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# THE LEASE OF GRAZING LANDS

Live Stock Convention Thinks the Public Land Laws Have Now Been Outgrown.

Protection Should Be Offered to Settlers Using Arid Lands for Grazing Purposes.

A Larger Area Should Be Allowed for a Homestead-The Question of Fencing.

Kansas City, Jan. 15.—At the third day's session of the National Live Stock convention many papers were read and discussed and a flood of resolutions were introduced and considered. The convention will finish its work to-morrow and will be followed on Saturday by the annual meeting of the National Wool Growers' association, at which important action regarding the range problem is expected.

tors of Illinois and Indiana. Several witnesses existing between cattlemen and sheepmen over the question of ranges. A. R. Robertson of Texas yesterday introduced a resolution calling for the amendment of the laws regulating the grazing on public lands and approximately and the several properties of the referred to the executive committee and finally laid upon the table. In its place a substitute prepared by a cattle man and said to be approved by sheepmen and by many of the cattlemen, was indorsed. The resolution says:

The laws governing the use of the public lands of the United States have become outgrown owing to the rapid advance of civilization and the time has come for action by congress in laws recognizing the changed conditions, encouraging settlement and offering protection to settlers using the land for grazing purposes.

The resolution indorses the suggestion of President Roosevelt that a larger area of semi-arid lands be allowed for a homestead and that a committee of experts be appointed to investigate the present existing condition and suggest to congress just and fair remedies that will assist the growth of the west. The resolution urges at once a memorial from the convention to congress asking that body to act quickly on the suggestion of President Roosevelt and suggest new laws which will apply to all sections. It says the principal obstacle that has prevented the sockmen from agreeing among themselves upon a plan for a change in the laws, as the law that would benefit one section would cause loss and ruin to another

would cause loss and ruin to another where different conditions prevailed.

Among the addresses at the morning session was one by William M. Sprinegr of Washington, D. C., on "The Proposed Merging of the Packing Plants of This Country and the Effects and Remedy." and one by Dr. W. H. Dalrymple of Louisiana on "Infectious Diseases and Their Prevention." C. E. Abbott of Springer, N. M., and Senator Francis Emory Warren of Wyoming, president of the National Wool Growers' association, also National Wool Growers' association, also addressed the delegates at the morning

session. Among the speakers at the afternoon session were E. C. Jacobson of Illinois. whose topic was "The Destruction of Hides by Warbles," and Colonel John P. Irish of California, who led the discussion on the subject "The Changes Congress Should Make in the Laws Governing the Public Domain and Forest Re-

Work of the Ox Bot. Mr. Jacobsen said one of the worst in-sect enemies of cattle, especially in the

great grazing regions of the west and southwest, is the ox bot, or warble, and he appealed to cattle raisers in the name of nmon humanity to work together so that the torture and suffering of helpless beasts in the field will be mitigated, if not entirely avoided. The cattlemen, he said, are entitled to great credit for their skill and success in steadily improving the appearance and quality of cattle, but it was in their power to go a step further, so that the time might come when sound hides on cattle would be the rule and not the exception.

John P. Irish of San Francisco said: The Grazing Lands.

"It is estimated there are 400,000,000 acres for which grazing will be the sole use. It is the largest and was the best stock range in the world. Its forage has been destroyed and its potential wealth has disappeared through its free use in common by all comers. About that vast range the east has held stotally incorrec To the eastern mind it has appeared as equal to the prairie lands of the upper Mississippi, moist, fertile and ready for the homesteader. Thanks to the light shed abroad by the advocates of irri-gation, it is now established that this grazing domain, the property of all the people, has and will have no other use

than as a range for flocks and herds.

nearly fed out. The range industry is in a death struggle. "The attempt of some graziers to survive by unlawfully fencing in the public domain, and the more reprehensible at tempt of others to command the range with the rifle, must in charity be accepted the dedsperate methods for survival of an industry that has conferred vast benefits upon the nation. The government should retain public ownership of the range and protect its forage by leasing it in suitable tracts to the hardy men wh understand it and will take measures to renew its grasses and restore

its primitive capacity for carrying stock The measure now before congress was introduced as a means of promoting dis cussion of this policy. It was mistaken as a finality. It was intended to present the subject in its broadest scope and to emphasize some principles that are inthe settlement of every acre upon which a home can be maintained by agri-

in good faith by every western stockman. He appreciates the difficulties in the way of that comprehensive reform of the land has employed several men to get class and put its potential wealth under cult business. They have to send a boy the protection of the law. He recomneeds that the task of doing this be given

commission. Let congress authorize him to appoint it, and out of his suggestion will issue the greatest and happiest result that has ever followed land legislation since the republic became the greatest land-owner on the planet."

# SCOPE IS WIDENED

The Special Grand Jury Investigating Coal Combines Calls State Witnesses.

Evidence Showing Agreements Between Operators in Illinois and Indiana.

Chicago, Jan. 15 .- On new developments in the coal shortage investigation, the special grand jury has widened the scope of its inquiry. On information received late yesterday, subpoenas have been sent to the sheriff of Sangamon county for the appearance before it of Charles A. Starne of the Virden Coal company, and the West End Coal company of Springfield, Terrence Casey of the Williamsville Coal-company, and L. W. Senseney of the Al-ton and Auburn Coal company at Auburn. The evidence of the men from the Spring-field district, it is said, will form the connecting link in the chain of evidence

on public lands and approving the leasing of such lands in states where such a policy is desired by the people. This was and recommending that the regular grand jury continue the investigation. It was also decided to recommend to the mayor the appointment by him of a special commission to devise means of getting coal into the city at once at a reasonable cost None of the out-of-town operators summoned appeared to-day, but are expected to-morrow in time to give their testimony before the close of the investigation.

No Price Change in London.

London, Jan. 15 .- Prices in the London coal market have thus far not been affected by the action of congress in providing a rebate of duties on all coal for a year and placing anthracite coal on the free list, though a better feeling exists No further large orders have yet been re-ceived from America. It is believed that Canadian coal will chiefly benefit by the

#### SHOT DOWN BY A TILLMAN

Lieutenant Governor Tries to Murder the Editor of the State at Columbia, S. C.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 15.—N. G. Gonzales, editor of the State, was shot down on the street here to-day by James H. Tillman, lieutenant governor of South lieutenant governor of South The wound is in the stomach

#### BIGGAR'S FRIENDS

Dr. Hendricks and Justice Stanton Are Sentenged to Two Years and a Half.

Freehold, N. J., Jan. 15.—Dr. Hendricks and former Justice of the Peace Stanton, convicted of conspiracy to secure the en-tire estate of Henry M. Bennett, a wealthy resident of Pittsburg, Pa., wer to-day sentenced to two years and six months' imprisonment each.

Dr. Hendricks and Stanton were tried with Laura Biggar on the charge of conspiracy. It was alleged that Dr. Hendricks falsely certified to the birth of a child to Laura Biggar and that Stanton issued a certificate alleging that Miss Biggar and Bennett had been married by him, whereas the prosecution claimed on such marriage took place. Laura Biggar claimed she had been married to Bennett; tha a child had been born to her of the marriage, and had died, and that she was entitled to all of Bennett's estate as the child's heir. At the trial Miss Biggar was acquitted, but the two men were convicted.

## ONE ON THE GOVERNMENT

The Socialist Paper Vorwaerts at Berlin Springs a Good Story.

Berlin, Jan. 15.-The local sensation of the day is a page exposure of Vorwaerts, the Socialist organ, which in the past has been able to obtain possession of import ant government circulars and information. of what purports to be an attempt on one of its employes to reveal the secrets and a picture hat. of the office. The employe referred to, was to receive \$15 monthly for his services. He accepted the first bribe and has warned the police agents that all the information possible on this and other subjects will be published.

# THREW IT IN THE SEWER

Coal Mistake Made by Washington Colored Workman.

New York Sun Special Service.

dispensable in any such legislation. The streets the sewers run under the side-homesteader, the mineral entryman and walks also, and both the coal cellars and the irrigator are by that measure given the sewers are reached by man holes in rights superior to those of the leaseholder. the pavement, which are covered with rights superior to those of the leaseholder, the pavement, which are covered with The present agricultural settler and the iron plates. This arrangement has caused future homesteader are given franchises an incident which has amused all Washnecessary to their welfare and intended to ington. A certain banker living on Connecticut avenue after persistent entrea ties, secured three tons of coal the other These features are insisted on day, for which he paid \$15 a ton. The good faith by every western stockman, coal was delivered according to his or-We may count ourselves happy that der and dumped on the sidewalk in front the country has a western man for presi- of his house, but a colored man, who was dent. He is typically western as we who employed to stow it away, lifted the plate are born here. He has a keen and intimate knowledge of the physical and social all of the coal into the sewer. The city and industrial conditions of this vast region where our homes and treasure are, structing the sewer, and the banker is He appreciates the difficulties in the way after the coal dealer for more coal. He laws that will add the range as a distinct coal out of the sewer, but it is a diffi

to an expert commission, which will naturally report its conclusions in the form of an act of congress. We should here support the president in seeking such a London, Jan. 15.—The claim of May Yohe (Mrs. Putnam Bradlee Strong of New York) against her former husband, Lord Francis Hope, for \$45,000 has been settled for \$5,000.

# PUT INTO A GOWN The Cardinal Who Wanted to Be

An Eccentric American Who Bought French Paintings and Had Them Dressed.

M. Gerome's Wonderful 'Court Promenade' Has 'Resplendent Sunshine' Painted In.

On the Return of the Picture to Paris M. Gerome Sues the Dealer Who Holds It.

New York Sun Special Service.

Paris, Jan. 15.—M. Gerome, the celebrated painter, is suing M. Brandus, a picture dealer, respecting alterations alleged to have been made in Gerome's famous salon picture entitled "A Court Promenade in the Gardens of Versaliles."

# MGR. PAROCCHI IS DEAD IT WAS DONE

Pope After Leo Passes Away First.

Rome. Jan. 15.—The death of Cardinal Parocchi removes one of the prelates considered to be the most likely to succeed Pope Leo. There was considerable friction between the pope and Cardinal Parocchi on this account and it led to the unprecedented step of the pontiff removing the cardinal from the post of vicar of Rome because it was thought that he too openly posed is the future pope. Nevertheless the pope was deeply affected by Cardinal Parocchi's death.

He knelt in prayer and exclaimed: "These frequent deaths have made me feel quite an old man."

#### ANTI-EUROPEAN THREATS

American and English Missionaries Compelled to Leave Fez for Tangier.

# BY MR. JENKINS

Yesterday's Sensational Committee Resolution Is Not Taken Seriously by the House.

It Is in Line With a Number of Radical and Sweeping Bills by the Same Author.

The Effect of Lifting the Coal Tariff Will Be Small-Trust Bills' Status.

From The Journal Bureau, Boom 45, Post Build-

Washington, Jan. 15.—Representative Jenkins of Wisconsin, the new chairman of the house committee on judiciary, is in danger of acquiring a reputation in congress that will not add any special luster to his legislative name. He has already introduced a number of radical and sweeping bills in this congress covering nearly every known field of human The painting was sold in 1896 to George
M. Tynes, a resident of New York and was taken to the United States, where M. Brandus bought it about two years ago on the disposal of Mr. Tynes' collection.

Congress that will not add any special luster to his legislative name. He has already introduced a number of radical and sweeping bills in this congress covering nearly every known field of human endeavor, and he now comes to the front

question of whether congress this session could be induced to pass an anti-trust bill.

"If there is no trust legislation with or without an extra session, I fear it will be fatal to the party, no matter who is nominated for president," is the reply the president made to them. This statement reflects were well the president were well the president. reflects very well the president's feeling It is that, no matter what bills fail to pass

-W. W. Jermane.

### NOT IN

Quite a Crowd To-day at the New York Offices of the Missing

But Little Apprehension Is Felt Yet -The Liner Is Nearly Unsinkable.

New York, Jan. 15.—Up to noon the overdue American liner, St. Louis from Southampton and Cherbourg had not been reported.

There was quite a crowd at the offices of the American line to-day asking for news of the St. Louis, most of the people being friends and relatives of

passengers. The Spanish steamship Montevideo docked to-day. Her captain said that the Montevideo steamer had come over the southern route but had not sighted the St. Louis. The American line people did not attach much importance to this failure to sight the boat, as they said the St. Louis would not take the souther, route. The St. Louis carries 275 passengers in

The St. Louis carries 275 passengers in all. Of this number 75 are first cabin, 70 second cabin and 130 steerage. The passenger lists of the St. Louis, as they were made up at Southampton Jan. 3, when she was scheduled to sall, were received yesterday on the Red Star line steamship Vaderland, which left Antwerp Jan. 3. The reply made to all who inquired as to the reason for the line's terdinars was the reason for the liner's tardiness was that in all probability her boilers had caused some trouble, and some of them had been cut out, thus reducing the speed of the boat. The assertion was made, without the least contradiction, that the St. Louis was an excellent sea boat and that she would be able to keep her head up in almost any trouble and to reach port safely if she hadn't a boiler working. She has seventeen water-tight compartments, separated by transverse bulk-heads, extending from the keel to the sa-loon deck, and is as nearly unsinkable as any liner. She was turned out of the Cramp yard at Philadelphia seven years

#### NO APPREHENSION FELT

The Reinsurance on the St. Louis Lloyds To-day Was 10 Per Cent. London, Jan. 15.—The American line steamer St. Paul, which arrived at South-hampton at an early hour to-day, from New York, reported having encountered heavy weather, and inquiries at the offices of the American line here to-day were given this and leaky boilers as the probable cause of the delay in the arrival at

New York of her sister ship, the St.

The insurance world of London The insurance world of London is specially interested in the St. Louis, as she happens to be one of the few risks not canceled on the first of the year by the International Mercantle Marine configury. The owners of the St. Louis, it is understood, desired to keep her covered against all risk until her arrival at the Cramps shippard at Philadelphia.

Lloyds to-day was 10 per cent, but there were only a few transactions. No apprehension is felt here regarding the safety of the St. Louis.

#### A TERRIBLE VOYAGE

Spanish Steamer Comes In with Some Bad Stories.

New York, Jan. 15 .- The Spanish steamdiz after what her commander said was the worst voyage he ever made.

Merii Francesco, a native of Italy, one of 190 steerage passengers, died in his berth of heart disease, superinduced by Mr. Mai terror, on the twelfth day out. Heavy seas boarded the vessel, smashing a deckhouse, a section of the starboard rail, and lifting the starboard lifeboats out of their checks. The water rushed through every possible opening to below decks and soon everything above and below was a mass of ice. The steerage passengers were ter ror-stricken. They spent most of their time on their knees before rudely constructed shrines, which they placed in every corner of the steerage.

#### CHEERFUL TALES

Terrible Atrocities Committed by the Colombians-Lieut. Dutton's Story.

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—Among the cassengers of the steamer Newport from Panama and way ports were Lieutenant Arthur H. Dutton and J. J. Many and four enlisted men of the American manned Colombian cruiser Bogata which sailed from this port Oct. 7. They speak in any-thing but enthusiastic terms of their experiences in Colombian waters. Lieutenant Dutton, executive officer of the Bogata, in a signed statement, says:
"I never heard of a court-martial while
I was in Colombia. Punishments were

carried out and sentences inflicted at the called discipline of the armies was maintained by the bullet or the lash ished by 100 lashes on the bare back with flexible cane. Men were shot for mere

"A few days after peace was declared two liberal officers who had refused to acquiesce in the conditions, but were captured, were taken to the Chiuqui fortress

"Some prisoners who had been taken after a particularly stubborn resistance had their legs or arms cut off or their eyes or ears removed and were then re-leased, to go maimed through life. Some

died from loss of blood.
"One of several schooners, loaded with refugees which the Bogata was towing. sprung a leak in deep water at sea. The refugees were rescued and the captain and crew of five men were about to follow them when the Colombian officials in harge ordered them back on board the doomed schooner. 'Let them perish with her,' he exclaimed. The six unfortunates, innocent of any wrong doing, were left to their fate on a sinking schooner with

GREAT CHANCE FOR A CRAWLER. Knowing the temporary nature of the proposed law they will hardly be inclined to increase their facilities. No, I do not anticipate any great or sudden influx of coal, but it is largely a matter of opinion and others may have good reasons for differing with me."

Trust Bill Must Pass.

"If you call an extra session we fear it will be fatal to your nomination for president," is what several senators told the president while discussing with him the

# A CRIMINAL!

this session, the anti-trust bill should not Senator Tillman Explodes After His Usual Fashion in the

Senate. He Says Mr. Knox Is Guilty of Freezing the Poor People

The House Is at Work on the Senate Department of Commerce Bill To-day.

to Death.

Washington Jan 15 -The senate today passed the Hoar resolution calling upon the president to inform the senate Guam and asking why Mabini is detained

in that island. Rallroads Are Guilty.

The Vest resolution regarding the removal of the auty on coal was taken up and Mr. Tillman resumed his remarks. He declared that the railroads were absolutely in the saddle on the coal question. They mine and market coal and fix the price, he charged, without regard to a solitary independent operator. He said it was an infamy the way the press of the country was prostituted and lending itself to befuddle the minds of the people. and deceive them into the idea that the railroads are willing and anxious to relieve the distress occasioned by the coal famine but that somebody somewhere. called an independent operator, is responsible for the present condition.

Morgan Settled the Strike.

The president deserved no credit, he said, except for his attempt to effect a settlement of the question, "but the actual fact is," he added, "that J. Pierpont Morgan gave orders to his co-conspirators or servants to attempt the arrangement between the monopoly and strikers.' Attorney General a Criminal.

The attorney general had been, he said, lerelict and criminal, and he is the man to whom the people can point and say: . "You have murdered all those who have frozen to death. You are the man who deserves the opprobrium and hate of the poor and oppressed of this land."
In the course of his remarks Mr. Tillman stated, after being closely questioned

by Mr. Spooner, that W. R. Hearst had charged that the United States district attorney of New York had received orders from the attorney general not to submit his report of his investigation regarding

THE CUBAN TREATY

Two Amendments Tacked On by Senator Committee.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The senate committee on foreign relations to-day agreed to report the Cuban reciprocity treaty with two amendments. The first is the guarantee against a further reduction of the sugar tariff, adopted yesterday, and the other makes a reduction of 40 per cent in the reduction of the duty on American cattle exported to Cuba instead of 20 per cent, as provided in the treaty originally. Senators Bacon and Bailey alone voted against the favorable re-

NEW DEPARTMENT BILL

The House Goes to Work on It-The Army Bill Passed

Washington, Jan. 15.—The house to-day passed the army appropriation bill without further amendment Mr. Dalzell (Pa.) from the committee on rules, then presented a special rule to make the senate department of commerce bill a continuing order until disposed of.

proceeded to the consideration of the

Mr. Mann (Ill.) made the opening argument in support of the measure, it hav-ing been arranged that Mr. Hepburn (Iowa) should control the time for and Mr. Richardson (Ala.) against the bill. Mr. Mann made an urgent plea for the creation of the new department of insurance and corporations provided in the bill. Mr. Richardson (Ala.) opposed the bill principally upon the ground that the interests and welfare of the laboring classes would not be subserved by the transfer of the bureau of labor to the new depart-ment. The labor organizations, he said. had protested against the transfer. The minor position this bureau would occupy under the new department, he said, would

create suspicion. Everything indicated, he said, that the interests and care of labor under the new department would be subordinate to the great interests of capital and commerce.

FREE COAL A LAW The President Glad of the Chance to Sign

a Bill. Washington, Jan. 15 .- Shortly after 1

p. m. Representative Wachter of Mary-land, chairman of the house committee on enrolled bills, accompanied by Repre-sentative Allen of Maine, reached the executive offices with the engrossed and enrolled copy of the free coal bill passed by congress yesterday. President Roose-velt received the committee at once and signed the measure immediately, expressing at the same time his pleasure that

It is generally believed by members of both houses that the duty on coal will never be restored. Certainly there never never be restored. Certainly there never will be any question, so long as the Ding-ley law is in effect, as to whether its schedules embrace anthrecite. schedules embrace anthracite. This variety of coal is expressly excluded by riety of coal is expressly excluded by yes-terday's action. As to other coal, it is believed that when the year is on the point of expiring, public sentiment will demand a further extension which will demand a further extension carry the matter over until the tariff is

WASHINGTON NOTES. A favorable report to-day was authorized by the senate committee on military affairs on the house bill allowing officers of the army to serve as chief and assistant chiefs of the Philippine constabulary. The bill provides for one such chief and for four assistants.

The senate committee on military affairs to-day authorized a favorable report on the general staff bill which passed the house a week ago.

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Secretary Moody is rapidly recovering from the accident sustained at Annapolis.

The navy department is advised of the departure from Kingston of the Dolphin with Minister Bowen for Charleston. The Dolphin should reach there Sunday, and the minister is expected in Washington on the day following. is expected in Washington on the day following.

President Roosevelt to-day received about thirty members of the National Board of Trada and made a nice little speech.

The president to-day nominated Colonel Edward M. Hayes. Thirteenth cavalry, to be brigadier general.

The house committee on military affairs to-day by resolution decided to take no action at this session on the canteen question. The committee also authorized a favorable report on the bill placing Brigadier General Merriam, retired, on the list of retired major generals.

M. GOUBET IS DEAD.

Paris, Jan. 15.—M. Goubet, the inventor of the submarine torpedo bearing his name, who, a announced Jan. 12, was recently confined an asylum for the insane, is dead.

# SPADES ARE TRUMPS

M. Brandus brought the picture to Paris necessitated the hurried departure from with his radical and sensational coal resand offered it for sale. M. Gerome on seethat city of the American missionary, olution of yesterday, providing for directing it discovered that the remarkable ef-Mr. Simpson, and his wife and three government control of all the coal mines fect of light produced by the setting sun and rising moon, for which the picture to their departure the women were open—

If Mr. Jenkins were a greater man than

against M. Brandus, and the judges enoined the latter from parting with the painting.

M. Brandus disclaims any connection with or knowledge of the alteration, which is ascribed in art circles to the American purchaser's initiative. It is said that he was eccentric and missionaries were specially urged from caused several famous pictures in his collection to be modified. He bought nudes as possible. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson inat the Paris salon and had clothes painted over them. The least artistically offensive ent. over them. The least artistically offensive of these alleged vandalisms was the embellishing of a beautiful nude by Dela-croix, with flowing drapery, while a worse instance was the dressing of a figure of

# AN IDEA IN DELAWARE

Psyche in a fashionable tailor made gown

Proposition Made by the Democrats to Anti-Gas Repub-

licans.

Dover, Del., Jan. 15.-The regular republican members of the general assem bly have not yet taken action on an ulti-matum sent to them by the democratic legislators, wherein the latter agree to vote for a republican for the long term senatorship if the regulars will support a

democrat for the short term. Congressman Ball, the leader of the regular republicans, who would get the re-publican votes in the event of a coalition being effected, stated to-day that he did not think the plan would be consum-mated. "Unless enough of our men to secure the double election shall agree to the proposition," said he, "none of them will vote for a democrat. The project is one which requires serious consideration on our part, and due reflection will given it before any line of action is de-

cided upon.'

NEW POSTMASTERS. Washington, Jan. 15.—Postmasters appointed to-day: lowa—Millnorville, Plymouth county, Samuel J. King. Montana—Jackson, Beaverhead county, Benoit O. Fournier; Raymond, Teton county, Martha E. Bean. Wisconsin—Bellville, Dan county, Fred P. Harmon; Five Points, Richland county, C. A. Moason. North Dakota—York, Benson county, George A. Blnck-lay

JOHN D. GIVES \$100,000. New York, Jan. 15.—John D. Rockefeller has contributed \$100,000 toward a fund of \$800,000 to

M. Gerome applied to the courts to impound the picture pending further action Mequinez arrived at Fez the Moors exsaid bluntly that Mr. Jenkins has a good "Oh, God. We thought they were send-

But Colombia Doesn't Seem to Realize That There Is a Joker in the Pack

ing the cursed dogs from us, but they are Subsequently a body of armed mountaineers met the women and wheeled around and cursed them in chorus. The

#### RED LAKE TREATY BILL

Some Prospect of a Deadlock-Clapp and Kratka Call on the Secretary.

From The Journal Bureau, Room 45, Post Building, Washington.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Senator Clapp and Mayor Kratka of Thief River Falls had a talk with Secretary Hitchcock today about the Red Lake treaty bill. Representaive Cannon was to have been there but he did not show up. The secretary said he was willing to waive the require-ments that the lands if sold at auction should be for spot cash. In place of that he wants a provision in the bill that the government shall guarantee deferred pay-ments. Mr. Cannon won't agree to bind the government to anything and there is a prospect of a deadlock in consequence. Senator Clapp told the Indian bureau official that he would introduce a bill in accordance with his ideas and let that be the basis for discussion in committees and on the floor of the house and senate.

—W. W. Jermane.

#### GREAT FALLS TO CHOTEAU

Shepard of Austin, Minn., Promotes a New Trolley Line. Special to The Journal.

Butte, Mont., Jan. 15 .- According to reports from the best of authority, plans are being formulated for an electric rall-road from Great Falls to Choteau by the way of Farmington on the Burton branch, a distance of sixty miles. The matter is being handled in a quiet way, but it is known eastern capitalists are behind the contributed \$100,000 toward a fund of \$800,000 to be raised by the Young Men's Christian Asoscia-tion of Brooklyn. The trustees and directors of the association have engaged in an attempt to raise this amount before the end of the current year. At the time Rockefeller's contribution was announced it was said that the fund had reached

project. E. E. Shepard of Austin, Minn., who recently purchased the Montana Land and Water company's holdings on the Burton branch, is the leading spirit in the move-ment.

was famous, had been painted out and replaced by respendent sunshine, which ading as they passed, "What's this filth in our streets?"

he is, the resolution would have caused a panic almost; but nobody pays serious attention to it, except to smile when it

deal better opinion of David Bennett Hill's plank in the New York state democratic platform in the late campaign than the people of New York state have. Even Mr. Coler, the democratic nominee for governor, it is pointed out, thought it incumbent upon him to repudiate that plank. Many other prominent democrats repudiated it, and the republicans laughe

at it, and they are now laughing at Mr Jenkins for adopting it. Mr. Jenkins admits that he does not know the views of the other members the committee on the subject. If he did know, he would not have introduced the

Taking possession of all the coal beds and mines and all transportation facili-ties necessary for the transportation of coal would give the government considservices of about every railroad and steamship line in the United States, to say nothing of the enormous army of men necessary to mine the coal, look after the mines and transport the coal. For the chairman of the judiciary committee it suggests some little work also, but out of sympathy for him the committee on rules will not consider the resolution very

The Effect of Lifting the Coal Tariff. The question whether coal imports will be much increased by the removal of the coal tariff is a matter of some doubt in the judgment of treasury officials. A differis believed, will make small impression on the market in which coal is selling all the way from \$10 to \$25 a ton. The imports this year are larger than a year ago as a result of the higher prevailing prices. During November, 1902, some 498,633 tons came in as compared with 185,940 tons in 1901. During the eleven months ending November, 1902, some 2.181.098 tons came in as compared with 1,757,788 during the eleven corresponding months in 1891. Most of this came from British North America. O. P. Austin, chief of the treasury bureau of statistics, does not think the removal of the duty will make much difference. "I don't see hiw it can," said he. "The main incentive for coal to come in exists

now in the vastly higher price prevailing. The Canadian lines have limited equip-ment. They have probably been running nearly to the limit of their capacity Knowing the temporary nature of the proposed law they will hardly be inclined