for the most important position at its dis-

WELCOME WAITS HIM IN OMAHA. Mr. Burt Has Many Friends Here Who

Know Him Well. There was more joy in the headquarters of the Elkhorn railroad and in the offices of the Northwestern road, with which Mr. Burt has been so long connected, over his election than anywhere else in the city. Many of the Elkhorn officials have believed for a long time that Mr. Burt was slated for the presand the announcement yesterday

gratulation to their former chief.

enjoyed a close acquaintance with Mr. Burt while he resided in Omaha as the general manager of the Elkhorn railroad there was also a feeling of happiness over the selec-tion made by the Union Pacific reorganization committee. Many felicitations were heard over the fact that a former Omaha man had been selected in preference to an eastern man unfamiliar with Omaha and with the transmissouri territory. of the leading citizens also expressed the opinion that Mr. Burt's election gave new hope for a grand union depot at Ninth and Farnam streets. Having lived in Omaha, it is argued, Mr. Burt is very familiar with the wretchedly inadequate depot facilities that have been provided here for many years, and is now in a position to take the ssary steps toward giving to Omaha what many believe to be its greatest need. Post-master Euclid Martin was one of the first to telegraph his congratulations to Presidentelect Burt, and in commenting on his sele-"Mr. Burt and I were very close friends while he lived in Omaha, and I naturally am very glad of his advance-ment. It's a good thing for Omaha that an Omaha man has been selected, instead of one who is not at all familiar with the local I believe he will make a splendid

AT UNION PACIFIC HEADQUARTERS. At Union Pacific headquarters when the annonncement of the election of Horace G. Burt to the presidency of the road was made the of all the departments immediately gathered in the private office of General Menager Dickinson to talk the matter over. General Manager Dickinson said: "It's a Manager Dickinson said: It suits me to a Freight Traffic Manager Munroe, Superintendent of Car Service Buckingham and General

president for the Union Pacific and will

ove a good friend of Omaha.'

railway world to make radical changes. The trious predecessor, the official family of the Union Pacific the business from the political arena. He changes will come about slowly and will be always been a railroad man, first, last

HAD LONG BEEN PICKED. While the news of Mr. Burt's election came as a surprise to many Omahans, there purchasing committee became known. The first announcement that Mr. Burt's name city, now occupied by General Manager like his company agin. Ridwell of the Elkhorn and family, and then Rullroad men in On the Union Pacific railroad.

fumo from the position of general manager of the Elkhorn bronch of the Northwestern system to the presidency of the Union Patem and the most influential member of Union Pacific reorganization committee. HIS EXCELLENT SCHOOLING.

Mr. Burt has grown up in the Northwestern system and has attracted the personal atntion of Marvin Hughitt for a number of years. He started in as a surveyor in engineering department of the North-ern. He was a young man of good eduection, clean habits and a wonderful caracity work. He grew up in the engineering department, from carrying the chains, being gradually promoted to the superintendence of the construction of branch lines. He is turn filled the positions of assistant super-intendent and superintendent of the North-western's lines in northern Iowa, chief engineer of the Northwestern system, with looking toward the reorganization of the headquarters in Chicago.

It was while Mr. Burt was chief engineer of the Northwestern that he performed the feat that first brought him into the recognitrackage of the Chicago rallroad yard of the that he drew the attention of the foremost railroad men of the country to his abilities. The manner in which he did that immense

# Poor and

Had no Appetite - Now Better in Every Way-A Delicate Child.

"Some time since I took a sudden cold and could not get rid of it. Being subject to catarrh and bronchial trouble I coughed terribly. I lost my appetite and grew poor and weak and I did not feel like work. I began taking Hood's Barsaparilla. In a short time the cough disappeared, I slept well, had a good appetite and I was better in every way. Last spring I was not feeling well, I had no appetite and no strength. I resorted to Hood's Sarsaparilla and soon felt more like work. My little nephew was a delicate child and had a humor which troubled him so he could not rest at night, Ho has taken a few bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and now he has a good appetite and is able to sleep." Miss Abbin J. FREEMAN, South Duxbury, Mass.

Hood's Sarsa-Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. \$1.

tee of the Union Pacific ever picked him out undertaking was widely commented on, and the fact that it was done in a thorough manner is evidenced by the fact that sucsystem have never been able to improve upon the plans that Horace G. Burt alone onceived and carried out to successful

Later he was general superintendent of all the Iowa lines of the Northwestern, with headquarters at Boone, Ia. He was located in Omaha for nearly five years as general manager of the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad, and while here established reputation for conservative and thorough railroading that caused Marvin Hughitt to make him general manager of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad, with headquarters at St. Paul. He was scarcely ensconced in this position before merely drew forth many messages of con-Among the small circle of Omaha men who he was made assistant to the president, Mar-vin Hughitt, for that railroad, and also nade third vice president for the Chicago & Northwestern system, with headquarters in Chicago. He was pushed shead in a manner that broke all previous records for promotions. He was jumped over the heads of others who had been in the employ of the Northwestern systems more years than he had seen. He had the favor of Marvin Hughitt, and it stood him in good stead. TRAINED FOR THE PLACE.

A prominent railroad official recently told Bee that he believed Marvin Hughitt had the Union Pacific presidency for Mr. Burt in mind when he promoted him from the position of general manager of the Elk-horn railroad in the summer of 1896. He Burt is the idol of Marvin Hughitt's eye, and he will push him into the idency of the Union Pacific in order that the Northwestern may control the reorganized road. In this way Mr. Burt can be of more service to the Vanderbilt interests then in any other position. Another thing, he is as high on the Northwestern system as he can possibly go. He is third vice president. There is another man in the president. There is another man in the Northwestern system whom Marvin Hughitt is training up to be the head of that road the same as he is training Mr. Burt to be the president of the Union Pacific. That is Hiram R. McCullough, his son-inman is Hiram R. McCullough, his son-in-law, and now general traffic manager. It was once the hope of Marvin Hughitt to train up Edwin W. Winter to take his place some day, but Winter left the Vanderbilt interests to go with the Northern Pacific and could not be induced to return to rail-roading, after he had a disagreement with the Northern Pacific owners and left that aystem."

MR. BURT'S PERSONALITY. Passenger and Ticket Agent Lomax, who Mr. Burt is in the very prime of life, being were discussing the probable results of the about 50 years of age. He has a splendid election with their general manager, indi-physique and is well adapted, physically as Mr. Burt is in the very prime of life, being cated he had expressed their sentiment ex- well as intellectually, for the task of reor-actly. While there is a general feeling that the always been a tireless worker and he likes election of Mr. Burt will bring about many everybody associated with him to imitate his changes and several officials are named for example. While brusque in his treatment of certain decapitation this scutiment is not on- strangers, those who know him best know dorsed by those who know Mr. Burt best, him to be generous and sympathetic. He His closest friends in this city, where he has a most retiring disposition and the newslived for over four years, unite in saying caper recorder is most ariently disliked by that above all things he is a very conserva- him. But with his friends he is as merry tive man and would be the last man in the as a child and is as kind as was his illus than which no greate best judgment of those who enjoy the closest compliment could be said. In politics Mr. acquaintance of Mr. Burt as that while some Burt is a republican, but he has always changes may be made in the personnel of insisted on the separation of the railroad always been a railroad man, first, last and result of much investigation and de-settion.

inder him engaged in collitical matters.

Those who do not know Mr. Burt well are apt to believe that he is intensely exclusive. were a large number who have looked upon his as the logical condidate for the presidency ever since the composition of the "Pat," the well known Farnam street motorman. In speaking of Mr. Burt's election "Pat" said: was under consideration was made by The Burt is a nice man, and he and me was the Bee, and from that time there has been a best of friends. When he lived here before amount of comment regarding his he always used to ride out on the front plats for the high position. This comchances for the high position. This com- form with me, and was always a-jollyin ment was intensified by Mr. Burt's visit me. Just before he went away from here here lest mouth, sithough he vigorously he came and said goodbye to me, and I told deried that there was anything in the re- him I hoped he'd come back here some day ports associating his name with the position and now I'm glad he is comin'. I hope he in question. Later it became known that rides with me again, cause he always used he had asked for his former home in this to save up a good story to tell me, and I'd

Rallroad men in Omaha yesterday were Mr. Burt's friends felt assured that he inclined to believe that a number of change would soon return to Omaka as president of would follow Mr. Burt's installation as pres ideat, that the Union Pacific would be for rise of Horace G. Burt in the railway the first time in its history absolutely di world has been the marvel of western railroad vorced from politics and that it would be men generally. This statement does not re-operated in a strict collroad, businesslike flect on his abilities, but for any man to dashien. The Vanderbilt school of railroadfrom which Mr. Burt has been gradu ted, is known as teaching close, busines oring to less. That the influence of this school of Julion Pacific matters is likely to be fel ker short of marvelous. It is doubtful if in the very near future is the opinion of railway annals record another instance of the best posted railread men in Omaha to-such rapid progress. The secret of Mr. Burt's day. One other matter that is conceded by phenomenal progress may be found in the those who best know Mr. Burt is that he recognition of his superior abilities by Mar- will be the real head of every department vin Hughlit, president of the Northwestern in the Union Pacific railread. Such was his ustom on the Eikhorn and such, it is be Heved, will be his custom on the Union Pa-cific. While he has come to the front as a rallroad engineer he is said to be very familiar with the work of the freight and the passenger traffic departments, with the oper ting department and even with the legs The representatives of all bese departments are likely to keenly fee he influence of their new president in the work of their own departments.

FORECLOSE WISCONSIN CENTRAL Supposed to Be a Step Toward Reorganization.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 27.-A Wisconsin Central lines was taken this afternoon when a decree of foreclosure was entered by Judge Jenkins, of the United tion of railroad engacers and presidents all States circuit court, in favor of John A. Over the country. He laid out the immense Stewart and Edwin H. Abbott, as trustees, Stewart and Edwin H. Abbott, as trustees, against the Wiscoosin Central Railroad ompany for \$12,000,000, the amount of the first mortgage bonds, unpaid interest coupons of \$1,800,000, and interest on the de erred interest payments since July 1, 1894 all payments having been in default since that date, the total amount being \$14,309,125. The matter is referred to F. M. Hoyt as special master to ascertain and report whether the railway franchise and property of the company should be sold as an en-tirety or in two or more separate parcels

and what liens, if any, are superior to the said first mortgage. The master is authorized to conduct hearings either in this judi cial district or in Chicago. New York or Bos-ton, as may appear to him to be best suited for obtaining the required information.

Reorganizing a Southern Road. NEW YORK, Dec. 27 -Announcement was made today by the Memphis & Charleston corganization committee, of which Adrian Iselin, jr., is chairman, that arrangements have been perfected looking to the purchase of the road by the Southern railway and the exchange of the new securities, after reorganization is completed, for issues of the

iew Interchangeable Mileage Ticket. CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- The new interchangeable mileage tickets of the Michigan lines will be placed on rale January 15. In all respects cave that it will be accepted for transportation on traina it will be identical with the ticket of the Central Passenger as-It will be sold at the same price and have the same rebate, making the net

Second Union Pacific Payment. NEW YORK, Dec. 27 .- The second payment of \$8,500,000 by the Union Pacific reorganization committee was reflected in to-Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner organization committee was reflected in to-

\$4,357,933. The checks sent by the Treasury department at Washington in payment for currency 6s were deposited in the local banks today and passed in due course banks today and passed in due course through the clearing house. It is estimated that the asgregate of these checks is about \$10,000,000. A third payment of \$5,500,000 will be made early in January next.

Eastbound Freight Shipments CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- The eastbound ship ments for the five days ending December 2amounted to 76,345 tons, against 82,878 tons the full week previous and 44,954 tons last the full week previous and 44,904 tons last year, divided among the different roads as follows: Fort Wayne, 15,079 tons; Michigan Central, 5,079 tons; Wabash, 6,327 tons; Lake Shore, 8,922 tons; Panhandle, 10,586 tons; Baltimore & Ohio, 7,772 tons; Grand Trunk, 3,928 tons; Nickel Plate, 7,804 tons; Eric 7,326 tons; Big Force, 2,520 tons Erie, 7,246 tons; Big Four, 3,510 tons.

Bullroad Votes and Personals. John Mellen of the Northwestern's freight

department has returned from Clinton, la where he spent the holidays.

Traveling Passenger Agent Caldwell, form erly stationed at St. Paul for the Rock Island road, will travel for that line out of Omaha

the western railroads appeared to be represented except the Rock Island. Thomas W. Orr, assistant secretary of th Union Pacific's department, spent Christmas at home here. He returned to New York

The passenger departments of all Omaha lines yesterday found that the Christmas business on their respective lines amounted to more than it has for may years. There was but little advantage taken of the \$8.75 rate but little advantage tiken of the \$8.75 rate to Chicago owing to the lateness of the announcement of that rate

REDUCING INTEREST ON SAVINGS.

Former Years. NEW YORK, Dec. 27 .- With the announce

today we cannot get in some instances more than 414 per cent on the very best bond and

President J. H. Rhodes of the Greenwich Savings bank said there was a general feeling, especially up the state, that under the present conditions of investments and returns per cent was too high, and undoubtedly the bankers would welcome any general movement to reduce the rate. Indeed, Mr. Rhodes had been asked to lend his influence in this direction. The fact that railroads could refund their bonds at 31/2 per cent showed apparently that savings banks were in many instances giving a higher rate of interest than conditions warranted. Mr. Rhodes thought that ultimately all savings banks would reduce their rates to 31/2 per cent and cossibly to 3 per cent

Deaths of a Day. Helen Hopkins, in Peoria county, Illinois, July 24, 1860. Of this union there were six children, one daughter and three sons still living. fourth Illinois and in the Thirty-third Wi was held at the Methodist Episcopal church on Saturday forenoon, Rev. J. H. Presson an old comrade whom he had selected preaching the sermon, and the Grand Army services at the grave.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 27.-Mrs. Mary Bar-nett, who was connected by marriage with the family of President McKinley, is dead She was born in Dervorak, County Antrim. Her husband's mother was name McKinley and her mother was also a relative of Sir Charles Douglass. Mrs. Barnett's husband, who was named Stewart McKinley Bar nett, died many years ago.

Hiscock was made United States senator and by leading the break from Miller to Hiscock made the latter's election possible PAWNEE, Neb., Dec. 'Grandma'' Osborne, who had her limb am

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.-The War depart nent has been informed of the death of Second Lieutenant Sawyer Blanchard, First artillery, at Whipple Barracks, Arizona, on

tion of the bowels. Donaldson had always lived in Cleveland. He was once in the ring. Fitzsimmons fight at Carson City. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Edward Joseph Buckley, for many years one of the best known actors on the American stage, died today in this city, aged 54. He had been parally and for several years.

paralyzed for several years. his works on gynecology, died at his home in this city today, after an illness of two weeks. Dr. Wilson was 70 years of age. WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 27.—A disputed from Edmonton, N. W. T., tonight records the death of Oiptain Alleyne, leader of an English party bound for the Klondike. Alleyne succumbed to pneumonia.

Fatal Quarrel Between Old Men HAVERHILL, Mass., Dec. 27.-William Dolan was stabbed to the heart with a knife and killed tonight by William Daly. his brother-in-law, who had lived with him for twenty years, Daly is in jail, The men are about 70 years old. Both had been

ASHTABULA, O., Dec. 27.—Oscar Young and Gus Anderson, Swedish fishermen, hired a sailboat last Wednesday for a trip

Omaha Curlers Hold a Meeting and Organize

ALL READY FOR SPORT ON THE LAGOON

Permanent Club.

Devotees of the Game Will Have Opportunity to "Soop 'er Up" During the Winter Carnival.

A number of Omaha people interested in

the game of curling held a meeting in the Carnival rooms of the Millard hotel last night, which resulted in the organization of a permanent club. A. C. Troup was elected president, P. L. Forgan vice president and J. C. Lindsay sucretary. The new club starts in with about twenty charter members. Stones sufficient for four rinks have been ordered from Toronto, which are expected to arrive here within a fortnight. The members in order to indulys in a little practice will hold a tournament on the lagoon at the exposition grounds next Friday afternoon, and to this end several temporary rinks will be marked off on the ice which will later be supplanted with permanent ones. It is intended to hold regular tournaments during the winter to which all the best players of this section of the country will be invited. Among the prominent players who reside in Omaha and who will lend their aid toward making the local game a success are Thomas Bowie, George Anderson, P. L. Forgan, Thomas Meldrum and Mr. Agnew. EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS

Only One Favorite Wins at New Or

leans Races. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 27.—The track was very beavy today and the handicapper's alculations suffered in consequence, Sauterne, in the first race, was the only winning favorite, and the ten books who drew in all did a fairly brisk and profitable bustness. The weather was clear and cool, Re-

Suits:

First race, selling, six and one-half fur-longs: Sauterne won, St. Roquet second, Ferryman third, Time: 1:294.

Second race, six furlongs: Woodlawn won, Scornful second, Play Boy third,

won, Scornful second, Play Boy third, Time: 1:2142.
Third race, selling, mile and twenty yards; A B C won, Mazarine second, Gloja third, Time: 1:5142.
Fourth race, six and one-half furlongs: Wells Street won, Urania second, Hano Belle third, Time: 1:28,
Fifth race, selling, fifteen-sixteenths of a mile: Wilson won, Caddle C second, George B. Cox third, Time: 1:4244.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27,—Weather clear, track fast at Ingleside today, Results.
First race, purse, five furlongs: Traverser

First race, purse, five furlongs: Traverser Second race, selling six furlongs: Zamar II won, Horatio second, B & W third, Time 1:15. Third race, purse, one mile: Count of Flanders won, Sounwell second, Satsuma

Third race, purse, one mile: Count of Flanders won, Spunwell second, Satsuma third, Time: 12404,
Fourth race, selling, mile and a quarter: Can't Dance won, Collins second, Don Clarencio third, Time: 2:094, Fifth race, selling, nine-sixteenths of a mile: Master Mariner won, Ping second, Prince Blazes third, Time, 0.55%, Sixth race, one mile: Hohenzollern won, Devil's Dream second, Lost Girl third, Time: 1:44.

INTERCOLLEGIATE . CHESS GAMES Players Meet in First Contest of the

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Play in the sixth annual intercollegiate chess match was begun in this city today at the Columbia Grammar school, two students from Columbla, Harvard, Yale and Princeton universities representing their respective colleges for the supremacy. The pairing was:
Table 1, Meyer, Columbia, and Hewins,
Harvard; table 2, Cook, Yale, and Dana,
Princeton; table 3, Jacobus, Columbia, and
Young, Princeton; table 4, Murdoch, Yale,
and Southard, Harvard, G. R. Jacobus
took the place of Seward, who was not
present,

Meyer won a king's bishop game after forly-seven moves, although he ought to have scored much quicker, owing to Hewins' indifferent playing in the opening. Cook beat Dana in a queen's gambit after thirty moves. The latter got the worst of the fight from beginning to finish.

Jacobus and Young drew their game after twenty-seven moves. At first the former, then the latter, got the better position, Young offered a draw and Jacobus accepted.

tion. Young offered a draw and Jacobus accepted,
Southard played the Petroff against Murdoch and the former established a strong attack in the middle game, After thirtyone moves Southard won brilliantly.
The players will meet in the second round to be contested tomorrow in the following order: Meyer and Cook, Dana and Hewins, Seward and Southard, Murdoch and Young.

FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE BASE BALL Western Universities Organize

League for Next, Year. CHICAGO, Dec. 27,—Five western uni versities were organized into the Western Intercollegiate Base Ball league in this city today, The following clubs will compose the league! University of Michigan University of Chicago, University of Illi-

University of Chicago, University of Rilnois, University of Wisconsin and Northwestern university.

Manager Keith of Michigan was elected 
president and L. E. Fischer of Illinois secretary. A series of three games will be 
played between each of the clubs. The season opens April 9 with Nortawestern and 
Illinois at Champaign and closes June II 
with Chicago and Michigan at Detroit, and 
Illinois and Wisconsin at Madison.

It was aspreed to have a regular corps of 
umpires to officiate throughout the season. It is probable they will be chosen 
from old national and minor league players, Distribution of gate receipts caused a 
warm discussion because some of the colleges draw better crowds than others. A 
compromise was finally reached whereby 
the visiting team can either accept a guaranty or demand half of the gate receipts.

The place of playing the odd game between each of the clubs will be decided by 
lot.

GIDEON WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE

American Wheelmen. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27,—Official anouncement was made tonight that George D. Gideon of this city will not be a candi date for the presidency of the League of American Wheelmen, He has issued a statement that he is not, and has not been a candidate, Chief Consul Boyle and Secretary-Treasurer Collins, who were instructed at a recent meeting of the division board of officers to pledge the vote of this state to a ticket containing the name of Vice Consul Thomas J. Keenan of Pittsburg for the first vice presidency, state that he is still a candidate for the office, and that they shall work only to carry out the instructions given them at that time. As Sterling Elliott of Boston, who was pushing the Gideon boom, has announced that he is interested only in inducing Mr. Gideon to run for the office, the latter's announcement of his attitude probably leaves only one candidate for each of the principal offices.

M'COY GOES BAFTER FITZSIMMONS

Championship.

NEW YORK Dec. 27,-"Kid" McCoy, the enqueror of Creedon, issued a challenge to Fitzsimmons today for a finish fight for the middleweight championship of the world. The young middleweight announced that he has backing for \$10,000 and will that he has backing for \$10,000 and will post a forfelt as soon as called upon to do so. He desires to meet the present champion for a purse and a side stake of at least \$5,000. McCoy at once communicated with Dan Stuart, the promoter of the Carson fight last spring, and offered to take Corbett's place in case the Californian falls to sign articles with Fitzsimmons. "Even if Corbett is willing to fight." declared McCoy in his letter to Stuart, "I believe I am entitled to the first chance. Corbett is a beaten man, while I have not as yet been defeated. Fitzsimmons should take me on first and deal with Corbett afterward."

Hard Fight with No Decision. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—Mattey Mat-thews of New York and Owen Zeigler of this city were the star attractions at Arena tonight in a six-round fight. In the first and second rounds Zeigler did all the work, the New Yorker scarcely making a lead. The next round was uneventful, and in the fourth Zeigler scored a knockdown, landing heavily and almost simultaneously

with his left and right. The New Yorker began work in the fifth and landed some hard uppercuts on the Quaker, and when the gong sounded Zeigler was tired. Matthews rushed the fighting in the last round and Zeigler tried to get out of his way, When time was called Zeigler was nearly out, No decision was given.

WOLCOTT AND TRACY DRAW

MICHAEL SURPRISED BY TAYLORE

Welshman Tries to Shake the French-NEW YORK, Dec. 27,-Jimmy Michael appeared in Madison Square garden today with his retinue of pacemakers and resled off mile after mile in his work for New Year's night against Taylore, Taylore, the Year's night against Taylore, Taylore, the Young Frenchman, came out on the track without a pacemaker soon after Michael had started, Taylore lost no time in tacking on to Michael's rear wheel, Michael's pacemakers were sent out, team after team, to relieve one another as in a race and every device known to a racing man was used to try to shake the Frenchman off. The pace was slowed, quickened and jumped at intervals, but for ten miles Taylore stuck to the rear wheel of Michael's machine. the men had dressed Taylore

After the men had dressed Taylore was asked for an explanation. He replied that he did not understand English and that he thought the track was free for any-body who cared to train for the race and he did not see in what way he had bothered Michael in following him.

Taylore appeared later in the day with his own pacemakers and rode ten miles in a trille less than beenty minutes. a trifle less than twenty minutes.

Michael and his manager, Dave Shafer, have refused a \$3,000 guaranty and expenses offered by the managers of a St. Louis track to ride one race any distance he wishes to name and against any man he es to name and against any man be

MEANS MUCH TO AMERICAN TRADE Senator Morgan's Views on Dismem berment of China

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 .- According to a Washington correspondent of the World. Senator Morgan of Alabama, of the committee on foreign relations, said last night that it would be impossible for the United States to remain complacent should European nations undertake the dismemberment of China. Senator Morgan said: "If partition involves the abrogation of treaties, this country would be left to make terms again with each European nation separately in the territory to which its sovereignty extended. Therefore, unless the powers now ambitious for territorial extension take into account the importance of American commercial relations with China it will be necessary for the government to intervene in self-defense. If the cession is absolute, then American interests must be taken care of through the reaties between America and the countries to which the absolute cossions are made. If the erritory is given up merely for a time, there will be a mixed responsibility and it is a good time for intervention and the exercise of American diplomacy. The German occupa-tion of a part of China and the prospective occupation of other parts by European nations is an effort to complete a cordon of offense to American commerce from Vladivostock to Marseilles or to Liver-That cordon is being stretched contract the trade of 600,000,000 people who nave direct trade and intercourse with the Pacific ocean. There is a great deal in the Chinese problem that vitally interests Americans and which seems to demand immediate consideration from the State department and congress."

BRITISH WAR SHIPS FOR PACIFIC. Powerful Additions Being Made to the Squadron.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 27.-The British cruiser Leander, accompanied by the torpedo destroyer Virigo, has arrived enroute to Esquimault. The two war ships left Portsmouth, Eng., last August, traveling at an average speed of twelve knots. | They called at the principal ports of South America. On the way up the coast the United States coast defense vessel Monterey was seen at Magdalena bay.

The Leander is a second class cruiser of 4.300 tens, and has a speed of sixteen knots. The Virigo is one of several torpedo destroyers built last year. It is reputed to have a speed of thirty knots. The two vescoal on Wednesday and will leave for Esquimault, calling at San Francisco on the way. The cruiser Phaeton, with destroyer Sparrow Hawk, are following rive here within two weeks. The Phaeton and Leander are sister ships, as also are the Sparrow Hawk and Virigo. With these vessels added to the Esquimault squadron, Great Britain will have the strongest fleet by far

that has ever assembled in the North Pacific. LIGHT BOATS FOR ALASKA WATERS Northern Pacific Closes a Contrac for Two of Them.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 .- A Montreal dis patch to the Evening Post says: The Canadian Pacific railway has completed arrangements for the construction of six light-draught sidewheel steamers to ply in Alaskan waters in conjunction with the two ocean steamers it has purchased in Scot-These vessels will be constructed Toronto, the contracts having been let to the Bertram & Polson works. Work will begin at once, as it is intended to have them ready for the opening of navigation. The boats are to be of wood, plated with steel, and will have a length of 150 feet, with a beam of thirty feet. They will be put to-gether in the Toronto yards, and then taken apart and the parts shipped to Vancouver where the boats will be rebuilt.

LUSK, Wyo., Dec. 27 .- (Special Telegram. -About 9 o'clock last night the livery barn in this place and the residence of R. Gamble were totally destroyed by fire. The property was valued at \$3,500; insurance, \$1,000. CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 27.—The large wholesale grocery house of Louis Hub oard & Co., was destroyed by fire this morn ing. The cause of the fire is unknown. Less on building, \$20,000; insurance, \$5,000; goods valued at \$100,000; insurance, \$80,000. CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Dec. 27 .- (Specia relegram.)-A large barn on the farm of F T. Parker, one mile and a bull southeast of this city, was burned tonight at 6:30. Sever head of cattle, two horses and a large amount of grain and hay were consumed. The loss will be between \$1,500 and \$2,000, with me insurance. The origin of the fire is a mystery. The family had just finished its supper tery. The family had just finished its supper and as the men came out of the house discovered the fire, which was in the loft.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—A fire broke out in the dry goods store of Messrs, Jermyn & Perry, High street, King's Lynn (Lynn-Regis), Norfolk, The local fire engine collapsed and the flames spread rapidly, soon designing a number of the adjoining business houses. The total damage is estimated at \$500,000.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 27 .- Th wholesale grocery house of Noyes, Hubbard & Co. was totally destroyed by fire today Loss, \$125,000, with an insurance of \$70,000. The building was valued at \$15,000, and was owned by C. C. Lewis and had an insurance of \$5,000. The adjoining building, owned and occupied by the Payne Shee company, was badly damaged, its stock principally by water. The loss is estimated at about \$300,000, which was fully covered by insurance. Noyes, Hubbard & Co. had a large quantity of goods stored in other ooms and will continue business as usual.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 27.—Fire broke ou at midnight in the Heinaman building of West Larned street and quickly spread to the building occupied by the Detroit Free Press Printing company. Before the flames could be subdued the Heinaman building was ompletely gutted, and the stock of the Free Press Printing company was heavily dam

Cuban Midget Fatally Injured. CHICAGO, Dec. 27,-Chiquita, the Cuban nidget, who has been on exhibition in the eading cities for some time, was probably feating cities for some time, was probably fatally injured at the "Zoo" this evening. She was riding a bicycle in the ring when she collided with a burro, was thrown to the ground and received several kicks in the breast. Chiquita is only twenty-six inches high and weighs fifteen and three-quarter pounds. The doctors have little hopes of her recovery.

Prisoners Try Suicide. NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Two prisoners Frank Barbain, an Italian, and Harry Mc

Fight Six Rounds Without Either Making an Impression.

They Get in a Number of Hard Blows and Tracy Sheds a Little Blood, but There Are No.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27 .- Joe Walcott and Tom Tracy met tonight for six rounds in the Winter Circus building at Harmon court and Wabash avonue. The decision of the referee was a draw, the decision being accepted as eminently a fair one by the crowd. - Before for the operatives to do but to accept the fight it was ennounced that if Walcott won he was open to fight for the middleweight championship of the world, "and," weight championship of the world, "and," tee said Sol Van Praag, was made the announce- to ment, "he has posted \$1,000 with Louis Houseman of Chlorgo as forfeit, and he prefers Kid McCoy." This was greeted with vigne, Lavigne." O'Rourke then authorized the announcement that Walcott was matched to fight Kid Lavigne at 137 pounds, the fight o come off February 22 in San Francisco Walcott was the first in the ring, and was followed quickly by Trucy. In the latter's corner were Billy O'Connell, Joe Choynski and Billy Stift. Behind Walcott were Bob Armstroug, Billy White and Tom O'Rourke George Siler acted as referee. Walcott Walcott weighed very close to 150; Tracy between 143

Round 1-Walcott led with his left, followed it up and caught Tracy with his left lightly on the body. Tracy landed left on the face, then a left on the body and the men clinched, both hitting hard with the free arm. Walcott landed on the kidneys with his right. Tracy got two rights to the breast as the gong sounded

CLINCH AND FIGHT. CLINCH AND FIGHT,

Round 2—Walcott landed a right on the face and a left on the body, Walcott then rushed and a clinch followed, both men fighting hard with the free arm, Tracy landed a hard left in the face, sending Walcott's head back with a straight left. Tracy landed a left on the breast, then led with his right, Walcott ducked and landed both hands on the body as the gong sounded.

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Round 3—Tracy landed a right on the body and Walcott came back at him with another of the same sort. Tracy then sent his right to the body and Walcott put ais left on the face. Tracy rushed and the men clinched, Walcott getting a hard right to the body as Tracy closed in on him. Tracy sent a hard left to the law and the men clinched. Both were fighting hard with the free arm when the song sounded and neither would let go, Referee Siler having a hard time to part them.

Round 4—Tracy landed his right on the body and then put his right on the jaw. Tracy then sent his right to the body and sort a left on the jaw, Walcott countering very neatly. Tracy sent his right to the body again and put his left hard in the face, and a clinch followed, both men punching viclously with the free arm. Walcott put his right on the bdy and the men clinched. Tracy getting a left to the face in the breakaway.

Round 5—Tracy landed a hard left on the jaw as the men men the the center of the ring. He then rushed, swinging at Walcott with the left. He slipped and went to the floor, Walcott catching him with a left hook on the head as he went down. Tracy was up in a few seconds, before the referee had any time to count: Walcott landed a right on the body, following it up with the left and a clinch followed. Tracy sent his right to the body and a second later repeated the dose in vigorous fashion. Walcott rushed, getting in a left and right on the body and both men slugged in lively fashion, Tracy putting in a left and right on the body and both men slugged in lively fashion, Tracy putting in a left and right and left on the body in the mixup, Walcott landed his right hard on the body as the gong sounded. At the close of this round Tracy was bleeding slightly on the left cheek,

TRACY KEEPS AWAY. Round 6—The men went right at 4t as the gong sounded and both landed light rights on the body and a clinch followed. Tracy put his left on the face, Both led for the body with the left, Both were blocked and a clinch followed, Tracy, who was somewhat inclined to keep away in this round, got his right to the body and Walcott got in a stiff left to the breast, rushing Tracy to the ropes, Walcott then landed a right on the body. Tracy got a rushing Tracy to the ropes. Walcott then landed a right on the body. Tracy got a light left to the face and then sent his right hard to the body. Walcott then put left on the mouth and Tracy got a right hook on the jaw, neither doing much damage. The men were sparring in the center of the ring when the gong sounded. Both fought hard throughout and th

number of blows landed was about even. Tracy reached Walcott nearly every time he went for him, and was the more clever in keeping out of the way, but Walcott lander heavily when he had Tracy where he could

The preliminary bout was between Harry Harris and David Rauch of Chicago, the former at 100½ pounds and the latter at 106. It was for six rounds and was declared draw.

Joe Sturch of Chicago and Steve Flanns gan of Philadelphia met at 107 pounds. Ma-lachy Hogan of Chicago acting as referre. In the first round Flannagan had the best of it, landing several hard lefts in the face, Sturch not getting back in good shape. second round was even, Flannagan backing all around the ring, Sturch following. Both landed several good blows. The third round was Flannagan's by a shade, he landing more blows. Both men were boxing, however, rather than fighting. The fourth was even peither man landing many round was even, neither man landing man blows. The fifth was very tame, Sturel following Flannagan around and seemingly unable to land. Flannagan making little effort to reach Sturch. Neither man landed often in the sixth, and the referee declared the bout a draw, although the thought Flannagan should have had the de-cision, he having landed five blows to one by Sturch.

Henry Lyons and Eddle Santry, both of Chicago, fought a six round draw, both men fighting hard throughout. Directly after he close of this bout Tracy and Walcott entered the ring.

Winkofsky Killed in an Explosion. CHICAGO, Dec. 27,-An explosion in storage vat of the Independent browery to day caused the death of Theodore Wink day caused the death of Theodore Winkofeky. Louis Imme and Leonard Schoiler
will also probably die of their injuries. The
men were putting a coat of hard enamel
on the interior of the vat, Winkofeky was
holding an incandescent light near the side
of the vat, He accidentally struck it against
the iron. The buib was shattered and alcoholic vapors thrown off by the enamel exploded, Winkofeky was thrown through a
manhole and instantly killed. The other
two men were thrown down and could not
be rescued until the enamel had all been
consumed.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 27.—It is announced that Hon, A. P. Swineford, exgovernor of Alaska, will go to Alaska early governor of Alaska, will go to Alaska early next year to take charge of the interests in that section of the United Mines com-pany of New York. He is a stockholder in the company, having turned in his inter-ests in properties secured when territorial governor of Alaska. The company has a capital of \$1,500,000.

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MANUFACTURERS REFUSE TO YIELD.

They Cannot Accept Operatives' Compromise Offer.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 27.-The latest proposition of the operatives and the answer of the manufacturers have again left matters in this city in rather an uncertain condition, although by many the outcome anticipated CONTEST IS ENERGETIC AND VIGOROUS is an acceptance by the operatives, at least for the present, of the reduction

The proposition is understood to be a compromise between two fections in the confere committee, one favoring an immediate strike and the other postponement of all ac-tion until March. It differs from what the manufacturers, when they first heard of it, expected, and is a request that the reduction be haived—that is, 5½ per cent, instead of it 1-9, until March, when another conference is suggested to consider the conditions orevailing at that time. The answer of the manufacturers, decided upon by the committoo at a mee,ing this afterpron, is a rejection proposition, so that there is nothing oppose the reduction. In view of this condition of affairs it is

now improbable that the conference commit will make any recommendations the Textile unions, but will unions, allow them to act for themselves. The conference committee will meet again temorrow night and on Thursday night a general meetig of the weavers, spinners and carders jeers by the crowd and loud cries of "La- will be held for final action. The other unions will meet for the same purpose before the close of the week.

KENTUCKY WILL SOON BE READY.

Ship Builders Formally Notify Louisville Board of Trade LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 27.-The Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock company, the builder of the battleship Kentucky, have advised Secretary James F. Buckner, jr., of the Board of Trade, that the new craft will be ready for launching sometime after February 1. He was also notified that the cusomary launching exercises were invariably ing-the breaking of a battle over the ship's side—and informed him that a lunch would be served by the builders at which appro-

Will Wed in New York.

will go from Kentucky to the big event,

oriate toasts will be made. A large crowd

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Prof. Alexander Melville Bell, the distinguished scientist of dinburgh, Scotland, and the father of Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, will wed Mrs. H. G. Shelby of Toronto in this city within the next two weeks. The exact date of the marriage has not yet been fixed, and the place of the ceremony is to be kept a secret, as it is desired that the wedding shall be entirely private.

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NORRIS & LOVE, Carnival Managers. This ballot must be deposited within 3 days from date. Coupons may be mailed within two days to Carnival abit. Bee Office. Omaha. Collin R. Davidson, secretary of the St. Paul-Minneapolis local presenger association, spent Christmas day among his friends in Comment on the composition of the directory of the reorganized Union Pacific this afternoon was chiefly to the effect that all

City last night, and expects to be there for some time settling up matters in connection with the receivership of the Union Pacific.

Banking Not So Profitable as

ment of the dividends to be paid next month by the various banks of this city there is a general tendency to pay a lower rate of interest than heretofore. A few years ago practically all the older banks were paying interest at 4 per cent per annum, but gradually this has been changed so that next year the rate will be 3½ per cent. President McMann of the Emigrant Industrial Savings bank said

'Conditions are such now that the various banks are not earning as much as a few years ago, and consequently it is impracticable to pay a rate of interest that would perhaps tend to reduce the surplus. The tendency is even toward a lower rate, say 3 per cent, not this year, or even next, perhaps, but event-ually. Most of the 6 per cent government bonds have matured, and but a few years can clapse before they are all redeemed. While banks held these bonds it was possible to pay 4 per cent, but now in taking care of our new business it is not possible for a bank to earn more than 3% per cent on its capital. Money on call is at present very cheap, and there must be of necessity a retrenchment of some kind. Real estate cannot be counted on too strongly, and today

OSCEOLA, Neb., Dec. 26.-(Special.) -Another old veteran of this county passed to his reward last Thurs- present, son died at the age of 58. Mr. Carson was born at Kewanee, Henry county, Ill., on February 7, 1840. He was married to Miss Mr. Carson enlisted in 1863 and served in the One Hundred and Twentyconsin until the close of the war. He moved to Nebraska in 1872 and took a homestead in the Platte valley, in this county and on account of declining health moved to Osceola about five years ago. His funera

of the Republic performing the funeral

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—Captain Hor T. Draper died yesterday of paralysis at his home in Lansdowne, a suburb of this city, aged 73 years. Captain Draper was born July 4, 1825, at Brookfield, Mass. Throughout the war he was commander of the Hertford, Admiral Farragut's flagship. LONGMONT, Col., Dec. 27.—Henry L. Hayward, editor of the Longmont Ledger, is dead. He was 82 years of age and enjoyed the distinction of being the oldest editor in Colorado. He was born at Portland, Jefferson county, New York, and for forty-five years was a preacher in the Universalist denomination. He came to Colorado in 1874. JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Dan P. Horton died at his home, Finlay's Lake, today, aged about 60 years. Mr. Horton was a member of the legislature when Frank

putated at the knee about two weeks ago died at her home in this city Sunday after-She was the mother of State Senator

Christmas day, of consumption. CLEVELAND, Dec. 27.—John Donaldson, the well known sporting man, died here to-night, after a brief illness from inflammahaving stood up for ten rounds before John L. Sullivan in Cincinnati. Donaldson was best known as J. J. Corbett's sparring part-ner and trainer. He put Corbett in condition for his fights with Mitchell, Jackson and Sullivan, and was in Corbett's corner at the had a symnasium and cafe in this city.

HALTIMORE, Dec. 27 .- Dr. H. P. C. Wilon, who was known all over the world for

Cullom, colored, attempted suicide at about the same time at the penitentiary at Caldwell, N. J., today, McCullom, who attempted suicide as a joke, is dead, Bar-bain will recover,