China Wants Outside Assistance to Let Go of the Bear Ehe Has Seized.

WILL RAISE NO CBJECTIONS

He Goes Pursly on His Own Motion and in No Sense is a Representative of This Country-Will Leave at Once for Japan.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.-Ex-Secretary John W. Foster, who is about to start for the east to assist the Chinese peace commissioners in the negotiation of terms of peace, called at the State department today

commissioners, as Peace Commissioner Chang Yin Huan, as announced in an Associated press telegram this morning from Shanghai, has left Tien Tsin for Che-Foo, and is expected at Shanghai on January 6 on his way to Tokio. But, as intimated by the Associated press, Japan may not consent to receive the second Chinese peace commissioner, Shao Yao Lien, on account of the fact that when governor of Formosa he offered rewards for Japanese heads. But the Westminster Gazette, whose comments on the situation are given below, would seem to be in error as to the actual facts in the case. Mr. Foster has not been appointed as a peace commissioner by President Cleveland. Mr. Foster desires it to be understood that he goes to Japan purely in a private capacity as an adviser of the Chinese plenipotentiary. He has no power to represent or speak for government of the United States.

to aid the Chinese government in the peace negotiations, is not the first time foreigners have been called in to assist plenipotentaries in matters like these, as both China and Japan heretofore have had recourse to such assistance. In the case of the latter govern-ment, it is said the questions of fact and detail were settled by the Japanese them-selves, the foreigners merely being present in a legal and advisory capacity. Mr. Fos-ter has lately returned to the United States from a trip around the world, during which he spent some time in China. He made quite an intimate acquaintance with the Chinese plentipotentiary, who was formerly minister to the United States.

PREPARING FOR A FINAL STAND. The impression here seems to be that the Japanese troops are concentrated at New Chwang, which the Chinese forces have recently vacated. The victorious army will continue its march to Peking. The question of an armistice pending an agreement as to the terms of peace, will depend on the powers which the Chinese ambassadors powers which the Chinese ambassadors possess. If they are simply plenipotentiaries ad referdum, and their recommendations have to be sent back to China for approval or disapproval, a long time necessarily must clapse beofre terms of peace can be concluded. If on the other hand, they are conclusive, and the action of the representatives binding on China then its representatives binding on China, then Japan will be disposed to grant large concessions in the matter of a suspense of hos-

Minister Kurino of Japan said today the olished statement that General John W. Foster's selection as the representative of sholly between him and China. The minis ter does not think it calls for an expression of approval or disapproval from him or his government. Personally, he has never thought of protesting or objecting to the appointment, as he recognized China's right to go where she chooses to select a confidential icer. The attitude of indifference, he said has apparently led to the erroneous conclu-sion that he has officially sanctioned the the selection of a private American citizen as

HOW IT IS VIEWED IN ENGLAND. LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Westminster Ga-zette says: It is generally believed that America took more than a kindly concern in the affairs of Corea. The envoy of the United States was once high in Corean avor. Then China was jealous, and that China now seeks the aid of the United States is one of those curious transformations of these times of whirligig. England and all the powers welcome the news of President

They Are Now Preparing for Their De-parture for the Mikado's Capital. he will join Peace Commissioner Shao Yace
Lien and go to Tokio. Chang Yin Huen is
president of the board of the revenue, a
member of the Sung Li Yamen and was
Chinese minister to Washington a few years
ago. Shao Yace Lien is viceroy of the province of Huan. He was formerly governor of
Formosa, and while occupying that post he
offered a reward of about \$10,000 for the
destruction of a big Japanese warship, and destruction of a big Japanese warship, and for the destruction or capture of a small warship of Japan he offered about \$6,000.

PARIS, Dec. 28.- The secretary of Japanese legation, Kato Tsunitada, says there is ess legation, Kato Tsunitada, says there is no truth in the announcement credited to the Shanghai Mercury on December 24 that the At Glasgow—Arrived—Hibernian, from Shanghal Mercury on December 24 that the chief conditions of peace upon which Japan insists are the close of a Chinese-Japanese alliance against European influence, the development of Chinese trade and commerce by Japan, and Japan to undertake the effective of the conditions of the chief conditions of peace upon which Japanese alliance against European influence, the development of Chinese trade and commerce by Japan, and Japan to undertake the effective of the conditions of peace upon which Japanese alliance against European influence, the development of Chinese trade and commerce by Japan, and Japan to undertake the effective of the conditions of peace upon which Japanese alliance against European influence, the development of Chinese trade and commerce of the conditions of peace upon which Japanese alliance against European influence, the development of Chinese trade and commerce of the conditions of peace upon which Japanese alliance against European influence, the development of Chinese trade and commerce of the conditions of the condi

CALLED FOSTER TO AID THEM tive reorganization of the Chinese army and

CHANGES THAT INDIA NEEDS.

Abolition of the Councils and the Office of Secretary of State.

MADRAS, Dec. 28 .- A resolution submitted to the India national congress emphatically protested against the injustice of imposing an excise duty on cotton goods manufactured in India, as calculated to cripple an infant industry. Another resolution declares that the congress considers the abolition of the Indian councils and the office of secre-tary of state for India as at present con-stituted a necessary preliminary to all other reforms, and suggests that a standing com-mittee of the House of Commons be ap-

Sarnia Lost Her Rudder. GLASGOW, Dec. 28.-The Anchor line steamer Anchoria, Captain Campbell from New York, arrived here today and reported that in latitude 55, longitude 12 west she

and had an interview with Secretary Gresham respecting his mission.

It does not seem probable that there will be any delay in the departure of the Chinese Severe weather was then encountered. The hawsers parted and the Anchoria was obliged to leave the Sarnia at a point about 130 miles west of Tory island. Held Up the Prince of Wales' Mail.

the mail. The police are inquiring into the ter to prepare a summary for the advice of Mrs. Waldorf Astor's Remains

LONDON, Dec. 28 .- The body of Mrs Willlam Waldorf Astor was received from Clieveden today preparatory to embarking it at Liverpool on board the Cunard steamship Aurania, sailing for New York tomorrow. The casket was sealed in the presence of officials of the United Ftates embassy and many wreaths were deposited upon it.

Waziris Are Very Troublesome. LONDON, Dec. 28 .- A dispatch to the Times from Calcutta dated yesterday says that the Waziris continue to harass the British expedition, firing into the camp at nights and pouring a hot fire upon the British force from the bushes when the column

Cable Flashes.

The Brazilian government has ordered \$1,000,000 worth of war material from the Armstrongs. Armstrongs.

Sixteen meetings of socialists at Berlin have ratified the agreement made for the settlement of the boycott against the brew-

erg.
In a duel growing out of a political dispute, fought yesterday at Buenes Ayres, Colonel Sarmiento killed Dr. Lucio Vincente

The London Daily News says: "With a view to avoiding a potato famine in Ireland, the government has decided to advance money without interest to the poor law guardians for the purchase of seed potatoes."

A dispatch from Berlin says that the miners congress at Essen has adopted resolutions in favor of an eight-hour day, uniform laws and labor regulation in all German district and the appointment of independent inspectors.

A Barlin dispatch to the London Deliver. China in the peace negotiations has the approval of the Japanese government grew out of a misapprehension. Mr. Kurino views the mission of General Foster as a private affair, wholly between him and China. The minisknown by an anonymous paper, bearing a partly obliterated coat of arms. His majesty has ordered the police to do their utmost to discover the writer

LEFT IN THE VAULT TO DIE.

Sensational Robbery of the County

Treasurer at Santa Rosa. SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 28.-Santa Ross had the biggest sensation in its history choice of General Foster. The minister says today. The county treasury was robbed of the selection of a private American citizen as nearly \$8,000 and County Treasurer Stofen China's adviser will in no way affect the was left insensible in the vault by the robbers to suffer death, who locked the door to the vault on him. The robbery occurred 9 o'clock this morning, but was not discovered until about 5 o'clock this afternoon. All this time County Treasurer Stofen lay on the floor of the vault gasping for breath, fearing every moment, during conscious intervals, would be his last. Had China now seeks the aid of the United States is one of those curious transformations of these times of whirligis. England and all the powers welcome the news of President of the timely person in town who knew these times of whirligis. England and all the powers welcome the news of President of the combination, he would have been dead. She had been at Cloverdale, and on her repeated the change of a speedy settlement.

AMERICAN VESSELN PRESENT.

Yorktown Reinforces the Baltimore and Monocacy—Petrel Laid Up.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The United States steamship Yorktown, arrived today at Cheeko from Yokohama. At this point she will be in an advantageous position to observe the progress of hostilities on the Shanghing promontory, and, if need be, to reinforce the Baltimore and Monocacy below Tientalm.

The little guabat Petrel is icebound at New Chwang, China, and has been laid up for the winter. Admiral Carpenter has sent a report to the Navy department, in which the encloses a photograph of the vessel in the encloses a photograph of the vessel in the process of being encased in earth walls and roff. looking much like a turtle in winter quarters. A couple of hundred yards signature. A couple of hundred yards signature. A couple of hundred yards signature. A couple of hundred yards signature and the process of being encased in carth walls and roff. looking much like a turtle in winter process, her deck works being covered by an adobe roof and Galling guns mounted in specially erected teps. In view of the evacuation of New Chwang by the Chinese, just reported, and the approach of the Japanese army upon that point, these precautions are believed at the Navy depariment to be well taken.

CHINA'S PEACE COMMISSIONERS.

They Are Now Preparing for Their Departure for the Mikado's Capital. it not been for the timely arrival of his wife, the only person in town who knew

One Life Lost and Two Dangerously Injured GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 28.—The fire on soard the British steamship Masonic, which Chang Yin Huen has left Tien Tsin for Che Foo and is expected here on January 6, when disastrous than was at first expected. One

Missouri Valley Teachers Association KANSAS CITY, Dec. 25.—The convention of the Missouri Valley Teachers association warship of Japan he offered about \$6,000. But, not content with this, he offered a further schedule of rewards to be paid to the Chinese who took Japanese soldiers or sailors dead or alive. For the head of a Japanese officer 200 taels were offered, and for the head of a Japanese private 100 taels was the reward. On this ground, it has been asserted, the Japanese government would refuse to receive him as a peace commissioner.

Terms of Peace that Are Not True.

Movements of Seagoing Vessels, Dec. 28.

FAVOR THE OMAHA PLATFORM

Populist Conference at St. Louis Oppose Any Change in the Party Creed,

DENOUNCE THE IMPRISONMENT OF DEBS

Taubeneck Resigned the Chair on Advice of the Committee and General Weaver Takes His Place-Alabama Populists Will Have Justice.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.-The conference of the national committee of the people's party with its invited friends began today at the Lindell hotel in this city with an attendance of something over 200. The meeting was called to order by National Chairman Taubeneck and proceeded to discuss the advisability of holding sessions in secret. The debate developed something of a tangle, out of which the gathering pulled itself after nearly two hours discussion by resolving it-

Taubeneck in the chair, the committee being declared adjourned until 2 p. m. Sec-LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Daily News says retary Turner of the national committee was that on Christmas evening two men tried to made secretary of the conference. Chairlasso the driver conveying the prince of man Taubeneck then stated the purpose of Wales' correspondence from the King's Lynn railway terminus to Sandringham house, the residence of the prince. The lasso grazed the driver, who hit his horse with his whip and reached Sandringham house safely with a committee of five upon credentials and another of ten members upon address, the lat-

> the conference. - Recess was then taken until p. m. At the afternoon session, the national executive committee having retired for the purpose of consultation, the conference propurpose of consultation, the conference pro-ceeded, after naming a committee on order of business, informally to listen to J. S. Coxey upon his noninterest bearing bond plan; also to addresses by Delegates Howard, Manning and Adams upon the recent elec-tion in Alabama, and other supporters of the conference. Delegate Adams in his closing scattences created considerable excitement by stating that though the populists of Alaby stating that though the populists of Ala-bama were long suffering in their refusal to resort to revolution, that patience might case to be a virtue; that they would not stand by much longer and see their rights

taken away. The national executive committee at this The national executive committee at this point presented a resolution adopted by it to the effect that it deemed it inexpedient for the conference to adopt an address to the day states that Lord Randolph Churchill passed a quiet day. He continues to take a little nourishment and his strength is fairly maintained. to them, to the public; also that National Chairman Taubeneck had better not remain in the chair. A report upon rules and order of business was presented, providing a regular form of procedure in consonance with the resolution of the executive committee. After some debate both reports were accepted and the conference proceeded to elect Canaral I. B. Weaver temporary presides. General J. B. Weaver temporary presiding officer of the conference, with W. D. Vincent of Kansas and Milton Park of Texas as sec-

retary and assistant secetary.

After a short recess to permit state delegations to confer upon the matters to be presented by each, the roll of states was called for the introduction of such resolu-

tions, etc.

By Alabama (Delegate Adams) a resolution requesting the United States senate to
adopt Senator Allen's resolution of December 19, 1894, for the appointment of a committee to ascertain whether Alabama's people are living under a republican form of govern. Rules were suspended and the resolu-tion was adopted unanimously.

Arkansas, California, Oregon, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho and Indiana reported progress in the advancement of populist principles and

as one "whose record is a stain upon the judiciary," but an effort to strike it out failed and the resolutions passed.

Commissioner Breidenthal of Kansas de-manded adherence to the Omaha platform. The same line was taken by spokesmen for the states of Kentucky, Louisiana, Massa-chusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Ne-braska, Michigan, New Jersey, Ohio, Okla-homa, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Tennessee, Virginia, Wisconsin, Connecticut and New York, after which the convention and New York, after which the convention took a recess until tomorrow morning.

At the conclusion of the session J. C. Manning of Alabama announced that he had, upon advice, issued a call for a meeting of the ballot reformers of the south at New Orleans, January 18 and 19, to perfect permanent organization and plan of work.

Stand by the Whole (Creed. DENVER, Dec. 28 .- At the meeting of the Colorado State alliance today a resolution was adopted condemning the formation of a party with only the silver plank, and urging that the populist party be maintained as originally constituted. The resolution was telegraphed to the St. Louis conference. Almost all of the alliance members are popu-

Ready to Dismist the 1 esser Lights. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.-United States District Attorney Knight stated today that he would shortly recommend to the attorney he would shortly recommend to the attorney general to dismiss the charges against at least three-fourths of the A. R. U. men now under arrest in this district charged with conspiracy, growing out of the recent strike. He believes that there is no chance of convicting them. The trials now in progress in this city have not developed as strong a case of conspiracy as was expected. The district attorney declares, however, that it is his intention to stubbornly prosecute the ringleaders in the recent disturbances.

For the State Fair. The business men of the city met at the

Commercial club rooms last night in one more effort to devise ways and means of securing the state fair for Omaha. Owing, however, to the numerous details to be arranged, no definite conclusion was reached.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The wholesale and retail dry goods and millinery firm of J.

Lichtenstein & Sons has gone into liquidation. The liabilities are estimated at \$50,000 with assets half that amount. BOWLING GREEN, Ky., Dec. 28.—A saw mill boiler exploded at Bonayer, Berron county, killing five men and badly scalding

several more. The names of four of the dead are: Bird, Fann, Derring and Spark. The mill was the property of Hard Der-ring, and was almost totally destroyed.

DECLINES TO HEAR MR. COMSTOCK, Lexow Committee Has No Time to Lister

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—There seemd to be a lull today in the interest manifested by the public during the previous sittings of the Lexow committee, but before Mr. Goff had got well under way the court room was rapidly filled and there was the usual throng of spectators. Inspector Williams again faced Mr. Goff and resumed his hard, dry dentals of having ever received any money or bribes of any description. He got very angry when questioned about his wife's diamonds, particularly a diamond cross, in regard to which Mr. Goff asked him if it came from a woman of ill repute. Commissioner Martin was the witness who excited the most interest. Anthony Comstock appeared with a demand to be heard in regard to Mr. Goff's charge against him, but he was refused. Senator Lexow announced the hearing would close tomorrow for the present.

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Senator Lexow then said that he had received a letter from Mr. Comstock, but that the senators did not think it right to have Mr. Comstock come to court, as the matter was outside the scope of the committee.

Mr. Goff then said: "Through the kindness of the Associated press I have been supplied with a copy of an interview with Mr. Comstock last night, and I will-how say that I decline to say anything or have any communication with Mr. Comstock until he puts in writing all he knows and all he is prepared to say in reference to a certain citizen whom he says I was prosecutor for while holding the position of assistant district attorney. self into an informal conference with Mr.

while holding the position of assistant district attorney.

"The chair is still open for any person—who wishes vindication, and as this committee will have to adjourn very soon I feel certain that there will be a number of claimants for vindication after the session has ended."

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Mr. Goff asked Williams if he ever had any United States bonds, and the witness said he never had. Several questions as to the witness' property followed, and also a few questions about Williams' yacht, "Eleanor." Then Mr. Goff began asking about what money Williams received as gratuities while in command of the "tenderloin" precinct.

"Not a penny," was the reply, "Did you gen any money?"

"Yes, but not in the tenderloin, as you call it. I got money down town."

"From whom?"

"From the firm of Fliess & Hoy, 47 Broadway."

way."
"How much did you get?"
"About \$5,000 or \$6,000. Mr. Fliess said he
was dealing in stocks. I gave him no money,
but he said he was willing to take the risk.
I did not know anything about the business."
"This Mr. Fliess is connected with the Hollywood Whisky company, in which you were accused of having an interest?"
"Yes, I believe so, but he had no position in the company at that time. He told me his brother was connected with the company."

nis brother was connected with the com-pany."
"Did you ever send for an envelope con-taining valuable property and have it taken from Wardman Dunlap's room when he was dying."
"No, sir."

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'No, sir."

The witness then said he had an account in the Bowery Savings lank of less than \$1,000 and one in the Seamen's of less than \$1,000 and one in the Drydock of less than \$1,000 and one in the Drydock of less than \$1,000 and one in the Drydock of less than \$1,000 and one in the Drydock of less than \$1,000 and one in the Bordock of less than \$1,000 and of le

Arkansas, California, Oregon, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho and Indiana reported progress in the advancement of populist principles and the spokesmen in general remarks insisted upon the conference standing strictly by the olice. He of the Omaha platform.

Illinois' spokesman, Mr. Lord of Chicago, in addition to an insistence upon the principles of the Omaha platform, presented rescitions adopted by the populist city central committee of Chicago, denouncing the recent imprisonment of E. V. Debs and others in Chicago as an invasion of the right of trail by Jury; also a series of resolutions prepared by Hon. Lyman Trumbull of Chicago, denouncing the use of regular troops in the Chicago labor disturbances last summer as a military invasion; declaring the use of regular troops in the Chicago disturbances last summer as a military invasion; declaring the use of regular troops in the chicago labor disturbances last summer as a military invasion; declaring the use of regular troops in the chicago labor disturbances last summer as a military invasion; declaring the use of regular troops in the chicago have disturbances last summer as a military invasion; declaring the use of regular troops in the chicago have disturbances last summer as a military invasion; declaring the use of regular troops in the crown of the right should be owned and operated by the government.

A recess until 7 p. m. was thenataken.

After the evening recess the conference resumed the call of states for expressions of opinion with regard to the best policy for the party to pursue. For Iowa, General Weaver responded, urging his well known financial reform well to the front.

Recurring to the resolution introduced in behalf of the central people's party committee of Chicago, the conference suspended the rules and passed unanimously the denunciation of the imprisonment of Eugene V. Debs, George W. Howard and others, as an invasion of the rights of freemen to a trial by jury. Some little debate was induced by a phrase therein referring to Judge Woods as on

SUSTAINED JUDGE DUNDY.

sult Offered the Omaha Jurist.

DEADWOOD, Dec. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge Dundy convened United States court this afternoon for the purpose of hearing the motions and setting cases for the February term. The sambers of the on the door, and were admitted. They bar were present. After disposing of some grunted out the usual "How and arrayed the door, and were admitted. They have been determined by the door, and were admitted. They have been determined by the door, and were admitted. They have been determined by the door, and were admitted. business Judge Dundy unfolded a letter from Judge Edgerton, who is now at New Orleans, sojourning for his health. The letter contained a "roast" for Judge Dundy from his honor, Judge Edgerton, and was read in open court. It seems that Judge Edgerton is inclined to be displeased with the favor Judge Dundy has received here and claims that the latter gentleman is trying to undermine him and raise himself at Edgerton's expense. The contents and language of the letter are insulting in the extreme. A meeting of the Deadwood Bar association was held this evening, and among other business transacted a resolution was passed requesting Judge Ibmdy to preside over the February term of United States court to be held in this city. business Judge Dundy unfolded a letter

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The coal-laden bark Sea King, twenty-two days from laden bark Sea King, twenty-two days are Naniamo, B. C., came into port this evening. On Christmas morning the Sea King was sighted ten miles north of Port Reyes, was sighted ten miles north of Port Reyes. was sighted ten miles north of Port Reyes, only a few hours distance from San Francisco, and her owners were becoming anxious about her. The schooner John P. Miller, twenty-five days out of Portland, was sighted on Monday last off the Farallon islands. The schooner was then in a disabled condition, having been stripped of several of her sails, and it was feared that she had been driven out to sea again. Nothing has been heard of the coal-laden ship J. B. Brown since the 22d inst, when she was sighted off Cape Mendocino. She is out twenty-five days from Naniamo.

CHICAGO. Dec. 28.—William Ranguth, secretary, and Henry Blettner, vice president, of the Atlas Loan company, now in the hands of a receiver, were sent to jail by Judge Payne today for contempt of court. Ranguth was sentenced to four months and Blettner for thirty days. "he charge against them was that of releasing a trust deposit after a receiver was appointed.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 28.-The crusade for cheap bread here has resulted in twenty-five bakers of this city up to date reducing the price from 5 cents to 5 cents per loaf. Some reduced to 4 cents, and but few now are able to maintain the 5-cent rate.

White Man's Law Had No Terror for a Really Bad Indian,

TWO STICKS MEETS DEATH LIKE A BRAVE

Tried to Choke Himself with the Ald of Eagle Louse, but When He Failed He Walked to the Scaffold Without a Tremor.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 28 .- (Special Telegram.)-Two Sticks has paid the penalty of his crime and has suffered death on the scaffold.

Two Sticks' last night on earth was a very restless and nervous one. All night long he kept up a rambling communication with two death watches, interspersed with Face the low wailings of his death song. Toward morning he grew excited and paced the narrow confines of his cell with hasty strides and soon worked himself into a state of nervousness. Father Dingman of Pine on him as his spiritual adviser, arrived at an early hour and with soothing words soon had him in a state of tranquility. Two Sticks had been baptized in the Catholic faith last Thursday and after Father Ding-man had prayed with him and administered the last rites of the church the death war-

rant was read.

Then the condemned man made a long, rambling statement, denying his guilt, and the deputy marshals proceeded to bind his arms preparatory to the march to the

TRIED TO CHOKE HIMSELF. Just here an exciting scene took place. One of the straps could not be used, and the One of the straps could not be used, and the deputies, placing it on a chair, went to look for a cord to take its place. Two Sticks, noticing the strap, carelessly took it up on the pretense of examining it and before any one could divine his intentions had it in a slip noose over his head and had handed the loose end through the bar of a still live his loose end through the bar of a cell in which another Indian, Eagle Louse, was confined. In a second both were exerting their strength to the utmost, one pulling upon the end of the strap and the other pushing against the bars of the confined. the strap and the other pushing against the bars of the cell with his hands in an endeavor to cheat the gallows. Two Sticks' eyes began to protude, his tongue loll out and his limbs tremble. In another minute his effort to kill himself would have been successful and Marshal Peemiller would have been relieved of an unpleasant data.

successful and Marshal Peemiller would have been relieved of an unpleasant duty.

When the death watch and spectators realized what was going on a rush was made for the desperate Indian. The strap was pulled from the grapp of Eagle Louse and the marshal and his deputies were soon struggling about the narrow corridor in an endeaver to loosen the band, which was slowly strangling the old Indian to death. It was a desperate struggle, but numbers prevailed, and Two Sticks was forced to postpone his departure until a few minutes later.

WENT SINGING TO THE SCAFFOLD

WENT SINGING TO THE SCAFFOLD. Cords were secured, the Indian's arms were Cords were secured, the Indian's arms were plnioned to his side and the march to the scaffold taken up. He had regained all his courage, which for several days had been at a low ebb, and with a song of defiance of the powers of death upon his lips, followed the marshal to the scaffold. If he was frightened he did not show it, and the smile upon his face was too natural, his laugh too hearty and his voice, when raised in the song of death was without a quiver. He greated all he met on his last journey with a laugh and a "How."

The trip to the scaffold was a short one.

The trip to the scaffold was a short one, but it was a high structure, and the platform flight of stairs. Up these steps, without assistance, the old brave finally walked, and assistance, the old brave highly walked, and took his stand upon the step without a tremor. When his eye caught the dangling noose which hung but a few inches above his head, he gazed at it for a moment, grunted, "Washta," (good) and laughed

The straps which bound his legs were soon adjusted, and the warrior began a speech to the people who had assembled to watch the execution. This was soon finished and then the wild, wierd notes of the death song rose upon the air, but not a tremor was in the voice that uttered them. Even after the black cap had been adjusted and the knot tightened, their cadence rose and fell within the scaffold yard. HIS NECK WAS BROKEN.

At 10:37 the trap was sprung and Two Sticks' body, his neck fractured, hung dang-ling at the end of a rope.

There was no excitement. The rumored invasion of a band of Indians to rescue him from the law's vengeance proved to be a myth. There was no need of an armed force to attend his execution. The officials did their duty, and did it well. Two Sticks neck was broken by the jerk which stopped his fall. He will be buried here. This is the second legal execution that has taken place in Dandwerd. in Deadwood, both under the auspices United States

TWO STICKS' BRUTAL CRIME.

The crime for which Two Sticks suffered the death penalty was committed on Feb-ruary 2, 1893. On the evening of that day R. Royce and E. M. Bennett, cowboys in employ of Humphrey & Stenger, meat contractors, were entertaining, in their dug-out on Trail creek, on the Sloux reservation some thirty miles from Pine Ridge agency, two other cowboys named J. Bacon and William Kelley, who had arrived during the afternoon in search of a stray bunch of cattle that had escaped from a herd farther down the river. It being too late to return that day, the visitors were invited to spend the day at the dug-out. About 9:30 Two Sticks and his two sons, Kill the Two, and Fight colonel Rend Accesses all most Connect University of the discourt in property of the discourt in the door, and we have a contract the major of the mineral and operators is in season formshald them with obscore, with which we were not discovered until the next after mon, when an indian policeman, happening the mon, when an indian policeman, happening the door and individual to the door and the door and the door and the tree and the door and the tree and the door and the premise of the door and the proposed of the door and the proposed of the door and the proposed of the door and the most and the proposed of the door and the most and the proposed of the door and the most and the proposed of the door and the door and the proposed of the door and With, accompanied by White Face Horse and First Eagle, came to the dug-out, rapped

WITH A SONG ON HIS LIPS whereupon they were discharged, and Kill the Two was allowed to return to the reservation on his own recognizance, although there were three other indictments still

pending against him.
In the meantime the Indians changed their minds and agreed to go upon the stand and tell the truth about the matter. The case was again brought up at the October (1894) term and they all pleaded guilty with the exception of Two Sticks, who pleaded not guilty and stood trial. The others were sentenced to five years in the penitentiary at

Sloux Falls, where they are now serving their sentences.

Judge Elmer S. Dundy of the Nebraska district presided over the trial of Two Sticks, which lasted seven days, the jury being kept under lock and key the entire time. Two Sticks was defended by W. L. McLaughlin of Deadwood. A jury was empanelled consisting of Joseph Swing, B. Rossiter, Tex Renkin, Scott Utley, James Tuplin, N. E. Franklin, Julius Rebsamen, B. Hurley, George Parker, Louis Werthheimer, W. A. Ickes, and F. D. Smith. Alfred Coe and Charles Tacket acted as interpreters for the Indian witnesses, who were Henry Black Elk, Eagle Louse, Comes Crawling, White Sioux Falls, where they are now serving

"guilty."

Before pronouncing sentence Judge Dundy

NOT AFRAID TO DIE.

ment for life, the Indian Rights association of Philadelphia taking great interest in the matter. Attorney General Oiney telegraphed the district attorney asking if the case would warrant a commutation of sentence. Attorney Miller replied that it was a clear torney Miller replied that it was a clear case for hanging.

by the states, but were really excessive voluntary rates.

The managers retorted that the low rates quoted by Campbell were "forced" upon them by competition.

Campbell retorted that they were "forced content of the content of

case for hanging.
Two Sticks was 62 years old, weighed 165 fate. He was the second Indian ever executed by judicial authority in the Dakotas, the other one being Brave Bear, who was banged at Yankton twelve years ago.

Late the commissioners were required fixed to take them into consideration in fixing the lowa rates.

Campbell was followed by S. F. Prouty, who also represented the jobbers, and main-

FORTY BURNED TO DEATH.

Fearful Accident at a Christmas Festival in Oregon,

county, Ore., on Christmas evening, in which badly injured, five of whom will die. A large crowd had assembled in Chrisman Bros. hall the festivities were at their height, some one climbed on a bench, from which point he expected to get a better view of what was going on. In doing so his head struck a lamp hanging from the ceiling, overturning it. The oil immediately caught fire and everyflammable nature, the room was soon a mass of flames. Some one shouted: "Shut the door

and keep quiet; it can be put out." By this time the confusion was so great that people began scrambling in a wild endeavor to reach the door. Women and children were trampled under foot, and as there was only one exit to the hall, and the fire being between the majority of the crowd and the door, many people rushed headlong into the flames.

The dead are MRS. JOHN BUICK AND TWO CHIL-MRS. OWSLEY AND TWO CHILDREN.

J. J. BUICK AND DAUGHTER. MRS. SNELLING. HOWARD AND TWO CHIL MRS DREN O. HEARST AND WIFE.

MRS. COSHOW. FRANK WEST, WIFE AND TWO CHIL MRS. SNELLING. ED BOWEN. MISS M'CAULEY.

T. J. LABRIE AND CHILD, MRS. WARD. MRS. WARD. MRS. U. F. ABSHIRE. FRANK HORNING.
MRS. PAYNE.
MRS. NETTIE WILLIAMS AND CHILD.

W. CLAY MARTIN AND WIFE. ROBERT SMALL. MRS. ELLA WARD AND CHILD. FRANK ROSS, MOTHER AND SISTER. A CHILD OF ROY WARD.

MRS. GUSS SCHROEDER AND CHILD. The five injured likely to die are as fol-

Robert Snelling and sister. Edward Payne and son. ROASTED JOHN BURNS

Colonel Rend Accuses Him of Conduct Un-

becoming in a Stranger. PITTSBURG, Dec. 28.-The joint conven

HOIST BY THEIR OWN PETARD

Iowa Railroads Confronted with Rate Sheets Hitherto Withheld.

EX-COMMISSIONER CAMPBELL'S BOMB

the Indian witnesses, who were Henry Black Elk, Eagle Louse, Comes Crawling, White Face Horse, George Coma, Lob, Mrs. Fight With, White Bird, Son of No Dress, Sitting Bear, Mrs. Bear Woman, Tom Two Sticks, Kills the Two, and Running Hawk. On October 30 the jury returned a verdict of "guilty." lished rate and the rate at which the busi-Ridge agency, who was here in attendance asked the prisoner if he had anything to ness was actually carried, as shown by the expense bills. Campbell also produced a number of tariff sheets for Illinois and Two Sticks replied: "I am not afraid to die, I am brave. If I must die, I want to die at once and end my suffering."

Wisconsin, which, he charged, the railways that withheld from the commission, because the rates specified therain were much less. die, I am brave. If I must die, I want to die at once and end my suffering."

The murder was a cowardly and most brutal one, no provocation being apparent. The Indians had been engaged in ghost dancing and had constructed a sweat house about twenty rods below their camp. This sweat house is a dugout which is entirely under ground. After dancing until exhausted the Indians would retire into it, close all the apertures, remaining sometimes three hours under the ground. After feeling the effects of the spirits supposed to inhabit this den they would emerge therefrom full of new life and devility. It was after one of these scances that Two Sticks told his braves the white man's blood must flow.

An effort was made to have President Cleveland commute the sentence to imprisonment for life, the Indian Rights association of Philadelphia taking great interest in the

too often;" that those low rates were mat-ters of business; that the shippers of Iowa pounds and was 5 feet 4 inches in height. He gained fifteen pounds during his incarceration, and did not seem to worry over his and that the commissioners were required

Campbell was followed by S. F. Prouty, who also represented the jobbers, and maintained that the railroads had not proved that the present Iowa rates were not remunera-He also claimed the railways had not proven that the rates in other states were higher than in Iowa.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 28.—News has just reached here that a most horrible holocause occurred at Silver Lake, Lake said this was not the first time the railways. had asked for an increase in rates, and be-cause the times are hard was no reason why the request should not be granted. The railvays had been able to endure the rates for six years, but were no longer able to endure them. He entered a general denial of most to attend a Christmas tree festival. While of the arguments made by the representatives of the shippers.

FLORIDA ORANGE CROP DANAGED.

now Fell at Tallaliassa, Florida, Accompatned by Freezing Weather.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 28.—Florida
is experiencing the coldest weather it has

seen since 1886, with the merucry registergo lower than ever. This will prove dis astrous to the orange groves. Florida' crop this year was estimated at 5,000,000

crop this year was estimated at 5,000,000 boxes, and perhaps half of this quantity thas been shipped. The other half is still on the trees, and will, it is feared, be caught by the cold snap. A temperature of 25 degrees for three hours will freeze the sap and destroy the sap. That temperature in the northern part of the state will continue at least all night, and no edubt a vast amount of damage has been doubt a vast amount of the state, near, Tallahassa.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 28.—The cold wave that struck this section Wednesday has been especially severe. Tonight the thermometer resistered zero. Much suffering is reported from the surrounding country among men and beast. Several herds of cattle are reported frozen to death in Arkansas.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 28.—Owing to the heavy snow storm and extremely cold weather trains were all late in arriving today. The eastern and western trunk lines are suffering the most. East and west of Cleveland the snow storm is reported as stoll being very severe, and it will be some days before regular service on time will be resumed.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 28.—The weather last night and this morning was a record to the trinity was thick enough to bear a man's weight. Dispatches from all over Texas taday say it is the coldest December in twenty years, SOUTH ENID, Old., Dec. 28.—A snow storm, accompanied by terrific wind, began yesterday. This morning the thermometer registered 10 degrees below zero. There is great

STATEMENT FROM MISS POLLARD.

Has No Intention of Going on the Stage but Pesires to Live Quietly. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Statements have been made that Miss Madeline Pollard intended to go upon the stage and that in person, or by an attorney, she proposed fol-lowing Congressman Breckinridge about the