## READY FOR HOLIDAYS OVATION TO MINISTER WU POSTMASTERS IN NEBRASKA IN DANGER OF COAL FAMINE ROUSES THE MEAT PACKERS

Bonne Adjourns After Tong Session Until MAKES CANAL BILL A SPECIA.

Will Begin Discussion on Measure Le. After Reconvening.

HEPBURN SUBMITS A FAVORABLE REPORT

Fays Bill Aims to Concentrate Authority and Responsibility.

DE ARMOND OF MISSOURI HAS GRIEVANCE

Representative Pearre Introduces Bill Reviving Vice Admiraiship Which is Regarded as a Conciliatory Step in Naval Dispute.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 .- Before the house Tuesday, January 7, and to continue until their way to their seats. the bill is disposed of, the order not, however, to interfere with revenue or appro-

The session of the house was brief, the major portion of the time being occupied by Mr. De Armond of Missouri in making a personal explanation regarding reports circulated in his district concerning his course in the matter of the extension of the rural free delivery.

The speaker finally ruled that no question of personal privilege had been presentel, whereupon Mr. De Armond obtained unanimous consent to make a privlieged statement. He maintained that rehe had caused action on free delivery routes to be held up during his absence in the Philippines.

### Reports Based on Lies.

Those reports, he said, were circulated by those who lied and knew they lied. He

States senate.

### Cannt Bill a Special Order.

Mr. Hepburn asked unanimous consent that the Nicaragua canal bill be made a special order for Tuesday, January 7, and GENERAL to continue as a special order until disposed of, not, however, to interfere with revenue or appropriation bills. Mr. Cannon asked whether the passage

of the bill would embarrass the executive in securing the right-of-way through Nicaragua or Costa Rica. Mr. Hepburn said he knew of no negotia-

legislation. On the contrary, he said, legislation must precede acquisition, the bill itself providing means for the acquirement of the right-of-way. this was in no sense a political question

and there was no objection to the proposition on his side of the house. Mr. Cannon said he was in favor of the building of the canal, but he thought there

should be a plan to put the canal through before it was authorized.

### Hepburn Makes Report.

Representative Hepburn of Iowa, chairman of the house committee on commerce.

construction of this great work in the hands of the president. It has been believed by your committee that this course ALGER IS CRITICALLY would be a safer one to be pursued in carrying out the purposes of the bill, involving the expenditure of so large a sum of money, all the work and all the expenditure to be made at a distance so far from the capital, than any other method that could be devised. We have tried to concentrate authority and responsibility rather thanto disperse it among many per-

The report refers to the "exhaustive report made by the Isthmian Canal commission, of which Admiral Walker is the head, in which every feature of this enterprise is fully and at length discussed," and adds. 'No doubt to expressed by the commission as to the practice of the enterprise; on the contrar, they join with a score of predecessors in expressing their belief that the work can be carried to a successful termination, within the limits of reasonable cost and reasonable time. All of the great political parties are committed to the construction of this canal."

The report then quotes the various party platforms and Presidents McKinley and Roosevelt favoring the canal. In con-

"In view of the many thousands of pages written and spoken in advocacy of the immediate undertaking and completion of this work, in view of the pledges made by the parties that it should be undertaken and completed, in view of the recommendations made by the president of the United States and in view of the almost universal demand that congress should at once do effective work toward the inauguration and speedy construction of the isthmian canal, your committee contents itself with this brief report, embodying its earnest recommendation that the bill pass."

### Looks Like Conciliation.

Representative Pearre of Maryland today introduced a bill reviving the grade of vice admiral of the navy and authorizing the appointment of W. T. Sampson, Winfield Scott Schley and Charles E. Clark to the grade of vice admiral.

As Mr. Pearre represents the district from which Admiral Schley comes and has been an active adherent of the admiral the prop-

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# Kansas City Accords Chinese Diplo-

mat Enthusinstic Re-

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 19 .- Five hundred

ception.

people sat down tonight at the seventh annual banquet of the Commercial club of W. H. EDGAR APPOINTED AT BEATRICE Kansas City, held in commemoration of the signing of the John Jay treaty. It was the ost elaborate spread in the history of the binb, and one of the biggest ever held in the city. The guests were: Wu Tingfang, the Chinese minister; General Arthur Mac-Arthur, Hon. John M. Allen, ex-representative from Mississippi, and F. W. Lahman of St. Louis, a member of the Louisiana Purchase exposition board of directors.

Several days ago a committee from the Commercial club, headed by E. M. Clendening, its secretary, left for Washington to escort Minister Wu to Kansas City and they had been expected to arrive here this morning and participate in a big reception planned by the commercial bodies of the city. St. Louis was not reached until noon, however, and the party did not arrive in Kansas City until 9 o'clock tonight, after being rushed across the state on a special

When the belated guest entered the great banquet hall at the Coates house he was accorded a most enthusiastic reception, half a thousand men rising and waving a weladjourned today for the holiday recess a come with miniature Chinese flags. Liberal special order was made for the considering applause was also given General MacArthur of the Nicaragua canal bill, beginning on and Messrs Allen and Lehman as they made

The decorations were artistic and anpropriate, Chinese flags and oriental hangings blending with the Stars and Stripes. A Chinese dragon of immense size, made of colored incandescent lights, was one of the features.

Toasts were responded to as follows: "Trade Relations with China," Minister Wu; "The United States Army," General MacArthur; "The Louisiana Purchase," F. W. Lehman: "The Old Flag and the New," Hon, John M. Allen. Minister Wu spoke extemperaneously.

### ports were circulated in his district that STATE SUES FOR POSSESSION South Dakota Brings Action to Re-

gain Valuable Tract of School Land.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Dec. 19 .- By direcread letters addressed by him to the first tion of the state commissioner of school nated for secretary of the territory of New Carload lots in East St. Louis sold for assistant postmaster general last April, and public lands, State's Attorney Scott of Mexico, is known to many Nebraskans. He from \$2.90 to \$3 a ton, an almost unprecenone of which, he said, had elicited a re- this county today filed in the circuit court married Miss Brownie Baum of Omaha and dented price. At most coal offices orders ply. He also had read a letter received at Sioux Falls an important suit, by which is a distant relative of William W. Wallace were scaled down 75 per cent or more and him after his return from the Orient, the state of South Dakota seeks to regain of the Omaha National bank. but dated July 3, saying a certain rural possession of a sixty-four acre tract of Dr. J. A. Andrews and wife, who have be madefree delivery route would be established, land now included in that of the A. Lester been visiting Auditor Andrews of the and another, dated July 6, saying the ac- Heyer Packing company, near Sioux Falls. treasury department several days, left for LOSE TEN PER CENT OF CATTLE tion spoken of in the letter of July 3 had The tract is worth many thousands of dol- Philadelphia and New York. After a fort-"held up" to await the final action lars. It was originally school land and in 1891 night in the east they will return to Ne- Oklahoma Stockmen Suffer Keenly of the postmaster general. Mr. De Ar- was sold to George H. Brace and Pettigrew braska. mond said he wondered whether the post- and Tate by the commissioner of school and master general, who had just announced public lands. There were defaults in pay- during the holidays. He will be joined tohis purpose of leaving, was going because ments and the tract has changed hands a morrow by his daughter, Miss Gertrude was wearied of the great labor of solving number of times. It has been sold for Dietrich, who is a student at Bryn Bawr taxes four times. This year it was bid in college, and father and daughter will pass In conclusion Mr. De Armond declared by Minnehaha county. Judgments obtained their holidays together here. that the department had not treated him against the packing company are also pend- Senator Dietrich today named for post-"frankly, fairly or in a manly way." It ing against it. The defendants in the ac- masters the following: Ough, Dundy had not answered the pertinent question tion commenced today are more than a county, William McBride; Sawyer, Fillmore regarding the division of carriers between dozen in number and include some of the county, Robert G. Williams; Quick, Frontier the parties. He charged that the conduct most prominent of Sioux Falls' citizens, county Fred F. Garilehs; Milligan, Fill- blizzards. This has given the lockmen opof the department was in the interest of The state asks that the original contracts more county, Charles Smith. certain republican bosses in Missouri, one with Brace and Pettigrew and Tate be set of whom hoped to get into the United aside, that all of the defendants be decreed to have no right, title or interest in the established February 1: tract and that the state be given imme-

### METCALF LANDS

diate possession.

Kansas Volunteer to Succeed Cy Leland as Pension Commissioner.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Dec. 19.-General Wilder S. Metcalf was greatly pleased when tion that would be interfered with by this name would be sent to the senate today shown the Washington dispatch saying his in the pension commissioner appointment, but he would make no comment.

General Metcalf was born at Milo, Me. in 1855. He was graduated from Oberlin Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, said college in 1878 and in 1887 removed to population, 1,040; Henry Ennen, D. A. hours late and many of the outbound trains Lawrence, where he has since engaged in the farm mortgage business. He was a major of the Twentieth Kansas volunteers Utica, VanBuren county, Ia. under Funston and succeeded the latter as colonel. Metcalf was with the regiment from the first and was referred to in the official reports of its works by General Mac-Arthur as the "strong right arm of Colonel Funston in all his operations."

Metcalf was wounded at Bocane. He rose today made the report of the committee to colonel when Funston was promoted and in favor of the Nicaragua canal bill. After when he was mustered out he was breveted stating the terms of the bill, the report brigadier general. His appointment as pension commissioner is considered a victory The purpose of this bill is to concen- for Senator Burton. Cy Leland, whom he trate authority and responsibility for the will succeed, has been the republican party "boss" in Kansas for years.

# Former Secretary of War is Watched

With Great Anxiety.

DETROIT, Dec. 19 .- General R. A. Alger, former secretary of war, is suffering from a severe attack of gall stones. A consultation of physicians was held at his residence today and it was decided that today sent the following nominations to unless his condition was considerably im- the senate: proved by tomorrow an operation would be

trouble. patient had been very comfortable the latter part of today and said if he con- the legation at Santiago, Chili. Also the tinued to improve during the night, he did nominations announced from the White not think an operation would be necessary. House yesterday and today, Asked if General Alger-was in a dangerous condition, he replied: "He is in a critical condition, but I do not think it should be called dangerous at present."

### WILL TELL SCHLEY ABOUT IT Secretary Long Will Inform Admiral

When Sampson Files His Protest.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.-The Navy department has not yet prepared its answer to the bill of objections announced yesterday to the bill of exceptions by Admiral Schley, but it is expected it will be delivered tomorrow, Captain Lemily and Solicitor Hanna having given a considerable portion of the day to the matter. The following letter was addressed to Admiral ville. Schley today:

Dear Sir: The department has received your communication of the 18th inst., wherein you request that if a protest is filed by Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson relative to the question of command of the American naval forces during the battle of Santiago and credit for the victory won in that battle, you be accorded an opportunity to present, through your counsel, oral argument against such open an opportunity to present, throcounsel, oral argument against

In reply you are informed that when such procest is received you will be advised of the department's conclusion. Yours respectfully. JOHN D. LONG. Rear Admiral W. S. Schley.

Jehiel H. Secor Succeeds Seth J. Arnett at Mad son.

Kersey O. Holmes Takes Henry Gibbons' Place at Kearney-Charles A. Warren to Sort Mail for Geneva.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) gram.)-The following nominations of postmasters in Nebraska were sent to the sen- of coal and many concerns are hampered ate today by President Roosevelt and re- by reason of insufficient steam power. Crawford, reappointment; Charles N. Phil- tide over the severe weather. lips, Exeter, reappointment; Kersey O. vice Martin V. King, resigned.

nett was the choice of ex-Senator W. V. 1 below. Allen.

deferred to his colleague to the extent of asking his judgment as to the best repub- St. Louis Car Lines May Have to lican to select for Allen's home town. Kersey Holmes, who is nominated for the Kearney office, is a cousin of Senator Mark Hanna, and won over half a dozen candidates.

Doty, Boyd county.

### South Dakota Affairs.

Senator Kittredge of South Dakota preof that state.

James W. Reynolds, who was today nomi- market.

Senator Dietrich will not go to Nebraska

### Department Notes

These rural free delivery routes will be Nebraska-Johnson, Nemaha county; area, 36 square miles; population, 500; Homer J.

Pohlman, carrier. Iowa-Cresco, Howard county; additional service, 83 square miles; population, 1.545; D. L. Durfey, J. J. Fessenden, W. G. Fish, carriers. Eagle Grove, Wright county; 108 square miles; population, 2,330; J. T. Archer, E. A. Billings, J. B. Gray, E. D. Sheers, C. H. Warren, carriers. Gravity, Taylor county: 29 square miles; population, 530; Albert Dugan, carrier. Sunbury, Cedar county; 36 square miles; population, 530; Henry Thode, carrier. Vail, Crawford county; 68 square miles; population, 1,110; road schedules and for two days not a train A. B. O'Connell, J. A. Mould, carriers.

Smidt, carriers. W. H. Teal is appointed postmaster at

Wellsburg, Grundy county; 36 square miles,

tended until December 19, 1902, the corporate existence of the Stock Growers' National bank of Cheyenne, Wyo. The postoffices at Keowan, Pottawattamie county, and Ola, Lucas county, Ia., are or-

The comptroller of the currency today ex-

dered discontinued after December 31. Mrs. Caroline G. Schulbe of Des Moines has been appointed laundress and William M. Ege of Mason City, Ia., teacher at the Rosebud (S. D.) Indian school.

The Farmers' National bank of Red Oak, Ia., is authorized to begin business with \$60,000. Simon P. Gristy of Williamsfield, Ill., is

appointed teacher at the Cheyenne River (S. D.) Indian school. POSTMASTERS ARE NOMINATED President Names Occupants for Vari-

# ous Offices in Iowa and

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 .- The president James W. Reynolds, secretary of the terperformed on him then to relieve the ritory of New Mexico; Fred W. Daniels,

register of the land office at Buffalo, Wyo. Tonight Dr. H. W. Longyear, one of the Eugene B. Mather of Wyoming, receiver consulting physicians, reported that the of public moneys at Buffalo, Wyo.; Norman Hutchinson, California, secretary of Postmasters:

Iowa-Kate C. Warner, Dayton; J. B. Lenox; A. O. Ingram, Mount Ayr; William Sindlinger, Waterloo.

Illinois-Francis A. Freer. Galesburg: Fulton; J. C. Pudue, Marshall; George H. McKinley, Moline; Ansel B. Case, Prophetstown; S. T. Lindsay, Robinson Thomas, Rock Island; H. R. Moberley, Windsor.

California-Frank Hickman, Hanford. Missouri-A. O. Welton, Butler; F. M. Filson, Cameron; E. S. Bedford, Huntsville; T. N. McHaney, Kennett; C. M. Gilchrist, Lathrop; F. B. Miller, Maysville; T. M.

Kansas-Simon Skovgaard, Greenleaf; Royce, Phillipsburg. M. Lancaster, Pawnee; M. L. Thomas, Pond sinking.

Creek Texas-Marshall Smith, Linwood; W. E. Dwyer, Brenham; J. R. Neece, Mexia; E. E. Seydler, Weimar. Colorado-W. V. Roberts, Fort Collins; Edwin Price, Grand Junction; D. E. Cooper,

Lamar; James W. Long, Ouray.

### Chicago Faces a Distressing Situation at Outset of Cold

Spell.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19 .- Chicago is staring a coal famine in the face, and 15 degrees be low zero is predicted within twenty-four hours. Throughout the entire city big consumers of hard and soft coal are begging shippers to supply them, but without avail. The severe cold and the floods through the coal mining districts have tied up railroads to such an extent that shipment is almost impossible. To add to the serious shortage railroad companies are exerting their prerogative of confiscating carlots of coal as fast as they arrive here and are putting WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 .- (Special Tele- them to their own use. Large business houses are suffering severely for the want

ferred to the committee on postoffices and Today many owners of large buildings postroads: W. H. Edgar, Beatrice, vice were besieging coal dealers and begging Alexander Graham; William H. Ketcham, that they be supplied with enough coal to

At midnight a number of coal dealers Holmes, Kearney, vice Henry Gibbons; who had been canvassing the situation in Jehlel H. Secor, Madison, vice Seth J. Ar- the city reported that there was not above nett; James L. Stewart, Randolph, reap- thirty hours' coal supply in the city. If pointment; Charles Miner, Ravenna, reap- relief does not come before that time there pointment; Delbert E. Sherman, Valentine, will be much suffering and many manufacreappointment; William H. McNeal, Wayne, turing plants will be forced to close. The reappointment; Charles A. Warren, Geneva, prediction of the weather bureau was for a new record in low temperature, the an-The appointment of Jehiel H. Secor to be nouncement being made that it will fall 15 postmaster at Madison was agreed on some below zero. At midnight the mercury time ago, although Seth Arnett had hoped to showed 5 above zero and was falling slowly. tide over Roosevelt's administration. Ar- Twenty-four hours ago the mercury was

### Senator Thurston, who appointed Arnett, SERIOUS DEARTH OF COAL

Suspend Operations Soon.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.-St. Louis faces a Senator Millard today recommended for shortage of coal which not only forebodes there wil be serious protests from the packpostmasters: Christian B. Lawinson at suffering for these whose supply is small. Scandla, Custer county; Louis Arnold at but which may result in a general tie-up of the transit companies' numerous street car lines.

Unexpected zero weather, slippery pavements that make hauling exceedingly diffisented a memorial of the legislature of his cult and floe ice that has tied up the ferstate today, praying for increase in the ap- rics, combined with other difficulties of propriations for Indian industrial schools transportation, have brought the supply of coal far below the urgent demands of the

no promises of immediate delivery would

from Recent Cold and Storms.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Dec. 19 .- As a result of the intense cold and storms stockmen figure à 10 per cent loss in cattle. This is true covering the two territories, the loss being greater on the western Oklahoma ranges and in the new country. The last two days have been cold, but accompanied by no portunity to provide means to care for their cattle and to collect them on the ranges. where they had scattered, driven by the lected at the cotton oil mills to fatten quickly and ship to market.

### Railroad Trains at St. Louis Make a Record that is Exasperating

to Travelers. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19 .- The cold weather and the snow are playing havor with railhas rolled into Union station on time. Every train is from thirty minutes to seven are delayed from twenty to fifty minutes on account of the irregular running of the inbound trains. The trains from the far west and those from the extreme east were delayed by slippery rails and snows. The train on which Chinese Minister Wu Tingfang and Major General MacArthur are

### night before the Commercial club. COLDER DAYS FOR KANSAS Mercury Promises to Go Lower Than

coming here from the east was late and ar-

Record Yet Made.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 19 .- Three degrees below zero is the lowest temperature reorded by the official thermometers in Kansas today. Tonight the indications are that the mercury will descend several degrees from that mark. The cold spell has now lasted a week. At present the cold is unaccompanied by wind and no suffering to stock is resulting. If it was not for the scarcity of water the stockmen could get along without any trouble from the cold weather. The water supply, however, is the most serious problem of the winter. Little snow has acompanied the cold and the outlook for stockmen is anything but encouraging.

### THREE THOUSAND MEN IDLE Cold Weather Freezes Steampipes and Stops Operation of

Pinnts.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Dec. 19 .- The Hungerford, Carroll; S. D. Henry, Coon 2,500 men employed by the American Car Rapids; F. W. Meyers, Denison; W. F. and Foundry company are nearly all idle Akinson, Laurens; T. F Armstrong, because of the cold weather. The steam pipes all over the plant have been frozen for several days and the men cannot work on account of the frigid temperature. At Russell W. Foltz, Atlanta; Robert E. Moon. Howard's shop yard not a wheel is turning. over 500 employes being temporarily idle.

### IOWA'S MOST FRIGID MORNING

Twenty Below Zero, a Record-Breaker.

DES MOINES, Dec. 19 .- (Special Tele- Rev. M R. Johnson of San Francisco, Yong the American flag. Batley, Rockport; G. H. Gardner, Union- gram.)-Indications tonight are that Iowa Hay, a Chinese clergyman of this city; Rev. will have a record-breaking cold morning James A. Earle and Colonel Stephen W. tonrorrow. The weather bureau reports Nickerson. In the course of his address John Tiper, Hoisington; Seth G. Wells, that the mercury will go down to 15 or 20 Mr. Gatrison said: Erie; H. F. Heisler, St. Mary's; J. Q. below zero, which will be the coldest everknown in Iowa this early in the season. At Oklahoma-H. B. Gilstrap, Chandler; O. 9 tonight the temperature is 10 below and

JOPLIN, Mo., Dec. 19—Avery Breeden, aged 25, of Claremore, I. T., was killed aged 25, of Claremore, i. T., was killed instantly and Richard Brumbeck was seri-ously injured, losing one hand and part of his arm, by the premature explosion of a biast at mine No. 3 on the Perry lease to-

Recent Covernment's Decision to Coase Mi-

crescopical Inspection. NELSON MORRIS SAYS IT MEANS HAVOO

Declares Germany Will Not Receive a Pound of American Pork If United States Stops Official Tagging.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19 .- Chicago packers have received notice from D. E. Salmon, chief of the bureau of animal industries in Washington, to the effect that the miscroscopical inspection of meat will cease March 1, 1902. The announcement has aroused the packers ing will probably be called in the near future to consider what will be done.

"Letters have been received by all the 'and it is my understanding that the inspec-United States.

"It will work havoc with packers. Germany will not receive a pound of American pork unless it bears the tag of the United pork in pieces that weigh less than nine pounds, and this is already a hardship to exporters of pork. Of course we will be shut out of the German market altogether if the inspection of pork is abolished. Other countries now admit our ment without the inspectors' tag, but they may cease to do so when the inspection is done away with and there is the chance of receiving poor pork from unscrupulous packers.

"I cannot see any reason why the miscroscopic inspection should be abolished. It does not cost very much and is of great benefit to everyone concerned. I am sure ers. I believe a meeting will be called to consider the question. The notice came as a shock to Chicago packers, all of whom had laughed at the previous rumors to the effect that the examination would be abolished."

### HAS CONFIDENCE IN CONGRESS Secretary Wilson Believes Inspection

# fleer in Victims'

Home.

PARSONS, Kan., Dec. 19 .- The bodies of storm in seeking shelter. Plenty of pro- Colonel John Bull and his wife were found vision will now be made, as all anticipate in the bedroom of their home today stabbed an extremely cold winter. In central and to death. It is the belief of their friends eastern Oklahoma the cattle are being col- that they were murdered, yet the house was securely locked and had not been robbed. Colonel Bull was last seen alive Tuesday night. The house was locked all day yes-NONE ON TIME FOR TWO DAYS terday and the marshal forced an entrance. Mrs. Pull was found lying on the bed, with her head extended over the edge, her skull crushed and brain protruding. She was also stabled in the right side of the body and a quantity of blood was in a jar beside the bed. About five feet distant Mr. Bull's body was lying on the floor, face downward beside an overturned chair. An open pocket

knife was lying near him, but was without bloodstains and there was little evidence of Colonel Bull was a wealthy real estate dealer and an old soldier, having served through the civil war in an Ohio regiment. He was leader of the Methodist church choir. The coroner is holding an inquest. rived at 11:45. They immediately departed for Kansas City, where both will speak to-

### examination tomorrow. TRAIN GETS ON WRONG TRACK of young Hay, still stoutly denies his guilt Car is Upset and Several Passengers

Sustain Serious Injuries.

SHARON, Pa., Dec. 19 .- An accident oc curred on the Pittsburg, Bessemer & Lake Western Officials Embark on Their Erie railroad today by which a dozen or more passengers were injured, none fatally, The most seriously hurt are:

Frank Davy, residence not known; scalp cut, injured internally. George Mahoney, Sharon, traveling salesman; legs and left side cut.

Mrs. Elizabeth Haywood, widow of former State Treasurer B. J. Haywood, cut on body, not seriously.

There were many persons painfully cut shifted from a switch to the main line. All the switch except one, a day coach. It tracts, it is believed, will be disposed of jumped the rails, joited over the tie a short by January 1. distance and then turned completely over, rolling against a locomotive that was standing on a side track. All the passengers were hurled from

their seats and the car was badly wrecked

### OPPOSE CHINESE EXCLUSION Mass Meeting in Boston Addressed by William Lloyd Gar-

rison. BOSTON, Dec. 19 .- William Lloyd Garri-

son presided over a meeting in the Brom-Prospects of Thermometer Reaching field Street Methodist Episcopal church this elusion act. Besides Mr. Garrison, the

We are here tonight as American citizens to protest against America's injustice in dealing with a sister nation. We cannot forget that our ancestors themselves were immigrants with no prescriptive right to

Glucose Plant to Resume.

PEORIA, III. Dec. 19 - L. P. Baner, super-intendent of the local glucose plant, today announced that the plant would begin operations on the day after Christmas. The plant will start with a full ferce of 1,500 workmen.

Forecast for Nebraska-Fair Friday and Saturday, Warmer Saturday, Light West-erly Whole

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## EXCITEMENT ON THE ISTHMUS

Venezuela and Germany Arane White INDISPENSABLE TO SOUND PROGRESS Cruiser Philadelphia Goes to Scene.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19 .- The Bulletin eays: Rush orders have been received from and Nelson Morris said tonight that a meet- Washington directing that the cruiser Philadelphia sail from here tomorrow with all speed for Panama. Affairs on the isthmu are approaching a crisia, Venezuela and pork packers in Chicago," said Mr. Morris, Germany are arguing a point or two of diplonacy and there are other interesting tion will be abandoned in all parts of the matters of international interest on the southern coast:

### WRECK IN LINCOLN YARDS States meat inspector. It will not receive Burlington Train Crashes Into Switch Engine and Three Persons

Ave Hurt.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec 19.- (Special Telegram.)-The second section of Burlington train No. coilided with a switch engine at the Pourteenth street crossing in this city at 7:15 tenight and several persons were seriously, of the First National bank, acted as toustthough not fatally injured. They are: Edward W. Allen, engineer, Lincoln; left

wrist aprained and head bruised. Albert Lowe, Pullman car porter; lips lacerated and head bruised.

S. Segel, Cincinnari; arm and side hurt. The train was due to arrive here at ? clock and was running a few minutes behind its schedule. The switch engine, drawthe main line tracks, but within the yards. Power." Engineer Allen of the passenger train applied the air when he saw the obstruction ahead, but the train was still going at a good speed when the crash occurred. The

covered sufficiently to resume his many duties. He did not entirely recover his health, however, and toward the end of the last session of congress he developed a complication of diseases. The senator's physician

Lumberman. SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 19 .- The mystery of the death of James R. Hay, The coroner's jury held a long session to- whose body was found yesterday buried in in secretary of the Pacific Lumber company, night, but could not reach a verdict. The a shallow trench in a field on the outskirts jury will meet again tomorrow morning. A of the city, remains unsolved. No trace of theory is advanced that the deaths were the \$3,800 which Hay is said to have colcaused by the couple being overcome by lected from Peter Mortensen, a contractor, natural gas. Physicians will make another on Monday night has been found. Mortensen, who was arrested yesterday on suspicion of complicity in the evident murder tior any knowledge whatever of the way in which Hay met his death. Mortensen as-

### TO PREVENT RATE-CUTTING

serts he will be able to prove a perfect

Annual Crusade Against

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.-Presidents and executive officers met today to put a stop to the indiscriminate rate cutting that has been going on west of the Missouri river. It was deemed inadvisable to take any concerted action that might be construed as a violation of the anti-trust law, so each road and bruised. The accident occurred at piedged itself individually to strictly main-Houston Junction. The train was being tain tariff rates after January 1. Shippers have been notified that no more cut rate the couches on the train passed safely over contracts will be made. All the old con-

# SEEKS PROTECTION FOR SUGAR

governor of the island of Porto Rico to transmit a cablegram to the authorities at Washington requesting that cangress, when Gage. He said: dealing with the question of Cuban reciprocity, consider Porto Ricc. The Chamber of evening, at which resolutions were adopted protected against the introduction of Cuban against the re-enaciment of the Chinese ex- | sugar | into the United States and that a speakers were Rev. J. M. Foster of Boston, American product, under the protection of

# CONDITION OF THE WEATHER DEFECTS IN BANKING

Gage Says Weakness Receives Too Little Consideration by Public.

SECRETARY POINTS OUT THE PITFALLS

Lwells Upon Imperiance of Improved Mathees in Finances.

In Times of Strongth and Prosperity Prepare for Future.

SUGGESTS SYSTEM OF COALITION OF BANKS

United States Now is Unsurpassed in Financial Prowess, but Periods of Stress Must Be Guarded Against.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19. Secretary of the Treasury Lyman J. Gage was the guest of honor and the principal speaker at the annual banquet of Group Eight of the New York State Bankers' association, held tonight at the Waldorf-Astoria. Nearly 500 members of the association and their guests were present. George F. Baker, president

master. Besides Secretary Gage the speakers were; Ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed, Rev. Dr. Donald Sage Mackay, ex-Judge E. H. Howland and Amos Parker Wrider.

The teasts to which they responded were respectively: "Business and Legislation." "The Corporate Conscience and the Men Who Help to Make it," Lawyer and Finaning an unloaded flat car, was working on clers" and "The West and the Money

### Secretary Gage's Speech.

It was 10 o'clock when Mr. Gage arose to speak and he was heartily greeted by the diners. He spoke, in part, as follows:

secretary Wilson Believes Inspection of American Meats Will Be Continued.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Secretary Wilson saye that son today expressed confidence that congress would avert the threatened suspension on March 1 of microscopical examination of American meats sent abroad by making the appropriation for continuing that work in accordance with estimates he has submitted. Secretary Wilson saye that in view of the radical effect the suspension would have on our market in Germany he does not helieve congress will permit any lapse in the inspection work for want of money.

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### Bank as Intermediary.

In the report referred to attention was called to what I consider the fundamental weakness of our banking system in the United States. There was explained the function that the bank performs as an cation of diseases. The senator's physician realized that he was a very sick man and advised him to go abroad. He remained in Europe about three months and when he returned his condition showed no improvement.

After a short stay at his Camden home he went to Asheville, N. C., where he spent two months, and returned to this city about two weeks ago. He has since been confined to his room.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 20.—At 2:39 a. m. Senator Sewell is very low. His death may occur at any moment, or, as his physicians say, he may linger for several hours.

MYSTERY STILL UNSOLVED

No Cine Obtained to Death of James R. Hay, the Sait Lake

Lumberman.

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"What ought to be quoted is not money, but credit; what is the price of credit stated in the terms of interest? It is credit that is getting difficult, not actual money that is becoming scarce."

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The weakness of our banking system is in the isolation and entire separateness of the individual banks over the county. When a period of distrust or doubt comes over the land there is a seeking of personal safety through that general instinct of self-preservation, which drives men in a confused mass over each other at the cry of "fire" in the theater. "fire" in the theater.

I ventured to suggest a system of coalition between individual members of the
banking community throughout the country into one institution, with convenient
branches in the larger cities, in which all
banks should be related or interested, according to their individual relative importance and which to a certain sense should
represent to the banking interests of the
country what the federal government represents in our political system.

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Prejudice Against Capital. Great prejudice exists, I know, against the aggregation of great wealth in the hands of a few men. Happly, it is the law of nature that larger gains and better advantages can be secured to aggregated wealth by serving faithfully the common interests than by exploiting the community through a system of the tand robbery.

The secretary urged that there he a reform of the currency system of the nation along the lines outlined in his report to congress and declared that no time was more favorable than the present for the judicious revision of the law. He told of the reduction of the interest charge on the national debt and commenting upon it said: The cash under the control of the government is larger than at any previous ernment is larger than at any prev time in its history, so large indeed a cause anxiety in your minds and in minds of those more immediately resp. SEEKS PROTECTION FOR SUGAR

San Juan Wants Congress to Remember Porto Rican Interests.

San JUAN, P. R., Dec. 19.—The Chamber of Commerce of San Juan has asked the governor of the island of Porto Rico to Iransmit a cablegram to the authorities at the Seeker Thomas R. Reed followed Mr. Ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed followed Mr.

### West and South Discontented.

dealing with the question of Cuban reciprosity, consider Porto Ricc. The Chamber of Commerce asks that Porto Rican sugar be protected against the introduction of Cuban sugar into the United States and that a bounty be paid for Porto Rican coffee as an American preduct, under the protection of the American flag.

Movement of Ocean Vessels, Dec. 19.

At New York—Arrived: Laurentian, from Giasgow and Moville; Germanic, from Liverpool, Earbarossa, from Bremen and Cherbourg, Sailed: Balretagne, for Havre, At Gibraltar—Passed: Ching Wo, from Liverpool, for Yokohama and Seattle.

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