CRUSHED IN A MAD, WILD RUSH

Some Foo! Raises the Cry of Fire in a Crowded Theater.

GRIM DEATH RANG DOWN THE CURTAIN.

Children Trampled to Death in the Panic that Ensued-A Few Acts of Heroism-A Death Struggle in an English Playhouse,

LONDON, Dec. 27 .- A theater at Wingate Head, county Durham, last night, was the scene of a frightful panle, in which, according to the reports received here, at least ten persons, including nine children, were killed outright, and many were injured. The sight of the slight blaze, caused by a man in the audience dropping a lighted match on the sawdust covering the floor, caused some one to start the cry of fire, and a terrible papie at once ensued. There was immediately a wild rush for the doors, which, owing to the savage crush and struggie, quickly became so blocked that only a few succeeded in at once getting out. There was a specially violent rush for the staircase leading from the gallery. The passage giving access to this staircase became blocked almost at once with persons who were striving their utmost to escape, while the staircase itself was filled with a struggling mass of humanity from the top landing all the way to the outlet.

A check taker was killed in the midst of his heroic efforts to save others' lives. In trying to restrain the crowd in its mad behavior he was thrown to the floor and crushed to death beneath the feet of the panie stricken people.

When the panic had subsided so that an examination of the premises could be made the bodies of nine children, whose lives had been literally crushed out, were found lying on the staircase, or near a door leading to it.

Wedged in the Struggling Mass. A constable who came to assist in the work of rescue on dragging out a boy who was wedged among the struggling people dis-covered that the lad was his own son. The

boy although living when rescued was terribly injured and died on his way home. The performance which was so terribly in terrupted was the second one of Saturday, the attraction being the pantomine "Alad-din." The theater was literally crammed with people. At 10:30 o'clock the shout of fire created a fearful scene. The whole audience rose to their feet enmasse, and there was dire confusion in the midst of which were heard the shricks of women many of whom fainted. The lessee of the house then displayed the most creditable presence of mind. Stepping on the stage he shouted to the audience beseeching them to remain seated and solemnly assuring them that there was no real danger if they would do so. At this juncture many others of the men present also showed that they retained presence of mind by forcioly striving to restrain the mad rush of the crowd for the doors, but their

brave efforts proved of no avail.

The occupants of the pit and the spectators whose seats were in the better part of the house succeeded in escaping safety to the

It was a sudden bend in the gallery staircase which caused the fearful jam in that exit. People who had fullen and were lying in heaps there screaming and groaning were trampled upon. At last so many of the struggling people had fallen that all passage for exit was effectually blocked by a mass of writing human beings and those still remaining on their feet were forced to seek other means of escape.

Acts of Heroism.

The occasion was made doubly memorable by several acts of heroism. One man who had occupied a gallery seat jumped from the gallery railings to the balcony below and slid thence to the stage, all the time holding to a child by his teeth. Other men rescued some

women by a similar means.

Meanwhile the fire was easily quenched The police sought medical aid and assisted in extracting the victims from the staircase -a matter of the utmost difficulty. One child, after calling out pitcously, "Save me, save me," died before it could be reached. The corpses were laid to adjoining buildings, and the injured were taken to hospitals and other

The news of the catastrophe spread rapidly and soon throngs of people were rushing to the scene to ascertain the fate of friends and relatives. Names of the Dead.

Within a few hours, eleven of the dead were uccutified. All were between the ages of 13 and 16. The names were: Casely, Robinson, Greggs, Carlen, Watson, Casely, Bainbridge, Robinson, Murphy, Waddington, Forster. The last named was the check-taker.

The audience numbered 1,200 persons. The company members escaped in their costumes and when they returned they found that their dressing rooms had been robbed of their ordinary clothing. Th lessee of the theater announced that he will give the proceeds of the performance to bereaved, and will close the theater pending

Who Gave the Dread Alarm.

It is stated that during the performance two youths scated in the balcony insisted or smoking. They were warned to desist several times. They finally desisted, but reli their pipes soon afterwards. The smoke o their pipes was seen issuing from the bal-cony and a woman being frightened at the sight screamed "fire."

A man sitting near ner immediately garged her with his hand but the mischief was done The galtery was occupied by 500 spectators mostly boys. The check taker, For rushed to open the door which had The struggle which ensued was Strong men thrust aside the weaker Two men were badly injured by jump ing from windows

I'he lessee of the theater says that the fire originated from the act of a boy dropping a lighted match into a crevice filled with waste paper and other rubbish in his search for a lost penny. He also says that two pails

HARMED THE TRADE OF FRANCE.

Effects of the Mckinley Bill-Item From the French Capital. Panis, Dec. 27. - An express train running from Paris to Brussels collided with a freight

train near Mons today. Ten persons were

injured. The Eclair states that M. de Brazza, at the head of an expedition of 1,200 persons, 600 being Sunegal troops and sixty Europeans, with plenty of provisions and firearms, left Libraville in the French Congo colony or November 7 for the purpose of marching to

Lake Tchard. M. Tenard, formerly French minister o finance, in an interview on the subject of the negoliations for a commercial treaty between France and the United States, said: "Treaties of this kind are usoful as a motus vivendi between countries where tariffs are so high that they paralyze trade. A treaty with the United States will be extremely opportune, and will go a long way to secure our enthusiastic participation in the Chicago fair. The McKinley law has so harmed our trade that I would favor going to the United States for staples, only who it is impossible to obtain what we need eise-where. The McKinley administrative bill is a barbarous piece of legislation, and has caused great ill-feeling in France. The whole McKinley law is due to an error of judgment. The Americans argued that, as their experts are natural products that other nations must have, they would be sure

to find buyers, and so they could shut their

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ports to foreign manufacturers. Inis reasoning is fallacious. The population of the United States might easily increase to four times the present figure in twenty years. In that case, America would become a still greater exporting country. Look how England has developed since she adopted free trade. If the United States was to adopt a like poincy, America would soon govern the markets of the whole world. By following the policy of prohibitory protection she restricts the future to the limits of home consumption. In France, where it is impossible to develop resources any further, there may be some excuse for protection, but not so in America where the possibilities of development are unbounded."

The performance at the theater Francaise was suspended for half an bour last evening owing to the failure of the electric lights. The audience sat quietly in the darkness years. In that case, America would become The audience sat quietly in the darkness during the wait. The failure of the lights was caused by the explosion of a boiler pipe at the electric light works.

Major Brackett and his colleague, Mr.

Jamison, members of the Chicago fair commission are about to start on a tour of the commercial centers of France, Spain and

Portugal, to stimulate interest in the Chicago DO NOT LIKE IT.

Chilians Feel Aggrieved Over Minis-

ter Egan's Latest Action. Copyrighted 1891 by James Gordon Bennett 1 VALPARAISO, Chili (via Galveston, Tex.) Dec. 27.- [By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to THE BEE. |-The Chilian authorities appear to regard unfavorably United States Minister Egan's absence from the inauguration ceremonies of President Jorge Montt. They are at a loss to explain, and believe that it was intended as an act of discourtesy. Secret meetings of Balmaceda's friends have

been held at Santiago, and also at several points between that city and Valparaiso. Nothing has come of any of these gatherings, except the wrecking of the express train on Christmas night with a number of prominent naval officers aboard. That this was done at the instigation of the Balmacedists is not proven in the slightest degree, so far, but their opponents nevertheless lay it to their account. The police are still hard at work trying to fasten the guilt upon some person or persons, but have not succeeded as yet in discovering any of the parties engaged in the dustardly work.

Hero's of the Junta's Canse. The Chilian cruiser Esmeralda arrived here today with the bodies of Albert Edward Enrigo, Valdero Vergara and other officers who were drowned at the time the Blanco Encalada was sunk by torpedoes in Caldara bay or were killed in the fights at Iquique. These heroes of the junta cause will be given military and neval funerals. Senor Ramon Vinte, a prominent citizen of Santiago, in a letter to El Ferro Carril, published today, says Chili's difference with the United States can be easily settled. He suggests submitting the whole matter to the United States supreme court, and declares that in spite of many contrary statements in many of the American papers, the Chilians feel kindly disposed toward the people of the United States. He adds, however, that the Chilians feel aggrieved on account of the wilfully incorrect official reports of American representatives. He says that the Baltimore inquiry will prove that these reports were

Nothing definite is yet known as to the composition of President Monte's new abinet The general feeling among members of congress appears to be that there should be some representation of the powerful conservative party in the ministry.

HORRORS OF FAMINE.

Terrible Stories of Destitution and Despecation From Russia. London, Dec. 27 .- Terrible stories of the famine and the crimes it is bringing about come from Russia. In the famine stricken districts the prisons are crowded and can hold no more even when packed on the Russian black bole system, and yet hundreds of men, women and children are seen flocking thither every day begging for admittance and when they do not receive a favorable reply qualifying for it by crimes and attempted crimes. The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Telegraph says that a report has been received there on the state of Samara prison and extracts from it published in the journal called Russian Life reveal a most shocking state of affairs. All the space avnilable in the prison leading the baths correspondent able in the orison, including the baths, corri dors, and workshops, is occupied by prisoners, who are huddled together like herrings in a barrel. The manner in which the room are crowded is simply incredible. The prison, which can barely accommodate 240 inmates, actually contains 1,000. The atmosphere and the stench are uncearable, and when any one of the doors is opened thick clouds of pesti-lent vapor roll slowly out, scaring the visitor away. The supply of clothes for the prisoners is lamentably insufficient. Whose groups of convicts are never examined by the doctor. who during the last month has not been once

to the prison.
Disturbances continue to be reported from various parts of the interior and deaths from hunger are more frequent than heretofore The government is dispatching troops to sev eral of the famine districts in which emergen cies are likely to arise of a nature to require its interference, while it is beginning, on the other hand, to refuse permission to private individuals to distribute corn, open soup kitchens, or otherwise relieve the destitute. Money, corn, clothing, meat, etc., must in the future be sent to the official bodies, who will undertake to do the work of deling them out n the name of the emperor. A few days ago Mime. Seroff, a wealthy and charitable lady of St. Petersburg, was refused permission to open a soup kitchen in a village of the famine stricken district. She was informed that she might send in her offerings to the government commissaries, who would use their judgment in distributing them, but that no more private soup kitchens, corn stores, tea booths, etc., would be allowed. It is even a question of suppressing those which Count Polstor and his family have opened in the Dankovsky district and various other places. The authorities are indignant that Russian society should prove so generously responsive to appeals of the count, to whom tens of thousands of roubles are being sent every weels from all quarters of Russia, while the ministry of the interior was obliged to use very strong pressure to obtain less than 500, 000 rounles in eight weeks. The newspapers are not permitted to reprint the letter of

Countess Tolstol asking for contributions.

(Copyrighted 1841 by Jam's Garlin Benne't, 1 San Salvadon (Via Galveston, Tex.), Dec. 7 .- By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald-Special to Tun Bun. |- Salvador Melendez, a member of one of the richest families in the city, committed suicide today by taking poison.

iuras, and iletator of its telegraph system. died at Teguelgalpa yesterday. He was a native of the United States. Everything is now peaceful in Honduras.

Bertie Cecil, postmaster general of Hon-

The government candidate for president in Guatemaia is Dr. Francisco Luinfeata. All is quiet in San Salvador.

Home News From Abroad. Loxpon, Dec. 27. -The Chronicle's cor epondent at Rome says the United States government has agreed to pay the indemnity Italy demands in the New Orleans affair.

Abolished the Monopoly, LONDON, Dec. 27.-A dispatch from Teheren says that the shah has issued a proclamation ratifying the abelition of the tobacco monopoly.

PULLED THE WRONG LEVER.

Exciting Adventure of a Crat Orchard Citizen at Beatrice.

TRIED TO IMITATE THE ELEVATOR BOY.

Before the Fresh Guest Recovered.

BESTRICE, Neb., Dec. 27.-[Special to Tue BEE.]-A citizen of Crab Orchard put up at a local hotel yesterday and concluded that he knew enough about the establishment to run the elevator without assistance during the momentary absence of the elevator boy. The result was that the enterprising chap found himself at the top of the elevator shaft before he could catch his breath. In his fright the polled another lever and down he shot into the basement with breath-exhausting rapidity, and it was not until he had taken another flight to the roof that some one got hold of the concern and into the elevator that understood its manipulation. Fortunately the chap was not injured, but he was scared enough to compensate for a dozen injuries of a first-class order. One of the street cars of the motor line

flew the track at the Sixth street bridge last evening and narrowly escaped plunging into the river. As it was the guard rail of the bridge was broken and considerable other damage resulted. There were several passengers in the car at the time, but all of

them escaped injury.

The Beatrice lodge of the Woodmen of the Word held a largely attended meeting Mon-day evening and elected officers for the en-suing year as follows: D. W. Carre, counselor commander; A. S. Adamsoon, advisory lieutenant; A. G. Phillips, clerk; William Atwater, banker; Uriah Swigart, watchman; H. Murdock, escert: H. Hamilton, sentinel. After the formal proceedings of the meeting the lodge adjourned to the Delmonico restaurant, where an enjoyable oyster supper was indulged in.

Hose company No. 3 is making elaborate arrangements for a grand ball and supper at the auditorium New Year's eve. At the last meeting of Rawlins post No. 35, Grand Army of the Republic, arrangements were concluded for the grand camp fire to be held New Year's night. At that time the officers-elect will be installed, and there will be a meeting to which the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans will be invited.

PROMINENT ATTORNEY ARRESTED.

Alleged to Have Committed Embez-

z'ement in Texas. INDIANOLA, Neb., Dec. 27 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Word has just been received of the arrest in Texas of J. Byron Jennings of McCook, one of the leading attorneys of that city, on the charge of embezzlement, alleged to have been committed about eleven years ago, in Hunt county, Tex. Mr. Jennings was at that time county attorney of Hunt county, and managed, it is said, to get away with several thousand dollars of county funds. He has been a resident of McCook for several years, and was one of

the prominent attorneys of the county, being at one time a candidate for county attorney of Red Willow county.

It is said that Jennings left a wife and child in Texas at the time the crime was ommitted, although he has another family living in McCook. An officer who had located him at McCook was there waiting for requisi-tion papers from the governor of Texas when Jennings left for a visit to his mother in that state. The sheriff was telegraphed, and he was arrested on crossing the line into Texas The news of his arrest caused considerable excitement in this city and county.

Rearney Personals. KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 27 .- [Special to THE BEE. |-Miss Maud Marsion, instructor in music in the public schools of Schuvler, is spending the holidays here with her parents Charles Gibbons, Roy Downing and Briggs Keck, students at the Snattuck school at Faribault, Minn., are at home for the holi ays. Mrs. George Pacey and daughter of Chi-

cago, mother and sister of Mrs. Draper, are visiting here.

Will G. Nye, clerk of the district court, went to South Omaha with his family this week, where they will reside. Mr. Nye will go into the live stock commission business

next'year.
George B. Mair, editor of the Callaway
Courier, and Miss Jennie R. Douglass of
Callaway were married here on Wednesday
by Rev. N. English at the parsonage of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal church The young friends of Charite Gibbons surprised him on Wednesday evening by calling on him in a body, the occasion being a greeting on his return from school. The

There were present: Misses Sizer, Switz, Dildine, the two Miss Hawthornes, Miss Watson, Edna and Neltie Downing, Minnie Swanson, S. M. Nevius and wife, Mrs. Hawthorne and niece, Masters Irving and Loring Downing, Ed Judd, Robert Cherry, Thomas Nation and Arthur Switz. evening was spent in games and social chat Askin and Arthur Switz.

West Point Notes.

WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 27 .- [Special to THE BEE.]-Gus Rosker returned from Omaha Tuesday evening with his little daughter, Frances, who has been under medical treatment for some months. While she is doing well she will nevertheless have to continue treatment several months before final recovery.

At the meeting of the Electric Light company Priday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. C. Crawford, president; D. C. Giffert, vice president; Otto Baumann, treasurer; W. E. Krause, secretary: B. Y. Yoder, manager, all of whom constitute the board of directors, together with R. F. Kloke and B. Gold-

Mr. M. I Eilis, a teacher of West Point, but now of Bancroft, was united in marriage to Miss Abbie White of Fremont Christmas. The talented young elecutionist, Miss Lenora K. Murray, who is a graduate of the Boston school of oratory, gave an interesting gental to an appreciative and responsive au-dience in Krause's hall last Thursday. The new cylinder press arrived Saturday morning for the Republican office. It was expected two weeks ago, but was delayed by the blockade of cars in Chicago. The paper will now be enlarged to a six column quarte Miss K. V. Langer, who has been attend-ing the State normal at Peru, returned home to spend the holidays.

Mysterious Beath of a Child. Ginnoy, Neo., Dec. 27. - Special to Tun Ben |-Prof. E. Fulmer of the Lincoln university was in town on Saturday visiting

Rev. A. B. Carson of Madison preached a the Baptist church today. C. Potnam spent several days the first o

the week in Custer and Dawson counties on Millard Kincaig's little child, which seemed to be perfectly well when put to bed Thursday evening, in the morning was found dead. It is not known what caused his

The first death from la grippe occurred her last Friday. The victim was Arthur Thrail! child. The disease has been almost up epi-demic but has as a general thing feen of a mild

How They Spent Christmas. STRANG, Neb., Dec. 27 .- Special to THE BEE . |- Santa Claus made his annual visit to this city, bringing joy and gladness to the hearts of the little ones. The members of the United Brethren chusch arranged a very

nice program under the management of Mr. Wright, and had just got through with it when Santa arrived to distribute his pres-

Distinguished.

when Santa arrived to distribute his pres-cuts to the anxious expostants. The Con-gregational Sandav school, under the man-agement of Mrs. Mulvane and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Walker, presented a very pretty Christmas pray, during the progress of which were rendered some very pretty Christmas carols, anthoms, etc. The singing of Miss Dencie Walker was the marked attraction of the evening. The presents were beautiful.

NEBRASKA AT THE FAIR.

Several Hurried Trips Between the How the State Must Expect to Be Basement and Roof Were Made

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Line. 27 .- To the Editor of THE BEE. |-You say "Nebraska cannot make a satisfactory display at the World's fair with less than \$100,000, nor can she hope to attract attention by erecting a cheap bailding," and The Ben is eminently correct in both statements. I believe the appropriation ought to have been at least \$150,000, and I believe that amount properly \$150,000, and I believe that amount properly used would have proved a wise expenditure; but the legislature in its wisdom thought fit to appropriate \$50,000, and in creating the commission it also saw fit to provide that the commission should create no liability in excess of the amount appropriated, and there is nothing left for the commission to do but conform to the law as it is. I hope and believe that the actual legislature will see the lieve that the next legislature will see the necessity of increasing the appropriation, but as the next legislature will not convene

but as the next legislature will not convene until 1892, we are compelled to cut our gar-ment according to the cloth.

With any amount we are liable to get it would be impossible for Nebraska to com-pete with Illinois, Pennsylvania and other and much richer states in architectural dis-play, nor do I think it would be advisable to do so even if we could. This is essentially an agricultural state and I would, therefore, make our agricultural exhibit the attraction and the building a secondary consideration. I would attempt to surprise with the interior rather than with the exterior, and to put up

an exhibit with such artistic display as to attract attention and command respect will cost effort and money, particularly when we consider the fact that it must be maintained and hovrly advertised for a period of six months. At the beginning of next year we shall have left only a little more than \$45,000 to work upon, and one-third of this amount I think is apon, and one-third of this amount I think is quite enough to put into the building, as it is to be a temporary structure, with no plaster-ing or expensive inside finish. The amount stated will, I think, put up quite a handsome and attractive structure as large as we will under the rules be permitted to build upon

Quite a palace, which is nothing but a shell, can be built for \$1,500, one that will answer Nebraska's purpose very well, and we will attempt to put up such a display inside will attempt to put up such a display inside as will be the wonder of the world in its way and not only attract attention but command respect and admiration. Nebraska's chief riches are yet in her almost boundless resources. Other states can show much more absolute material wealth at present out in resources and future promise we have not a peer on the future promise we have not a peer on the American continent, and we should give our chief attention to furnishing the positive evidence of this future promise. As a building material state, we are not in it with Michigan, but when it comes to agricultural resources we can distance Michigan and shut her out in the first heat, and it is my opinion that Nebraska should enter the race in her proper class, and if Nobraska can get on a two minute gait anywhere it is on an agricultural track. We should make agriulture our chief attraction and then shine in every other department with as much luster as our means will permit, but our exhibits rather than our building must be

By the time the legislature meets again the commission will be sold to make a very accurate itemized estimate of the amount needed to properly complete and maintain the exhibit at the World's fair, and if we show wisdom, prudence, economy and good judganno maintain the cent, and reasonable respect for the existing aw up to that time. I do not believe the legslature will refuse to grant such further as sistance as may be shown to be necessary and make more than a creditable exhibit. For the present we must plan to do the best we can with the means at our disposal

Columbus News Notes.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 27.- | Special to THE BEE |-Clerk of the Court Speice has returned from his hunting trip in Oklahoma. George Whaley of the State university same un from Lincoln Wednesday to spend liday vacation with his parents. Mrs. C. H. Brittell, teacher in the Third ward school, is enjoying her vacation with riends at St. Edwards. John Maher, a former Columbus boy, but now clerk of Dawes county, Nebraska, is spending a week's vacation with friends and

elatives in Platte county. The social event of the week was the wed-ing of A. L. Beatty and Miss Nellie Curtis, Wednesday. The bride was one of Platte county's popular educators, having been engaged in teaching school since graduating with the class of '80. The groom is a success-ful young farmer and a prominent alliance man. He lives near Monroe, this county. A. Nash, of Lincoln, state secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, has

een engaged to deliver a lecture here next Sunday, December 27. Father J. M. Ryan, paster of St. John's atholic church of this city, is sick at the

R. V. Shirey Discharged. Rep Choup, Neb., Dec. 27 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-R. V. Spirey, who has

been on trial here for the last ten days on the charge of embezzling \$30,000 belonging to the Nebraska and Kansas Farm Loan com-pany during his term of office as treasurer, was discharged by the examining magistrate late last night. The decision seems to give general satisfaction. Will Have a Hearing Today.

O'NELL, Neb., Dec. 27.- |Special Telegram to THE BEE. | The sheriff of Boyd county is here and will take George Wilkinson, who shot C. C. Dolge, at Douge Ferry, on the Niobrara river, last Wednesday, over to that county for a preliminary hearing tomorrow. The shooting occurred in Boyd county.

MONTANA HORSE THIEVES.

They Are Making it Unpleasant for Owners of Good, Stock.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 27,-Horse thieves have been operating in the Yellowstone country on a gigantic scale for the past month. Ranchers and rangers along the Wyoming line estimate their loss during the past month, at 500 head, The animals are taken to a secure cave in the Sunlight mountains. John Chapman, Chapman Brothers, T. Tolman and J. W. Weaver, are the principal losers. A reward of \$2,500 has been offered for the arrest and conviction of the thieves. The people are organising for protection and vengeance, and trouble is very likely to result. It is thought that the rustiers are a part of the gang that is causing so much trouble in Wyoming.

Plainly a Case of Sulcide. Louisvinie, Rv., Dec. 27, -John C. Dersey ames of the members of the new cabinet civh engineer who came here from New Orleans recently, was found dead in his bed at his boarding house here this morning. He had a pistol to his band and there build hole through his temple. It

Suicide of an Iowa Man. Nashvitae, Tenn., Doc. 27 .- At Paris Penn, this morning a young man named E. H. King, who came from Milton, Ia., committed suicide by shooting himself turough the head. He was in bed at the time.

plainly a case of premeditated suicide.

Eleven Deaths From the Grip. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Eleven cases death from the grip were reported by the health department in this city today.

PRESIDENT MONTT'S HEALTH

Secretary Blaine Toasts the Chilian Republic's Chief Executive.

WAR CLOUDS RAPIDLY DISPERSING.

President Harrison's Determined Policy Combined with Active Demonstrations in the Navy Yards Caused the Change.

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE, 518 FOUNTEENTH STREET.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27. If newspaper correspondents, anxious to fill up space, can precipitate a war between the United States and Chili, we shall be engaged in hostilities within sixty days, and yet last night the Chilian minister gave a dinner in honor of his cousin, President Montt, vesterday inaugurated at Valparaiso. at which dinner Secretary Blaine was present and proposed the health of the president of the Chilian republic. Unless the situation as understood today changes very materially within a week, there need be no apprehension of impending war between the two

countries. Those in a position to know declare tonight that Chili has at last had her eyes thoroughly opened, and that her English abettors who had been egging on the little republic to be as sassy as was safe toward the United States, are very much frightened over the possibility of being discharged in the vicinity of the nitrate beds which they at present control. The firm tone adopted by President Harrison, and the strokes of hammers in the navy yards, have undoubtedly had a good effect in showing Chili that this government means business

Chili Professes Peace.

As a consequence private advices state that Chili is ready to make every amend if demonstrations of force are only held in abevance long enough to permit her to do so

gracefully.
This is the presumable reasons of the de nials of the Navy department that our war ships sailing southward are not heading for Valparaise and their assurance that the day and night work at the navy yards meant an ordinary desire to despatch current business. It is noticeable that the navy officers, who for weeks past have been besinging the department to be relieved from shore duty, talk less belligerently and that the general tone around the army and navy club is much less bellicose, from all of which it can be inferred that Secretary Blaine has received assuring dis patches and that Chili has made up her mind not to repeat Mexico's experience in plucking at the tail feathers of the American engle.

Silver Senators Silent.

The silver senators are not at all confident securing any additional silver legislation during the present congress. They have dis-covered, what they might have known, that many democratic votes cast for free coinage in the Fifty-first congress were delivered only for campaign purposes in an off year and with a desire to embarrass the adminis-tration. President Harrison will certainly veto any bili providing for the free and un-limited coinage of silver and his veto will as certainly be sustained in the senate and meet the approval of the conservative men and the business interests of both parties.

ing evidences of fear that unwise congress-men may make the free silver issue a leading one and are using every effort with the strong men of both nouses to relegate it to the rear iding a presidential election Look out for an early introduction of a bill calling upon the attorney general to investigate what, if any, portion of the earnings of the Union Pacific have been diverted into the company holds that the government has no

The democratic leaders are already show

FRIENDLY TALK FROM CHILL.

That Country Will Make a Good Exhibit at the World's Pair. Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.-Lieutepant Harlow, commissioner for the World's fair to the republic of Chili, reports to the Bureau of American Republics that he has received the most gratifying encouragement from the government of Chili with regard to its representation at the World's fair. He enclosed a letter from the minister of foreign affairs at

Santiago, as follows: "Sir-In reply to your letter and to you conversation as to whether Chili would take part and in what degree in the Columbian exposition that is going to take place in Chicago, I have the honor to tell you, after having received orders from the president and the subsequent instructions of my col leagues, that the government and the people

of Chili will cheerfully contribute to it.
"Ratifying the request previously for 100 metres of space as necessary for the product of Chili, I have the bonor to assent to the three petitions that you presented in your letter that I have just replied to,
"As soon as my colleagues of industry
and public works, of finance and of interior, to whom it belongs to suggest the appropria-tions, and to order such means for the affai as they may decide as proper for the subject it will give me pleasure to inform you of

"Improving the occasion to express to you my considerations, I subscribe myself your obedient servant, H. A. Matta."

TO SUPPRESS THE SLAVE TROE. Waiting For the United State to Sign

the Agreement. Washington, D. C. Dec. 27.-Mr. L. E. Ghait, the Belgian minister, has received a enblegram announcing that the Brussels anti-slave trade convention was ratified by the French Senate vesterday. The Chamber of Deputies took similar action of the 24th instant. Eighteen powers were repre-sented in the Brussels conference and the adhesion of all of them is requisite to reader this "act generale" effective. France makes the seventeenth nation that

has ratified the convention, leaving only the United States to determine whether it become operative. The latest date for the exchange of ratifications is February 2, 1892, and the exchange must be made at Brussels. The question will therefore be brought again before the United States senate next month

NOTHING NEW.

Correspondents Cannot Learn Any thing About Chilian Affairs. Washington, D. C., Dec. 27 .- Secretar,

Blaine had no information bearing on Chilian affairs tonight. Secretary Tracy in response to inquiries for any news which the Navy department might have on Chilian affairs replied that there was not a word. At the Chilian legation up to a late hour there had teen no cablegram received from Chili with respect to the inauguration of the president. Minister Montt was expecting a dispatch which he thought would also contain the

It is customary, he said, for the president to announce the cabinet on inauguration day. The minister waited until a late hour, but finally retired without receiving it. Criso Gatting Better. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27.-Speaker Crisp was fairly comfortable today, and it is reported that he is slightly improved tonight. Dr. Walsh, his physician, said to

night that the speaker is coavalescing from his attack of in grippe and he hopes to have him sitting up in a few days. The doctor feels certain that his patient will resume his duties in the house when that body again No Room for Doubt.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27 .- Mr. Alexander Gregor, charge d'affairesof the Russian legation here, referring to a published inter-

view denving the truth of the relieved distress in Russia, sai absolutely correct, coming as it from the highest source. The facts we oo well known, he said, to leave any room for doubt.

SCENES OF DESTRUCTION.

Ruins and Smouldering Heaps left from Yesterday's Fires.

CHATTANOOGA Tenn. Dec. 27-To-day the full extent of the destruction by yesterday's fire is made apparent. The principal retail business houses of Chattanooga are in ruins. A terrible picture of devastation is seen The fire district covers an area of 250 square feet. In all nineteen store rooms, with the several stores above them were destroyed with their contents. The total loss will reach \$650,000, with \$500,000 insurance. A large force has already commenced the work of recovering the safes from the ruins. As soon as the losses are adjusted the whole area is to be rebuilt with handsome structures. Mrs. Hurst and Miss Johnston, who jumped from the third story windows, are

doing well. They may get well. Both have broken bones and other injuries. It is reported that two young women lost their lives. A Miss Stevens, employed on the third floor of the Loveman block, is re-

ported missing.

The fire originated in the boiler room in the basement of the Loveman building.
Twenty women were taken out of the building by the means of ladders. Miss Johnston, in jumping from the third story, caught onto a ladder which extended to the second floor. The ladder broke and she was thrown through a large plate glass. Mrs. Hurst fell into a network of wires and was thrown to the stone pavement.

The Times is back again in its quarters.
The damage to the Times office was not

All the parties who were in Loveman's are now accounted for, and the only injuries of a serious nature were those sustained by Mrs. Hurst and Miss Johnson, both of whom will recover.

A careful estimate of the less of buildings

and stock places it at \$645,450. The total in-surance is \$132,500.

Big Foston Fire. Boston, Mass., Dec. 27 .- The most disasrous fire which raged in this city since the Chanksgiving blaze of 1889, occurred tonight, It was of a somewhat extended area and for a time threatened millions of dollars' worth of property. The structure burned was of brick, Nos. 136, 135 and 141 Federal street, owned by the Revere heirs. The building was damaged to the extent of from \$100,000 to \$125,000; fully insured. Parker, Holmes & Co., boot and shoe jobber occupied No. 141 Pederal street, and their loss is estimated at \$150,000; fully insured. Hosmer, Codding & Co., boots, shoes and rubbers occupied Nos. 133 and 135; their loss is estimated at from

\$200,000 to \$225,000; partly insured.

J. S. Houghian, a fireman, fell through an opening in the floor and sustained fractures of both legs and internal injuries from which is is expected he will die. Several other fire-

men were slightly injured. The cause of the fire is unknown.

At the Michigan Insane Asylum. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 27,-A special to the Democrat from Pontiac says: The situation at the burned eastern Michigan insane asylum is very@much improved today. The 500 inmates who were left without protection by the fire have found quarters in neighboring asylum cottages and in houses in this city, which citizens have kindly placed at the disposal of the asylum authorities. The injured are all greatly improved and a search has revealed but one inmate missing, a man named Steele from Detroit. The trustees will begin the work of rebuilding at once. The people of this city have also fur-nished today a great amount of food and will continue to do so until the culinary department of the asymm has been re-estab-

Will R build on a barger Scale, READING, Pa., Dec. 27 .- The ruins of the Carpenter Steel works continued burning intil early this morning. Two of the buildings, besides the offices, were saved and not as much of the machinery was damaged as at first supposed. The work of rebuilding on a larger scale will be commenced at once in order to fill government contracts for stee projectiles for heavy ordnance. The tota loss is estimated at from \$90,000 to \$100,000:

Per'shed in the Flames. London, Dec. 27 .- A Cardiff Welshman named Smith is the victim of a terrible calamity. On returning home recently be found that the house in which he had lived and been burned and that his wife and only

child had perished in the flames. BEATRER FORECAST

OFFICE OF WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Dec. 27. The barometer is rapidly falling and the temperature rising, due to the northwestern storm whose area and influence has spread over the entire Missouri Valley and as far south as Texas. The storm is still central north of Moutana and Dakota and its effect n raising the temperature has been special! feit in the upper Missouri valley. At Rapid City the temperature last evening was 50° and it was considerably above freezing again over the upper mountain regions. No de-cidealy cold weather is reported from any point now. Fair weather generally prevalled yesterday. The warmest was 48° at Kansas City, 44° at Valentine, 40° at Yankton and

61≅ at Rapid City. For Omaha and vicinity—Warmer, probably fair, but storm brewing weather today. Washington, D. C., Dec. 27, 8 p. m. For Missouri Warmer, generally fair, southwest winds on Monday.

For Iown-Fair; warmer Monday; south-erly winds followed by threatening weather n Tuesday. For North Dakota-Increasing cloudiness and occasional snows: colder, northwest winds, warmer in southeast portion; west

rinds, colder on Tuesday. For Nebraska—Fair, warmer east; station ary temperature, west winds colder, on Tues day, with increasing cloudiness and probable For Kansas - Fair Monday: warmer east stationary in west portion; south shifting to west winds.

For South Dakota-Increasing cloudiness

followed by occasional snows in northwest portion; warmer in northeast, colder in southwest portion; west winds. For Montana - Light snows; northwest einds: colder. For Colorado-Increasing cloudiness, prob ably occasional snow in mountain riets; winds shifting to northwest; slightly

colder; colder Tuesday. IRISH NATIONALISTS.

New York Parnellites Congratulate Their Brethren in Ireland. New Your, Dec. 27.-A largely attended

and enthusiastic meeting of Irish nationalists was held tonight in Ledwith hall, this city, to take action upon the recent Par-nellite victory at Waterford, Ireland. Cuairman John Speeches were made by McConville, Secretary John Gaffney, Assistant District Attorney Linn, Michael Breslin, Stephen McFarland, E4ward O'Flahery and other prominent Irishmen. Resolutions were adopted stating that the ejection of Michael Davitf by the electors of Waterford and the decisive majority given John E. Redmond on a platform of genuine home rule and of independence of English political parties, is a cause of intense faction to the Irish nationalists of York who have so long sustained the people in their efforts to get self-government.

France's New Minister. New Yonk, Dec. 27. - M. Patorne, French minister to the United States, arrived today on the steamer La Champagne. He will proceed to Washington in a few days.

VICTIMS OF CARELESSNESS.

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Funerals of the New York People Killed in the Youkers Wreck.

DRIVEN INSANE BY HIS MOTHER'S DEATH.

Pathetic Scenes During the Services Over the Dead-Another of the Injured Dies-Condition of

the Wounded Passengers. New York, Dec. 27.—The funerals of Mrs. A. M. Baldwin, Dr. Steohen Best and the Misses Libbie Van Arsdale and Mable Stocum, victims of the Christmas eve New

York Central disaster at Hastings, were conducted today. The funeral of Mrs. Baldwin at her late home, 71 East Eighty-fifth street, was largely attended. Key, Dr. McArthur and Rev. Mr. Wil'is officiated. During the obsequies Mrs. Baldwin's son, Honer, who was in the accident, became greatly affected and at last his mind gave way and it became necessary to take bim from the room. It is teared that he has utterly lost his reason.

Rev. Phillips Bartlett, a warm personal friend of Dr. Best, conducted his funeral at his late residence, 244 Lenox anenue. The floral offerings were profuse. The remains were taken to Pulaski, N. Y., for burial. Rev. John J. Reed, pastor of the Bodford street church, and Rev. Mr. Edwards, of the Thirteenth Street Prosbyterian church, officiated at the obseques of the Myses Van officiated at the obseques of the Myses Van Thirteenth Street Presbyterian church, officiated at the obsequies of the Misses Van Arsdaic and Slocum at the Bedford street church. The church was packed to overflowing. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Chauncey M. Depew, Attorney Loomis of the Central road, Manager Toucey, Mr. Hoskelt of the Harlem division, Secretary Taylor of the Wagner Palace Car company, and other prominent people were present. Several ladies fainted during the services. The burial of Miss Van Arsdale will be at Montgomery, N. Y., and that of Miss Slocum at gomery, N. Y., and that of Miss Stocum at Lockport, N. Y.

In the Hospitals at Yonkers.

YONKERS, N. Y., Dec. 27.—There are now ally three persons in the hospitals in this city who were taken from the wreck at Hastings on Christmas evening. They are Mrs. Homer R. Baldwin and Editor John Bagnail,

at St. John's hospital, and Miss Annie Ford, at St. Joseph's hospital. Lawyer Dennis Murphy died at 10 o'clock last night in St. Joseph's hospital. He was unconscious during the day and remained so until he died. The remains will be taken to Media tomorrow for interment.

Today Dr. Duffy, at St. Joseph's hospital, said that Mrs. Ford had improved considerably and would, no doubt, recover.

Dr. Jamison, at St. John's hospital, re-

ports marked improvement in the condition of Mrs. Baldwin and John R. Bagnall. This morning Mr. Baldwin was allowed to see his wife for the first time since the accident, and the meeting between them was very affecting. The doctor said that though the patients showed marked improvement, they were not yet out of danger. It would be several weeks before they would be able to leave the

Up to 6 o'clock tonight nothing has been heard of Brakeman Herrick, who is charged with causing the wreck by his negligence. The warrant for his arrest is still in Detective Humphrey's hands waiting to be

DOWN A STEEP EMBANKMENT. Many Persons Badly Injured in a Ballway Accident. Fe vestibuled limited, which left Chicago at 6 o'clock Saturday evening was derailed at Bear Creek, near Newcombe, seventy-five miles east of this city at 6 a. m. teaay No one was killed, though several were very

bridge safely, but the two chair cars, two Pullman sleepers and the dining car were lerailed, going down a steep embankment. The injured are: Conductor Woodworth, badly hurt inernally, may die. William Kaston, head cook dining car Chicago, scalded.

very seriously injured. The engine, baggage

and express cars passed over the small

CHARLES DEMPSEY, second cook dining car, Jansfield, O., scalded.

Mus. Eliza Toomey, Marion, Kan., scalp vound and sprained ankle. C. W. Scorr, 183 Beiden avenue, Chicago, calp wound. J. R. WHITEFORD, Topeka, Kan., scalp

WILLIAM DECKER, Topeka, Kan., scalp Mas. Decker, Topeka, Kan., scalp wound, Two CHILDREN OF MRS. DECKER, scalp W. J. Chess, Pullman conductor, back

Mus. Nullie A. Watson, Topeka, Kan., badly bruised. D. D. Smith, Chicago, slightly injured.
The cause of the accident cannot now be definitely determined as the track seems to have been in good condition, a heavy freight train having passed safely over only a short time before the accident to the express. It is thought, however, that the drawbar of the front chair car may have fallen and caught the truck of the same car, thus causing the erailment.
The fact that the train was solidly vesti-

builed probably averted any fatalities, and is responsible for the small number, comparatively, of injured. DANGERS OF TRAVEL.

Narrow Escape of Passengers on an Elevated Train From Death. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.-An accident with

probable loss of life was narrowly averted today on the Sixth avenue elevated road by the high wood of the guard rail that runs alongside the tracks. One of the engines jumped the track at Park place, causing a delay of one hour and a blockade that ex-tended to Worth street. Finally a train ap-proached the blockaded trains. There was no perceptible lessening of speed. The engineer seemed oblivious of the blockade before bim until within seventy-five feet of the rear platform of the last car of the train in front Then he put on brakes. It was too late. The engine crashed into the rear car. The passengers were thrown from their seats. The rear car was derailed and but for the guard rails would have toppled over into the street below. No one was hurt. There appears to be no good reason for the accident unless the brakes failed to work properly. The company

CLEFELAND IN NOT IN IT.

Governor Campbell of Ohio Expresses an Opinion. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 27.-Governor Campbell of Onio was in the city tonight enroute

to New York. Speaking of the outlook for the democratic presidential nomination he said he did not think Cleveland would get was not nominated on the first ballot he would be defeated. In the event of Cleve-land's defeat, he was of the opinion that a western man, possibly General Palmer of fillnois, would be enosen.

To Recover the Money Stolen. CHICAGO, III., Dec. 27.-Thomas C. Platt and Chauncey P. Crossby, as representatives of the United States Express company, have begun suit against Leonard Perrin for \$30,000. Perrin is the father of Phelps Perrin, and, it is alleged in the complaint, that he received from his son and E. W. Baker, the two men convicted of the Harley, Wis. bank robbery, the \$39,160 of the express company's money taken from the bank. In the complaint the details of the sensational bank robbery are recounted with minuteness. The ciaim of \$50,000 is made to cover the express company's loss, and also the cost of the detectives' work and the presecution of the

perpetrators of the robbery.