under consideration the advisability of applying for a pardon.

The court affirmed the decision of the circuit court of Outagamie county, Wisconcircuit court of Outagamine county, Wisconsin, in the case of the Kaukauna Water company et al, plaintiffs in error, vs the Green Bay and the Mississippi Canal company. This is a suit arising over the improvement of the Fox and Wisconsin rivers.

A dam was built and the Kaukauna Water company, representing an owner of riparian rights on lands adjoining a dam built for the improvement of the river's navigation, sought to make a cut in the dum to get water from the canal company, which holds title from the state, claim-ing that the owners had not received compensation and had been deprived of property without due process of law. The court rules that the dam was built for public purposes; that the state had a right to deciare that the water arising in the improvement of the rivers belong to the state, and as the owners of adjoining land did not avail themselves of the provision made by congress for damages to persons injured by the improvement of the river, the water power company cannot now, after twenty-five years have clapsed, claim the land because of failure to receiv

ompensation.

Will Occupy Plumb's Old Seat. The seat for so long a time occupied by the ate Senator Plumb is one of the most desirable. It is on the rear row, but it is next to the main aisle and, therefore, its occupant faces the presiding officer. It has been as-signed to Senator Warren of Wyoming, and as soon as the gruesome emblems of mournig have been removed from the chair and

esk he will take possession. It is understood that Senator Squire will nove into Governor Warren's seat, and other senators will probably meve around intil the least desirable place in the chamber is left for the Kanses republican who will be appointed by Governor Humphrey, Senator Plumb's death will give the north-

west another committee chairmanship, for Senator Dolph of Oregon will go to the head of the committee on public lands.

Just what changes will be brought about a the formation of committees by the death of Schator Plumb cannot easily, at this time, be foreshadowed. These will depend very largely upon the character of his successor. If ex-Schator Ingalls should be appointed, there would have to be very much

of a readjustment, for senatorial courtesy would insist on Mr. Inguils getting a place on us many as possible of his old committees. Out of the Ordinary.

The services today over the remains of the late Senator Piamb, which were conducted exclusively by Chaplain Butler, came to an end at 2 o'clock, and their ensued what many cople regarded as an extraordinary affair Without any motion to adjourn or to take a recess, and without making any provisions for the hiatus, which afterwards became de-cidedly prominent, the senate simply col-lapsed—walked out, leaving its guests standing. For fully two minutes the president and his official family, the supreme court and the diplomatic corps, waited for directions as to the proper style and location of exit, but as none came, the distinguished visitors departed in such a manner as individually seemed to them best. How the senate was ever to reassemble when there had been no provision made for its dispersion, or for any-thing else, was too much for any of the old mers in the galleries. At 3 o'close the vice president returned to the senate chamber. Senator Allison had just preceded him and Senator (libson of

islana was at his desk attending to some "The senate will be in order," said the vice president. The two senators arose | Rugia, from Hamburg.

elmultaneously. Senator Allison looked at Senator Gibson and Sonator Gibson gazed at Senator Allison, "I move that we adjourn," said Mr. Allison, just as the pause was becoming painful.
"The senator from lowa moves that we now adjourn," said the vice president. "All

OMAHA, TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 22, 1891.

in favor will say ave," Nobody said a word. Words would have made the situation more ridiculous than it was. - So the vice president declared the senate adjourned until tomorrow. The vice president went home. Senator Allison re-paired to his committee room and Senator Gibson went on with his writing,

Dealers in Diseased Horseflesh. The Department of Agriculture makes the

following announcement: "The inspectors of the ourcau of animal industry at Long Island have unearthed an abbatour at New-ton Creek, which they found to be devoted entirely to the slaughter of broken down, crippied horses. Many of these horses were diseased and, some of them affected with glanders. The inspectors thoroughly inves-tigated the destination of carcasses. It was found that most of the meat was corned and put up for family beef. The secretary of agriculture was at once communicated with, and he wired the inspectors at the port of shipment to stop such exports if possible, and to immediately notify local boards of health. The dealer, having learned of this course, changed his label and undertook to ship the stuff abroad as horse meat, under the im-pression that he could thus evade the bureau ispectors. Secretary Rusk, however, did of propose to permit the intent of the law to be thus balked, and he is advised today that Dr. Robertson, the chief inspector at New York, and W. Judson Smith, eastern agent of the bureau, and seized the entire lot of seventy-five tierees and turned it over to the officials, this action being necessary to prevent the shipment of the meat on the steamer Lepanto, which sailed for Antwerp

Chilian Affairs.

The information on record in the bureau f animal industry shows that this nefarious industry has been carried on for some time in a semi-secret fashion, but being dili-gently watched for some time by the in-spectors, they satisfied Secretary Rusk that many horses in various stages of disease were slaughtered and put up for the purpose indicated, and he at once determined that he would use all the newer at his command to put a stop once and for all to the abominable

The officials of the State and Navy departments observed a studied reticence today in regard to the Chilian affair. It was learned, however, that no communications have been received from Chin by either department since Thursday last, when the secretary of state received a long message from Minister Egan. While no positive information can be obtained as to the exact character of this message, it is known to have reference to the political refugees now under the protection of the American minister. It is understood that no action will be taken by this govern-ment until it is officially advised of the result of the investigation by the Chilian authorities of the killing of the sailors of the Baltimore. The United States steamer Boston left Montevideo on the 11th inst. and will reach

Valparaise in a day or two.

The secretary of state is informed of an amendment to the tariff in the federal district of Mexico by which a duty of 50 centimes per 100 kilos, gross weight, is established on rag paper, blotting paper, wrap-ping paper (except coloreds paper for wrapping) and unsized paper (except for cigarette wrapping).

Gold in the Treasury.

The net gold in the Treasury.

The net gold in the treasury today amounts to \$129,750,389, p decrease of nearly \$2,000,000 since the 10th inst. The cash balance is \$132,000,000, the lowest figure it has reached this month. The receipts from customs at New York during the first twenty days of this month were \$5,932,768, a decrease of \$1.704,607 compared with the receipts during the corresponding paying of first year. the corresponding period of last year.

That the president and es to complete the organization of the new circuit courts, as rapidly as possible, is shown by the fact that he conferred today with Justice Lamar and Senators Stanford and Felton, in regard to filling the vacancies in the Fifth and Ninth circuits. The prospective early adjournment of the senate, however, may delay these nominations, as well as that of the Eighth circuit, until after the reconvening of con-

Collector Wormcastle of Pittsburg had an interview with the commissioner of internal revenue in regard to the charges against him. It is understood that a change in this office had been determined upon, but it is not known whether action will be taken before the recess of congress.

In the court of claims today, judgments

were rendered in favor of John D. Pope, et al., in the suits against the United States to recover the value of lands in South Carolina satisfaction of the direct tax of August, 1861.

How a Worthy Omaha Lady Benefited by the Buccau of Claims.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The commissioner of pensions issued a pension certificate today in favor of Mrs. Sarah J. Brownson, widow of Lieutenant Harry Brownson, late Twelfth Vermont volunteers, at the rate of \$17 per month from September 8, 1891, the day following the soldier's death. Mrs. Brownson resides at 2634 Davenport street, Omaha, and as her husband was a helpless invalid for a long time prior to his death, the early settlement of her pension claim without the long period of auxiety and suspense, which too many widows of veterans of the war experience, will be the source of much satisfaction to her and her many friends. Her claim was prospented by THE BEE and

Examiner Bureau of Claims, having been filed in the pension bureau September 18, 1891, only three months and three days be-fore notice of issue of the pension certificate was given out. The early settlement of this claim was due to the prompt and diligent manner in which it was prosecuted by The Bee and Examiner Bureau of Claims This is another example of the value to ex-soldiers and their heirs of the organization of a claim bureau such as is conducted by Tue Bre and Examiner. No petter evidence of the good fulth in which this Bureau was organized and is being conducted nor of the ability and diligence of its staff of expert attorneys could be required by the most exacting claimant or by the public. It is an example of the results brought about by application of business methods to the prosecution of honest and valid claims and presents striking contrast to the slow and dilatory methods of claim agents who weit for the pension office to call upon them for evidence necessary to establish the claim and they obtain the same from the claimant by piecemeal instead of going directly to the Issue and preparing the claim for settlement as soon as it is reached and taken up for consideration by the pension office for the first time, as was done in this

The value of The Bee and Examiner Bureau of Claims to the worthy claimants and the public generally is daily becoming more and more apparent, and although the Bureau has only been organized for a brief period, the fact that it is destined to become s power for good and to a large extent revothe prosecution of chaims is admitted by all

MORE BASK TROUBLES.

Four Private Banks in Virginia Go Down with a Crash. STAUNTON, Va., Dec. 21,-Private banks at

Waynesboro, Gordansville, Warrenton and Newmarket, Va., all suspended today. Shirey & Rosenberger were owners of the Waynesbore and Newmarket banks, and were associated with C. F. Myers at Gordonsville, and with Spiliman at Warrenton, is believed depositors will be paid in full.

steamer Arrival -At Southamptons-Elba, New York, from

At Genoa-Werra, from New York,

At Antwerp-Western Land, from New At New York-Lagasdone, from Havre; WILL PUNISH HIS ENEMIES.

Speaker Crisp Will Ignora Mills and Reward Epringer.

EVEN HILL'S ADVICE IS REJECTED.

Probable Complexion of the Other Committee Chairmen-Senator Plumb Was Killed by Hard Work.

Washington Bureau of the Bre, 513 Fourtheath Street, Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.

"The speaker is going to reward his friends and nunish his enemies in the make-up of committees," said one of his most intimate friends today. The exclamation is undoubtedly true. After all, Springer of Illinois is to be the head of the committee on ways and means. The most desperate efforts of David B. Hill, Senator Gorman and others to induce Crisp not to overlook Mr. Mills have failed, and the Georgia speaker will pay the Illinois candidate for the speakership, who withdrew at the critical moment and made it possible to elect Crisp. It is believed that the other democratic members of the committee on ways and means will be as follows: McMillin of Tennessee, Turner of Georgia, Wilson of West Virginia, Whiting of Mighigan, Montgomery of Kentucky, Shively of Indiana, Stevens of Massachusetts, Johnson of Ohio and Bryan of Nebraska. Ex-Speaker Reed will head the republican mempership of the committee, and next to him will be Burrows of Michigan and McKenna of California. It is unimportant who the other two members may be, for the majority will rule with an iron hand. Those who are wise as to the chairmanship

of committees which are to be announced on Wednesday say that without exception Crisp has been unrelenting in his punishment o the Mills men. Outhwarte of Ohio will be th head of military affairs, Blount of Georgia foreign affairs, O'Farreli of Virginia, elections, and probably Catchings of Mississippi judiciary. Ex-Governor McCreary of Ken ucky has been the most distinguished demo cratic member of the committee on forcing affairs for many years and has been its chair man; he confidently expected to be returned to the head of that committee, but he man; supported Mills and is relegated to the rear

South Dakota Affairs. William T. Coad of Rapid City, S. D. president of the Dakota, Wyoming & Mispresident of the Dakota, wyoning & ans-souri River Railroad company, which is now building west from Rapid City, is here secur-ing final plats, etc., from the Interior depart-ment. Mr. Coad is a thorough railroad man and is pushing his work forward. He says there will be a great deal of railroad building in South Dakota next season. The Dakota, Wyoming & Missouri River will be completed far out into Wyoming before snow lies next fall and will do a large business

from the start. Governor A. C. Mellette of South Da kota is here on his way to Boston, where he is booming Dakota in-terests. The governor says there will be number of railroad extensions in his state next year; that there will be lines extended west of Pierre and the Duluth & Manitoba will go south to the Missouri river from Huron, probably stopping at Wheeler, the capital of Charles Mix county. He says the inhabitats of South Dakota prospered greatly the past season and with irrigation and the manufacturing interests going on everythin

looks bright for the future. Senator Pettigrew says he lost one of his nest friends and the country one of the ablest statesmen it had in the death of Senator Plumb. The Kansas and South Dakota sen tors were intimate personal friends and the latter feels deeply the great loss he has sus

tained. Senator Pettigrew said today that if the president did not appoint Mitchell of Winona Minn., to the judgeship of that circuit h would likely appoint ex-Senator Moody o South Dakota, who is excellently fitted for 1 and has been strongly endorsed by many

prominent men. Killed by Hard Work.

"Died from overwork, would be the verdicate of a jury were a coroner's inquest to be held upon the late Senator Preston B. Plumb of Kansas," said Senator Manderson of Ne-braska this afternoon. Senator Manderson continued, "And I might add that the jury would likely say further that Senator Plumb was killed by his correspondents. That man was fairly run to death by constituents who pelted him at every turn with letters. used to get from 150 to 200 letters a day. They asked for pensions and the settlement of all sorts of claims and they came from homestenders and persons who had beer raided by Indians and who wante appointments and everything else under the sun. Imagine a man taking care of such a quantity of correspondence. It is almost physically impossible. It is necessary for a senator to do something more with letters than simply sit down and write an answer. He must, in a majority of cases write other letters to carry out the wishe of the correspondents, and in one quarter of instances he must visit the white hous and introduce bills in congress and them make reports. Senator Plumb had as much work as six men could have done and

preserved their lives," Senator Plumb's Vacant Chair. Within less than two hours after the death of Senator Plumb yesterday Senator Warren of Wyoming had mailed a letter to Door-keeper Bassett applying for the dead senaor's desk, which was a very desirable one, The Kansas senator occupied a desk and chair in the very-center of the outside row next the main aisle, where he could have easy egress and ingress, and could see and be heard from any point in the chamber. The eagerness with which senators pounce upon the seats of their dead confreres makes one almost shudder. Quite a number of etters were mailed yesterday asking for Plumb's seat, so many in fact, that the ostmarks on the envelopes had to be consulted as to priority of application. Senato Warren fortunately carried his letter to the city postoffice himself, thereby securing an immediate postmark, 2 o'clock, when the death occurred just after 12, and so he gets the vacant chair.

Miscellaneous

The supreme court today denied the mo The supreme court today defined the mo-tion to dismiss and postpone the case of James F. Hitch et al. vs James E. Jones et al., from Nebraska. The case will now be reached in its order on the calendar about

the middle of January.

Hon. C. J. Greene of Omaha is in the city.

He appeared before the supreme court this morning and succeeded in having the case of Nebraska against Iowa set for argument on January 25 next. This case is the suit to January 25 next. This case is the suit to decide the boundary line between Nebraska and lows, coposite Omaha, with particular relation to the property of the East Omaha Land company. If the position of the company is maintained, half the land on the Nebraska sine of the river now owned by the company, and the portion called Cortland Beach, will be determined to be within the light of the state of lows. limits of the state of Iowa. Senator Plumb's death leaves a vacancy o

the bine ribbon committee of the senate, that of appropriations, which will be filled by the stoering committee of the republican caucus. It is generally believed that Senator Paddock of Nebrasan will be

Assistant Secretary Chandler today affirmed the decision in the case of Seymour Van Buskirk vs Charles W. Stearns, homestend entry, appeal from the Chadron district. He denied the motion of Carr in the se of Sigel Carr as the heir Samuel Pettit, Mitchell, S. D., for a releaving and reaffirmed the decision of October 30, 1800, sustaining the application of Herry Harrington to file reaffirmed desert hand final from the Chayenne, Wyo.,

The postmaster general today appointed the following postmaters in lows: A. Frey Cincence of W. H. Crane's company, at Canton, Johnson county, vice J C. Rip- functal will be held tomorrow morning.

City, Osceola county, v' Z. A. Kraft, resigned, E. A. Wilder at county, view W. H. Lock Mrs. Phosbe Carlton Leadaw, The funeral will be dence, 518 B street, tomorrs

RECENT ARMY OF THIS. Changes of Interest Made in the Reg-

nlar Service. Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.— Special Telegram to The Bes. J—The following army orders were issued today;

The general court martial appointed to meet at Columbus Barracks, O., October 15, 1891, is dissolved. A general court martial is appointed to meet at Columbus Barracks is appointed to meet at Columbus Barracks at 11 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday, December 22, 1891, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the trial of such prisoners as may be brought before it. Detail for the court: Captain Constant Williams, Seventh infantry; Captain Augustus A. Deloffre, assistant surgeon; Captain John L. Clem, assistant quartermaster; Captain Walter T. Duggan, Teuth infantry; First Lieutenant Charles G. Starr, First infantry; First Lieutenant John J. Haden, Eighth infantry; tenant John J. Haden, Eighth infantry; First Lieutenant William E. P. French, Third infantry; First Lieutenant Carver Howland, Fourth infantry; First Lieutenant Virgil J. Brumback, Second infantry; First Lieutenant Harry L. Halley, Twenty-first infantry, judge advocate. The leave of absence granted First Lieutenant Alex B. Dyer, Fourth artillery, December 11, is extended two months and ten days.

Leave of absence for four months on sur-

reon's certificate of disability, with permis-ion to leave the Department of the Platte, is granted Second Licutenant Philip A Bettens, jr., Ninth cavalry. The leave of absence granted First Licutenant Benjamir . Ten Eyck, assistant surgeon, November 2, is extended five days on account of sick ness. Lieutenant Colonel Edmund C. Bainbridge, Third artillery, is relieved from further duty as a member of the general court martial convened at the Army building in New York city by War department order of November 20, 1891.

Western Pensions. Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.- Special Tele-

gram to THE BEE. |- The following list of pensions granted is reported by The Brie and Examiner Bureau of Claims; Nebraska: Original-Thomas Woolson John Burns, Oliver Brush. Additional-

Isaac Brown, Benjamin Hyatt, David Wood ruff, Thomas J. Redgate. Increase - John F. Chubbuck, John Yates.

Iowa: original—Alonzo P. Root, Absalom F. Brown, Theodore D. Smally, Isaac C. Fally, Ulrich Chapman, Andrew Miller, Robert D. Kelso, John Hurd, Alex, M. Aus-

tin, Charles D. Holbrook, James B. Galer, George W. Knapp, George Barrett, James Runyan, Benjamin Keller, Ashford Tingen-forter, Thomas Jackson, Horatio T. Hale, Additional—Alex, Lowden, Luke Foley, Increase-William G. Parker, Daniel D. Jone Jacob Hughes, Harmon Beck, John H. White, Reissuc-Bryant O'Neal, deceased. Original; widows, etc.-Martha B. Ballou Effic Rockey. South Dakota; original—Elbert D. Greene,

John Munn, John H. Rowe, Additional-John P. Rodgers, Jefferson W. Vedder, Increase-Aaron Flyte. FICTIMS OF A MOR'S WRATH.

Three Kans is Men Riddled with Bullets-Sequel to a Divorce. DEWITT, Ark , Doc. 21 .- This morning at o'clock a body of masked men entered the jail at this place and shot to death J. A. Smith, Floyd Gregory, and Moso Henderson,

who were confined therein. The crime for which these me penalty with their lives originated in a divorce proceeding by Mrs. Mary J. Smith against her husband, J. A. Smith, one of the unfortunate victims of this morning's tragedy. The suit was fought vigorously by both parties, but Mrs. Smith was granted a divorce and given a decree for one-third of her husband's property. On the night of the 9th inst. a negro, Mose Henderson, went to the house of Mrs. Smith and shot her with a load of buckshot, shooting off the fingers and thumb of her right hand, the load then pass ing through her shoulder and into the wal of the dwelling. The negro was recognized and captured and made a confession in which he said he was to receive from Smith the sum of \$175 in money, eighty acres of land, six head of cattle and a horse for committing the

arrested, and a preliminary trial was had be-fore Esquire Joseph Schneider, and the bonds of Smith and the negro were placed at \$30,000, and that of Gregory who, with Smith piloted the negro to the house of Mrs. Smith where the shooting was done, at \$1,000, i default of which they were sent to fail. I was reported that Smith and Gregory would give bonds today and be released. report, it is thought, caused the killing this

morning.
The mob was composed of fitten or twenty men, and was very quiet and orderly. Some twelve or fifteen shots were fired into the prisoners, all of whom were lustantly allied The mob left no clew to their identity, and i s hardly probable that their names will ever be known. There is no excitement over the matter here in town, and business is going on as if nothing unusual had happened.

WEATHER FORECAST.

OFFICE OF WEATHER BUREAU, § Омана, Dec. 21. (The storm was central last evening i

vestern Iowa, moving northeastward toward the upper lakes. Rain fell in the lower Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys. The mild, springlike weather on the southern and eastern side of the storm, and the colder air surging down the Missouri valley re-sulted in local thunderstorms in southeastern

Nebraska and in lowa. The temperature at Omaha yesterday afternoon immediately pre-ceding the thunder storm was 51°. Colder, northwesterly winds and a rapidly rising barometer prevailed last evening broughout the regions north and west of us Temperature below freezing may be expected here today. It is snowing at Sioux City and Minnesota, but over the upper mountain regions fair weather prevails. For Omaha and vicinity - Colder, and

clearing to fair weather with strong north-west winds today. Much colder tenight. Fair and cold on Wednesday.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—For Mis-souri—Threatening weather and rain, south nds shifting to west, and decidedly colder Wednesday morning, with a moderate For Iowa-Rain or snow, followed by clear-

ng and much colder weather; northwest nds: a moderate cold wave. the southeast, stationary temperature in orthwest portion.
For Colorado-Fair, except slight snows in

nountain districts; colder; stationary temperature in northern portion. For North Dakota-Fair, coider, north For South Dakota-Fair, clearing in cast portion; colder north winds.
For Nebraska-Fair, preceded by local
snows in east pertion; northwesterly winds.
For Kansas-Generally fair, clearing in

eastern portion, much colder; northwest winds; colder, fair, Wednesday.

New York, Dec. 21.-Katherine Rogers, the actress, died on Saturday afternoon at her residence in this city after a long illnees. She was born in Eugland and attained prominence as an actress in that country be-fore coming to America. Her early years on fore coming to America. Her early years on the American stage were passed in Wallach's stock company. Subsequently Mrs. Rogers played leading parts in the Union Square theater then under the management of Shook & Palmer. After leaving the Union Square Mrs. Rogers became a star. During the last few years of her life she was a member of A. A. Palmer's stock company. Two of her last agents are actressess. Eleanor Mozfour caughters are actresses. Eleanor Mor-cil, a well known leading lady, and Katie Florence of W. H. Crane's company. The

CHILI IS STILL IMPUDENT.

Municipal Authorities Co tinue to Insult

the American Minister. LEGATION KEPT UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

Prisoners Who Have Sought Protect tion of the Stars and Stripes Insulted by the Chilian Gen-

eral Government.

(Conweight d 1891 by James Gordon Bennett.) VALPARAISO, Chili (via Galveston, Tex.), Dec, 21 - By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald Special to THE BEE.] -Minister Egan teday officially requested the Argentine minister, Senor Urriburra, to note the presence of Chilian police agents in the immediate vicinity of the American legation, as also the attempted arrest on last Saturday night of Mr. Frank Egan, the American minister's son. Senor Urriburra in his diplomatic capacity will call a meeting of the dozen or so foreign ministers for requesting the attention of the Chilian government toward the action of the municipal authorities in maintaining police surveillance

of the American legation. Additional insult was offered the American minister yesterday in the case of one of the refugees under his protection who applied for a release upon furnishing bonds to appear when wanted by the nutborities, This was recently granted Balmaceda's minister of war, Senor Velasquez. The government replied that the retagee must first leave the American legation, surrender hunself to the Chilian authorities and submit to imprisonment. The government, after he had done these things, would con-

sider his request, and not before. A large fire occurred last night in Santiage in the calle San Diego, on the property Senores Gaudurillas and Lucia Cutdra. Sevoral buildings were gutted. The damage was 800,000 pesos. Several firemen were injured. Advices from Valdivia today state that the locusts are still making headway over the country. The commission appointed to take

measures to overcome the plague has arrived at Valdivia, An earthquake shock was felt at twentyfive minutes to 12 a.m. today at Les Andes and Limache. It lasted thirty seconds. The influenza has broken out at San Fer-

nando and is making rapid headway. RELIEVING THE SUFFERERS.

Noble Work of Count Tolstoi-Contributions From the Royal Family. St. Peterspure, Dec. 21.-Count Tolstoi. who has just returned from the famine stricken districts, was interviewed today on the present state of affairs among distressed people, rie announced that his coworker, M. Kortiffski, recently died of influenza. Count Tolstoi declared that if the government would promote village industries suffi-cient work could be found to avert actual starvation. The ordinary authorities, he said, should establish public feeding places. He had started thirty such places, which fed 500 persons daily, at a cost of 3 shillings monthly for each person. The meals con-

sisted of wholesome vegetable porridges without meal. Ignorance as to the actual cost and amount of stocks of grain, he said, prevents a proper organization or relief measures. If the gov-ernment ascertained the true state of affairs, supplies could be brought from America and other countries. The count indignantly opposed the government plan of building railways, which, he said, were a curse and a ruin to Russia, Railways were depriving the peas-ants of their only occupation in the field work, it being impossible by acting as carriers for them to earn sufficient to procure food for themselves and their horses and keep themselves in condition until fit for hard work. The count stated that the wealthy peasants have set a bad example; they cat mouldy bread, and then give the

same to their workmen, thus causing a ter-rible infant mortality.

The czar has sent Colonel Weggdrich to Bostoff, invested with absolute power to reorganize rallway traffic so as to effect a disribution of corn The czarewitch has just donated 50,000 roubles to the famine fund, while the grand nules, George, Alexander and Sergius, havo

each contributed 40,000 roubles to the fund. MEISSONIER FAMILY ROW.

Heirs of the Great Painter Cannot Agree Concerning His Works, Copyrighted 1801 by James Gordon Bennett.] Pains, Dec. 21,- | New York Herald Cable -Special to Tun Beg. !- A great commotion has just been caused in the studios and

salons of Paris by the news of the domestic

disagreement between the widow and the

son of Meissonier, which, it seems, is now certain to lead to the abandonment of the project of the public exhibition of the great painter's work.

Mme, Meissonier insists on the immediate sale of all the pictures found in the late painter's studio, M. Charles Meissonier firmly opposes the plan. All the attempts to bring about an understanding have failed, and the matter will have to be brought be-

fore the court. In any case, the delays of French law will not allow the works to be sold for two or three years yet. The chamber of deputies today passed a bill authorizing the government to extend the benefits of the minimum tariff to the countries which grant France the privilege of the "most favored nation" clause.

JACQUES St. Chur.

TRUE TO PERXOTTO. Brazil's Fighting Forces Vow Als legiance to the New President.

Commighted 1861 by James Gurdon Request.) Rio Janemo, Brazil, Dec. 21.- By Mexican Cable to the New York Heralit-Special to THE BEE. |- The chiefs of the army and of the national guard have dectared their allegiance to President Peixotto. They declare that they will defend the republican institutions and will resist all attempts to

restore imperial rule.

A telegram from Uraguayna says that a chief named Sarawa incited the revolt at Campa by order of General Astroquillo, A fight took place between the garrison and 200 of the insurgents, who cut the telegraph wires to prevent the garrison securing reinforcements. It is also stated that a government steamer has sailed from Yuguaron to

demand Sarawa's surrender. Uruguayan Items.

[Comprighted 1891 by James Gordon Bennett] Mostevieno, Uruguay (via Galveston, Tex.), Dec. 21.- By Mexican Cable to the Now York Herald-Special to Tue Ber.] -Agents from Brazil are buying large quantitles of arms and shipping them to Rio Janeiro.

The wheat crops in the province of Arrecifa

are a total failure.

It is reported from Mondoss, Argentine Republic, that a severe storm took place there last night. The heavy rains washed out the railroad, destroying the ilou for over a mile, interrupting telegraphic communica-Receiver Erb's Appointment.

Kansas Cirv. Mo., Dec. 21. - Receiver Erb of the Kansas City, Wyardolto & Northwests era rairway today telegraphed from Naw York the appointment of Charles F. Brotherton, formerly chief cierk of the general manager, to succeed Concret Manager Summerfield, resigned.