generally express the opinion that some conservative trust measure will be passed during the present session, but all recog nize the difficulty of agreeing on a measur affecting such vast interests and involving

wuch important principles. There is also a promise of debate on Sen ator Vent's coal trust legislation. It was expected the bill removing the duty on anthracite coal would prevent further discussion, but some republican senators have indicated a desire to reply to the remarks of Messrs. Vest and Tillman and if they adhere to their decision a pretty sharp tariff debate, not unmixed with reference to the trusts, may be precipitated at any time. If it is sprung this discussion will have to take place during the morning hour, as under the agreement no subject can interfere with the statehood bill except by a vote of the senate.

FATAL MAPLE LEAF WRECK Des Moines and Minneapolis Special Comes to Grief on Broken

Rall. SYCAMORE, Ill., Jan. 18.-In a wreck

railroad one person was killed and thirty thers seriously injured. Of those several nay not recover. The dead:

J. D. HEADY of Minneapolis, engineer. The most seriously injured: John Bashers of Ida Grove, Ia., mall

Mrs. E. H. Riggs, wife of the conductor. Mrs. I. L. Stewart, back injured, severe

Mr. I. L. Stewart of Hampton, Ia., badly pruised. Mr. Stewart, editor Franklin County Rec-

Cloy C. Smith of Des Moines. W. F. Graff, legs cut. G. L. Hoebel of Waukegan Thomas D. Heady, state senator from

Attorney James Finnegan. Miss Narina Sanford of Sycamore. Considering the nature of the wreck and the fall of twenty feet, it is a wonder that

a single person escaped death. St. Charles and Sycamore hospitals are crowded with the injured tonight. Many escaped with broken fingers and bruises,

nervous shock. The Des Moines & Minneapolis special, a gas jet. running at a high rate of speed, struck a croken rail just as it was about to cross engine and entire train pitched down a twenty-foot embankment, the cars turned on their sides and were jumbled together in a hopeless wreck.

The engineer was so badly injured that he died in a short time.

The wreck was a couple of miles from any town, but five men who were not injured succeeded in pulling the passengers through the car windows, and as soon as all were taken from the debris, they were power of attorney, has been here and made carried to a neighboring farm house, where they were cared for till one of the party walked to Walco and telegraphed to Sycamore for help. Assistance arrived in a couple of hours and the injured passengers were brought to the Sycamore hos-

REID LUNCHES DIPLOMATS Morgan and Carnegie Invited to

Meet Ministers and Their Wives.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18 .- Mr. and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid gave an informal luncheon Large Amount of Building Was Done today in honor of the members of the diplomatic corps who attended the Ohio society's dinner to Secretary Hay last night. Among those present were: Dr. David J. Hill, former assistant secretary of state, and newly appointed minister to Switzerland; F. B. Loomis, former minister to Portugal, and recently appointed assistant secretary of state; Colgate Hoyt, president son, James H. Hoyt; Samuel Mather of Cleveland, brother-in-law of the secretary of state; Andrew Carnegie, J. P. Morgan, John Bigelow, former minister to France; Edwin Morgan of the State department. Lady Herbert, wife of the British ambassador; Count Cassini, Russian ambassador, and his daughter, Countess Cassini; Senor de Aspiriz, Mexican ambassador, and Mme. Aspiriz; Sig. Mayer des Plances, Italian minister, and Mme. des Plances: Pierre de Margerie, counsellor of the French embassy, and Mme. Margerie, and Count von Quadt-Wykrad-Isny, counsellor and first secretary of the German legation.

MARCONIGRAMS AID CHESS Passengers on Lucania and Philadel-

phia Find New Means to

Pass Time.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18 .- A chess match by wineless telegraphy served to enliven the voyage of the American liner Philadelphia and the Cunarder Lucania, which arrived here today.

The two vessels got into wireless communication on Friday, when a suggestion for a chess match was flashed from Lucania and eagerly accepted by Philadelphia, On the latter vessel a team was selected consisting of W. B. Wheelan of Philadelphia, Frank Cauldwell of Chicago and W. Weiss of New York. Lucania's afternoon The meeting was called for the champions were L. Fox and H. Munday of London, R. W. Milbank of Liverpool and Captain H. R. Campbell and William Evans. Philadelphia's team was victorious, its opponents resigning after twelve moves.

BANDITS GAG JEWELER VICTIM Bind Paralytic Old Man, Blow Safe

Open and Decamp with Cash. TORONTO, O., Jan. 18 .- W. A. Scott

jeweler of New Cumberland, W. Va., oppoette Toronto, was robbed of money and jewelry valued at \$2,000 this morning. Scott, who is a paralytic and lives over his store, alone, was awakened by three masked bandits, who bound and gagged him. blew his safe open and secured the booty

Costs Firm Seventy-Five Thou. aand Dollars.

sulphite pulp and paper mill at Dexter, N. mittee was also chosen to solicit member-Y., exploded today, killing one man and ship and report at the next meeting damaging the mill to the amount of \$75,000.

Makes Silver look like GORHAM SILVER POLISH Puts and keeps silver in order

Contains nothing injurious

All responsible as cents a package

OIL EXCITEMENT KEEPS UP

Outsiders Coming in to He p Out the Excitement in Chadron.

DISTRICT LARGER THAN F.RST SUPPOSED One Company Has Its Derrick Up and Rendy to Begin Boring-Mining

CHADRON, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.) -The rush for oil mining claims still continues. Every available piece of land has now been filed on within an area of eighteen miles square, including everything lying north of Chadron as far as the Dakota

Experts Coming in to

Prospect the Country.

This district was at first supposed to represent the confines of the oil belt, but geologists now on the field contend that while the zone or fold which contains the oil deposit extends through this county near here today on the Great Western northeast and southwest, has for its general direction southeast and northwest, and that the croppings known in the government surveys as the Niebrara and Black Hills outcrops are but the continuation of this same anticline and that the Fort Benton and Niobrara shale, which cover this immediate district, are found at intervals from the Niobrara river on the south to the Black Hills on the north. If this is found to be true there need be no rush for claims, as there will be plenty for all.

The first company on the field has its derricks up and are busy putting engine, bollers and other machinery in place and will be ready to begin boring by the 20th of this month. Several parties have gone to Omaha and

Chicago as representatives of oil companies to buy machinery, which will be shipped here and put in operation as soon as possible. Two mining experts, supposed to be employed by the railroad company, are prospecting west of town near the railroad other class of business outside of the railright-of-way. Old wells in that locality

have been examined with the result that oil covers the water and some of them are tard immigration and instead of a well so full of gas that when a lighted match settled state the population of western while others are suffering merely from the is dropped into one of them the gas ignites Nebraska would be about five people to and blazes up for a few moments as from Beside the local companies that are being

formed here every day by the business great city of Omaha would father such a bridge. The speed of the train carried and professional men of Chadron many scheme. Omaha jobbers and manufacturing it across the bridge on the ties, then the eastern people are here filing on claims and organizing companies.

organized some time ago is, from reports, that many of the large cattle companies expected here soon to commence boring. The company is composed of Victor E. Bender, Clarence Austin, Arthur Pickering, Arthur H. Warner, Arthur L. Sanford, W. H. Copson, F. W. Beckman and George H Carter.

A. W. S. Rothermel, clothed with the filings for the following Omaha parties: Amos Merchant, Freedom H. Whittaker, Nelson and George W. Updike, Hugh T. Fellers, Harley McCardel and Elmer A.

The contention for claims has gone on it a friendly way without malice or trouble until one day this week, when a cattleman found his unfriendly neighbor in his choicest meadow land staking out oil claims. A tragedy was narrowly averted Think of it! A whole section of 640 acres by the fleeiness of foot on the part of the of land to be leased at a rental of \$12.80 a unfriendly neighbor.

TOWN OF YUTAN PROSPERING During the Year Just

Ended.

Yutan Cyclone contains a writeup of the have been highly beneficial. Then why does improvements made in this town during this celebrated Commercial club of the the year just passed. Besides the fine building of the German Lutheran church, of the Ohio society; Mrs. Hoyt and their costing nearly \$5,000, thirteen ros'd nees and two stores were built, while the Omaha elevator and the Peters Grain company, the hall of Schults & Sons, the other two churches, which were painted and papered, and a number of private residences have made material improvements, alto- to a large degree. gether costing about \$38,000.

> Ice is still being cut in this vicinity, though the weather is so warm it can no longer be continued. More than 100 tons have already been hauled from the Platte, the ice being fifteen inches in thickness, Winter Bros. of Yutan have just bought phis. Fred Winters has gone there to at-

tend invotcing. The dearth in hard coal is over for the having received a carload of thirty tons, Rowell and W. R. Mitchell, directors. but now soft coal bins are empty and a new supply is anxiously awaited.

Dr. G. A. Neeff today sent four fine platinum prints to the first Minneapolis photographic salon, exhibiting in the public library, under the auspices of the Minneapolis Society of Fine Arts. The pictures are all winter scenes, three of them moon light views, taken here last December The exhibition starts February 4 and will last two weeks.

Davenport Farmers to Ship Grain. DAVENPORT, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.) An enthusiastic meeting of the farmers was held in the opera house here yesterday purpose of organizing a farmers' elevator association. A temporary organization was effected and the following officers elected: H. E. Rowland, chairman; C. J. Lichty, secretary, and Hon. Robert Tweed, C. S. Bean and C. J. Lichty a committee to draft constitution and bylaws. J. B. Row, C. Lichty and H. E. Rowland were elected delegates to attend the state meeting at Lincoln fiext week. A meeting was called for Wednesday, January 28, at which time a permanent organization will be effected. which will immediately commence business. About fifty of the most substantial farmers in this vicinity have pledged them selves to take stock in the enterprise and it is heartily backed by the business men of the town.

Lexington Farmers Organize.

LEXINGTON, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.)-Many farmers in this locality are dissatis-SULPHITE DIGESTER EXPLODES fled with local grain prices and a meeting was held yesterday at the court house to Utien Disaster Kills One Man and effect a farmers' co-operative shipping as- he added, "including the yards which our sociation. A temperary organization was firm owns individually at Mound City, made, with A. S. Brubaker president and J. D. Kennedy secretary. Delegates were elected to represent the association at UTICA, N. Y., Jan. 18 .- A digester in the Lincoln January 22 and a canvassing com-

Building and Loan Election.

WAHOO, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.)-The Wahoo Mutual Loan and Building association held its regular annual meeting last evening and elected the following officers Thomas Collier Platt will be the most imfor the coming year: Ben D. Rupp, president; E. B. Collier, vice president; H. M. week. Thus far Mr. Platt is the only repub-Stratton, secretary; Ernest Hanson, treas-J. J. Johnson, L. J. Kudrna, E. E. Good, M. A. Phelps and F. R. Clark, direc- licans and democrats will be held. It is ters. The association built a number of believed that Senators Brackett, Elaborg houses the past year and added a good and Brown, who refused to attend the

New Chapter of D. of A. R. FREMONT, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.) - night caucus. The democratic legislators

Revolution was organized here last week, with twenty charter members. The officers efected are: Vice regent, Mrs. R. C. Mc consid; secretary, Mrs. Harry Kemp; cor responding secretary, Miss Carrie Doane; treasurer, Mrs. W. P. Foote; registrar. Miss Catherine Richards; historian, Miss Bessie White. The chapter was named Lewis-Clarke chapter in honor of the Lewis and Clark expedition, and its membership will be largely increased in the near future as many are looking up their family racords with the intention of joining.

LEASING BILL NOT WANTED Chappell Man Expresses His Opinion of How to Bulld Up

CHAPPELL, Neb., Jan. 18 .- To the Editor of The Bee: While reading an Onesha paper some time ago I found what purported to be a resolution from the Comneretal club of Omaka indursing the fenc ing in of the public lands of Nebraska. This surely must be an error, as Falways though this club was established for the purpose of advancing the interests of Omaha and Nebranka. Do the members of that organization know what they are doing when they advocate such a law? A large part of western Nebraska is an agricultural country and thousands of acres of land are still vacant, waiting for the settler to tickle the land with the plaw and produce crops. Last year the farmers and small stockmen on Jennings. Philade year the farmers and small stockmen on this very identical land raised from ten to twenty bushels of wheat and from twentyfive to sixty bushels of corn per acre. Now. | Menetee, this is not fiction, but facts that can be learned from the railroad agents who have billed hundreds of cars from their various Evers, Chicago Ritchey, Pittsburg stations in Deuel, Cheyenne, Kimball and Scotts Bluff counties.

That such lands should be withdrawn from the actual settler and given for ten years to the cattle barons is out of the question. In the first place no revenue would be derived to keep up the schools, the roads of the county government, and it is a well known fact that the cattlemen pay a smaller percentage of taxes than any road companies, whose ability for tax shirking is too well known. Then it would reevery township. Your Commercial club must be composed of lawyers and railroad agents, as surely no business men of the industries are supported by the merchants of the smaller towns of the state, and it is A Council Bluffs, Ia., company which was a well known fact in this part of the state

> purchase all their supplies in Chicago. Now, I understand our representatives in congress got together a few days ago and ogreed upon a bill, this bill to be submitted to the state legislature for its action and if favorable to be sent back to Washington and then passed by congress. The bill ought not to receive one vote in the affirmative, and any member of our legislature who votes for it should be run out of the state. The cattle barons will infest the state house to large numbers, but the members must beware of them. The law contemplates the leasing of twenty sections of land to each cattleman, but does not hinder his uncles, aunts, cousins and even the poor dog from leasing twenty sections at a nominal price of about 2 cents per acre. Donovan,

year! Some years ago a club was started in Nebraska, the title of which was the "Nebraska club," whose main object was to bring people to the state and increase the population at least 50 per cent. Millions of Burke, Pittsborg circulars were sent all over the east de- Smoot, St. Louis circulars were sent all over the east describing the great advantages of Nebraska, As beautiful climate, agricultural resources YUTAN, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.) - The and irrigation opportunities. The results metropol's of the state indorse something which will have a greater influence in retarding the progress of the western half of Nebraska than ary calamity which might befall our people? Let our watchword be, "Stand up for Nebraska," and do not permit anybody to indorse a bill whose objects are not only mercenary but nefarious

CHARLES K MILLEN

Fair Association Elects Officers. WAHOO, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.) - The Saunders County Agricultural association met at the city hall in Wahoo yesterday. It decided to hold a fair next fall, and elected another general merchandise store at Mem- the following officers: Henry Johnson, president; C. C. Turney, vice president; Nels Brodahl, treasurer; P. P. Church, secretary; M. Shires, Jim Andrus, L. W. present, F. C. Hammann, the dealer here, Martin, Jacob Hetrick, D. H. Mills, S. M.

Allen Rifles Elect Captain.

MADISON, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.) -- At the election of the Allen Rifles, Company F. First Nebraska, Will L. Dowling was chosen captain to succeed Captain Fred Legner, whose term of enlistment expired recently.

RIVER SHIP YARDS MERGED Ohio and Mississippi Valley Plants Combine in Huge Trust.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 18.—The Herald omorrow will say: Within the next ten days the shipbuilding interests of the Ohio and Mississippi valleys will be consolidated and merged into one company with a capital of more than \$5,000,000. Articles incorporating this combine will be filed under the laws of New Jersey.

The moving spirit in the consolidation are W. H. Hazard of Chicago and Captain Edward Howard of Jeffersonville. Mr. Hazard represents Chicago capitalists and Captain Howard the shipyards along the Ohio. The promoters have been engaged in ar-

ranging the details for a year. The articles of incorporation are now in the course of preparation and will be filed Fort Erie Athletic Club Offers Twentyas soon as the attorneys have completed The purpose of the merger is to bring all shipbuilding plants under one

head Captain Howard has confirmed the report of the merger, but says he is not in a position to disclose the details. "The merger includes all the building

interests from Pittsburg to New Orleans, Jeffersonville, Madison and Cincinnati."

WILL RETURN SENATOR PLATT New York Legislature fins to Elect New Member of Upper House.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 18 .- The election of a United States senator to succeed Senator portant legislative event in the coming lican candidate in the field.

Tomorrow night caucuses of both repub first republican caucus, at which a president pro tem of the senate was nominated. will also refuse to attend the Monday Through the efforts of Mrt. C. Hollenbeck a will name John B. Stanchfield of Elmira chapter of the Daughters of the American as their candidate.

NATIONAL LEAGUE FIELDING

Nick Young Sives Out His Last Batch of Official Averages.

SPLENDID RECORDS ARE MADE

Fielders of the Big League Look Fine in the Tables Prepared Giving Statistics of Their Per-

formances.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- Following are the official fielding averages of National league players who participated in fifteen or more games in any one position during the season of 1902, as compiled by Secretary N. E. Young:

FIRST BASEMEN. Name and Club. Wagner, J., Pittsburg, Brooklyn .. Incinnati Philadelphia

Brashear, SECOND BASEMEN. Ritchey, Pittsburg 114
Lowe, Chicago 119
Smith, G. New York 140
Brashear, St. Louis 21
Flood, Brooklyn 131
Childs, Philadelphia 129

Beck, Cincinnati Dexter, Chicago-Boston, De Montreville, Boston, Magoon, Cincinnati Burke, Pittsburg THIRD BASEMEN. Oreminger, Boston140 222 279 Wolverton, Philadelphia 34 44 92 Green, Phitadelphia ... Schaefer, Chicago

SHORTSTOPS. Tinker, Chicago Kruger, St. Louis Wagner, J., Pitteburg. Jean, New York Wagner, C., New York. OUTFIELDERS. ongalton, Chicago

Kelley, Cincinnati Wagner, J., Pittsburg... Ceeier, Brooklyn132 Dobbs, Cincinnati-Chi....122 t, Pittsburg Jones, Chicago
Clark, New York
Slagle, Chicago
Thomas, R., Phila
Sheckard, Brooklyn Donovan, P., St. Louis. 126 Clarke, Pittsburg 114 Lush, Boston Brodle, New York Brashear, St. Louis Cooley, Boston

Jackson, New York... Williams, A., Chicago... Donlin, Cincinnati White, Philadelphia CATCHERS.

Chance, Chica Litridge, Bost oran, Boston ter, Brooklyn ell, C. Brooklyn ell, C. Brooklyn er, Pittsburg F. Pittsburg v. Pittsburg v. Licago Ryan, St. Louis Bowerman, New York... ugias, Philadelphia Bergen, Cincinnati 89
O'Neill, J. St. Louis 56
Yeager, New York 25
Dooin, Philadelphia 33
Jacklitzch, Philadelphia, 27

PITCHERS. Tannehill, Pittsburg Taylor, J., Chicago Sparks, New York Menefee, Chicago eever, Pittsburg Peole, Cincinnati
Williams, W., Chicago.,
McGinnity, New York.,
Chesbro, Pittsburg
Mathewson, New York.,
Fraser, Philadelphia
Phillips, Cincinnati Cincinnati W., Brook A. Brooklyn
A. Brooklyn
Philadelphia
I. M. St. Louis
Philadelphia
Cincinnati
F. L. New York lberg. Hahn, Taylor, L. New York.
Doheny, Pittsburg
Thielman, N. Y.-Cincin.
Yerkes, St. Louis
Malarky, Boston
Eason, Chicago-Boston
Lundgren, Chicago
Wicker, St. Louis

SEEKS CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT Five Thousand for Jeffries Grand Island Railway Decides

and Corbett Mill.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 18 - J. H. Herman manager and matchmaker for the Fort Eric Athletic club, announced tonight that he would offer a purse of \$25.000 for a twenty-round boxing contest between Jeffries and Corbett. He has written the champion and ex-champion, making the offer, and it satisfactory answers are received he will at once post a forfeit of \$5.00 as a guarantee that the contest will take piace without

tee that the contest will take place without interference.

"Do you anticipate any interference from the Canadian authorities?" he was asked,

"It is not certain that the match will be pulled off in the Fort Eris clubhouse." he replied. "It will be remembered, however, that three championship contests between lightweights and middleweights have already taken place across the river, and there has been no infraction of the Canadian law governing boxing contests."

The fight will be pulled off in June if possible.

SEEK WESTERN BALL PEACE American Association Will Meet League to Discuss Proposed Pact.

KANSAS CITY. Jan. 18.—Representatives of the American association and the Western league will hold a conference in this city next Tuesday, when it is believed the differences between the two bodies will be compromised. The questions at issue is the existence of clubs in Kansas City and Milwaukee.

Sultan's Brother-in-Law Dies.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 18.—Mahud Pasha, brother-in-law of the sultan of Turkey, and leader of the Turkish reform party, died signature on every box. George Tebeau of Louisville, representing here today in exite.

the American association, and Thomas F. Burns of Colorado Springs, George F. Simmons of Peoria and President M. H. Sexton, representing the Western league, are in

Pass No Formal Resolu-

game was the farewell appearance

Score: Americans, 5; Nationals, 4.

BOXING BOUTS CANCELLED

Chiengo Clubs Bow to Governor and

Call Off Proposed Con-

teats.

Americans Go to Chicago.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 18.—In an interview onight Munager Tebeau made the state-

Late Oregon Congressman is Buried

with Full Masonic

Honors.

HILLSBORO, Ore., Jan. 18 .- The remains

of the late Congressman Thomas H. Tongue

were laid to rest today. The funeral cere-

monies were attended by 3,000 people, among

from Washington, the entire state legisla-

mains escorted to a neighboring cemetery.

where they were buried with full Masonic

Many special trains were run to Hills-

TIE RAILROAD

Workmen Dissatisfied at Manager's

Refusal to See Joint

Committee,

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 18 .- The employes of

the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad

have threatened a tieup of the entire sys-

tom, because the general manager has re-

fused to deal with the federated board rep-

resenting the various branches of labor on

This refusal was made last week when

the board wished to present a demand for

Improve Every Mile of

puy, general manager of the St. Joseph &

Grand Island railway, said tonight that new

and much heavier rails would displace

every mile of the company's tracks as soon

FLEET WILL VISIT FLORIDA

Navy Department Orders North At-

lantic Squadron to Proceed

to Pensacola.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Jan. 18 .- Information

has been received from the bureau of navi-

gation at Washington that the North At-

lantic squadron will visit this place and

It is believed that the squadron will en-

festivities during the coming month.

gage three forts in a sham battle.

Enough to relay thirty miles will arrive

hands of the federated board.

as possible.

this month.

the last sad rites,

going by way of California.

have a team in Chicago next year.

TONGUE RESTS

Cnamberlain Says Kaffir Wives Are Bought and Sold in Africa.

ton, representing the Western league, are in the city tonight.

The Western league meeting, which has been postponed from time to time, will meet here on Tuesday, with all the cities in the league represented. It is said that James Manning will not be connected with the Kansas City team next season. CHINAMEN WILL NOT BE ADMITTED

COURTS CUT BALL VOTES OUT Colonial Secretary Says it Would Be National League Meeting Today Can Treasonable for Him to Suggest

Bringing Yellow Men to

Labor in Mines.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 18.—Harry C. Pullam, president of the National base ball league; Frank De Haas Robison, president, and Stanley M. Robison, of the St. Louis club, and Barney Dreyfus, representing both the Pittsburg and the Philadelphia crubs, are the only ones here tonight for the adjourned meeting of the National league called for tomorrow afternoon.

August Herrmann, president of the Cincinnati club, was with them tonight, when they said word had been received from others on the way, so that they were assured all the eight clubs would be represented. JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 18.—Speaking here on the South African labor problem, Mr. Chamberlain warmly repudiated the rumora that there had been many bargainings for imperial consent to the introduction of Chinese labor. He said such bargaining would have been almost treasonable on his part. He went at some length into the labor question, saving there was plenty of labor if the Kaffir could be made to work.

Slavery Stopped in Theory.

"In theory we have stopped slavery," he added, "but many philanthropists at home would be surprised to hear that we are encouraging it in another and worse form, the Kaffir's idea being to buy wives to keep him in idleness. The black race is increasing with great rapidity and unless it can be settled in a regular industry i will prove a danger and a difficulty." Mr. Chamberlain urged the desirability of increasing the white element in the colo. nies and said they wanted more brains and less muscle. With this in view he advo-

streed all the eight clubs would be represented.

It is understood that the New York injunction will not interfere with the meeting, as it lies against ratification only, and it may be some time before such action is reached. It is understood that Mr. Herrmann and other members of the conference committee will make explanations in connection with their report and then those who did not participate in the conference will be heard, so that it can be ascertained whether the report is to be adopted without a formal ratification or in any manner interfering with the order of the court.

While Dreyfus has power of attorney to vote for the Philadelphia club, as well as for the Pittsburg club, of which he is president, he is enjoined from voting for either club, and this would leave Boston. New York, Brobklyn, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago alone with power to vite on the question of ratification. It is said Boston has signified its affirmative vote and that New York and Brooklyn are the only ones in doubt. cated the establishment of a university which would be superior to anything in the only ones in doubt.

Notwithstanding the resort to the courts by President Brush and the comments of others, those who are here tonight are confident that the peace compact will finally be ratified.

world. He opposed any importation of labor until all the resources for developing available labor had been exhausted, and suggested that the subject be considered by a royal commission. world. He opposed any importation of labor

Finally he announced that Lord Milner ad agreed to call a conference of the PLAY MERCER BALL BENEFIT South African colonies to consider matters of common interest, including the question Nationals and Americans Meet at San of native administration and legislation. Francisco for Dead Pitcher's

Papers Praise Suggestions, LONDON, Jan. 19 .- Great relief is felt here that everything possible is being done to avoid the introduction of Chinese labor into the South African colonies

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—The Nationals and All-Americans played a game today for the benefit of Mrs. Mercer of East Liverpoot, O., the mother of Winnie Mercer, the pitcher who ended his life here The comment in the papers this morning on Mr. Chamberlain's Johannesburg speech shows that it is regarded as one of his most e eastern players and the grounds brilliant efforts, breathing the best hopes thronged About \$1,500 was netted for prosperity and the tranquility of the for prosperity and the tranquility of the Mrs. Mercet
Joe Corhett, formerly the star pitcher
for the Baltimore champions, was in the
bex for the Baltimore champions, was in the
bex for the Nationals. He pitched a fine
game, allowing only five hits, and he batted
in 'hree runs. Iberg of the Philadelphia
Nationals pitched for the Americans and
outside of one inning did effective work.
The umpires were Bill Lange, once the
famous outfielder of Chicago, and Jim
McDonald new colonies.

Mr. Chamberlain's references to the labor problem have been construed as indicating his desire for measures either to restrain Kaffir polygamy or for a system of taxat'on to compel the natives to work by placing a heavy impost on every additional wife. In Johannesburg the idea has been mooted that the \$150,000,000 war contribution might be spent in building new warships. This suggestion does not meet with much approval in London, where it is thought the contribution ought to be applied to the re lief of taxation.

GONZALES STILL PROGRESSES CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Owing to the action taken by Governor Yates, who last week instructed Sheriff Barrett to prohibit boxing contests in Cook county, the six-round contest scheduled for tomorrow night at the American Athletic club between Benny Yanger and Young Mowatt has been declared off.

clared off.

For wing the lead of the American club's management, the Lyccum Athletic club has announced that the bout arranged for a week from tomorrow night has been postponed for at least two weeks. In the meantime an effort will be made to explain to Governor Yates the boxing situation in Chicago. COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 18 .- N. G. Gonzales is in a more encouraging condition tonight than at any time since he was wounded by Lieutenant Governor Tillman last Thursday, but it is impossible to do more than hope for his recovery. The physicians say simply that he is holding his cwn and that he probably has passed tho perted of danger from peritonitis.

The wounds in the intestines today have to heal. The wound in the liver is not a source of immediate danger, but serious GRAVE developments may occur within the next few days.

The doctors announced that if Mr. Gonzales lived until Tuesday without unfavorable developments he would have an even chance for recovery. This evening there was a return of nausca and more restlessness than the physicians wished to see and they are watching with considerable anxicty for relief.

Dr. Giff Wyllie of New York, who left whom were a delegation of congressmen here last night for Rock Hill, is returning as it is desired that he should be in consultation.

ture, state officials and a number of fra-In the churches of Columbia today earn-The remains lay in state in the county est prayers were offered up for the life of court house from 10 to 2, when they were the stricken editor. In all the leading taken to the Methodist church, of which churches the ministers offered supplications Mr. Tongue was a member. The funeral Some of these were eloquent and referred procession, headed by the Masonic grand to the services of the wounded man to the odge of Oregon, was formed and the recity and the state.

> COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 19 .- After a con sultation and examination by the physicians. Dr. Guerry, at 2:30 this morning. issued this bulletin: Mr. Gonzales' condition is exceedingly

boro in order that the many friends and grave. His condition has considerably changed in the last few hours for the worse. Physical condition no worse than last night, but danger greater. Another consultation will be held early this morning. Pulse 115, temperature 104½, respiration. constituents of Mr. . Tongue might attend The congressional delegation which accompanied the remains from Washington started on the homeward journey tonight,

> TRAIN WRECKS KILL AND MAIM Over Eight Hundred Die and Elever Thousand Are Injured in Railroad Accidents.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- A statement prepared by the Interstate Commerce commission shows that during the three months ended September 20, 1902, there were 263 persons killed and 2,613 injured in train accidents. Other kinds of accidents, including those sustained by employes while at work and by passengers in getting on or off the cars, bring the total number of casualties up to 12,007, the killed number-

an advance in wages. Mr. Waldo wished ing 845 and the injured 11,162. to meet the committee of each organization During the three months the traffic of a separately. The matter is still in the large majority of the railroads was heavier than ever before, necessitating the employment of new men for service in train LAY HEAVIER RAILS and yard work. The total number of collisions and derailments was 5.448, of which 1.444 were collisions and 1,014 derailments, of which fifty-one collisions and ninety-two derailments affected passenger trains. The damage to cars, engines and roadway mounted to \$2,198,500. ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 18 .- Raymond Du-

President Talks of Trusts.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- Several officials prominent in legislative and executive circles conferred with the president tonight. Among them were Attorney General Knox, who remained with Mr. Roosevelt some time. It is supposed the trust question was

Little Snow in Big Horn.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 18 .- (Special.)-Section Director Palmer of the Wyoming bureau has issued a statement of the snowfall in the state, and among many interesting things says: "The snowfall in November was sufficient throughout the state and at the close of the month there was less than the normal amount in the mountains, The storms of December over the southern probably remain until after the Mardi Gras half of the state increased the amount in the mountain districts. The snowfall over the Big Horn mountains has been deficient,

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