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TO-NIGHT'S CAUCUSES.

The organization of the two houses of the legislature will be practically settled in caucus to-night. It goes without saying that both branches will be organized by the election of Republican officers, but this fact does not debar the GLOBE from the right to feel an interest in the matter. Conceding that the organization will be Republican, still we feel interested in seeing the legislature organized in such a manner as to insure sound legislation. We hope that the Republican members of the legislature are impressed with the grave responsibility of their position. The people of the state are demanding a great many reforms at the hands of the incoming legislature. The Republican majority will be held responsible for the fulfillment or disappointment of public expectations. A great deal depends on the organization of the two houses of the legislature whether public hopes are to be realized or not. The Republican members cannot be too careful in the selection of their officers. If the organization is to be effected by political jugglery, by trades and dickering and combinations, then farewell to all prospects of healthy legislation. If the presiding officer is to secure his nomination in caucus as the result of a trade on the senatorship or of a deal with the railroads and the wheat ring, then good bye to Republican supremacy in Minnesota. Viewing it from a purely partisan standpoint we would naturally be gratified to see the legislature organized on such a basis. But rising to a higher plane and looking only to the public welfare we would regret it. The GLOBE most emphatically expresses the hope that the Republican caucuses to-night will lay aside every consideration except the public good and will name as candidates for the several positions to be filled in the organization of the legislature gentlemen whose names will be a guarantee of a faithful performance of duty, and the assurance of honest legislation in the interest of the whole people.

THE MATTER OF QUARANTINE.

The communication which the commissioner of agriculture addresses to the governor of Illinois, upon the subject of quarantining cattle afflicted with pleuro-pneumonia and other contagious diseases, will be warmly indorsed by every farmer and cattle owner in Minnesota. The Illinois commissioners have more than once shown either a disregard or ignorance of their duties, and the suggestion of Commissioner COLEMAN that their duties be clearly defined is timely. The instance cited, in which cattle were placed in stables recently occupied by infected stock, is a noteworthy example of the heedless way in which the commissioners have acted. There has been in Illinois an absence of proper official inspection and direction of the measures necessary to remove the taint of disease and a general looseness in the enforcement of other quarantine regulations. Minnesota is vitally interested in the preservation of the quarantine whenever it may be necessary. Her cattle interests is one of her greatest sources of wealth and she cannot afford to have it endangered by the carelessness of slothful or incompetent officials. If Mr. COLEMAN succeeds in bringing about a better system of quarantine inspection and supervision he will gain a friend in every stock-grower, East or West.

NORTHWESTERN CONSPIRACY.

Of all the post bellum literature that is now flooding the newspapers and magazines there is none which will attract more attention than the series of papers relating to the Northwest Conspiracy. A shroud of mystery has hung over the matter all these years, and now that for the first time the secrets of the conspiracy are brought to light, everybody is interested in knowing what they are. The fact that a Confederate commission had been sent to Canada in 1864 was well known. It was also known that JACOB THOMPSON, of Mississippi, who had been a member of the BUCHANAN cabinet, was at the head of the commission. It was furthermore known that one of the purposes for which the commission had been organized was to stir up a feeling of discord among the people of the Northwestern states and to organize an opposition to the further prosecution of the war on the part of the federal government. Although nothing definite has ever been known concerning the operations of the rebel conspirators there has always been a general impression that several prominent Democratic politicians knew more about it than they cared to have made public. Inasmuch as a publication of the history of the conspiracy would to a more or less extent compromise some Democratic politicians, it was natural that their personal and political friends should endeavor to keep the matter concealed from the public eye. But it has heretofore been an inexplicable mystery why Republican politicians should manifest an equal interest in supposing the facts. The leaders of one political party are not in the habit of going out of their way to suppose testimony which would damage the leaders of the opposition. Therefore, it has all along been a matter of public surprise that the Republican politicians should make common cause with the leaders of the opposition to keep the conspiracy documents in the dark. But the most startling surprise of all is the revelation of the cause of this Republican desire to have the details of the plot hushed up. It turns out that Secretary STANTON was not only privy to the conspiracy, but was actually arranging an escape for himself from what he imagined was to be the wreck of the LINCOLN administration. Mr. STANTON'S sudden flop from the BUCHANAN to the LINCOLN cabinet was always a mystery to his friends who undertook to explain on the ground of his loyal devotion to the union of the states. But in the light of these new developments a serious question will arise in the public mind whether the great war secretary was really actuated by patriotic motives. If he was loyal to the Union he was not loyal to his chief. Anticipating the overthrow of the LINCOLN administration at the fall election, instead of manifesting a disposition to remain loyally at his post and to go down with his colors, he seems to have been busily preparing means of escape and to make himself solid with the opposition before the disaster came. Mr. STANTON'S connection with this affair places his reputation in a very compromising attitude, and his friends cannot afford to lose time in vindicating his memory. In the mean time further developments, to be made by the publication of the Northwestern Conspiracy paper, will be awaited with interest.

CAN IT BE?

It will not be gratifying news to Mr. MERRIAM to learn that he is to be sold out in the speakership contest in order to promote Gov. DAVIS' chances for the senatorship. The deal by which MERRIAM is to be sacrificed is to give the farmers control of the organization of the legislature in exchange for granger votes for DAVIS. Mr. IGNATIUS DONNELLY is accredited with being the skillful manipulator of this movement, and it is furthermore intimated that in the event he makes a success of it, it is part of the contrat that Mr. DONNELLY is to succeed Mr. SABIN in the senate. It is pretty well understood that Mr. MERRIAM looks upon the speakership as the stepping stone to future political preferment, and for that reason is bending every energy to secure the prize. It is also well known that his candidacy is not looked upon with favor by a good many of the farmers. They do not object to him on personal grounds, nor do they deny his fitness for the position. The simple fact that he is at the head of a national bank gives him bad odor among the grangers. Farmers are always suspicious of a representative of corporate power, no matter in what shape he is presented. If current political gossip can be relied on, the DAVIS boomers have not been slow to catch on to this point, and with an exhibition of cold-bloodedness rarely ever seen even in the bitterest political conflicts have deliberately planned to sacrifice Mr. MERRIAM on the altar of Gov. DAVIS' ambition. It is asserted that the secret call issued by Mr. DONNELLY several weeks ago convening an alliance caucus in this city to-day was in furtherance of that scheme. It will be remembered that in his circular addressed to the farmer members of the legislature he endeavored to impress upon them the belief that the election of a senator was a matter of minor consideration in comparison with local affairs in which they were interested. This feature of the DONNELLY circular is now construed to have been an attempt to divert the attention of the farmers from Gov. DAVIS' high tariff views and to get them so completely absorbed in local matters that they would lose sight of national issues and be prepared to enter into any sort of a deal by which their local interests could be promoted.

If the scheme as outlined above has a real existence it has been planned and manipulated with consummate skill. Those who know Mr. DONNELLY best can readily give him credit for its authorship and masterly direction. At the same time it would be a mournful reflection for Mr. MERRIAM to think that he has been slaughtered in the house of his supposed friends. The caucases to be held this morning and to-night will develop all the facts.

A COMPARISON.

Hon. JAMES G. BLAINE has been given credit for exceeding shrewdness and great business capacity. A significant comparison will show that his reputation is well deserved. Both he and Gen. LOGAN entered public life about the same time. Neither ever occupied a position paying over $5,000 a year, except when the former was secretary of state, receiving $8,000. But observe the peculiar lack of commercial sagacity on the part of the late senator. Living modestly, without even the approach to the ostentation usually displayed by people of his prominence, Gen. LOGAN died a poor man, so poor indeed that even the home he occupied was unpaid for. What a strange disregard of his opportunities and striking disregard of those business principles, an observance of which the example of Mr. BLAINE demonstrates, can easily lead to the founding of a large fortune even though the income does not exceed $5,000 a year. Mr. BLAINE, on the other hand, has entertained lavishly, has maintained a costly establishment, and by a shrewdness all his own despite his disregard of economy and ignorance of any profession has been able to amass a comfortable competency of something like $2,000,000. And yet so contrary is the American public, so unappreciative of such notable financial genius that it will honor Gen. LOGAN'S memory all the more because, though having equal opportunities with the man from Maine, he died a poor man because of his ignorance of the business methods which have brought the other wealth. It is a kind of ignorance that carries honor with it, and the people who will vote at the next presidential election thoroughly appreciate this fact.

CAT MANIA.

Of all the curious manias which afflict human kind there is none more comical than that of the St. Paul cat crank whose exploits are detailed in our local columns. Hallucinated with the idea that a daily application of fresh cat flesh to his back will cure the lumbago, the man has become the terror of felines in his neighborhood, as well as a positive nuisance to his cat-loving neighbors. He seems to be a provident sort of a crank, who, dreading that the time may come when there will be a cat famine in the land, has taken the precaution to fill his cellar with cats of all sizes, ages, colors, conditions and sexes. In addition to purloining all the cats in his own neighborhood he has in his service a brigade of boys who are commissioned to go out into all the city and hunt for cats to fill his feline conservatory. It is a debatable question whether this peculiar mania should be encouraged or restricted. It presents an issue upon which society will evenly divide. People who grieve over the loss of the family cat and who have recently been mourning and refuse to be comforted because its gentle purring is no longer heard by the cheerful fireside these winter evenings will, with one accord, rise up to denounce the cat crank as an enemy of the human race. Other people, whose midnight slumbers have so frequently been disturbed by the music of a feline quartette on the doorstep, will bless the cat crank as a benefactor as long as he lives, and will plant flowers on his grave, to keep his memory green, when he is gone.

How many sturdy adherents will follow where the white plumed helmet of Knight DONNELLY leads in the senatorial combat, and at the critical moment upon which side will their good right arms and nimble tongues be exercised? The Sage only, brooding over half-formed hopes which even his dearest confidant knows not of, can tell.

EVERY member cannot become the presiding officer of the Minnesota legislature, but each one can and probably will become a speaker.

SINCE HEWITT has been inaugurated mayor of New York, the citizens of the metropolis can look forward to at least a brief season of honest and economical government, and the boodlers, such as are still out of jail, will have to retire until corruption again gets the upper hand.

THE GLOBE presents its compliments to its numerous contemporaries throughout this and adjoining states for its kind words spoken about its Christmas edition. In the immortal words of the distinguished Editor DANA, it was a corker, and no mistake.

THE fact that Emperor WILLIAM has served eighty years in the German army and is still in vigorous health is an indication that bullets are not necessarily dangerous if one keeps conscientiously out of their way.

THE fact that Mr. BLAINE has become interested in one of the largest ice packing firms in the country perhaps means that he intends at all hazards keeping cool during the heat of the next campaign.

ALABAMA is trying to organize a colored people's worlds fair, but unless the managers will consent to make 4—11—44— win every time the colored brother will not take much stock in the enterprise.

THE best monument the friends of Gen. LOGAN could rear to his memory is the fund being raised for Mrs. LOGAN. His fame requires no meaningless shaft of marble to perpetuate it.

THE candidate for a legislative position will pass a troubled night to-night if indeed his engagements as a self-constituted entertainer of lonesome legislators permits him to sleep at all.

THE weather is a little chilly, but the warmth of the welcome which the legislators who are to assemble to-morrow will receive, will cause them to forget that fact.

IT IS not entirely a blighting breath which comes down with the north wind. Though other building operations may be checked, the ice palace mounts daily skyward.

SINCE it appears probable that Europe will not have a war after all, the grain speculators do not think that the year opens with such brilliant prospects.

Worthy of Commendation.

Lanesboro Journal.

The St. Paul GLOBE is a great and enterprising daily and weekly newspaper, which has met with remarkable success during the present management. Its facilities for news gathering and giving are complete, and Minnesota, Dakota and Democracy have its especial devotion. To any one who wishes to read the great Democratic organ of the Northwest we commend the GLOBE.

Grave Disappointment.

Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

A worthy young man of Bloomington, Ill., falling violently in love with a bright young widow, and being poorly encouraged, is frantic in his disappointment. A dispatch narrating his affliction states that "by his years of hard work he has laid up quite a neat sum of money, and in his condition he is pitied by all." It seems to be a very sad case.

Gore in His Ink Bottle.

Washington Critic.

The United Press correspondent at Oskaloosa, Ia., in describing the fire there yesterday, writes thus: "The whole heavens were illumined by the lurid flames, which reached nearly across the street to a livery stable." The young man ought to write a war paper for the Century.

Stress Well Laid.

Chicago Herald.

Gen. Logan entered public life before James G. Blaine did. The highest income either received was $5,000. Mr. Blaine has succeeded in amassing a fortune estimated all the way from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000. This is why such stress is now laid upon the fact that Logan was honest.

A Friend of Cush.

Heron Lake News.

It is to be hoped that all opposition to the brilliant Cush K. Davis will subside on the convening of the legislature. He is the fittest and safest man the Republicans can send to the United States senate.

Victoria's Jubilee.

New York World.

It has been suggested that Tennyson rewrite the English national anthem, "God Save the Queen," for Victoria's jubilee. God save the jubilee if he does.

A Fellow Feeling.

Atlanta Constitution.

The report that the czar has been drunk naturally leads one to suspect that the great Russian lives in a prohibition town.

The Tempter.

New York Sun.

The constitutional convention should sit in this town. Then the constitution makers would be able to have a little fun.

And Plenty of Pencils.

Journal of Education.

A woman can sharpen a pencil, but she requires leisure.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York—Leerdam from Rotterdam, Antonia from China and Japan, Sardinian from Liverpool, Polynesia from Hamburg.

London—City of Berlin from New York at Browhead at 9 p. m.

Hong Kong—Oceanic from San Froncisco.

A NEW SCHEME.

One Way of Securing a Seat in a Street Car for a Lady.

New York Mail and Express.

A Broadway car, which left the New York battery about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, got its first passenger at the City Hall park in what the conductor called a dude. His long coat tails protruded from under the tails of his short, light-colored top coat; his hands were enveloped in the yellowest of kids; patent leather shoes adorned his feet, and his head was, in a measure, held down by an immaculate silk hat. He with great care deposited his person in the comfortable lower corner of the car, and in an abstracted manner looked for his fare. A search of the first and customary pocket brought forth nothing. Sudden pain seemed to disturb the young gentleman's complacent face. He dived into three unsuccessful pockets, and then from a fourth hauled out triumphantly a nickel. The young man was temporarily relieved, but as the car got up town he seemed troubled about something again.

By the time the car got to Tenth street it was completely filled. At Twelfth street several people got in and crowded the car. At Thirteenth street several ladies were hanging on to the straps, and the dude was the only man seated. At Fourteenth street some more people got in, and among them was an old gentleman who had in his charge a sweet-faced, feeble old lady. She stood up in front of the dude and hung on to the straps. She was a short little lady, and the position evidently was a painful one. But the dude looked steadily out of the window. The old gentleman stared at him. First with disgust, then in contempt, and finally his emotion was one of anger. Suddenly he dived down in his trousers pocket. His hand came up full of silver. Carefully selecting four quarters from his pile, he leaned over and touched the young man. The dude looked up at him.

"Young man," said the old gedtleman, extending the four quarters, "I'll give you a dollar for your seat."

"Wha—what?" gasped the youth. Everybody snickered.

"I'll give you a dollar for your seat," repeated the old gentleman.

The dude looked dazed. He gazed first at the old gentleman's angry face. Then his stare wandered over the car, then fastened itself upon the four silver quarters.

"Wha—" he began. Then, in a more dazed kind of way, he reached out, took the quarters, slowly got up, and, stumbling off the platform, wandered up Eighteenth street.

The mild old lady, blushing as red as if she was 16 instead of 60, sat down on the vacant seat, the passengers smiled, the old gent gazed out of the window, and the car bowled merrily along.

JUST LIKE A WOMAN.

She was a famous speaker, or a notorious squeaker,
And she said "on little troubles we should frown:
Thoughts or looks were quite audacious—and then
She said: "Good gracious!
I do believe my back hair's coming down!"
—Goodall's Sun.

ADDITIONAL POLITICAL NEWS

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Rev. E. R. Lathrop, Worthington.

ENROLLING CLERK OF THE HOUSE.

Joseph E. Osborne, S. Paul.
E. H. Baaken, Goodhue.
K. A. Holleen, Renville.
E. W. Daniels, Olmsted.
N. S. Kellogg, Fillmore.
Milo Wilsie, Fillmore.
Miles Hollister, Sherburne.
Luther Osborne, Red River Valley News.

ENGROSSING CLERK OF THE HOUSE.

G. F. Peck, Ramsey.
James Morrison, Blue Earth.
C. N. Lien, Goodhue.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OF HOUSE.

O. S. Reishus, Yellow Medicine.
J. H. Steenerson, Zumbrota.
James Bordwell, McLeod.
M. B. Johnson, Fillmore.

ASST. SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OF HOUSE.

James Spencer, Olmsted.
Ed Paulson, Brown.
Stiles Gray, Hennepin.
Capt. Whitcomb, Fergus Falls.
A. O. Stevy, Freeborn.

DOORKEEPER OF THE HOUSE.

—— Olson, Moorhead.

KEEPER OF THE CLOAK-ROOM.

Ole A. Strand, Goodhue.
W. H. Butler (colored), Albert Lea.

For any office in the gift of the legislature there are:

Henry Thurston, Albert Lea.
Andrew, Styre, Freeborn.
M. B. Johnson, Brownsdale.
A. G. Anderson, Fergus Falls.
R. R. Turretin, Le Sueur.

NEWS AND GOSSIP.

What Was Talked About in the Public Resorts Yesterday.

The triangular fight for chief clerkship of the house was brought to a sudden ending last night, and the probabilities are that John R. Howard will be elected without opposition. A compromise was effected whereby Robert Deakin and Burkdall, who have been active candidates for the position heretofore, withdrew in favor of Howard. Deakin was induced to to take this step because of the fact that Merriam's canvass for the speakership hurt him badly. The members did not relisht he idea of giving two of the principal offices to St. Paul. Mr. Deakin has announced his candidacy for first assistant clerk of the house—his old position—while Mr. Burkdall will try for the enrolling clerkship of the senate.

Representatives T. Tousley and I. J. Hattlestad, of Fillmore county, left their "grips" at the Clarendon yesterday, and soon after their arrival Senator T. Johnson and Representatives George F. Potter and C. Bunge, Jr., of Houston county, came in for supper. When asked if the Fillmore county delegates were instructed for Davis by the county convention, Mr. Tousley replied "yes." When the question was asked direct, as to whether the delegation would vote solidly for Davis, he answered with striking brevity and significance, "Probably." He would not say who was his second choice for senator, nor for whom he would vote for speaker—"hadn' made up his mind."

Candidate Lee remained quietly in his room during last evening, and a rumor started that he had withdrawn from the contest by an agreement between himself and Mr. Merriam. Mr. Lee was called upon early this morning and positively denied the rumor. Interrogated as to whether he was in the field to stay until a vote of the house determined his chances, he replied, with an assuring nod, "Yes, unless something unforeseen turns up." He says he has promised to be present at Mr. Donnelly's caucus to-day.

The fight made by Albert Scheffer against Merriam was the subject of a good deal of comment last night. Scheffer is for Lee. It was asserted, by one who is in a position to get pointers, that Scheffer really entertains the hope that there will be a deadlock between Davis and McMillan and that he will be taken up as a compromise candidate. For this reason he is anxious to slaughter Merriam. He thinks it good policy to be on the safe side, anyhow. If there should happen to be a chance for him he wants Merriam out of the way.

Lieut. Gov. Rice evaded the question about whom he would select for chairman of the judiciary committee by answering that "the senate has the power to make its own committees, and if it would do so it would relieve me of some unpleasant responsibilities and a perplexing position." There are only four lawyers in the senate—Comstock, of Moorhead; Goodrich, of Blue Earth City; Ives, of St. Peter, and Eaton, of Buffalo, and the two first mentioned are ex-senators.

Representative Bunge said the Houston county delegation was pledged to Davis "as long as Davis had any show." Senator Thacher, of Glenwood, was also standing at the counter, and he informed his inquisitor that the Pope county delegation was pledged to Davis, and he thought "the Northwest generally would support Mr. Davis." The speakership seemed to be an unsettled question with all these gentlemen.

There is a good deal of talk about the instructions for Davis not being considered binding on the members. When most of these instructions were given Davis had not made his tariff speeches. It is claimed that the making of these speeches released the members from any obligation under the instructions. It is certain that Davis could not have had one member in ten instructed for him if his tariff views had been known.

Representative Hanson says he intends to vote for Davis. He says he never told any one he would vote for Nelson. He declares that he will follow out the instructions of his constituents and will not be swayed by a question of nationality. The impression—founded on pretty good grounds—is prevalent, nevertheless, that Mr. Nelson occupies a very warm spot in the heart of Mr. Hanson.

There was a good deal of talk last night about a current rumor that the friends of W. R. Merriam were a little bit suspicious of the actions of the Davis men. It was alleged that Davis, finding he lacked a number of votes, had made proposals to trade off Merriam. If it can be proven definitely there will be some lively scalping when the senatorial fight comes to a head.

Representative Dunne, of Freeborn county, was a Democrat only a short time ago, and it is believed that he has a warm side for Democracy yet. Two years ago he stumped Freeborn county for Fitzgerald, a Democrat. But for the Lovely influence it is thought it would not be a very hard task to entice him away from Davis.

The chairmanships are responsible for a good deal of the worry and trouble. A good many members are shrewd enough not to commit themselves on the speakership or the senatorship until they have be satisfactorily fixed.

Senators E. W. Durant, of Stillwater; A. G. Anderson, of Carver, and E. M. Pope, of Mankato, and Representative E. T. Champlin, of Vernon, and S. G. Iverson, of Rusford, arrived at the Merchants yesterday.

Nearly every Republican seems to be a free-trader, and when the question is asked, "Then why do you vote for Davis?" they look as if they wanted to crawl in a hole and pull the hole in after them.

Senator Dodge will obey instructions and vote for Davis, but he is opposed to Davis personally. He has admitted this to friends. If he gets a good chance it is safe to bet he will kick over the traces.

Butler, the Albert Lea colored man, is making an active canvass for guardian of the cloak room. If his certificate is signed by John A. Lovely he had better not show it to anybody.

A man who is a candidate for the most insignificant office in the gift of the legislature cuts just as wide a swath as the candidates for speaker and senator.

The caucus seems to be losing its grip gradually. It is becoming more and more apparent that the McMillan men will have nothing to do with it.

Stordock and John Frank are keeping in the background. During their absence the warden and commissionership may slip from their fingers.

Buffum's estimate of eighty-seven farmers in the legislature is pronounced an exaggeration. Nobody else can count that number.

Chaplain Harrington, it is understood, is anxious to be re-elected, so that he can absorb Senator Durant's pretty little stories.

Representative Plowmar refuses to declare his senatorial preferences. He has been counted in the Davis column heretofore.

The list of Davis supporters does not grow as the members come in, as compared with the list printed in the GLOBE.

James Burns denies that he is seeking an appointment as assistant secretary of state and commissioner of statistics.

George Hildahl, Jay Sherman and C. Warren, of Mower county, are after some good fat legislative sinecure.

Gen. Jennison is said to be clinging to a small plank, in very deep water, and in grave danger of drowning.

Representative Jones, of Blue Earth, and Low, of Murray, say they will vote for Merriam for speaker.

Senator Goodrich is a Republican, but he says that Donnelly is his choice for speaker after Davis.

U. M. Thomas, of Hennepin, is announced as a candidate for assistant secretary of the senate.

Fred Warner, of Redwood county, is making a strong fight for assistant clerk of the house.

The farmers meet at 10 o'clock this morning. Ignatius Donnelly will be there.

There is no talk about a Democratic caucus.

The Davis men will caucus to-day.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Twelve of Fifteen Persons Lose Their Lives in a Railway Collision.

SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 2.—The officials and employes of the Southern Pacific railroad still refuse to give any information concerning the collision last Friday evening of a freight train and a construction freight in a deep cut near Devil's river. Twelve or fifteen lives were lost, nearly all the persons killed being Mexicans. The names of the killed could not be ascertained, as the men connected with the road refuse giving any information whatever. Four or five dead bodies from the wreck were brought in last evening, and several of the maimed passed through en route to Columbus for treatment at the railroad hospital. When the trains collided they caught fire, and two cars and a locomotive were burned. Most of the killed and wounded received their injuries by being burned.

TRE CLEARANCE STATEMENT.

Comparative Statement of the Business of 1885 and 1886.

BOSTON, Jan. 2.—The following table, compiled from special dispatches to the Post from the managers of the leading clearing houses in the United States, gives the gross exchanges at each point for the week ending Jan. 1, 1887, in comparison with the corresponding week a year ago:

Name of City.	Amount.	Inc.	Dec
New York	$526,272,255	....	13.4
Boston	82,484,635	1.0	....
Philadelphia	47,512,438	1.0	....
Chicago	41,533,000	....	0.9
St. Louis	13,649,512	2.8	....
San Francisco	14,716,888	33.3	....
Baltimore	10,134,927	8.9	....
Cincinnati	8,366,900	....	0.5
New Orleans	11,125,000	8.7	....
Pittsburg	8,245,550	27.7	....
Kansas City	5,498,137	34.5	....
Louisville	3,349,461	....	22.4
Milwaukee	3,702,000	13.9	....
Providence	4,460,200	...	1.5
Omaha	3,733,034	57.5	....
Minneapolis	2,778,129	23.5	....
Detroit	2,896,226	17.9	....
Indianapolis	2,525,987	112.5	....
Denver	3,081,847	2.2	....
Cleveland	2,615,940	29.8	....
Memphis	1,995,822	58.9	....
Columbus	1,545,164	....	1.7
Galveston	1,451,783	....	6.4
New Haven	905,655	1.0	....
Hartford	1,468,415	....	17.2
Portland	860,000	....	7.7
Peoria	768,608	39.8	...
St. Joseph	1,052,840	31.6	....
Worcester	899,951	1.5	....
Springfield	739,186	....	7.2
Lowell	557,211	7.2	....
Syracuse	422,035	....	31.1
Total	$811,614,686	....	7.8
Outside New York	$285,342,431	5.2	....

*Not included in totals.

Gen. Loring's Funeral.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Gen. William W. Loring's funeral took place to-day at Grace church. The pall bearers were Gens. C. M. Wilcox, J. M. Schofield, R. J. Ingalls, Roger A. Pierce, C. P. Stone, G. M. Smith, J. P. Dockery, John Newton, M. M. Mahone and Cols. J. H. Rogers, J. H. Thompson, J. S. Snead, M. Talifarro, G. T. Ferris and F. F. McLean and J. R. Sadler. Mrs. Herbert Royston, of Chicago, was among the mourners. Rev. Dr. Huntington, of Grace church, was assisted by Rev. Spruille. The latter, a member of Wheeler's Confederate cavalry and a friend of the deceased, officiated. The remains were placed in a vault there, but will be taken to Stoughton.

The Philadelphia Brewers.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 2.—A largely attended meeting of striking brewery employes was held to-day. They resolved to stand firm in their demands, and to carry the point of sympathy into every German society and organization in the city. It was decided to join the German Federation of United Trades, but the question as to whether the Beer Wagon Drivers' assembly should witddraw from the Knights of Labor was held over, the men preferring to await the action of District Assembly No. 1, which threatened explusion from the Knights of Labor if they do not return to work as ordered.

Lively at Springfield.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 2.—The van guard of the legislature has arrived and matters are becoming lively. The senatorial fight has not advanced far enough to define, but Farwell has several friends from Cook county who are working, and Hamilton's brother, from Bloomington, is said to be here. Senator Bergen, candidate for speaker pro tem., seems to have no opposition. Other senators now here are Crawford, Leman, Garrity, Knox, Youst, Thompson, Washburn and Curtis. There are about twenty members of the house on hand.

Going to Africa.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Five colored Baptist missionaries, Rev. J. J. Coles and Mrs. Coles, of Richmond, Va.; Rev. B. Tapps and Mr. Tapps, of Jackson, Miss., and Rev. J. J. Diggs, of Shipland, Miss., will sail to-morrow for Africa on the bark Carduans. They are sent out by the Colored Baptist Foreign Missions conference, and will work among the Vey tribe of negroes in West Central Africa. The five missionaries will sail direct for Monrorra. Mrs. Diggs, wife of Rev. J. J. Diggs, follows in the spring.

Good Chance for a Lynching.

DONALDSONVILLE, Jan. 2.—The most atrocious murder in the annals of this place was perpetrated yesterday. Mrs Boulanger, a wealthy old French resident, was murdered by an unknown tramp, who struck her on the head with some blunt instrument. Robbery was doubtless the incentive for the crime. Mrs. Boulanger had no faith in banks, and it was generally known that she kept her money secreted in the house. The murderer has not yet been arrested.

He Might Accept.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Gov. Oglesby, who arrived here to-day from the East, was asked whether the report from Washington that he was not a candidate for the vacant senatorship was correct. He said it was. Later he admitted that he was not prepared to say what he would do in the event of his friends putting him forward without his consent. In that case he would allow circumstances to shape his course.

New Steel Rail Mill.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 2.—Carnegie Bros. & Company have decided to erect a new steel rail mill at Braddock and work on the structure will be started within thirty days. The new plant will cost upward of a million dollars and will give employment to a large number of men. The company's works will then have a capacity of 400,000 tons of rails per annum, or about one-third of the entire production of the country.

A War On Sabbath Breakers.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 2.—The Law and Order league has inaugurated a war on Sabbath breakers. To-day all the cigar stores, confectioneries and a large number of saloons were closed. The cigar dealers threaten to retaliate by stopping the street cars and closing up all kinds of business on Sunday.

Died of Heart Disease.

The wife of Charles Macdonald, a laborer, living at 408 Second street northeast, Minneapolis, died suddenly before midnight. Coroner Hill investigated the cause and decided heart disease to be the cause of death. The age of the deceased was 64 years.

Killed His Wife.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 2.—Frederick Spaeth, 30 years old, a hatter residing at 66 Carlton street, shot and killed his wife, Josephine, at 6 o'clock this evening, and afterwards dangerously wounded himself with the same revolver.

Bishop Porter Dead.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The Rt. Rev. Horace Porter, bishop of the Prostestant Episcopal church, died at his residence in this city this afternoon. His death was from pneumonia.

IN A QUARTER HOUR.

In the Madras Holocaust 300 Persons Were Swept Into Eternity in Fifteen Minutes.

Fourteen Persons Find a Watery Grave Off Bird's Eye by a Collision of Vessels.

A Great Fire in London--De Freycinet and Ferry to Support Goblet's Ministry.

Gladstone Desires His Colleagues to Watch the Issues and Restore Liberal Unity.

MADRAS, Jan. 2.—The fire in the reserved enclosure at the People's park on Friday lasted only fifteen minutes. It is now ascertained that 300 persons lost their lives, being either burned to death or suffocated, while the number injured is placed at the same figures. The commander-in-chief and the first prince of Tranvancore, who were present, escaped uninjured. Among the victims were two European women and many European children are missing. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

Fourteen Persons Drowned.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The British steamer Dragoman, from Savannah for Liverpool, colided with and sank an unknown vessel off Bird's Eye. Fourteen persons were drowned.

The Loss Enormous.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—A disastrous fire occurred on Wood street, London, affecting the property of twenty-five firms. The damage is enormous. It is impossible to estimate the loss at present.

Churchill's Importance.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The Post, in announcing that Mr. Goschen has agreed to succeed Lord Randolph Churchill in the leadership of the house of commons, expresses the fear that his appointment will lead to the abandonment of the Tory democratic policy, upon which it is necessary to fight the Conservative battle. The Post again urges upon Lord Salisbury the imperative necessity of seeking some means to regain Lord Randolph, even if Mr. Goschen's acceptance be final.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt and Mr. Arnold merely visited Mr. Goschen to-day. It is rumored that the latter was sent by Gladstone to advise Mr. Goschen not to leave the Liberal party. The Marquis of Londonderry, lord lieutenant of Ireland, offers to sell his Irish estates to the tenants. The terms of sale are not mentioned. Lord Temple Moore has offered to sell his estate in Donnegal at twenty years' purchase on a basis of the present rental.

Gladstone Hopeful.

London, Jan. 2.—Mr. Gladstone, writing to wish success to the new Scotch newspaper, says it is difficult to withhold a degree of provisional sympathy from the government. The resignation of Lord Churchill, he continues, is variously attributed to various questions which are of deep interest to the Liberals. The early and serious dislocation of the ministry from within will tend to promote misgivings as to the solidity of its policy, with regard to to which its unity and determination have been so loudly proclaimed. He concludes as follows: "Knowing the firmness of our position, we can watch the issue tranquilly, and, as far as our leading principles will permit, study every opportunity to restore Liberal unity."

Socialists Assaulted.

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—De Peters presided tonight at a noisy meeting, which was held to protest against the action of the majority in the reichstag on the army bill. Three thousand persons were present. A number of socialists disturbed the meeting, dissenting from the loyal sentiments expressed by the speakers. Finally the police entered the hall and a tumult followed. The infuriated people insulted and assaulted the socialists, several of whom were arrested. When quiet was restored, resolutions supporting the government were adopted. Similar meetings were held at Leipsig and other towns.

Portuguese Affairs.

LISBON, Jan. 2.—The cortes was opened to-day. In the speech from the throne the king returned thanks for the reception accorded him by European courts on his recent journey abroad. Portugal's foreign relations were declared to be satisfactory, and the announcement was made of intended reforms in the customs tariff in order to establish the equilibrium of revenues and expenditures.

Enjoyed Himself in America.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—M. Eugene Spuler denies the statement attributed to him that Duc D'Aumale should be allowed to return to France because of his gift of Chantilly. His remarks on that subject, he says, were misunderstood. He also said that he greatly enjoyed his trip to America.

They Still Stick.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The Standard says that the conferences between Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Morley were sanctioned by Gladstone, but have so far resulted in nothing definite. Mr. Chamberlain adheres to his opposition to a Dublin parliament, and neither Gladstone nor his colleagues are willing to abandon or postpone the matter.

The British and Burmese.

MANDALAY, Jan. 2.—The Burmah ruby merchants maintain a friendly attitude toward the British. A proclamation has been issued ordering all the inhabitants to surrender their arms within five days. It is expected that the troops will be compelled to leave the ruby mines in consequence of the scarcity of water and the prevalence of fever.

Valuable Pictures Injured.

ROME, Jan. 2.—A fire occurred to-day in the Odescalchi palace. The Majolica collection and valuable pictures in the palace were seriously injured.

King Humbert, perceiving the flames, hastened to the scene and remained an hour encouraging the firemen.

To Succeed Kaulbars.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 2.—Gen. Gouieff has been appointed to succeed Gen. Kaulbars as military attache to the Russian ambassy at Vienna.

Will Support Goblet.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—The report is confirmed that M. DeFreycinet and M. Ferry have agreed to give a joint support to the Goblet ministry.

Calcutta, Not Canada.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Curters, the def