Kurtz also stated that he had never counted Representative Dutton, who tonight came out for Senator Hanna, among his

Tomorrow Senator Hanna's workers will open headquarters to the Great Southern and Chittenden's hotels in addition to opened Tuesday in the Nell house. The number of persons holding positions by appoin ment at the various state institutions caid to the various state departments, who are acively interested in the campaign against Sonator Hanna, is the most noticeable feature of the contest tonight. At least a score working actively under the direction of This phase of the contest is beginolog to excite a great deal of common and so little criticism of Governor Bushciell who is cognizant of what is going on.

# DISCUSS HISTORY AND ECONOMICS. Two Societies Hold a Joint Session

at Cleveland. CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 30.-There was can Historical association presided jointly. A paper on "Rate-Making and Taxation-Their Resemblance and Difference," was read by Prof. Arthur P. Hadley of Yale. This was followed by five-minute discussions by members of both associations. Discussion of the subject of "The Relation of Teaching of Economic History to the Teaching of Politi-cal Economy," was led by Prof. Henry B. Gardner of Brown university, Henry R. Seager of the University of Pennsylvania and Prof. George W. Knight of the Ohio State university. At 10 o'clock luncheon was

served in the college building.
At the afternoon session of the American Economical association Prof. F. W. Tousey of Harvard college read a paper on "Son Results of an lequiry on Taxation in Mass This was followed by a discus sion on the methods of teaching in which Prof. Arthur Thadley of Yale, Pro Richmond Mayo Smith of Columbia and Prof. P. M. Taylor of Michigan university particle

Tomorrow will be devoted to a discussion of the currency question. Secretary Gage was expected to be present, but cannot come. In his absence the question will be discusse Prof. Tousey, Horace While, Senator Hanna and others.

At the afternoon session of the Historical association a paper on "State Supported Historical Societies and Their Functions" was read by R. G. Thwaiter of the State Histori-Brown university.

The following officers were elected: President, George F. Fisher; vice presidents, James F. Rhodes and Edward Egglesten; retary, Herbert B. Adams; treesurer, Clarence W. Bowen; assistant secretary and curatic, A. H. H. Clark; secretary church distory section, Samuel McCauley Jackson; executive council, Hoc. Andrew D. While, Charles K. Adams, Hon. William Wirth-ency, James B. Angell, Henry Adams, Hon. George F. Hoar, James Schuler, R. S. Storrs, Prof. H. M. Stephene, Prof. F. J. Turner, Hon, Melville W. Fuller and Prof. A. B.

was decided to hold the next meeting of the association in New Haven. It was re-ported that the association has a surplus of Of that sum \$1,000 was vo ed in support of the American Historical Review and 500 to the historical manuscript commission This evening there were several receptions the delegates, emong those entertaining Samuel Mather and Mr. and Mrs. Henry C

# MRS. BOOTH-TUCKER'S STATEMENT. Her Connection with Illness of Mrs

Ballington Booth. NEW YORK, Dec. 30,-Emma Booth Tucker, wife of Commonder Booth-Tucker, made the following statement today:

I am amazed and grisved beyond expression to read in this morning's issue of certain papers the message from Chicago, which purports that Commander Booth-Tucker spoke of Mrs. Ballington Footh's

which purports that Commander Booth's illness as of a nonserious and even feigned character. I am hoping to catch the commander on his journey west by telegram today, that I may get his own denial of this alleged statement.

In the meantime I would most unhesitatingly assert that there has been some grave misapprehension on the part of the informant in this case, and I point to our written statements, both to the press and as contained in our periodicals, as proof positive that no such attitude has for one moment been taken by us.

It is true, we have regretted sincerely that the Volunteers should have seen fit to make the lamented illness of Mrs. Booth the occasion of so painful an attack on the Salvation army. For this, however, we are not responsible, but we have absolutely refused to enter into any controversy on the subject, asserting from the first that our only feeling in the matter has been that of love and sympathy for the sufferers. In this all our headquarters staff and intimate friends can bear me out.

One word of personal explanation from myself seems recessary in regard to my visit to the hospital. It is stated that I was refused entrance to Mrs. Booth's room, This was not the case, since I did not ask to see the patient—revarding her candition as too serious. I particularly requested that the flowers and little card I left should not be taken to Mrs. Booth until such time as without disturbance she should be able to receive them. I may say that the clerk at the hospital treated me with every courtesy."

Mrs. Tacker tonight received the follow-

Mrs. Tucker tonight received the follow-Ing dispatch from Commander Booth-Tucker in enswer to an inquiry as to the truth of the statement credited to him in recent publeations concerning the illness of Mrs. Ballington Booth:

NORTH PLATTE, Neb,—Greatly regret renewed controversy. Did not impute sham-pting, neither did I deny serious illness COMMANDER BOOTH-TUCKER,

Gets a Verdiet on Cross Bill. CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—After a trial lasting exactly seven weeks a verdiet was returned in Judge Seaman's court today in the breach of contract case of the Columbus Construction company against the Crane company, awarding \$88,086 damages to the Crane company. The basis of the suit was an alleged breach of contract upon the part of the Crane company, which had been given the contract for turnishing the line of the Indiana Natural Gas company between the latter's wells and Chicago. The Columbus Construction company originally claimed \$1,000,000 damages, but later reduced this to \$200,000. The Crane company brought a cross damage suit for \$150,000. The case is quite a celebrated one, The trial just cancluded was the third, and besides the case has twice been through the court of appeals. in Judge Seaman's court today in the



# GOVERNMENT FOR ALASKA

Working Out a Scheme for Action by Congress.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES AT WORK

Sentiment Opposed to the Formation of Regular Territorial Government\_Population as Yet Too Uncertain.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 39 .- The senate and house committees on public lands and territories are at work on legislation Alaska, preparing the way for action by the two houses. The matter has been talked over in committees, and there will be some decisive action shortly after the holiday recess. The chief problem is to provide for a better government. Secretary Bliss recommended in his annual report that Alaska be made a regular organized territory. The sentiment of the committee is that the time is not yet ripe, that the population, practically dependent on the rich mining strike, is a roving one, and that even towns having a personal opinions, and remarks with pleasure that on no one point could it the said joint session this morning of the American a roving one, and that even towns having a Historical association and the Economic as- large population today may be abandoned toacclation at the Hatch library, Adelbert morrow. It is probable that there will be college. Prof. Giddings of Columbia col-lege and President Schauler of the Ameri-ment, as preferable to a general system of local legislation and territorial organiza-The jurisdiction of federal tion. there may be extended and their number increased. This is to be a temporary bridging over of the problem until the transitory

> nated. As to the extension of the general land laws, the sentiment now is that the Lacey bill of officers and engineers be amalgamated; (b) providing for this is too sweeping. The right-of-way act for railways, etc., carried by the Lacey bill, is likely to be modified, while there will be some special legislation for the protection of timber. The homestead laws will be extended. Mineral and fit to meet the heavy requirements of modified and laws will be extended. Mineral and fit to meet the heavy requirements of modified and laws (a) that the enlisted mean who are least fit to meet the heavy requirements of modified and laws (a) that the enlisted mean who are least fit to meet the heavy requirements of modified and laws (b) that the enlisted mean who are least fit to meet the heavy requirements of modified and laws (c) that the enlisted mean who are least for the fit is the special data. ownsite laws are already in force. A prime the public land law extension,

feature of the population is largely elimi-

Canadian Representative

Assistant Secretary McIkeljohn. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.-Mr. Sifton, the Canadian minister of the interior, called at cal society of Wisconsin, and "The Func- ing secured the consent of the British govtions of Research and Publication" was the ernment to the passage of United States ter with members of the house committee tions of Research and Padication was the subject of a paper by Prof. J. F. Jameson of troops to be used as guards, over Canadian Brown university. range for the admission of the supplies to duties, provided they are not sold for more than their actual cost.

It is expected that this matter can b

shortly arranged and that Mr. Sifton will be able to leave Washington at 3:30 this afternoon on his return to Canada. Mr. Sifton says that the only practicable route to Dawson City is what is known as the White Pass, or commonly called the "lake route." commencing at Skagway, on Linn canal.

He states that they have eighty-five men in the territory, and expect to have fifty more at Skagway on or before January 5. They ve twenty tons of supplies now stored a Skagway for transportation over the pass, which will be added ten tons with the next ten days. The Canadian authorities have a post at Lake Bennett, another at Tagash, at which latter place twenty men re stationed; another post at White Horse aplds and two posts intervening between he latter point and Fort Selkirk.

It is the intention of the Canadian governnent to have a detachment of 2 050 men in he territory within the next thirty days. partment, which will leave Skagway on or former system. At fore February 1. tion, provided the co-operation cannot be consummated. The government duties upon all supplies sent in under military control will be waived by the Canadian government. The minister was over the pass in October ast. He stated that his government would be very glad to grant our expedition the use of its posts on the route, and grant all other facilities to the movement of our expedition over its territory.

## RECOMMENDS THE SKAGWAY ROUTE Thinks it the Best for the Govern-

ment's Expedition. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- Secretary Alger has received two reports from Captain Robinson, the contract quartermaster at Seattle, ferent trails leading from the scabcard into the Klondike country. He made a thorough inquiry under the direction of the secretary. and in substance his conclusions, reached C. O. Crampton, and one on "Some Thoughts after conference with Jack Dalton and other Concerning the Teaching of Chemistry," by experts, is that the Dalton trail is not well Capted to the uses of the government ex- sion edition during the winter, but that the Skagway route is probably the best.

The captain says he has had an interview with one men who claims to have 70,000 bounds of beef stored at Lake Bennett, which he is willing to sell at \$1 per cound. The same man says he has 10,000 pounds of corn and twenty or thirty borses at the same place, with which he proposes to organize a sled train into Dawson.

Captain Robinson says himself that his opinion is that the difficulty of reaching Dawson has been very much exaggerated, and that a good army officer could make his way in with an expedition. Montana horses should be used.

# TWO COUNTRIES WORK IN HARMONY for Relief Expedition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- The arrangement effected between Mr. Sifton in behalf of Canada and the War department contemplates that the relief expedition shall be executed jointly by the United States army and a force of the mounted police of Canada, which constitutes the military arm of the Dominion. The United States force will proceed with the relief stores to Skagway, where it

will be joined by the Canadian mounted po-lice, about forty in number, and the two forces will then proceed together to the points where the relief is to be distributed. The determination as to Skagway is, however, still open. The Canadian officials concede much latitude to the American authorities in him from any imputation that might have the actual distribution, recognizing that the expedition is fitted out on this side, although

on the Canadian side of the border. No du-tics will be imposed on the stores carried by the relief expedition.

Mr. Sifton also held a conference with Sec-retary Gage and discussed the unsatisfactory condition of customs regulations along the border and at coast ports where goods are received by one country for transportation to the other country. It was the mutual feeling that an improvement of the system

could be made and negotiations are in progress which are hoped to effect changes advantageously to both sides. Mr. Siften left for Ottawa at 4 p. m.

PROVIDE FOR NAVAL PROMOTIONS.

Incompetent Officers to be Weeded Out of the Service. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- Assistant Secre tary Roosevelt has submitted to Secretary Long a most exhaustive report upon the perscennel of the navy. He was charged with a moins to show up the present etagnation in promotion, to settle long standing differences between the line and engineer corps and to establish a better condition for the enlisted men on board ships. All these things have been done in a bill, which is submitted to the secretary for his approval, the features of which have already been sent out by the Associated Press. But Mr. Roose veit's presentation of the evils of the present cituation and the reasons which have in-fluenced the board in making its recommendations are set forth in the accompanyteen thrown upon this complex subject and it is presumed that it will have influence

with congress, to which the matter is soon to be committed. Mr. Rocewelt pays his compliments to the members of the but the line and staff members divided as classes. As to the results attained, he says: "I am able, without qualification, to rewould, if enacted into law, be of literally in calcumble good to the navy and would make our naval service the pieceer in the prope colution of problems, some of which are old, but some of which are so new that they have not yet been solved by any naval na-

"The board recommends, (a) that the line ern raval duty; (c) that the enlisted men difficulty is the absence of surveys, and it is shoard ship be given the same reward of sail that in all probability there are some pension and retirement enjoyed by their portions of Alaska that never will be sur-This interferes with the operation of most machinists are made warrant officers to rack with the gunners and carpenters."

### CONSIDER METHODS OF RELIEF. AFTER THE PENSION ATTORNEYS Commissioner Evans Trying to Ge

Rid of Them. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—Com missioner of Pensions Evans has been givhe War department by appointment today ing some attention to a proposition whereby and had a long conference with Assistant the services of pension attorneys engaged Secretary Meiklejohn, who is giving his at- in the prosecution of claims before the office tention to the Klondike relief expeditions may be dispensed with, and their work done furing the illness of Secretary Alger. Hav- by officials under government auporvision Informally, he has been discussing the mat on invalid penators, but is not yet pro-pared to outline the details of his plan. The present system, ne says, is wrong, and should have been done away with long age.

Discontinuing the services of the attorney would result in a great saving to both 14th loners and the government, and liability to frauds in issuing pensions would be reduced to a minimum. Under government super vision the pension bureau would have direct control of the persons appointed to look after the cases, whose business it would be to se that all honest claims were premptly and intelligently presented. The commissione notes the fact that \$13,500,000 has been paid during the last thirteen years to pen sion attorneys by applicants for the preso cution of their claims

### VENEZUELA SEEKS RECIPROCITY Profits by Its Experience Under the

McKinley Bill. WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 .- It is said that one of the purposes of the present visitto Weshington of the United States minister o Venezuela, Mr. Tomas, is to start negotlations for a resignocity treaty between Vene-This detachment will be ready to leave Skag. zuelo and the United States. Tals is rather way on January 15, but the enthister has an unexpected step, as Venezuela was one kindly consented to hold the expedition that of the few South American countries which of the few South American countries it may accompany the expedition of the War | did not make a reciprocity treaty under the this time, however, The government has Venezuela suffered by having its coffee praccause Epizil and other coffee producing cour tries had the reduced duties under the ce ciprocity treaties. This experience makes Venezuela one of the first of the southern republics to consider the question ciprocity treaty under the Dingley law.

> CHEMISTS CLOSE THEIR MEETING. Elect Large Number of New Members

to the Society. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- The meeting of the American Chemical society was concluded today. The chief business transacted was the election of thirty-seven new memhers and two associate members. The new members nearly all hold important positions outhing the respective merits of the dif- in the large manufacturing concerns of the world, and the list, while largely confined to the United States, includes almost every country from England to the Fiji islands. A paper on "Glucose in Butter," by Prof.

Prof. Mason, were presented at the day ses-The delegates were received by President McKinley this afternoon. Tonight they were entertained by the resident members at a banquet, and tomorrow will be devoted to

sight-seeing. Making a Study of Gun Firing WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- Acting Secre tary Roosevelt was today in consultation with the chiefs of the ordnance, navigation and engineering bureaus, respecting the subject of gun fire on shipboard. It is the intention to make a set of experiments on a large scale to ascertain whether it is not possible to greatly improve the present methods of gun firing, particularly in the

points of accuracy and rapidity of fire. Pensioner May Be Reinstated. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The Postoffice department bas ruled that an ex-union soldler drawing a cension under the dependent persica law may be reinstated in a position he formerly occupied in the service. The case arose in connection with the application of a veteran employed in the Philade'chia postoffice. In order to obtain a pension under the dependent act he must swear that he is

do manual labor. Military Attache for Sweden. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.-Major Livermore of the engineer corps has been detailed as military attache at Copenhagen and Stockresulted from his failure to receive the as-signment as engineer member of the Nicaraa considerable part of its work will be done gua Canal commission. At present Major on the Canadian side of the border. No du- Livermore is stationed at Boston in charge of lighthouse work.

Comptroller Eckels Leaves Today. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- Comptroller of the Currency James H. Eckels, whose resignation will take effect tomorrow, called upon the president this afternoon to pay his respects and say goodbye. Mr. Eckels will leave for Chicago tomorrow morning. His successor, Charles G. Dawes, will qualify as comptroller tomorrow and take charge of the

office next Monday. Seminoles Ratify Agreement. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- A dispatch received at the Interior department announces that the government of the Seminole nation of Indians has ratified the agreement recently entered into between the Dawes Indian commission and a similar body repre-senting the Seminoles. The agreement must now be ratified by congress to become ef

Reciprocity with Venezuela. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- Francis B. Loomis, United States minister to Venezuela, has arrived in Washington. He is on leave of absence from his post, and while in Washington during the coming week he will advise with the officials on the subject of negotiating a reciprocity treaty and also a parcels post convention between the United

Regulations Issued Under the Pelagic Sealing Bill.

STATISTICS FOR SEAL SKIN GARMENTS

special board to consider and report upon Rigid Rules Prohibiting Importation Into This Country, Whether as Merchandise or Personal Property.

> WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- The secretary of the treasury, with the approval of the president, has issued regulations under the act of congress signed yesterday, prohibiting the can avoid so doking are willing taking of sealskins by American citizens except on the Pribyloff islands, and inhibiting the importing into this country of pelagic sealskins. The regulations provide that no scalakins

raw, dressed, dved or otherwise manufactured, shall be admitted to entry in the United States, except there be attached to the invoice a certificate signed by the United States consul at the place of exportation that said ekins were not taken from seals killed within the waters mentioned in said act, specifying in detail the locality of such taking, whether on land or at sea, and also from the persons from whom said skins were and the lot number. Consuls shall require satisfactory evidence of the truth of such facts by oath or otherwise before giving any

It is further provided that no fur seal skins, raw, dressed, dyed or otherwise manu-factured, shall be admitted to entry as pare of a passenger's personal effects unless ac companied by an inv by an invoice certificate by the

All fur sen'skins, whether raw, dressed dyed or otherwise manufactured, the invoice of which are not accompanied by the certifi-cate above prescribed, are directed to be seized by the collector of customs and de

SKINS MUST BE STAMPED. Every article manufactured, in whole or i part, from fur sealskins, to be imported into he United States, is required to have legible stamped thereon the name of the manufa turer and place of manufacture, and shall be accompanied by a statement in writing un er the outh of the manufacturer that the skins used in said article were taken from seals not killed at sea within the proscribed waters mentioned, specifying the locality in detail, and also the person from whom said skins were purchased in their raw and dressed state, the date of said purchase and

the lot number. It is also provided that when an applica tion is made to a consul for a certificate these regulations the invoice and proofs of origin presented by the exporter shall be submitted to the treasury agen designated for the purpose of investigation All manufactured articles from sealsking nd imported into the United States shall have the linings so arranged that the pel of the skin or skins underneath shall be ex posed for examination, and all such skins o articles, whether imported as merchandla or as part of a passenger's effects, are re quired to be sent to the public stores for careful examination and inspection to prevent evasion of the law.

All garments of this character taken from his courtry may be re-entered on presenta-ion of a certificate of ownership from the ollector of customs of the port of departure which certificate shall have been obtained by the owner of the garment by offering same to the collector for inspection before

caving this country. In speaking of the se regula lons, Assistant Secretary Howell said that neither the lawspor the regulations would be made to apply either to skins or garments made of skins which were shipped to the United States and were actually on the ocean Wednesday mornias, December 29, the time the act was signed by the president. Evidonce of the time of shipment, however would be required.

CHANCES FOR TRADE IN CHINA Hostile Demonstrations Raising

Barrier. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- Some facts of ension of trade into China are offered by United States Consul Covert at Lyons France, in a special report to the State de partment. The consul had before him some of the conclusions reached by the French commission, which has just returned to France from China, where it had been sent to discover means of extending French trade. Recause the results of a former commission brough publication, had been of more value o British manufacturers than to the French. the present commission does not publish its report in full, but retains the detailed information for communication privately to French merchants. Meanwhile a brief report has been made to the Lyons Chamber of Commerce and this sets out in concise form he wonderful opportunities for trade extension in populous China, the undevelopmineral resources of the country, and the progress already made by the Germans now become redoubtable rivals of the Eng lish in China. The consul says that while the great nations of Europe are grasping Chinese territory, it is probable that the most desirable conquests may be achieved by peaceful methods. Civilized nations hav to accomplish it by war and conquest do no more than strengthen the Chinese wall.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- Assistant Secretary Day has just received a response from the superintendent of the Ward line steamers in New York City, in answer to his inquiry as to whether he could announce that his line would convey supplies to Cuba for the relief of the suffering people free of cost, The prompt answer was:

Will be pleased to accept supplies for Cuban sufferers, free of cost. Presume they will be consigned to General Lee. The Anaconda (Mont.) Standard telegraphed last night that the secretary of state could draw on the National Park bank of New York for \$800, already subscribed and paid in by Montana people for the benefit of the without means of support and is unable to from the same source January 1.
All of this money is being distributed

through Consul General Lee. The secretary of state has directed the disbursing officer of the state department Frank A. Branagan, to take charge of any money and supplies that may be delivered and forward the same to Consul General Lee at Hayana.

Mr. Roosa, the dispatch agent of the State department at New York, has been directed to draw the \$800 contributed by the people of Montana through the Anaconda Standard, and with that sum purchase and send to General Lee condensed milk.

PRESIDENT IS COMING WEST. Promises to Visit Rock Island During August.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—President Mc-

Kinley's western trip next August is now a certainty, unless congress should remain in session and thereby prevent his leaving Washington. He has promised to attend the meeting of the Union Veteran league at Rock Island, Ill., next August unless some-thing unforessen should prevent. After that the president will go further west, if possible, and welt the Yellowstone park and other places of interest. Protecting Industrial Property.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- A dispatch received at the State department from Minister Storer at Brussels reports the adjournment on December 15 of the international union for the protection of industrial property. The union, which has been in session for some time, was composed of representatives from most of the European countries, the United States and Brazil. There was a general States and Brazil. There was a general discussion on the subject of patents, trade marks and other matters pertaining to the protection of industrial property. The union reached an agreement on a number

of recommendations that had been submitted. As to others, some of the delegates felt they were without power to act and negotiations regarding them will be conducted be-tween governments interested. The next

NAVAL COURTS LACK AUTHORITY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The naval au-

horities have long regarded the provisions of existing laws relating to the administration of justice as defective in that naval courts-martial are not empowered to secure the attendance and testimony of civilian witfacts. It often happens that important facts are exclusively known by civilians and their testimony is required before almost every important pavel court-martial, rarely happens that witnesses happens in such cases, Long says that from an examination c legislation on this subject it does not appear by any means clear that congress intended to leave courts-martial in such a position He has submitted to the bouse naval com mittee a draft of a bill to remedy evils without giving the naval courts undue authority. The first section involves only an extension to the judge advocate of caval courts-martial and courts of inquiry of powers now possessed by judge advocates of army courts. The section has been drawn in conformity with the similar design to meet precisely the same difficulty which had arisen formity in the British service, providing for certifleation for contempt if necessary to the nearest United States court for punishment.

Chance for Stamp Contractors. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- The Postoffice department has prepared advertisements. which will soon be issued, inviting proposals for furnishing adhesive postage stamps for the government for the four years beginning July 1 next. The issues advertised for include the ordinary stamps, news and periodi-cal stamps, postage due stamps and those for special delivery. The number required per year approximates 3,000,000,000. Under a special arrangement made nearly four years ago the work of furnishing stamps is now done by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the bids received by the Postoffic atamps having been rejected. The arrange ment terminates July 1, when the new cor tract which will result from the advertisement about to be issued will become ef

Reports on Mare Island Navy Yard WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.-Lieutenant J. J. Knapp has arrived at the Navy department from Mare Island, Cal., where he has made a thorough investigation of the conduct of the navy yards, so far as concerns the em of labor. Mr. Knapp gave particular lar attention to the complaints that have ome to the Navy department from the vet erans who allege they have suffered from discrimination. The results of the inquiry have been embodied in a long report whi has been submitted to Acting Secretary Roosevelt but until he has an opportunity to go through it nothing will be made public as to the conclusions and recommendations reached by Lieutenant Knapp,

### Saves His Citizenship. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.-The presiden has granted a pardon to L. I. Roscocrans of

Montana, sentenced January 30, 1896, to co year's imprisonment in the Minnesota state positioniary for violating the postal laws The pardon was issued to restore Roscucrans to citizenship. Washington Notes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 .- Assistant Sec-

retary Day left Washington tonight for a

short visit to Canton. He will return Sun-Commander Hanford has been ordered to take charge of the Tenth light house dis-trict at Buffalo in place of Commander

Daily Treasury Statement. WASHINGON Dec. 30 .- Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$250,721,730; gold

IDAHO STAGE COACH IS HELD UP

LEWISTON, Idaho, Dec. 30 .- The Lewis ton-Mount Idaho stage was held up at 1 o'clock Tuesday night by two highwaymen one mile from Grangeville. The passengers were relieved of about \$60, and the robbers secured the contents of two mail sacks, but missed the one containing registered money packages. After the robbery the driver was instructed to turn the stage back toward Cottonwood, the robbers following at a shor-distance. When the robbers disappeared the triver resumed the journey to Grangeville At Grangeville there is great excitement and a vizilance committee has been organ ized. Last night's robbery is supposed to be the work of the same element who have made two attempts within the past week to destroy the town by fire, and the citizens of that place are determined to use every means

# STRICKEN DOWN WITH A HATCHET Colored Woman's Fate at Hands of

Her Husband. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 30 .- Nellie Johnson young negress, was chopped to death with a hatchet last night in an alley near Tenth equal interests in opening the trade of China and Wyandotte streets, in the business disto the world and the powers that attempt triet of the city. Her husband was the murderer. He called her from their house into TAKES SUPPLIES TO CUBA FREE. The woman threw up her hands to protect Steamship Line Responds to Relief ran to the scene they found her dying. Each of eight blows upon her head had split the skull and her hands had been literally chopped to pieces. One finger was missing. Near by stood a horse and an express wagor in which there were ropes tied with a heavy stone. It had evidently been the intention of the murderer to throw his victim into the river, but the woman's outery had prevented this being done. Johnson is still at arge.

DISTRIBUTION OF TRIBAL FUNDS

lowas Send a Petition to the Federal Congress. CHICAGO, Dec. 30.-The Post's Washing ton special says: The Iowa tribe of Indians living in Kansas and Nebraska, has just sent Cuban sufferers. More money is promised to congress a petition asking to have their tribal trust funds distributed pro rata among the members of the tribes and credited to the several shareholders individually on the books of the Treasury department, to be dispursed for the the benefit of each individual at the discretion of the secretary of the interior, the balance, if any, to be paid to the heirs of each on his death, according to the state laws governing inheritance. Their petiin the tribe who cannot write his own name

> Renders the X-ltny Harmless. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 30.—In a letter receive by a physician of this city from George A Apostoli, the noted French physician and Apostoli, the noted French physician and surgeen, Apostoli says he has discovered the secret of preventing the evil effects which usually ensue from the application of the X-ray. He says that he simply connects the machine with the ground by a metallic circuit, Under that system he has turned the X-ray upon hundreds of patients and not once has there been any deleterious effects.

is bequeathed to the Pennsylvania hospital is bequeathed to the Pennsylvania hospital, The will was probated today and the bequest is made contingent upon the death of the son and daughter of the testatrix without issue. The estate is estimated at over \$2,000.000. Other institutions to which bequests are made are the Pennsylvania, Museum and School of Industrial Art and the Zoological gardens.

Pool Stocks of Whisky. LOUISVILLE, Dec. 30.—Leading Kentucky distillers have inaugurated a movement for a pool of the big stocks of past years. It is asserted that 500,000 barrels of whisky will be put into the pool. A committee on dis-tribution will be employed. The whisky firms at Cincinnati, St. Louis, Peoria, Chi-cago and other places are interested in the enterprise, which has not yet been perfectly arranged for operation.

meeting probably will be held in Washing-

Cannot Compet Attendance of Civil- THROWS SOME BOUQUETS AT H.MSELF

Sporting Man as an Earnest that He Means Business.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 30 .- James J. Corbett today gave to the Times-Star for publica tion his challenge to fight Robert Fitzsim mone as follows:

CINCINNATI, Dec. 30.—Your published declaration, Mr. Fitzsimmons, that you intend re-entering, pleases me more than I can at present express to you, for I know that the public esteems me to be the only candidate for the honors you thus place within reach.

I am sorry, however, to note that in

that the public esteems me to be the only candidate for the honors you thus place within reach,

I am sorry, however, to note that in wording this declaration, you give me the impression that since we last met you cave become unwisely forgetful. For instance, you say that before I can claim a return match with you, I must prove myself to be worthy of it You certainly intended this as a joke, for no one in the world knows my ability better than yourself, You cannot so soon have forsotten your remark to me at Carson, just after the battle. "Jim," you said in your simple, earnest way, "I'll never fight again. You've given me a bloody good lieking," You, the winner, uttered these words, with face and body so battered as to leave no doubt of your sincerity, while I, the loser, listened with never a bruise or scratch from head to foot which could contradict you.

Is this consistent with your now requesting me to go prove myself bo be a worthy opponent? You will find the confidence of the public in my ability to entertain you still unshaken. You will find that the public will insist upon your recognizing my claim that you must meet me again. But surely you have been misrepresented. I refuse to credit you with the lame memory, broken judgment, poor taste and entire untruthfulness which the printed remarks alleged to have been made by you would imply. I prefer to think that those who have entered the ring with me were men, sonest, brave and locapable of the vulgar, lying and cowardly language in which the newspaper version of your remarks was couched. However well I know that the great journals try to be, and usually are, accurate to the letter in reporting utterances made by important men upon important subjects, I prefer to believe that in this case a grave error has been made somehow, somewhere and for a purpose not worthy of one who wishes to be considered.

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What the public expects from me is to maintain the manly dignity of the ring and not be a brawler, nor a shifty evader of the honest principles which govern honest men when adjusting their respective

This is all I have to say. But this is This is all I have to say. But this is what I propose to do: The day we sign articles, I will give you \$1,000 in recognition of your courtesy. The moment you enter the ring ready to offer me battle I will give you a second \$1,000 in token of my pleasure. Upon the completion of the tenth round, if you are still undefeated, I will give you a third \$1,600 as a souvenir of my surprise. Upon defeating you no matter in what round I will give you \$2,000 more as a reminder that I am not an ungenerous foe.

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On the other hand should you again defeat me I promise, if still able to move, to place my hat upon my head and then, removing it in your honor, to proclaim you in frank and unmistakable terms to be my superior and state that I then and there quit forever all possible claim to the championship of the world.

Let further remarks on this subject be made by 1,000 clean, honestly earned American dollars, given me by the public that believes in me. I have this day forwarded these to Will J. Davis of Chicago in testimony that I mean every word I have herein spoken, JAMES J. CORBETT, Champlon of America. Champion of America,

WILL IGNORE BRADY'S CHALLENGE Julian Insists that Corbett Must First

Whip Maher.
CHICAGO, Dec. 30,-"We shall pay no attention to it," said Martin Julian today when asked what he and Fitzsimmons would do in regard to Corbett's formal challenge of the champion, Fitzsimmons himself re fused to discuss the subject in accordance Highwaymen Rob the Passengers and Mail Sacks.

with his new plan of operations, which is to let Julian do all the talking.

"We have told Corbett what he can do."

continued Julian, "Bob did not want to re-"We have told Corbett what he can do." continued Julian, "Bob did not want to reenter the ring at all, but at last I persuaded him to promise to fight again on certain conditions. These were, as I explicitly stated, that he would consider fighting only two men-Corbett and McCoy-and that he should fight them only after Corbett had defeated Maher, and after McCoy had defeated a man named by me, I have named Choynski for McCoy to fight, Now, Corbett may wear himself out talking about betting \$10,000 that he can whip Fitzsimmons."

Concerning McCoy and Choynski, Julian said: "I am going to hold McCoy to his promise that he would give Choynski the next show at him. He cannot get out of it by saying Choynski must come down to Isspounds, for he knows Joe cannot do that."

Julian admitted that if McCoy insisted he wanted to fight no man outside of the middleweight limit, he Gullian might consent to name a middleweight, "But," he said, "It will not be Walcott, nor will it be Tommy Ryan."

CORBETT MUST TRY MAHER FIRST. If He Wins Fitzsimmons Will Give Him a Chance.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Tom O'Rourke has wired to the Associated Press from Fort Wayne, Ind., as follows: "Julian and Fitzimmons have named Joe Walcott at the middleweight limit to meet McCoy and Peter Maher to meet Corbett, If McCoy and Corbett win from Walcott and Maher, Fitz-simmons will meet both of them afterwards, These are the only conditions Fitzsii will make with McCoy and Corbett,'

HARVARD WINS MORE MATCHES. Cambridge Men Lead in the Chess

Tournament.
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The fourth round of the intercollegiate chess tournament wa begun at the Columbia Grammar school in this city today, when the pairings and open ings were as follows: Southard (Harvard) and Meyer (Columbia), guiceo piano, which

and Meyer (Columbia), guiceo piano, which turned into an Evans gambit; Hewins (Harvard) and Seward (Columbia), counter center gambit; Young (Princeton) and Cook (Yale), French defense; Carter (Princeton) and Murdoch (Yale), Details of the play;
On the first board Southard opened with a guiceo piano and afterward turned the game into a regular Evans gambit. The Columbian made a good fight, but he had finally to submit to a reverse after twenty-eight moves, owing to the superior tactles of the Harvard man.

Seward tried a counter center gambit against Hewins and held his own until the middle stage of the game was reached, when he compromised his position and lost after twenty-rive moves.

Cook got much the better game against Young, who played rather carelessly at first, Later on Cook made a fatal error and the contest ended in fayor of Young after forty-one moves.

etate laws governing inheritance. Their petition is signed with full written signatures, with the exception of one man, the only adult in the tribe who cannot write his own name.

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Harvard
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EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS. Only Two Favorites Are Winners at

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.-Harry Duke and Viscount, both of whom outclassed Two Million for a Hospital.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—By the will ley E was the only one fancied in the least of Mrs. Henrietta R, Fales Baker, \$2,000.000 and even he had but mild support. The attheir fields, were the only winning favorites today. Of the successful long shots Dudley E was the only one fancied in the least tendance was good and the track fair, Results: First race, one mile: What Next won Springtime second and Ardath third. Time

Springtime second and Ardath third. Time: 1.45%.
Second race, thirteen-sixteenths of a mile: Dudley E won, Belle of Memphis second and Chiffon third. Time: 1.24%.
Third race, mile and an eighth, over four hurdles: Brakeman won, Repeater second and Uncle Jim third. Time: 2.09.
Fourth race, six furiongs: Harry Duke won, Sligo second and Hibernia Queen third. Time: 1.16%.
Fifth race, mile and a sixteenth: Viscount won, Lamore second and Mount Washinston third. Time: 1.530.—Weather clear and track fast at Ingleside today, The sixth race was declared off and a sixturions selling race substituted. Results: Fifst race, purse, seven furions:

CHALLENGE FROM CORBETT

Triumph won, Twinkle Twin second and Rey det Diablo third, Time: 1:30%.

Second race, six furlongs: Midlight won, Cash Day second and Miss Lynch third, Time: 1:40%.

Taird race, one mile, gentlemen riders: Dick Behan won, Atticus second and Preside third, Time: 1:40%.

Fourth race, one mile, purse: Buckwa won, The Roman second and orlmar third, Time: 1:41%.

Fifth race, in and an eighth: Perseus won, Can't Dance second and San Marco third, Time: 1:55%.

Sixth race, six furlongs: Major Cook won, Meadow Lark second and Pat Murphy third, Time: 1:155%.

PULL EACH OTHER TO A DRAW. Turners and Tourists Indulge in a

There was a royal tug-of-war match last night at Germania hall between picked teams from the Tourist Wheel club and the Purner Wheel club. For five minutes the eight men on a side tugged and pulled and jerked against the other eight men and when time was called neither side had sucseded in budging the chalk line over the nark. The contest was therefore declared

draw. The match was the result of a challenge The match was the result of a challenge that was issued several weeks ago by the Turners to any wheel club in the city. For a time the defi was allowed to lay, but the Tourists finally picked it up. Both teams have been training for some time in anticipation of the contest and they were both therefore in pretty good condition. In the start there was a little dispute between Capatins Hartry and Kuhn regarding the number of men to be allowed on each side, no condition regarding this having been previously made. The trouble arose the number of men to be allowed on each side, no condition regarding this having been previously mads. The trouble arose over the fact that the two teams had worked up a different position on the slats. By their scheme the Turners could not get more than eight men down, while the Tourists have been working with nine. Captain Hartry of the Tourists finally conceded the point and the match was pulled off with eight men to a team.

The Turners had the following team: Henry Rix, anchor, 215 pounds; Paul Wurl, 155 pounds; Phil Mueller, 170 pounds; John Krauger, 145 pounds; Emil Rohif, 175 pounds; Henry Windhelm, 190 pounds; Dan Taylor, 160 pounds; Henry Rohif, 204 pounds, Their total weight was 1814 pounds.

The Tourists team was made up as foliows; H. E. Fredrickson, anchor, 205 pounds; E. A. Proulx, 185 pounds; Pete Peterson, 175 pounds; Lou Mather, 165 pounds; Lou Adams, 182 pounds; Bot Baxter, 178 pounds; Tom Spencer, 165 pounds; C. R. Hall, 165 pounds. The total weight was 1890 pounds.

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Both teams were greeted with cheers from the audience, in which there was a good sprinkling of women, when they took their positions on the slats. The Turners were in their grey uniforms and the Tourists had a rig of duck pants and red, white and blue sweaters. Dave O'Brien was time-keeper and Clinton Franklin was referee.

For the first three minutes of the contest the chalk mark was pulled to and fro across the line with boners about even. A concerted pull on the part of one of the teams gained an inch or two, but this was speedily regained by the other side. Finally, in the next minute and a half the Turners succeeded in pulling the rope about two inches, but before the final half minute expired the Tourists succeeded in getting the chalk mark back to the line again. Referee Franklin therefore declared the contest a draw.

Neither team expressed themselves as satisfied with the result and therefore there is likelihood of another match in the near future to determine the matter of suprisancy. It is very probable, also, that some of the other wheel clubs in the city will get up teams to compete in a sort of a tournament, now that the lee is broken.

After the match last night being the occasion of one of the series of monthly dances the Turners are giving during the winter.

Convention of Gymnesium Directors.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 30,-The directors of the college gymnasiums of the United States will hold a convention at the Knickerbocker Amateur club tomorrow, After forming a permanent organization and electing officers permanent organization and electing officers the directors will discuss the adoption of a uniform system of strength tests for all colleges. It is proposed to adopt a uniform system in testing the strength of different groups of muscles. If a student is prohibited on account of physical disability from participating in certain sports at one college he will be debarred by all universities where the uniform system is accepted. Among those who have promised to attend the meeting are: D. R. Anderson, Vale; Dr. Sargent, Harvard; Dr. Savage, Columbia; Prof. Goldle, Princeton; Dr. Linhart, Ohio State university; Dr. Hitchcock, Cornell, and Dr. Voorhees, Pratt institute of Brooklyn.

Gives Up Skating Contest. MONTREAL, Dec. 39.—The council of the Canadian Amateur Skating association has decided not to hold any speed skating iships this year, as there are very skaters available. The figure skating apponships will be held at the end of

Strike a Good Flow of Oil. CROWN POINT, Ind., Dec. 30,-J. J. Van Buskirk of Medaryville, while drilling for water, has struck a good flow of oil of fine water, has struck a good how of oil of fine quality. The Indiana and Ohio Oil company has investigated the surrounding territory in Jasper county and has filed with the county recorder oil leases, which cover sev-eral farms in the vicinity of Medaryville. The company will at once sink wells and search for oil.

Crew of Wrecked Steamer Saved. PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 30,-The Bath schooner Arcola, Captain Weeks, bound to Boston from Randolph, Me., with a cargo of lumber, was wrecked on Green island early this morning. The crew, after cling-ing to the rigging for four hours, were taken off. The schooner is rapidly going

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