WAR NOW IMMINENT

Japanese Min ster at London fays Russia Has Rejected His Country's Proposals.

THINKS HOSTILITIES ARE CERTAIN

Information Comes from Paris and is Quickly Given to Public.

SECRETARY LANSDOWNE HAS NO HOPE

Briti h Foreign Secretary Tells Fears to Ambassaco s from Abroad,

ALLEGES WAR IS UNPOPULAR IN RUSSIA

Letter from Moscow Indicates that his daughters, and Mr. Schoenlien. Colonel People Do Not Sympathize with Campaign Against Japan at This Time.

LONDON, Jan. 1.-Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister here, has been informed from Paris that Russia has decided not to grant the Japanese proposals.

admits having received anent the Russian The baron said to a representative of the Associated Press:

Associated Press:

If information from Paris is borne out by the wording of the Russian reply and if the Japanese government adheres to its plessint determination, there seems to be small possibility of averting war.

My information is not official, but in connection with information imparted to me by the British government, it is probably only too correct.

If Chancellor von Buelow's information that Russia's reply will be framed in a manner intended to satisfy Japan turns out correct it will be better news than I have dared hope for.

It was learned that Japan has secured a large additional amount of coal in the name of one of the largest English shipping firms sending vessels to the far east. The St. James Gazette says it understands that the Japanese government has taken over two vessels of the Nippon line for use as hospital ships.

The British foreign office is unable to confirm or deny Baron Hayashi's information. The officials, however, say they are not surprised at the tenor of the advices. The foreign office seems inclined to think that Russia will, if possible, avoid making a reply of any kind to the last Japanese

Lansdowne Gives Up Hope.

formed one of the foreign ambassadors he has practically given up all hopes of peace. At the embassies here the statement made by Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, today, that he had been informed from Paris that Russia had decided not to grant the Japanese proposals, is regarded as of the minister's statement that his information came from Paris and the fact that he permitted such information to become known at this critical stage

Russia Enjoins Secrecy.

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 .- The government's order to publish nothing in relation to the movement of troops is patriotically observed by every Moscow paper. One editor the Associated Press correspondent "I know exactly which division is going to the far east and know the names of officers who have been ordered not to stir out of Moscow in view of the possible receipt of sudden marching orders."

Another editor, impatient for war, and confident of victory, said: "The Russian army will prove as disastrous to the Jap anese as did Mont Pelee to Martinique. When asked to explain the utter indiffer-

ence of the Moscovites, he explained: imperor issues a manifesto declaring war. Then Russian sentiment will burst forth. But a manifesto is improbable in the immediate future, even if the Japanese oc-

Both editors expressed concern at the possibility of American intervention. One 20, and Charles Peters, 24 years old, the United States has become equivocal. We fatal shot. Both are under arrest. do not like the despatch of American warwhite, Still, the Russians cannot believe that their old friends will give active assistance to Japan."

PETERSBURG, Jan. 1.-Advices

from Moscow, the center of Russian busilife, confirms previous reports to the effect that outside of military circles people there are not interested in the differonces with Japan. Commercially Moscow there is neither excitement nor enthusiasm. This is regarded here as extremely significant by those who remember the passionate fervor of all classes in the emfrom the caar to the peasant, before the Russo-Turkish war. A well-informed resident of Moscow has written to the Asexaggeration to say that war will be unpopular with the Russians."

editorial in the Novoe Vremys, December key. Failing in this, he picked a quantity 20, saying, "We believe Japan will not of wool from his blankets, with which he place Hussia in a position where to yield plugged up his nestrils. Then he stuffed would appear to be a renunciation of the his handkerchief down his throat and defense of its vital interests in the far slowly strangled. The other prisoners cast," is regarded as an indication that heard him choking, and tried to attract the government is feeling its way toward the attention of officers by pounding and a compromise. It is pointed out that Rus- shouting, but the police, thinking it was sian will discuss the matter on the basis part of the usual New Year's demonstraof the vital interests of both countries, tion, paid no attention to it. Griffith is only demanding that Japan shall not put believed to have been demented. Russia in a polition where a concession vital interests; that it ceases to conside the matter from the view point of the ctive strength of the two countries, and that therefore a peaceful solution is still possible.

Shocks Japanese Diplomat.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.-Baron Hayashi's statement from London was communicated to Japanese Minister Takahira just as he was starting to the New Year's reception at the White House. Although it was what the minister has been expecting for days, it was naturally somewhat of s shock. The legation here has had nothing yet from Tokly.

The Russian embassy was equally lacking of advice from its home officers, and the State department has not been able to secure any indication of the outcome o the negotiations between Russia and Japan, notwithstanding it has cabled special instructions to its agents in both countries.

The news of the iskelfhood of actual war was communicated to the general staff of the semy and the general board of the many, the members of both being gathered to marching to the White House to pay respects to the president. It was good deal of speculation as to how hos-

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Well Known Brewer of Milwankee Passes Away Suddenly at His Home.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 1 -- Captain Frederick president of the Pahet Brewing died at his home today. While rs of his family and his friends he was suffering from puima and that he could not live w months longer, his death mly and unexpectedly. He last March.

mor v m came -1 was 67 -During had not left days Captain Pabet adition seemed to be for his death. At s.a. m. this morning he had been sunk by American warships. began to fail rapidly. At his beside were Mrs. Pabet, his widow; Frederick Pabet, jr., Mrs. W. O. Goodrich of Milwaukee and Mrs. Schoenlien of Wiesbaden, Germany, G. G. Pabst was out of the city, having no ship of war here now, gone to St. Louis to spend New Year's

The news that Captain Pabet was dead caused much surprise among his friends and business associates.

Although he knew that his death might occur at any time he did not relinquish his interest in his great business enterprises. but continued to visit his office and direct This is the first intimation anyone here the operations of the enormous plant. was a daily visitor at the brewery until ten days ago, when the inclemency of the weather caused him to remain at home. While his family noticed that he was becoming more feeble, he was able to be about until the relapse came this morning.

WORKMEN ACCEPT REDUCTION

Three Thousand Employes of Edgar Thompson Steel Works Will Keep Busy.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 1 .- The 2,000 employes of the Edgar Thompson Steel works and eleven blast furnaces of the Carnegie Steel ompany at Braddock today accepted the reduction in wages offered them. The tonnage men in the converting mills and bloom mills of the rail plant receive the heaviest cut, which is from 12 to 22 per

At Monessen the new wage scale of the American Tin Plate company went into effect today at the National works. It is said the salary of Superintendent W. H. Harris was cut from \$6,000 to \$2,000 a year. The brick masons were reduced from 5) cents an hour to \$5 cents and rather than accept the 50 per cent reduction they refused to work. Superintendent Harris also Foreign Secretary Lansdowne has in- tendered his resignation to take effect tomorrow.

At the Carnegie Steel company's hoop mill at Monessen the reduction will average about 10 per cent.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa. Jan. 1.-Reductions in the wages of coke workers to conform to the cut recently made by the H. being most grave, and especially in view C. Frick company went into effect today at all the plants of the Rainey Coke company. W. J. Rainey is the largest independent coke operator in the Connellsville region and is the last one to follow the Frick company in reducing wages.

FITTSBURG, Jan. 1.-The National rolling mills of the United States Steel corporation at McKeesport resumed operations today and the tube and pipe mills will furnish employment to 8,000 men

TELLS OF DENVER MURDER

Fred Arnold Recounts Killing of Family Which Gang Tried to Rob.

DENVER, Jan. 1 .- Fred Arnold, 18 years That is due to loyalty. Wait until the the murder of Mrs. Youngblood and the charge of them. probable fatal shooting of her son Robert while attempting to rob the little grocery store kept by Mrs. Youngblood and her husband, Thomas M. Youngblood, in Valverde, a suburb of Denyer. Arnold's confession implicated Newton Andrews, aged of them remarked: "The attitude of the former of whom is said to have fired the

> The young men drove to the Youngblood store and gained admission by asking per mission to use the telephone. They tried the Russian war minister, and General to hold up the elder Youngblood, but, al- Andre, the French minister of war. The though 64 years old, he resisted until stunned by a blow on the head with a revolver. His wife and son, who came to his prosperity of himself and the French army rescue, were shot down, the former dying for the new year. In reply General Andre almost instantly and the latter receiving a referred to the friendship which united the probably fatal wound in the head.

has much at stake in the far east, but SUICIDE IS QUITE INGENIOUS Salt Lake City Portrait Painter Wags

His Nostrils and Swallows His Handkerchief.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 1 .- L. sociated Press as follows: "It is not an Russell Griffith, a portrait artist committed suicide in a novel way in his cell in the county fail. He first tried to sever the In official circles in St. Petersburg the arteries in his wrists and throat with a

would seem to be an abandonment of its MISSOURIAN MADE THREATS

Such Charge Brought Against St Joseph Youth by Postoffice Inspector.

ST. JOSEPH. Mo., Jan. 1.-Charles Morgan, aged 17 years, was arrested today at the instance of Postoffice Inspector Edward S. Leland on a charge of using the malis for the purpose of blackmail. Morgan threatened to blow up Burlington trains with dynamite unless paid \$5,000. A decoy package led to his capture near Watson He was arrested one year ago for swindling Chicago merchants on mail or

DR. RICE IS SOON REARRESTED Pueblo's Alleged Murderer Confined

in Sanitarium When Acquitted

PUEBLO, Coio., Jan. 1 .- Dr. Charles O. Rice, who was acquitted of murder yesterin their respective departments preparatory day, after a sensational trial, was rearrested today on a charge of insanity and confined in a sanitarium. An inquest into mediately discussed and there was a his mental condition will be held. Rice, white intexicated, on October 7 last killed tiltles between Russia and Japan would Policeman Martz Rice and his wife were Assistant Attorney General Jeffries to come preparing to leave the city when he was to St. Louis and assist in settling the differ. and that the El Valle would proceed on its

Colon Hears Report that American Warship Has Sunk Colombian Vessel.

CANNOT BE CONFIRMED AT THIS TIME

All Naval Vessels Formerly at 1sthmian Atlantic Port Have Sniled to Other Points on

Duty.

COLON, Jan. 1 .- There were persistent rumors here yesterday and again today mproved and he family was not prepared that the Colombian gunboat General Pinzon There is no confirmation of the report to

The Mayflower, to which Admiral Coghlan transferred his flag yesterday, steamed out of the harbor this morning. There is

As to Indian Chief.

It is not known here whether the Indian chief Inanaquina left his territory of his own accord or was forced to do so by the Colombians. Much importance seems to be attached to that point. The cruiser Olympla and the gunboat Castine have not returned from the direction of Carti, where they went to investigate the situation.

Nothing Known at Washington. WASHINGTON, Jan. 1 .- Assistant Secretonight that he had received no news whatever with reference to the rumored sinking of a Colombian vessel by an Amercan warship and that he believed the rumor was without foundation in fact.

Quiet on West Coast,

PANAMA, Jan. 1.-The situation on this side of the isthmus is quiet and satisfactory to the naval authorities. Reports from Darien up to last night do ct give any evidence of Colombian activity or the presence of Colombians in Panamanian territory. Darien miners who came here a fortnight age have gone back

to resume work. The thirty American marines and blue jackets who remain at Yviza are patrolling the rivers in two armed launches. Panamanian soldiers continue scouting from Yviza through the Darien district. The United States cruiser Boston is in San Miguel bay supporting the Yviza outpost. The Wyoming is indulging in target practice and the Concord and Marbiehead are both at Panama.

The Yviza and Real Santa Maria outposts have been materially reduced, as they are simply observation outposts which thirty men can look out for. Persons best informed concerning the military forces along the Darien frontier do not expect any Colombian aggression for the present. They are of the opinion that the wituation is likely to remain as at present until the canal treaty is approved by the congress of the United States.

BRING REMAINS TO NEW YORK Body of Son of Minister Squier to Be Buried at Former Home.

HAVANA, Jan. 1.-The body of Fargo Squiers, son of United States Minister Squiers, who was accidentally killed while will start up on Sunday. The resumption shooting at a target, was brought to Havana today and taken to the Church of omorrow, and after the service the body will be taken on board the steamer Morro Castle to be conveyed to New York.

Captain Hanna, military attache to the panied the remains, but no orders having een received by him from the War de partment, it is probable that G. L. Lorilof age, confessed today to complicity in lard, second secretary of legation, will have

WISHES RUSSIA GOOD LUCK France Regards as Significant Note

Sent to Czar's Minister of

PARIS, Jan. 1-What is regarded here as a significant exchange of telegrams oc curred today between General Kouropatkin Russian minister telegraphed to General Andre his wishes for the happiness and two armies, "and which strikingly shows itself in all circumstances," and concluded with extending cordial wishes for the prosperity and greatness of the Russian army.

Nozaleda May Be Cardinal.

ROME, Jan. 1.-The appointment of Mon signor Nozaleda, former archbishep of Manila, as archbishop of Valencia, is widely commented on. The new position, by tradition, entitles Monsignor Nozaleda to the red hat, and if this honor is bestowed upon him the sacred college will have a member whose anti-American sentiment is well known.

Weyler Will Tell Tales.

LONDON, Jan. 1 .- General Weyler will shortly publish a book entitled "My Military and Political Campaign in Cuba," ac cording to a special dispatch from Madrid. Two interesting chapters will be headed. "My Project for Landing in United States Territory" and "Reasons Why I Was Obliged to Abundon the Project.

Chamberiain May Visit Australia MELBOURNE, Jan. 1 .- Joseph Chamberain has replied to an invitation of the federal ministery asking him to visit Austrails, saying he hoped at no distant date to accept it, but adding that "until a mandate is given found his lengthened absence from England was impossible.

Germany Denies Report

BERLIN, Jan. 1.-The report that Gernany contemplated the acquisition of a coaling station at St. Thomas, Danish West Indies, is semi-officially declared to be as unfounded, as similar previous reports.

ST. LOUIS STRIKE POSTPONED Cab and Carriage Drivers Defer Con-

test Pending Investigation

by State. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 1.-The strike of cab and carriage drivers for higher pay and other concessions, that had been decided on for today, has been deferred. George Innis, national organizer for the International 'Teamsters' union, states that the drivers have decided to defer action in their proposed strike pending the action of the

State Board of Arbitration, which will convene Saturday. The State Board of Arbitration and Mediation has telegraphed to Jefferson City for

FREDERICK PABST IS DEAD RUMOR OF FIRST BATTLE NEW YORK KEEPS ITS CITIZENS JACKSONIANS AND HARMONY

Missouri Attorneys So Declare in Brief of State Against Ziegler,

JEFFERSON CETY, Mo., Jan. 1.-Assistant Attorney General Jeffries and Judge SPEAKERS THINK FUTURE IS BRIGHT Thomas B. Harvey of St. Louis, who represcrit the state of Missouri in the extradition matter of William Ziegier of New York, wanted here to stand trial on a charge of bribery, today sent briefs to Governor Odell at Albany. The briefs are accompanied by arguments of the attorneys, who say they do not seek the arrest of a citizen of New York for a trivial offense, but for a nefarious crime, which in its offects is destructive of the very existence of the sovereignty of the state, in corrupting and debauching its legislature, whence must emanate the laws needed for the protection of property and the lives of its citizens.

They quote the president's message on bribery and comment on it. "If William Ziegler were in the Republic of Mexico Missouri would not be so helpless," declares the brief, "as it is insisted it now is, by reason of his being in the sister state of New York. Regardless of the contested R. E. Dunphy of Seward and A. J. Sawyer within the borders of the state of Missouri when the crime was committed, he would use it. be extradited under the laws and returned charged against him."

The brief then declares that they desire the defendant to belittle and disparage the in support of the contention.

ecutive, and also as to whether Ziegler is a Hitchcock, splendid evations. fugitive from justice.

M'CLELLAN NOW IN OFFICE New Democratic Mayor Promises that No Backward Step Will Be Taken.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1 .- George B. McClelan became mayor of New York city touccessor, Mr. Low said:

Colonel McClellan, the hour has come when I am permitted to give the city into your care, in obedience to the will of the people. Anyone who has been mayor of New York will always be ready to honor its chief magistrate. Mr. Mayor, I am glad, as one of the great body of citizens, to salute you and to wish you well. In response Colonel McClellan said, in

I believe I can only fulfill the trust of municipal government, not in the interests of the few, but in the interests of all the people. I believe in party responsibility, but party responsibility, but party responsibility exists only as the means of attaining good ends.

I promise you that there will be no step backward, not even in the smallest department of my administration.

Mr. Low then retired to his private office and Colonel McClellan took his stand behind the table in the public office and handdemocratic enthusiasts to file by the mayheads of departments were sworn in. Police Commissioner McAdoo, after takwhich he said he would do everything in his power to prevent blackmailing, extortion, "grafting" or bribe taking by the poo pay for his appointment, promotion or assignment. Therefore, he declared, prefernent would rest on merit only, judged by the best service standards.

CITY INSPECTOR OF THEATERS New Administration of New York City Adopts New Rule of Exam.

fire department looks to the more thorough inspection of all theaters in this city. these inspectors are to be under the supervision of general theater inspectors. Weekly inspection of all places of amusement will be required for the purpose of eeing that the stage, flies, shield over border lights, etc., are in proper condition for immediate use. Regular monthly reof life and property in case of fire, panic

or other danger. their premises at all times,

The attention of the uniformed force is commission, which reads as follows: The use of what are technically known

mixture containing chlorate of potash and wealth existed." sulphur in theaters or public halls of entertainment, is prohibited."

MORGAN STEAMER ON FIRE Bales of Cotton Are Thrown Overboard and Flames Quickly

Subdued.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1.-The Norwegian Port Limon, December 26, reports that on Mexico, latitude 27.14 north, longitude 88.12 west, he sighted a vessel burning blue Morgan line (Southern Pacific) steamer El-Valle, Captain D. J. Grant, bound from Galveston for New York with a cargo of cotton on fire in the main hatch.

The burned cotton was being jettlsoned and a large number of burning bales were floating around in the water. Captain Seberg chiced assistance, which was dewas told that the fire was under control

Few of the Recalcitrants of Last Two Campargus at Annual Banquet.

Senator Newlands and Congressman De Armand Address Themselves

to Prospects of Coming Campaign.

Democrats from Omaha and the state to the number of nearly 200 were present at the Paxton hotel last night at the thirteenth annual banquet of the Jacksonian club. Anticipations that gold democrats who were alienated from the organization in 1896 over the silver question, would pour in in large numbers were not exactly realized. Not more than a dezen of these conservatives were present, including Euclid Martin, Ben B. Wood, George E. Prichett, C. F. McGrew, C. S. Monigomery. question whether or not he was actually of Lincoln. T. J. Mahoney was reported as having bought a ticket, but did not

The guests enjoyed an excellent dinner, from Mexico to answer to the Indictment lasting from 8 until 11 o'clock, and were addressed by Senator Francis G. Newlands of Nevada, Representative David A. to resent the attempts of the counsel for DeArmond of Missouri, Representative Gilbert M. Hitchcock, John M. Reed of Des tary Darling of the Navy department said efforts of the Missouri authorities. The Moines and A. G. Ellick of Omaha. Each briefs ask that a warrant be issued for the sought to minimize the differences that defendant, when the court can, by habeas have rent the party and placed stress upon corpus proceedings, determine the legal issues and conditions, saying little regardright, and quotes supreme court decisions ing candidates. The tone, generally, was The brief discusses the matter under two | the guests did not grow enthusiastic, be- | tims of the Iroqueis disaster, were brought heads: First, the obligation of one execu- youd giving the speakers, especially the to their homes in Ottawa today for burial. tive to honor the requisition of another ex- gentiemen from abroad and Representative

Study in Harmony.

At the east end of the dining hall, where the toastmaster and the speakers were seated, was arranged what Ed P. Smith called "a study in harmony." Under two huge flags was the portrait of Andrew Jackson, to his left appeared the features of Mr. Bryan, while on the right a picture of former Governor James E. Boyd, representing that part of the democratic organi-He arrived at the city hail accom- zation that lost out in the Chicago convenpanied by his secretary, John H. O'Brien, tion in 1896. The original of this latter and walked through lines of democrats likeness entered the room at II o'clock, under an arch of plants and flowers to the after the feasting had been finished, was mayor's public reception room, where he enthusiastically greeted and assigned a was greeted by the retiring mayor. The place of honor. Governor Boyd has but ales were not elaborate and speeches recently come from a hospital, where he were brief. After shaking hands with his was under the surgeon's knife, and being still convalescent was unable to undergo the full rigors of the banquet. His reconciliation with the Bryan end of the democracy has dated from a year or more back. A telegram from W. R. Hearst stating that he had received an invitation to the banquet too late to use it and expressing regret, met with a faint attempt at applause. The trio of gentlemen who began their careers as democrats in Andrew Jackson's time-E. V. Rayley of Crete, W. W. Cones of Council Bluffs and Dr. Har-

vey Link of Millard-were present and were centers of interest as per custom. Start the Speaking.

Tonetmaster Frank I. Weaver, in his "opening of the doors" to the democrats Cardiff and Eurnley. shaking began. All the democrats in town who dissented in 1895 and defined a demoing to the city hall steps, were formed of the principles and candidates of his bassador at Washington to express to the provided with an asbesios cuttain of stand-St. Angelo, where the funeral will be held by the police. It took a long time for the party. He said that upon the threshold of American government the sympathy of and quality that would work at all times the struggle of 1904 the party had the right Italy with the United States in the Chicago and under all conditions. He said: or's desk. After the reception the new to demand the support of all those who theater disaster. affiliated with it in the past.

United States legation, was to have accom- ing office today, issued a statement in Jacksonians," sketching the history of the organization, which he termed the first permanent political club in Nebraska and the largest permanent political organizalice, but it would be useless, he said, to tion west of Chicago, from its formation expect a policeman to be honest if he has February 7, 1891. In connection with the policy of the club in advocating the organization of similar bodies he used the words, "when the democratic party shall have assumed an attitude not merely in opposition to the other party, but taking said: the initiative, it shall be after full discussion." He adjured the democrats against earthing for novel and glittering illusions and pleaded for unification on the funda

mental and underlying principles. Toustmaster Weaver, in presenting John M. Reed of Des Moines, who responded to NEW YORK, Jan. 1.-The first order is- the toast, "Democrack from the Standsued under the new administration of the point of a Voter," said that as Mr. Reed came from Iowa it was necessarily only standpoint he could obtain, and the In each battalion wherein a theater is lo- gentleman from the Hawkeye state ascated a competent assistant foreman will sented in this view. His speech was leveled be designated as theater inspector, and at the trusts and he stated that he discussed the essence of democracy-the denocracy of Washington, Franklin, Jefferson, Jackson and Lincoln, regardless of the source.

Sees No Democracy.

"Nothing deserves the name of democracy examine all auxiliary appliances, such as in our private or public life of today," dehose, standpipes, water buckets, ex- clared Mr. Reed. "We employ the terms, tinguishers, hooks, axes, etc., and see that but they are empty phrases. Indifference they are of the regulation department has laid its leaden mace on the spirit of standard, in perfect condition and ready democracy. The world has had its military age, its ecclesiastical age, and the age of ports are to be made, and the inspectors feudalism, and not it has the industrial must make such recommendations as they age. The struggle between the classes and may deem proper for the better protection the masses always was and will always continue. The only difference is in the form of power. It is a mistake to believe It is declared that the safety of the the that the course of the people is always onater-going public is dependent during a ward and upward, and republics do not ordinance revising the building laws is now locked up at the central police station and performance, to a certain extent, upon degenerate and decay. Disguise it as we the vigilance of the inspector, and they may, the people of the United States are must promptly report any violation of law not sovereign; they do not enjoy the neglect upon the part of the authorities democracy and blessings consonant with a metal skylight or fire vent over the stage, which takes part in the song "In the Pale having charge of such places of amuse- the advanced civilization and man's domi- equal in area to one-tenth the area of the ment, to properly and effectively safeguard nation over nature. With the introduction stage. This vent must be so constructed of the millionaire boss has come the most also called to the provisions of section & made to cast their ballots against themof the rules of the municipal explosive selves. In the flowery age of feudalism people yere never under a more complete more powerful than the present one of as fireworks showers, or the use of any state of vassalage, nor has an aristocracy

He declared the nation must have a new birth of political and industrial freedom but did not point out the way.

Law Manufacture Too Slow. Representative Hitchcock described his

chief function as a representative from Nebraska as the distribution of seeds. His subject was "The Laggard Law," and the inspiration came, he said, while listening steamer Hispania, Captain Scherg, from to the supreme court arguments in the "Northern Securities merger case. He de-December 36 at 1:30 p. m., in the Guif of scribed the railways as giant outlaws, which as the law approached them sped on to new refuges and new devices to evade lights and on nearing it found it to be the it. He declared that as at present conducted the race of the law after the trustr is uncless. The law has not developed as fast as other institutions, Mr. Hitchcock contended, and it has to be modernized and brought up to date before it is of avail to reach "the intellectual giants that now plunder the people,"

"It is not the gun, but the man behind clined, but was reassested to lay by, which the gun that society has to reach," ashe did for an hour and a half, when he serted the speaker. "Make your multimillionaires impossible and you will make

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NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

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AT THE HOMES OF VICTIMS

Arrangements Made in Many Places to Bury Bodies Taken from

BRUSH, Cole., Jan. 1-C. B. Simpson, a ploneer here, has been notified that his wife lost her life in the Iroquois theater fire. He has left for Chicago to take charge of the remains. SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 1 .- Mrs

culu P. Alexander, who, with her two children, lost her life in the Iroquois thecter fire, belonged to a prominent family of Springville, Utch. She was the wife of Prof. W. G. Alexander of Chicago and sister of Helen Boyer, an actress well known throughout the west. A telegram received today states that the bodies of Mrs. Alexander and her children were almost unrecognizable and that they will be

brought here for burial BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Jan. 1.-The bodies of Miss Alecia Maloney, daughter of former Attorney General M. L. Maloney. and those of Mrs. A. W. Trask, wife of a leading business men of Ottawa, and his pessimistic, and except on a few occasions daughter, Odessa, all of whom were vic-A telegram received by Mrs. Kate Munholland at noon conveyed the intelligence that her daughter, Josephine, was a victim of the Iroquois disaster and that her body had just been identified. Miss Josethine was a school teacher. Of late she had been a resident of Cedar Rapids, Ia., where she was engaged as a teacher. The body will be brought here tonight.

CONDOLENCES FROM EUROPE Emperor William and President Loubet Express Sorrow Over

Catastrophe at Theater. BERLIN, Jan. 1.-Emperor William inormed Ambassador Tower today at the time the ambassador was offering his New Year's congratulations that he had telegraphed to President Roosevelt his sorrow ever the Chicago disaster. Both the emperor and empress supplemented the cabled andolence by personal expressions to the

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.-The French mbassador has received a cablegram from President Loubet, asking him to express President Roosevelt his sorrow over the Thicago disaster. This the ambassador has

have reached the United States ambassy remarks, referred to the Chamber of Commerce and the mayors of requested the Italian am-

A. G. Ellick responded to the toast "The PUBLIC TASTE IS TO BLAME

Jessie Bartlett Davis Thinks People Should Not Demand Certain Singe Effects.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1 -- Jessie Bartlett Davis, wife of Will J. Davis, part owner and manager of the Iroquois theater, Chicago, in speaking of the terrible calcinity.

It is all the fault of the public that such It is all the fault of the public that such things occur. In these swift days the public is not satisfied with good, quiet shows. They must have lots of excitement, color and light, with the result that every actor takes his life in his hands when he goes before the footlights.

In that particular scene when the awful catastrophe occurred there were 300 persons upon the stage. The wonder is that any of them escaped.

I do not understand how the asbestos curtain failed to work. Mr. Davis drilled his men every day in the use of the apparatus, and in the dropping of the curtain. Never before was there any hitch.

Francis Wilson, with whom Miss Davis

Francis Wilson, with whom Miss Davis is playing in "Erminie," said: It is my opinion that there should not be a step in a theater. Everything should be on a gradual incline. If theater-goers could have no fear of unexpected steps I am satisfied the danger of a stampede would

ST. LOUIS TAKES PRECAUTION City Authorities Notify Theater Managers that All Ordinances

Must Be Observed. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 1.-The commissioner of public buildings and the chief of the fire department have notified local inquiry into the causes of the fire and theater managers that they must carry out every provision of the ordinances designed to prevent fire and panic. A new the light which started the fire. He was pending in the council. One of the new | Wilson Kerr, a flyman at the theater, was features that will be incorporated in the also placed in a cell. as to open instantly and automatically on inhaman of all tyrannies—the people are the cutting or burning of a cord, or meiting of a fusible link, or some other ap-

proved device. Fire Chief Swingley sent notice to the theater managers that hereafter the sisles must be kept clear, and that he will bring them into court if this order is not ob-

IDENTIFIED AT THE MORGUES Names of Those in Chicago Pire Who

Friends. CHICAGO, Jan. 1.-In addition to the lead in the Iroquois theater fire heretofore published the following have been identified

Are Claimed by Their

at the morgues: BERRY, OTTO, Battle Creek, Mi BUDDEKE, KATE HAMILTON DONOHUE, MRS. MARY E. DOTT, MRS. W. A. KWANIESKI, JOHN LUDWIG, MISS EUGENIE PALMER, MRS. WILLIAM BOWMAN, GRACE COOGAN, MRS. M. DAWSON, GRACE HOLST, AMY, 1 years old. MOHAN, H. E. SIMPSON, ADA SCHNEIDER, MRS. JAMES WERNISH MRS. MARY WILLIAMS, HOWARD

Three Die at Bufler.

BUTLER, Pa., Jan. 1.—Typhoid fever claimed three victims today, making a to-tal of eighty-seven deaths. Three new cases were reported.

CLOSES MANY HOUSES

Mayer of Chicago Finds Mineteen Theaters Where Ordinances Are Ignored.

THESE HAD NO ASBESTOS FIRE CURTAIN

No Other Phase of the Question Has Yet Been Taken Up.

FUNERALS ARE HELD ALL OVER TOWN Supply of Cabs and Carriages Not Equal to

Demand. PEOPLE SPEND HOURS AT THE MORGUES

Walking from Place to Place There Are Many Who Cannot Identify Bodles of Wives and

Children.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.-Mayor Carter Harson today took steps to provide as, far as possible against a repetition of Wednesday's horror at the frequels theater. As the result of an investigation made at his orders and lasting but a few hours, nine teen theaters and museums were ordered closed, some of them being among the leading and most popular playhouses of the city. The action of the mayor was based on one single violation of the ordinances which are intended to protect the patrons of theaters from just such an occurrence as that which cost so many Wednesday. Every one of these places had

emitted to supply an asbestos curtain. The theaters ordered closed are: Howard's, Sam T. Jacks', Marlowe, New American, Olympic, Academy of Music, Alhambra, Avenue, Bijou, Chicago Opera-house, Columbus stock, Thirty-First Street, Criteron, Flegenbaum's, Milwaukee Avenue, Garrick and Glickman's. In addition to the se the London Globe Museum and the Clark Street museum were also compelled to close their doors.

The Chicago opera house and the Olymple theater are vaudeville houses of the highest class and probably do as much business in point of numbers as any theater in the city at single performances. They give, however, a matinee every day in the week and it is seldom that seats can be obtained for any performance at the time of opening. In addition to this they have been necustomed to selling large numbers of tickets for standing room and as a general thing more people are within these places of amusement at an average perfermance than can be found at any other

playhouse in the city. The Garrick theater is a small playhouse, and should not be confounded with the larger theater of the same rame situated on Randolph street, one block west of the

froquois. Inspected Curtains Only

The inspection ordered by the mayor was LONDON, Jan. 1.-Further messages of carried on by Building Commissioner Wilsympathy in regard to the Chicago disaster liams and Chief of Police O'Netll, The scope of the investigation included no other feahere. They include communications from ture than asbestos curtains. The mayorthe Anglo-Saxon society, the Australian instructed Commissioner Williams to report. th him promptly at the conclusion of his investigation, declaring that it was his in-ROME, Jan. 1.-Minister of Foreign Af- tention that no theater should be allowed

It may not be possible to proceed to see of life when audiences rush for the doorways, but I have determined to see that every precaution is taken to prevent such occurrences as will sharm the people and start them on a rush for the sous. It is all very well to say that the great loss of life in the Iroquois theater was due to the fact that the people lost their heads and crowded into the doorways and alsies like maniacs, but the fact remains, and it cannot be denied, that there would have been no panic if the apparatus in this theater, which, judged by all ordinary standards, was the best equipped playhouse in the city, had been in proper working condition. There is no setting beyond that fact, From all the evidence now in hand, it is clear that if the asbestos curtain in this theater had been in the condition it should have been, there would have been no loss of life, comparatively speaking.

Other Defects Are Found.

Other Defects Are Found. The report of Bui'ding Commissioner Wiliams showed that the Academy of Music, with a seating capacity of 2,000, had a curtain of burlap. The Alhambra, 2,300; the Avenue, 2,000; the Bljou, 2,000; the Clark street museum. 270; the Criterion, 400; Plegenbaum's, 400; Howard's, 500; the Marowe, 1.700; the New American, 1,400. All had curtains of linen. The curtain in the Chicago opera house was of burlap covered with fireproof paint. In the Columbus

holds at least 3.500 people at two performances every day it is open, had a curtain of canvas. "There were other glaring defects which were noticed in some of the houses," said Building Commissioner Williams, "but we were not paying particular attention to them today, although I noted them and the

stock theater and in Sam T. Jack's it was

of canvas. The Olympic theater, which

managers will be compelled to remedy them as soon as possible." The police today vigorously pushed their made several arrests of stage hands, among them William McMullen, the operator of

Fifteen members of the double octette. Moonlight" have been placed under arrest by the police, Miss Romaine being the sole one who has so far cluded the detectives. They are wanted as witnesses and there is no charge against any of them. Orders were issued by Chief of Police O'Neill toright that none of the fifteen would be released unless a bond of \$5,000 was fur-

Man Who First Saw Fire.

McMullen, the light operator, underwent searching examination by Assistant Chief of Police Scheuttler this afternoon. Mc-Mullen's story was as follows:

Mulien's stary was as follows:

I was standing on the tron bridge at the right side of the stage, from which the "spot light" is operated. The lamp seemed in good condition, but in the middle of the second act, just as I changed from white light to a bine one, the arc between the carbons spluttered and jumped. A spark struck the frayed edge on the inside of the border of the curtain drapery. A flame which I should say was about twelve inches long shot up. I abandoned the lamp and clapped my hand upon the flames, but they spread in spite of me. I called to have the fire curtain lowered and yelled to the house freman to help me. He came with a patent fire extinguisher, which had no effect on the flames. Finally I lumped from the bridge to the stage. A little child in one of the front boxes had already been hadly burned. I selzed hor and carried her out and then returned to the theater. Here I worked pulling people out of the choked exits until it was useless to stay any longer. With the arrest of McMullen the police believe they have the last important witness among the theater employes who are essential to a complete inquiry at the cor-

oner's inquest. Day of Funerals.

Such a day of mourning Chicago paver