A DESPARATE BATTLE,

With Rifles and Axes .- Two Men Shot, Cadillac is alive with excitement. For some time past the Toledo, Ann Arbor & Cadillac railroad has met with opposition from parties over whose land the road was to run. Tais opposition came to a focus just before noon on the 8th inst., and resulted seriously and probably fatally. The road had been graded through the farm of it. Chanin and when the iron men came on to lay the iron they found that a rough log shanty had been built since the morning on the grade. Chapin, his two sons and four others were on hand with guns to sheet the first man who laid hands on the shanty. Geo. L. Davis, the chief engineer, proceeded immediately to tear down the shanty. The senior Coapin 4rews bead on Davi-, but the cartridge missed fire. Davis made for him. Four times the gun was snapped. When he reached Chapin, Davis reized the gun, and after a struggle obtained possession of it and clubbed Chapin, breaking the stock of the gun. A son came to the rescue, and Davis got his gun away from mm. One of the farmers was obout attacking a radroad man with an ax, when Davis laid him out with the was obout attacking a radroad man with an ax, when pays iaid him out with the gun barrel. During the meice several shots were fired and a railroad man by the name of Oleson was shot through the hand, which, it is reported, will have to be amputated. Guest rieibing was shot in the abdomen and is not expected to live. When the news reached town a posse was immediately gotten together and went to capture the shooters. The two Chapin brothers were found, but the father had gone te Harrison. On their arrival at Cadillac, the brothers were taken to the house where delbing lies dying. He identified the one who did the shooting. Heibing's sister was standing near the shooter, who took her for Helbing's wife, and said: "I did not mean to shoot your husband." The rest of the seven are being looked for. Helbing's father is almost frantic, and swears vengeance. Twenty looked for. Helbing's father is almost frantic, and swears vengeance. Twenty buckshot were taken from the cartridge that missed fire at Davis.

The State Treasurer's Report.

The annual report of State Treasurer Grorge L. Maits for the fiscal year ending June 30 is just pub. shed. It is only for the period of Oct 1. a period of nine months, the legislature having changed the fiscal year so as to make it begin July 1st. Tue following is the general sum mary:

Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1886....\$ 141,997 86 Receipts for nine months..... 2,118,334 42 

Balance in treasury July 1, '87.\$ 874,785 53 The bonded debt of the state stands

thus: Past due part paid five million ioan boads, \$19,000, adjustable at \$0:857 per \$1,000 (not bear-

States 4% per cent bonds with which to pay oif the entire bonded debt the mo-ment it tails due, which will be in two Years. The trust fund debt, composed of bal-

ances upon which the state, as trustee, pays interest for educational purposes now is: now is: Agricultural col-\$ 328,035 20

63,010 13

Normal school Primary s c h o o i tund (7 per cent) \$3,338,936 68 Primary s c h e e i fund (5 per cent) 874,118 93

\$3.768.710 60

University fund ... Aggregate balance

of trust fund.... \$4.65,821 72
There are now sixty-two banking asso-stations under the general law of the state, twelve having been organized during the past nine months, Estimates for Michigan Rivers and

Harbors.

The following are the estimates for the improvement of the rivers and harbors of Michigan: Improving Detroit river, \$130 .-500; improving Hay Lake channel, St. Mary's river, e5 0,000; improving Saginaw river, \$137,000; improving St. Clair flats ship canal, \$100.000; improving St. Mary's civer, \$1,000,000; improving harbor at Black Lake, \$15,000; improving harbor at Charlevoix, \$33,039; improving harbor at Cheboygan, \$15,000; improving harbor at

Cheboygan, \$13,000; improving harbor at Cheboygan, \$15,000; improving harbor at Frankiort, \$43,000; improving harbor at Grand Marais, \$100,000; improving harbor at Grand Marais, \$100,000; improving harbor at Ludington, \$130,000; improving harbor at Manistee, \$30,000; improving harbor at Manistee, \$30,000; improving harbor at Muskegon, \$30,000; improving harbor at Ontonagon, \$43,000; improving harbor at Pentwater, \$20,000; improving harbor at Pentwater, \$20,000; improving harbor at Sendence of Feduce at Sand Beach, \$120,000; harbor of refuge at Sand Beach, \$120,000; harbor at Saugatuck, \$3,000; harbor at White River, \$25,000.

The following amounts are asked for the pay of registers and receivers at the various land offices in Michigan: Detroit, \$2,000; East Saginaw, \$2,000; Marquette, \$0,000; Reed City, \$4,500. For establishing a light and fog signal on Squaw island at the northern end of Lake Michigan to mark the passage of Beaver island, \$25,000 is asked. He also asks that \$50,000 be appropriated for establishing a supply and buoy depot for the ninth district, and says that it is absolutely necessary for the storage of supplies and buoys in this district. The sum will be expended for a site, the erection of walls, sheds and other necessary buildings, removing the requisite buoys and materials from Detroit.

Union Veteran's Union.

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Col. L. G. Norton of Byron, a man o stalwart proportions, whose most noticeable features are a big, kind tace and a long, black beard, has been doing good work in Michigan for the new union veteran's union. The society was organized some sixteen months ago, the object being not only to rival the grand army of the republic, but to associate those who saw active service. it is, in fact, like the grand army republic in all respects, except that six months of actual service at the front (unles discharged for wounds) during the rebellion are necessary for eligibility to membership. Col. Norton is an organizing commander and operates both in this and other states. M. A. Dillion of Washington, is the commander-in-chief Charters have been issued to veterans in Corunna, Galesburg, Muskegon, Byron and St. Clair, and the colonel visited Wayne this week. There are about a dozen towns ready to apply for charter as soon as the organizer can visit them all Michigan veteraus who wish to join the society as wen as the grand army, and are eligible, can gain any information they may desire by addressing Col. Norton at Byron, Mich.

The Sportsmen. Dr. E.S. Holmes, President of the Michigan Sportsmen's Association, has issued the following circular:

The following gentlemen have been ap-

pointed to constitute the standing committees, whose duty it is to consider the subjects included in the several headings, and make full reports at the next annual session of the association to be held in Detroit, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 24 and 25, 188.

Committee on Laws—T. F. Shepard of Bay City; A. L. Lakey of Kalamazoo; Mark Norris of Grand Rapids.

Committee on Enforcement—Joel C. Parker of Grand Rapids; Wm. B. Mershan of East Saginaw; r. O. Lancaster of Flint.

shan of East Saginaw; of Flint.
Committee on Nomenclature—Dr. Morris Gibbs, Geo. H. Wynans, E. H. Ranney, all of Ka'amazoo.
Committee on Publication—Mark Norris,
T. Stewars White, F. E. Blakely, all of

## WOLVERINE WHISPERINGS.

Benzie, Grand Traverse, Antrim and Leelanaw counties voted on the local option question on the 5th inst. The result in each case was a victory for local option.

The dispute over a portion of the site for the new Detroit postoffice has been satisfactorily settled, and the deeds to the property have been forwarded to Wash

Abner Develle of Grass Lake, aged 80 years, is dead. He was a pioneer in Jackson county and the wealthiest man in the

Harry Smith, a Kalamazoo man, and for many years journal clerk of the national house of representatives, has been re moved. His successor is J. G. Robinson of indiana, ex-judge and ex-state senator, who was once thought of as an available democratic candidate for governor.

South Haven hus established a free reading room in the hope of counteracting the baneful influences of the saloon. The prosecuting attorney of Calhoun has officially notified the sheriff county and his deputies, and the Marshall police,

the state liquor laws. Frank Barker of Abscota, Calhoun coun ty, was killed by a fall in Colorado. He eaves a widow and several children.

that they must see to the enforcement of

An Elk Rapids man offers Heary George 20 acres of land if he will come out there and live. H. G. has not accepted the offer.

Simon Ki-Ji-Go-Be-Nese and others, all natives of this state, and county of Emmet, have gone to Washington to see about a little money due them from Uncle Sam. The new fron bridge over the Muskegon iver at Big Rapids is open for travel.

Mrs. Jane Douglass received severe in uries to her spine by stepping into a hole in a Bay City bridge last March, and a jury in the United States district court at Detroit gave her a verdict against Bay City for \$10,000 damages. Judge Brown has decided that she must accept \$6,500 or he will order a new trial.

A passenger train on the Chicago & Northwestern was ditched near Iron Riv er, Iron county, the other night, smashing many cars and blocking the track all night Several people were hurt, but none fatally and few severely.

Eugene M. Converse, the Battle Creek awyer, has pleaded guilty to embezzle ment, and has been remanded for trial.

David Whitney, Jr., of Detroit, wh was a great deal of property in Grant township, Clare county, has enjoined the township board from issuing the bonds voted in aid of the Toledo, Ann Arbor & Cadillac railroad. The injunction was one day too late, as the bonds had been issued. The second gas well at Niles has been abandoned.

Mine officials report that the fire in the Calumet and Hec.a mine is under control. Agift of an \$85 military album was made to the Marquette Post of G. A. R. by the late Edward Breitung, but by careessness on the part of Capt. Hill, compiler of the work, it was never transmitted, and only by accident the other day it was traced to the possession of a man at Trenton, Wayne county, who forwarded it to the post at Marquette.

Ignace & Sault Ste. Marie road early next spring.

Harry McGowan was instantly killed and two others serious y injured by a collision on the Grand Trunk near Port Huron a few days ago. Bronson has finally abandoned its gas

H. N. Moore of Coldwater, guardian of Roy Teater, deceased, has commenced a suit for \$10,000 damages against Kirke it. Sheldon, who owned and operated the buzz saw from which the slab flew which fatally burt the Teater lad at the Branch county fair in September.

Seventy-four law suits have been commenced against the Toledo, Ann Arbor & Cadillac railroad at Cadillac by laborers who have taken this manner of collecting their wages.

Luke Cooney, Jr., of Kalamazoo, is under arrest for appropriating \$74 which came through the American express office. The railroad commissioner is sending out his annual report. Only nine of the sixty-eight companies operating Michigan railroads were able to return dividends during the past year. Two passengers and forty-seven employes have been killed and thirty-eight passengers and 194 employes injured.

The plan for the new postoffice in Detroit has been changed, and is pronounced greatly superior to theplan first submitted. Miss Julia Donahue, manager of the Western Union te egraph office and assistant postmistress at East Tawas, is dead.

Arthur Frost of East Saginaw, has been onvicted of cruelty to animals, and santenced to 6) days in jail and to pay a fine of \$25.

The drain laws of the state now in force have been compiled under the direction of the secretary of state, as have also the laws relating to highway and bridges, and may be obtained by addressing that officer at Lansing.

Oregon Hamilton, of Woodville, Newago ounty, is under arrest for the murder of his infant child. The body of the child presented a sickening sight when viewe t at the inquest. It was black from its little arms to its knees. Its father manifests no sorrow in the least, but since his imprisonment has been trying to throw the whole crime upon the woman who had it in charge, while it is the general belief that both are equally guilty, and a warrant has been issued for her arrest.

The Commissioner of Railroads has saued an order restraining the Ashley system from using the crossings on the Datroit, Lansing & Northern, Chicago & West Michigan and Grand Rapids & Indiana ratiroads until interlocking switches are put in and approved by the

Mr. Laburs, living on a farm near Hol land, was gored to death by a bull which

he had gone out to feed. Gus Helbing, the young man who was shot in the railroal war at Cadillac, died the next day. Young Chapin is charged with firing the shot which caused Heibing's

death. J. W. Orcutt, a Bohemian oats agent of Ypsilanti, has gone to Canada. Since the conviction of Hamner at Flint, they have been encouraged to take proceedings against the ringleader and Oroutt, getting wind of a warrant which was out for himoft.

Pittsford, Hillsdale county, had a \$7,0% fire on the 10th inst. Nearly every business place in the village was burned

The Flint & Pere Marquette railroad company has been purchasing land in the western portion of Saginaw with the object of getting a belt line completely en circling both Saginaws. Over \$50,00. worth of property has been bought so far for this purpose. In the center of Saginaw a whole block of buildings are purchased for a site for a depot. The spring will see work energetically pushed forward. The Minneapolis, Sault Ste Marie &

Atlantic road has reached Sault Ste Marie The following officers were elected at the recent fruit growers convention in Paw Paw: Walter Phillips of Grand Haven was re-elected presiden; G. H. Lafleur, Allegan, secretary; A. Smith, Benton Harbor, treasurer. The next unskilled, is in great demand in that state meeting will be held at Benton Harbor he last Wednesday in May.

Shafts are being sunk at Vassar to tap the recently discovered strata of coal

there. The next state encampment of the G. A. R. will be held at Lansing next March. It will probably be a three days' session and pected that over 1,5 10 veterans will be in attendance. The Woman's Relief Corps will hold a special meeting at the same 500 ladies, wives of the veterans.

A cave-in occurred at the Calumet & Heela mine the other evening. This will for a license. cause a disastrous delay in the working of the mine.

A vegetable evaporating company, working under a new process, will go into business at Jackson. The scheme, aside rom certain processes which are as yet held secret, is a simple one, viz.; '10 evaporate and grind to powder vegetables of all kinds. It is claimed that by this freight train ran into the outgoing Kanprocess vegetables can be carried to the Arctic regions and kept fresh there for an indefinite time.

Burglars attempted to break into Olmstead & Storm's bank at Galesburg, the other night. George Cory, who sleeps overhead, was awakened, and seizing his revolver, rushed down stairs and was confronted by three men, who opened fire on him. He returned their fire and they ran away. He followed, emptying his revolver at their retreating figures. One of the burglars ran about a block and then fell. He was taken up and carried into the hotel. where it was found that he had been shot through the right lung. On re covering consciousness Le gave his name es James Lawrence and said his residence was Chicago. One of his accomplices, he said, was named Phillipps and two of them named Brown. He has tattooed on each arm a female figure in India ink, with the initials J. L.

DETROIT MARKETS.

Cattle—Market steady; good to choice, strong; beef steers, \$2 80.64 70; stockers and feeders \$1 75.65; cows, bulls and mixed \$1 25.62 80; Texas cattle, \$1 50.63.

Hoos-Market strong; mixed, \$4 90 @5 40; heavy, \$5 mags 6; light, \$4 85@ @5 30; skips, \$3 40@1 80.
SHEEP-Market active, 10c to 15c higher; natives, \$3.64 80; western, \$3.10.6\$4 15; Texans, \$3.365 20; lambs, \$4.65 50

Millions In It.

The secretary of the treasury estimates that for all the expenses of governmen for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1850 \$325,530,793 will be required, an increase of \$1,344,999 over last year's estimate, and \$16,893,406 more than was actually ap \$15,525,405 more than was actually appropriated. The items are: Legislative, \$4,572,111; executive, \$14,552,725; judicial, \$123,200; foreign interconcee, \$1,597,555; military, \$25,592,574; naval, \$21,345,052; Indian affairs, \$5,481,697; pensions \$76,-312,490; public works, \$35,051,584; postal service, \$1,493,409; miscellaneous, \$25,067,-806; permanent annual appropriations, \$115,640,703.

Lord Lyons Dead. Lord Lyon, the eminent English diplo-mate, is dead. Lord Lyon will be remembered as the English mint ter to the United States from 18.8 to 1:65. He was 70 years old, and prior to coming to America had been attached to various legations. Since leaving America he has been minister to Turkey and France, filling the latter place for the past 2) years. His whole life has been spent in the English diplomatic ser-vice, in which he was employed for 42 years.

## NEWS SUMMARY.

The Chicago job printers, beaten in their strike, cannot return to work unless they sign an agreement to quit the union. They refuse to sign, and now the em-

ployes continue the strike as a lockout. The man who claimed to be Sir Roger Tichborne is now keeping a hotel in New York city. He says he will go to England in March and get his case in shape for reopening in the probate court. He says he will then prove himself Roger Tichbone and get possession of the property distributed by a will which he claims was his own.

A derrick 80 feet high in the "coal dump" of the Reading railroad company at Port Richmond, Pa., fell the other afternoon, instantly killing three workmen. Two others were seriously injured

Mother Mary Francis Clark, superior general of a branch of the sisters of charity of America, died at Dubuque, Ia., recently.

John Owen of Mill Grove, Blackford county, Ind., better known as the "walk-ing wonder," is dead.

California wool men protest against placing wool on the free list. The next national meeting of the Union Veteran league will be held at Youngs-

town, Ohio, Feb. 22, 1888. The California state board of trade as serts that white labor, both skilled and at wages in advance of eastern pay.

Montgomery, Als., had a \$300,000 fire on the 8th inst.

The 33-years-old indictment against Wm. Kissane, now a wealthy citizen of Sonoma, Cal., which an enemy unearthed at Nev York a few months ago, and on which it was proposed to make him stand trial for held during the second week. It is ex- forgery, has been dropped, the district attorney saying the evidence against him is now unattainable.

Of 17 Massachusetts towns which voted time and this will bring to the city over on the 7th inst. on the subject, if declared in favor of license, as against prohibition. The city of New Haven, Conn., also voted.

James Baxton Voorhees, a son of th distinguished senator from Indiana, has been sent to an insane asylum in New York. For some time past the young man has been possessed of an insane idea to put President Cleveland out of the way and thus make his father president.

At Percival, Iowa, a few nights ago, a sas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs passenger train. Three tramps who were stealing a ride on the freight train were killed. About 30 persons were injured. Herr Most, the anarchist, has been sen-

tenced to one year's imprisonment without a fine. Two Chicago assemblies of the K. of L.

which sympathized with the anarchists, have been suspended by the executive board.

Herr Most, the anarchist, has been leased on bail pending a decision in the appellate court.

The jury in the case of John Arensdorf, on trial at Sioux City, Iowa, for the second time, on the ch arge of murdering Rev. George Haddock, brought in a verdict, finding the defendant not guilty. George M. Rogers sued the Birmingham,

N.Y., Republican for \$10,000 damages for calling him a pension fraud. The jury awarded him 6 cents damages.

The 100th birthday anniversary of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet was appropriately celebrated at the ssylum for deaf and dumb patients in Hartford, Conn., on the 10th inst. This is the first asylum of the kind in America, and was established by Gailaudet seventy years ago. There are now sixty-six such institutions with 7,000 pupils and about 30,0 0 alumni, who were represented by delegates Gal. laudet's grave was visited by the silent worshipers of his memory.

Senator Colquitt of Georgia declares that prohibition is not dead in that state, despite it recent defeat-

St. Paul's building operations for this year show a total of over \$11,000,000. The fisheries commission has adjourned until Wednesday, Jan. 4.

Deputy United States A& shal Thomas brought into Fort Smith, Ark., the other day the largest batch of criminals ever brought there at one time. They num bered 42. Twelve of them are charged with murder, five for assault with intent to kill, 15 with larcony and 1) with vioatio 1 of the revenue and intercourse law Rev. Jas. S. Kalloch, who was shot by De Young, editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, during the municipal campaign in 1879 died in Whitcomb, Wash, Ter., Dec. 10.

Arrangements have been made with the authorities of the penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, by which all Wyoming Territory convicts will be sent to that insti-

Rev. Charles Albert Berry of Wolverhampton, Eng., who was called to the pastorate of Plymouth church, declines the call. Three men were killed in a railroad col-

ision near Staunton, Va., the other day. Harry Johnson who robbed the safe of the treasurer of Reynolds county, Mo., of \$20,(0) on Nov. 3, has been arrested in Hemphill county, Toxas.

AT THE APITAL.

In his annual report the attorney gen eral urges upon congress the necessity of establishing a government penitentiary and reformatory.

At a joint conference of representative wool growers and wool dealers, a committee was appointed to formulate the views and wishes of the convention with respect to the tariff in so far as it affects the wool industry, and to devise some plan of action upon which the growers, the dealers and the manufacturers may unite for common good.

A bill is being prepared embodying the President's views upon the tariff. All the reports of department officers

have been transmitted to congress. Speaker Carlisie is making up the house committees. There are nine graduates of Michigan

university in the present congress. Michigan members of congress are busy in the preparation of bills in the interest of the various industries of the state.

The clerks of the committee on appro printions of the two houses of congress have prepared a tabular statement, the footings of which make the following showing: The net increase in estimates for the next fiscal year ov er those submitted for the current year is \$3,187,937. The

net increase over the appropriations for the current year is \$23,737,002. The total of estimates for next year is \$354,094 527 The estimated revenue for 1 39 is \$44,563,-

Wool growers and wool dealers in session in Washington adopted resolutions objecting most decidedly to President Cleveland's recommendations upon their industry.

Senator Farwell of Illinois has a bill for the perpetuation of the national banking system, which he will introduce as soon as the committees have been formed.

Congressman Chipman has designated the following Detroit libraries to be furnished with the United States Patent Office Official Gazette: Detroit Public Library, Detroit College, German-American Seminary, Detroit Bar Library, Michigan Car Company Library, Phoenix Social Club Library and the Y. M. C. A. Library.

Senator Wilson of lowa has prepared several amendments to the inter-state commerce law which he proposes to introduce at the earliest possible oppor tunity.

Secretary Fairchild has recommended that the salary of the assistant treasurer at San Francisco be increased to \$6,000 per annum, and the salaries of the assistant treasurers at Chicago, New Orleans and St. Louis to \$5,000 each.

Wool growers and deale s have petitioned the inter-state commerce commission to change the classification of wool by the railroads of the country.

The conference of the wool-dealers and growers which has been in session in Washington for several days, adjourned on the 9th inst., until Jan. 11, when it is expected that representatives of the wool manufacturers of the country will be present. It is the purpose to agree at that time up on a plan of concerted action to be taken to secure protection for the wood industry.

The order recently issued from the post office department directing that newspaper pulsishers no longer be allowed to mail their papers on the train without first passing tuem turough the postonice to be weighed, has been so modified as to give postmasters authority to accept affidavits as to the weight of the mans in cases where delays of a few minutes might be detrimental to the newspaper's circulation.

Among other callers upon President Cleveland the other day, was itev. Dr. Burchard of New York, the man of "Three R's" fame.

Acting Secretary Muldrow has ordered set aside patents of the Union Pacific railway to 38,000 acres of land.

CONGRESSIONAL SUMMARY. SEXATE, Dec. 5.—At exactly noon the gavel of the president pro tem., Mr. in galls, fell and he declared the fittieth senate to have entered upon its sessions in accordance with the constitution. After the prayer the chair submitted and the clerk rend the credentials of new senators. The reading consumed considerable time. When the credentials had all been read, as well as a protest in the Faulkner case, Mr. Hoar moved that the latter be laid upon the table. The chair announced that duly elected senators would be sworn in. Mr. Stockbridge walked up with the other new men. No objection was made to Turple's admission, but after be had qualified Mr. Hoar presented a memorial of protest and it was referred. Hoar and

of protest and it was referred. Hoar and Morgan were appointed as a committee to notify the president that the senate was ready to receive the hossage, and at 1 o'clock the senate adjourned. House.—After roll call Mr. Carlisle was re-elected and escorted to his desk by Messrs. Cox and Reid. Speaker Carlisle thanked them for the honor they had conferred upon him. In assuming the duties ferred upon him. In assuming the duties of speaker for the third time, he asked for their consideration and forbearance in his efforts to do his duty. Continuing, he said: There has scarcely ever been a time in our history when the continued prosperity of our country depended so largely upon legislation in congress as now, for the reason that the dangers which at this the reason that the dangers which at this time threaten the commercial and in-dustrial interests of the people are the direct result of laws which congress alone can modify or repeal. of public affairs that the time has come when a revision of our revenue laws and a reduction of taxation are absolutely necessary in order to prevent a large and dangerous accumulation of money in the treasury. Whether this ought or ought not to have been done heretofore is a question which it would be useless now to discuss. It is sufficient for us to know that the financial condition of the government and the private business of the people alike demand the prompt consideration of the subjects and the speedy enactment of some substantial measure of relief. of public affairs that the time has come

House, Dec. &-The house discussed and House, Doc. 6.—The house discussed and amended rules until the president's message was received and read, after which adjournment was taken until Thursday.

Senate.—The president sent the fellowing nominations to the senate: Lucius Q. C. Lamar of Mississippi, to be associata justice of the supreme court of the United States; Wm. F. Villas of Wisconsin, to be secretary of the interior; Don M. Dickinson of Michigan, to be postmaster general; Charles S. Fairchild of New York, to be secretary of the treasury; George L. Charles S. Fairchild of New York, to be secretary of the treasury; George L. Rives of New York, to be assistant secretary of state; Isaac H. Maynard of New York, to be assistant secretary of the treasury; Sigourney Butler of Massachusetts, to be second comptroller of the treasury; James M. Hyatt of Connecticut, to be treasurer of the United States. After the reading of the message the senate adjourned. te adjourned.

## FOREIGN FACTS.

Corea has been declared independent of China. Fire in Swatow, China, destroyed 800

houses on the 5th inst. Fifteen thousand employes of North impton, Eng., factories are locked out. Austrian and Hungarian subjects em ployed in the Russian provinces bordering

on Galicia and Buckovina have been or dered to quit Russian territory before January 31. Ex-President Grevy is seriously ill. Emperor William presided at a military

council held in Vienna the other day. Montreal has decided not to hold a winter carnival this year. The British steamer Lorne was wrecked

in Chinese waters on the 8th inst., and several lives were lost. President Cleveland's message has caused great excitement in the Scotch pig

iron market and prices are rising. Thomas Sexton's election as lord mayor of Dublin has been set aside by Justice Holmes of the queen's bench, because he had violated the crimes act and had neglected to perform cartain duties as high sheriff of Dublin. The case will be

argued. Twenty-two Efishermen were drowned in the recent hurricans off the Orkney telands.

The Russian government has forbidden pilgrims from Poland to present gifts or addresses to the pope on the occasion of his jubilee.

Senate Committees.

The following is the full list of the re-publican memorrhip of the senate com-mittee as arrang d by the caucus: Agriculture and Forestry-Palmer, Blair, Flumb, Sabin, Paddock.

Appropriations—Alison, Dawes, Plumb, Hale, Farwell.

Hale, Farwell.

Contingent Fxpenses—Jones (Nevada) and Paddock.

Census—Hall, Merrill, Wilson, (Iowa) Stockbridge, Davis.

District of Columbia—Ingalls, Spooner, Chace. Riddleberger, Farwell.

Education and Labor—Blair, Bowen, Palmer, Sawyer, Wilson.

Engrossed bills—Democratic chairman, Allison.

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Allison.

Enrolled Bills—Bowen, Sabin.

Civil Service and Retrenchment—Chase,
Dawes, Manderson, Stanford, Stewart.

Claims—Spooner, Hoar, Mitchell, Stew-Coast Defen es -Dolph, Cameron, Haw-

Coast Defen es—Dolph, Cameron, Hawley, Hiscock.

Commerce—Trye. Jones (Nevada),
Dolph, Cameron, Sawyer, Cullom Falmer.

Epidemic Diseases—Democratic chairman, Stanford, Chandler, Stockbridge.

To examine the several branches of the civil service—Duay, Aldrich, Allison.

Expenditures of Public Money—Farwell,
Plumb, Platt, Sherman, Frye.

Finance—Merrill, Sherman, Jones (Nevada), Allison, Aldrich, Hiscock.

Fisheries—Stockbridge, Dawes, Stanford.

Foreign Relations—Sherman, Edmunds,

Frye, Evarts, Dolph.
Improvement Mississippi River—Paddock, Chandler, Farwell, Hawley.
Judiciary—Edmunds, Ingalls, Hoar, Wilson, Evarts.
Indian Affairs—Dawes, Bowen, Labin,
Platt, Stockbridge.
Library—Evarts, Hoar.
Manufactures — Riddleberger, Sabin,

Manufactures — Riddleberger, Sabin, Quay. Military Affairs — Hawley, Cameron, Manderson, Stewart, Davis. Mines and Mining—Stewart, Jones (Nevada), Mitchell, Teller. Naval Affairs—Cameron, Hale, Riddleberger, Stanford, Chandler. Patents—Teller, Chace, Platt, Hiscock. Pensions—Davis, Blair, Sawyer, Paddock

Pensions—Davis, Blair, Sawyer, Paddock Quay.
Postoffices and Post Roads—Sawyer, Chace, Bowen, Mitchell, Cuay.
Printing—Manderson, Hawley.
Private Land Claims—Democratic Chairman, Edmunds, Stewart.
Privileges and Elections—Hoar, Frya, Teller, Evarts, Spooner.
Public Bulldings and Grounds—Stanford,

Public Buildings and Grounds—Stanford,
Morrill, Spooner, Quay.
Public Lands—Plumb, Blair, Dolph, Teller, Paddock.
Railroads — Sabin, Sawyer, Hawley,
Mitchell, Chandler, Stockbridge,
Revision of the Laws—Wilson (Iowa),
Hale, Teller.
Revolutionary Claims—Democratic
Chairman, Chace, Morrill.
Rule — Aldrich, Sherman, Ingalls.
Territories—Platt, Cullom, Manderson,
Stewart, Davis.
Transportation Routes to the Seaboard—
Mitchell, Plumb, Cullom, Dawes, Aldrich.

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Nicaragua Claims—Democratic Chairman, Hoar, Cameron.
Woman Suffrage—Democratic Chairman, Blair, Palmer, Chace, Bowen,
Additional Accommodation: to the Library—Democratic Chairman, Morrill, Chandler.
Centennial of Constitution and Discovery of America—Hissock, Snerman, Hoar.
Indian Traders—Chandler, Flatt, Collum.
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Value of Farm Products.

The December statistical report of the Department of Agriculture relates mainly to farm prices of agricultural products. The average value of corn is 43.8 cents per bushel, against 37.6 cents last year and \$2.8 cents in 1885. In 1881 it was 63.8 cents. when the estimated product was 1,194,916-000 bushels. The difference is largely dee to a general depression of values. The prices respectively in 1881 and 1887 are 61, and 48 in Ohio, 60 and 45 in Indiana, 58 and 41 in Illinois, 42 and 34 in Iowa, 65 and 37 in Missouri, 53 and 37 in Kansas and 23 and 30 in Febraska. Frices in the Gulf States average lower than last year, resulting from a nearly full home supply. In the

from a nearly full home supply. In the Atlantic states prices of home grown corn are only slightly advanced.

The average value of wheat is 6%c, only 3 mills higher than the average last year. It is 8%c in New York, 8%c in Pennsylvania, 74c in Pennsylvania, 74c in Hillinois, 64 in Wisconsin, 6%c in Missouri, 6%c in Illinois, 64 in Wisconsin, 6%c in Missouri, 6%c in Iowa and Kansas, 5%c in Minnescta, 6%c in Nebraska and 6%c in Dakota.

The average for oats is 30,7c against 29.3 last year. Burley averages 5%2 instead of 53 last year. Buckwheat 5%1, or 1.7c higher than last year. The cereal averages for the entire country differ very slightly from those of last year, except as to corn. The value of hay is much increased. It averages 9.34 per ton, against 7.36 last year.

Attempt to Murder Ferry.

M. Jules Ferry, the French statesman was fired at three times on the afternoon of the 10th inst. by one Aubortin, who appeared in the hall of the chamber of deputies and asked to see both M. Ferry and M. Goblet. M. Goblet did not respond to Aubertin's request for an interview, but M. Ferry did, and on his appearance Aubertin drew a revolver and fired three times at

The shots only grazed the skin after piercing Ferry's clothes. The bystanders tried to lynch Aubertin after he had fired the shots, but were prevented with difficulty from carrying out their intention-The assassin was taken to prison.

A medical examination at the hospital revealed that two bullets struck M. Ferry. The first passed around the chest, slightly penetrating the flesh and the second went through the flesh part of the thigh.

The real name of M. Ferry's assailant is Berckein, 10 years of age. He states that he is one of a band of 20 revolutionists who drew lots, and it fell to him to commit the first crime. Rereksin declars, that he first crime. Berckein declares that he swore to kill M. Ferry. After his injuries had been attended to at the hospital M. Ferry returned to his,

home on foot.

Biame's P.an-A correspondent of the New York Her ald interviewed Hon. James G. Blaine in Paris on President Cleveland's message Mr. Blaine strongly opposes the proposed tariff reduction, and says that a portion of the surplus should be spent in building

fortifications, and the remainder should be divided among the different states. The Kansas Law Constitutional. The supreme court has rendered a decision in a case involving the constitution ality of the prohibitory liquor law of Kansas. The court held that the act was not unconstitutional. This settles the question of the validity of prohibition

laws in the affirmative Chicago thosen.

The republican juntional committee met in Washington on the inst., and decided to hold the next national convention in Chicago, on the 19th of June, 1888.