SARRY UNRIGHER DURENT AVAILABLE A VALUE OF CHARGE OF SARRY CO.

from a municipality the right of self-govern-ment. They say that the law is also with them on the proposition that a governor has no right to assume the executive functions of a city and appoint parties to office, especially in cases where the officers are to be paid from the public treasury of the city. TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

After hearing the arguments, Judge Scott announced that he considered the case one of great importance and that he did not de-eire undue haste in passing upon its merits. He said that he would prepare an opinion

covering the issues involved.

During the hearing Messrs, McCoy and Olmstead argued that there were vacancies upon the board and that the manner in which Gregory, Bullard, Peabody and Herd-man were holding control was contrary to the theory of the government of this coun-

Judge Scott in discussing the case said that it seemed to him that if the legislature had the right to pass a law empowering the governor to appoint the members of the Omaha Fire and Police Commission, it could go still farther and give him authority to appoint the mayor, the council and all of the municipal officers. The present fire and police commission jaw, Judge Scott said, was passed for the purpose of taking the fire police departments out of politics. It had resulted in taking the two departments out of city politics, but it had placed them under absolute control of the state political machine.

Stockholders Disagree.

The officers and incorporators of the New Mexico Dry Ore Concentrating company have started a lawsuit among themselves, one faction securing a restraining order that prevents the other faction from holding the the center of the space which gave way. The

nnual election. The New Mexico Dry Ore Concentrating Keysor and secured a restraining order against Jesse and Eugene Waugh and William E. Hitchcock, the terms of which en-join the defendants from preventing the oldicitiffs from voting at an election that it

Yesterday Sheriff McDonald received papers from Lancaster county to be served upon all of the officers of the company, Eugene Waugh having secured an injunction from a judge in that county, who restrained apany from holding the election. In the plending on file it is alleged that the cap-Ital stock of the company is \$1,000,000, divided into shares of \$1 each

Opposes the Gas Company's Plan

Frederick Schlemme has secured a ten porary order restraining the Omaha Gas Manufacturing company from constructing a holder on its property at Twentieth street and Poppleton avenue. The order was secured before Judge Scott and the case set for hear-ing next Monday morning. In his petition plaintiff alleges that he ewns property adjoining the lot on which it is proposed to construct the holder and that its erection will impair the value of his lots and endanger the health of the members of his

County Court's Term.

The January term of the county court opened yesterday morning with eight-five cases on the call. The docket is the largest in entablishing the municipal court.

COMDITION OF THE WHEAT CROP.

Large Increase in the Acreage Over Last Year.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4 .- The special crop re port of the New York Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin says: Final returns make the area of winter wheat 26,663,cent. The increase on the Pacific coast, that is in California, Oregon and Washington, is :3,969,000, as against 3,798,000 acres last year. There has been a material increase in wheat seeding in the southern states, due to the price of cotton. The increases are North Carolina, 20 per cent; South Carolina 15 per cent; Alabama, 17 per cent; Missis sippi, 22 per cent; Louisiana, 20 per cent; Texas, 19 per cent; Arkansas, 22 per cent Tennessee, 20 per cent, and Kentucky, It per cent. In the more important when producing states north and west the creased acreage is: Ohio, 4 per cent, Mich igan, 16 per cent; Indiana, 6 per cent; Illipois 6 per cent; Missouri, 10 per cent; Kansas, 19 per cent; California, 4 per cent; Ore-gon, 10 per cent, and Washington, 5 per cent Favorable weather during December im-proved the conditions of wheat. The present average is \$7.8 per cent, as against \$1.1 per cent last mosth. In the six principal states east of the Rocky mountains the improvement has been more noticeable. The condition now is 84.8 per cent as compared with coast plant life is in nearly perfect condition The average for Oregon is 99 per cent; Wash. ington, 98 per cent, and California, 96 per The average for the three states is 96.6 per cent, as compared with 94.8 per cent month. Unfavorable results of drouth and late seeding have been partially counteracted by favorable weather during the last The temperature has been be low normal and thus far there has been no urgent need of snow protection. No damage s reported from ice or freezing. The condiat 87.8 per cent is equivalent to about 14.6 bushels per acre, indicating an aggregate winter wheat yield at date in the neighborhood of 300,000,000 bushels. Accordto January returns there are 240,000,000 bushels of wheat held on farms, which is per cent of last year's production. On corresponding date last year there were held in the same position 190,000,000 bushels. Of this total the principal winter wheat states cast of the Rocky mountains have 83,000,000 bushels, of 44.4 per cent. Of the last eron Minnesota and the Dakotas have 53,000,000 bushels, or 41 per cent, and the Pacific coast has 30,000,000 bushels, or 38.9 per cent. The present estimated supply o wheat in all positions is 315,000,000 bushels Demestic requirements for bread to next July, 150,000,000 bushels; and for spring seeding, say 20,000,000 more in all, 170,000,000 bushels—leaving a surplus for export during the ensuing six months and for home reserve at the end of June of 145,000,000

South Daketa Appointments.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- (Special Tele gram.)-The following recommendations for tederal appointments in South Dakota will in all probability be sent to the senate for confirmation tomorrow or early thereafter: Westfiahl and Charles A. Baker, for appointment as receiver and register, respecof the land office at Huron; George E Poster of Alexandria, as register at Mitchell Thomas H. Coniff, receiver at Pierre, and John S. Vetter, register, and Frank A. receiver at Aberdeen. The name of Frank A. Morris has also been recommended appointment on surveyor geneal of South Dakota. He was a prominent candidate for the marshalship. The sopolntment of Indian agents has not yet been taken up by Secretary Bliss, but as soon as the secretary reaches those appointments it is understood that John R. Brennan of Rapid City, S. D., nted agent at Pine Ridge to succeed Captain Chrop.

Decision Was in Worden's Case. WASHINGTON.Jan. 4.—The California train wrecking case decided in the United States court yesterday and referred to in the dispatches as the Crossley case, was properly the Worden case. The case appeared on the court docket as that of George G. Crossley against the United States, and the chief justice so designated it in announcing his de-cialon, but this was due to the fact that Crossley was the petitioner in Worden's be-Worden is the man who is under sen-

Hood's

Result of an Appalling Disaster at London, Ont.

FLOOR COLLAPSES WITH A BIG CROWD

Public Meeting Was in Progress at the Time to Celebrate the Result of a Municipal Election in London, Ontario.

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 4 .- The Union Jack today floats at half must over the city hall, but it is not needed to remind the citizens of the horror of last night. The city hall prements the appearance of a wreck oud the streets in front of it are crowded with the curious and sorrowing citizens. The list of dead numbers twenty-five, but it is much to be feared that it is not yet complete. Many of the jojured are not expected to recover and others will be confined to their beds days, weeks and some for months.

The list of injured can never be made comlete, in so far as the minor sufferers are conerned, as many are able to be about, though suffering bruises, aches and pains as a result of their terrible fall.

City Engineer Graydon states that the cause of the accident was the breaking of a heavy beam which ran beneath the floor, almost at beam broke in the center, throwing all the omposive has its principal offices in this city and this morning Elbert, Clifton, Samuel and Lillian Flagg arteared before Judge dangerous and says that the tremendous

weight simply caused the beam to snap. The dead are: BENJAMIN J. NASH. JOHN TURNER, carriagemaker. JOHN B. BURRIDGE, shoemaker. FRANK ROBINSON plastorer CRAWFORD BECKITT, contractor. EDWARD LUXTON, farmer.

. LEIGH, plumber ABRAHAM PHILLIPS, flour dealer. BENJAMIN JAQUES, painter. STEPHEN WILLIAMS, laborer, W. C. SMITH, gardener. L. W. BURKE, logurance agent. JOHN FELLOWS. JAMES HARRIS moulder. WILSON CARRUTHERS, farmer. W. J. BOSLAND, wood worker.

NOBLE CARRUTHERS, son of Noble Car-FRED HEAMAN, son of E. W. Meaman W. E. TALBOT, young son of W. Talbot. OSWALD BRUCE, son of W. Bruce, shoe-

naker.

ALLEN TOWE, son of E. Towe JOHN BURGESS, laborer, HERMAN HILBERT, peddler, JAMES M'LEAN, young son of James Mc

The injured are: Frederick H. Fry, Louis Stenberg, Frankie Freeland, William Glbson, Thomas Hogg, jr., James Cutler, William Durnion, Moses Miners, Alderman Charles Taylor, Charles Garrett, Albert Joyce, Will'am Stone ,Edward Marshall, Wilmonths, having gotten back to the normal liam Cox, Joseph Murray, J. C. McNaughto condition that existed prior to the supreme court holding against the legality of the act Charles Kidner, Maurice Paldwin, Alderman Neil Cooper, John Dromgole, Freueren Ward, James Sussex, William Baker, Sid-ney Glendenning, — Schoffeld, James Deen, — Johnston, Moses Mincs, Albert Joyce — Johnston, Moses Mincs, Albert Joyce — Martin are of James Mattinson, Ed ward Parrett.

Those more seriously wounded were can ried to neighboring drug stores, whence they were taken to the hospital or to their hom-after their injuries had been attended to. The dead were taken to the committee oms of Alderman Parnell, the 600 acres, as compared with 23,930,000 acres candidate for mayor, directly across the

harvested last year, an increase of 11.4 per street.

At the close of the polls a crowd gatheres in the city ball where it has been the cusom for years past for the successful candi-4.5 per cent, the approximate acreage being dates to address the electors. The building was crowded to the very doors, probably 2,000 people being fammed in a parrow space There was a full in the preceedings, when audience called for several newly elected aldermen at once and there was some delay at the very moment of the execution. Durman Carrothers joined the mayor in an ef et to secure quiet.

In response to numerous cells R. M. Toothe was pushed forward to the platform on which the speakers stood. As he reached it there was an ominous cracking and the newly elected aldermen were seated seemed to pitch forward to the floor.

HURLED TO THE FLOOR. There was a sagging of timbers and the ext moment 150 people were hurled twenty feet to the floor below. A beam running twenty feet along the center of the ball had given away and the crowded mass standing bove that section of the floor was thrown

in a heap to the bottom. A large safe stood in one corner of the hall and, with a huge steam coll weighing balf a ton came crashing down on the vi-

Then followed a wild rush for the doors At the south door, where the majority of murder trial, who, it is alleged, circulated the crowd had entered, there was a terrible panic. Those in front were thrown down by the cheeming rush, shricking and fighting for petition and promised the attorneys rear door, a space of probably three feet, was open, and in the med rush no one thought to open the door in its entirety and 500 people struggled through the narrow space,

frong bearing down the weaker Within a mement after the floor had fallen in there were not less than three persons the hall on that portion of the floor who had not fallen.

Alderman Niel Cooper was among the fits to be dragged out of the mass of broken beams. He was quickly carried to an adjoining room, and in a moment half a dozen were keeping him company. Several men lowered ropes and endeavored to haul the wounded from the pit. Under the massive weight of the broken beams came

many cries for help. The windows in the ground floor were broken in and the living and the dead were passed to the waiting am-An investigation discloses the fact that a whole section of the floor had dropped, the joists having been as neatly cut off as though the work had been done with a saw. The building was an old one, having been erected in the early '50s, and of late years

additional stories had been placed on the BEGIN AN INVESTIGATION. The coroner's inquest began this after-

noon, but the proceedings were purely formal. One of the bodies was viewed by the jury as a legal prerequisite to inquiry

Mayor-elect Wilson is much more seriously hurt than he permitted his friends to observe last night, when he worked until o'clock among the wounded. He both hospitals and with the other nearly doctors did all in his power to relieve the sufferers, although he himself was suffering greatly from the wounds he received. His left side was badly bruised and cut, too, were his arms, legs and back. He is low confined to bed.

Alderman-elect Cooper is reported to be a serious condition, being injured inter-

A meeting of the city council was held this when measures were taken to reeve any temporary financial distress caused by the accident and to see that all funeral arrangements are carried out in a proper manner, the city guaranteeing all expenses. Benjamin J. Nash, whose body was taken from the ruins badly mangled, was one of the most prominent citizens of London, being at the time of his death president of the onservative association and of St. George's

John Turner, another of those killed, was as alderman for a number of years.

Flag Burning Story Denied. NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—James A. Wright, second vice president of the American line, and Captain Shackford, its marine superir tendent, deny the truth of the report that British stewards on board the St. Louis had burned the American flag on that ship's last trip from Southampton. POSTING NOTICES OF REDUCTION.

Operatives Generally Will Probably Accept New Scale WHITINSVILLE, Mass., Jan. 4.-Whitins Brothers of this town, who operate cotton mills at North Uxbridge, Linwood, Sandersville and Whitinsville, have posted notices announcing that the wages of the operatives will be reduced on and after January 10. A reduction of wages has already gone into effect at Millbury, Sturbridge and in the Farnumsville mills here. The reduction will

amount to about 10 per cent. It is thought the operatives will accept the reduction. LEWISTON, Me., Jan. 4 .- The reduction wages of cotton mil's employes going into effect January 10 will amount to from 10 to 11 1-9 per cent, and the other mills in Maine, as far as known today, will adopt one or the other of these rates. The Farwell mills at Lisbon, the Edwards of Augusta, the Cabot of Brunswick, the Lockwood of Waterville, the Gardiner mills and the Laconta and Penperell mills of Riddeford have joined the general movement and be followed, it is believed, by the big York corporation of Saco. It is estimated that 20,000 operatives will be affected in this atate. It is thought there will be no strike tell what the Biddeford operatives will do. The Lewiston and Auburn mills employ about 6,000 persons and the reduction in their pay will amount to about \$18,000 a

NASHUA, N. H., Jan, 4.-Notices of a re duction in wages were posted at the cotton mills of the Norton & Jackson mills here The new scale will take effect Jantoday. uary 17. The mills employ about 2,500 hands, There are no indications of a strike.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Jan. 4.-Arrangements were made today for a mass meeting of spinners in the city hall tomorrow evening, when action will be taken on the 10 per cent reduction in wages scheduled to take effect January 17. The officers of the local union declare that the vote will be to strike uniess the manufacturers recede. The carders' union will hold its meeting the same evening. It is stated that the carders will also vote to strike.

BRAZIL, Ind., Jan. 4.-Two hundred minera employed at No. 8 Brazil Block Coal company mine inaugurated a strike today because the ank bess allowed three drivers to work-who had not settled their dues in the miners' organization for the last month.

PEORIA, III., Jan. 4.—The Peoria rolling mills, which have been in the hands of a receiver and not operating for the last two receiver and not operating for the last two years, were sold today by the receiver to a re-organization committee, made up of former stockholders. They have been re-fitting the works and will start them early his month, employing several hundred men, resident and secretary of the whisky trust, vill be prestient and manager of the new concern. It will be run at the start largely

n cotton ties and hoop iron. HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Jan. 4.—This evening T. J. Bryan was appointed receiver f the Huntington Keneva Land Develop ment association. The ascets are probably The liabilities are not known. OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Jon. 4.-The Ashley Hardware and Iran company, the oldest wholesale hardware establishment here, was closed by the sheriff today on three execuunting to \$18,000. Other claims or elog filed and will reach about \$40,000. The took is estimated to inventory at \$30,000.

REHEARSING FOR THE EXECUTION Durrant Requests to Be Informed What is Expected of Him.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4 .- Theodore Durant has rehearsed the scene of his own death. At his own request, made absolutely without motion, he has been told every incident that vill mark the minutes of his last hours of ife. From the moment that be awakens next Friday morning until Warden Haie gives the good to spring the gallows' trap, Durrant knows what is expected of him. A book and several papers on religious subjects were received at the prison yesterday for Durreint. They were offerings from a woman who now resides in Toronto. She was a reciient of San Francisco three years ago gold has displayed an interest in Durrant's affairs since his arrest for the murder of Blanche Lamont. Deputy Warden Edgur made a thorough inspection of the books and papers and then permitted Durrant to have them. The authorities suspect that some of Di

rant's legal friends may attempt some play tent may invite five of the 150 people who present, but as Warden Hale will revise the list, it is unlikely that any of his at orneys will be seen beside the gallows. The egademned mad has made the following

requests concerning his execution: 1. That the rope used to hang him shall be destroyed immediately efter his death, so that no per son can say that he colds a piece of it as : iemento. 2. That none of the spectator shall be allowed to gaze upon his features ofter he is executed. 3. That no autopsy shall be held after death, and that no physician be ellowed to examine his body. 4. That after e is pronounced dead his remains shall h elivered to his parents as soon as possible The attorneys for Durrant visited rnor Budd at the home of his niece in thi ity and presented a petition praying fo executive interference in the Durrant case The petition stated that Durrant was a vita witness in the slender suit brought by h mother against Horace Smyth, a juror in the

scandalous stories regarding Durrant's consider its contents before giving his de-Attorney Deuprey still threatens to sprin

sensation in the case. General Dickinson will today make another attempt to obtain : writ of habeas corpus from the United States circuit court,

HIGHER DUTY ON FRENCH SUGAR. Allowance Made for Indirect Export

Bounty. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- Ausistant Secre tary Howell of the Treasury department has

in preparation a circular letter of instructions to officers of the customs directing that additional countervailing duties be assessed on sugars imported from France. It appears that under the operation of the law of France low in force sugars produced in and exported om that country receive in addition to th lirect export bounties specified in depart ent circular No. 153 of September 22, 1897 adirect bountles in the following amounts Sugars receiving direct export bounties of francs, 4 francs and 4.50 francs per 100 kilograms receive indirect bountles francs, 7 francs and 7.975 francs per 100 kilograms respectively.

It is probable, therefore, that the countervailing duties to be assessed on such sugarunder the provisions of section 5 of the ac of July 24, 1897, must be equal to 9.625 france and the adjournment was made. The whole point of the inquest will turn on the liability grams respectively. It is learned that of the city to the relatives and friends of during the year ended June 30, 1897, the of the city to the relatives and friends of during the year ended June 30, 1897, the the deceased. A number of local architects amount of sugar imported from France was will testify that the building was unsafe approximately 92,000,000 pounds. Since the and should have been condemned. This will imposition of the countervailing duty in Sepand should have been condemned. tember last no sugar of any kind has been exported to the United States.

New Money Order Offices WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- About 1,100 post offices throughout the country were assigned to the money order class on January 3. This makes approximately 25,000 postoffices at noney orders may now be obtained or

cashed. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- The Montgomery has arrived at Tampa, Fla. No report has come from it to the Navy department respecting the alleged pursuit of an unknown steamer off the Florida coast.

Admitted to Practice. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- (Special Tele-

gram.)-Edward B. Evans of Des Moines and Miss Adda Ulin of Laramie, Wyo., were today admitted to practice as attorneys before the Interior department. Major Butterworth Weaker

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- A discatch from iso prominent in civic affairs, having served Thomasville, Ga., reports that Major Butterworth, commissioner of patents, is weaker oday, but adds there is still hope of his re covery,

> Daily Treasury Statement WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.-Today's state ment of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$234,302,314; gold reserve, \$161,605,169.

REJECT AMERICAN

Unexpected Decision in Claims for Heavy Damages.

MEXICO WINS BEFORE THE ARBITRATOR

State Department Much Surprised at the Decision, as the Case Was Considered a Very Strong Onc.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4,-A special to the Herald from Washington says: Greatly to the surprise of administration officials the award of the arbiter in the matter of the claims of Charles Oberlander and Barbara M. Messenger, citizens of the United States against the government of Mexico, is against the claimants. The only expense to which Mexico will be put will be to pay balf of the in Lewiston or Auburn, but it is difficult to cost of the proceedings, while the United States will not only have to defray its share of the expense, but has lost what administra tion officials have considered the best claims on file in the Department of State. The award of the arbiter, which is final

has just been filed in the Department of

State and the Department of Foreign Af-

fairs of Mexico. The claims of Oberlander

and Mrs. Messenger grew out of the alleged

brutal treatment of the man and the inhuman

treatment of the woman some years ago Oberlander was a deputy sheriff of the count of San Diego, Cal. He went into Mexican territory to examine into a suit in progress just across the line, and became involved in a dispute. He was knocked down and searched by Mexican police, who found in his pocket a warrant for the arrest of Mexican, who had committed an offense i California. Oberlander was at once taken t jail, but managed to escape and get to the house of Mr. Messenger, just across the boundary line in California. Mrs. Messenger was very much frightened when th Mexican officials entered her house and seized ner guest. Despite her protestations, Ober lander was dragged out of the house and down the road, the woman following the party and screaming for help. The matte was finally brought to the attention of th American minister in Mexico, who secured the release of Oberlander. Oberlander was injured as a result of his experience and Mrs. Messenger suffered greatly in conse quence of the incident. Oberlander filed a claim for \$50,000, and Mrs. Messenger on for \$25,000, which they declared was du them for the wrongs done them by Mexican

officials. The matter was vigorously pressed by the ate Secretary Gresham, and Mr. Olney con lined the negotiations when he succeeded Mr. Gresham. Mr. Olney consented to reference to arbitration, and on March 2 lass signed a protocol referring the claims to enor Don Vicente G. Quesada, minister e Argentina at Madrid, for settlement. Seno Quesada was proposed by Minister Romero of Mexico, and his appointment was opposed y some of the officials who desired a Euro ean samed as arbiter. The Mexican gov rament submitted to Senor Quesada confe correspondence and documents, view of the case. Senor Quesada has been insidering the papers since last June.

Administration officials are inclined criticise the award on the ground that it i not in accordance with the facts presented Minister Romero regards the award as eminently judicious.

LAMBERTSON MAY BE NAMED daeoln Man Likely to Get on Inter-

state Commission.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(Special Teleram.)-There is a growing belief that G. M ambertson of Lincoln will be appointed o a place on the Interstate Commerce com minelon, protests against Juige Paxson of Peopsylvania being of so voluminous a character that the president is seriously doubting the advisability of appointing him. imberteen's endorsements are of an exeptional character, his connection with the Survison administration having brought him efore the public as an able lawyer, and his riends have not been slow in filing their adorsements of his candidacy, Senator Thurston will be in the city tomorrow evenng, or Thursday morning, and it was given ut at the executive mansion today that othing would be dene until he had on coortunity to aga'n be heard in behalf Lambertson. It is said that State Senator David Littler of Illinois, joint candidate of Senators Cullom and Meson for Judge Mor rison's place on the Interestate Commerce commission, is out of the running and that the former general counsel of the North-western, Judge Keep of Chicago, is being groomed for the place. Those who have kep close tab on this situation believe that the see is between Payson and Lambertson and son stands the best show of winning.

INDIANS ACCEPT NEW CONDITION.

Law Governing Courts in the Terri WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.-Telegrams re the encoming rush, shricking and fighting for petition and promised the attorneys for ceived at the interior department indicate the door and safety. Only one-half of the Durrant that he would read and carefully that the law of congress extending the jurisdiction of the federal courts of the Indian territory over the five civilized tribes has secome operative, apparently without par

ticular frictico. There was a disposition on the part of on of the nations to secure a delay in the ap-plication of the law, and to permit the connumber for a time of the existence of the ribal courts. It was proposed that the Inten council appropriate money for the serv of attorneys who should come to Wash ington to endeavor to induce congress to equiesce in the postponement of the law's peration, but Secretary Blies issued a warning against such steps, notifying the Indigo-that all tribal legislative enactments have to be approved by the president, and he would advise the executive not to sanction such

The latest information received from the territory by the secretary came to hand in a lispatch today from Agent Wisdom at the Union agency, who says that thus far the law has gone into effect without material friction, and that, in his belief, the better elements of the Indians are satisfied to pasunder the full jurisdiction of the United States.

APPROPRIATES MONEY FOR CUBA

Relief Association Makes Another Appeal for Contributions. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- The National Relief association for Cuba has appropriated an additional sum of \$300 to be sent to Consul General Lee for the relief of distress in the island. The association makes a renewed appeal to its members and supporters throughout the country to redouble their efforts to secure donations of money, medical supplies and food for the suffering people in Cuba. In view of the opening of the direct and official avenue for relief through the govern-ment, the association bereafter drops from its come the clause "In Aid of the American It was announced from the White House onight that over \$1,500 had been collected

n Cleveland, O., to swell the fund for the Cuban sufferers. Will Command the Moblean. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- Commander G. M. Book has been detached from the Mare Island Navy yard and ordered to command the Mobican with these officers, who are detached from the Independence: Laning, Lieuterant J. D. McDonald, Ensign C. T. Lang, Ensign G. E. Gelm, Lleuterant H. H. Pombaug, Lieutenant M. L. Wood and ieutenant T. Porter. Lieutenant Commander N. E. Niles has een ordered to the bureau of equipment,

Lieutenanty R. D. Tisdale to the Washington

Same Regulations Apply to All. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The second issue of the daily consular reports from the Bureau of Foreign Commerce of the State department is devoted to a report from United States Consul Smith at Victoria upon the laws of British Columbia relative to stock

corporations of the United States operating in Canadian territory. He says investiga-tion shows that such is not the case; the laws are the same for citizens of the United States as for residents of the province. In order to prevent fraud, however, regulations have been recently passed by the provincial Parliament requiring an official representa tive of the foreign corporation to be a resident of the province. Mr. Smith's report gives in detail all the provisions of the law But women have curious ideas of courtesy in regulating the practice of foreign corporations in British Columbia.

AFTER THE PENSION ATTORNEYS

Commissioner Evans Issues Instructions to the Examiners. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.-The commissione pensions has issued the following letter to all special examiners:

You are hereby directed while in the per-You are hereby directed while in the performance of your regular duties to keep a close watch for any circular, circular letter, advertising circular, advertising card or advertisement used for the solicitation of business before this bureau, or advertising for business or claims before this bureau, or this bureau, published by any attorney, agent or sub-agent in any newspaper, periodical or in pamphlet form, where such about the inperbefore or preparing cases for filing in this bureau.

In the investigation of claims careful in quiry should be made of claimants and wit esses as to any printed or written matter circular, letter or card form received by sem from attorneys, agents or sub-agents bing business before or in connection with this bureau, Wherever or whenever it is possible

oples of such printed or written circulars, iters or cards, as referred to above, should be obtained and at once forwarded to this bureau, giving the name of the person by whom received, and, if possible, the date of receipt by said person from the attorney, agent or sub-agent agent or sub-agent.

In all cases where possible the envelopes addressed to the claimants or witnesses, or persons receiving the seme, should be secured and forwarded with said matter to

his bureau.
The attention of all special examiners is alle to the above and they are directed to tonce institute careful inquiry in their articular districts for such material as ve described. bove described,
A strict compliance with the terms of this ircuiar will be required,
H, CLAY EVANS, Commissioner.

IVIL SERVICE TAKES UP TIME

Cabinet Discusses Replies to the Senate Resolution. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- At the meeting o the cabinet today, attended by all the members except Secretaries Alger and Long, the eplies to be submitted by the various secetaries to the senate resolution, calling for nformation as to the application of the civil ervice law to the several departments of the government, and the recommendations, if y, the secretaries have to make regardin he administration of the law, were fully liscussed. The head of each department vill submit to the senate his individual reply to the resolution, and it was only the gen eral tenor of the replies that was under dis All of the replies have been pre pared, and it is expected that all of them

will be sent to the senate tomorrow. Aside from the civil service matter, no question of general importance was dis cussed. The senatorial situation in Ohio was alluded to, and the president expressed not only his deep concern in the result, but also his belief that Mr. Hanna would succeed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- The special committee appointed by the recent conference of the members of the house of representatives opposed to existing civil service reform has agreed on a measure and will report it to the ecoference some time tomorrow. It makes number of changes in the offices now in the assified service and limits in specific terms the powers and duties of the civil service

AT SEA ON MORRISON'S SUCCESSOR.

President Himself Not Settled as to Whom He Will Name. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- While no information of an official character is to be obtained at the White House regarding the successor to Colonel W. R. Morrison on the interstate Commerce commission the belief is general that the president has not yet decided whom he would appoint. It was prosed for a time that Judge Paxson of encsylvania had been definitely nined upon, but the indications now are that he president will appoint a western man, probably a man from Illinois, if these interoan reach so agreement. It reasonably certain now that no decision will e reached as to Colonel Morrison's sucessor for several days. News for the Army.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- (Special Telegram.)-The following transfers are made in he Found cavalry: Captain Joseph H. Dorst, from troop M to troop D; Captain Wilber E. Wilder, from troop D to troop M.

Lieutenant Dean A. Howard, assistant surseco, has been ordered from Fort Custer, Mont. 20 Fort Crook, Neb. Lieutenant Arthur W. Chase, Second artillery, has been relieved from duty as student at artillery school, Fort

Leaves of absence: Major James W. Pope quartermaster, one month; Major Charles K. Winne, surgeon, one month; Lleutenant W. Second artillery, six months; Lleutenent Michael J. Lenihan, Second infantry, exended one month: Lieutenant George B. Pritchard, Jr., Nint's cavalry, extended one napector general, two months.

Pertaining to Postoffices. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.- (Special Telegram.)-An order was issued at the Postoffice office at New Hampton, Ia., from the presen

remtal of \$240 per annum. Alfred B. Pierce was today appointed post mester at Willards, Lincola county, Neb. to succeed C. E. Nute, removed. Iowa postmas'ers appointed: Oscar S. Hemstead, at Osais, Johnson county; George

C. I. Sheridan, at Rome, Henry county James Douglas was today appointed postmaster at Carthage, Miner county, S. D.

No State Department Mission. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- Joseph H. Smith firector of the Bureau of American Repub iles, is about to make a voyage through som f the West Indian islands for the recupera ion of his health. Mr. Smith is at present n Florida, where he was ordered by his phy ician during his convalescence from a long illness. Incidentally during his trip he will stop at Havana, but it is declared positively at the State department that he is not charged with any mission by the United States government, nor is he expected to make any investigation or report touching Cuban affaire.

Washington Notes. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- (Special Tele gram.)-L. B. Howey, Nebraska National bank examiner, has resigned. Representative Maxwell returned from Ne raska today with glowing reports of the state's prosperity. He says the exposition i going to be an immense success and alread the state is feeling its influence. Congressman Mercer has received a peti-tion eigned by Dr. G. L. Miller and other

or the establishment of a postoffice at Deer

Fraudulent Pensioners Alarmed. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- Since the agita ion concerning the publication of the lis pensioners has commenced Commissione Evans has received several letters from per ioners requesting a cancellation of their per ions. One censioner in Michigan enclose his certificate and stated his desire to the same recalled, as he was not entitled to the government's bounty. He added he would endeavor to return all the money drawn since 1895, when the pension was granted.

No Polish Archbishop Coming. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 .- A report was current some time ago that Pope Leo would send to Washington on January 1 a Polish archbishop who would co-operate with the papal delegate in restoring peace in a n ber of disturbed Polish communities. M Sbarreti, who is in charge of the legation in the absence of Mgr. Martinelli, said today companies and trading corporations. Mr. the absence of Mgr. Martinelli, said today Smith says the question arose as to whether that no credit had ever been attached to the obstacles were being placed in the way of report, and now that the Polish archbishop had not arrived with the new year the story was dismissed as an invention

GOSSIP ABOUT WOMEN.

It ought not to be necessary to remind any person of ordinary intelligence to inclose stamps in letters pertaining to her own business, declares a writer in the Chautauquan. such matters; they will insist upon paying car fare for their friends (though a man never does it), and yet feel that to inclose a 2 cent stamp to a person with whom they have no acquaintance is assuming a degree of littleness on her part that is uncomplimentary. If men are more careful it is simply that they put the stamp inside of the letter, as they do on the outside, to insure attention, having learned by experience that a man must expect justice and not generos-

An Ingenious woman has made a quaintly rofile in an oval rim of subdued antique rose damask, with a rew of tiny pearl beads about the inner edge, the suspending chain being made of small squares of repousse oxidized silver, which formerly served as personal adornment when the "dog collar"

The slipping of rugs on smooth, hard floors The slipping of rugs on smooth a danger. A ug salesman tells how to prevent it the rugs thoroughly," he said, "and turn them right side downward until dry. It will not hurt them, and will relieve this tendency to slip." The explanation is that the wetting silk upon which she was working. used in their treatment, whose drying makes

The newest bedroom mules are made of ciderdown flancel or woolen astrakan. They are shapely, pretty to look at, soft and warm to the feet, and, best of all, easy to get into They are made after the style of Japanes straw shoes and are finished around the edge with fluffy quilting of estin ribbon. In colo the bedroom shoes should match the bedroom gown. Harmony is the keynote of dress in these days, even in the most trifling accessories,

The drying of clothes in frosty weather sometimes, in the case of delicate fabrics, attended with tearing, because of the quick stiffening in the very cold air. A simple trouble is to dissolve three or four hand-fuls of coarse salt in the last rinsing water, thus making it, in fact, a weak brine. Arti cles so rinsed will not suffer from or stiffen with the cold.

Woman is a veritable walking jewelry thon in New York. Her latest craze is the bangle. Girls, look into your jewel cases and dive down into the little boxes where you'v stowed trinkets that you could not bear t brow away or dispose of and get out your old bangles. Furbish them up and put them on if you would be up to date. They are in otyle again, and promise to be worn to an even greater extent than they were four or five years ago. Coin bangles were the thing then, and they are the thing today; so begin to ask your men friends to give you silver 3 and 10-cent pieces and gold dollars with their monograms on one side. can't have too many to be in the tip of style and they must be wern on a tiny wire brace let, just as your big sister wore hers when you used to look at her and feel that t possess one like it would be as near the promised land as you ever wished to get. Snake bangles, souvenir bangles, heavy siler and gold chains with locks, twisted ropes of gold or silver, and heavy embossed gold or silver rings to slip over the hand are also has seemed like a friend in need-that I have worn. Every woman who returns from Europe now wears bangles on her arms and them. They are uncomfortable things, because women always insist upor wearing them, sleeping or waking. This is a fad that will affect mankind as well as vemankind, for a bangle is considered to be utterly valueless unless it is the gift of a man.

There is an old lady residing south o Kokomo, Ind., near the Howard-Tipton county line, who has been a "man hater" for forty years. She is a spinster living a hermit's life, and has a comfortable sum disappointed in love forty years ago she has never spoken to a man. She is seldom seen never spoken to a man. in town and her small trading is done with lady clerks. She has made purchased a cemetery lot. Explicit direct tions have been given that no man shall preach her funeral sermon nor act as pal bearer. A woman is to offer prayer a the grave. Women shall not us palibearers woman shall drive the bearse, and women ower the body and fill the grave. No men are to be allowed in the funeral procession and newspapers are forbidden to mention her demise.

It was not generally known that in the ab sence of the king of Siam, while visiting Europe, the queen managed the affairs of state for him. She is an extremely pleasant ooking woman, her features sweet and ex prossive, though naturally our western ideas f beauty prevent us from considering her he belle which the Siamese standard allo

Her dark hair is worn combed straight off er forehead. She generally appears in publie in a modification of the native costume which suggests a Parisian cut of sleeves and skirt, while beautifully embroidered source nonth; Lieutenant Colonel Peter D. Vroom, are draped around the figure in the native manner.

The greatest buntress in Texas is Mrs. A Ladger of Maverick county. She went on recently to get most for a Thanksgiving din department today allowing the postmaster of ner. She returned in a few hours with three Sumner, Ia., \$250 for fuel, rent and light deer, all killed by herself. The most remark able feature was that she killed two An order was also issued moving the post- | one shot, with a shotgun loaded with buck shot. The other one was a large buck and quarters to A. E. Bigelow's building, at a Mrs. Ladner had quite a time with him. Shi wounded him with a load of buckshot, would have escaped had she not cut his throat with a kulfe which she carried

The women who fears a mouse, and every daughter of Mother Eve is supposed to, me-Mekkanio, at Oilie, Keokuk county; William with a sad fate in a Scovill avenue grocery Williamson, α: Primrose, Lee county; Mrs. not long ago, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. She is a young woman of corpulent dimensions, and when the mouse darted acress the floor anything like violent exercise was as far from her mind as Saturn from Mars. But when she caught sight of th little whiskered terror she let forth a shriek that jarred down the stove pipe. Then catcleing up her draperies in both hands she leaped on to a soap box, and thence with the nimbleness of a mountain goat she sprang to the head of a half-filled molasses barrel. But, alas for her too solid flesh! The head of the barrel gave way and the maiden, a blood-curdling yell, plunged feet first into the glammy sweetness! They got her out finally, and then-

veil must be drawn on the subsequent pro BACKHAADED.

From Ally Sloper.



"I hope, Baron, you will come to my I shall have all my prettiest friends there." "Ah madame! I will not come for SHE DID NOT KNOW IT.

BUT, ALAS, MANY OF THOSE ABOUR HER DID.

Graphic Story Which Shows How

Seldom Women Realies Their True Condition

In a large silk mill where the looms were thrumming, and all was noise and bustle a woman, skilled in manufacturing and dyeing delicate silks was toiling. She looked fired and dejected.

Her cheeks were sunken and there were lark lines beneath her eyes. You could casily detect the peculiar rallow look which comes upon the faces of all women at certain periods. Occasionally her face, which was usually bright and attractive, would be beautiful piece of bric-a-brac by framing a silhouette of a friend possessing a classic clouded by pain just as the sunlight is sometimes shut off by passing clouds. It was easy to see she was not happy. And yet she worked, struggling along when

she should have been at home, and possibly in bed. Poor little woman! How brave she was in her suffering, and how faithful. Afid yet, during all that time, she was unconsclously bringing disaster to her employer. Every moment of that day, while she was so bravely struggling, the exhalations from her body were ruining the delicate colors of the Alas, she did not know it! But when the

choice silks came upon the market and it was found that the colorings were ruined, an investigation was made and the poor little woman was discharged. For what?

Simply because the sickness, which comes every woman at certain times, had, untnown, imperceptibly, colored the gossamer silks over which she was toiling. This is a sad story, but it is absolutely

rue, It happened in Newark, N. J., and furnishes a very valuable lesson. It shows that woman, however, careful they may be, are often, unknown to themselves, exerting an influence, not only upon the persons, but also upon the things about them which is by no means agreeable. It is unfortunate that such should be the case, but it is none the less true.

And yet, fortunately, it is a fact, proven eyend the shadow of a doubt, that women of the present day can, by availing themselves of the latest and best discoveries of science, almost wholly overcome the ill-effects of the periodic sickness. It is true there has never been but one discovery for accomplishing this desirable end, but that one has proven to e so pure, so scientific, and so efficient, that it is being used almost universally. Here is what Mrs. Randolph Howell of Washington,

says upon this most important subject: "I have often in the past found it impossible to attend receptions and other social fucctions, owing to a temporary state of illness, but of late years I have been enabled to entirely banish all painful effects to myself and possible unpleasantness to others by the use of a discovery which I believe, to be a been to wemankind-Warner's Safe Cure. I have been so wonderfully helped by the painless powers of this remedy-which urged its use upon nearly all my lady acquaintances."

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