COLLISION ON THE ALTON ROAD.

Passenger and Freight Trains Come Together, Injuring Several. PONTIAC, Ill., Dec. 19.—An open switch

on the Chicago & Alton road was the cause

of a collision this afternoon between the

St. Louis limited passenger, due here at 1:35

Miss Minnie Countryman of this city, pas-Miss Minnie Countryman of this city, pas-senger, cut and bruised.

J. C. Busher was riding between the bag-gage car and the tender.

The two engines and two freight cars are

total wrocks. Damage to other cars can easily be repaired. The combination baggage and

WRECK ON THE RIO GRANDE ROAD.

Runaway Chair Car Collides with

Passenger Train.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 19 .- A special to the

Rocky Mountain News from Castle Rock,

frame of the car and the scats. Only a few

Fireman Crushed to Death and Others

TOTAL ABSTINENCE CATHOLICS.

Planning for National Convention of

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 19.-The national

convention of Catholic total abstinence so-

participate, marching clubs coming from New York, Philadelphia, Providence and

SEVERE SLEET STORM IN TEXAS.

storms in the history of Texas prevailed in

vithout shelter for seven days and had been

ger steamers, the Iowa of the Goodrich transportation line, and the Letoskey of the Huron, collided off Kenonha at an early hour this morning. The extent of the dam-age is not known, but was not serious enough to prevent the steamers from com-pleting their trips.

than the wires.

are seriously injured.

slight bruises

Colo., says:

ABSORBED IN CHINA

Powers in Europe Watching Events in the Celestial Empire.

RUSSIA'S ACTION RENEWS THE ANXIETY

Looked Upon as Tantamount to Permanent Compation.

JAPAN NOT PLEASED WITH SITUATION satisfaction of the public.

Public Cpinion There Already Excited Over Kiao Chau & ffair.

London Papers Say It Is Now Time for Great Britain to Make Demands from

Chinn.

LONDON, Dec. 20 .- The correspondent of the Times at Pekin says: China approves of the Russian fleet wintering at Port Arthur, being persuaded that this action is taken in the interest of China and necessitated by the German occupation of Klao Chau.

A dispatch to the Times from Shanghan says the occupation of Port Arthur (by Ruseia) cannot fail to provoke popular indignation in Japan, where public opinion is already excited over the Kiao Chou affair.

According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Shanghoi the high officials of the Chinese court have adviced the emperor, in view of further complications, to remove the court to Nanking (the "southern capital") The dispatch says it is reported there that overtures have been made to England to exercise protection over the Yang-Tse valley and the West river, and that numerous rumors are current regarding the activity of the British squadron in Chinese waters.

The Times, commenting editorially this morning on the situation in China, says; "Instead of the kaiser's mailed fist we have Russia's velvet glove, but the grasp is not less vigorous and unyielding. Great Britain ner, Pantryman Packer and Passengers ought now courteously to invite China to extend the same privileges to the British fleet at Chusan."

RUSSIA HAD NO AGREEMENT.

A well informed St. Petersburg correspondent says there was no agreement between Russia and Germany, and that the latter simply warned Russia when the occupation

of Kiao Chau was decided upon.

The Nove Vremya pretends that Japan has no cause for complaint, "since China is only giving the same shelter to Russian ships as Japan had hitherto so kindly af-

This vi w is not held in Berlin where the papers are clready talking of the possibility of Prince Henry having to shake his mailed fist at Japan, that is supposed to be se-cretly backed up by England. Some of the Berlin papers express anxiety, but most of them welcome the news from Port Arthur justifying the German position at Kino and Germany are acting together

congratulate him on the name day of Emthe ambassador discussed Chinese affairs. be deceived by Russia's innocent explana

the burden of Viennese comment is "What will England do?"

The British flest now in Chinese waters consists of one ironclad, nine cruisers and eighteen smaller men of war. MORE OF SEAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Proposition of Mr. Foster Not Hereto-fore Published.

OTTAWA, Dec. 19 .- The secretary of state today called attention to the omission from the Berling sea correspondence between Canada and the United States, which was telegraphed from Washington last Friday, of a memorandum concerning a proposition made by Mr. Frster to the Canadian delegates, and requested it to be transmitted. The proposition which is taken from the

'At a conference with Sir Willfrid Laurier and Sir Louis Davies and Mr. Adams of the British emiassy, on November 16 last, Mr. Foster proposed; "1. That the governments of Great Britain

Canadian copy of the proceedings is as fol-

and the United States agree at once to a modus vivered providing for a complete suspension of the killing of seals in the Pacific ocean and Bering sea for one year from De-cember, 1897, and for suspension of all kill-ing of seals on the Pryblioff islands for the

"2. That the British ambassador and one or more representatives of the Canadian gov ernment on the one part and such representa-tive as may be designated by the president of the United States on the other part shall, with as little delay as possible, take up for consideration, with a view of settlement by means of 'reaty stipulation, the fur seal ques-tion, the protection of the fish in waters of rivers and lakes contiguous to the United States and Canada, the subject of reciprocal immigration, reciprocity or any other unsettled question between the United States and Canada which either of the governments may see proper to bring forward."

KING OSCAR HAS HIS OWN TROUBLE

May Seek Occasion to Send Troop LONDON, Dec. 20.-A dispatch from Christiania to the Daily Chronicle says the political situation since the failure of the united committee on foreign affairs has become critical, and it is feared that Sweden will seek an occasion for armed interven-

tion in Norway. The dispatch adds that the Swedish press hopes for assistance from Emperor William.

The admiral of the German squadron. which has just left Christiania, at a dinner of Norwegian officers, made a speech which, if not openly menacing, conveyed an implied threat. The Norwegian officers were much disgusted.

Gifts to McGill University.

MONTREAL, Dec. 19.-W. C. McDonald, the millionaire cobacco merchant, wh se gifts to McGill university aggregate nearly \$3,000,-000, has just given \$250,000 more to the in-station. Of this sum \$50,000 is to be used as an endowment in strengthening the law faculty, and the remaining \$200,000 is for the scientific department, in the building of which his previous donations have been principally used.

Scott Still Holds His Job. (Copyright, 1897, by Press Publishing Co LONDON, Dec. 19 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-It is not true that Clement Scott has been dismissed from the position of dramatic critic of the London Daily Telegram for expressions of donoth Pally Telegram for expressions of opinion regarding the morals—or rather the immorals—of actresses attributed to him in the report of an interview. On calling to-night at his London residence I found that Mr. Scott is staying at Ramsgate, but his accretary emphatically denied the story of dismissal. I then went to the Daily Televisian on the local stay of the story of skating on the local stay while skating on the local stay of the l

graph office, where a member of the editorial staff also denied the rumor, which created amusement there. Mr. Scott, it may be added, had previously explained that his views were misrepresented by omitting from the report of the interview qualifying state-ments. He furthermore asserted that what-

ever he did say was not so sweeping in character as it was made to appear. AMUSEMENT FOR THE MEXICANS.

Ten Horses and Six Bulls Killed in a Bull Fight. CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 19 .- The bull fight this afternoon was largely attended. Ten horses were killed and six bulls. Mazzantinti was in his usual good form and the other performers acquitted themselves to the

Mr. Bryan attended divine service at the United Evangelical church and was also the guest of President Diaz at the distribution of prizes to the Mexican exhibitors at the Chi-cago and Atlanta expositions. General Diaz single gold standard associates will cease and the members of the cabinet arrived at Alameda in state carriages, escorted by cavalry, and the scene was most imposing, it

several million dollars is the result of prolonged investigation into this mineral property, which has been long known in this expenditures, the balance of trade will concountry to be one of the greatest copper de-posits on the globe. Several parties of ex-will in November, 1898, elect a majority of bruised. perts have come over from France to report and all agree in its value and on the enormous quantity of ore in the mines.

ducers in the world.

Railway earnings continue to show remarkable increase and the internal revenues, as well as the customs duties, are giving the government funds in excess of its actual backs; there is more a probability that a bill

SAVE PART OF CLEVELAND CREW.

Thirteen Men from Wrecked Steamer Picked Up. VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 19.-The Canadian from the wrecked steamer Cleveland, They are First Mate Durfee, Third Mate Melvin, Engineer O'Neill, Second Engineer Thomas, Carpenter Idbister, Firemen Marini, Colby Gertler and Deitrich.

George Corrillo, a waiter, who was in the first mate's boat, died from exposure. The Telegrams from all the continental capitals show that Russia's step at Port Arthur is regarded as tantamount to a permanent occupation and a reply to Germany's action.

first mate's boat, died from exposure. The first mate's boat was found near Florisland, that of the third mate at Mesquot cupation and a reply to Germany's action. The bale of waste and box of biscuits which were picked up near Uslulet are supposed to come from the second mate's boat, which is still missing.

Statesmen Sue for Libel.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 19 .- Premier Turner, president of the executive council, and Hon. Mr. Pooley have entered a criminal action for libel against Hewitt Bostick, M. P., Manager Coltart and Elitor Nichol of the Provincial and Senator Templeman of the Times. The charge is based on an article in the Provincial, copied by the Times, criticis-ing the two ministers for their connection in an official way with Klondike companies. The case comes up in police court Tuesday,

Death of Ruiz Confirmed. HAVANA, Dec. 19.-The official statement

by the insurgents of the death of as justifying the Griman position at Russia by the insurgents of the death of present, to sound eyes, since the republican Pensinger was instably killed, Engineer J. Chau, if not as actual evidence that Russia and Germany are acting together L'eutenant Colonel Joaquin Ruiz says carty began its marvelous coreer, forty-two H. McCullough was dashed head first through Curiously enough Emperor William visthat he was shot on Friday last years ego. These are times for all things, the cab window and badly injured, and W
tted the Russian ambassador on Friday by order of the insurgent commander.
There is a time to move and a time to keep H. Cobb, yard agent of the east side yards of the terminal, had several ribs broken in insurgent commander, Aranguren. peror Nicholas. The visit lasted in hour, general opinion is that it was a barbarous. There is no doubt now that the emperor and act.

PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 19 .- So far as the general public is concerned everything is calm. The bill the senate has passed for the \$4,000,000 9 per cent loan was adopted with some of the modifications that had been his people, or for his clutocrats? Upon his rejected by the previous ministry.

The composition of the committee of rev-nue control is still under consideration in the Chamber of Deputies.

German Cruisers at Spithead. LONDON, Dec. 19 .- The German cruisers Deutchland and Geffon arrived off Spithead cought during a heavy fog. Salutes will be exchanged tomorrow. Prince Henry landed at Cowes and proceeded to Osborne house, where he dined

LONDON, Dec. 20 .- The Madrid correspondent of the Standard says: General Blanco reports that negotiations with several influential insurgent chiefs are progressing so favorably that he hopes to detach from the rebellion important forces which are willing to accept autonomy.

Brazil and Italy Agree.
RIO JANEIRO, Dec. 19.—The Brazilian and Italian governments have signed at agreement settling the incident of the killing of the Italiane at Espirito Sarto last month. Itely admits that there was no cause for diplomatic intervention.

About to Resign. MADRID. Dec. 19.-Lieutenant General Marin, captain general of Puerto Rico, is about to resign, owing to the impossibility of reconciling the different parties in the

island with a view of establishing autonomy. Engaged to an American Girl. LONDON, Dec. 20 .- The Times announces the engagement of D. M. Muson, son of a former member of the House of Commons.

to Miss Mary Crouse, third daughter of Former Congressman George Crouse, Several Killed by an Explosion.

LONDON. Dec. 19.-In an explosion on poard the British steamer Southern Cross. from Buenos Ayres for Liverpool, which arrived at Madeira today, several persons were

French Daily Suspends. MONTREAL. Dec. 19 .- La Minery. only French morning paper in Montreal, has suspended publication after an existence of nearly fifty years.

SAY INNOCENT BOY IS SUFFERING.

Forced from Him.

AKRON, O., Dec. 19.—The lawyers of Romie Cotell, the boy who was sentenced to the praitentiary for life about a year ago for killing Alvin Stone, his wife and hired man, say the boy was wrongfully convicted. They assert that the confession was extorted from him by detectives, who, according to experts, were irresponsible. The lawyers say they know the real murderer and have almost enough evidence to convict him. They

promise to cause his arrest soon. Protest Against Wage Reduction. BOSTON, Dec. 19.-The Central Labor union tonight discussed and condemned the proposed reduction of wages in Fall River and other New England mill towns. The alleged reason for such a cut down, southern competition, was ridiculed, the delegates claiming that this furnished no adequate excuse, as the textile workers of the north, and particularly those of New England, are vastly superior to those of the southern mills.

The story told by Mr. Reddington is absurd and ridiculous and unqualifiedly false.

New Hampshire Senator Sees Trouble Unless His Ideas Frevail.

SEEK3 TO WARN LEADERS OF HIS PARTY

Predicts All Kinds of Disasters and Pitfalls for the Republicans if They Push Currency Legislation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Senator Chandler the switch was unable to move it. The of New Hampshire has written a letter to passenger train was approaching. He jumped the Washington Post, in which he says:

on the track and signaled for it to stop.

"If the secretary of the treasury and his single gold standard associates will cease the passenger went crashing into the freight, their demand for impossible currency legistrates. The sociously injured were: lation, congress will pass the necessary ap
J. C. Busher of Boswell, Ind., trainman. BELIEF THAT ENGLAND BACKS MIKADO alry, and the scene was most imposing. It propriation bills, probably take care of Hawaii an occasion for Mexican industries. and Cuba, there will not be a serious party and face.

J. W. Jones of Peorla, engineer, injured in-The sale of the Inguaran copper mines division during the session, and there will ternally.

Rothschild and Mirribeaud of Paris for be an adjoirnment in May. Business will John White of Bloomington, fireman, inrevive, the treasury receipts will equal the Jured internally, excenditures, the balance of trade will conthe house in the Fifty-fifth congress.

"On the other hand, if Secretary Gage con-Messra. Rothschild and Mirrabeaud will thus to press on congress a bill, the object build two lines of railroad, one to connect of which he says is: 'First, to commit the with the western branch of the Maxican National railway and the other with the west ard, and the immediate effect of which is to coast, so as to have connection with the Pa-cific ocean. The deal is one of the most im-dent's declarations in favor of continued ef cific ocean. The deal is one of the most im- dent's declarations in favor of continued et portant recorded in the mining history of this forts to secure bimetallism, a political turcountry and the mines, under new ownership, moil will arise in congress which will spli will be made some of the greatest copper pro. the now united recublicans into fragments while it will unite and console the now inengruous opposition.

be sent to the president to increase their amount. It is not possible to secure the passage through either house of a bill making the greenbacks convertible into gold notes, o fort to do either thing will probably result. Rio Grande road, in which thirty-three men in the passage of a bill for the redemotion of were injured, one or two fatally. The wreck authorizing bonds payable in gold. The ef government steamer Quadra has picked up the greenbacks in silver dollars, and for the the greenbacks in silver dollars, and for the the greenbacks in silver dollars, and for the payment of all United States bonds in gold bound passenger train and a runsway chairor silver coin in the discretion of the presior silver coin in the discretion of the president, who will be commanded to exercise his
cotton for the advantage of the government,
and not for the advantage of the creditor.

"With such an uprear in congress as these
proceedings will create, with western congressmen embroiled therein, with presidential
votes as threatened by Secretary Cage under

and when it collided with the engine of the

angry discussion, it will happen that all southbound freight the engine forced itself business enterprises and funds and stocks half way through the car, smashing the will be disturbed, prices will fall, insolvencies will increase, and the republicans will lose the congressional elections in 1898, as they did in 1890, and beyond the hope of a favorable action in 1900, at which time, therefore, a Bryanite democratic president and congress

DEPENDS ON SECRETARY GAGE. "Whether we are to have one of these re-suits-political safety, or the other, political destruction—depends entirely upon the cours to be pursued by Secretary Gage and thos who are pressing him forward, namely, the gold standard league of New York, and the self-constituted national monetary conference. How much Secretary Gage cares for the recubilican party is not known. Whether President McKinley, whose good faith toward bimetallism is coming to the test, will stoop his secretary in his insane career is not known. It is to be hoped he will. But no political situation has been clearer than the known. It is to be hoped he will. But no and plunged to the ground. Firemen political situation has been clearer than the

"It is simply political suicide for the re-publican party in this congress to affirmaquestion. We ought to await the progress and leaves a widow.
of international bimetallism, the advent of prosperity, and the filling of the treesury the normal workings soon to be seen of t new tariff law. Shall we wait for these things or rush on to self-destruction? President McKinley must decide. Will he act for

CHINA NO PLACE FOR RAILROADS. White Employes Cannot Compete with Coolie Labor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.-The first repor to the State department from United States Consul General Goodnow at Shanghai conains a warning to American railroad men not to go to China for employment. Says he: not to go to China for employment. Says he: made by Archbishop Ireland and Rev. Father. The American only invites starvation who Doyle of the Paulist fathers. A message of omes here without a definite contract of employment with some reputable firm, made be-fore the leaves America. I must advise fore he leaves America. I must advise for the leaves America. I must advise for the leaves that there is committee in charge intends to invite and at present no market for their labor in China and should more roads be constructed there are an all the parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will exceed the parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will be a parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will be a parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will be a parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will be a parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will be a parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will be a parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will be a parado, in which 20,000 men and boys will be a parado, in which 20,000 men

The consul general says he has had many New York, Philadelphia, Providence inquiries from American railroad men as to the chances for employment in China, so he describes the small Chinese railroad system to show the helplessness of looking in that

direction for work.

There are only two rallways in operation, with a total of 293 mileage. They employ twenty-seven foreigners, four of whom are engineers, and the managers and division superintendents. The operatives are practi-cally all Chinese and a foreigner cannot compete with them. The highest salaried natives are the delegraph operators, at \$40 per month. Engineers get \$20 to \$30 and train and trackmen \$6 to \$10 per month. All of this is in Mexican silver, worth 44 cents in gold on the dollar. The roads are paying 15 per cent dividends.

Another road is under construction from Shanghai to Woo Sun-fourteen miles-and C incee are doing all the work, and on November 18 the first sod was turned on the projected road from Hankow to Pekin, the completion of which depends upon the suc-

Mr. Goodnow recounts the ambitious schemes of Director Sheng of the imperial railways to create a vast system of railways in central China and encloses a map showing the project. He says Sheng's plan is to build these roads as money can be borrowed outside of China. He proposes to couple with the railway loans a government loan of \$50,000,000 to pay the balance of the Japanese indemnity. In this way the option of building the Chinese roads would be held out the e held out to the parties taking the gov ernment loan and the support of foreign gov-ernments for the government loan would be secured by allowing the successful syndi-cate to furnish all the material and skilled abor needed for the railroads. Under these conditions there will be no market for American labor unless the Amer.

icans furnish the money to build the rail-GIDEON DEMANDS INVESTIGATION.

Land Office. WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.-F. M. Gldeon, clerk of the general land office, who was referred to by Thumas Reddington in the testimony before the Pacific railroads committee yesterday as having changed the land office record so as to throw 5,000,000 acres of government lend to the Northern Pacific road.

surd and ridiculous and unqualifiedly false, and without foundation or color of truth. The records of the land office will vindicate me, but I will now insist upon the most thorough investigation and stand ready at all times to answer any questions so far as my connection with the Pacific lands or my

EXPOSITION FISH EXHIBIT

matter."
Mr. Gideon was appointed to the land office from Kokomo, Ind., in 1983, and was in charge of adjustment of land grants. Upopleaving the land office he was employed by the Southern Pacific as an attorney before the interior department, remaining in its employ till December, 1894. Government Commission Preparing for Finny Tribe Display.

WILL EQUAL ANY PREVIOUS UNDERTAKING

Section of Building to Be Used Will Be Fitted in Imitation of Roughly Blasted Rock Tunnel.

p. m., and a freight train on the side track. WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 .- (Special.)-The exhibit of the United States Fish commission at the Omaha exposition, prepared under the The engineer applied the airbrakes and reversed his engine, but it was too late, and direction of W. C. Rovenel, assistant charge of the division of fish culture, will be located in the northwest corner of the government tuilding, and will occupy 5,000 square feet of space in the form of a LL. It arm broken and badly bruised about the head will be arranged to show the character of the work performed by each of the divisions of the commission, the method and apparatus employed, and the results attained, and will be classified under three heads-scientific inquiry, fish culture, and methods and A. G. Haines of Atlanta, Ill., passenger,

statistice of fisheries. In the section of scientific inquiry will b found models and illustrations of the vessels of the commission, specimens of the nets, dredges and other apparatus for scraping the ocean bottom, apparatus used in assorting and preserving the collections, a model of the sounding machine used in deep sea work, and samples of the various thermometers

mail car was derailed and had to be left here, the mail and baggage being trans-ferred to another car. The passenger train was 'elayed about three hours. used in physical observations.

The results of the scientific inquiry ex plorations of the commission appear in the form of charts, besids specimens of coral, crabs, star fishes, sea urchins, and various invertebrate animals; also extensive series of cysters, showing the rate of growth on different bottoms, and the method of attachment of the spit and the injuries produced by star fish, drills and other enemies of the oyster.

FLEXIBLE CASTS OF FISHES. Another interesting exhibit to be included At 7:30 tonight a wreck occurred at a in this section consists of 150 flexible casts of fishes painted from the fresh or living specimens in faithful imitation of nature Also a series of models of vessels showing point two miles north of Castle Rock on the the development of the fishing vessel of to day from the crude craft first used in this country. The various phases of fishing life our, which started from Castle Rock, having will be shown by chotographs.

In the fish culture section an effort wil be made to show in a practical way the methods followed in hatching eggs of sal-monidae. The fish resulting from the same will be in the aquarium during the exposi-tion. Supplies will be received from Leadville and other neighboring states.

The aquarium will contain about twenty-five tanks, each tank being seven feet long, three feet high, and five feet wide at the top. Acceptal number of tanks for sait water and fresh water respectively are arranged on Physicians are attending the injured meet, who have been taken to Salida. The fireman and engineer of the colliding engine escaped each side of the grotto, with a passage way twelve feet wide dividing them. The tanks twelve feet wide dividing them. The tanks and engineer of the colliding engine escaped injury by jumping. The men on the run-away car did not try to set the brakes on the our because they did not know it was running away. They thought their train was being drawn by their engine. Most of the injuries are flesh wounde and bruises. be shown the most important fishes of the eastern states. ENGINE FALLS DOWN ENBANKMENT.

WATER FROM THE SEA.

other section of the building not yet de-cided on. It will then be introduced by Pensinger was instantly killed. Engineer J. means of gravity from the overhead tank From the aquaria tank it will return to the reservoir, first passing through a filter, which of the terminal, had several ribs broken in addition to receiving other injuries. Pen-

publican party in this congress to affirmatively open the discussion of the money question. We ought to await the progress and loaves a widow.

As an eld in keeping this water pure air will be constantly forced into it by means of an air pump operated by hydraulic pressure. the bottom of the tanks through plugs of bas wood inserted in rubber liberator holders attached to rubber tubing which is con nected with a pipe leading from an air pressure tank. The fresh water will be obtained at the city water works and the overflow from the fresh water aquarium wil

bees leto the lagoon.

The interior of the grotto will be finished cieties in Boston next August was the subject of a large and enthusiastic conference of in adamset and coment, partly in stucce work and partly plastered in imitation of a delegates from the Boston diocese today. Among those who spoke were Rev. John L. roughly blasted rock tunnel. Where the two arms of the LiL meet rotundas will be formed, with a pool at the bottom of the rock work in imitation of an entrance to a water cave, which will be illumniated by electric lights. Here and there in the grotto mosses will be plented, together with ferns and other greens. Two arched porta in imitation of cut stone and of simple architectural design will form the source. roughly blasted rock tunnel. Lowery of St. Paul, in behalf of Archbishop Ireland, and Rev. Patrick Riley, for Arch-bishop Williams. The convention will be presided over by Rev. Father Cleary, the "Pather Matthew of the United States," and addresses will be electric lights. greeting will be read from Pope Leo, endors-ing the movement and bestowing his biess-ing upon the doings of the convention. The architectural deeign, will form the entrance of the grotto.

It is the intention of Mr. W. DeC. Ravenal to give On aha a big fish show, and judging from the plans which he has formulated it will exceed anything that has ever been done

Iowa will be finished and ready for occupancy in a short time, and when completed will constitute one of the finest school plants in Wires Are Down and Particulars

Cannot Be Learned.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.—It is learned from private sources that one of the worst sleer culated to accommodate 100 pupils, and Chief Architect Friebuss of the Indian office is hurrying the construction in order to comthat state today. It is impossible to get any that state today. It is impossible to get any information whatever from Dalas, the center of the storm section as all the wires are down. As showing the extent of the storm specifications for these structures will be the telegraph companies can get no nearer soon ready, and bids for their construction on the east, Eagle Pass on the west, and some points in the southern part of the ladian Territory on the north, showing that it covers several hundred miles of territory and provided with needle below the needle below the ladian territory on the north, showing that it covers several hundred miles of territory and provided with needle below the ladian territory on the north, showing that it covers several hundred miles of territory and provided with needle below the ladian territory on the north, showing that the ladian territory on the north, showing the ladian territory on the north, showing the ladian territory on the north, showing the ladian territory of the ladian territory on the north, showing the needle ladian territory of the ladia The wires work no further than these points and it is thought that the destruction has been heavy. Linemen have been ordered from all parts of Texas to repuir the damage. Nothing further can be learned from the storm district to show whether damage has been done to anything other than the wires. cape in case of fire. The water supply will be taken from the city water works of Toleda, In. The last Indian appropriation bill appropriates \$19,000 for the school, and Architect Friebuss believes that the plant will be a credit to the service.

PITTSBURG AFTER THE GRAND ARMY RESCUES SAILORS ADRIFT AT SEA.

Initial Steps Taken to Secure the Next Encampment, PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 19.—The initial Exposed in an Open Bont for Sever SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 19.—The four Republic eccompment for Pittsburg next masted British ship Roby, Captain Jones, aryear was taken last night by the Allerived in port today, 144 days from London. gheney county Grand Army of the Republic

Captain Jones reports that last Thursday morning when off St. Nicholas island he was halled by a crew in distress. He hove to, and sent off a life beat to the distressed men, who were found to be five sailors and their captain of the ship Ranger. The rescued captain states that he was engaged in taking supplies from San Pedro to St. Nicholas, and that on the night of December 9 the vessel dragged its anchor and went on the rocks, a total wreck, the crew escaping with their lives only. All the men had been without shelter for seven days and had been without shelter for seven days and had been association, and the plan will be unfolded at the coming Cincinnati encompment. In connection with the encampment, if it should be held here, it is proposed to cravell a grand solviers' monument, to cost in the neighborhood of \$500,000. The Pennsylvania legislature of 1895 passed an act empowering each county to erect a suitable soldiers' monument at the expense of the citizens, the necessary amount to be raised by taxation. It is believed by the veterans herca-bouts that 1900 will be the last year for encampments. It is their ambition have the organization wind up its career in the city, and at the same time take part in the dedication of the proposed grand memorial to the nation's dead.

Miners and Operators to Meet.
PITTSBURG, Dec. 19.—Coal operators and niners will hold separate and important. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19,-The United miners will hold separate and important conventions tomorrow, preliminary to the joint convention that will be held Tuesday. It is expected that the miners will frame their demands and the operators will devise plans to meet them with advantage to the mselves. The joint convention promises to be interesting and last for several days. Discrict President Dolan of the Miners' association says a rate of \$\overline{a}\$ cents will be demanded by his men. States gunboat Marietta has arrived here after a stormy passage from the north. Many of the staterooms were flooded and its rails bent and twisted from the force of waves that had swept over it. So bad was the storm at one stage that it became necessary to put out a sea anchor, in spite of which it drifted over 240 miles.

Lewis Leland Dangerously, III. NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Lewis Leland, year old, a member of the well known Leland family of hotel keepers, was taken

TEMPERATURE AT OMAHA.

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		9 p. m	

Up till 8 p. m. the spowfall was 2.2 inches. The excess of precipitation above the normal for the month of December up to that hour is .93 inches, equivalent to about 9.3 inches of snowfall.

IN AMERICAN MISSIONARY FIELD Report of Work and Finances for the

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The American Missionary association made cubile this morning its fifty-first annual report. It states that during the last few months hundreds of pupils have been turned away from the schools for want of funds. The educational work includes six higher institutions: Wil liamsburg, Ky.; Grand View, Tenn.; Saluda Seminary, N. C.; Bending Oaks academy, A'clama, for the southern highlanders, and States Normal and Teabling school, Ne brasks, for the Indians, besides 108 other nor

al, industrial, graded and orimary schools. Eighteen new churches of several hundred nembers have been organized in the south and west. Interesting movements are taking place in the plantations of several southern states. Some of the older churches have some forward into self-support, and many of the new churches present striking illustrations of self-denial and courage under lifficulties. The Indian outstation missions probably now reach twenty tribes in five dif-ferent states. The American Missionary association missions, in all their varied forms are said to stand in unyielding protest against agenism, superstition, copression and im-morelity in the darkest regions of our land The church work in the south includes 224 churches, 123 missionaries, 11,317 members. The work am ug the Indians includes seventeen churches, 971 members, twenty-thre-schools, thirty-six missionaries and teachers 592 pupils, twenty-six missionary outstation-and two missionaries in Alaska. The work among the Chinese includes twenty schools

Christ during the last year.

The general summary of association work includes 120 schools, 14,064 pupils, 666 misionaries, 241 churches and 12,288 church members.

thirty-two teachers, 1.084 oupils, 164 Christan Chinese, and sixty professing faith in

The receipts from the different states and territories were: Maine, \$7,899.90; New Hampshire, \$14,383.68; Vermont, \$6,822.82; Massachusetts, \$95,610.70; Rhode Island \$6,606.77; Connecticut, \$39,317.48; making the total receipts from the New England states \$170,641.35. The receipts from other state and territories were es follows: New York \$39,239.03; New Jersey, \$3,804.80; Pennayl-vania, \$1,545.24; Maryland, \$199.73; District of Columbia, \$1.273.79; Ohio, \$8,002.58; In diana, \$258.03; Michigan, \$4,654.49; Illinois \$11,694.59; Iowa, \$5,922.88; Minnesota \$2,874.48; Missouri, \$1,213.64; Wisconsin \$3,467.28; Kanses \$462.21; Nebraska, \$703.32 Montana, \$30.05; North Dakota, \$221.40; South Dakota, \$739 89; Utah, \$116.28; Colorad: \$369.37; California, \$5.656.38; Oregon, \$132.88 Washington, \$180.92; Idaho, \$3.10; territories \$33; Virginia, \$369.38; West Virginia, \$3.63 North Carolina, \$294.66; South Carolina \$20.77; Georgia, \$189.41; Alabama, \$607; Ten nessee, \$1.148.26; Mississkipi, \$123.45; Louis ana. \$186.19; Florida, \$493.94; Kentucky \$198 51; Texas. \$140; unknown, \$19; foreign \$74.87; tuition, \$40.432.68; slater fund, \$7.500 rale of property, \$210; making the total \$329,440.04. The grand total of receipts for the year was \$401.371.08.

EMMETT DALTON SEEKS PARDON

Noted Outlaw Auxious to See More of Life. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 19.—Emmett Da! ion, who was captured during the attemp ot wholesale bank robbery in Coffeyville The air is liberated in minute particles at Kan., five years ago and sentenced to imposis onment for life, is about to apply for a pardon. Judge J. D. McCue of this city, wh was for five years judge of the district court

of Montgomery, Kan., and who passed sen tence toom Emmett Dalton, has received the following letter:

LANSING, Kan, Dec. 16,—Judge J. D. Mc-Cue, Kansas City, Mo.: Dear Sir—When the proper time comes I shall, as a matter of course, make application for executive clemency and would value a letter from you very highly, as I think it would have great weight in my case. I shall put forth my best endeavor to merit any favor which may be shown in the way of procuring for me another chance to see something of this life and give me hope for the future. You may be somewhat surprised at my making this request at this time, but, knowing the uncertainties of life. I feel that through mishap I might not be able to reach you at a later day. As you are thoroughly familiar with the facts and circumstances connected with the gase, I feel it would be a useless waste of time, as well as an imposition on your patience, to relate them to you now.

I believe you can and will help me, with out in any way injuring or compromising yourself. Will you kindly write and forward to me such a letter of recommendation, addressed to the governor and Boarl of Pardons, as will do me for future use?

Thanking you in advance for any kindness shown in the matter, I am, sincerely yours, EMMETT DALTON.

Judge McCue, asked if he would grant the equest of the outlaw, replied: "I certainly ould not conscientiously recommend executed tive elemency now. What action I might take some years later I cannot now say. go question in my mind but that Dalt; should be severely punitied." In the Dalton raid four of the desperadoe and four citizens were killed and a numbe injured. Emmett Dalton was severely

Trickery Suggested in Election Fraternal Delegates.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 19.-Tomorrow session, many delegater say, will bring to a close the work of the Federation of Labor ecovention, while others insist that two days will be required to complete the consideration of all important matters. The defeat of M. D. Ratchford, president of the United Mine Workers, for the position of step toward securing the Grand Army of the fraternal delegate to England, has caused a good deal of talk, and the departure of Mr. Ratchford and his colleague, T. L. Lewis, on an early train this morning gave come emphasis to the rumors. It is intimated that Ratchford was "thrown down" in the bul-loting, and some of his friends claim that the rulings on the different ballots and the decision of the number of votes required to elect were against him.

Before leaving Mr. Ratchford said the convention had done some of the most im portant work, especially in forwarding the eight hour movement, and the action taken in regard to the restriction of immigration along the lines of an educational test. Both movements, he claimed, were closely re-

Arrangements for Burial of the Dead Missionary. BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.—The body of

Rev. David A. Day, the distinguished missicnary of the Lutheran church, who has served at Mushlenberg mission, Africa nearly twenty-five years and who died on the steamship Lucania last Friday, one day out from New York, was brought here today. At a special meeting of the foreign board arrangeniants were made for service in the Pirst Lutheran church at Balt more Tuesday cext, at 2 p. m., when prominent clergymen and laymen from the large cities of the east are expected to be present. The interment to the New York hospital tonishs for treatment. He is suffering from uraemic and
lung troubles and is not likely to recover.

Mr. Leland's sister died last week from
the same cause at her home in Brooklyn.

and laymen from the large cities of the east
are expected to be present. The interment
will be made at Selin's Grove, Pa., where
sorvices are expected to be held on Wednesday forenoon.

FIRE BURNS JEWELS

Destroys Half a Million Dollars' Worth of St. Louis Property.

QUICKEST BLAZE IN ANNALS OF THE CITY

Burns One of the Largest Jewelry Stores in the World.

Flames So Fierce They Baffla Firemen's

CONSUMES COUNTLESS CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Vigorous Efforts.

NARROW ESCAPE OF ENGINEER'S FAMILY

Members Aroused from Sleep and Care ried Down the Fire Escape from Fourth Floor as the Walls Fall.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19 .- A fire started in the basement of the building occupied by the Mermod & Jaccard Jewelry company, at the corner of Locust street and Broadway, this morning, and in almost an incredibly short time the five-story building was completely ablaze. The total loss will reach \$335,000.

fully covered by insurance. The fire had been burning some time be fore it was discovered at 4:40 o'clock, and at 5 o'clock the south wall and all the floors began falling, making the quickest and fiercest fire in the annals of this city. Next to the botler room in the basement was a room used for packing. It is thought the fire started in the boiler room, communicated to the packing room, and, shooting up the elevator shaft quickly spread over the building.

W. A. Rutledge, the engineer, and his family lived on the fourth floor. They barely escaped with their lives. The firemen dragged them unconscious from their beds and carried them down the fire escape. Five minutes later the floor fell, Several other tenants in the building had narrow escapes, but there were no fatalities. The Mermod & Jaccard Jewelry company

was one of the largest in the world and this being the Christmas season carried an immense stock. One-half of the stock had been placed in two large vaults and was saved, but the rest, as well as the building and its fixtures, was totally destroyed.

The Mermod & Jaccard company occupied

but two floors and the basement of the structure. On the fifth floor was the repair shop. A large amount of the repair work had been finished and most of it was saved by the salvage corps. The corps also saved a dozen or more grandfather clocks rang-ing in value from \$500 to \$1,800 each, and many old Vienna vases and valuable pieces of pottery. The sliverware, melted by the heat, will be found under the debris of fallen timbers. In the first floor left out of the vaults were clocks, sliverware, china, art pottery, cut glassware and other articles, all of which will be a total these. all of which will be a total toss. There were over forty tenants in the building. whose losses range from \$500 to \$4,000, par-tially insured.

The firm carried insurance amounting to \$400,000, which, if the stock in the vaults is found intact, will amply cover the loss

sustained. The building was owned by the estate of the late Luther M. Kennett, but under leese estimated the value of the building at \$125. 000, upon which was an insurance of \$105,000 Late tonight the burned cut firm decided Late tonight the burned cut firm decided to continue in business and tomorrow will take possession of the store and stock of another leading jewe'er of this city, which they have bought. The firm that goes out of business is that of A. Kartzebern & Sons. The Model Cloak company, in the north end of the building, was wiped out, sustaining a loss of \$50,000, on which there is an insurance of three-jourths.

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GRAND FORKS, N. D. Dec. 19.—The
business portion of the city was threatened
by another fire tonight which might have
been more destructive than that of Friday when the Hotel Dacotah, the Mercantile company, and Nash Brothers buildings were burned. Shortly after 6 o'clock amoke was seen fasuing from the first floor of the big department store of Benner & Begg, and in less than fifteen minutes the building was in flames and the fire had crept into the Stanchfield clothing house and the H. A. Stone jewelry store in buildings adjoining. After three hours work the fire was subdued. The damage to the building and stock of Benner & Beggs will be \$55,000. Losses

to the other firms will be small.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Fire has broken out in
the afterhold of the British steamer Silverdale, from Galveston via Newport News, for Bremen, before reported put Michaels with rudder broken and other damage. Efforts are being made to extinguish

SHELTON, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special.)— The frame dwelling house of Harry Oliver, two miles southwest of town, was destroyed by fire last evening, with a good share of the household goods, with no insurance. Loss about \$300.

GARRISON TALKS ON HENRY GEORGE

Characterizes Him as One of the Greatest of Men. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.-William Lloyd Garrison, the well known Boston reformer, addressed the ethical society today on the SORENESS AT THE FEDERATION. life, character and work of Heary George whom he characterized as one of the greatest

men of all time. He said o part:
"Never did knight of o'd fight more vali-satly to win back the holy land from the Saracen than d'd Henry George to win his country from pauperism. Long after we are gone men will contemplate from varying points of view this Alpine peak of moral force. The sunset of the Nineteenth cen-tury will preside with added glory the coming of the Twentieth, because thought and wrote.

The speaker briefly rehearsed the main facts of Mr. George's earlier life and said that it was while he was 'm California in its turbulent and primitive period that his great work "Progress and Poverty," grew upon his hands, and eventually came forth like

Mr. Garrison referred to Herbert Spencer's rebuff of George, "whom he should have weicomed as the brightest lewel in his diadem, and continuing said: "When it became man ifest that 'Progress and Poverty' was the bugle blast of one deeply in carriest, the battle raged. George's demand that the immediate restoration of land to those who was a heresy not to be tolerated. For vested movements, he claimed, were closely related, and with both eccured the supply of labor will diminish and better wages follow

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Concluding he said: "His participation is Henry George has made his statue place in time's Valhalla."

Killed by Locomotive Explosion. REPTON, Ala., Dec. 19,-Last night on the Bear Creek logging road a locomotive exploded, killing the engineer, John O'Con-nor, the fireman, Jack Clipper, and two trainmen, John Johnson and Henry Vick-ery. The explosion was caused by a defect-ive flue.