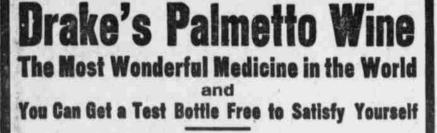


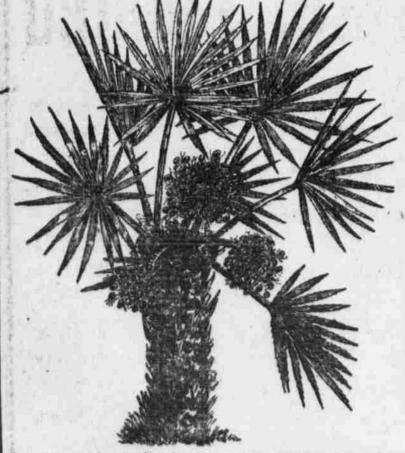
NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 11.-An unidentified the year's mercantile mortality was due to Texas. There were three companies of the North Carolina coast.

the remarkable depreciation in prices of securities and the consequent pressure in the Total, 1903. noney markets, together with growing con-1902 1901 1900 servatism regarding investments in new undertakings or those only partially completed. There was much embarrassment 1899 nd, owing out of labor disputes in the building trades. Other strikes also contributed to swell insolvency statistics, and the effect of the untoward influences has proved to be cumulative. When the disturbing factors were at their worst there was no noticeable increase in failures, but as the year progressed the moderate contraction of trade had more effect than was expected. During the preceding years of unchecked prosperity there had been so much expansion of facilities that readjustment to new conditions could only be accomplished through close scrutiny of credits and care in making contracts. Tight money made it more difficult to secure extension of time in making payments, and severe decline in iron and steel quotations was a factor in the year's In the following table liabilities of strictly ommercial failures are given by months for the last three years: Reves' first note. 1903. 1902. 1901. ..\$12,978,979 \$14,312,591 \$11,220,811 January ebruary ..... \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* ............ ...... Juls ........... August September ..... November ..... December.

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Failures by Sections.

Geographically considered, there were no striking gains in number of failures except in the west, where more than 100 per cent ncrease occurred in some cases, notably Michigan and South Dakota, while Ohio and Kansas also recorded a much larger number than in 1902. At the sast the only important numerical increase was in Pennsylvania. New York showed little alteraion and Massachusetts a material decrease. Texas and Missouri both reported more failures than the preceding year, but Arkansas made a favorable comparison. At the south there were fewer failures than in 1902, particularly in Florida, Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky. As to liabilities, however, there was more or less increase in every section except in the south and there the difference was only \$1,000,000. The five central states showed a total rise in de-

faulted indebtedness of about \$15,000,000. nost of which was contributed by Illinois. About \$13,000,000 increase was recorded for the three middle states, New York supplying over \$5,000.000. In New England the losses were also much heavier, Massachusetts alone accounting for almost \$5,000,000 about \$7.000,000. Minnesota reported three times as heavy liabilities as in 1902, but Nebraska and Colorado offset much of this by making most encouraging exhibits. On the Pacific coast the principal increase was

supplied by Washington. The number of failures and amount of liabilities last year and 1902 in different sections of the country are compared below:

 
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1900. 1829. 3,450 27,040 **REYES PROLONGS HIS STAY** 

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Receives Secretary Hay's Reply to His Second Note Regarding Colom-

bia's Grievances. WASHINGTON Jan 11-Secretary Hay yesterday sent another communication to General Rafael Reyes, the Colombian en-

voy, in response to his protest against the action of the United States regarding affairs on the isthmus of Panama. While State department officials decline to make any specific statement as to its nature, it is said that in a general way it follows the lines laid down in the reply to General

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General Reyes' second note differs in some important respects from that first sent by him to the State department. The first contained a general statement of the grievances, important and minor, which Colombia asserts it has suffered as a result of the interpretation placed by the United

States on the treaty of 1846. The second communication, to which an answer was returned yesterday, dealt with

considerable detail on certain specific points regarded as highly important and meriting special consideration, and presented an emphatic formal protest against the action of the United States in Panama matters, Secretary Hay's answer, however, it is said, follows the lines of the recent message of President Roosevelt to congress on the Panama question, justifying the steps taken by the United States on the subject.

General Reyes' last note also contained some reference to the submission of disputed points to arbitration, but the State department officials say there is nothing in the present situation for The Hague trileave this city for Colombia, where his personal and political affairs require his attention.

The suggestion was offered tonight that he might make an effort to open diplomatic relations with the Republic of Panama for the adjustment of such questions as the assumption by Panama of a portion of the exterior debt. Some suggestion also has been made, though not officially, of a reunion of the two governments under the name of the Republic of Colombia, Panama of the total increase, which amounted to to have an autonomous government with absolute authority to deal with all questions relating to the control of canal mat-

> PUT AN END TO LITIGATION Compromise Results in Dismissal of

Eight Petitions for Injunction.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 11 .-- The contest that has been waged for months in this city between the Southern and Louisville & Nashville roads has been brought to an end by a compromise that will result in eight injunctions held by the roads against each other being dissolved. All disputed cases are covered in this withdrawal except a valuable right-of-way in South Knoxville, which is now in the hands of the United States circuit court of appeals at Cincinnati. Eight months ago the Louisville & Nashville began the construction of a'line from Jeilico, Tenn., to Knoxville, to connect with the Atlanta, Knoxville & Northern road here, which is owned by the Louisville & Nashville and gives that line another through line to the south. At all stages the enterprise has been fought by the Southern, but the compromise ends all

ng in young father of Paul sent a representative here to secure his son's release from jail. Last night the guardian and the young man went east.

George Paul, who was taken into custody

about a week ago and booked as a sus

piclous character. When arrested Paul

had a couple of checks on Indiana banks

and as he appeared to be partially de-

mented Chief Briggs sent word east about

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#### Magic City Gossip.

There will be no meeting of the city coun-cil tonight.

A meeting of the South Omaha Board of Education is to be held tonight. The alumni of the high school will meet with Miss Dennis at Twentleth and I streets this evening.

streets this evening. Cudahy has laid off his men working on the ice at Seymour lake. No more ice will be harvested from the lake while the temperature remains where it was yes-terday.

Mrs. Frances Puttinger died at the South

Mrs. Frances Puttinger died at the South Omaha hospital Saturday evening. The fumeral will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Barrett's undertaking rooms. Interment at St. Mary's cemetery. The degree team of South Omaha lodge, No. 66, Ancient Order of United Work-men, will give a dance on Tuesday even-ing at Workman temple, Twenty-fifth and M streets. On this occasion the upper hall will be used.

DOWIE ENTERS A PROTEST

#### Objects to Lavish Silver Service and Stuffed Pig on New Hotel Menu.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 11-John Alexander Dowie and his six deacons will leave here tomorrow for San Francisco enroute to Australia. Dowle attended the opening of a hotel at a neighboring resort this morning and entered a protest against the lavish silver service and the stuffed pig on the menu.

This afternoon he addressed about 3,000 people in a local auditorium. He wanted to make himself clear on the race question. He said the Anglo-Saxon race is superior to the negro race, but that there was a time when the black brother was superior to the white, and the white man should be just to the negro and endeavour bunal, if any reference to that court was to lift him up. Wheatever the difference intended. General Reyes soon expects to in race might be on earth, the white man and the black man were brothers before God

Dowie found fault with the southern peo ple in that they were too sleepy and slow, not up-to-date, and he ridiculed the slow time made by the railroad whose guest he has been during the past several days. His only reference to the prospective establish ment of a Zion city and plantation on the Texas coast was contained in the statement that he might at some near date become a neighbor of the people of San

### Antonio, DENVER WANTS CONVENTION

All Future National Live Stock Meetings May Be Held at Intermountain City.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 11 .- That future conventions of the National Live Stock association will be held in Denver is the general belief among the delegates to the convention who have arrived in Portland a far, although delegations from several cities will be in attendance prepared to make a fight for the 1905 convention. It is generally conceded that in case the convention fails to go to Denver permanently, the fight will lie between El Paso and San Jose. The only fear that Denver will not win is based on the possible efforts that the Texans will make to gain their cause.

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