

IT COLLAPSED.

Western Passenger Association Practically Wiped Out of Existence.

ALTON AND ROCK ISLAND OUT.

Meeting Called for Monday to Discuss a Plan of Re-organization.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—The Western Passenger association, as it has existed up to the present time, was practically wiped out of existence Monday when the Rock Island, Alton and the Missouri Pacific gave notice of withdrawal from the association. The passenger association has for some time been in a very bad way and there has been much dissatisfaction on the part of the members with the agreement under which they were held together. The collapse has been looked for as likely to occur at almost any time, and the present difficulty will, without doubt, result in the reorganization of the association on new lines and with some of the features which have proved objectionable eliminated.

Reasons For Withdrawal.

The reason given by the Rock Island for its withdrawal is that under the association agreement it has found itself unable to meet the competition of strong outside lines, which, being out of the association, were so enabled to manipulate their rates as to take much business away from the Rock Island. The reasons given by the Alton and the Missouri Pacific are similar. The lines which still remain in the association, realizing that it is useless for them to carry on the association with so many powerful lines on the outside, have asked Chairman Caldwell to call a meeting of all the association lines for next Monday, and at this meeting methods will be considered for the reorganization of the association.

DEMAND A RECOUNT.

Nebraska Republicans Will Ask the Legislature to Declare Who is Elected.

OMAHA, Nov. 20.—A special to The Bee from Lincoln, Neb., says: The Republicans will demand a recount of votes by the legislature. Up to noon no notice of contest had been filed with the secretary of state, but a prominent Republican state official says that such notice will undoubtedly be filed within the limit, which expires on the 26th inst. He said that a legislative committee, consisting of two Populists, two Democrats and three Republicans will be asked to proceed with a recount of the ballots for the purpose of quieting title, and removing all doubt of the election of either candidate for governor. It will be necessary to serve notice on Judge Holcomb at the same time. At independent headquarters matters are being put in shape by Attorneys Bryan, Leese, Broady and others, to serve notice of contest on the entire list of Republican candidates for state offices immediately following the contest on governor. Judge Holcomb is expected to arrive from Broken Bow Wednesday and remain here until the opening of the legislature.

WHAT THEY DO AT HOME.

Occupations of Minnesota Legislators. Lawyers Lead in Numbers.

ST. PAUL, Nov. 20.—The legal profession will lead numerically in the coming legislature by one man only, while merchants and farmers will share equal honors. There will be 25 lawyers and 24 merchants and 14 farmers; 15 of the lawyers belonging to the senate and 17 of the merchants to the house. There will be but nine farmers in the senate, the remaining 15 belonging to the house. After these, editors and bankers will be most in evidence, eight each, the majority of both classes being in the senate. There will be in all five physicians and four manufacturers, while other professions and business interests will be about evenly represented with one, two or three members. Both houses show but one capitalist each.

NON-PARTISAN COMMISSION.

Mayor Hopkins Will Create One to Look After the Police.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—As a result of the agitation of the question of police reform, Mayor Hopkins has announced his determination to create a non-partisan commission to control the department. Heretofore the department has been under the absolute control of the mayor, and the method adopted is, Mayor Hopkins says, the only one which could effectually divorce the police force from politics. He will appeal to the legislature for the enactment of laws that will make the change permanent.

Miners' Delegation Unseated.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 20.—At the day's session of the Knights of Labor the miners' delegation from Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania were unseated despite their claim that they represented many thousands of Knights. The miners propose to report back to their organizations recommending secession. The miners are in the Powderly campaign, and Powderly himself proposes to lead a vigorous fight.

Increased Wages.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 20.—About 900 employees of the Westinghouse Air Brakes works at Wilmerding have been asked a 20 per cent reduction in wages. It is thought the men will accept the cut and keep at work.

Two Perished in Flames.

SCRANTON, Pa., Nov. 20.—Fire destroyed the house occupied by Caspar Abodie. Martin and Antonio Abodie, brothers of Caspar, perished in the flames. It is supposed a lamp exploded.

WINTRY ON THE LAKES.

Vessels Suffer from Ice and a Severe Wind Storm.

DULUTH, Nov. 20.—Navigation is being brought to a sudden stop by the cold snap. The upper bay is frozen solidly and it is almost impossible to get to the Mesaba ore docks, while the channels to West Superior are very hard to keep open. Vessels keeping at work steadily. The lower harbor is still free of ice, however, and vessels are arriving and departing at a rapid rate. Great difficulty is experienced at the ore docks to unload from cars and load into vessels, several locomotives being employed at each dock simply in generating steam for thawing the ore. Vessels arriving are covered thick with ice and have evidently met with a fearful gale. Vessel masters report that the storm extended up the whole lake and that the cold was intense and the driving snow so thick that it was utterly impossible to see a vessel's length. Several large craft are badly delayed, and there are fears that they have met disaster.

TWO MORE VICTIMS.

The Hineckey Country Continues to Give Up Its Dead.

DULUTH, Nov. 20.—The country 75 miles south of Duluth that was devastated by fire on Sept. 1 continues to reveal its dead, and, no doubt, it will continue to do so for months, and perhaps years. Last week two bodies were found, one of which was identified as that of Captain Le Broome, an old man, who was master of the steamboat Cumberland in Grass lake, near Pine City. His identification was made possible only by his pipe. The other bodies could not be identified. The bodies were found on the upper Kettle river, west of the St. Paul & Duluth railway, and near the northern limit of the burned district.

BURIED UNDER DEBRIS.

Half a Dozen Miners Killed in a Wreck on the Pennsylvania Road.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 20.—Sixteen cars of coal broke through the bridge over Brush creek, at Larimer station, and six or seven miners are supposed to be buried in the wreck. The train was on its way down the Larimer branch of the Pennsylvania road to the main line. When within six car lengths of the bridge a car broke down, and when it reached the bridge, it tore its way through, letting the cars down into the creek in a confused mass. All of the trainmen escaped, but the miners, who were on the cars going to their homes, were carried down, and are now buried under the debris.

Three Dead, Several Fatally Injured.

DALLAS, Tex., Nov. 20.—A special to The Times from Gale, I. T., says: The boiler in Malcolm's gin exploded at 10:40 a. m., killing Charles Malone, A. Preston of Atlanta, Ga., and Will Robinson, an engineer from Texas. Mrs. John Malcolm, wife of the proprietor, Hal Morris of Kansas City, and George Townsend and Alex Jenkins of Gale, were seriously and perhaps fatally injured.

Wrecked by an Open Switch.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 20.—At Frazier, Tenn., freight No. 27 on the Chesapeake and Ohio Southwestern, was wrecked by an open switch. Fireman Thomas B. Matthews was killed. Engineer Lloyd Greems and brakeman Alexander Saunders, colored, were injured, and it is doubtful if they will recover. Will Turner, James Luther and Fred James, tramps, received serious injuries.

Steamer Korean Overdue.

ST. JOHNS, Nov. 20.—No news has yet been received here of the Allan line steamer Korean, and the friends of those on board are becoming very anxious. The Korean sailed from Glasgow on Nov. 3 and from Liverpool on the 6th, and is now six days overdue. There are on board about 100 persons, the officers and crew numbering 70.

Johnson at It Again.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 20.—Over 1,000 people saw John S. Johnson, the cyclist, continue his great work of record smashing at Fountain Ferry park. He clipped off a second from the mile world's record for the standing start, paced, doing the mile in 1:56 3/5. He was paced by a quad and triplet.

Lexow Investigation to Resume.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Senator Lexow, of the senate investigating committee said that the investigation had been positively postponed until Dec. 1. "When we resume it will be just where we left off. We will continue in the even tenor of our way, and on even keel, I hope."

Opposed to Moraes.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—A dispatch from Buenos Ayres to The Times says that Admiral da Gama, who succeeded Admiral de Mello as the leader of the recent insurrection in Brazil, declares that the revolutionary leaders are determined not to accept the presidency of Senhor Moraes.

Located the Strangler.

DENVER, Nov. 20.—It is reported in detective circles that the stranger who murdered three women on Market street has been located and will be arrested very soon. He is said to be a man in business in Denver. No further particulars are obtainable as yet.

Adams Would Be Senator.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—Ex-Congressman George E. Adams will be a factor in the contest for the Illinois senatorship. In an interview he said: "If the Republican party takes the senator from Cook county (Chicago), I shall be glad to have my name considered."

Blizzard in York State.

SARASOTA LAKE, N. Y., Nov. 20.—A small-sized blizzard prevails throughout Northern New York. The mercury here registers 10 below zero, while the wind is blowing a gale, filling the air with light snow that has recently fallen.

MANIAC'S DEED

Horrible Butchery Committed by a Missouri Youth While Insane.

FOUR OF THE FAMILY DEAD.

Hacked to Pieces With an Ax and Their Bodies Cremated.

MONTGOMERY, Mo., Nov. 20.—A terrible tragedy was committed at 8 a. m. about two miles from Wellsville. At that place lived Thomas Portercheck, his mother, two sisters and a brother, all Methodists. It appears that Thomas Portercheck complained Sunday evening that his head was hurting him and said that he believed his neck was broken, and refused to go to bed. At 3 o'clock in the morning he secured an ax and killed his widowed mother, his sister and his brother.

While he was murdering his mother, sister and brother his other sister, Mary, made her escape by jumping through the window. She stood on the outside, and looking through the window, saw her maniac brother saturate the room with coal oil, set it on fire and then gash himself with a knife, in the throat. He sank down and all four bodies were consumed in the burning house.

By the time the neighbors got to the unfortunate man the house was all ablaze, too late to rescue the bodies. The mother was an invalid and had been confined to her bed for 12 years.

The murderer was a quiet and inoffensive man, but was not generally supposed to be bright. He was, however, thought to be harmless. His sister noticed nothing unusual with him except that he was irritable and spoke harshly. He complained of a severe pain in the back of his head and said that it felt like someone was boring into his brain behind his ear.

INSURANCE SWINDLERS.

Three Indictments Returned in the Pitzel Case at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 20.—The grand jury has found a true bill against Hermann Mudgett, alias H. H. Holmes, now a prisoner in Boston; Jephtha B. Howe, the St. Louis lawyer who collected the insurance money on P. F. Pitzel's policy for the latter's widow, and the widow herself. The indictment reads for "conspiracy to cheat and defraud."

Alexander McKnight, vice president of the Fidelity Mutual company, made the following statement to a representative of the Associated Press: "While the suspicion has grown until we are nearly positive that E. F. Pitzel was murdered, the only charge made before the grand jury was that of conspiracy to defraud."

ONE OF THE GANG PEACHED.

Plot to Rob a Pay Car Frustrated by Officers.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Nov. 20.—A plot to rob a pay car near this city was discovered in time to prevent the crime. It appears that it was the intention of several strangers and a man living in this city to remove a rail on the Eckhard branch, ditch the train and rob the pay car of about \$25,000 which was to be used in paying off the miners. The plan was arranged and everything was in readiness when one of the men weakened and told Superintendent Hamilton. Sheriff King and detectives armed with Winchester's boarded the special train which leaves the city about 10 o'clock, carrying the pay car, and rode to Eckhard without accident. It is thought the rest of the gang learned of the exposure of the scheme and made good their escape.

Ericsson Failed Again.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Nov. 20.—The torpedo boat Ericsson made another attempt to go over the course on her speed trial but found the water too rough and was compelled to return. Everything is in readiness for the trial, and it only requires good weather to have it take place.

Kent Case Progressing.

MANDAN, N. D., Nov. 20.—In the Kent murder trial the prosecution put Sheriff Bengenheimer on the stand, and he testified to admissions made to him by Kent while under arrest; also to his wandering through the country in his efforts to escape justice.

Alleged Train Robber Caught.

OSHKOSH, Wis., Nov. 20.—Sheriff Kraby has arrested John L. Miller, alias McKay, alias Mitchell, wanted at Flint, Mich., for the alleged robbing of a passenger train June 1 last. Miller will go back without a requisition.

Fell Between Cars.

BARABOO, Wis., Nov. 20.—Edwin M. Burdick, son of ex-Sheriff Steven M. Burdick, fell between cars on the Chicago and Northwestern at Oregon, Wis., and was killed. He resided here, where he leaves a young wife.

Colima Is Active.

CITY OF MEXICO, Nov. 20.—A sheet of flame from the volcano Colima, reaching to a height of several hundred feet, is lighting the country round for many miles. The inhabitants are terribly frightened.

Howe Is Arrested.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 20.—Jephtha D. Howe, an attorney of this city, has been arrested on the charge of conspiring with one H. H. Holmes to defraud the Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance company of Philadelphia out of \$10,000. Attorney Howe was taken before Chief Harrigan at the four courts. At the conclusion of the conference Howe was released on a \$3,000 bond.

LAST OF THE DEAD CZAR.

Remains of Alexander III Entombed at St. Petersburg.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 20.—The entombment of the remains of the late Czar Alexander III took place in the cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul. A thick fog enveloped the city but the populace was astir at the earliest possible hour and at the same time the troops detailed to take part in the funeral ceremonies commenced moving towards the position of assignment of them. The cathedral was packed with people, including representatives of all the imperial and royal families of Europe. The funeral services were conducted by the metropolitan of St. Petersburg, and by the metropolitan of Moscow. The former conducted the czarina to her place near the coffin, which reposed in state in the center of the cathedral. The czar and the grand dukes and the members of the royal families present took up positions on the right of the coffin, and the many military officers in attendance were grouped behind the bier. On the left were the foreign ambassadors and ministers and their staffs, while grouped around in different parts of the cathedral were countless delegations from Russian cities and elsewhere, including the numerous delegations from France. The general services began at 10:30 a. m., and lasted until 4 o'clock. Over thirty members of the royal families of Europe attended by glittering suites were present.

After the long service the czarina, the czar and others present took a last farewell of the remains of Alexander III. The czar then laid the imperial mantle over the body and the coffin was carried by the czar and certain of the princes to its tomb.

Now for the Wedding.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 20.—It is the intention of the Prince and Princess of Wales to remain in St. Petersburg until after the marriage of Grand Duchess Alexandra Feodorovna (Princess Alix) to Czar Nicholas. Both Czar Nicholas and his mother have expressed their profound gratitude for the devotion and kindness of the Prince and Princess of Wales in their trying ordeal.

CHINA-JAPAN INCIDENT CLOSED.

Offer of the United States to Act as Mediator Not Accepted.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—The China-Japan incident, so far as the United States' offer of mediation is concerned, is considered closed for the present, by those in a position to understand the situation. At the state department and at the Chinese and Japanese legations, there is only negative information to the effect that no positive answer to the American suggestion of mediation has been received. While it is believed to be literally true, so far as Japan's answering by a positive acceptance or declination of the suggestion, yet those well informed on the subject say Japan has made her position clear to this government, in such a way to avoid the embarrassment of a positive declination, and yet to show that an acceptance would have to be based on certain definite conditions. It is said that Japan could state this position with such expressions of good will for the kindly motives of the United States and such hopes that the time might come in the future when the good offices of this country would be most acceptable, but would rather increase the good feeling between Japan and this country.

Italy Can't Approve Intervention.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—A special dispatch from Rome says that Italy has informed the powers that she cannot approve of any form of intervention between China and Japan.

IS DE GIERS OUT?

Berlin Dispatch to That Effect Has Not Been Confirmed.

BERLIN, Nov. 20.—The Frankfurter Zeitung says that M. de Giers, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, and General Van Kovski, the Russian minister of war, have resigned.

Claims Daniels' Millions.

DENVER, Nov. 20.—Power of attorney given by Lillian B. Daniels, formerly Donna Madi, to Edward H. Murphy of New York, has been filed with the county clerk. In this power of attorney Mrs. Daniels claims that she is entitled to \$2,000,000 from the estate of W. B. Daniels, her late husband. She also filed an assignment to Mr. Murphy, in which it is set forth that no compromise shall be made without her consent for not less than \$450,000.

Assassin Admits Guilt.

CONCORD, N. H., Nov. 20.—Arthur G. McClain of Hennecoek, who, without apparent provocation or motive, murdered Nettie Bell Douglass while driving with her the night of Aug. 18, was brought into court and retraced his plea of not guilty, substituting one of guilty. The court will determine the degree.

Striking Weavers at Work.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Nov. 20.—Two hundred worsted weavers in the Lorraine mills started to work Monday after a strike of seven weeks' duration. The troubles were arbitrated by Mayor Tiepke. The strike was one of the biggest in the textile annals of Pawtucket.

Pullman Conductor Murdered.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 20.—A special to The Republic from Van Buren, Ark., says: Pullman Conductor Brown, of the Arkansas Valley railroad, was killed and thrown from his train at McKay, a small station 30 miles west of here in Indian Territory. The negro porter is suspected and is now jailed at Kansas City.

Took Thirty-eight Watches.

GREEN BAY, Wis., Nov. 20.—Between 5 and 6 p. m. the jewelry store of John Van Donelson was entered by thieves and 38 watches stolen. The value of the watches stolen is between \$2,000 and \$2,500.

FIGHT IN SIGHT.

The Cook Gang Rounded Up by a Posse of Cherokee Police.

BIG BATTLE IS IMMINENT.

Both Sides Making Active Preparations for a Death Struggle.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Nov. 20.—War with the Cooks is going on in the vicinity of Verdigris river, about 20 miles from here. The bandits are massed in force and have more than a match in a squad of Cherokees who have been surrounding them up for several days. No open battle has yet taken place, but there has been a great deal of skirmish fighting, and both sides are preparing for a death struggle. Fully 15 of the Cook gang are together, and Bill Cook is leading them in person. The Cherokees would have forced the fighting before now were it not for the fear of running short of ammunition before the battle was over. If it comes to a question of allowing the Cooks to slip away from them or fighting, then the Cherokees will fight, and they are not afraid of getting the worst of it. It was thought to be good generalship to keep the Cooks in the corner they now have them in until all is in readiness for a prolonged attack. The Cherokees consequently dispatched Sheriff John Brown to this city for a full supply of ammunition, and he has just arrived here, bringing the information already given. The sheriff will leave here in the morning with all the supplies needed and a strong guard.

BARRED BY DENMARK.

That Country Follows Germany's Example Regarding Our Cattle and Beef.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 20.—The minister of the interior, M. Hoerring, has issued a decree, to take effect immediately, forbidding the import of live cattle and fresh meat from the United States.

BOUND TO BE GOVERNOR.

Populist Kolb Calls on His Followers to Aid in Seating Him.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 20.—A special to The Republic from Birmingham, Ala., says: Reuben F. Kolb, the defeated candidate of the Populist party for governor of Alabama, publishes a lengthy address to the people of Alabama in The People's Daily Tribune of this city, the state organ of the Kolbites and Populists, in which he declares his intention to be inaugurated governor of the state Dec. 1, and calls upon his followers everywhere to gather at Montgomery on that day and aid him in taking his seat.

Money No Object.

TOLEDO, O., Nov. 20.—Thomas A. Taylor of this city, chairman of the committee of millers which met in Chicago last week, denies that the action taken with a view to limiting the output of flour is in the nature of a trust proceeding. Mr. Taylor said: "There is no trust and will be no trust. The meeting was simply one of individual mill owners gathered to discuss the most feasible plan for lessening the immense surplus of flour now on hand by reducing the daily output of the mills."

With Non-Union Men.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 20.—One mill of the Niedringhaus tin plate works was started up Monday independently of the Amalgamated Iron and Steel Workers and at a reduction of 25 per cent. There was some resistance anticipated on the part of the members of the association to the hiring of non-union workmen, but no violence was attempted, a strong force of police guarding the mills.

The Way Coffee Is Spoiled.

Bridget is an excellent cook, but like most women of her profession she is opinionative and insists upon making all her dishes strictly according to her own recipes. Her mistress gives her very full liberty not only as to cooking, but as to the purchase of supplies.

The other day her mistress said to her: "Bridget, the coffee you are giving us is very good. What kind is it?" "It's no kind at all mum," said Bridget. "It's a mixer."

"How do you mix it?" "I make it one quarter Mocha and one quarter Java and one quarter Rio."

"But that's only three-quarters. What do you put in for the other quarter?" "I put in no other quarter at all, mum. That's where so many spiles the coffee, mum—by putting in a fourth quarter."

Her Head Nestled Trustingly on his Shoulder.

Her head nestled trustingly on his shoulder, yet there was a tremor of apprehension in her voice when she said: "Reginald, do you think that mortals are ever permitted to enjoy unalloyed happiness?" "My poor little one," he answered, "how much of life you have been missing! It is very evident that you have never had a chance to open a jack pot with three aces."

A Tender Correspondence.

May to Tom: DEAR TOM—Come tomorrow evening sure. Papa is at home, but is laid up with a very sore foot. See? TOM: Tom to May: DEAR MAY—I can't come tomorrow evening. I'm laid up on account of your father's very sore foot. See? TOM: —Truth.

One Way to Ease Hogs.

"What are you here for, George?" "I've been tucked up, sah, fer raisin hogs." "Why, there's no law against that?" "Dat's what I tell um, sah, but dey sorter found out dat I raise de hogs over de fence."—Atlanta Constitution.

My Wife Used Only Two Bottles.

She was easily and quickly relieved; is now doing splendidly.— J. S. MORTON, Harlow, N. C.

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POLICE INTERFERED.

The McAliff-Ziegler Fight Stopped in the Third Round.

CONEY ISLAND, Nov. 20.—The fact that Jack McAliff was to appear, this time after a careful preparation, against a representative of the Quaker City, attracted a crowd of 3,600 people to the Atlantic Athletic club's arena here. Inspector McKelvey and Captain Clayton, with 40 of the Brooklyn police, were on hand at 8 o'clock to prevent a recurrence of "knockouts."

The first bout was between Jerry Barnett of New York and Billy Murphy of Australia. It was declared a draw. The next bout was between Paddy McBride and Johnny Gorman of Long Island City. In the fifth round the pace proved too hot for the Quaker lad and, after they had fought 1 min. and 45 secs., the bout was stopped on account of police interference. The referee gave his decision in favor of Gorman.

There was a long delay before the contest of the evening was called and both men looked fit to fight for their lives when they entered the ring. Ziegler seemed to be getting a little the best of the fight, when, in the third round, the police interfered and the contest was declared a draw.

Food For Clockmakers.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—A mass meeting of the striking clockmakers was held during the day. The prevailing distress among the strikers was somewhat alleviated by the distribution to them of 2,800 loaves of bread, 8 barrels of potatoes, 2 barrels of herring, 600 pounds of sausage, 200 pounds of sugar and 15 pounds of tea. Three hundred regular dinners were also supplied.

France Honors Kate Field.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Kate Field has been made an officer of public instruction by the French government, the highest distinction in the department of public instruction, for services rendered in literature and art.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Importance in Condensed Form.

The cash balance in the treasury is \$101,162,100; gold reserve, \$61,015,995. Five cases of smallpox were reported to the New York board of health Monday.

The Western brewery, of Belleville, Ill., has been sold to Eastern capitalists for \$225,000.

H. O. Havemeyer emphatically denies that he has any intention of buying the famous trotting mare Alix.

The tariff fight will be resumed when congress meets. Senator Harris intends to push the supplemental bills.

A rate meeting of the Central Traffic association is in progress at Indianapolis to adjust rates south and southeast.

Officers of the cruiser Montgomery were entertained by the city of Mobile Monday. Secretary Herbert was present.

Joseph Lewis, noted as an inventor and also as builder of the Stephenson locomotive of 1829, died at Kansas City Monday.

Last-bound shipments from Chicago last week amounted to 40,560 tons, against 44,965 for the corresponding week of last year.

The Frankfurter Zeitung says that M. De Giers, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, and General Van Novski, the Russian minister of war, have resigned.

King Humbert has sent 30,000 lire for the relief of the Italian earthquake sufferers, and Premier Crispi has donated the sum of 17,000 lire for the same purpose.

"Young man," said the prosperous old gentleman who had sold his pork, "you say you hadn't had a square meal for a week?" "I have not, sir."

"And you've seen better days?" "I have."

"Used to move in good society?" "Yes, sir."

"Then come along with me to a first class eatin house, and I'll pay for some quail on toast. I want to learn the correct way to eat the blamed dish."—Chicago Tribune.

Impending.

There's one unpleasant thought Keeps passing to and fro— The time is near at hand When we'll have to shovel snow. —Chicago Inter Ocean.

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