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FRANCE WILL

Satisfaction Will Be Demanded from Venexuels for Expulsion of Taigny.

NAVAL DEMONSTRATION PROBABLE

Diplomat Says Nation is Driven Extremities by Insult.

VENEZUELA CHARGE IS ORDERED TO LEAVE

He Will Be Escorted to Frontier by Comthe C ald not permit the repression of or missary of Police.

NEW CHARGE MADE AGAINST FRANCE

Caracha Paper Says French Government Officially Assisted the Matos Rebellion and Attempted to Bankrupt Venezuela,

eign office. The government immediately decided to adopt the most energetic measures to obtain satisfaction. Though the officials will not make any que et statement division of the French warships recently assembled in the vicinity of Venezuelan waters being utilized for that purpose. A diplomat confirmed this view of the situation, saying that President Castro's action, though not an absolute forcible expulsion of the French representative, amounted to un act of hostility, since after M. Taigny had left the shore in perfectly good faith in order to obtain dispatches from the French steamer Martinique, the Venezuelan authorities without warning offered armed opposition to his relanding. Such an act should not remain unchastised, and France, the diplomat added, will have the support of the whole world in demanding and obtolning proper satisfaction, even should armed intervention prove necessary.

France, it was further pointed out, has exhibited wonderful patience, but is now driven to extremities.

Managers Expelled.

The French Cable company's officials say that they received confirmation this morning of the reports that the managers of the company at Caracas and La Guayra have also been expelled from Venezuela. The company has about ten other managers in charge of different offices in Venezuela and momentarily expects to hear that they have been expelled. The officials of the company have brought the matter before the government, which has not yet announced what stens have been taken in the matter, but it is believed the United States will be asked to extend its representation to these man-

In the meanwhile M. Maubourguet, the welan charge d'affaires here, has reed an intimation to leave French territhus placing him personally in an vard position owing to his private com-

5:30 p. m.-M. Maubourguet, the charge d'affaires of Venezuela, here this afternoon received the announcement of his expulion from French territory. The notification was conveyed to him by M. Couvt, the chief secretary of Premier Rouvier, and a special commissary of police, M. The charge d'affaires showed considerable emotion, but accepted the government's decision. He will leave Paris from the Northern railroad station at 10 o'clock tonight for Leige, Belgium, accompanied by the special commissary of police, who is responsible for his security to the frontier.

Cabinet Will Consider.

The action of the French government with reference to Venezuela has not yet seen finally decided. M. Rouvier is callng the cabinet council together to consider the steps to be taken. In ministerial circles it is believed that the incident of M. Taigny's expulsion loses some of its character of gravity, as official notification was given to President Castro a few days before by the American minister, Mr. Russell, that diplomatic relations between France and Venezuela had ceased to exist Therefore, M. Taigny was not expelled as the representative of France, but as a simple French citizen. Meanwhile a telegram from L'Orient, the French war port in Brittany, announces that the cruisers Jean Bart and Chasseloup-Laubat are preparing to join the French division cruising in the vicinity of Venezuelan waters.

CARACAS, Venezuela, Wednesday, Jan 17 .- (Via Port of Spain, Island of Trinidad. Jan. 18.)-The Constitutional, in publishing the correspondence preceding the diplorupture between Venezuela and France, claims to prove the complicity of far from the hall where the convention was France in the Matos rebellion. The paper | held

We do not accuse the cable company whose responsibilities we consider to be eliminated. We accuse the French government of disloyalty to Venezuela, because while our representatives and ministers were sincerely and honogably seeking legal solutions of the difficulties in the light of international reciprocity. France co-operated with Matos, the leader of the rovolution, to stain our valleys and cities with blood and privately ordered the managers of the cable company to transmit information to the revolutionists, assisted in bank-rupting the credit of the government rupting the credit of the government abroad and endangered the integrity of the

national territory A memorandum of the conference be tween the American minister, Mr. Russell, and Foreign Secretary Ybarra, on the subject of the government's failure to invite M. Talgny, the French charge d'affaires to the official New Year's dinner, sets forth that Minister Russell said:

Secretary Root has capled me expressing that he is deeply interested in the question and adds that grave consequences will surely follow if the situation is not changed immediately.

A decree expelling from Venezueja MM. Jaccoux and Bourget, respectively tonnagers of the French cable stations at Caracan and LaGuiyra, for disregarding the laws of the republic, was published sectorday.

Charles M. James of Grinnell Ac- Hembers of Warsaw Revolutionary cused of Hazing Other Mid.

shipmen of Academy.

ANNAPOLIS, Md. Jan. 18.-Midshioman | WARSAW, Russian Poland. Jan. 18.-Six Charles M. James of Grinnell, Ia., a wein- Jews, members of the local revolutionary ber of the second class, was served today committee, who were tried by court-marwith a charge of heating. The charge is tial and condemned to death, were exsupported by eight specifications, the great-

egainst a midshipman.

forocean Conference Adopts Plan Suggested for Stopping Trade

in Contraband.

ALGECIRAS, Jan. 18.-The delegates to the Moroccan conference held a private session lasting two hours this afternoon. The session resulted practically in an agreement on the main lines of a plan for ssion of contraband arms entering Mor It was feared that this question raband might lead to Francotension as to who would carry Ger repressive measures proposed, but out ition happily appears to have been ave g The only divergence was a stateide by the Moroccan delegates that

ting for arms without first referring lter to the sultan. delegates were in accord upon the all the powers, assisted by Morocco, laws penalizing the introduction of contraband. This followed a proposition submitted by Spain which was designed to reconcile the differences between France

and Germany. The Spanish proposition comprised eight articles, the sixth of which pointed out 1 ARIS. Jan. 18 -Official confirmation of that France and Spain having territory con-Venezuela's uncerementous treatment of tiguous to Moroeco should be charged with M. Taigny, the retiring French charge the surveillance of contraband along their d'affaires at Caracas, has reached the For- respective frontiers. When the duke of Almodovar read this article Herr von Radowitz immediately rose and said that it

would meet with the approval of Germany. The French delegates expressed themon the subject. It is understood that a naval selves as highly gratified with the attitude demonstration is under preparation, the of Herr von Radowitz, as it had been anticipated that Germany would be likely to raise difficulties concerning the control of the frontiers.

A committee of five was appointed to study and report on a final project at the session to be held Saturday.

Today's meeting has strengthened the feeling among the delegates that the results of the conference will be satisfactory. One danger in the conference is considered to lie in the stiff attitude of Great Britain. France, it seems, is disposed to discuss with Germany the basis of an agreement, but whether Great Britain will favor such an agreement is not known. However, nearly everyone thinks that the longer the preliminaries are kept up the ess will be the danger and that time alone will aid in harmonizing the various differences.

Active telegraphing is going on between the ambassadors and their respective cap-

Something of a flutter was caused among bee, who learned this fact from the authorities at Gibralter, issued an order forbidding anyone belonging to his squadron to go ashore at Algeciras.

# SERIOUS TROUBLE AT HAMBURG Demonstration Planned by the Social Democrats.

BERLIN, Jan. 18:-The demonstrations at Hamburg yesterday against the proposed new election law assumed a more serious aspect last night than indicated in previous dispatches. A barricade was erected in one of the streets leading to the fish market appointment: C. E. Hunter, Wakefield; T. relations with France, and it is of the streets leading to the fish market lieved that he retains his Franch and the police were firmly resisted until itizenship, which would make him liable midnight. In attempting to disperse the kind of weapon and about twenty policemen were wounded, one of whom has since dled. The demonstrations were mainly or ganized by socialists and are intended as protest against the proposed election law which partly disfranchises the poorer

> classes. Over twenty shops were plundered. The number of rioters wounded is not known, but more than a dozen were treated at one drug store. Some of these were seriously wounded. A policeman broke the skull of a 12-year-old boy, who was trying to turn

out a street lamp. Police headquarters today ordered all drinking places in the riot district to be closed at 6 o'clock in the evening, the hour when the wharf and shipyard men return to

The workmen who took part in vester day's demonstrations were locked out this morning. Over 4,000 lose their employment. believed that demonstrations will hereafter be kept within legal limits.

#### RUSSIAN POLITICAL MEETING First Regular Party Convention Ever Held in St. Petersburg in Session.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 18 .- The first national convention organized by a political party in the history of Russia, that of the constitutional democrats, opened here today. Two hundred and fifty delegates, representing sixty provincial organizations. were present. The first act of the delegates was significant of the trend of the convention, the temporary chairman, Prof. Kareleff, calling on the assemblage to rise in memory of the victims of January 2 ("Red Sunday"), several of whom were shot not

Then, under the chairmanship of M. Petrunkevitch of Tver, the convention took up the discussion of the first topic on the program-the party's attitude towards the lections to the national assembly. Milukoff, Editor Hessen and Prince Hakoffsky were the leading speakers. The convention is expected to last three days.

# BRYAN'S VIEWS UNCHANGED Visit to Philippines Has Not Altered

His Opinion Regarding Island's Independence.

SANDAKAN, Borneo, Via Manila, Jan. 18.-After leaving the Philippine islands to visit India, W. J. Bryan made the following statement to the Associated Press:

My visit to the Philippines has been very My visit to the Philippines has been very interesting and instructive, and I appreciate the facilities afforded me by the civil and military authorities for a therough investigation of the Filipinos. This has enabled me to collect much knowledge which I hope to use for the benefit of both the American people and the Filipinos.

The promise given by the rising generation of the natives to use the English language surpasses my expectation power anything else. views rewarding the independence of

# ICWA BOY IS IN THE TOILS SIX REBELS ARE EXECUTED Committee Meet Death at Citadel.

couted today in the court yard of the est number of distinct offenses yet charged, Warsaw citadel. They were arrested a fortnight ago, charged with enguging in e Most of the specifications allege tout the revolutionary propaganda, manufacturdifferent physical exercises were required. ing bombs and exterting money.

Interview Said to Have Been Righly Satisfactory to Both Parties

CONFERENCE WITH MOODY SATURDAY

At that Time Matters Pending in Distriet Attorney's Office at Omaha Will Be Gone Into Thoroughly and Agreement Reached.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- (Special Telegram.)-Senator Burkett and Congressman Kennedy today presented Charles A. Goss to the president and the interview was entirely satisfactory, it is understood, to both the president and Mr. Goss, although he was scarcely ten minutes with the chief executive.

Owing to an important case now pending n the supreme court, having relation to the Philippine tariff law, Mr. Moody, the attorney general, will not be able to see

Congressman Kinkaid applied to the War department today for an appropriation for improving the highway from Fort Robinson to Crawford, a distance of about four miles. This improvement is greatly needed and in his conference with Quartermaster General Humphrey he bore down on the necessity. of making this highway passable, and as the highway extends nearly all the way over the Fort Robinson reservation it is peculiarly a government matter. Judge Kinkaid was assured that everything possible would be done to bring about the wishes of his constituency.

Bill to Ratify Indian Agreement. The senate committee on Indian affairs today reported Senator Gamble's bill to ratify an agreement with the Lower Brule band of Sloux Indians in South Dakota. the diplomats today by the news that Under the agreement the Indians are to smallpox exists here. Rear Admiral Sigs-| cede to the United States approximately 56,560 acres in the western portion of their reservation. The United States will expend \$70,700 on these Indians in consideration of the cession of their land. This sum will be disbursed in part in constructing sixty-three miles of wire fence along the northern, western and southern boundaries Rioting and Pillage Follows Political of the diminished reservation and the remainder of the money will be expended in the purchase of stock cattle.

W. J. Reisinger has been appointed postmaster at Dustin, Holt county, Neb., vice L. L. Smith, resigned.

Minor Matters at Capital. Congressman McCarthy today recommended the following postmasters for re-

B. Calnon, Lyons; Roy A. Richmond, Henry T. Clarke of Omaha, who has been in Washington several days in attendance upon the meetings of the Mississippi River improvement association, left this afternoon for Philadelphia on his way home.

The application of M. D. Bilsborough Charles C. Armour, Henry Block, R. M. Slight, W. B. Benton and others to organize the First National bank of Little Rock In. with \$25,000 capital, has been approved by the comptroller of the currency.

# PREACHERS TALK TO PRINTERS New York Clergymen Confer with

Strikers Over Affairs of the Book Concern.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.-In response to an appeal from Typographical union No. 6. about twenty clergymen of the Methodist Episcopal church today met a committee from the striking printers of the Methodist Book Concern and heard their grievances. The men contended that the eight-hour day for which they struck was a just demand and declared they had been locked out by the book concern because they were struggling to better their condition.

Rev. D. C. Cook spoke for the clergymen. He said the Methodist Book Concern had advanced the wages of its printers a year ago and had always been considered a closed shop until the recent strike made it necessary to become an open shop. He declared that some of the men who struck had been employed by the concern for nearly fifty years. He also asserted that the Methodist Book Concern should not be treated as a commercial institution, as it was not conducted for gain, but for the benefit of widows, orphans and worn-out ministers. He said he thought the printers had made a mistake in going on strike The Methodist church was a church fo the working people, however, and always would be and the conference would consider what could be done for the printers

#### OIL MEN BUYING NEW HOMES Los Angeles Believes it Will Be Residence of Standard 011 Magnates.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 18.-L. V. Harkness, a Standard Oil magnate, has purchased another place on South Orange Grove boulevard, Pasadena. The consider ation named is \$50,000. This is accepted a confirmation of the rumors that Mr. Harkness is seeking to make Pasadena a winter residence headquarters for the millionaires who are associated with John D. Rocke feller in Standard Oil.

A few weeks ago Harkness purchased Carmelita, one of the finest residence properties in southern California. It was then seclared that Harkness had bought it for Rockefeller, who would occupy the house next winter. This rumor was never post tively denied by Harkness.

# LOW RATES FOR CONVENTIONS Grand Army and Confederate Vet

erans Each Given Fare of One Cent Per Mile.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.-At a meeting of representatives of the transcontinental railways held here today it was decided to make the following rates for the conven-

Grand Army of the Republic encampment, Minneapolis: Confederate Veterans' reunion, New Orleans, each 1 cent per mile.

Mystic S' riners. San Francisco: Federation of Jones's Clubs. Minneapolis: Knights of Pythias' conclave. New Orleans, each one fare for the round trip.

National Educational association. San Francisco, one fare for the round trip, plus 13.

SPAIN TAKES THE INITIATIVE COSS CALLS ON PRESIDENT CHICAGO BROKERS SUSPEND CHINESE AT STATE CAPITAL McReynolds & Co., One of Best Known

Firms on Board of Trade, Go Into Liquidation.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.-Announcement was made this afternoon of the suspension of the grain and commission firm of McReynoids & Co. of this city, one of the best known firms on the Board of Trade. The Chancellor Andrews Talks Briefly affairs of the firm will be wound up and it will go out of business. The statement is made, however, that the oreditors will be paid in full and that the assets of the concern are fully equal to the liabilities. The house has been a large handler of cash grains and controls two large elevators in this city and one in St. Louis. George S. McReynolds, who is the head of the firm, is the president of the McReynolds Elevator ompany and also of the Southern Elevator company. He left the office of the company this afternoon immediately after the anouncement of the suspension was made and would not make a statement of the condition of the firm. General Manager F. H. Babcock of the firm, however, said:

Mr. Goss before Saturday morning, when a conference at some length will be held between them, the attorney general, it is understood, being desirous of going over in detail with Mr. Gross questions now pending in the district attorney's office in Nebraska. Mr. Goss said tonight that he was very greatly pleased with the reception accorded him; that so far as he was concerned he would be district attorney without any strings on the title, and that so far as factions might go in Omaha he would conduct his office along the lines of the resident's desires.

Kinkaid Wants Better Hoads.

I am not able to give figures, but I will say that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company will be ample to protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company that the attention protect all of the creditors and that the assets of the company th I am not able to give figures, but I will say that the assets of the company will be

was announced that the open trades of Me-Reynolds & Co. had been taken over, but it was declared that the firm possessed no information of the financial condition of the suspended house.

At the office of the Board of Trade no official notice of the suspension had been filed within two and a half hours of the closing of the board. The information had spread. however, and it caused much surprise among brokers, as the firm was thought to the robes of the Chipese. be doing a large and prosperous business. It is not believed that the suspension will

have any effect on the Board of Trade to morrow. The number of open accounts carried by the firm was not large, and consisted for the most part of trades in corn and oats. The firm did no Stock exchange business, although it dealt somewhat in cot ton. Because of the condition of the market, the deals in corn and provisions of late have been few in number and of limited volume.

#### AWFUL EXPLOSION IN MINE Eighteen Men Entombed in Colliery Near Charleston, W. Va., and All Are Probably Dead.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 18.-Eigheen men are believed to have been killed in a terrific explosion today in one of the mines of the Detroit & Kanawha Coal company at Detroit, on Paint creek, this county, twenty-five miles from here. The men who were in the mine at the time of the explosion and who are willed to have

perished are: ISAAC PANCAKE.
BENJAMIN SNYDER CHARLES SNYDER.
ISAAC SNYDER.
A. N. SOVINE.
JAMES M'CARDLE.
PATRICK M'CARDLE.
STEPHEN M'CARDLE. PETER BRIDGEMAN. PETER BRIDGEMAN.
EDWARD BRIDGEMAN.
PHILIP BRIDGEMAN.
MELVIN BRIDGEMAN.
JOHN MICKEL.
EDWARD MICKEL.
CLAUDE SAUNDERS.
PATRICK M'LAUGHLIN.
JOHN M'LAUGHLIN.

The four Bridgemans were brothers, as were the three Snyders, the three McCardles and the two Mickels. The McLaughlins were father and son. That more men were not in the mine at the time of the accident was due to the fact that almost all of the day men, consisting of miners, loaders and drivers, were eating their dinners on the outside and thus escaped the fate of their comrades. The explosion occurred at 12:30 o'clock. Had it been either before or after the noon hour the death list would have been still more appalling, as hundreds of men would have been killed. The force of the explosion was so great that the hills trembled. Tons of wreckage and debris were hurled from the mouth of the mine, blocking the entrance and making the work of rescue difficult. first body reached was that of G. P. Neal, which was discovered 150 yards from the entrance. The mine superintendent says that the other men were working much further back than Neal, and he has no hope reaching them until tomorrow morning.

#### DUNNE NOW HAS MAJORITY Chicago Council Passes Two Traction Ordinances at Request of the

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.-Mayor Dunne tonight najority of the aldermen back of him and to be able to read it. the city council in special session did all it i plans and passed the rest on to the people. could not find him for several minutes, for As the traction situation now stands, the he had left the train as soon as it stopped. roters of Chicago will have to decide next April whether they want to borrow \$75,000 and I think he has decided to do some shop-600 and go into the street railway business ping," said a good-looking man with a black jorities. One of the ordinances provides for the issue of \$75,000,000 of street railway certificates. The other ordinance authorizes the city to operate as well as own street railways. All that remains now is for the voters to ratify the action of the ouncil at the April election, but if they should fall to do so then matters go back to exactly where they were before today's ouncil meeting. The council took all day ind part of the night to do what it did.

#### MOTHERS TO PRINT MAGAZINES Executive Council of Congress Tries to Bave International Meet-

ing in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- At the annual meeting yesterday of the executive council of the National Congress of Mothers it was decided to recommend that the next inter national congress of mothers be held in Washington.

The speakers at the annual conference to be held in Los Angeles May 7-10, were also decided upon. Among them are Mrs. W. S. Hefferan of Chicago, chairman of the educational committee and Judge Lindsay of the Denver (Colo.) juvenile court.

It was decided also to inaugurate in February the publication of a monthly magazine devoted to the purposes of the organi-

Imperial Commission V sity State Farm and University.

ADDRESSES AT STATE UNIVERSITY

10 a. m..... 22 and Tuan Fang Responds, Telling of the Objects of Their Visit to America.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Lincoln to day entertained the imperial Chinese con mission, composed of representatives of the Chinese government, who are touring the United States studying American ways and inspecting American schools and American sovernment. Nebraska and the city of Lincoln united in extending a welcome to the distinguished visitors. They were met at the train by Governor Mickey, Mayor Brown, Chancellor Andrews, J. E. Miller. president of the Commercial club; A. B. Allen, secretary to the governor, and E. H. Clark, secretary to the chancellor. With these citizens acting as hosts the visitors were taken in a special car to the state farm, then to the state house, the state penitentiary and the university. At noon they were given lunch by D. R. Thompson

at the Lincoln hotel. At the state farm the visitors were shown the fine stock and the grain display and for a little while listened to the speeches being delivered at the state agricultural meetings now being held. As only a very few of them could speak or understand the English language the visitors said they expected to learn by sight rather than by hearing speeches. At the state house they were particularly impressed by the state superintendent's office and asked for literature and copies of the school laws, which were given them.

Heading the party is Tuan Fang and Tai Hung Chi, the high commissioners of the empire. With them are some sixty students and officials, some clothed in American costumes, while the great majority wear

#### Principal Delegate Talks.

At the university this afternoon Chancellor Andrews delivered a short address and Tuan Fang responded, each speech being interpreted by the secretary of Tuan Fang. Sao-Ko Alfred Sze, a Cornell graduate. Tuan Fang said:

wate. Tuan Fang said:

We feel the heavy responsibility of our mission to this country and the duty we have been instructed to carry out—that of studying this and other countries. We desire to study the intellectual, industrial and commercial side of America, as well as its political, and we regret that our stay in this country will be limited to only a short time. We hope, however, to accomplish a great deal in a short time, as the Americans have shown such willingness to help us. We have been cordially received and have been extended every courtesy. We shall also study the Chinese away from home. To these Chinese the emperor and empress dowager wish to extend a greeting and wish to remind them that their subjects abroad are still in their sovereign's care and their interests are "dear to the hearts of their sovereigns."

A special convocation of the students was

A special convocation of the students w held in honor of the visitors. Traveling with the commission is Dr.

Jenks, a personal representative of President Roosevelt. Dr. Jenks said: We have much to learn from the people who are our guests. During the year I spent in China I was repeatedly impressed with the culture of the people with whom I associated. At a time when our ancestors were untaught savages wandering in some unknown land, the ancestors of our guests were the upholders of a civilization worth to be compared with the com be compared with the modern days. While ou ancient or modern days. While our guests say they came to learn from us, we should recognize that we have much to learn from them. We should be grateful to the rulers of China that they have sent to us such men, who exemplify the refined culture and the practical ability of China.

#### CHINESE COMMISSION IN OMAHA Stop at Depot Long Enough to Secure

Souvenir Posteards Mandarin Tuan Fang and Tal Hung Cha. special commissioners of the Chinese government, accompanied by sixty of their countrymen, arrived in Omaha at \$:30 last night over the Union Pacific from Lincoln. where they had spent the day. They were in the city less than half an hour, their train being transferred to the Northwestery, where Passenger Agent George West took charge of the party to conduct it to Chicago.

When the train pulled into the Union station a small group of curious people had gathered to form an opinion of a representative party of the higher class of Chinese citizens. If they thought to see uncouth, uncivilized looking men, their expectations were not fulfilled, for these visitors, in man ner and conversation, as well as in appearance, could have lost nothing by comparison with the cultured men of this country. Those who were not in their berths came out and walked up and down on the platform, and though they did not seek the acquaintance of any of the Americans were not a bit backward about talking when addressed. There were fifteen Chinamen on the train, according to the statement of Mr. Wu, secretary of the commission, who could speak English fluently, and at least twenty young men who had studied the for the first time since his election found a language in their native schools long enough

Secretary Wu was the official spokesman could to advance the municipal ownership of the party. The reporter for The Bee "He is much impressed with your city, or not. Both of the mayor's ordinances cigar and a silky queue which hung to his under the provisions of the Mueller bill heels. This was Mr. Wun, who, being were passed by the council by small ma- graduate of Yale, had absorbed an uncommon amount of American levity.

# Buy Souvenir Cards

Secretary Wu came running breathless from the depot, his hands full of postcards on which were pictures of the Missouri Lake Manawa and the city hall. Severa comrades had made like purchases. "We were after souvenirs." Mr. Wu sald

Some of these we write on and send then; to our people. Some we will keep as remembrances of the trip. "You want to know about our trip in

America? Well, we have been here six days, having landed in San Francisco en January We are very much pleased with the country. The possibilities of the vast stretch between Omaha and the coast has been a subject of conversation almost constantly.

"This day we have spent in Lincoln, and there the same welcome and courteous con-sideration was extended to us which we have met all over the west. The governor, the chancellor and the other honorable genlemen all made it very pleasant for us. We visited the state farm and inquired much into the methods of teaching agriculture at The wisest men of our party regarded the state prison a model, and they made careful note of all they saw there One thing which pleased us much was the special convocation of students which honored us at the university. The chancellor

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# NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST REFUSES TO ANSWER

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5 p. m..... 30 6 p. m..... 29 7 p. m..... 29

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

Special Pleas of Indicted Packers for

Immunity Argued Before

Judge Humphrey.

pecial pleas of J. Ogden Armour and

he other packers, and attorneys, now

under indictment for conspiracy to restrain

trade and commerce were opened late

today before Judge Humphrey in the

United States district court. Among the

defendants in court at the opening of the

case were J. Ogden Armour, Charles W.

Armour, T. J. Connors, Ira N. Morris,

Edward Morris, Charles F. Swift, Edward

Swift, Edward Cudahy and A. H. Veeder.

contention of the packers that the govern-

ment should not prosecute them under the

indictments found because they are en-

law which grants freedom from prosecution

to any person who is compelled to pro-

duce incriminating evidence against him-

self. It is claimed by the packers that

they were compelled by Commissioner of

Corporations Garfield to give such evi-

dence, and that they were moreover prom-

ised immunity by him. The result of the

hearing which began today will determine

whether or not the government has the

right to proceed to trial under the indict-

Attorney John S. Miller for the pack-

ers made the opening statement. He took

up the Garfield report, explaining it, and

detailing at length the issues of fact which

are involved in the case. Mr. Miller then

launched into a long discussion of the law

governing interstate commerce. District

Attorney Morrison raised an objection to a

"I am inclined to permit the widest lati-

tude in this matter," said Judge Humph-

Mr. Miller then continued his statement,

but at the close of the day he had not

completed his arguments and he will again

have the floor at the opening of court to-

CHICAGO MERCHANTS EXCITED

Trick on Freight

Rates.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18 .- (Special Telegram.)-

souri river towns are about to enter into

have been carried on almost to the point of

The Chicago merchants have been cogni-

Wabash and Great Western, have consid-

ered the offer at all, and yesterday it was

declared that the Wabash had withdrawn

entirely from the negotiations. The proposi-

was consummated about two years ago, and

WILL BUILD TO SHOSHONE

Big Horn Railway Files Amended

Articles of Incorporation at

Cheyenne.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 18 .- Amended

articles of incorporation of the Big Horn

railroad, an adjunct of the Burlington sys-

tem, were filed in the office of the clerk

of Laramie county today. The amended

articles state that the road shall have

power, in addition to its other projects,

to extend its line which now is being built

from Cody, Wyo., to Worland, in Big Horn

county, south of the Big Horn river at its

junction with Muskrat creek, which will

bring the road into the Shoshone reserva-

tion, close to the town of Shoshone, estab-

lished by the Northwestern railway. The

articles further state that the road will

run in a southeastern direction to the Colo-

rado state line, where it is believed con-

nection will be made with the Saratoga &

Encampment road, which is being built

now south from the Union Pacific line at

LUMBERMEN ELECT OFFICERS

Northwestern Association Also Calls

for the Preservation of

Forests.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jun. 18. - The

sixth annual meeting of the Northwestern

Lumbermen's association adjourned today

Before adjournment the lumbermen passed

the resolution calling for the preservation

The election of officers resulted as fol-

President, Ralph Burnside, Oskaloosa,

In.; directors for three years, George C

Ingram. Sauk Center, and J. J. Lucas

Winona; director for one year, C. H. Rose,

The meeting of the Retall Lumbermen's

association, an important adjunct of the

Northwestern association, immediately fol-

Movements of Ocean Vessels Jan. 18.

vice president, C. E. Greef, Eldora,

of the forests.

Sloux Falls.

lows:

has worked a great detriment to Chicago.

Missouri River Towns Turn

long discussion of the law.

morrow morning.

ments returned against the packers.

issue in the present case is the

Hour.

Bour. Deg. 5 a. m.... 27

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a. m..... 23

Rain Friday: Rising Temperature in East and Central Portions. Satur-arday Rain. Poultney Bigelow in Contempt of Senate

> Canal Committee. 2 p. m ..... 27

> > Says Sanitary Conditions Keep Eminent Engineers from Is.hmus.

TESTIMONY IS RAMBLING AND INEXACT

HE DECLINES TO GIVE THEIR NAMES BEEF TRUST CASES OPEN

Thinks it Would Be Violation of Confidence and Embarass Informants.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18. - The trial of the COMMITTEE HOLDS EXECUTIVE SESSION

Division of Opinion Develops Regarding Proposal to Punish Witness for Contumney and No

Action is Taken.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 .- Poultney Bigelow, the magazine writer whose arraignment of the administration and management of the isthmian canal affairs in an article published in the Independent, which was denounced by Secretary of War Taft, titled to immunity under a section of the proved to be a contunuacious witness before the senate committee on interoceanic canals today and involved the committee in a controversy which caused two executive sessions and must be considered again tomorrow before action can be taken. The recalcitrancy of the witness was shown as the result of a statement made by him that many eminent engineers had declined to accept employment of the government because of physical conditions on the isthmus. The ommittee demanded the names of such engineers and Mr. Bigelow declined to give them on the ground that to do so would be to violate confidence and subject these persons to embarrassments. He intimated that the displeasure of the administration would

> the official replies should be concluded. Two opportunities to answer were given Mr. Bigelow, but he persisted in refusing answer. Senator Morgan, who conducted the last examination, warned the witness in such manner as seemed to commit the committee to punishment, it he continued to bring himself into contempt. The advice was of no avail and the doors were ordered closed for a second time.

> be exhibited in such manner that their

reputations would be worth nothing after

#### Division in Committee.

In executive session it developed that the committee was agreed that the evidence of Mr. Bigelow was of such a nature that there could be no doubt of the committee's power to have him dealt with summarily. Senators Knox, Hopkins and Morgan favored a certification of his recalcitrancy to the vice president for submission of the case to United States Attorney Chicago merchants are wrought up over a Baker for the District of Columbia. This umor which they have run down and find course met opposition from Senators Gorto be well founded that the merchants of max and Simmons on the ground that it Omaha, Kansas City, St. Joseph and Misprevents further examination of the witness on other subjects mentioned in the a contract with the Great Western railroad magazine article, which makes charges for a commodite rate on dry goods between against the canal in the Chicago and the Missouri river. The mer- of the committee said the

chants here feel that this is a direct blow usefulness as a witness was at an end and case of urged and argued unjust discrimination against Chicago on any delay in proceeding against Mr. Bige the part of the Great Western, and they low, that Senators Gorman and Simmons making preparations to combat it. declared that their purpose seemed to in-While it is understood that the contract terfere with the thorough investigation of has not been made yet, it can be stated on canal affairs which was ordered by the competent authority that the negotiations senate.

When it was apparent there could be no completion and the announcement of the action today a motion to adjourn until new rates can be looked for at an early tomorrow at 11 o'clock was carried. was with the understanding that the records of today's hearing should be gant for several weeks of the attempt on printed and in the hands of the committhe part of the Missouri river merchants to tee at tomorrow's meeting. Mr. Bigelow interest some railroad or railroads in their was commanded to hold himself ready to project. It is said that only two roads, the appear tomorrow.

> Mr. Bigelow's Testimony. Mr. Bigelow was the first witness before the committee. He was asked to tell his story in his own way.

tion is a similar one to the contract agree-"I am embarrassed to appear in any ment which exists between the Missouri capacity before any respectable body after river packers and the Great Western, which having been described as a sensation mon ger from an official source," said Mr. Bigelow.

He asked to be allowed to put himself right and proceeded to tell of his public works, where he had lectured and the respectable bodies that had done him honor. He said he was not attempting to get advertising or to sell his books by such testimony, but believed that in the face of the attack made upon him such testimony is pertinent. In terms of great familiarity he referred to men of letters and publicists of his standing in an effort to set himself right.

"As to what I saw personally on the isthmus." said Mr. Bfgelow, "I will say that I had the better part of two days, arriving at Colen at 10 o'clock in the morn-

Going to a map of the inthmus he pointed out that laborers were landed in an oozy swamp of a pesitilential character, and he asserted that the sanitation was of the worst character. He said that to use names would subject the persons who helped him in getting his information to embarrassment and "make their names worth nothing by the time official replies

were concluded." In reference to his article in the Independent, he said that it had been declined by Harpers' and Collier's weeklies before it was accepted by the Independent Replying to an inquiry by Mr. Gorman the witness said he had not represented any American interest on the isthmus. Returning to a discussion of his visit to the isthmus, Mr. Bigelow said he spent most of the time investigating sanitary conditions. He thought he had been in grave danger there because of the fact that Secretary Taft and Governor Magoon had not been through these swamps, and that there must have been some good rea-

son for their avoldance of these places. Describing conditions, he declared that there are no sanitary depots. His testimony was general and on motion of Mr. Knox the witness was instructed to confine it to stating the facts on which he based his article on the mismanagement of canal affairs. He replied that his article was based on his personal visit to 100 different shacks which Secretary Taft, Mr. Stevens and Mr. Shonts had pronounced to be in good, healthful condition and which he found to be without water or sanitation. He was interrupted again and told that impressions were

valueless and asked to give facts. Refuses to Give Names.

At New York-Spiled: La Savoie, for Havre: Hellig Olav, for Copenhagen, etc.
At Liverpool-Arrived: Cedric, from New York: Lake Manitoba, from St. John's: Manxman, from Portland.
At Glasgow-Arrived: Hibernian, from Portland. Well, here is a fact. Many engineers of note declined to accept government employment in clearing up these sanitary con-

At Queenstown—Sailed: Arabic, for New ditions.
York
At Marseilles—Arrived: Algeria, from New 21 thir "Name then," demanded Mr. Knox. "I think it would be embarrassing to them At Genoa-Sailed: Nord America, for New | to have their names made public," said he. Upon insistence being made, Mr. Bigelow Copenhagen Balled: United States, | gave the name of John F. Freeman of Box-