have enabled him to be generous to his favorite niece: The corporation of the city of London will present the princess with a

sliver dinner service and a diamond neck-lace, and the duse of Buccleuch will give her

a diamond bracelet. The members of nobility are vicing with seach other in the costliness of their gifts of jewelry and plate to the

BLEW UP THE CHURCH.

Services Are Feing Held.

that the high alter had been destroyed and

DETERMINED TO END HER LIFE.

Commit Suicide.

filling the house with gas. She then slashed her wrists with a butcher knife, but failing

time she was too weak to move, and when found this morning her body was lying in a

WRECK BY NATURAL GAS.

A Terrific Explosion Demolishes a

Three-Story Building.

brick dwelling of M. F. Pritchard, 2018 Small-

morning by an explosion of natural gas. Mr.

a servant girl, were buried in the ruins, When rescued all were found more or less

seriously burned and bruised, but no one fa-

tally injured. The cause of the explosion was gas leakage into the cellar. Pritchard

went into the cellar, struck a match, and an

explosion followed. The concussion was so terrific that pieces of the building were

Reports of an Engagement.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 25 .- The only in-

formation received at the military depart-

ment headquarters today of the Catarina

Garza fillibustering and revolutionary trou-

bies along the Rio Grande border was a dis patch to Assistant Adjutant General J. P

Martin from Cantain John B. Johnson of the

Third cavalry, which stated that he had just returned to Fort Brown, Tex., after a three

laws. None of the Garza men were encoun-tered and none are believed to have crossed over into Texas from Mexico along that por-

Francis Hardie of the Third cavalry and his detachment of fifty men had met an armed

force of Garza's followers near Carrizo, Tex.

yesterday, and that in the engagement that ensued fourteen of the United States soldiers

General Stantey has been expectantly awaiting some word from Captain Hardie al

intionists, and it is probable that a bloody

event occurred, as reported. It is believed at the post here that he must have been

drawn into an ambush and his men mas

Threatens to Annex Part of Texas.

ent of Mexican troops met yesterday

rontier. About 6,000 Mexican soldiers have been stationed along the border between

Neuva Laredo and Matamoras. Among this

nent, the Fourth cavalry, which is pro-

Governor Hogg today sent a detachment of rangers to the scene of the trouble and they

will aid the military authorities in suppress

Going at Guttenberg.

GUTTENBERG, N. J., Dec. 25 .- The track

First race, five furlongs: Tom Haves won.

:02M. Fifth race, six furlongs: Paragon won addigtre coit second, McKeever th rd. Time

:19%. Sixth race, mile a quarter: War Duke won Sir Rac second, John Hickory third. Time

Fire Record.

Hurchinson, Kan, Dec. 25,-The Milton &

Baldwin block, one of the finest structures in the city, burned yesterday. J. D. Weiner,

dry goods, lost \$80,000. The Knights Templar

his morning in a drug store from the explo-ion of a barrel of gasoline. The Jacksonville

fire department was sent for and assisted in

quenching the fluires. Among the places burned were Floming's drug store, Wemple

Bros.' bank, two clothing stores and several smaller concerns. Loss, \$60,000.

Shot Through the Heart.

The wife's story is that a man came

ROCKPORT, Mo., Dec. 25. - Lying near the

evening was Ed Teller, of Cumberland coun-

at of town riding a gray horse and halted at the camp. Hot words passed, a shot was fired and her husband fell to the ground dead.

Threatened Strike.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 25 .- A tie-up of

san Antonio & Aransas Pass railroad, be-

cause of cuts among the station telegraphers and substitution of nonunion men at lower

wages, is probable tomorrow. A meeting will be held at Yoakum of employes for con

certed action. This meeting will offer the alternative of reinstatement of old men or a

number is President Diaz's favorite

nounced the best regiment in Mexico.

was large:

ne is in pursuit of a detachment of th

y, but no communication has been had the him for three days. It is known that

blown half a square away.

revival, and it is thought was insane.

having exploded the bombs.

## HE ROUTED THE HESSIANS.

One Hundred and Fifteen Years Ago Waskington Won at Trenton.

THE ANNIVERSARY FITLY OBSERVED.

Corner Stone Laid for the Monument to the Gallant Leader and His Troops Who Crossed the Delaware.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 26.-Today, the one hundred and fifteenth anniversary of the revolutionary battle of Trenton, was celebrated by the laying of the corner stone of the monument to the memory of Washington and the Continental troops, who, after crossnug the Delaware Christmas night, surprised and routed the Hessians.

Governor Abbett laid the stone at noon, while a salute of forty-four guus was fired. An indoor meeting was held at the Taylor house, at which General William Sewell presided. General Horace Porter of New York, United States Senator McPherson and ex-Secretary of the Navy Robeson made addresses. The monument will cost \$60,000.

KNOCKED 'EM BOTH OUT.

New York's Police Superintendent Fixes Mitchell and Corbett.

New Youx, Dec. 26. -Superintendent of Police Murray announces today that, as attempts had been made to revive so-called 'knocking out" matches, which were prevalent some years age, but which were stamped out, and that, as statements have been made that Charley Mitchell and Jim Corbett, professional pugilists, were to meet in Madison Square garden in the early part of February, he would not allow the fight to take place. Said the superintendent: "I am determined that these knocking out contests shall not be revived. There will be no prize fighting in

Charley Mitchell and Frank Stavin called at police headquarters today to see Superin-tendent Murray, but the latter had gone home. Mitchell expressed disappointment at the superintendent's action, and described it as harsh. Mitchell thought some one in the sparring profession was responsible for it.

Slavin scowled, and though he was disap-pointed, also, he held his tongue.

Arthur Lumley said he thought it was the direct results of the exhibitions by Peter Maher in Madison square garden, when he knocked out two men in less than five min-utes. He did not see why the Corbett-Mitchell fight should not come off. It was to be a scientific exhibition, pure and simple. Amateur boxing bouts were allowed, and he failed to see the distinction between amateurs and professionals.

Jim Corbett held the same views. He

said that, not with standing, he will insist on fighting, and this time to a finish, before some reputable club.

Racing in a Lave. GUTTENBERO, N. J., Dec. 26.—The rain did nst improve matters here. The track resembled a water course more than a race course today. It was several inches under water, and only a glimpse of land could be seen in high places

First race, five furlongs: Ballarat won, Lillian second, Allah third. Time: 1:94. Second race, six furlongs: P. Howard won, Graduate second, Glenmound third. Time: Third race, one mile: War Duke won, Glos-ter second, Duke John third. Time: 1:48, Fourth race, five furlohgs: Peruvian won, Rancocas second, Badge third, Time: 1:04, Fifth race, six furlongs: Quartermaster won, Morry Duke second, Brooklyn third Time: 1:145. Sixth race, one mile: Floringer won, Mabe omeroy second, John Hickey third. Time

Only Ten Dollar .. Several members of the Omaha Athletic club have spoken tately of the reports in circerning an advance in the mem bership fee of that institution. It is being agreed that the club has advanced the fee to \$25. This is a mistake. The constitution fixes the fee at \$10, and it can only be advanced by a vote of the club at a regular meeting. This notice is given that an erron-eous impression may be removed. The affairs of the club are in an exceedingly

Johnny Murphy Backs Out. Bosrov, Mass., Dec. 26.-Johnny Murphy of this city today declined to carry out the agreement made by him to fight Cal McCarthy of New York, at the Olympic club at New Orleans for a purse of \$2,000.

CORDAGE TRUST.

Successful Efforts to Consolidate the Business Under One Management.

New York, Dec. 26 .- The purchase of the machinery and cordage works of John Good, located at Ravenswood and Brooklyn, has been effected by the National Cordage company in everything but the technical details. Today the representative of the company denied that the purchase had actually been made, but admitted that negotiations to this end have been going on for several months

"It would be unfair to Mr. Good," he said, "for me to state just what is the nature of these negotiations. We are not a private concern, but a company whose officers are controlled by a board of directors, and therefore, cannot move alone in a matter of this This virtually means that the purchase, to

be complete, only requires the endorsement of the governing board, and as soon as these minor details can be arranged the transfer will be made. The works are valued at \$2,000,000. The

purchase of these works means the acquisi-tion of some of the valuable patents and another step towards gaining virtual control of the industry.

The only important concern now outside of

is the establishment of Fitler & Co., of Philadelphia, and there is, betwee this concern and the cordage company, suc an agreement that there is no need of pur-

Henry C. Kelly, a large dealer in cordage, and ropes, was seen at his office this after noon, "As I understand it," he said, "the National Cordage company has not bought John Good's plant. It has simply paid him a subsidy to shut down. The price paid, I be-lieve, is in the neighborhood of \$200,000 an-

Only a month ago, the National Cordage company bought out in the same manner, the firm of John T. Bailey & Co. of Philadelphia John Good had a very large plant, and has been fighting the trust for over a year. He has proved too strong for it, and it has been obliged to accede to his demands. On the strength of these two new deals, the price of manilla rope, and of another rope of better quality, have been advanced 10 per cent, and it is likely another advance wil occur shortly, as well. The trust now con-trois the majority of the spindles in the country, and it is very probable prices will advance all along the line. Rope is heavily protected by the McKinley bill—1½ cents a pound—and this will help the trust. The only big competitors left now, who are not in the trust, are Edwin H. Fitler & Co. of Philadelphia; the Plymouth Cordage company of Boston, and Hooven & Allison of Xenia, O.

The National Cordage company has been continually adding to its number until now it controls the biggest part of the cordage and rope trade. They have tried to fight outsiders, but have paid dearly for it. of their means, a short while ago, was the lowering of the price of rope so that it was below the cost of production. It, however, below the cost of production. It, however, falled, for they were compelled to buy out the outsiders at high prices, or else pay them big subsidies, as in the case of John

Travers Bros., dealers in cordage and twine, said that they had heard of the purchase and believed the trade had been made The senior members of the firm said that the National company owned or controlled fully 90 per cent of the twine and cordage works of this country.

Will Heartily Co-Operate. OTTAWA, Dec. 26. - The Department of Agriculture has been officially notified that the State Seard of Health of Pennsylvania has been considering the lack of sanitary

precautions, and has made a provision in precautions, and has made a provision in regard to persons suffering from leprosy in the United States, and it is decided to urgo upon congress the desirability of providing a remedy. In any precautionary measures the American government takes the Canadian government will neartily co-operate.

PLOTTING AGAINST HIS BROTHER, Grand Duke Sergius Charged with

Being a Conspirator. Loxnox, Dec. 26.-Contradictory stories are received here regarding Grand Duke Sergius, prother of the czar, who last spring was appointed governor of Moscow. At the beginning of the present month it was said that the grand duke was making himself very unpopular by his efforts to suppress fraudulent practices growing out of the corruption for which the Russian official world

is notorious. One scandai in which the grand duke is said to have intervened was the misapproprintion of \$12,000, which had been sent to Oria to a branch of the Red Cross society, for relief purposes among the sufferers in the famine stricken provinces. The grand duke recently gave from his privy purse 4,000 roubles for the sufferers, but the fact that he had interfered with the stealing of the famine money has caused him to be very unpopular with a certain wealthy and influen-tial class, who are doing their utmost to se-cure his removat from office. He is charged by this class with taking advantage of the authority conferred upon him by the exar, and with playing the part of a tyrant. They say that his peremptory behavior is an insult to them, and are so determined to have his power abridged that they have prepared and forwarded to the czar a petition praying for his removal from the office of governor of

Advices received today state that the czar suspects his brother of "nursing amoitious designs," though the nature of these designs, in a country where all social and political honors emanate from the czar, is not stated. It is added that the czar has been so impressed by the array of evidence presented o him against the grand duke that it is his intention to send him into exile.

An illustration of the "tyranny" of the grand duke is given in the following incldent: It appears that he gave orders re-cently that the horse races at Moscow were not to commence until he arrived. A large crowd was present at the races and they were kept waiting for an hour and a half before the grand duke appeared. The crowd grew very impatient at the delay and when the grand duke appeared he was vigorously

This incident was reported to the czar, and, t is said, is considered to decide the question of the grand duke's dismissal from office. The wife of the Grand Duke Sergius is a The wife of the Grand Duke Sergius is a daughter of the Grand Duke Louis of Hesse. and a grauddaughter of Queen Victoria. She recently anandoued the religious faith in which she was trained, and, in April last she formally joined the Greek church.

The grand duke is recognized as the head

of the old Russian orthogox party, and all recent advices regarding him, with the ex-ception of today's, showed he stood in high favor with the czar. The very fact that he was appointed to the imperial office of governor of Moscow shows he must have enjoyed ne confidence of the exar to a high degree. It was charged in some quarters the conversion of the Grand Duchess Sergius was not the result of a free change in her religious belief, but that it was due to moral sussion of a very brutal kind. This statement was officially denied at the time, but the fact remains that she at one time was so disgusted with her husband that she was with difficulty restrained from leaving him. It is said that the czar interposed his good offices to prevent the scandal that would have followed a sep-

CHILI WILL MAKE REPARATION.

Everything Favorable for a Peaceful Settlement of the Troubles. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.-There can be no doubt of the desire of the officers of the State and Navy departments to allay any apprehensions of war between the United States and Chili that may have been caused by alarming newspaper publications. Secretary Tracy this morning said the warlike stories were without foundation and that there was nothing in the situation to warrant their acceptance. He added that not a single vessel of the navy was under orders to proceed to Chili-

There is the highest authority for the state-ment that the Department of State has received from official resources, though informally, assurances that the Chilian government will make properation for the as-sault upon the sailors of the Baltimore n Valparaiso. Secretary Blaine would not say anything about the recent advices from Chili, but ample evidence of their pacific tone is found in the general relaxation in State and Navy Department circles and in the orders sent to the Boston to proceed at once to San Francisco.

NEVER OCCURRED.

Chicago Newspapers Publish an Account of " hat Never Happened. CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 26 .- A sensational dispatch from Minneapolis saving that a gang of train robbers endeavored to rob the passengers on the Chicago & Northwestern train near Eau Claire, Wis., on Thursday, and, that after the exchange of a number of shots between them and the train crew, they escaped by jumping through a window, was published here today. The attention of Gen-eral Passenger Agent Thrall of the Northwestern was called to the dispatch by the Associated press, and, as the result of a thorough investigation by him this after-noon, he reports upon the matter as follows: "There is not the slightest truth in the report, and nothing has occurred that could suggest such a thing."

Sawtelle Didn't Live to Hang. Concono, N. H., Dec. 26,-Isaac Sawtelle who murdered his brother Hiram, died of apoplexy this morning in the state prison. In response to a sontiment that has rapidly become a fixed conviction in the minds of many citizens of Concord, that the death of Isaac B. Sawtelle, the murderer, resulted from his taking poison, Mayor Clapp this afternoon was advised by Prison Physician Clark to make a careful investigation to ascertain whether the widely circulated rumer has any foundation in fact, and this Mayor Clapp intends to do. County Solici-tor Donovan, also, has the matter under advisement, and will order such action to be taken as may be necessary to clear up the

Starvation and Crime. St. Pethersburg, Dec. 26.—A famished peasant in the Tscheljabinsk district killed five men recently for the purpose of robbing them and buying food with the money thus obtained. He was arrested while engaged in hiding the bodles of his victims. He murdered the men while they were sleeping and four roubles. He resolved to make sure of killing the men and kept ham mering at them all night. He seems to have been driven insane by excessive hunger and

Fight with Garza Confirmed. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.-General Schoffeld has received through the Mexican minister official dispatches confirmatory of the engagement between Captain Bourke and detachment of Garza's band of revolutionists. The general says that, if captured, Garza's men can be indicted individually for violation of the neutrality laws and for murder, as they killed a United States soldier

Doctors Leave Patients to Die. St. Pergassuno, Dec. 26.-Typhus and typhoid fever are prevalent among the prisoners at Samara. The doctors whose duty it is to attend the sick prisoners are in despair and have not visited their charges for a month. The rapid increase in the number of deaths is due to the famine.

Buzzard at Duluth. DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 26 .- Duluth was visited by a terrific blizzard yesterday. Some anxiety is feit for the safety of the tug Ed-ward Fiske, which left Duluth Thursday for Port Arthur.

Secretary Foster Still Improving. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26. Secretary Foster continues to improve slowly.

[FROM YESTERDAY'S SECOND EDITION.]

POPE LEO BREAKING DOWN.

His Holiness Not Expected to Survive the

Present Season. BUTCHERING OF BARONESS D'ELLARD.

Already There is Much Talk in Rome About the Succession-Confession of a Brutal Paris

Murderer.

[Conurichted 1891, by James Gordon Bennett.] Paris, Dec. 25 .- | New York Herald Cable Special to THE BEE. |- Dispatches from ome leave no doubt that his holiness Popo Leo XIII is fast approaching the end of his days. His vital energies are sustained by all sorts of peculiar means. For example before the fast consistory met he was made to breathe quantities of oxygen until it was time to enter the ball. His physicians believe that his life cannot be prolonged much longer than six months; indeed it is quite probable that his life is nearer its close than that and that he will not see the approaching

Already there is a good deal of talk about the succession, and it appears that Cardinal Monaco la Valletta of the Inquisition and Cardinal Parocchi stand the best chance. Louis Anastay has confessed that he murdered Baroness d'Ellard, and gives as the motive of the crime that he was driven almost mad by the necessity of paying debts to save

himself from dishonor. He says he left

Lyons December 1 with the settled resolu-tion to get money even at the price of crime. Before leaving he purchased a knife with which he committed the murder. On reaching the house of the baroness she pened the door for him, recognized him and ed the way to her room. He asked her if she was alone. On her affirmative reply he threw himself upon her and cut her throat. Hearing a servant approaching while looking for the money he waited for her, knife in hand, determined to xill her also. In the struggle the knife fell from his hand, where-

Anastay's confession is as strange as his arrest, which many thought was made on insufficient evidence but which reflects great credit on the perspicuity of the police.

The Gaulois this morning states that d'Ennery suther of the "Two Orphans" and other well known dramatic successes is so ill that all hope of recovery seems lost.

he fied without having secured any

SOME ENGLISH POLITICS.

Conservatives Looking for a Leader-Gossip From England.

Copprighted 1891 by New York Associated Press. | LONDON, Dec. 25.—The position of Lord Hartington as the leader of the dissidents will remain unaltered on his going into the House of Lords. The papers teem with spec ulations as to whether Mr. Joseph Chamber lain or Sir Henry James will become the virtual head of the party. The question, nowever, was really settled long ago, during the illness from which the late duke of Devonshire recovered. Under the concurrence of Lord Salisbury, who was then vainty negotiating for the absorption of Lord Harting ton by the conservative party, it was deter mined that Lord Hartington would retain the nominal and actual leadership, Mr. Chambertain taking the lead in the House of Commons. Sir Henry James declined even to place numself in competition with Mr.

The old liberals are forming a strong wing of the dissidents, who distrust Mr. Chamber lain's tendency to radicalism. The conserva tives continue to be shy toward a politician with whom they have little in common except unionism. But the tory leaders have tested Mr. Chamberlain's willingness and capacity to work in unison with them. Conservative members generally admit his frankness and integrity as a coworker, while the unionists equally recognize his powers a a debater. His less known qualities as a tac tician and his personal courtesy and menta attainments, however, make him the only possible commander of the party in the House

Lord Hartington, on assuming the duke dom, obtains the garter which Mr. Glad-stone obtained for the deceased duke, and which is thus inherited in succession. Such an honor is most unusual, but Lord Salisbury, owing the existence of his ministry to Lord Hartington and being unable to otherwise repay his services, is desirous that the new duke shall accept the garter.

Mr. Gladstoge has written a letter to Lord Hartington expressing regret at the death of his father, the duke of Devonshire, and recalling their long period of political friend-ship. A number of eminent Gladstonians will attend the funeral of the duke, though Mr. Gladstone himself and Mr. Morley will be unable to be present.

Franco-Bulgarian Affairs.

Sir William White, the British ambassador at Constantinopie, while passing through Sofia yesterday had a short interview with Premier Stambouloff. Lord Salisbury is reported as having advised the Bulgarian gov ernment to go far in satisfying France in the present juncture. It is the belief of high oficials of the foreign office that Lord Salis bury is taking an isolated course in urging Premier Stambouloff to submit to the demands of M. Ribot, the French minister of foreign affairs, although the Ber-lin government is known to be advising the opposite policy. The reports of Mr. O'Connor, the British agent at Sona show that it would not be advisable to ex pose the Stambouloff regime to the scrutiny which would arise from a joint deliberation of the European powers on Minister Ribot's charge of viciation of capitulations, whole-sale arrest and prolonged imprisonment with out trial and system of torture to compe onfession. Other illegal expulsions besides hat of Chadouine accompany Premier Stambouloff's despotic rule, so Lord Sain oury's position is taken out o sign vuless the unstinted support of England to accorded to him. As his successor in this event would be H. Stolloff, who would adopt a pro-Russian policy, the prospect may compel Lord Salisbury to change his position in the matter. M. Ribot, the French minister of foreign affairs, wishing to force an exposure of the

new Bulgarian atrocities, has brought M Chadouine to Paris to coach him is regard to them Vienna papers are trying to ridicule Chaduoine as an "ex-waiter" and cafe chantant singer. He really served a three years' term in the French army and afterward became a private secretary to Prince Alexander of Buttonburg, when the latter was prince of Bulgaria. He followed the latter's fortunes for a tong time after his addication, but sub-sequently returned to Sofia as an unpaid secretary of the French diplomatic agency there, and a correspondent of the Havas nows agency. In fact, he snew too much for

Disgraced Mrs. Osborne. The disgraced Mrs. Captain Osborne, who stole and sold the jewels of Mrs. Hargreaves, is now somewhere in the south of France. But for her being Sir Henry James' grand-But for her being Sir Henry James grand-daughter, she would now be lying in prison awaiting trial for perjury and theft. Rela-tives of the woman are arranging a settle-rent of Jeweler Spink's claim for the £50 he paid for the stolen pearls. These have been restored to Mrs. and Major Hargreaves; who have now returned to Torquay to quietly lionize in society. Englebart's position toward Mrs. Hargreaves is explained as that of an old friend of the family. The stories of his impecuniosities are denied. The stables over which he lived indicated wealth instead of poverty. They are model buildings, fitted up with every luxury of a man devoted to horses. The quarters of the rooms are ideal bachelor chambers. He owns both nunters and trotters.

hunters and trotters.

The next society scandal will be Lord Howard de Walden's petition for a divorce frem his wife. The case, however, will be divested of much of the public interest which would otherwise have attended it by the withdrawl of certain shocking charges, which the wife desired to plead as the grounds of a separation from her husband. Efforts to have the case heard in chambers have been defeated and the public strike. About 700 men and as many miles of roal are affected. Burned to Death. SALT LAKE, Dec. 25,-This morning at Bangham, the bunk house of South Galena mine caught fire and two miners, l'at O'Mailey and F. Jacobsen, were burned to

will now treated to a revelation of the domestic life of aristocrats, in which conjunction assaults and actions unworthy

the lowest rowdy figure largely.

The duke of Cambridge is credited with endowing Princess Victoria Mary with the Active Negotiations In Progress for More sum of £5,000 venrly. Despite the expense Medern Ironelads. attached to his morganatic family, his own savings and his annual income of £30,000

ADMIRAL MONTT PROCLAIMED PRESIDENT.

General Amnesty Will Be Announced Today But It Will Not Include Balmaceda's Prominent Chief Officers.

Dynamite Exploded While Religious temperated 1891 by James Gordan Bennett, 1 VALPARAISO, Chill (via Galveston Tex.) Rows, Dec. 25.-While midnight mass was Dec. 25.- By Mexican Cable to the New celebrated this morning in a church in the York Herald-Special to THE BEE. |-Adcity of Valencia, four bombs were exploded miral Jorge Monti was proclaimed president in the edifice in rapid succession. When the of the republic in every town and city in the smote and dust had cleared away it was seen country today. Einborate preparations are that several persons ware who seated near it had been injured. The church was completely wrecked and a number of wor-shipors were bruised by falling debris. Two persons have been arrested on suspicion of being made in Santiago for the inauguration ceremonies tomorrow. Two regiments of troops from the south arrived in that city yesterday, and these, with a battalion of sailors, will act as a body guard to President Montt during the ceremonies. It is proposed to proclaim a general am-

nesty tomorrow to all the minor, civil, mili-Efforts Made by a Servant Girl to tary and naval officials who served under the late Balmaceda. The amnesty will not Perrsagno, Pa., Dec. 25. -Bertha Pregnor, however, extend to officers above the rank servant girl employed by Harry B. Boyd of major, to ministers of state, judges, counof Alleghauy, committed suicide some time cilors, members of congress, governors or last night. The efforts to kill herself showed others who were particularly prominent. cool determination, in the face of many ob-stacles. She first hung nerself to a chande-lier in the dining room, but the pipe broke. Active measures have been taken to preventany outbreak or uprising on the part of the Raimacedista tomorrow. Velasquez was

brought here from Santiago yesterday and handed over to the intendente. to end her life in this manner, went to the cellar and hung herself to a water pipe. This also broke, flooding the cellar. By this He was at once placed on board the war ship Cochrane for safe keeping. This action has given rise to the idea that the government believed Valasquez was the head of a plot to pool of water. The young lady was 22 years of age and recently came from New York. She was recently converted at a religious cause trouble during the inauguration

> Arms in His Possession. The reason given for his arrest is that

several persons were caught Wednesday night conveying Mannlicher rifles into his house. A search of the house resulted in the discovery of other rifles. The destruction of a hardware store by fire yesterday night Pittsbung, Pa., Dec. 25.—The three-story also revealed the hiding place of a lot of the man street, was blown to atoms early this It is announced that the government in-Pritchard, wife and three children, a hired boy named David Bennett and Barbara Rich,

tends to build more war ships. Thompson, the correspondent of the London Times, who is the agent of the Armstrougs, has offered to seil to Chili a ship of the Esmeralda type of 4,000 tons with a speed of twenty-one miles, for £300,000. The Cochrane has been ordered to Maquellanes. Locusts are advancing north toward the

wheat district and are doing much damage. Soldiers have searched the houses of William McKenna and other well know Balmacedists in Santiago for arms. All i reported quie in Santiago while a state of active vigitance prevails in Valparaiso.

PERUVIAN SHIPPERS PROTEST.

Government Decree Requiring Cash

Deposits Causes Much Trauble. Copyrighted 1891 by James Gordon Bennett.1 CALLAO, Peru (via Galveston, Tex.), Dec. 25.- By Mexican Cable to the New York days scouting trip up the river on the Texas side in search of revolutionary Mexicans and offenders against the United States revenue Herald-Special to THE BEE. |-All the shipping agents along the Peruvian coast make common cause with the protesting agents at Callao and merchants at Lima against the government decree requiring tion of the border within the past few days.

The startling report which reached here last night from Fort McIntosh that Captain eash deposits in the place of bonds as herotofore. Nothing has been shipped from this port since December 18, and the same condition of affairs exists at all the ports now. Nothing has been taken from the custom houses and no revenues are coming to the government from any of the ports. It is were silled, had up to a late hour tonight received no official confirmation at depart-ment headquarted, here. claimed that the banks have declined to loan to the government which refuses to abrogate

All the papers counsel moderation and temperate discussion pending a solution of the trouble. Much bitter feeling has been engendered and many idle efforts have been made looking to a solution of the difficulty. The steamer Santa Maria of San Francisco has been ordered sold here for debt. Lieutenant Safford, the World's fair comnissioner, who has arrived from Bolivia, says Secretary McCreery of the American egation is bound to Chili where he expects

In a telegram to General Stanley last night to arrive Saturday. Cantain Bourke states that Garza recently made a speech to his followers at Los Angeles, Tex., in which he asserted that the Fighting on Brazil's Border Commished 1891 by James Gorden Renart 1 present campaign would be completely suc-RIO GRANDE DO SUL, Brazil (via Galveston, cessful and after he has overthrown the ad-ministration of President Diaz he would then Tex.), Dec. 25 .- (By Mexican Cable to the nsist that part of Texas be added to Mexico New York Herald-Special to THE BEE. He has also told his men that if they cannot get supplies anywhere else within Texas Fights between the government troops and revolutionists are reported at the border hey can capture Fort Ringgold and find towns of San Juan, Baptista, Santana and Dr. Plutarco Orneias, the Mexican consul Liverament. The government of Uruguay bere, today received a dispatch from the Mexican consul at Neuva Laredo, Tex., stat-ing that a force of Garza's men and a regihas posted large bodies of troops on guard along the frontier to prevent the Brazilian revolutionists from crossing the border, An overflow of the Tercero river has de-stroyed the railroad traces, wharves and distance below that place, and the Mexicans made a stand, but were defeated with a loss of four men. The Mexican government is rushing troops to the

warehouses at Villamaria. Silveyra Martinez has been appointed rovernor of Rio Grande do Sul. Vessels from Buenos Ayres and Monte-video have been quarantined. Fully 90 per cent of the fever patients in the hespitals here are dying.

ATTACKED THE OFFICERS. Italians at Flores Island Engage in

Desperate Fighting. [Commighted 1891 by James Gardon Bennett.] Montevideo, Uruguay (Via Galveston, Tex.), Dec. 25 .- [By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE. |was very heavy today, and the attendance Two hundred Italians in the Lazaretto at Flores island attacked the officers yesterday, and it was only after some deperate fighting 1:044.
Second race, six and one-half furlongs:
Kempland won, Requefort second, Little
Frei third. Time: 1:25.
Third race one mile: Woodcutter won,
Saunters second, Text third. Time: 1:454.
Fourth race, five furlongs: Toano won,
Tormentor second, Volunteer third. Time:
1:024. that they were subdued and order restored. Owing to bad telegraph facilities, it

is impossible to got reliable news from Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil. One report states that there has been a furi ous fight between the government troops and the revolutionists, giving nothing of the result. Another report says that Saraiva, Campes and Astrogelda had submitted to the regularly constituted authorities.
Advices from Cordova say that the cities

Vidamaria and Villanueva have been inundated by the floods and much property has been destroyed. The condition of financial affairs is largely engaging the attention of congress at

Political Situation Unchanged. [Copyrighted 1891 by James Gordon Bennett.] BUENOS AYRES (via Galveston, Tex.), Dec.

and Masons, who had lodge rooms in the building, lost all their effects. The total loss is \$140,000. 5.- By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE. -A conference was held yesterday between Generals Roca and Mitre in order to devise means to bring about the defeat of the schemes of Sacuz. The result of the confesence has not been made public. Other than this, the political situation is unchanged. The requistas are confident of carrying the election for president which occurs on January I. They will perhaps make a combination with the radioadside in the outskirts of Rockport this cals. The Mitristas hope by a fusion to reconcile all diferences. It is generally con-ceded that the provinces of Cordova and Catamarca will give heavy majorities for ty, Illinois, dead, with a pistol ball in his heart. The dead man's wife and her sup-posed paramour were watching over the

> fatal fight occurred this morning north of here. A country dance was in progress and James Sweat got into a difficulty with a dancer who shot him dead. The fight then ecame general and five others were serious-Business Troubles. Boston, Mass., Dec. 25.—Geo. H. Page, lessee of the Lang hotel, 169 Washington

Bloody and Fatal.

street, has assigned. Liabilities about \$75, There is substantially nothing for the unsecured creditors.

Quiet in Hawaii.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 25.—Consul McKinley has received advices from Honolulu to the effect that everything is quiet at the islands. Preparations for the coming

elections are being carried on in an orderly manner. Queen Liirukalaua's health continges good.

CELEBRATED BY FIGHTING.

Rows Which Enlivened the Day for the Police There was a little row down in Goldsmith's saloon at Ninth and Capitol avenue last ovening between a man named Ryan and Sam Cline. The former struck Cline with a

Sam Cline. The former struck Cline with a club, knocking him down and cutting quite a gash in his head over the right eye. The injured man was taken to police headquarters where Officer 1,000rn dressed the wound, after which Cline was locked up for disturbing the peace. Evan skipped.

William and James Wilson, both colored, got into a row in front of a fruit store in the Board of Trade building last evening. When they clinched and fell they rolled down the steps and into the entrance to the store. The proprietor, G. Hugetts, endeavored to put the men out himself, and it is claimed be inthe men out himself, and it is claimed he in terfered with Officer Evans while attempt ing to arrest the colored men. All three were taken to the jail, where the Wilsons were charged with fighting and Hugetts with interfering with an officer. All three

were released on ball in a short time. Luck of a Cheisemas Drunk. William Kirk of South Omaha implbed ittle too much hot whisky in Omaha last night and fell from a motor car at the corner of Eighteenth and Vinton streets. He lay be tween the tracks in a badly stunned condiion and the patrol wagon was sent for. man was taken to the jail, where the heat soon revived him, and it was found that 1.8 had quite a severe cut on the back of the head. The wound was dressed and Kirk was given a bed for the night.

Only One Day of Liberty. Dick Grandon, who had just finished servng a sixty days' santence on the hill, was arrested again yesterday for having a suit of clothes in his possession which he could not satisfactorily account for. The pol-lieve the clothing to be stolen plunder.

POUNDED HER HEAD OUT OF SHAPE Brutal Murder of a Woman by Her Husband.

Lowett, Mass., Dec. 25.-A horrible murder toos place in Aldrich's block last night. The murderer is Frank L. Moulton, a dissi pated barber, who beat out the brains of his wife, Alma Moulton, with a flat-iron. He appears to have been sober at the time of ommitting the crime. As Moulton tells the tory, their quarrel began in bed because his wife would not give him room enough. She slapped his face and he tried to choke her Then they arose partially dressed and wenat it again, when he got a flat-iron, and after asking her if she would give up, to which she said no, he said, "I let her have the flatiron three times as hard as I could hit." Her head and face is pounded out of shape, one car severed and the skull fractured. Moulton cays, "I did the job, and it's a good one.

BESIEGING A MURDERER.

By Determined Men. BUCKATUNNA, MISS., Dec. 25.—The reports elographed last night concerning the murlerous work of Bob Sims and his gang u Choctaw county, Alabama, are true in every particular. Sims was surrounded yesterday

Bob Sims and His Gang Surrounded

in his house by sixty men. Some forty shots were exchanged and Bob Sims and five others retreated to the house, where they are strongly fortified, having Winchesters and revolvers. The besingers have a few rifles and shotguns. There are strong chances that Sims will break through the cordon and a reign of terror be inaugurated. If he does not, it is expected 700 men will environ the house today.

The Elss' Benefit. The Omaha lodge of Elks are arranging a grand matinee benefit performance to take place at Boyd's New theater on Wednesday afternoon, December 30, the proceeds of which are to be turned into the lodge treasury. The "Dr. Bill" company have very kindly volunteered to give one act of "Dr. Bill," and members of the company who can furnish special numbers for the program have cheerfully consented to do so. The management of "Flashes" have come forward and volunteered one numper for the cotertainment of the audi ence. There are other professional attractions in Council Biuffs and Lincoln, and assistance will be secured from them if possible. The best musical and other talent in Omana will be invited to participate. The entertainment will be a delightful mixture of comedy, music, recitations, etc., and those vho purchase tickets will aid a worthy ganization, obtaining at the same time ful value for their money. The tickets will be \$1 each and can be obtained from members o

Elk club rooms, or from members of the general committee of arrangements, which cou sists of W. B. Taylor, D. W. Haynes and Switchman Painfully Injured. A B. & M. switchman named F. E. Bale met with a painful accident last night which may lay him up for some time. Bate was standing on the footboard on engine 217 as it was running under the Douglas street bridge with one foot resting at the extreme end of the footrest, when the limb struck against a drawbar which had been left standing too near the track. The police patrol wagen was sent for and conveyed the injured switchman to his home, 1317 South Seventeenth street A surgeon was sent for who dressed the

the lodge, at the theater box office, at the

bruises, which, fortunately, are not serious THE DEPREDATION CLAIMS.

The experience of THE BEE CLAIMS BUREAU has brought out the fact that many of its subscribers do not understand that the Indian depredations act passed by the last congress annulled all previous contracts for collecting claims under it. This is a fact that they should know for their own protect tion. When the act was signed all contracts with agents were made void by its terms. The holders of claims were then free to make uch bargains with their agents as the leased, or could refuse to make any bargan The framers of the act found it necessar,

to take this step for the protection of the claimants. At the time when there seemed

little chance that such an act would be passed hundreds of claimants had contracted with agents to pay outrageous fees in case the money could be collected. Cases are known in which the claimants and contracted to give up to the agents over one half the amount collected. Cases in which one-third was promised were not at all ancommon. To allow these contracts to stand would make the law not an act of justice, but un act of extertion for the benefit of the claim agents. The clause was inserted annulling all the contracts, good, bad and indifferent, and limiting the percentage to be charged by agents to 15 per cent, with an extra 5 per cent allowance for special cases. The claim agents naturally objected to this, asserting that it was beyond the powers of congress, but the best opinion of both houses was that contracts made to collect claims under a law that did not exist could be annulied in that On the 4th of March, therefore, the claim-

ants who had signed contracts were as free from obligations to agents as those who had not. If they were satisfied with their agents and wished to sign a new contract within the ligit of compensation fixed by the law, it was their right, but none of them were under any legal obligation to do so. The more unscrupuleus of the agents naturally represented to their clients that they were bound to renew their contracts, with merely MACCLANNY, Fla., Dec. 25. - A bloody and the substitution of the terms named by law for the outrageous commissions at first demanded. Cases have been brought to the attention of The Bee in which this policy had been tellowed success lly, by unscrupulous agents. They had in a word bullied the claimants into hiring them when if the claimants had understood that they were free of obligation, they would have chosen other representatives. As others are being worked upon in the same way the facts of the case are set forth for their protection. If they are satisfied with the men they first chose they are right in re-engaging them. If they are not satisfied, they are free

numerous, who applied to it to find a reliable agent. It will collect the claims at only such charges as will pay the expenses of the pureau. It is expected that it will rarely hap-pen that the limit set by the law will be to pay the expense of collection Many of the claims can doubtless be collected for 5 per cent of their face. The bureau is at the service of the subscribers and public at large. Those who take advantage of its offer will save money by it. Those who do not place their claims in its charge will save money, too, for it has put a check on the rapacity of the agents who would otherwise feel free to take the last penn; the law at lows. It is the privilege of a great news paper to benefit all

THE REE BUREAU,

THE BEE BUREAU OF CLAIMS in Washington has done a good work for the residents of this section in attending to the claims arising under the Indian depredations act. It has saved those who have taken advantage of its offer from the unconscionable charges of the regular claim agents, and has benefited the others by forcing the agents to demand only moderate fees in order to get business. The long delay over the passage of the act had given the claim agents time to make contracts that would give them the lion's share of the appropriation. Many of the claimants had been induced to sign contracts guarantecng the agent from one-third to over 50 per cent of the claims in case they were allowed The deprodations act annulled these extertionate contracts and set the limit of agents' fees at 15 per cent, to be increased in certain cases to 20 per cent on the order of the court

But so many complaints were made of the action of the agents, and so many inquiries for a reliable agent were sent to this office, that it was decided to establish a bureau under the direct charge of Phil Ban to protect its subscribers and give them the bene-tits of the law at the lowest possible charges. The bureau has more than justified its establishment. It has attended to the claims of a large number of the sufferers by the in; dian raids in the west. It is doing the work t 5 to 12 per cent, taking in many fustances nly the actual cost of pushing the claim. As most of those who lost their property brough the Indian raids are persons of small means who could not go to Washington themselves, the establishment of the bureau where they can be certain of exact and just treatment has reached those who need is

The persons who have suffered losses from the Indians since June 1, 1866, will do well to remember, however, that the time within which claims can be presented is limited. I they are not put in within the appointed time they are forever parred. Moreover the court of claims goes on the plan, "first come, first served," and it behooves sufferers to place their claims before the proper authori-

ties at an early date.

The contracts made before the passage of the act have, as stated, been annulled by congress. It is therefore necessary for claim ants to make new contracts or arrangements with their agents, and they are left free to engage new agents if they are not satisfied with those they had engaged before. This will enable them to make much more favor-able terms for themselves than were had while the passage of the act was still in

doubt. The bureau has received the indersement of all the congressmen and officials who have anything to do with the subject of claims. A letter from Representative Herman of Oregon, chairman of the committee on Indian depredations, has already been published in behalf of the bureau, and similar expressions have come from others. If any subscriber requires such services and is in doubt where to apply, he will find the address of THE BEE Bureau of Claims in the advertising column

THE INDIAN CLAIMS.

THE BEE BUREAU OF CLAIMS, in dealing with the claims arising under the Indian depredations act, has been successful in protecting a large number of subscribers and others from extortion and loss. From complaints that have come to it, however, it appears that many of the claimants do not un derstand their position under the act. At a time when there appeared to be little chance hat congress would take up the claims or make any appropriation to pay them, they signed contracts with the Washington agents, promising from one-quarter to one-half the amount to the agent in case the money should be collected. In view of this extertion con-gress inserted a provision in the act unnuling all contracts and limiting the agent's

commission to 15 or 20 per cent.

The claimants all probably understand that the agent's commission has been limited by the law, but many of them, according to their own statements, do not understand that they are free to do as they please about employing the agent they had first chosen. They consider that they are still bound to employ the agent with whom they signed the exorbitant contracts whether they are satisfied with him or not.

It was the incention of congress to protect them at all points and they were left on the passage of the act free to do as they pleased and employ whom they pleased. Section 9 of the act stated: "That all sales, transfers or assignments of any such claims heretofore or hereafter made, except such as have occurred in the due administration of decedents' es tates and all contracts heretofore made for fees and allowances to claimants' attorneys

are hereby declared void. There could be no mistake about the meaning of this. All claimants had to make new centracts with agents after the passage of the act, and they were at liberty to employ any one they pleased. If they were pleased with the zeal and acts of their first agent they might make their new contract with him. If they were dissatised they might choose any other agent that they pleased. Those who have not signed new contracts since the passage of the act may profit by this to secure much better terms than they could otherwise get from the agents. The for the bare expense involved has had a good effect in moderating the charges of all agents to those who know how to protect themseives. For those who distrust their ability to cope with the claim agents on their own ground The Bee Beneau is always open.

willed by a Falling Tree. Gabsbey, Ala., Dec. 25.—Pink Franklin and son and John Canterbury of St. Clair county were in Gadsden snopping Wednesday and left at dark for home. As they were nearing Hale mountain a terrible storm came up. A large tree standing near the road was norooted and fell across the wagon, killing Franklin and his son and fatally younding Canterbury.

Facul Accident to a Mail Clerk. MONMOTH, III., Dec. 25.-Mail Agent Willson S. Page of this city fell from the Burlington fast mail at Naperville this morning, while throwing a pouch from the train while going at full speed, and he was instantly silled.

Steamer Arrivals. At Kinsale-Passed, City of Chicago from New York for Liverpool.
At New York - Nordland, from Antwern: Wisconsin, from Liverpool; Chantroy, from Rio Janeiro.

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