MADE A CLEAN SWEEP

Accurate Story of the Train Robbery at Seminole, I. T.

FOUR BANDITS DID THE BOLD WORK

Dollars, Dimes and Overcoats Were Taken

by the Outlaws. PERMITTED NO BOOTY TO ESCAPE

Passengers Robbed, but Offered No Violence

by the Road Agents.

MAIL AND EXPRESS CARS LIGHTLY TOUCHED

Puzzing Features of the Affair to the Authorities-Evidence of Both Green Hands and Experts in

Little Rock, Dec. 25 .- The first entirely *ccurate details of the Kansas & Arkansas Valley holdup at Seminole, I. T., Sanday evening reached Little Rock at 2:15 this afternoon, when the robbed train arrived. Seminole, the scene of the robbery, is nine miles south of Coffeeville, Kan. There is no town there and nothing to mark the spotsave a side track and a small platform.

Train No. 232 reached Seminole Sunday shortly after dark. The switch had been turned throwing the train on the siding The switch is on a heavy up grade and the train soon came to a standstill. There were no cars upon the track, as at first reported. When the train stopped three men sprang upon the engine and began by robbing Eurineer Harris of his watch and \$40 in cash. Made a Clean Sweep.

They then proceeded to the mail car and rified the mail povches. Mail Clerk H B. Pinckney, who was in charge, was forced to deliver the registered packages. After abstructing the cash, the letters were handed back to the clerk. Pinckney was relieved of his watch and 85 cents in change, 25 cents of which was returned to him to buy a lunch. An entrance to the express car was gained without resistance on the part of the express messenger as there was nothing of value on board. The robbers commanded Messenger Ford to open the safe, from which they took two small packages, value unknown, and \$100 in money

Finishing their work in the express car, the robbers turned their attention to the coaches. Two men went through the cars while the other maintained a constant firing on the outside. So much time had been consumed in robbing the mail and express cars that the passengers had ample opportunity to secrete their valuables and very little of value was obtained in the coaches.

Watches and Overcoats Taken. The robbers appropriated all the overcoats and watches in the car, but the sum total of the eash they secured will approximate less than \$500. Several passengers saved large sums by hiding their purses under the car seats. Both of the men who went through the coaches were young fellows, neither being over 23, and had the appearance of being unsophisticated country youths. When they went through the sleepers they displayed an utter ignorance of sleeping cars.

The robbers did not use any abusive innguage to the passengers and offered no violence. None of the passengers were armed and there were no acts of heroism or un usual incident.

The train was held one hour and twenty minutes. It is stated positively that the railroad officials here have the names of the four robbers and It is believed their capture is only a question of a few days.

Chief of Detectives Thiel, who has been at work on the Oliphant ropbery, was in the city and immediately on receipt of the news of the holdup Sunday evening left on a special train for the scene of the crime, reach ing there a few hours after the bandits had taken their departure.

WERE ALL YOUNG MEN. Officers Think They Know the Gang Who

Did the Work. VINITIA, I. T., Dec. 25 .- The train robbers who held up and literally cleaned out the southbound express and passenger train on the Kansas & Arkansas Valley road at Seminole station, nine miles south of Coffeyville, were all young men. They were dressed like cowboys, wearing top boots and broad-brimmed hats. The gaug is believed to be the same that attempted to hold up a passenger on the Missouri, Kansar & Texas train last Friday evening at Kelso switch. Bob Rogers and Charile Wosten are thought to be the leaders of the bandits.

The gang has operated in the Indian territory for the past year, terrorizing the entire One of the gang was killed by officers last July, and another is now serving a term in the penitentiary for largeny Marshal Crump of the western district of Arkansas has telegraphed his deput

stationed from here to spare no pains to cap ture the desperadoes. Deputy Marshal Brunner left this city last night with a strong posse for the scene of the holdup. Every effort will be made to effect, the capture of the robbers, but as they have friends country who not only keep them posted of the movements of the officers, but shield, provide them with food and protect them chile they are it hiding, their capture will

Kill No One.

ESCAPED MANY BULLETS. California Bandits Burn Much Powder but

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25. -Interviews with trainmen and passengers who were on board the train which was held up near Los Angeles elicit the following facts regarding the ropbers: The train left San Percande in tharge of Engineer Stuart, "Rock Hill Stuart," as he is known by trainmen, and Condactor Simpson. Near Roscoe, a little station this side of Burbank, the engineer was shot at from the tender and told to stop the train. He stopped it. A lively fusi-inde followed to intimidate any one who might desire to interfere with the plans of the robbers. The engineer and fireman were made prisoners and the en-gineer compelled to light the fuse of a bomb placed against the door of the express car three separate times. The first two at-tempts failed. At the third he was told to stay by the functill it fizzled and to run afterwards floobered until the express car door burst open, and Express Messenger Posts was thrown from the cot where he was asleep. The express messenger held up his

hands and got out of the car Just what happened after that is a mystery, for Express Messenger Potts has been

cautioned not to spenk about it by the offi-cers of the express company.

After the robbers left the express car they made the engineer, freman and express messenger wals up the track a quarter of a mile freed off a fusikade and then let them walk back to the train. Prior to bursting in the door of the express car with a bomb the robbers had terrorized every head which showed from a car window by taking

a shot at it, and the San Bernardino constable, who attempted to reason with them and assert his rights as an officer, was driven back into his couch with some preity strong language and a pistol shot. A shot was taken at a bargageman, and others were told to stay in and keep quiet. It is reported that the robbers did not get

at is reported that the robbers did not gret version in booty, but the mystery of the affair outside of the identity of the robbers is what they did to the safe, which the offi-cials of Wells, Parro & Co.'s express, for the present at least, will not explain.

One of the robbers had a red bandana handserchief they about his face and the other work a white farmed mask. They

other wore a white finnel mask. They were both about five feet nine inches in height. One would weigh about 175 pounds and his companion about ten or lifteen pounds less. They were both armed with Winchesters and revolvers. As soon as the fact of the robbery was learned the sheriff of San Bernardino county,

learned the shorld of San Bernardico county, with a pesse and a couple of bloodhounds, started on the trait of the robbers. Detectives have gone south to work on the case. Mr. Crowell, route agent for Wells, Farro & Co. stated that the loss is less than \$100, but would not give the exact amount. He interposed an objection to Messenger Potts making a statement as to what the robbers did to the safe declaring that this might prove injurious to the efforts of the officers who are seeking the capture of the robbers. Notwithstanding the incessant firing kept up, no one was her and no damage was done beyond the breaking of the exage was done beyond the breaking of the express car.

BOLD TEXAS THEEF.

Knocks an Express Messenger Down and

Escapes with \$8,000. Marshall. Tex., Dec. 25.—As Express Messenger A. F. McCollough and F. Neardull were transferring their business from the Texas & Pacific passenger train to the New Orleans Pacific train at three o'clock this morning. McCullough was knocked down by a negro who smatched a pouch from him an ran. Neardall fired on the robber as he fied but failed to stop him. He was pursued by officers as quickly as they could be not fied but he made his escape.

platform under the glare of electric lights while there were probably 100 persons standing around. Parties who saw the robbery differ as to the identity of the man, the majority saying he was a very light mulatto, while others assert he was a white man. The express people do not tell the amount secured, but it is estimated at \$5,000 to 88 000.

COMPLICATES THE SITUATION.

Hon. L. S. Coffin Enters the Iowa Senatorial Race,
DES MOINES, Dec. 25.—It is announced from Fort Dodge that Hon. L. S. Coffin has decided to become a candidate for United States senator before the coming session of the legislature at the earnest solicitation of his friends. This increases the number of candidates to seven, as follows: Congressmen Gear, Hepburn, Lucey and Perkins, Hon. A. B. Cummilus, Attorney General Hon. A. B. Compolis. Attorney Goneral Stone and Mr. Coffin. It is said the latter will come before the legislature with the support of the Tenth congressional district and have scattering support from all over the state. The legislature will meet two weeks from today and the contest is likely to

lowa's track Band. CEDAR RAPIDS, In., Dec. 25 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. | Joseph Ulch, secretary and treasurer of the lowa State band, which has been chosen as the official musical organization for the Midwinter fair at San Francisco, announces the members will meet in Chicago January 3 for reorganization and practice prior to leaving for the west. The lowa Columbian commission has appropri-ated \$2,000 of its unexpended state appro-priation for the purchase of new uniforms

Cold Wave at Cedar Rapids.

CEDAR RAPIDS, In. Dec. 25.—[Special Telegram to The Ber. I -A cold wave struck here this morning and the thermometer has fallen 40 degrees in the past twenty-four hours. A high north wind prevails and it will prot ably be zero before morning. The ice men are rejoicing, as the warm weather of last week had taken nearly all the ice out of the

Carson Builded by Burglars.

Canson, In., Dec. 25 - Special to Tun Ber. The vault of W. J. Way & Co. was broken ite during last night, the robbers getting nly \$2.50 for their trouble. Safes have been lown and robbed so often of late, all around here that no valuables are new kept in com-mon safes, they only being used as a protection for books against fire, and mostly left

Iowa Brakeman Behraded. Webster City, Ia., Dec. 25.- Special Tel-

egram to The Bee | Brakeman Tynan on the Illinois Central road last night fell from a car and was killed near Biglirsburg, his head being severed from his body. His rein-

THREATENED BY A MOB.

Indiana Citizens Refermined to Take the Law into Their Own Hands. INDIANAPOLIS. Dec. 25.-A special from Suilivan, Ind., says: The killing of Hultz still continues to excite the community, Witnesses at the coroner's jury inquest added more links to the chain of evidence which placed the crime at the door of ex-Sheriff Willis. Willis and Hultz have been declared enemies for four months and Willis

could not live together in the same Willis will try to prove an alibi. Hultz ows. Every business house in the town will

has been heard to say frequently that the

A dispatch from Terre Haute says news comes from Sullivan that the situation is threatening and that fifty special deputies, in charge of United States Marshal Hawkins re guarding the jail from an expected mob

sent on lynching Willis. WRITES AND NEGROES MIXED.

One Killed and Several Desperately

Wounded at Trimble, O. TRIMBLE, O., Dec 25 -Near Gloncester, Athens county, today at a low dance of whites and negroes, Frank James, colored broke into the dance house, and with a revolver, began firing at the crowd. Several of the company returned the fire. Results: JAKE HARRIS, a bystander, was shot dead Andrew Loveland, shot mortally, through

he lungs. Frank James, the invader, shot mortally, Eight participants have been arrested and a lynching on a large scale is a possibility.

Killed with a Stung Shot.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 25.-A special to the Commercial Gazette from Urbana, O., says that this afternoon A. S. Pintt, son of ex-Postmaster Fintt of West Liberty, in a fight with Grant Jackson, a colored ruffian at West Liberty, killed Jackson with a slung shot. Both were under the influence of fiquer. Platt is a nephew of the late Colonel Don Platt. He was arrested and held in \$1,000 bond for manshaughter.

Christinus as Caribic.

Cannistie, Pa., Dec. 25.—The Caritale Indian training school had its Christmas anniversary tonight. An immense audience was present to listen to the elaborate program in which the pupils took part, assisted by the Indian brass band. A leading feature was the rendition of the 'Gloria' from Mozara's

Passengers Safely Lunded.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25. - Cabie advices from Havana state that the passengers and crew of the steamer Seneca of the Ward line, which was scuttled yesterday because of a fire in her hold, have been safely

Had Written Threatening Letters to Many Prominent Men.

DECLARES HE IS NOT AN ANARCHIST

Captured by a Decective in Washington While He Was Looking for the Colef of Police-Story His Case.

Washington, Dec. 25 .- Joseph Donjon, the man who has been writing threatening letters to a number of prominent public menduring the last two weeks, is in jall tonight. He waiked into the detective bureau of James A. McDevitt this afternoon asiting for food. The detective took him into a coffee house and had something prepared for him to eat, meantime questioning him, and learned enough to fix his identity. He started toward the station house with his man and on his way met Detective Ned Weedon and George Boyd, in whose hands

It will be remembered a letter from this man to Senator Mills a few days ago caused the senator's son, Charles H. Mills, to secure ause of bringing the man's acts more promnently before the public. For several norths pist he has been writing similar letters to a number of prominent public men, among whom are Vice President Stevenson, Senators Gorman, Mills, Sherman, and as the man himself claims, President Cleve-land and Secretary Lamont. As long ago as during the fight over the silver question in the senate Vice President Stevenson re-ceived letters duly from Donjan, who was then in Newark N. J. No attention was paid to them, and they were consigned to the waste basket as fast as they arrived.

Be's a Youngster.

The vice president today received one dated from 404 Leigh street, this city. A number of reporters were at the First precinct station to see the man, and he tulked very freely to all of them. He is 23 years old, about five feet ten inches in height, weighs 180 or 190 pounds, is dark and sailow, has a greasy complexion, small, dark mus-tache, and has a rather slouchy look about him. He has drooping eyelids which usually accompany a brooding, melancholy disposi-tion. The man's manner of relating his story gives ample evidence that he does not belie his appearance in this respect. He talks very rationally and with a rather studied effort to avoid any appearance of bitterness or the expression of anarchistic

Donjan'is an Austrian by burth and lays stress upon the assertion that he is a Cathoc and professes a degree of piety. His story that he came to this country when 15 years old and had been a telegraph operator in the old country. He manifested consider-able pride in his nationality, but donles with spirit the public statement that he is a

He gave up telegraphing when he came to this country because there is some slight difference in the instruments and in the siphaoet.

"Under those circumstances," he continued,
"If I had secured a job they would have sent
me to some remote—office—in—the—far west, where there are coyotes and other daugerous creatures.

Has a Good Trade.

He became a bench molder after he came ere and claims to have worked for a time at Salem, O., as well as the wire works in Johnstown at the time of the great flood here, but was in Pittsburg on that particulast spring, having been out of employment went west to Washington and Idaho and prospected for gold there.

He tells a rather fearful tale of dangers

ountry and says no man who was not will ing to spend his earnings in drungenness and debanchery was permitted to stay there. He went back to Newarz and claims to have been endeavoring to secure work there ever since. He says he lived with his father and other and brother at 128 Burnett street.

He claims his father and mother went to He claims his lather and mother went to Florida to take up lands, but that he did not think it worth while to go, as he could get nothing to do anywhere. With considerable emphasis he denied that he is an anarchist malist or ever attended any meetings of from securing employment because he was not a member of the Kuights of Labor or any other labor union. As to the letters he has written, he claims he was justed to write

Asked as to the character of the persons who did this, he disclaimed that they were anarchists or that they formed any association. They were merely private persons. He also denied that there were any threats in the letters be wrote or any reference whatever to dynamite. "I never saw dynamite and would not know it if I saw it," he

such letters at the bidding of other people, he simply mouired, "What right have you to write down what I am, telling you? It ving just as you write news for the news-

He claimed that all that was contained in any of the letters was a proposition to each of those addressed to forward to him the there and make a business proposition to them. This was after he found there was no work to be had, and he intimates he had a plan to better affairs. As to what this probably make a statement later at his trial.

Was Out of Work and Hung y-The man came to Washington three days ago from Baltimore. Saturday night he ap-plied at the police station for longing and the officer in charge directed him to the municipal lodging house next door to the station house, where he slent that night and sawed wood next morning to pay for his

Yesterday he fell in with a German on a bench in one of the public parks in the city. The man was drunk but spoke some words of encouragement to him and told him he was out of work, but gave him a quarter and was out of work, but gave him a quarter and hoped he might find something to do. He thought the best thing he could do with the quarter was to get some postal carus and make another effort to secure answers from those to whom he had been sending letters. He took lodgings at 403 Tenth street in this city and slept there has night. This is the address on the postal card received from him today. His story is that he waited about this place all today, waiting for some one to appear in reply to his postal card, but that no one came. He als postal card, but that no one can hen determined he says to start out to

He was very much disturbed and aston-ished at the character of the publications in the newspapers regarding the letters he wrote from baltimore last week, but wanted to see the authorities and set himself aright. With this in mind he stopped at the detective's office. He knew perfectly well he would be arrested when he made himself known, but this did not seem to disturb him. The man speaks very good English, but with a strong German accent. He is fairly well educated and says he speet much time in reading scientific works on electricity, chemistry and cindred tomes.

In reply to a question he said he also read works on political economy and social science. but instead to add they were not such as given out by the somnists and amarchist associations. The man tells a connected story but the police put no faith in his asser-tion that he was incited to write the letters by other persons.

Endated with Butlets. BANKERDER, Ga. Dec. 25 - Last Sunday afternoon a negro named Galvin Thomas, | colored.

entered the premises of Mr. Sellers, a Haptist minister, during his absence and heat Mrs. Sellers over the head and then assaulted her. Thomas was arrested in the evening and placed in a guard house at Whigham During the night a mob broke into the guard house and riddled Thomas with bullets. He will die,

TAKES CLEFFELAND TO TASK

Governor Pennoyer Writes the President an Open Letter.

today addressed the following letter to President Cleveland: "The extraordinary cirmounstances which

greet the return of this bolday must be my excusefor writing you. Today is the first Christmas in the history of Oregon when more than two-thirds of its people are without employment, and more than one-third are without sufficient means of support. Business is almost completely stagmant. Money is not to be obtained and debtors are power. less to avoid selzure of their property and their homes to satisfy a small percentage of

their value by the claims of their creditors. "Repeated appeals have been in ade to me. as governor of Oregon, to assemble the legislature to alloviate this condition of affairs and avert the impending calamity. The redress is, however, not in our hands, but in yours, hence this appeal to you.

Cause of the Trouble.

"The laws of congress which have discriminated against silver and made gold alone a full legal tender money, giving to the money leader the privilege of refusing both the silver dollar and silver certificate, thus rendering unavail-able more than one-half of the national currency as an absolute debt-naying money are the sole chuses of the decline of prices, paralysis of business and consequent idleness of the army of workingmen with the impending starvation of their wives and

If, when you stood upon the eastern por tico of the capitol on the 4th of last March you had announced to the people that you would speedily convene congress congress in extra session to carry out the pledges of the platform to which you gave your assent and upon which you were elected, and which acclared for both gold and silver as money without discrimination against either metal, the widespread revision of business which has diminished the property of the nation by fully half, would never have occurred, and if now you would give this advice the further downward tendency would be checked, and with favorable congressional legis ation business would revive and prosperity would again visit our land.

Draws a Pathetic Picture.

"It is honorable to carry out the pledges of the party to the people, and is it not most dishonorable not to do so? The responsibility lies entirely with you. You are a father and can not but feel grateful to God when you, upon retiring to rest, look upon your sleeping babies in their couches, th pictures of health consequent upon their having sufficiency of food and clothing. I pray you however, to eninge the scope our vision and behold, as you can in man nd many a cot, children loved as much b their parents as yours are by you weak auc sicely from insufficient food and clothing the innocent victims of victors financia egislation, whose sleeping forms are bathed by the scalding tears of mothers bending over them in sorrow and despair, and there resolve, as you should, to faithfully carry out the pleuges which your party gave to a confiding people. If you will do so God will bless you and a grateful nation will applaud

GOVERNOR BATTE WANTS REDRESS.

Special Session of Colorado's Legislature Called for January 10. DENVER, Dec. 25.—Governor Waite tonight issued the long-talked-about call for a special session of the legislature, to meet Wednesday, January 10, 1834. The call consists of about 5,000 words and mentions over thirty subjects on which legislative action should be taken, in the governor's opinion. The governor justifies his proclamation by state have been unjustly and unconstitution ally attacked by congress and the present and preceding administrations: that the panic has so reduced values and increased the burdens of taxation that agriculturists, fruit growers and stock raisers are obliged to sell their products below the cost of production, and that the extraordinary remedies

now granted to creditors in Colorado should Appealing to Almighty God for the rectitude of my intention, and willing to assume

the entire responsibility of my act," the governor solumnly declares, 'I do issue this, my proclamation."
The first "business" for the legislature suggested in the call is to provide that all silver dollars, domestic and foreign, contain ing not less than S711; grains of fine sliver shall be legal tender for all debts collectable in Colorado. The governor also surgests the passage of an act forbidding the making of trust deeds, mortgages or obligations of any kind payable in gold; laws providing for the issuance of certificates of small denominations in payment or work on state canals, said certificates to be receivable for water carriage and leasing or purchase of internal improvement of lands and to be convertible after three years in \$1 certificates; repeal of all laws be enactment of a law to provide for the ssuance of certificates of small denominaions in payment for work on public in

provements. The governor also suggests many other abjects of legislation affecting various localities and interests in the state.

TRAILING A MURDERER. Blood Hounds Used to Advantage by Ind sampolis Authorities.

Indianapolis, Dec. 25. - Special Telegram to THE BEE]-The police today set a pair of blood hounds on the trail of the murderer of Merchant Policeman John L. Waterson, who was shot by a burglar or burglars Saturday night. The blood hounds were those used in

The does were put on the trail where the dying man was found; noses to the ground, began to run in a circle and then, with necks stretched and polling strongly on the ropes, darted toward Ten nessee street. Before they reached the side-wals they ran to the right, then to the left and then stopped. They had dropped

the trail. body fell and this time they crossed Tennesses street, but again loss the scent and were re-turned to the starting point. Again they crosfed the street and stopped snifted and then like a shot darted across the vacual let to the sitey up which the wounded thief ran. Suddenly one of them began to claw the fence at the snot where the blood was smarred. The gate was pened and the dogs cartel into the sitcher door of the house, but soon run out again and with noses touching the the brick pavement ran north in Hall place to Ninth street, and then east as fast as they could

Through alleys and across streets the dogs led, with Detectives Thornton and Kinney and Superintendent Powell close behind. By this time at icrsf a thousand people in buggles and on the sliewalk were keeping close up to the patrol wagon, after chasing all ever the northeastern part of town the procession came tearing down Dolaware street through the center of town. The dogs turned down the Jeffersonville. Mainson & Indianapois track and after making a slight deviation into the woods. Again took the railroad iros and followed it to Southport, where the trail was in t.

British in a Churc's

CINCINNATI. Bec. \$5 - John Tyler abot and killed Armstead Morton is Zion church on Wainut hill tomight Tyler said Morton was too familiar with Mrs. Morton. All are

Action of the Reichstag on the Readmission Act Discussed at Rome.

MAY FAIL IN THE FEDERAL COUNCIL

Salem Ore., Dec. 25,-Governor Pernover | Expeciations at the Vatican Are that the Lucheran Element in the Upper House May Defeat the Bill.

on Final Passage.

ROME, Dec. 25 - The Associated press correspondent in the city has had an interview with a German ecclesiastic who occupies a cading position in Rome, on the subject of | few months ago. the recent vote in the German Reichstag upon the question of readmitting members of the Society of Jesus to Germany. The distinguished prelate referred to believes that the German federal council, which is a sort of senate, will not ratify the vote of the Reichstag, saying:

"An aristocratic and conservative spirit prevails in the former assembly and it should not be forgotten that in Prussia a large portion of the nobility and the patriotic class is Lutheran. .The emperor himself is an ardent and well-nigh militant pictist, and would not see with a favorable eye the return of the Jesuits, implying, as it would, a triumph of Catholic aspirations.

"Nevertheless, the vote of the Reichstag constitutes a good precedent. In the event of the motion being rejected by the federal council it will be brought forward again later on, and indeed as many times as neces-"Does the deputies' action deserve the

blame bestowed upon it by those two papers which are generally held to represent the views of the vatican, and does Herr Lieber's statement offend degma?" "Not in the least," repiled the ecclesiastic. 'I see nothing reprehensible in Herr Lieber's statement. The reproach is con-stantly leveled against German Catholics that they can not be good patriots because of the obedience they owe to the pope, who is a foreigner. Now, Herr Lieber desired to

is in no way incompatible with dogma. WAS A DYNAMITER.

refute this charge by making an explici-statement, and his declaration in my opinior

Victim of the Prague Assassins Left a Bad Record.

London, Dec. 25 .- A Vienna dispatch to the Times says Merva, who was yesterday murdered at Prague, was known under the assumed name of Rigilette of Toscala. Dr. Herrold, the leader of the young exechs. referred to him openly in the recent debates as an agent of the provocator and as the ringleader of a socialist society of young men whem he induced to deface the imperial engles in public pinces.

Dr. Herrold asserted that the man had been mixed up in other work of a like contemptible character. Dr. Herrold said he had in his possession one of Merva's note books containing a poon attacking the gov-ernor of Bohemia and mentioning dynamite in every line. The note book also contained a plan for blowing up the palace of Count Franz Than, which was to be dynamited. Merva had been frequently arrested and re-Ninety of the men belonging to the so-

Ninety of the heat sections to the cialist society, which was called Omlinda, have been arcested and will be tried for high treason. Dr. Herrold will defend a and and number of the prisoners at the coming trial. Merva began his career in the army of the revolution as a drummer boy. While still at society known as the Subterranean League whose tendencies were pan-Slavist.
As it was composed of mere boys, the au-

thorities did not find it necessary to inter-fere with the society. Merva had been adfere with the society. Merva had been ad-vised to leave Prague and had expressed his intention to do so, but he postponed his de-parture and the result was, he was murparture and the result was, he was mur-icred. It seems that of late he had received a number of threatening letters and had been in perpetual fear of losing his life.

PEPPERY PASTORAL,

Bishop of Rosenau Stands Up for His Faith with Decision and Vigor. VIENNA, Dec. 25 .- Dr. Schopper, bishop of Rosenau, is the author of a special Christmas pastoral devoted to a flery attack upor the government's ecclestiacal policy. Among other things, the pastoral says: "Liberalism in general is allied to the Jewish Free Masons and has declared open war, not only against Cathola's, but against Christi anity and religion itself. It wishes to reduce ludes by suggesting means to combat the government's measure, these means is

cluding increased subscriptions to the Peter's Pence fund, of which the bishop de lares he has officially ascertained the popis in need.

London, Dec. 25 —A Paris dispatch to the Times says: Cardinal Richard has issued his pastoral letter prescribing prayers for France in all the Paris Catholic churches. In reference to the dynamite outrage in the Chamber of Deputies he says that the Cath olics should join in the februations of the deputies over their preservation from an awful death, and pray God fervently that he

country. TRAGIC AT THE END.

Mile. Michaelova Ends Her Career as a

Dancer in a Most Dramatic Manner. St. Petersucko, Dec. 25.-Mile Michael eva, a favorite danseuse of the imperial theater, invited a party of friends to supper yesterday evening. While they were all sented at the table the hosters avose hurriedly, in a few brief, sharp words bid farewell to ner guests, and, before anybody ould prevent her, she swallowed a dose of mison which she had poured unobserved nto a wine glass, and fell dead before her horrified friends.

LONDON, Dec. 25 -A dispatch to the Times rom Paris says: News has been received from Madagascar to the effect that the Hovas are arming, and, undaunted by the presence of the French soluters, are driving the peasants from the rice fields. The French post at Wandarants was attacked by twenty-one prisoners, including two French The French outpost at Ivoondara was plinged. The French residence and he house of the mananjari were smeared with mud, and he himself was menaced with death. The minister of marine has or-

France Has a War on Her Hands.

Routed tue Arabs. Rose, Dec.25. - Adispatch from Massowah says Colonel Arimonds, in command of the Italian forces, has arrived at Kufult and says that after the recent battle between the Dervishes and Italians, European an native troops, the Arabs flot harmonic disorder toward Awisiat, close by the Ralians. The Ralians, after followed the Ralians.

ered reinforcements sent.

ing the Dervishes for some distance, were recalled. AMSTERDAM, Dec. to .- The meeting of the

violent quarrels and disorders. Eighty-six sections of the socialist party were rep-Lexner, Dec. 25-A disputch to the Times

from Calcutta says the government has not

so-enited congress of Dutch socialists at

Groningen yesterday afternoon resulted in

silver. The opinion is becoming more general that a siding import duty should be imposed forthwith. The strongest opposition is likely to come from Bombay, where it is feared the Chinese trade will be disturbed Owing to the belief that a duty is immer ent the demand for uncomed silver is un-

abated. Thunderer Seems Despondent,

Loxpox, Dec. 25.-The Times reviewing the general political situation, dwells upon the discord at home, and says that circumtances through the world generally appear to favor the provaionce of peace and rood will equally as little as in South America, where the political inscenent is conducted with the aid of shot and shell, adding: While everywhere the great powers stand watching each other with incessing suspicious straining their resources to the utmost in preparing for the wide K, we hope there is no linguished anger of war, but it is blie to deny

that in many quarters and between tearly peo-ple the tension is greater now than it was a The Times then proceeds to say that the safety of the empire demands urgent and imperative attention being paid to the defense

Parts, Dec. 25.—The Moniteur Vinicole publishes full returns of the yield of the French vineyards. The crop is estimated at 1,225,000,000 gallons, against 650,000,000 gallons last year. The total value of the crop is over \$250,000,000, the best since 1877.

Has an Extended Commission. Rome, Dec. 25.-Cavalier Luizgi, head of

the engineering department at Legnorn, has been charged by the Italian government with a mission to study the system of public works in North and South American ports. Zola Wants a Convention. Pauls, Dec. 25.-M. Zola has written an

open letter to the Russian newspapers strongly appealing to them to take steps to bring about a literary convention between Russia and France.

Pedro and His Parents. Pauls, Dec. 25.-Prince Pedra has arrived here on his way to spend Christmas with his parents, Count and Countess d'Eu at their

ila. The prince's visit has no political ob-Proscription Recalled. PERNAMBUCO, Dec. 25 -- President Peixoto has recalled the order of expulsion of for-

ON A SIX-DAY SPIN. Long Distance Bicycle Riders Making Great

Time at Madison Square Garden. NEW YORK, Dec. 25 -- Madison Square garden was well filled when at midnight last night eighteen bigylists commenced the race that will keep them hustling for the next six days. The mon entered in the contest are, with but few exceptions, well trained jon the contrar, had sailed toward the atheletes. Those entered are: William | mountainous and ragged island of Ferdi-Martine, champion of the world, with a namio de Noromba, where there is a large record of 1,466 miles; Albert Schock, C. W. Ashinger, Frank Albert, Frank Fuller, Dawson Forwalt, Pete Golden, Edward Reading, Wuxell, John H. Barton, Frederick | and its several harbors, defended by forts, Foster, Albert Hosmer, H. F. Bartholomew, Frank Walsh, C. Greer, P. Berlow, Frank Edmond, J.F. Starbuck and George Vandenburg. Vandenburg is the youngest of the contestants, being within two years of his majority. Starbuck buils from Marion, over 100 miles from the majority. Sturback halls from Marion, la, and is little known in racing circles. At 1:30 the score was:

The 100 mile record, which was six hours burg. He made the distance is five hours the twelve-hour record, which was 170 mile and seven laps, made by Jack Prince in 1831 Hosmer in that time made 205 miles and four lans. Score of twelve hours ending at

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-At 2 o'clock this morning the highest scores were: gog Miles Bider. 418 Aftert 416 Hosmer 415 Barton.

NEW FOOT BALL RULES.

Harvard Committee Securing Expert Tes-

timony on the Game. Bostos, Dec. 25,-Several experts identified with foot ball at Harvard have given their opinions relative to the proposed change of rules and the coming convention

L. F. Delan, the inventor of the wedge and other tricks, says: "As to the use of momentum plays, no one would be moreglad to see them done away with than i. I should much prefer to see a more open style of play. I don't think it would be a good plan to abolish the use of the flying mass. in he openiur play. Here it is more open, and herefore less danzerous." George A. Stewart says: "The old fash

oned mass plays are not dangeroug and have not been regarded so. The momentum play I do not consider any worse." Manager H. H. White says: "I am opposed to mass and momentum plays and in favor of an open game." Captain C. B. Waters says: "I don't be-

seve in trying to change the style of the Charles Brewer says: "The game would be more interesting if there were more open lays. The proposal to make the distances o begained on four downs ten yards, in-

stead of five, would be one way of doing W. H. Lewis, Harvard's center rusher. I think the momentum plays are not

WILL TEST THE SITUATION. Rice Track Business at Ivy Lity to Be Resumed Today.

dangerous.

Washington, Dec. 25, -Rucing will be reumed at Ivy City tomorrow. President Engeman, under the advice of his counsel decided Wednesday to begin racing again Fuesday. The few sporting men who are in the city express the opinion that if the authorities only make one arrest after the first race, so as to enable them to make a test case, the meeting will continue and be a good one, as plenty of bookmakers will be here to make business lively, but if the authorities make good their threats to arrest all bookshakurs and betters after each and every race, the meeting will probab come to a close temorrow. An official of the police department said to an Associated press representative tonight: "The authorities will arrest every person who posts an odd. The general public will not be dis urbed, but every bookmaker will be ar-

The entries for tomorrow are large nearly every race having lifteen norses the purses are for \$250. Arrangements have been made for balling of all persons arrested

Dispera ana attacera-San Faccion, Dec. 35 -Referring to the action of the board of stewards of the Blood

Horse association in refusing to permit further entries of horses of Frank Van Ness of the Eighton stables, the Examinor prints a statement that the barring of the Eighton horses wan due to the fact that they had been drugged, hypothermic injections being used to induce the horses to overdo them selves. The horses really became dope mends and can not run without a drug, faith-ial as the jockeys may be. It is also said other owners here are suspected of the given any sign of its intentious in regard to | same.

HUNTING FOR A ROW

Peixoto's Cruiser Nietheroy Leaves Percambuce to Force a Fight.

MELLO'S VESSELS ARE TO BE LOOKED UP

Dynamite Guns of the President's Pride May Scon Have a Trial.

REBEL ADMIRAL WORKS A NICE SCHEME

He Heads for a Convict Settlement to Obtain Men for His Crews.

BATTLE CANNOT LONG BE POSTPONED

Aquidaban and Republics to Be Engaged by the Nictheroy at the Earliest Moment to Settle the Question of Superiority.

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PERSANDUCO, Dec. 25. - The situation of affairs has very materially enanged in this city within the last few hours. Until this morning Pernambaco believed that Its harbor was to be the scene of the first big naval battle between the Republica, Admiral Mello's best warship, and the Aquidaban, her companion rebel ship, on the one side and the Nietheroy, President Prixoto's dynamite gun cruiser, on the other. This beitef was amply justified by the report received a few days ago on apparently good authority that the Republica and Aquidaban had been seen off the Brazilian coast headed northward, apparently bound for Pernambuce, as if to take the Nietherey by surprise and compel her to fight without a chance of putting to sea. The news received here this morning changed the whole

aspect of affairs. After an Island.

The rebel warships, it was then learned, were not on their way to Pernambuco, but convict settlement. The island, despite its ruggedness, possesses considerable fertility, would enable Mello to make a vigorous re-

The revolutionary admiral's object in going to Ferdinando de Noronha, which is over 100 miles from the main coast of Brazil, is to compel so many ablehodied convicts as he can find in the settlement to go aboard his vessels and join his crews. It is said he expects to secure not less than 1,000 men in

this way. Upon the reception of this news aboard the Nietherny there was great activity noticeable. Members of the crew were sent ashore in small beats to search through the town for such of the Nictheroy's men as had been allowed to leave the ship and to hurry

Nictheroy Puts to Sea.

The commanding officer of the Nictheray had apparently received full instructions as to how he should not in such an emergency. and these instructions, it is believed, were to the effect that, if convinced the report of the coming to Pernambuco of the Republicathese vessels, instead of seeking, were evading fight, he should lose no further time, but put to sea at once, and force them into a naval contest for superiority. This view of the case proved correct, for this afternoon when all the Nictheroy's men had gotten on board, the government battleship weighed. unchor, steamed out to sea and pointed her

nose for the northeast. The Associated press correspondent is reliably informed the Nietheroy's destination is the island of Ferdinando de Noronha. If this information is correct, the long expected sea battle between the revolutionist and the government war vessels will, in all

probability, be fought within a short time. TRAMP TROUBLES IN KANSAS. Citizens of Different Parts of the State

Complaining Bitterly. Sr. Louis, Dec. 25. - A special to the Republic from Topeka says: Reports of deprelations committed by tramps continue to come from all parts of the state. Along the astern and southern borders they are thick, and generally travel in gangs of half a dozen. Railroad officials state that their freight crews have a great deal of trouble with them, and in many instances are threatened with assault if they insist on heir leaving the trains

They are crowding into the largest towns of the state, where they say they will have the protection of the police under the governor's order. Every day a number of tramps call at Governor Lewelling's office and beg for money with which to buy something to cat. The governor has found this such a burden that he is compelled to refuse further aid to them. Last night several tramps broke into the Methodist church and took a big sipuly of eatables and candies which the ladies of the church had prepared

DIED ON CHRISTMAN.

Youngstown, O., Dec. 25.-Channey H. Andrews multi-millionaire and foremost business man in northeastern Onio, aled at 6:11 o'clock this morning. He has built four ratiroads and established several large from concerns during his active career. He was one of the first partners in the Standard Oil company, and is widely known as a financies and industrial organizer.

Major Clarence M. Barton. PORTLAND, OFF., Dec. 25.—Major Clarence M. Barton is dead. He was one of the bea-

known newspaper men in the northwest, and for many years connected with the news-papers of Washington, D. C., and Philadelphia, and one of the founders of the Knight Ex-Governor Biggs of Delaware. PHILADELPHIA Dec. 25. - Ex-Governor Biggs f Delaware died at Middleton, Del., this

afternoon. Miss Poliard is Determined.

Washisoron, Dec. 25 -The rumor that the suit of Miss Pollard against Representative Breckinging for breach of promise will be compromised and settled outsile of the courts is not credited in this city.