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STRUCK FOR BACK PAY

Quarrymen at Hinsdale Get on a Drunk and Strike for Back Pay.

They Commit Numerous Outrages, and the Ringleaders Are Arrested.

Manitoba's Premier Resigns, and Mr. Harrison Forms a New Cabinet.

A General Blizzard Over the Northwest--A Wisconsin Riot--Minor Notes.

Special to the Globe.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 27.—The following dispatch, received by Acting President Beck, of the Duluth & Iron Range railroad, at 11 this morning, set the city in a fever of excitement: "The men employed in the quarries have struck for back pay, and have gained possession of the telegraph office. I have now a revolver at each side of my head. They have demanded the money in the safe, and are trying to open it." Here the dispatch suddenly ceased, and for two hours no further particulars could be had from that point. About noon a telegram was received from Tower announcing that more explicit news had been received there, saying that the men were inflamed with liquor and were demolishing buildings, had robbed the safe and committed other outrages, besides

THREATENING THE LIVES OF WOMEN,

and other inhabitants. Later a telegram was received from the same source stating that Deputy Sheriff Free with a posse of twenty armed men had started on a special train for Hinsdale, and asked Sheriff Truelson here to be in readiness to proceed there with additional help if needed. A number of men were secured and held in readiness, but no word was received from the scene of the disturbance. The amount of pay due the men is small, and it is believed the trouble is the outcome of a Christmas drunk. The men employed at the quarries are principally Hungarians and Bohemians.

HINSDALE IS A SMALL STATION

on the Duluth & Iron Range road, with a population of about 250, principally single men, although a number of women live there. There are no licensed saloons, but two blind pigs are said to exist. The principal industry of the place is the granite quarries, and a large number of carloads are shipped to large cities. One Chicago firm has a contract for 600 carloads for a new opera house. Hinsdale is in St. Louis county, seventeen miles east of Tower and seventy seven miles northwest of Duluth.

The official report of Deputy Sheriff Al Free has just been received regarding the alleged riot at Hinsdale. He characterized the affair as

A DRUNKEN ROW

of an aggravated character, in which the operator was threatened with death by the drunken mob, who had swarmed into the depot to get warm. From other sources it is gleaned that Operator Elliott was threatened, as previously stated, and in attempting to send news of the outbreak he was told to leave the key of the instrument alone. He then leaned back in the chair and placing his foot on the key transmitted the message as well as possible with his boot heel. He was not allowed to get out of the chair from 9 a. m. until 1:55 when the sheriff's posse and a special train arrived. During the drunken orgies the laborers succeeded in pushing the stove over and setting fire to the floor of the depot. It was put out by the agent, who ordered the rowdies to leave, but they responded by putting him out. He afterwards gained an entrance, and was forced to remain in the chair as described. Deputy Sheriff Free and posse arrested the ring-leaders and took them to Tower on a special train. The affair was enlarged upon, but would have been serious but for the timely arrival of the officers. Five men were arrested.

NORQUAY RESIGNS,

And Mr. Harrison Forms a New Cabinet.

Special to the Globe.

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 27.—Norquay and La Riviere have resigned and left their offices. Lieut. Gov. Aikens summoned Harrison, who formed the following cabinet, which was sworn in last night: Harrison, premier, minister of agriculture and provincial treasurer; Hamilton, attorney general, Wilson, minister public works and commissioner railways; Joseph Burke, provincial secretary. The latter was only a makeshift appointment till after the session, as the government was afraid to open any English constituency, Burke being a Frenchman. It is believed Harrison will abandon the Red River Valley road. Norquay will, it is said, study and practice law.

THE FESTIVE BLIZZARD.

The Storm Very General---Many Blockades Reported.

IN KANSAS.

EMPORIA, Kan., Dec. 27.—Another blizzard struck this section about 8 o'clock this morning, with the usual accompaniments of wind and snow. Trains from all directions are several hours behind time, and if the storm does not abate will be blockaded before morning.

IN IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Io., Dec. 27.—A heavy storm has raged since midnight. The mercury fell 20° in six hours, and to-night is 10° below zero. All trains are delayed on account of the heavy snow fall.

IN WISCONSIN.

JANESVILLE, Wis., Dec. 27.—A blizzard is now prevailing in this section, snow having fallen steadily since noon. Country roads are drifted and trains both on the Milwaukee & St. Paul and Chicago & Northwestern roads are likely to be completely snowbound before morning.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. Dec. 27.—A blizzard has been raging in the state all day. Half a foot of snow fell, and winds have piled it up in drifts, but no blockades have resulted. Freight trains are delayed, but not seriously, and passenger trains are running as usual. The snowfall was very even throughout the state, and the temperature has fallen nearly to zero.

IN MISSOURI.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 27.—The blizzard which collided with Kansas City to-day seems to be prevalent all over Kansas, portions of Nebraska and Arkansas. The storm center seems to be in the neighborhood of Topeka and is moving in a southwest direction.

CALEDONIA'S BIG BLOW.

Special to the Globe.

CALEDONIA, Minn., Dec. 27.—A severe storm from the northwest commenced this morning and has been increasing in violence all day, with intense cold. The temperature is rapidly falling. The air is filled with blinding snow, which is drifting badly, and all roads will probably be blockaded. The eastbound freight is several hours late. The express will have trouble to-night west of this place.

THE STORM AT WATERTOWN.

Special to the Globe.

WATERTOWN, Dak., Dec. 27.—The mercury had dropped to 20° below zero this morning, and has remained in the lower regions all to-day. To-night it is very cold, with the thermometer still registering lower. Trains on all the roads leading to this city have been greatly delayed. The mails are very irregular.

THE FESTIVE BLIZZARD.

Special to the Globe.

CHATFIELD, Minn., Dec. 27.—The blizzard reached here this morning and has been raging all day, with no signs of a let up this evening. The thermometer has registered from 6° to 10° below zero all day, with the wind in the northwest, and growing colder rapidly. Business was practically suspended on our streets to-day.

SOME TRAINS ABANDONED.

Special to the Globe.

DULUQUE, Dec. 27.—A snow storm has been raging all day, with a high wind nearly the severity of a blizzard. All railroads are snowbound and trains belated several hours. Beyond Fort Dodge all trains are abandoned. All deep cuts on the roads are drifted full, and efforts to dig them out are useless until the wind abates.

THE BLIZZARD IN IOWA.

DUBUQUE, Io., Dec. 27.—There has been a blizzard nearly all day over Northern Iowa. The temperature at Dubuque has rapidly fallen, and will reach zero or below by morning. Trains on the Dubuque & Sioux City road, west of Waterloo, are all stopped, being housed at various stations until the storm blows over.

TWELVE HOURS LATE.

Special to the Globe.

SIOUX CITY, Io., Dec. 27.—The thermometer at noon was at zero and at 9 this evening is 14 deg. below. The weather is clear and bright with a brisk wind. Trains are delayed considerably. The passenger train on the Illinois Central, due at 9 a. m., was over twelve hours late.

THEIR EYES ARE OPEN,

And Minneapolis Cannot Work Her Little Schemes.

Special to the Globe.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 27.—At the chamber of commerce meeting to-day a long communication was read from the Minneapolis board of trade, stating that action prohibiting Canadian roads from drawing traffic from American lines would probably be asked of congress this winter, and requesting Duluth to assist Minneapolis in thwarting such action. In other words, Minneapolis people wish Duluth to assist them in building a business for the Minneapolis, Sault Ste. Marie & Atlantic road, which was built to circumvent this city. The communication was referred to the proper committee. A letter was read from Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Hugh Thompson, stating that he would personally urge before the lighthouse board the advisability of a range of lights and other improvements at Duluth. The matter of the Duluth, Red Wing and Southern survey, from River Falls to Duluth was brought up. It appears that the chamber had for Duluth offered to foot the bill for the survey, from River Falls to this city, costing about $3,500, and that part was now due on the work already done. The chamber fully realized the vast importance of the line, and the bad results of any dereliction in its obligations. Therefore, it was decided to appoint a committee to raise the necessary funds among the citizens. The Duluth, Rainy Lake & Southwestern road matter was also brought up, Chirman Hartley believing that it would be well to investigate the road, projectors and motives before any memorializing of congress should be made. He was inclined to believe, on a casual glance, that the scheme of the road was one destined to hurt Duluth and American lines. The report from W. W. Billson, attorney for the chamber in the matter of statistical tax, claimed that the question of the constitutionality of the act creating a bureau of statistics was an open one, and that Judge Sleeper's decision might possibly be reversed by a higher court. It was, therefore, decided to make the matter the special order for the next meeting. It was moved by Chairman Hartley that R. D. Hubbard be offered a bonus or free site on the condition that he would build at Duluth a flour mill of 1,000 barrels daily capacity. In support of the motion he said in frequent conversation with Hubbard the latter had spoken of Duluth as a flourishing point, and said that could he arrange it would be glad to build a mill here of 800 or 1,000 barrels daily capacity.

A Society Event.

Special to the Globe.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 27.—A brilliant society wedding occurred in this city this evening being the marriage of Elliott Flower, of the Chicago Tribune, to Miss Laura Durlin, eldest daughter of Rev. Fayette Durlin, rector of Grace Episcopal church here. The ceremony was performed at the church at 8 o'clock by Bishop Wells, of the Milwaukee diocese. A reception was afterward held at the home of the bride's parents. The bride received many valuable presents from friends in Chicago and elsewhere. Miss Maud Durlin, sister of the bride, was maid of honor and F. H. Fox, of Chicago, was best man. The bridesmaids were Miss Hattie Bain, of Kenosha; Miss Bessie Ingraham, of St. Louis; Miss Marshall, of Ryson, and Miss Babcock, of Fond du Lac. The groom is at present reporter on the Chicago Tribune and was formerly editor of the Rambler, a defunct society paper. The couple left to-night on a bridal tour previous to settling in Chicago.

Returned to Chicago.

Special to the Globe.

ASHLAND, Wis., Dec. 27.—The celebrated procuress, Maud Cassiday, was taken to Chicago to-night by a Cook county officer. She was returned on a power of attorney from the bondsman, who she left in the lurch, a requisition not being necessary. The woman's husband tried to rescue her from the officer at the train, but was met by a firm resistance. He said his wife was being treated as she had been accused of treating others. Lawyers here advised the officer that a requisition was not necessary.

At a Dollar a Load.

Special to the Globe.

SYKESTON, Dak., Dec. 27.—The coal recently discovered along the line of Sheridan and Wells counties, is proving to be an extensive vein and of the regulation quality, Dakota lignite. The country is quite hilly in that section and expert miners claim that there must be thousands of acres underlaid with coal. It has proven a great boon to the farmers of Western Wells county the present season. Many of them have laid in their winter supply of fuel from these mines. The Ivy Brothers have taken claims at the mines, and, having opened up a vein, are selling coal at the mine at $1 per load.

DRUMMED OUT OF TOWN.

How a Tough Iowan Was Treated by Fellow-Citizens.

Special to the Globe.

DES MOINES, Io., Dec. 27.—Passengers on the Fort Dodge train, coming down from Ruthven to-day, were surprised to hear sounds of festivity at the usually quiet station of Gilmore. Looking out of the window their eyes rested upon a unique procession approaching the station. At its head walked a hard-looking individual of about fifty years, and by his side was a rather fresh-looking, black-eyed young woman of about twenty, who was not the least embarrassed by her rather unusual situation. Behind them was a band, composed of a bass drum, three strings of sleighbells, one tin waiter, a piece of sheet iron, one dinner bell and a horn. The passengers at first supposed that this rather frowzy old fellow had married the pretty girl, and that the parade was a charivari, but inquiry developed the fact that the girl was a fallen woman from Des Moines, who had come to live with the man while his wife was absent from home; that she had come there at his solicitation, and that the indignant citizens were drumming them out of the town. The man appeared heartily ashamed of himself. He took refuge in a corn crib, but was put on board the train and sent to Fort Dodge. If he returns they say they will tar and feather him. The girl was as unconcerned as a bronze statue.

COUNTERFEITERS ARRESTED.

Two Men and a Woman Arrested for Manufacturing Spurious Coins.

Special to the Globe.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 27.—About 2 o'clock this morning James McKenzie, L. H. Hill and a colored woman named Leatha France were arrested in this city on a charge of counterfeiting. On the persons of the prisoners were found five spurious half dollars. They were to have been arraigned in the police court, but the government claimed the offenders and they were taken before the federal court. Failing to furnish bonds they were sent to jail to await a hearing. Upon examing the house occupied by the trio, plaster of paris moulds, scraps of tin, lead and copper, nine half finished coins and several bottles containing acids of different kinds, were found. Both of the men are from Sioux City, and are well known by the police here as old timers in crime. Hills has been out of the penitentiary only four months, and has been living with the colored woman. McKenzie has been arrested several times in this city as a suspicious character, and has already served a term in the penitentiary for passing counterfeit money.

A Prominent Man's Funeral.

Special to the Globe.

HASTINGS, Minn., Dec. 27.—The late Michael Heinen was an old memoer of St. Boniface society, of the Teutonia society, of Hope Hook and Ladder company, and was the president of the latter. They all turned out to the funeral, which took place from St. Boniface church this forenoon, the procession being headed by the Cornet band. The attendance was very large, many present being from St. Paul and outside of town. He was insured $2,000 in the Bankers', St. Paul, and $1,000 in the St. Boniface. Deceased was born in Rein province, Germany, Oct. 28, 1846, and came to this country in 1855, settling in the town of Reserve, Ramsey county. Removed to Vermilion in 1863, where he served as town clerk and was county auditor eight years. Since the expiration of his four terms he has been county register of deeds, and was a very capable and accommodating officer. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Schwartz Nov. 24, 1871, who, with seven children, are left to mourn the loss of a kind husband and parent. The deceased was respected by all who knew him.

Iowa Teachers' Association.

Special to the Globe.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Io., Dec. 27.—The forty-first annual convention of the State Teachers' association began tonight with the address of the president, L. T. Weld, of Nevada, who discussed school government and morality. The educational council met to-day and adopted the township as the unit of the school system, resolving to do away with the independent school districts. President King, of Cornell college, President Shaffer, of the State university, State Superintendent Akers, Prof. Sabin, superintendent elect, and other prominent educators are present. The Western Penman's association met to-day with 150 present. A stormy discussion on methods occupied the entire day.

Leap Year Reception.

Special to the Globe.

MANKATO, Minn., Dec. 27.—Active preparations are making for a leap year reception, to be given by the leading young men of this city on Monday evening, Jan. 2. A meeting was held at the parlors of the Mankato house this evening, about 150 invitations having been issued during the day. Messrs. L. P. Hunt, D. F. McGraw and D. L. Rose were appointed a committee of arrangements, Messrs. C. D. Taylor, B. T. Hutchinson and George E. Brett a committee on banquet, and Messrs. Isidore Longini and M. S. Knapp a committee on music.

A Dubuque Failure.

Special to the Globe.

DUBUQUE, Io., Dec. 27.—J. B. Schier, dealer in dry goods and fancy notions, is financially embarrassed, and made an assignment on Monday to A. W. Hosford. A rough figuring of the liabilities places the amount at $9,000, assets $7,000. Attachments were levied on the stock to-day, a day too late. Among the heaviest creditors are the First National bank of this city for $2,500; Reider, Wattes & Co., $450, and Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co., Chicago, for $1,500.

Has Resigned.

Special to the Globe.

EAU CLAIRE, Wis., Dec. 27.—George V. Jennings, special pension examiner for the Northwestern Wisconsin district, has resigned and leaves for the East to-morrow night. He will remain East a short time and then locate in Minneapolis in the practice of law. He is succeeded by J. T. Donahoe.

Postoffice Robber Arrested.

Special to the Globe.

BLUE EARTH CITY, Minn., Dec. 27.—Clausen Sands, of Bancroft, Io., was arrested yesterday in Blue Earth City for robbing the postoffice at the former place. In the custody of the United States marshal of Fort Dodge, John Holbrook, he spent the night at the Constance house, and took the train for Fort Dodge this morning.

ALBERT LEA.

The Year's Record a Good One, and Better Anticipated.

Special to the Globe.

ALBERT LEA, Minn., Dec. 27.—The building improvements of this city for the past year amount to $114,285. There has been no boom, and the growth has, therefore, been only such as was demanded and healthy. The showing is entirely satisfactory, but it does not half equal that which 1888 will make. With the completion of the court house, the erection of the Lutheran high school and an additional college building, with the building of a steam flouring mill and the building of a proposed steam grist mill, with the coming of the Duluth, Red Wing & Southern railway and its accompanying improvements, with the introduction of a system of water works and the erection of severable brick blocks already in contemplatton, besides the usual complement of dwellings, it can easily be estimated that next year is to be the big one in the history of Albert Lea, and one that will overtop the record ever made by any of her neighbors. The Freeborn County Natural Gas Mining company held a meeting to-day, and besides transacting some routine business, decided to provide the necessary means to drill a large bore well in the gas regions to a depth of 1,000 feet or more as early in the spring as possible. The largest flow of genuine natural gas known of in the Northwest has certainly been developed here, as can be demonstrated, and the fact is pregnant with important possibilities.

A WISCONSIN RIOT.

One Man Killed and a Constable Dangerously Injured.

Special to the Globe.

ASHLAND, Wis., Dec. 27.—In a riot at Highbridge, a small station on the Wisconsin Central road, this afternoon, Constable H. R. McPhale shot and killed Peter Collins, who had, with a number of others, assaulted him. He was driven into the depot by the mob, when he turned and fired. McPhale was then horribly mutilated by the mob, and left for dead. The station agent telegraphed to Ashland, and a special train with Chief Schwartz, Under Sheriff Bolton and three deputies was dispatched to the scene of the disturbance. They captured J. Cooney, James Duffy, James McPharland, Mike Whelan, William Coyle, Thomas Wilson and James Bonner. Whelan is said to have kicked McPhale in the face several times after he had become insensible. The wounded man and the corpse were brought here to-night. The prisoners were locked up in the county jail.

GOT HIS GIRL.

Pluck and Perseverance Enable a Dakota Youth to Gain a Wife.

Special to the Globe.

WATERTOWN, Dak., Dec. 27.—William Boyo, a young man of twenty, lives in Grant county, and Ethel Fuller, a pretty little school miss of seventeen summers, resides in this city. The young folk had met and loved, and now desired to enter the married state during the holiday season. The parents on both sides objected. Still the lovers were bound to enter matrimony. He came to town, got his lady love and repaired to a hotel and registered as man and wife and proceeded to get the knot tied. They were discovered at the hotel by friends of the families. All of the ministers and judicial officers in the city were served with notice not to perform the ceremony. The city marshal was employed to prevent the marriage, but the bridegroom visited his intended mother-in-law and labored with her until nearly midnight, when her consent was obtained and the marriage proceeded in due form. Reconciliation and a welcome home were now in order and the children are united.

A Supposed Suicide.

Special to the Globe.

ALBERT LEA, Minn., Dec. 27.—News has been received here that the lifeless body of O. C. Dibble, formerly a citizen of this city for several years, was found in the Columbia river at Portland, Ore., on the 22d. He was a victim of intemperance. His wife, being unable to live with him, had separated from him, and it is thought he committed suicide. He used to live at Preston, Fillmore county, and when residing here was part of the time deputy register of deeds, and for a term master of the Masonic lodge. At the time of his death he was employed in the law and land office of Jones & Merrich, of Portland, formerly of Austin.

Not Much Damage.

Special to the Globe.

HASTINGS, Dec. 27.—Last evening, at Farmington, a collision occurred between the St. Louis train on the Iowa & Minnesota division and the Hastings & Dakota passenger coming east, while the latter was taking coal on the main track. Both engines were more or less damaged. Conductor Dell Cook, of the Hastings & Dakota, received a gash in the head and other injuries by being thrown onto a seat. The mail agent, G. C. Schrimpf, received slight bruises and a pretty lively "shaking up." The engineer, it is said, of the St. Louis limited claimed that the smoke prevented his seeing the headlight.

A Popular Couple Married.

Special to the Globe.

WINONA, Dec. 27.—The marriage of Louis Marion and Miss Clara Nichols took place at the residence of O. D. Nichols, this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Rev. Levi Gilbert, of the Central Methodist church, performing the ceremony. Only a few intimate friends witnessed the ceremony. Mr. Marion is well known as the superintendent of the Winona City Street Railway company. The bride has been a popular teacher in the public schools. Mr. and Mrs. Marion will spend their honeymoon in St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Residence Burned.

Special to the Globe.

BELOIT, Wis., Dec. 27.—The large residence of George A. Chency, in this city, was destroyed by fire early this morning. The house contained a large quantity of furniture, and nearly everything was destroyed, as the family were absent. The loss will be more than $4,000; insurance $2,000.

Expressed His Sorrow.

ROME, Dec. 27.—The pope, in receiving to-day sixty delegates from the former pontifical army, headed by Gens. Kanzler and Charette, expressed sorrow at being deprived of his army, but this affliction, he said, was softened by the hope that the day was near when he would again be enabled to have his devoted soldiers around him. Upon receiving from the delegates the gift of a jeweled inkstand and pen, he said that he would use them on the day on which he signed a decree for the reorganization of the army. The pope to-day entrusted the Duke of Norfolk with an autograph letter to Queen Victoria. The duke started immediately for England to deliver the letter.

ATKINS MAY RESIGN.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs Said to Be Sick of His Job.

Richard P. Hammond Pretty Certain Mr. Sparks' Shoes Will Fit Him.

Cox Objects to Taking Fifth Place on the Ways and Means Committee.

Programme of the Tariff Fight in the House of Representatives This Session.

Special to the Globe.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The resignation of Hon. J. D. C. Atkins, commissioner of Indian affairs, is likely to be tendered soon after the holidays. Mr. Atkins, like the late Secretary Folger, is a nervous, active, scrupulously honest man, and overworks himself by looking into the minute details of all the affairs of his office. As a friend says: "Atkins wants to be chief of the division, messenger, elevator man and commissioner. He does not leave work enough to others. He scrutinizes thousands of papers which other men would leave to subordinates." Hence, he is worried and wearied by official cares. For the past two months he has often told his friends that he will not remain in office much longer. The recent death of his wife has greatly embarrassed and deflected his mind from its former placidity. Atkins wants relief from the imprisonment of office so that he may return to his Tennessee home. Moreover it is believed that he wants to return to congress from his old district becaue a legislative suits him better than an executive life. It is not true that he dislikes Vilas, as has been suggested. He has on many occasions hitherto, and long before Vilas' name was mentioned for the interior department, spoken in a most laudatory and friendly manner of the postmaster general and his business-like administration. His retirement will be a great loss to the interior department. Assistant Commissioner Upshaw would be likely to succeed him.

WANTS SPARKS' SHOES.

Richard P. Hammond, surveyor general of California, and a citizen of that state, has filed an application for the position of commissioner general of the land office, vice Sparks. He has received leave of absence with permission to come to Washington, and has had assurances that Sparks' place will not be filled until he is seen and heard. His candidacy is urged by the Democrats of the entire Pacific slope. Zach Montgomery, assistant attorney general of the interior department, will soon be relieved of that position and appointed United States district attorney for the northern district of California. This would leave only Gen. Rosecrans, register of the treasury, as California's contingent in this administration. Mr. Hammond has large and varied acquaintance with land interests, and his state has a right to ask recognition. President Cleveland knows and likes him. His leave of absence is granted on the ground that he is a candidate and wants to personally present his case. Circumstances conspire to indicate that the leave is granted by the approval of the president because his case is already favorably considered.

COL. PLATT WALKER

is an applicant for a position in the executive department and is likely to get something of value. Mr. Rice will not yet say what position is vacant, nor give particulars, but does not deny that there is something for Walker in sight.

PERSONAL NOTES.

The wife of Congressman MacDonald has been in comparatively poor health for the past two weeks. While not alarmingly nor seriously ill, she is so indisposed as to be unable to attend to her social calls and receptions for some days. She was so improved as to be able to be out this afternoon.

Mrs. Vilas is still quite ill. She was better to-day and seemed to enjoy freedom from pain. However, her health is such as to make the contemplated change of scene and air from Washington to Madison.

Miss Cynthia Cleveland will publish a sequel to her famous See Saw, and it is eagerly looked for in the departments here. It is hinted that people of the Northwest will be even more interested than in her former effort.

Delegate Toole, of Montana, and Dubois, of Idaho, are spending a few days together in New York, expecting to return here Monday next.

Judge and Mrs. Moody dined with Senator Hearst's family. They were the distinguished guests of the occasion. Judge Moody and his wife are exceedingly agreeable and entertaining people in society.

The millionaire philanthropist, W. W. Corcoran, whose eighty-ninth birthday is celebrated to-day, is a large real estate owner in Duluth, Superior City and elsewhere in the Northwest. He purchased lands on Lake Superior in 1857, together with Senator Beck, Breckenridge and other gentlemen of that day.

Harvey L. Wilson, of Bismarck, is at the National, and Henry C. Wood, of St. Paul, is at the Riggs.

Hon. John J. Kleiner returned to-day from New York, and is at the National, where he was visited to-night by King, Pettigrew and Moody to confer concerning the Dawes bill. Kleiner declines to consider or discuss any other Dakota matters.

MR. COX KICKS.

He Objects to Being Placed Fifth On the Ways and Means Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The Baltimore Sun's Washington special this morning says of the make-up of the ways and means committee of the house: It is learned that the assignments of the ways and means committee were completed by Speaker Carlisle before the recess. The reason given for the failure to announce the personnel of the committee is that Mr. Cox objected to taking fifth place. The speaker was induced to give Mr. Cox a place on the committee by a New York delegation of prominent business men, who came here to urge that one of its members should be a New Yorker. Mr. Cox was made the first of the new men appointed, but it seems that he desired second place. This, of course, could not be granted without ignoring the old members. The committee as made up is as follows: Mills, McMillan, Clifton, Breckenridge, W. C. Breckenridge, S. S. Cox, W. D. Bynum, Turner, W. L. Wilson, W. D. Kelley, Thomas Brown, Thomas B. Reed, McKinley and Thomas Ryan. Ryan, who takes Hiscock's place, is the only new Republican member. It is positively stated that Mr. Hillman will be taken off the appropriation committee and given the chairmanship of the committee on public lands. Representative Dick Townsend is to have the chairmanship of the military committee. It is said to be certain that Mr. Randall will again head the appropriation committee. It is not generally known that the sole reason why the house committees were not announced before the holiday adjournment was because of the persistent and obstrusive importunities addressed to the speaker by or in behalf of members who, to satisfy their own vanity, or to compass some selfish end, were desirous of going upon certain committees. Probably one-half the senators, to please their colleagues in the house, made personal appeals to the speaker for them.

THE TARIFF FIGHT.

Programme Mapped Out and Everything Ready.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The Star this evening, commenting on the probable tariff fight in the house this winter, says: It is probably as certain as anything in the future can be that a tariff bill will pass the house this session. There will be a fight. It will begin almost as soon as the holiday recess is over. The plan of campaign adopted at Oakview will be carried out. It consists of a series of sharp battles and retreats. The majority of the Democrats will start out to get as much tariff reduction and as little protection as they can. But they are prepared to retreat sooner than take a defeat. Whenever they find that they cannot get what they would like, they will compromise, taking the best they can get. They will follow this plan throughout. Compromising as to every detail until they have secured a bill that can pass the house, while starting out with the avowal of antagonism to protection as a principle, and maintaining that position to the last, they will go so far in the concessions probably as to accept a bill for which Mr. Randall and his followers can vote without doing violence to their protection theories. Yet it is expected to get a bill that will make a considerable reduction in the revenue. The proposition going into the committee will be for pretty stiff-backed tariff reform without any recognition of protection principles.

ITS MANAGEMENT,

it is understood, will be directed by Mr. Carlisle as much as if he were the chairman of the ways and means committee. The committee go into their work with their course already marked out for them. Mr. Gay will go on the committee to represent Mr. Randall, unless the speaker changes his mind, and the two factions of the party will probably come to an understanding of what is to be done before they get into the house. The bill will be taken up item by item, and an agreement or compromise reached at each step. Probably no one reduction will be made just as at first proposed, but each item will probably remain in the bill in a modified form. A great effort will be made to consider the matter dispassionately, and not to insist upon anything that would cause a serious disagreement. Mr. Carlisle and Mr. Randall have talked the matter over very carefully, and they both expect that an agreement will be reached, and that they can pass over their differences of opinion without remark. The bill will certainly not be all that is desired, but the president and the majority of his party can truthfully assert that they have tried to go further, and that they have done the best they could. The important point will be that the revenue will be reduced; as to the surplus that is already in the treasury, it will be the administration policy to let it stay as a bank account against necessary demands, and as long as it is not growing larger it will not be dangerous. The chances are, however, that both houses of congress will pass a bill making pretty heavy demands on it. The

BLAIR EDUCATIONAL BILL

is almost certain to pass through both branches of congress and be sent to the president. It was defeated in the last congress through being smothered in the committee and buried in the calendar. This plan can hardly succeed again. It is almost sure to pass. It is about as certain of being vetoed by the president. The president has intimated as much quite broadly, and some who ought to know his views on the subject declare that the bill cannot get his signature. The chances for a large expenditure for fortifications are not promising. The appropriations will be kept as low as possible in all branches.

FOREIGN PRODUCTION.

United States Ministers' Reports of Production at Their Various Stations

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Consul Baker, in a report to the department of state in regard to the wool production of the Argentine Republic, says that the amount of fine wools shipped from there to the United States annually is becoming less. The cause of this, he says, is in great part due to the fact that the United States tariff unintentionally but very unjustly discriminates against such wools from the Agentine Republic in favor of those from Australia, New Zealand, etc.; our system of computing the duties making no allowance whatever for the fact that the dirt and grease in the wools of the Argentine Republic is fully 70 per cent greater than those of the former countries; this excess of dirt and grease being required to pay the full tariff rates for wool. The only wools from the Argentine Republic which it is now possible to ship under our tariff are the "Criolla," or long carpet wools of the province of Cordoba, which are shipped from Rosario, and which amount to about 10,000,000 pounds annually. Consul J. Schoenhof, at Tanstall, England, in his report to the department of state upon the economic conditions of Ireland, treats upon the linen, hosiery and lace manufactures of that country. He finds that the earnings of the people employed in the linen mills in Ulster are far below those of any class employed in the textile branches in England. Mill regulations and working time of course are the same for the whole kingdom. Flax-breakers, men who have to do very exhausting work, earn from 15s to 20s per week; hacklers, from 18s to 23s per week; spinners and girls, from 8s to 10s, half-timers, boys 5s, girls 4s, and weavers, mostly women, tending two looms, from 12s to 15s. Damask weavers, however, the consul says, earn a few more shillings per week. In this connection, the consul reports, that the linen trade suffers from depression. This is partly due to the fact that not so much linen is used, owing to the great cheapening in cotton manufacturing, as was the case in former times, and partly also because the use of brown linen for ladies' dresses has ceased through the change of fashion, but principally through the geat reaction following the immense expansions in the wake of the American war and the cotton famine consequent thereto. In regard to the

WOOLEN INDUSTRIES,

the consul notes the following current wages: For men, from 12s to 14s. The latter figure is about the limit of the best man. Spinner girls, 8s to 10s; children, 5s to 6s, and weavers from 10s to 12s. The mill employing about 750 hands pays out about £400 per week in wages. The consul says that with the advantages of cheap labor and great eagerness for finding opportunities to work all over Ireland, with an intelligent population, quick to take up and learn all the manipulations to which they are set, with the excellent quality of the wool which the Irish sheep produce, one should expect to find quite a flourishing industry there. But there are no more than half-a-dozen prosperous mills in Ireland, employing in all but a few thousand hands, and a great many mills closed up for want of orders. With reference to the

HOSIERY MANUFACTURES,

the consul states that girls and embroiderers earn from 7 shillings to 8 shillings per week--a neat and nice employment. It is difficult, however, to keep them at home when they have become practical and are well trained to the work, as they are very quick at leaving and going where they can earn 12 shillings per week.

Edmund Jussen, consul-general at Vienna, has transmitted to the department of state certain data gathered from the reports of the international seed and grain convention recently held in that city relative to the condition of

EUROPEAN CEREAL CROPS.

In Austria-Hungary the yield of wheat for the year 1887 is estimated at 177,000 000 bushels, an increase of nearly 25 per cent over the average yield of that country, while 125,000,000 bushels is the estimated yield of rye—also a considerable increase. The crop of oats, however, is hardly sufficient to cover the home demand. In Russia rye has yielded an average crop, barley is of excellent quality, but the crop of oats is poor and the prospect of potatoes not very promising. In the Scandinavian countries the average amount of wheat is produced, but rye and oats fall far below the average. The wheat crop of Italy is poor, and the import demand of the country for the cereal will amount to about 30,000,000 bushel. The corn crop is above the average, and the country will have a surplus for export. The wheat crops of Switzerland and Holland are above the average, while that of Northern Russia is below. The wheat crop of France is large, but a considerable quantity of wheat must be imported to meet the home demand, as the quantity in store is very limited. In Great Britain and Ireland an average wheat crop is expected. The total yield is estimated at from 9,500,000 to 10,000,000 quarters, so that after deducting the seed, 8,500,000 to 9,000,000 will be left for home consumption, and the importation of from 16,500,000 to 17,000,000 quarters will be required. The English wheat in store is believed to be

VERY NEARLY EXHAUSTED,

and the foreign wheat in store in England quite limited. Barley will yield 10 per cent less than the usual average, oats 15 per cent less and beans and peas from 40 to 50 per cent less. Potatoes are healthy but the crop will be small. In British India the yield of wheat for 1887 is estimated at 6,390,695 tons. From Jan. 1 to June 30, 1887, British India exported to Europe 9,679,518 hundred weight of wheat. The exportation of certain qualities of hops from Europe to the United States has increased to a considerable extent. The increase from Austria-Hungary alone during the year 1886 over the previous year amounted in declared value to $66,257. The total amount of hops exported from Austria-Hungary to the United States in 1886 amounted in declared value alone to $188,915.

Suggested by the Pope.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The Post tomorrow will print the following with reference to the president's gift to the pope: "It is learned from an official source that President Cleveland's gift of a copy of the constitution of the United States to Pope Leo XIII., on the occasion of the golden jubilee of his ordination as a priest, was suggested indirectly by the holy father himself. When Cardinal Gibbons returned from Rome last summer he brought a very cordial and congratulatory message to President Cleveland from the pope on the success of his administration and well wishes for him personally. The pope, in his interview with Cardinal Gibbons, expressed much satisfaction with our constitution, and great interest in its operation. This suggested to the president the character of the gift. No letter was sent with it, but on the fly-leaf, in the president's hand writing, is the inscription presenting the book to the pope on the fiftieth anniversary of his entrance into the priesthood."

Seeking to Annul the Marriage.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The parents of Miss Bessie J. Hillyer, who was engaged to be married to Comptroller Trenholm's son, and who eloped to Baltimore and married G. G. Bulkley, have instituted proceedings in the courts here to have the marriage annulled, the grounds alleged are undue influence, and that the contracting parties were under age and could not legally be married without the parents' consent under the laws of Maryland. If the proceedings are successful, the effect will be to cast doubt upon the legality of many marriages here and in Maryland contracted under like circumstances.

Sherman Fears Defeat.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 27.—In reply to a communication from the Buckeye club, of this city, protesting against the confirmation of L. Q. C. Lamar as associate justice of the United States supreme court, Senator Sherman in a letter says: "I take the same view of the nomination of Mr. Lamar as is stated by your Republican Buckeye club. You may be sure I will do all I can to prevent the confirmation. I regret to say, however, that I fear my efforts will be unsuccessful."

New Year's Reception.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—In view of conflicting reports about the matter, it is authoritatively announced to-day that the New Year's reception at the executive mansion will be held in accordance with the announced programme, and that Secretary Bayard's diplomatic breakfast and other social events of that day will be deferred on account of the death of Secretary Manning.

Maxwell Becomes a Catholic.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from St. Louis says: Hugh M. Brooks, alias Maxwell, the young Englishman under sentence of death for murdering Arthur Preller, has embraced the Catholic faith. Last year the Catholics were given permission to celebrate Christmas mass in the jail annually. At the service yesterday fifty prisoners knelt to partake of communion, and the first to receive the consecrated water was Maxwell. It was administered by Rev. Father Tihen, of St. John's church, the celebrant who has been Maxwell's instructor in the belief of the church.

The Pure Stuff.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The substance of professional opinions of experts who have, during the past two days, examined the gas in the water supply shop of the Cook Brewing company is that the gas is from nature's reservoir. Among those who have examined it is T. B. Winans, who is engaged in the natural gas business in Pennsylvania. He will make another and more thorough investigation, and upon his opinion it is stated Mr. Cook will act. Should it be favorable, work will be commenced without delay for the purpose of securing the gas for commercial purposes.

KING JOHN ADVANCING

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Mr. Gladstone Says the Cause of Ireland Will Certainly Be Triumphant.

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