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Gale Strews North Atlantic Ceast with Hulks and Corpses.

EVEN STEAM UNABLE TO WEATHER STORM

Stanch Steel Greyhound Helpless on the New Jersey Sands.

SCHOONER LURED SIGHTS OF WRECK

Pall-Rigged Merchante anded Off Long Island.

CREWS RESCUED FROM TUGS ERE THE

Life-Saving Crews Helpiess with Lines and Boats in the Pace of Tremendous Seas-Cold and Exposure Exhaust Seamen.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.-The gale which has been aweeping the coasts of Long leland and New Jersey for more than twentycontinuing tonight though with abated force, has brought death and disaster to sailors and their

Reports of loss of life are confined to the eastern end of Long Island, whence comes pows that several bodies have been washed ashore. It was not known up to 10 o'clock conight what vessels the men who lost their lives come from. They might have been on either the barges towed by the tug Richmond, reported as passing Block Island without tow, bound from New York for Newport, R. L. or the tug Cuba, which passed Block Island two hours later, and which left New London yesterday for Newport News and was returning without tow. When leaving port, Richmond had three

barges and Cuba two. Wreckage strews the shore in the vicinity of the Beliport, L. L. life saving sta-tion, and one body came ashore east of this station, One barge was thrashing about this afternoon near Forge River sta-The finding of two other bodies was reported later from the same point. The largest piece of wreckage is the after-On this were the letters "O. P. E."

The crew of the American merchantman Schepp, a full-rigged ship which went early today, were in peril all day. Late sailed for its destination. It was not intranded vessel, though the danger of death has been lessened owing to the slight this section. abatement of the storm.

in the morning. The men from Captain Great Britain, France, Spain, Italy Andrew Rhoades' life-saying station, a mile to the east, dragged their mortar to the scene of the wreck, reaching Schepp about daybreak and found the seas breaking over its how and stern. The vessel was about 1,000 feet from shere and tossin breakers. Nearly overy spar in the ship was twisted or broken. Beveral of the could be seen on deck running to and erew could be seen on deck running to and fro in apparent efforts to keep from freezing to death. The life-savers of Captain Rhoades' station and those of the Long Beach station under Captain Van Wicklen, made several attempts to shoot the life lines over the ship, but their etforts were not successful. They then tried to launch the lifeboat, but this proved im-

possible, owing to the high seas. The crew of the tug John Atwood and E. S. Berwind had narrow escapes from going to the bottom with their craft Sunday afternoon. Nothing was known of their plight until the arrival of the German mer Barcelona, the crew of which rescued the tugmen. The tugs had been delivering provisions to the stranded steamer Savour, ashore at Long Beach, L. I., and were proceeding back to this point when the gale struck them. The waves not only swept off everything moveable, but also flooded their holds and got into the fireboxes. The seven men on each tug were in imminent danger of death for over two hours. The tugs were absolutely helpless and gradually sinking when Barcelona hove in sight and took the half-frozen crews Within half an hour after this, the two tugs went to the bottom.

Captain Claus Bohn was utterly exhausted when Barcelona reached the South Central pier this morning, as he had been forty-eight hours on the bridge. He said that all the houses of Berwind had been smashed by the fury of the waves, when Barcelona hove down on the sinking vesnel and rescued the crew.

Both of the tug boats were fine vessels f their class. Berwind was probably worth \$32,000 or \$35,000, and Atwood about

BARGES GO DOWN WITH CREWS Fen Men Lost with Two Vessels in the ler Blast Off Block

WALL RIVER, Mass., Feb. 3.—The tug all suffered severely from the extreme cold. Cuba, owned by the Staples Coal comp of Taunton, arrived here tonight and reported the loss of its two barges, Matansas and Cardenas, off Block Island, last uight, during the heavy gale. Each barge 2,000 tons of coal on board and each was manned by a crew of five. The company tonight could not give the names of the

OHIO RAILROADS ARE BURIED Deep Cut on Hris is Choked with Snow and All Trains from East Are Late.

trains from the east today were delayed by the heavy snowstorm. The Lake Shore company's through trains arrived five to hours late.

A deep cut near Kept, O., on the Erie, is completely filled with snow and several trains are blocked there. A large force of men is engaged in clearing away the snow.

OVERWHELMED BY AVALANCHE and badly drifting the large quantities of Snowalide from Mount Boubratch

Lays Dessiste Village of

Bletberg. GRAZ, Austria, Feb. 3 .- An avalanche from Mount Boubratch has partially over ed the village of Bleiberg, near the town of Villach, Many persons have been

SMITES MANY SHIPS ON BRIGANTINE SHOAL Steamship Cinverdate

Wrecked.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3.-The windstorm which began yesterday afternoon and FORTNIGHT OF FREEZING ATMOSPHERE reached a velocity of fifty miles an hour along the southern New Jersey coast and in the vicinity of the Delaware Breakwater, has greatly diminished and tonight is blowing twenty miles an hour.

Reports from the south Jersey coast and Delaware river points indicate that vessels that were exposed to the gale weathered the storm fairly well. Two vessels are ashore on Brigantine Shoal, a short dis-tance north of Atlantic City, and two Northerly Winds, Becoming Variable. steamers are reported aground in Delaware bay, fifty miles below this city.

The British steamer Claverdale, from Asiatic ports, for New York, which grounded on Brigantine Shoal yesterday, is still fast, The wind and sea are unfavorable, and during the last twenty-four hours Claverdale has been awung around by the elements until now it lies broadside on, desp in the sand. Wrecking tugs are with it. Several hundred tons of after-ballast and cargo will have to be discharged before the wreckers will attempt to pull the vessel off the shoal.

and Japan with a cargo valued at \$2,500,000, this part of the United States. At no consisting of 4,000 tons of tea and 3,000 tons | time since January 21 has the thermometer of general cargo. A crew of twenty-five at the government observatory marked a men remains aboard. The stranded ship degree above the freezing point. On that is visible from the board walk here and day the maximum temperature was 35 dethousands of visitors are viewing the un- grees above zero for a part of the day. usual spectacle of a great steel steamship That night there was a slight change in lying almost out of water.

Claverdale is almost a new vessel, having been built at Stockton, England, in 1899. It hails from London and is owned by E. Hazlehurst & Co. It is built of steel and is a modern cargo carrier, registering 3,300 gross tons. Its length is 330 feet, beam 43 feet, draught 24 feet.

The schooner Edith L. Allen, which went uary days. ashore during the night on the same shoal within a short distance of Claverdale, is also fast in the sand. The schooner, which which was, however, warmer than any was bound from Brunswick for New York. since that time. The highest temperature with lumber, was misled by the lights of recorded that day was 28 degrees above Claverdale and of the tugs, and before the captain saw his mistake Allen touched bot-

Advices to the Maritime Exchange say the British steamer Europe, from London. was not remarkable compared with the prefor Philadelphia, is reported in Delaware ceding day, but January 26 the mercury bay, six miles below Reedy Island, and the for the first time during the month dropped British steamer Drummond, Philadelphia, for below the zero line, with a minimum of quarter and a portion of the stern of a St. Thomas, is reported fast in the mud in degrees below zero and a maximum of 6 Delaware bay. The schooner R. D. Ribber. degrees above. January 27 was the coldest from Mobile, for New York, was blown day of the present term, having a mimiashore in the Delaware Breakwater harsahore on the shoals off Long Beach. L. L. bor, but was soon afterward floated and the mercury has been below zero on Jan-

A westerly gale was blowing seventy ALL EUROPE IS SNOWBOUND miles an hour when Schepp struck at 3.30

Worst of Weather.

LONDON, Feb. 3.-Reports of damage caused by the wind and snowstorms on the continent and in Great Britain continue to be received.

ral of the Carriage and street car traffic in Madrid has been stopped and railroad trains are delayed. Some of the towns in northern Spain are isolated and fruit trees have been destroyed. In Switzerland many villages are cut off from communication Telegraphic communication with Italy has been interrupted. There is more snow in Venice than at any time in twenty-five years. The river Tiber rose twenty-five The lower portion of Rome is flooded, as well as the Forum, the Pantheon and the Temple of Vesta. water of the Tiber is now receding

Several more wrecks off the British and French coasts are reported and the crews of some of these vessels have been lost. Numerous ships are overdue.

There are heavy snows in the northern part of Great Britain. Several steam trawlers have not been heard from for month. It, is possible they have sought shelter in the bays of Iceland.

BLIZZARD HOLDS UP ACTORS Theaters Dark in Four Blg Cities Be cause of Deep Snowdrifts

and Wreck

PITTSBURG, Feb. 3.-The bliggard which early Sunday is responsible for the closing tonight of the Academy of Music in this city, and incidentally four other theaters, one at Cleveland, two at Chicago and one at Detroit. These failures are the result of an accident on the Eric railroad just west of Youngstown, O., today,

When the train bearing Harry Bryant's Burlesquers' company, coming from Buffalo to Pittsburg, reached the point mentioned, ploughing its way through the immense snow drifts, the forward baggage

BITTER COLD IN SOUTH DAKOTA an fortunate. Indians Find Body of Unidentified Man Who Was Frozen to

Death.

PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 3 .- (Special Tele gram.)-Frank Piener came in from Big Bend country today and reported the freezing to death about last Friday night of an unidentified man in Big Bend. The man years o.1 was at the Fiener ranch Thursday this afternoon and is now below zero. The ard took dinner there, leaving in the after-The next heard of him was when CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 3.-All railway two Indians came to the ranch and reported finding the frozen body. Coroner Bright has been notified and will investigate. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Feb. 3.-(Special Telegram.)-One of the most severe storms this winter is prevailing here tonight. The weather does not moderate by morning. temperature early in the evening was be low zero indicating that the night will be one of the coldest of the season.

> snow now on the ground HURRICANE AT NOVA SCOTIA Shipping Suffers Severely (resp Wildest Storm Halifax Has Known

snow is falling and high northwest wind

in Years. torm was the wildest in Nova Scotia for years, and reports touight indicate that pary. At the county hospital it was said

Dash Centinues to Stand Before Temperature Figure, However.

Weather Man Gives Out Information That January Was an Unesually Warm Month When Taken as a Whole.

Temperature at				Omaha Ye			esterday			
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-Indicates below zero.

This morning marks the fourteenth day Claverdale was bound from China of a term of unusually severe weather for the temperature and the next day the highest point reached was 31 degrees above zero, or I degree below the freezing point The next day was still colder, the highest temperature recorded being 29 degrees above zero. But these days, while cold in

comparison with those which preceded

thom, were still above the normal for Jan-The real cold weather, compared with January averages, began on January 24, zero and the lowest &, giving a deficiency for the day of 2 degrees. The next day, with a deficiency of '9 degrees, a maximum of 21 and a minimum of 6, mum of 12 degrees below zero. Since then uary 28, January 31, February F and 2, and at no time since January 26 has the No snow accompanied the wind today in mercury been above 17 degrees above zero. Taken as a whole, the month of January

was unusually warm. Until January 23 there was an excess of warmth for the month amounting to 351 degrees. The deficiencies of other days brought this excess down to 233 degrees for the month, making an average daily excess of 7.5 degreen for January. Until January 20 there was no precipita-

tion recorded for the month, but since that time there has been a fall of three quarters of an inch of melled succe, or about hight friches of snow unmelted. One reason that the

present cold weather is on account of the last two years, when that mouth was excoodingly warm, the average daily excess in 1901 being 9 degrees and in 1900 11 degrees. Last winter there were only three days when the mercury went below zero and the coldest time was on December 31, 1900, when 2 degrees below was recorded.

This cendition has, in the opinion of the local forecaster, led the people to forget the usual winters of Omaha, which are about such as the one we are having now, with perhaps a greater range, taking ten days at a time in consideration.

"The rough weather on the coast," said Mr. Welsh, "is a continuation of the storm which passed over Omaha Saturday night. It struck the lakes with a maximum wind velocity of twenty-six miles an hour at Buffalo this morning and with probably increasing velocity as it proceeded to the east."

At the Omaha station at 4 o'clock Mon day afternoon the wind velocity was twenty-six miles an hour, and the flurries of snow gave appearance of an incipient bilzzard, but reports received at the local office caused the forecaster to maintain that no serious storm would follow. has prevailed throughout this section since At 3 o'clock this morning street thermometers varied from 6 to 8 below zero.

MERCURY LOW IN NEBRASKA Cold Weather and Ice Rarvest Continue Throughout the

State.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., Feb. 3 .- (Special.)-The thermometer dropped again Saturday night to 18 degrees below, but Sunday it car parted in the middle, causing an effect- moderated somewhat and the groundhog exual blockade of the road. Trains following perienced no difficulty in seeing his shadow with John Drew's company for Cleveland. The last cold snap was taken advantage of and three other troupes, one bound for by the local dealers and the ice harvest Detroit and two for Chicago, were unable is now completed. The Spring Lake comby the local dealers and the ice harvest to get around the wreck until too late to pany has in its houses 1,500 tens of finest keep their dates. No one was hurt, but quality ice and is in much better shape than last year when it disposed of sev eral carloads to other cities which were not

> KANSAS CATTLE COMFORTLESS Stockmen Feur Losses After Last Night, the Severest of the

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 3.-Stockmen in western Kansas are having trouble tonight in the effort to protect their cattle from who was apparently a German about 35 the cold. The mercury took a sudden drop night is the most severe of the winter. The cold is accompanied by a stiff wind from the north. The ground is completel covered by anow to a depth of several inches, which makes it hard for the cattle to obtain the necessary food and water. Stockmen expect losses to result if the

SEVERE COLD WAVE IN CHICAGO One Man Frozen to Beath and Others Seriously Affected by

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.-Chicago suffered seerely from the cold wave today, the mercury at 7 o'clock being 5 degrees below nero and at 1 o'clock I below. An inmate of the Old People's home was frozen to death and John R. Davis of Glenville, Ill., HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 3.-Last night's was taken to the hospital with his hands so badly frozen that amputation may be neces-

COLD BY NO MEANS MINUS YORK STATE IN BLIZZARD GRIP REPORTS ON CITY AFFAIRS POLICE

Railroads in Northern and Western Sections Battle with the Elements.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3 .- The storms in the northern and western parts of the state through trains due to arrive at the Grand Central station. Neither the new Chicago Express nor the Southwestern Limited, du at 6:20 p. m., had arrived at a late hour tonight Reports indicate that the storn extends all over New York state and is the heaviest known in years. No trains have left Oswego since Sunday The storm still continues, the wind blowing forty miles an hour. A heavy snowstorm still rages through the Hoosac valley. No a train from the west on the New York Central has gone through Geneva, and only two from the west have arrived.

Traffic on all lines has been demoralized and most of the roads are devoting their attention to keeping passenger trains moving. All the passenger trains are from one to twenty-four bours late.

The Washington train over the Penneylvania, due at Suffalo at 7:40 Sunday evening, arrived this afternoon under a heavy pull of engines. All trains on the Eric between Salamanca and Dunkirk have been

TRAINING SHIP DRAGS ANCHOR Lancaster Cuts Cable at Newsort News and Many Small Craft

Are Snnk. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Feb. 3.-The wind last night attained a velocity of 70 miles an hour. The United States training ship Lancaster dragged its anchor acros the Bell telephone cable, cutting it, and destroyed the long distance mamunication.

and many small boats were sunk CONFER ON THE DUTCH NOTE British Minister Spends Considerable Time with Butch Minister of

One small schooner was driven ashere here,

Foreign Affairs. THE HAGUE, Feb. 3.- The British minlater to the Netherlands, Sir Henry Howard, had a long conference today with the minister of foreign affairs, Baron Van Lynden, and Dr. Kuyper, at the latter's resi dence, on the subject of the notes exchanged between the Dutch and British governments. In the first chamber today Baron Van Lynden, replying to a question, said nothing could yet be revealed regarding the

"The necklace the dowager empress placed on Madame Conger should have been spurned as the gift of murderers chargeable with the torture and death of American christian women. The ladies were not primarily to blame, but an unpardonable fault rests with the diplomatists who allowed the cruel indignity. The ladies will be represented as having performed kow-tow to the usurping tyrant and a day of regret will assuredly come."

Henry, says the Berlin correspondent of the Journal, is to lat a gold jewel case, richly studded with diamonds. In the center of the lid is a portrait of the kaiser, with the imperia) monogram in diamonds.

The internal fittings and decorations of the kaiser's American yacht are being made by a London firm of decorators and the thief artist has interviewed the kaiser, who said laughingly: "I shall send a torpedo bost for my yacht some day before June 18, so you'll have to get it finished by then, as I want it to take part in the Kiel re-

EARL OF MUNSTER KILLED Major of British Army Loses Life at Lapo Mines in South Africa.

LONDON, Feb. 3 .- A South African casualty list published this evening includes the name of the earl of Munster, Geoffrey George Gordon Fitz-Clarence, who was acidentally killed at the Lapo mines Feb-The earl was a major of the Third battalion of the Royal Scots, Lothian regiment. He was born in 1859.

Steamer Finally Reaches Port. LONDON. Feb. 2.-After tossing helplessly in the English channel for sixtyfive hours the Dover-Ostend passensteamer Marie Henrietta was towed into Ostend this morning. The gale is abating. In view of the severity of the weather, the number of casualties thus far eported is comparatively small.

News has just been received here that the steam trawler Anlaby, with a crew of tweive men, belonging to Hull, has been lost in a snow storm off Iceland. The first officer of the French ship Chanaral was landed at Falmouth today. He is the sole survivor of the crew of twenty-two men of the vessel, which was capsized off

The bark wrecked off the Scilly islands lest evening, and which was supposed to be a German vessel, turns out to have been

Wreck Affects Nordica's Nerves. Montreal's Avetic Conditions.

Nordica is confined to her room at the hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were frozen last night, was paid that "Young Griffo," the pugiliat whose hands and feet were

Mayor Moores and City Engineer Recewater Submis Their Boriews.

CASH BALANCE ON THE RIGHT SIDE

Expense Kept Within Income Last Year Through Strict Vigilance, and Promise Renewed for Current Year.

Mayor Frank E. Moores presented his anmessage to the city councilmen at a neeting called at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The message is as follows:

We have closed the year and have before us our balance abeet for that period. The figures are most gratifying, for they show that we have kept our piedge to the people made at the beginning of 1991. At the close of 1900 it was found that a number of funds were overdrawn and that several departments had exceeded their allotment. When the levy for 1901 was made the mayor and council promised the people that we would de everything in our power to see to it that no funds were overdrawn at she end of 1901 except the water rent, lighting and health funds, where the fixed charges exceed the amount of the levy authorised by the charter. When the year ended there was a balance of over \$13,000 in the general fund after paying all claims and not a single department had exceeded its allotment. This result was only accomplished by vigilance and economy. Comfortable balances also existed in the other various funds except in those mentioned; and in the library fund. The library fund is managed and controlled by the library fund is managed to one of which we may well be proud. And now, before the levy of 1902 is made, I desire to renew the piedge of 1901 for 1902. Whatever that levy may be, it shall be my steadfast purpose to so manage the financial affairs of the city that at the close of 1902 our balance sheet shall not show an overdrawn fund or allotment.

City Treasurer.

The record made by the city treasurer for 1901 was even better than that made by him in 1900. On December 31 his books showed that 90 per cent of the 1901 levy for personal taxes had been collected, although the tax lists had been in his hands only eight months.

In 1900 he collected 84 per cent of the personal taxes for the current year, while his predecessor collected but 62 per cent in the corresponding period of 1899. The result of this activity has been that on January 1, 1902, the outstanding general warrant dert of the city was \$170,600 less than it was on January 1, 1901. Spectal taxes have come in during the year at the rate of about \$10,000 per month and the special warrant debt has been largely reduced.

In the year 1900 the city was no a cash

duced.

In the year 1900 the city was on a cash basis for only three and one-half months; in 1901 four and one-half months, and in 1902 this should be increased to five and one-half months.

The year 1900 the city was on a cash the bullet penetrating near the heart. She bullet penetrating near the heart. She then opened the door, walked out into the hall and fell. She died half an hour later one-half months.

The report of this department is a most gratifying one. It discloses the fact that the amount of stolen property reported last year was \$29,046.28 as against \$27,137.48 in 1890 and \$27,042.85 in 1899. White the amount stolen in 1991 was less than that reported in 1990 or 1899, yet the percentage of stolen property recovered was larger than in the previous years, being \$15,625.07. During the recent prolonged period of KAISER SENDS JEWEL CASE
Rich Present to Miss Roosevelt, Who
is to Christen the
Yacht.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The kaiser's gift to
Miss Alice Romevelt, in connection with
the visit to Appella of Admiral Prince
Henry, says the Berlin correspondent of the
Journal, is to las a gold jewel case, richly
studded with dismonds. In the center of
the lid is a portrait of the kaiser, with the ance, and supplies were furnished at once to all worthy persons. It has been urged that this work was outside the proper sphere of the police department. I admit it, but this was an unusual emergency. There was no other agency to take charge of the work, and it seemed better to have the department go beyond the limits of its proper sphere for the time being than to have unfortunate people being than to have unfortunate people freeze or starve.

However, it is hoped the necessity will not occur again. Omaha needs a permanent charitable organization, and our philanthropic people should provide one without delay.

Police Judge.

The people, by their ballots, have rendered a verdict on the police judge that is very gratifying.

The former police judge has been a very expensive luxury. The receipts from the police court have grown smaller and smaller each year, but not so with the expenses. smaller each year, but not so with the expenses.

Since 1897 our charter has provided for an annual salary of \$1,200 for the police judge, but by a legal technicality Judge Gordon has compelled the city to pay him annually the sum of \$2,500, or \$1,300 each year more than the charter provided.

I congratulate the people in their selection of a man like Louis Berka for the office of police judge. A man of experience and ability, who has demonstrated in the past his ability to preside over the police court. I trust all ordinances will now be enforced. Especially the ordinances in which the people are so much interested, such as those prohibiling the sale of adulterated milk and food, short measures and the dumping of garbage within the city limits.

Fire Department.

Fire Department. The work of this department deserves great praise. Chief Salter has aroused in the members of the force an intense enthusiasm and loyalty which has never before, existed under previous management. He is a trained fire fighter and has the respect and confidence of his mere. ment. He is a trained are agater and has
the respect and confidence of his men.
During the year there were 455 fires. The
fire loss was \$23,133. of which \$35,443 was
on buildings and \$165,690 on contents. The
loss over insurance was only about \$10,440.
Among the large fires of the year were
the following:

January 15. Lininger & Metcalf implement
house, loss \$22,300. tained 29 per cent powdered rock.

house, loss \$22,500.

February 5, Omaha Street Railway company car barn, \$50,375.

October 19, Western Type Foundry and May's grocery, \$37,100.

October 25. Three-story brick building. Fifteenth and Dodge, \$7,000.

December 1, Omaha Creamery Package company, \$56,000.

The department had been asking for a new and additional apparatus for some time, and in December it was found to be imperative that \$400 feet of hose should be purchased.

The large fires that have occurred in the

(Continued on Fifth Page.)

KIDNAPER POLICY ARREST North Dakota Capture Woman and Boy Who Disap-

peared from Evanston. CHICAGO, Peb. 3 .- Chief of Police O'Nell oday received a telegram from Chief Bal-

ard of Casselton, N. D., saying that Florence Ely and Frank Ely Rogers, the boy whom the woman is said to have kidnaped from Evanston last July, are in that town. A second telegram stated that Miss Ely was said to have confessed her identity. "I believe Ballard has found the right people, although of course, there may be omo mistake," said Chief O'Neil. time will be lost in making the identification absolute one way or the other." The Ely kidnaping case in one of the

most peculiar with which the police have had to deal in years. Miss Ely, the aunt of Frank Ely Rogers, a 13-year-old boy cherished an infatuation for her usphew which the boy's parents regarded as remarkable. It is thought that preparations to send Frank away to school, thus removing him from the influence of his aunt, caused the latter to take him away herself Mrs. Rogers has been ill from grief and anxiety since her son disappeared and the police of the whole country have been put on the watch.

STUDENT COMMITS SUICIDE Sophomore in Medical Department of University of Michigan Shoots Herself.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Feb. 3.-Miss Agnes Inglis, sophomore student in the medical department of Michigan, committed suicide here today. She was a daughter of Dr. David Inglis, a prominent physician of

Detroit, and was 25 years of age. The young woman was an unusually bright and promising student and had already made a name for herself among the professors. She was prominent in athletics being coach of the freshman basket ball team and taking great interest in gymnasium work.

No motive for the deed has been povered, but it is known that she was subject to attacks of great mental depression. At such times she has often threatened to take her life. Worry over examinations does not seem to be the cause, as she passed with high marks all she had taken up to this time.

After examination she went down town.

returning to her room and shot herself.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 3 .- A special from Eagle Pass says: Eighty-four bodies and Mexico, also favored the plan of an elecsixteen met barely alive, some of them horribly mangled, have been taken from the Hondo mines. The search for the bodies has stopped, on account of the stench, but disinfectants arrived this afternoon and

from all points and is doing everything possible to save any of the miners who may still be alive. The scene at the opening of the mine was horrible. mothers and children of the dead and mangled were screaming and crying and refused to retire.

DYNAMITE IN NEW Blast at Old Stewart Mansion Disables Two Men and Arrest Follows.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3 .- Two men were everely wounded this afternoon by a heavy blast of dynamite on the site of the old A. T. Stewart mansion, Thirty-fourth street and Fifth avenue. The men hurt are Morris Harnett, a watchman employed by firm of builders, whose skull was fractured and Ferdinand Holly, a furniture designer who was cut in the thigh by a piece of flying rock. A building foreman who had charge of the blast was arrested.

ROCK IN BAKING POWDER New York Health Officials Seize and Destroy Adulterated

Goods.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3 .- Three and one-half tons of baking powder seized by the Board of Health and officially condemned by the city chemists, were destroyed today. Part of the powder was found at a department store and the rest in a warehouse. chemists who examined it said that it con-

GUN BURSTS ON KEARSARGE Accident Occurs During Target Practice, but No Injuries Are

Reported.

Republican Caucus Fails to Agree on Investigating Disfranchisement.

THREE HOURS OF LIVELY DISCUSSION

Orumpacker Presents Resolution and Pleads Urgent Necessity.

SOUTH FAVORS STRONG ELECTION LAW

Declares Against Any Reduction of State Representation.

LONG OF KANSAS ARGUES FOR CAUTION

Deprecates Stirring Up Agitation Such an that of Forty-Third Congress, Which Caused Indirectly Death of Five Congressmen.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.-The republicas members of the house of representatives, had a caucus in the half of the house tonight to consider the line of policy to be adopted concerning the alleged disfranchisement of voters in the south. The caucus lasted from 8 o'clock until shortly after 11. It was determined to adjourn for one week to consider more fully the various propost-

tions brought forward. The main discussion of the meeting turned on a resolution offered by Representative Crumpacker of Indiana, providing for the appointment of a special committee of the house to investigate questions of diafranchisement and to report remedies to the house. This brought out several other propositions, mainly from southern republicans, who favored a strong federal elec-

tion law, including one from Representative Bartholdt of Missourl, on these lines. One hundred and twenty-five republican members were in attendance out of a full membership of 200. Speaker Henderson Representative Payne of New York, the republican floor leader, and most of the leaders of the house, including about all the southern republicans, were present. The gathering was not as numerous as had been desired, however, owing to the bad weather and private engagements, and this was one of the main reasons for deferring action. Representative Cannon of Illinois occupied the chair, with Representative Louden-

slager of New Jersey as secretary.

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Bartholdt of Missouri, and Rodney of New

Chairman Cannon Pleads Caution. After the discussion had proceeded for some time, with little prospect of agree-ment, Chairman Cannon yielded the chair The shaft had 118 men enrolled and to Mr. Long of Kansas, took the floor and eighteen are still missing. Twenty-five made a strong appeal for conservative achead of dead mules have been taken from tion. He pointed out the difficulties which the shaft. The damage to property is very had been encountered when former "force bills" had been urged before congress, and The company has obtained all the phy- he cited the incidents in the Forty-third sicians and nurses that can be secured congress, when five members of congress had died from the indirect effects of the protracted struggle over an election law He referred also to the agitation this move-Wives, ment would occasion, and the feeling it would engender. Mr. Caunon was postponing action, at least for the present. and the tenor of his remarks was not favorable to any of the plans proposed. Representative Parker of New Jersey also opposed action, and Representative Reaves of Illinois was for postponement. Late in

motion prevailed to adjourn the caucuuntil Monday night. SURRENDERS EXCEED CAPTURE

Governor Taft Says Many Insurgents

tarily.

Give Up Arms Volun-

the evening Mr. Payne, the floor leader

made a brief speech, adding his view in

favor of deferring action until the ques-

tion could be examined with more care.

By this time the sentiment of the caucus

was clearly favorable for postponing the

subject for another week. Accordingly

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 .- Governor Taft today continued his statement before the senate committee on Philippines regarding the conditions existing in those islands. Governor Taft said it will be found, on investigation, that the surrenders by surgents of arms and men were far in excess of the actual captures by the military. There were, he wald, 10,000 adults in the island of Samar engaged in the study of English. "In the meantime," said be, reliance of the commission is on the small equeated portion of the community, who form a nucleus about which we think a stable government can be orected."

Movements of Ocean Vessels, Peb. 3. At Halifax, N. S.: Arrived-Numidian, from Liverpool, for St. John's, N. B. At Boston: Arrived-Sylvania, from Liv-At Brisbane: Arrived-Asrangi, from Vancouver, via Honolulu, for Sydney, N. partment has been advised by Admiral Higginson in command of the North Atlantic
aquadron that one of the five-inch guns
of Kearsarge burst while the ship was at
target practice. No one is reported to have
been injured. Kearsarge is now on the way
from Forto Rico to Cuba.

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4. Gibraltar: Arrived—Luhn, from New
York, for Naples.

At Queenstown: Arrived—Ivernia, from
New York for Liverpool.

At Antwerp: Arrived—Southwark, from
New York.

At Giasgow: Sailed—Mongolian, for New
York: Concordia, for Halifax and St. John,
N. B.