NOT ALARMED BY THE FAMINE

Maharajah and British Resident in Indian Province Are Satisfied.

DISTRESS IS LESS KEEN THAN PICTURED

Scarcity of Grain Exists in Some Portions, but the Relief Measures Are Adequate _ Situation May Grow Worse.

(Copyright, 1897, by the Associated Press.) LONDON Jan. 24.-The special representative of the Associated press who is traveling through the famine districts in company with the government's party of inspection sends

a dispatch today from Kolhapur. The dispatch says the reports which have been sent to England and the United States of the acute famine said to exist in the southern Maharashtra states have been exaggerated, so far as his observation has extended. A scarcity of grain does, indeed, prevail in the extreme eastern portion of this region, but the people there were able to escape want by migrating, most of them to the fertile Kancon plains and elsewhere, where the chortness of the grain supply is not felt. Rice also is plentiful, and means and measures for the relief of the hungry are pronounced adequate where needed.

The maharajah, in an interview with the Associated press representative on the pres-pects of his people escaping starvation, said his state expected a famine every five years and they were, therefore, not taken una-wares or unprovided for when it came. They

and confirmed the statements of the mahara-jah as to the situation, adding that the re-lief organization was most efficient in the Bombay province, and that the difficulties Holoff, who went ashore with General San-chez, the 150 men, arms and ammunition.

The weekly report of the governor general, Lord Elgin, of the famine outlook in India says that from one to three inches of

There is a slight fall in prices in the northern Punjaub, while elsewhere they OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 24.—At the sugges tion of the governor general the government has opened a national Indian relief fund with

rain has fallen in the Punjaub, except in the Delhi district, and light showers else-

the deputy minister of finance as treasurer. Lord Aberdeen heads the list with \$10,060. WEYLER DEFEATS BANDS OF CUBANS

Frequent Skirmishes in Havana, Ma-tanzas and Pinar del Rio. HAVANA, Jan. 24.-Captain General Weyler was encamped near Emboldron, in Matan- about the Horsa expedition, and signified his ler was encamped near Emboldron, in Matan-zas province, and this morning he continued his march. A number of skirmishes have oc-this march. A number of skirmishes have oc-Trujillo was continued until February 3. He and Sauta Clara provinces, the Spanish columns fighting a number of insurgent bands and taking their camps, with four prefectures, arms, effects and documents. The inurgents left thirty seven killed, among then being three prefects, and lost four prisoners who were immediately court-martialed. The Spanish lost three killed and two officers

and twenty-six soldiers wounded. On January 22 the insurgents attacked the village of Bainoa. Havana province, six of the residents being wounded.

The battalion of Lealtad has made a re-

connaissance of the Jaruco district and has gathered 900 cattle. Colonel de Bosch, during a reconnaissance at Jaca, in Pinar del Rio, destroyed 200 huts and brought in twenty-seven families to the town. Six insurgents were killed. The report heretofore circulated that the

insurgents had dynamited and burned the magnificent tobacco plantation of San Line, the district of Cienfuegos, is untrue. Licutenant Colonel Diez Viscario, with 200 of the battallon Espana and a local guerrilla force of forty men under Lieutenant Menendez set out from Managua, and at the farm of Volcan met an insurgent band. The guerrillas attacked the insurgents and in a hand-to-hand fight Lieutenant Menendez received two rifle wounds, but killed his antagonist. Three of the guerrillas were seri-

The insurgents did not await the coming of the column, but when t arrived upon their position it was found they had left thirty-two killed and the cap two lieutenants and five soldiers wounded. Colonel Viscario also received British Bark is Burned at Sea

LONDON, Jan. 24.-The British bark John O'Gaunt has been burned and sunk at Toco pilla. The captain perished, but all the oth ers on board were saved. The American bark Hayden Brown, Captain Claxton, which left Trapani on December 30 for Gloucester. ss., has arrived at Gibraltar with her sails and rigging damaged and her cargo slightly

CHERBOURG, Jan. 24.-The Norwegian bark Glimt, Captain Anderson, which foun-dered on the east side of the Isle of Pelce while bound from Pensacola, Fla., for Wishas broken up and her cargo is coming ashore.

Muravieff Will Visit France. nounced here that Baron de Mohrenheim, the Russian ambassador, has informed M. Hanominister of foreign affairs, that the has ordered Count Muravieff, the newly appointed Russian minister of foreign affairs. appointed Rossian minister of foreign analist to visit Paris so as to be presented to Presi-dent Faure and enter into relations with the French ministers before returning to St. Petersburg. Count Muravieff will arrive in Paris on Thursday and will be tendered a

banquet at the palace of the Elysee. Weyler Says the Rebels Are Few. MADRID, Jan. 24.—The reported attempt of the insurgents in Cuba to capture Captain General Weyler is declared here to be unfounded. According to a Havana dispatch. Captain Gener I Weyler declares there nly a few rebels left in Havana and Matan gas provinces, and that they can be easily

Ivory Sails for New York. LONDON, Jan. 25 .- The Dally Mail announces this morning that Edward J. Ivory. alias Bell, acquitted of a charge of complicity in a dynamite conspiracy, and John F. Mc-latyre, formerly assistant district altorney

in New York City, who came to London in his defense, sailed for New York yesterday. Recover Fourteen Hundred Bodies. LONDON, Jan. 25 .- A dispatch to Times from Teheran, Persia, reports that 1,400 bodies have been recovered from the ruins which resulted from the recent earth-quake on the island of Kishm, in the Persian guif, the inhabitants of which

estimated to number 5.000, mostly Araba To Celebrate Cabot's Discovery. LONDON, Jan. 24. The Dally News nounces that the marquis of Dufferia, the retiring ambassador to France, has accepted the presidency of a committee to celebrate at Bristol the 400th suniversary of Cabota

discovery of America. Police Project in Moracco TANGIER, Morocco, Jan. 24.- David N. Burke, United States consul general, at the request of the diplomatic body is compiling a scheme for the formation of

a police force in Tangier.

CUBAN FILIBUSTERS ON TRIAL.

Captain Hudson of the Steamer Woodall Gives Damaging Evidence. NEW YORK, Jan. 24 -- Examination into the case of General Roloff, secretary of war to the so-called Cuban republic, Dr. Jose Louis and Editor Enrique Trujillo of El Porvenir, who were arrested recently for alleged violation of the neutrality act in connection with the seamships Woodall and Horsa in the months of June and November, 1895, is in progress before United States Commisin progress before United States Commis-sioner Shields. The trip of the Woodall was the first one taken up for investigation. John Cronin, a fireman, testified for the govern-ment. He says General Roloff was on board the Woodall during the voyage in question; that the Woodall cleared with a cargo o coal, but at sea the coal was put on board lighters and in its place arms and ammunition were received. This witness said that a person named Douglas had induced him to testify and had paid his expenses and was giving him \$10 a week while he was being held as a witness.

John Lacrey, another of the Woodall's fire-

men, bailing from Baltimore, also testified. He had seen General Roloff go on shore when the Cuban passengers were landed in Cuba. Captain John M. Hudson, who commanded the steamer Woodall on the voyage, was examined as a witness for the prosecution. He amined as a witness for the prosecution. He said he had been conveying expeditions to Cuba since 1889, when he first met General Roloff. He told of the purchase of the Woodall by Dr. Luis for \$15,000. Then Dr. Luis gave the witness \$1,000 to put the boat in condition for sea. He next met Dr. Luis and General Roloff at Baltimore, and on July 9, 1895, the Woodall put to sea. The prisoners gave witness orders what to do about purchasing coal and supplies, which cest altochasing coal and supplies, which cost alto-gether about \$4,000. General Roloff was present when the crew was shipped for Pro-gresso, and at sea the former told him they would take 150 men aboard at Arbor key. The men came aboard at that point from sev-eral schooners with arms and arm multipeeral schooners, with arms and ammunition wares or unprovided for when it came. They were prepared, he said, to spend five lakhs of rupees for relief in his territory.

The British resident was also interviewed and confirmed the etatements of the maharalish as to the situation, adding that the relief organization was most efficient in the mouth of the River Tayabacca. All orlief organization was most efficient in the Hombay province, and that the difficulties were lighter than in former famines. The resident summed up his views as follows: "My observation has been, in traveling over the whole western country, that the famine is not severe there, although it may increase toward June. But is the districts in which I have traveled I have not heard of a single death from starvation."

A dispatch to the Dally Mail from Bombay A dispatch to the Dally Mail from Bombay away, and as he had been cast overboard by A dispatch to the Dally Mail from Bombay says the actual number of deaths from piague is double the loose estimate, and the malady is spreading slowly but surely.

The malady is spreading slowly but surely. The malady is spreading slowly but surely slowly slowl consul here, and later brought a civil suit against the prisoners, which is now pending. Captain Hudson denied that he was at pres-

> ised him immunity. This closed the taking of testimony against General Roloff and Dr. Luis. No testimony was offered by the defendants. Commissioner Shields adjourned the case until next

ent in the pay of the Spanish government, or that the United States authorities had prom-

Saturday.

The charges against Editor Enrique Tru jillo were taken up. Here again Captain Hudson was the principal witness. He said he first met the defendant in November, 1895, and at Trujilio's request hired the tugboat Charon and the lighter Stanahan and put men and arms aboard the Horsa, then lying off Barnegat. Captain Hudson further said he had also informed the Spanish consul

CUBANS CAPTURE SANTA CLARA. ing in Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 24.-Various trav elers just arrived from Cuba confirm the capture of Santa Clara by the Cubans and also bring news that the insurgents have been fighting in the near vicinity of Havana, and, a few days ago, wrecked a passenger train within two miles of that city. Two young Englishmen, direct from Cuba Harry E. York and Lee A. Hervey, have reached this city after having passed several weeks in Cuba, with the insurgent army part of the time and the remainder in the field with the Spanish troops. Hervey has received a shot through the left arm. They are preparing a report for Senator Cameron. which will be forwarded to Washington in a few days. The Cubans are not in want of men, but money, ammunition and medi-cine. There are not over 25,000 Cubans, while the Spanlards and volunteers number 285,000 men, mostly very young and not good fighting material. All operations are in the nature of guerrilla warfare and both sides are systematically burning plantaions and the country will be reduced to The Cubans are relying on being favored by McKinley and expect immediately on his inauguration he will recognize their belligerency, if not their independence

Hervey gives a graphic account of the capture of Santa Clara by the insurgents, where the utmost gallantry was displayed the Spanlards being overcome by the magnificent valor of the patriots. Hervey says it was told him in the Cuban camp that Maceo has had his lower jaw shot away, but was alive and recuperating. General lomez is not treating for peace, and, though there is a peace party among the though there is a peace party among the Cubans, it is a small one. The capture of the town of Agulec by the Cubans was a brilliant piece of work. Three thousand Spaniards held the place, but the Cubans showed better generalship. At Santa Clara the Cubans took and held the town just the cubans are the cubans took and held the town just the cubans are the cubans to the cubans are the cuban ong enough to ruin it. Hervey does onsider there is any decided prospect for

ictory for either side. Earthquakes continue in the state of Oaxaca and that city has been shaken so verely by the tropidary shock. Scientists be Heve a volcano is forming among the hills and the continued selemic disturbances have excited alarm in several districts, while on the Pacific coast the ocean is in a con-tinual commotion, caused by submarine expleatons, sending huge waves on the and terrifying fishermen, who still boldly venture out.

LONDON, Jan. 25 .- The Constantinople correspondent of the Times says the sultan is dejected at the prospects of his Monammedan subjects backing the European de

mands. His grand vizier and foreign min-ister are both exhausted with borry from the palace, and the grand vizier is seeking permission to resign. Elect a New Deputy.

PARIS, Jan. 24.-Abbe Garaud, constitu tionalist, has been elected deputy for Brest to replace the late Mgr. de Hulst. It was a ot contest, the other candidates being the

Denies the Story of an Absconder. LONDON, Jan. 25,-The Times' Teheran correspondent affirms that the rumor that the brother of the late grand vizier of had decamped with plunder from the public treasury is untrue

New Commander for the Meleor. LONDON, Jan. 25 .- The Times announces that Emperor William of Germany has ap poluted Ben Parker of Southampton to com-mand his yacht, the Meteor.

Pope Considering the Matter Now. LONDON, Jan. 25 -A Rome dispatch to the Daily Mail says the pope is considering the compromise clauses of the Manitolia chool question.

Five Years for Selling Secrets. PARIS, Jan. 24.—Bx Captain Guilot has cen centenced to five years in prison fo lling military secrets to foreign powers.

Excludes Foreign Was Ships. MADRID, Jan. 24.—The governor of Ma-nila has prohibited foreign war ships from en-tering the Pasig river.

THE LEGISLATURE

National Woman Suffrage Association Meets in Des Moines This Week.

WILL PLEAD FOR RECOGNITION IN IOWA

Prominent Suffrage Leaders from All Parts of the Country Will Be Present and the Convention Will Be a Notable One.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 24 .- (Special.)-On Tuesday evening the congregated leaders of the women suffragists of the United States will bring their forces to bear on the nembers of Iowa's legislature, and it is expected one of the best pieces of lobbying ever performed in this state will be done. On that evening, the opening one of the national convention of the American National Woman Suffrage association, the legislators and the delegates to the convention will be given a reception at the home of Mrs. F. M. Hubbell, Terrace Hill. It will be the largest affair of the kind ever given in the city, and aride from the distinguished ladies and legislators there will be present all the upper

The convention, beginning Tuesday and asting through the week, will be the first which the national suffragists have ever held west of the Mississippi. The convention was sent to Des Moines because the suffrage leaders regard Iowa as one of their most hopeful states. Its legislators have always talked most considerately to the lobbytat for suffrage measures, and if the votes have always been pretty etroagly against exten-sion of the franchise to the women, they have not overcome the effects of the polite lows's ultimate redemption.

will be one of the largest, and probably without excention the most representative Mississippi, convention ever held by the organization. For some months the senator has been convention ever held by the organization. There will be a greater number of delegates tically full delegations will be present from over thirty states. All the noted leaders of the suffrage movement will be here. Among those who have signified their intentions of coming are Susan B. Anthony president: Mrs. Co. 10 to 10 tentions of coming are Susan B. Anthony, president; Mrs. Carrie Lane Chapman Catt, Miss Laura Clay, Rev. Anna Howard Shaw, Dr. Henry Blackwell, Miss Lucy Anthony, Eleanor Holbrook Blinn, Rev. Ida C. Hultin, Lucy Stone Blackwell, Mrs. Ida W. Harper, Mrs. Ruchel Fester Avery, Mrs. Harriett Taylor Upton, Mary C. C. Bradford, Mrs. Laura M. Johns. The officers of the organization are: Susan

B. Anthony, president; Rev. Anna Howard Shaw, vice president; Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery, corresponding secretary; Alice Stone Blackwell, recording secretary; Harriett Taylor Upton, treasurer; Laura Clay and Sarah B. Cooper, auditors.

MANY ALREADY PRESENT. The advance guard of delegates has already arrived and there will be from 300 to 400 delegates present Tuesday, besides whom many leading women of Iowa and adjoining states who are not members will be here. It is expected that there will be few changes in the officers. By common consent there will be no candidate against Miss Anthony for president. She is the idol of the mem-bers, and so long as she is willing to serve them will doubtless be continued as president. Mrs. Upton as treasurer is also practically certain of re-election, as she has handled the finances in an exceptional man-

The people of Des Moines will furnish en tertainment in their homes for all dele-gates who desire to avail themselves of the opportunity. The meetings will be held at the Central Christian church, where the local committee will serve, in the large parlors, luncheon on every day of the gathering. Next Sunday the pulpits of Dea Moines will be turned over to the notable ladies, who will speak in over sixty churches

at the same hour.
The program of the convention includes a series of treats in the form of addresses by the famous women in attendance. Tofirst general meeting will be held Tucaday morning, but it will be devoted to reports, appointment of committees and gen eral preliminaries. At the Wednesday morn-ing session a public meeting will be held, as which addresses of welcome will be made by Governor F. M. Brake on behalf of Iowa by Mayor John MacVicar on behalf of the city, by Mrs. Mattie Locke Macomber of Des Moines on behalf of this city's women's clubs, on behalf of the state's suffrage club societies by Adelaide Ballard of Hull. Mis Anthony will respond on behalf of the game ciation, and Mrs. Catt, a former Iowa woman will deliver the leading address of the oc

THERE WILL BE SOME POLITICS. The election of officers will be held Thurs lay morning, and although some of the places will go without contests there are lively fights for others. Some of the western states have candidates for prominen positions, and have claimed in the that the west was not fairly recognized considering that the only suffrage states are in the extreme west. They will be here in force and there will be on this account more politics in this than any previous con vention. It is reported that the Pacific and mountain states will have candidates for ecretary and for one other leading place and that they have been actively at wor cullsting supporters in the middle west and south for some time. In fact it is said that the convention seems likely to divide or about the same lines that the country did on the silver question, except that the Patific coast is solid for the western candi

The most novel feature of the convention will be the celebration of the admission of ideho to the ranks of states which grant women equal suffrage with men. It will be a jubilee meeting, and a large number o iddresics will be made by state presidents During the day twenty-five of them will

There is likely to be a contest over the cation of the next convention, and here again the far west will be asking recogni-tion. Denver and San Francisco are rerted to want it, and Boston and Detroi vill be represented by offers of their hospi tality.

PROGRAM OF THE CONVENTION. The complete program of the meeting, ex to the names of state presidents who will speak at the Idaho celebration, is as

follows:

Monday, Jan. 25, Evening—Executive committee meeting in the parlors of Mrs. Martina C. Callahan.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 9 to 10 a. m.—Executive committee meeting at the church,
Tuesday, 10 a. m.—Formal opening of the convention; announcement of committees; report of vice president at large, Mrs. Anna Howard Shaw; report of corresponding secretary, Rachel Foster Avery,
Tuesday, 2 p. m.—Annual address of president, Susan B. Anthony; short addresses by state presidents; "Equal Rights," Alice Stope Blackwell of Massachusetts.
Tuesday, 8 p. m.—Reception at the home

Hill.
Wednesday, Jan. 27, 16 a.m.—Report of
committee on campaign conditions, Anna
L. Diggs of Kunsas, report of committee
an presidential suffrage, Henry B. Black-

church; addresses of welcome by Governor Francis M. Drake, Mayor John MacViest, Dr. H. O. Breeden, pastor entral Church of Christ; Mattie Locke Mocomber of the women's clubs, and Adeald: Ballard, president of the Iowa Woman Suffrage association; response by President Susan B. Anthony; address, "Duty and Honor," by Charlotte Stetson Perkins of California. Thursday, Jan. 28, 10 s. m.—Report of committee on organization; report of committee on course of study, Carrie Lane Chapman Catt of New York; report of committee on federal suffrage, Sarah Clay Bennett of Kentucky; check in of officers. Thursday, 2 p. m.—Training school for organizers.

organizers.
Thursday, 7:45 p. m.—"The Approach of a New Era," by Eleanor Holbrook Blinn of California; address, P. sident George A. Gates of Iown college, Grinnell, Ia.; address, Rev. Anna Howard Shaw of Pennsylvania.

Friday, Jan. 29, 10 a. m.—Report of resolutions committee; d'scussion of future campaigns.

are in high gies on account of the cold wave which has been and is still sweeping upton of Ohio; discussion of the question, "Resolved, That the propagation of the woman suffrage idea demands a non-partisan attitude on the par of individual workers," led by Laura Clay of Kentucky and Henry E. Blackwell of Massachusetts.

Friday, 7:15 p. m.—Celebration of the daho victory—Wyoming (syszker to be announced); Colorado (speaker to be announced); Colorado (speaker to be announced); Utah, Mary Hughes Cannonmember of the Utah Serute; Idaho (speaker to be announced); "Horney Colorado," "Who Wants "Note?" Laura M. Johns, Kansas; "The Point of View," Rev. Ida C. Hultin, Illinot; address, Carrie Chapman Catt of New York; close of the convention.

Saturday, Jan. 30, 10 2, 10.—Final execu-

Saturday, Jan. 30, 10 a. vo. Final executive meetings in Mrs. Callahan's parlors. SENATOR GEORGE SERIOUSLY ILL.

Physicians Decince He Will Require the Most Skillful Treetment. WASHINGTON, Jan. 24—United States dangerously ill from heart failure at the Garfield hospital in this city, and, owing to his advanced age, his rends are very apprehensive of the outcome, Two grandconsideration given to the arguments advanced, and the ladies are still hopeful of his private secretary, are with him, while his private secretary, are with him, while his daughter, Mrs. Hendersen, and his sons have been summoned to the bedside from

treatment. He has been there since that time. His condition showing satisfactory improvement, a consultation was held yes-terday between the two physicians, and Dr. Osler, professor at Johns Hopkins univercity in Baltimore, and the conclusion was reached that the senator, comilition was very serious and that he would require the greatest care and most skillful treatment. greatest care and most skillful treatment. Today he was unimproved. Senator George's ill health is due to his advanced age, accelerated by years of hard and constant work. The senator's wife he in Mississippi. Owing to an attack of paralysis, she will not be able to come to Washington.

Senator George, who is now in his 75th year, has served as a member of the United States senate for sixteen years and the term for which he was elected expires March 3, 1859. He was a gallant soldier in the Mexican and civil wars recreing on the

1859. He was a gallant soldier in the Mexican and civil wars serving on the confederate side in the latter) and is a well known lawyer. He held i apprent judicial positions in his state prior to his election to

M'KINLEY STA S NE R THE FIRE.

Attends More of here and arends blowing.

Rest of the Day at Home.

CANTON, Jan. 24.—With the mercury hovearth shrouded in a deep covering of snow caught up by flurries of wind and hurled into the faces of pedestrians, the McKinleys found their home the most comfortable place for them today, and there they remained ex-cept during the hour of morning worship, when the major attended services at the First Methedist Episcopal church. He was accompanied to and from the church by his old Canton friend, Josiah Hartzell. F. Revell, who was a guest at the McKinley house during the day.

A number of called were received during he day, but there was little political sigdifficance in the day's doings. R. H. Ro Appleton and Walter Atterbury of Brooklyn were among those who called. It is understood they are here to make arrangements for a Brooklyn delegation which expects to come here and say a good word for Congressman Francis A. Wilson of Brooklyn for

WILL NOT BE IN THE NEW CABINET.

Secretary Francis Says He Has Had No Offer from McKinley. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24. Secretary of the In erior Francie left here tobight for Washing on. He has been here to see his mother, who s sick at the Hotel Beer. Before leaving he said to a representative of the Asso lated press: "The portfolio I now hold has not been offered to me. There is nothing in that story. The only news I can tell you is that the Cherokee freedmen matter will sective their share of the money from the sale of the strip. There are 4,500 freedmen and \$950,000 will be distributed among them."

Orged to Help Forward Bimetallism BOSTON, Jan. 24.—The secretary of the Massachusetts democratic club, in accord ance with a vote of the club, has trans mitted resolutions to Senators Hoar and requesting them to do all in their power to forward the cause of bimetallism Accompanying the resolution is a letter teach of the Massachusetts senators. Tha to Scuator Hoar says, in part: 'In the per-formance of my duty to transmit to you these resolutions, I cannot forbear to sa that in my opinion, in view of the prev alence in Massachusetts of the mistaken notion that it is wise to rely upon the single gold standard alone, it affords great satisfaction to bimetallists who differ from you in party politics to know that Massachusetts is represented in part by a gentle man who fully appreciates the great ad vantage it would be to American commercial and American industry to again silver to its appropriate place in the money system of the nation."

Henry Barnard Placed in Juli and His Wife Taken with Him. NEW YORK, Jan. 24 .- Henry Barnard and wife were arrested today in their home in West Forty-third street and committed to jail in default of \$5,000 ball, charged by United States secret agents with counterfeiting silver coins. Secret Service Agent Bagg says Barnard is an expert counter-feller and that he has been passing his worthless coins in small shops on the West Side for several weeks. His imitations of United States coins were so good, said Mr. Bagg, that Barnard had no scruples in passng the counterfeits in the same stores over and over again.

was found an extensive counterfeiting plan consisting of antimosy, tin, copper, plating apparatus, files and about \$25 in bad coles Mrs. Barnard was arrested, charged with being cognizant of her husband's criminal proceedings. The two children of the couple

on presidential suffrage. Henry H. Black, well of Massachusette, report of treasurer, Harriett Taylor Upton of Ohio; report of credentials committee, report of plan of work committee. Clara Hewick Colby of Nebraska; headquarters report, Rachti Foster Avery of Pennsylvania.

Wednezday, 2 p. m.—Memorial hour for Mary Graw of Fennsylvania, Sarah Freeman Clark of Georgia, Harriett Heecher Slowe of Connecticut, Dr. Hiram Corson of Pennsylvania, Hannah M. Fracy Cutler of Mississippi, Sarah B. Cooper of California, Dr. Caroline B. Winslow of the District of Columbia, and others; resolutions offered by Chara Bewick Colby; short addresses by state presidents.

Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.—Prayer by Bev. A. L. Frisbie, pastor of the Congregational

Cold Weather Brings Employment for Many Out of Work.

CUTTING OF ICE TO BEGIN IN EARNEST

Lakes and Reservoirs Are Frozen to the Depth of Ten and Twelve Inches, and the lee of a Superior Quality.

There are two classes of individuals who are in high giee on account of the cold

is no one who is very certain at just what time the mercury will begin to crawl up the tube, and no one seems to care to any great extent if it continues cold for a month Business men say that cold weather is just what they want, while the coal dealers say WASHINGTON, Jan. 24. United States that it could not be better for their busi-Senator James Z. George of Mississippi is ness than right now. Even the plumbers are not filing any protests on account of the antics of the weather clerk, for while he is allowing the mercury to flirt around the zero point, they are busily engaged in soldering up water pipes which have frozen up and yielded to the expansive powers of

> MINIMUM TWELVE BELOW. So far as the cold is concerned, the minimum point was renched at 4:30 o'clock yesterday morning, when the signal sta-tion thermometer indicated 12 degrees be-

low zero, the coldest of the present season. Around that point the mercury hovered for a couple of hours, when it commenced its upward movement, reaching 10 below zero at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. During the day it warmed up to some extent, but at no time did it get above zero. Shorily after noon the temperature commenced to fall, and during the remainder of the day and last night it continued to do business in the vicinity of 5 degrees below.

There was little wind stirring yesterday, it being simply a clear, quiet and piercing cold, that crept into the houses, and through the clothing of people who happened to be upon the streets. And of this latter class there were not many. The churches were practically deserted, and these who came down town did not stay out of doors long, preferring a warm fireside to the street corner.

All of the roads centering in Omaha re-ported cold weather along their lines, but in no instance was there snow, except along the Omaha road above Stoux City, where a blizzard was blowing. This road reported 20 degrees below in Minnesota, with 15 at Emerson, 20 at Newcastle, and 15 at Sioux

The Elkhorn reported a temperature ranging from 9 degrees to 18 degrees between Long Pine and Fremont, with 12 degrees below in the Black Hitls, and a brisk wind

long its Nebraska lines, with a clear at mesphere and little anow. Reports from the Burlington were effect that the cold wave extended entirely over Nebraska and down into Kansas, ranging from 5 degrees to 10 degrees below. All of the lowa lines reported zero weather, with but little snow. The trains on all of the roads were running close to schedile time, not being delayed to any extent

by the cold. ICE MEN READY FOR BUSINESS Here in the city few of the ice companies worked their men yesterday, but most of them continued the preparations for making concentrated onslaught upon the lakes coc.volta and river today, when from 1.00) men will be put to work hustling in

the crop. At this time the ice on the lakes and res ervoirs is from ten to twelve inches in thick-ness, and is getting thicker at the rate of two inches every twenty-four hours. Dealers estimate that with good weather they will be able to gather the crop in from two to three weeks. Should there be signs of a thaw the force will be doubled and the crop

till be gathered much sconer.
The amount of ice required to supply the ity is placed at 150,000 tons. This, how-ver, does not include the ice packed for the South Omaha packing houses, which is nearly as much more, and which is also being gathed at this time.

Dealers say that the ice is of a fine qualy, being clear, solid and free from dirt. hey also say the ice that runs from ten o fourteen inches in thickness is the best sted for their use, and also for the use of their customers, as it is easier to handle and auffers less waste in housing and delivering. The men who are working on the ice are being paid from 15 to 17% cents per our, and are being worked ten hours per One of the prominent dealers said yester-

day that next summer he expected to ce delivered to private families at unusually low prices, much lower than last year, when most of the ice had to be shipped in from Minnesota, the freight alone being \$2.25 per

COLD WAVE COVERS THE COUNTRY.

indications that it Will Reach the At lantic and Gulf in a Day. WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The forecast of

ne weather bureau tonight says: "The severe cold wave now extends ar east as the Obio valley and southward to Texas, where the temperature has fallen rom twenty to forty degrees in the past wenty-four hours. It is below freezing point in Tennersce and central Texas; it is elow zero in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Missouri and 20 degrees below zero over the bakotas and Minnesota.

"Light local snows are reported from outhern New England and southwestward over the Ohio valley, Tennessee and north-ern Texas. The weather is generally fall n the northwest and the south Atlantic states. The indications are that the cold wave will extend eastward and southward ver the Atlantic and Gulf coasts Monday. The temperature will fall to near zero from Virginia northward and freezing weather NEBRASKA CITY, Jan. 24.-(Special.)-

The sharp turn in the weather has caused the ice men to feel jubilant, as with a few lays similar to yesterday and today their crop is assured. The mercury stood at twelve degrees below zero this morning. Con-siderable anxiety has been manifested lately bly not now be necessary.

DUNCAN, Neb., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Last poorer classes enpecially the negroes.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 24.—Railway traffic KANSAS CITY, Jan. 24.—Railway traffic

At 7 o'clock this morning the thermometer in Kansas and Missouri has not been sert-registered 10 and 12 degrees below, and all ously hampered by the storm of last night day today the mercury plays close around and today, the blinding snow storm that

KEEPS THOUSANDS MOVING 10 degrees below zero. They in likelihood of a fuel famine in the lix. The roads have been poor for a long time and but little wood has been brought in from the timber. During the week there was also a coal fam-ine. Coal that was expected to arrive got blockaded on the way and many hard coal burners went empty. The wood yards of the

olty are out of wood. JEFFERSON, Ia., Jan. 24.—(Special Tele gram.)—The temperature was twenty-five de-grees below zero at 6 o'clock this morning and fifteen below at 6 tonight, and growing

colder. The storm has abated.

CRESTON, Ia. Jan. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Fears of an ice famine have been dispelled by the cold wave, which forced the thermometer fifteen degrees below zero, coldest of the winter. CINCINNATI, Jan. 24.—A cold wave reached this vicinity this evening and the temperature at 8 o'clock was below zero with a downward tendency. There is no

much snow, and no interference with traffic WATERLOO, Ia., Jan. 24.-Today was the coldest of the season. The mercury was 28 below zero this morning, and 15 below at noon. The railroads suffered from the snow, and trains were several hours late

on all roads.

VALENTINE, Neb., Jan. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—At the United States local weather office here the mercury went to sixteen below last night and at 6 o'clock tonight it was twelve below. There is no wind blowing and but little snow. Ranchmen have alrundance of hay and cattle are not losing on account VALPARAISO, Ind., Jun. 24 .- One of the worst storms ever known here visited this vicinity today. Sixteen inches of snow fell, drifting badly. Several trains are move-

would. The thermometer registers fifteen below zero. Today relief parties were sent out and many poor families were furnished with fuel tonight. DIFROIT, Jan. 24.—Michigan experienced the coldest weather of the winter today, To-night the temperature rarges from six decrees below zero in Detroit to fifteen degrees

pelow at upper peninsula points. It has becased snowing at most points. INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 24.—The cold wave has this city by the throat today, the thermometer at the weather office registering five degrees below zero at 7 o'clock. The natural gas pressure was very low and as all residences depend upon it for fuel there was great suffering. The weather conditions are similar throughout the state. At Andersuc it is seven degrees below and at Warsaw en below. CLEVELAND, Jan. 24.—The cold wave

ewept down upon Claveland last night and the temperature has been falling ever since. At 7 o'clock this evening it was seven de-grees above zero and promised to go much lower before morning. There has been considerable fine snow, but not enough to impede travel.

while drunk and was dead when found this DOTHING.
LEXINGTON, Mo., Jan. 24.—Last night was the coldest experienced here this winter.

Martha Lacey, an aged negro woman who had no home, was frozen to death in the basement of a dilapidated and unused house.

Rills of equity for the foreclosure of the Kansas Pacific will be filed in both Missouri and Kansas." where she had gone for shelter with her two little children. The cries of the children at GOVERNMENT HAS RIGHT OF WAY. tracted attention to them this morning. The

woman was frozen stiff but the children

hough badly chilled, were not seriously in

jured ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 24 - The coldest weather of the winter thus far was experienced in this section last night and today, the mercury reading from twenty to thirty degrees below, thermometers varying in differents parts of the city. Tonight at 7 o'clock the weather bureau's official record in this city gave eighteen below, while other northwestern stations reported as follows: Huron, twenty below; Duluin, eighteen below. Specia's from Rochester, Minn., say that today was the coldest for many years, the hermometer at noon indicating twenty below and the severe cold was intensified by a twen-ty-five-mile gale from the northwest. The

mercury is falling steadily.

Aberdeen, S. D., has not had a mail train from any direction since Friday night and indications are strong that the blockade will prove to be the worst yet experienced. offort has been made to clear the roads for two days past because of continual wind, and the cuts are now full. The Milwaukee pasenger train from the south is in a drift

Bismarck, N. D., reports a severe blizzard prevailing all day, with the mercury 32 below zero and a high wind blowing. It is the worst storm of the season for stockmen and the losses will probably be heavy owing o the low temperature. The first trains for the east for three days arrived today, but teday's storm will cause a further block ade. It is doubtful if the legislators can arrive in time for Tuesday's session.

CITICAGO, Jan. 24.—According to the records of the weather bureau this was the coldest day in Chicago in twenty-five years At no time since the Chicago station has been catablished has there been so low : maximum temperature recorded. It was steady cold. There was a variation of but four degrees in the twelve hours from 6 in the morning until 6 p. m. At 8 c'clock tonight the signal service reported 12 below. In the street it was several degrees below that. The suffering among the poorer classes is intense, and a number of cases of destitution were reported to the police. At Grand Crossing thirty-three families with eighty-six children were found in their poorly protected hovels unable to care for themselves Ears, noses and hands were whitened and Senumbed by the cold. They were cared for and physicians summened to render relief. In South Chicago five families were found actually freezing to death. These were also removed by the police to warmer quarters, where proper treatment was given them. A number of other cases were found in other parts of the city. To aid the poor on account of the extreme severity of the the county coal contractor delivered 400 loads of coal to destitute families. This is the first time such a delivery has been made on Sunday, Food and clothing were given out. Up to eleven o'clock tonight be tween fifteen and twenty cases were re ported to the police of people being foun in the streets suffering from frozen hands feet, ears and noses. Of these two or three are in a serious condition. Only one death from cold was reported, that of a child. By midnight the thermometer registered 17 de дтеен since 8 o'clock. The cold is made more in tense as it is accompanied by a brisk, sharp

wind. NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 24.-An Intens cold wave has prevailed all day, with a storm and bitterly cold wind blowing. Flurries of snow have also been experienced Tonight at 10 o'clock the local weather bureau reports 13 above zero, and still fall-

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 24.-A cold wave struck this section today and has been increasing in velocity until tonight, a drizzling rain began, which is freezing a it falls, covering everything with ice. Re Virginia northward and freezing weather will extend southward to the gulf and south of the state may that much apprehension of severe less is felt, as many herds are without shelter. A slight snow ported this afternoon to the north of the city.

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 24 .- A northerly gale made its advent here early this morning and the mercury dropped from 45 to 16 degrees above zero, and it is hourly growing colder. Snow is falling tonight, and the over the question of ice for this summer and colder. Snow is falling tonight, and the arrangements were partly under way to indications are that winter weather has act out in a large ice machine. This will prob- in in earnest. Much suffering will result, ably not now be necessary.

zero, with a keen, stiff wind blowing from the north.

FREMONT, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The mericies in many sections, but the extremely

NO DELAYS ARE EXPECTED

Foreclosure Suit Against the Union Pacific Road Will Be Pushed.

CASE MAY BE CLOSED IN EIGHT MONTHS

Special Counsel Cowin for the Government and General Solicitor Kelly for the Union Pacific Talk About the Case.

General John C. Cowin, special councel or the government in the Union Pacific foreclosure suit, returned to his home in this city yesterday. Since Friday he had been in St. Louis, where he secured from Judge Sanborn the bill in equity calling for the foreclosure of the government's second mortgage on the Union Pacific and Kansas

Pacific rallways. Asked by a Bec reporter the time of the foreclosure sales. General Cowin replied: That is almost impossible to state. The desire of the government is to proceed in as expeditious a manner as possible until the foreciosure shall be consummated. No unnecessary time will be lost. But the date of the sales will altogether depend on the appearance or non-appearance of contending factions. It is possible that there may be some contention over the Omaha-Council Bluffs bridge lien. If so, that will delay matters somewhat. Should there be no contention-and it's mere guess work to say whether there will or will not be-it is my opinion that the roads will be foreclosed and the entire matter settled by this

spring. "Do you think, General Cowin, that it will be during the life of the present adminis-

"That's a pretty short time, and I think it scarcely probable. You see there are only about forty days more in that time, and everything necessary to the final settlement

can hardly be done in that time."
"Where will the foreclosure sales take place? "That is also uncertain. The matter, I believe, has not yet been decided. There is a disposition, however, on the part of Judge Sanborn to consolidate these sales as much as possible. There will probably be an agreement made later between all the interested parties concerning the places of sale. The sale of the main line of the Union Paede travel.

HAMILTON, Mo., Jan. 24.—Park Sterling.
ngro coal miner, was frozen to death near negro coal miner, was frozen to death near negro coal miner. He fell by the roadside where in Kansas."

Where in Karsas.

"Have the bills for the foreclosure of the Kansas Pacific yet been filed?"

"No, they have not. I think they will be filed some time during the coming week, Hills of equity for the foreclosure of the

Solicitor Kelly Thinks Nothing Can Now Stop Foreclosure Proceedings. Judge William R. Kelly, general solicitor of the Union Pacific, returned from St. Louis, in company with General Cowin, yesterday. In conversation with a Bee reporter last evening he said that the answers of the trustees of all the mortgages parties to the government bil' would be prepared at once and would be filed here by March 1. He said that bills of foreclosure similar to the one filed here on Saturday would be filed in Iowa, Utah and Wyo ming, and that bills of foreclosure for the government's lien on the Kansas Pacific would be filed within the next few days at

Topeka, Kan., and at Denver, Colo. In reply to a question concerning the time of foreclosure, Judge Kelly added: "I think it may be considered an assured fact that the Union Pacific will go out from the hands of the receivers during the present year, I should say that within seven or eight months all the necessary details will be attended to and the receivership terminated. This talk about the matter being settled up in ninety days is rather fanciful, I

think.' "Is it possible, Judge Kelly, that any obstacle might now be intruded by other parties to block the foreclosure sale?" "I really don't know."

"Is it probable?" "I will say that I can't see how anything ould now be done to prevent the foreclosure by the government. The government moved in the matter, the funding The government has been defeated, so I can't see where any obstacle could now come in."

Judge Kelly declined to discuss the prob-

able operation or management of the road under the reorganization committee should that combination prove to be the purchaser. He said the sale of the road to the reorgan-ization committee was not assured, but that the committee had promised the government to bid a certain amount for the property if to bid a certain amount for the property if it were put up for sale. Should there be a higher bidder he would eccure the road. "I heard a most prominent financier say yesterday," added Judge Kelly, "that the government has found somebody who wants the property, and is willing to have for the

the property, and is willing to pay for it."
That is a great deal better than getting somehody who doesn't want it, and who is unwilling to pay for it. The offer of the reorganization committee is to pay 60 per cent of the road's debt to the government, or the priscipal debt, and 3.6 per cent interest from the time the government first paid out its money. The committee evi-dently values the property highly. It has shown evidence of its intention by a deposit of \$4,590,000. I have heard surprise ex-pressed that a purchaser for the road who ould offer so much money for it could be

VEGRO LYNCHED BY A NEGRO MOB.

Foreibly Taken from Jail and Hanged to a Tree in the Yard. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 21 -- A special o the Citizen from Tallahassee, Fla., says: Pierce Taylor, a young negro, who attempted an assault upon Miss Emma Apthorp last Sunday night, was taken from jail last night by a mob and hanged to a tree in the jail yard. Taylor had confessed to the crime. Early this morning the mob of a about a dozen men, nost of them negroes, went to the jail and at the point of pistols secured from the cook the keys to the outer door of the jail. Other doors were broken through with sledge hammers until the negro was secured. This was the first lynching that

has ever occurred in this county SCHOOL HOUSE COLLAPSES.

Young Teacher Buried on Prairie. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24.-A special to the Republic from Perry, Okl., says: A school house built of sod near here collapsed and twentyfive pupils were entombed for some time. Trustees of the school district plowed up the prairie and built a school house of turf. They employed Miss Jennie Jones to teach The building collapsed and every pupil with the teacher was entombed. Several children will die and the young teacher is in a criti-cal condition. All had to be dug out.

Roloff May Be Tried in Baltimore. General Cartos Roloff, secretary of war of the Cuban provisional government, and was threatened last night having failed to materialize. There have been snow flurries in many sections, but the exfremely cury reached 14 degrees below zero this morning, the coldest it has been here the season. There has been a cold north wind blowing all day, and the indications are it will be still colder tonight.

VERMILLION, S. D., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Another severe snow storm raged here yesterday. It was one of the coldest storms of the winter. The temperature is about the safer south as Guthrie, Okl.

was threatened last night having failed to materialize. There have been snow flurries in many sections, but the exfremely cold weather seems to have prevented a heavy fall of snow. St. Joseph, Mo., reports 8 degrees below zero this morning:

Milan, Mo., 10 degrees below, and in Kansas City 4 below was registered. Dedge City and Sterling, Kan., report 5 below woodall. The determination to remove the weather severe snow storm raged here yestered, and sterling, Kan., report 5 below woodall had been fitted out here and sterled from here, the trial should once the coldest storms of the winter. The temperature is about