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TOWNE IN MINNEAPOLIS.

Criticises Cleveland's Attitude Regarding Cuba.

Congressman Charles A. Towne, of Duluth, was in this city a few hours yesterday, en route home for the Christmas season. Aside from picking up a few gifts for his children, his sole business was to meet and confer with the faithful of Minneapolis upon the issue and plans of the campaign of education. The practical feature of the work in the Northwest, in the opinion of many of the silverite leaders, is the maintenance of their free silver organ, the Penny Press, and a meeting was held at the office of that paper to draw up and sign articles of a new corporation which is to put the institution upon its feet. About twenty-five of the leading silver men have signed the articles of incorporation and subscribed to the stock of the new corporation, which is to take the place of so many predecessors. Among these Congressman Towne is willing to be a private in the ranks, but he will not be a general. He will not abandon his profession for the editor's tripod.

On national topics Mr. Towne said:

"The attitude of the president and Secretary Olney on the Cuban question, or rather their attitude upon the power of the executive to nullify and defeat the will of a two-thirds majority of congress in acknowledging the belligerency of the Cubans, is the most sensational event in the constitutional evolution which has characterized Cleveland's administration. It is more far-reaching in its aggression than his attitude upon the use of troops at his own sweet will, as manifested in the Chicago strike, and there is no president since Washington who has done more to build up the monarchial idea of the presidential office than this nominal follower of Thomas Jefferson."

Upon the conventional topics of discussion Mr. Towne said little or nothing. He believes Dingley will be made secretary of the treasury. The reason for this appointment is that Reed must be brought into line and support the McKinley administration.

Mr. Towne will spend a few days in Duluth and will then finish up his holiday vacation by a visit to his old home in Michigan.

HIS HOMESTEAD SAFE.

Judge Belden Makes Matthew Walsh a Christmas Present.

Judge Belden has field his decision in the case of Stephen Mahoney, as assignee of the Irish-American Bank vs. Matthew Walsh and Anna S. Walsh, his wife. Judge Mahoney, as assignee of the bank, brought a suit against Mr. and Mrs. Walsh to foreclose an $8,000 mortgage upon the homestead of the defendants, which he claimed was part of the assets of the insolvent bank. It appears that in 1890 Mr. Walsh gave to County Commissioner M. W. Nash a mortgage upon the homestead for $8,000. This mortgage was afterwards assigned by Nash to one Graham, and then to the bank.

The court finds that Mr. Walsh never obtained any money from Mr. Nash, but that Nash signed the Walsh notes in the bank to the amount of $8,000. Mr. Walsh claimed that the mortgage was given as a security to indemnify Mr. Nash against any liability that might arise by reason of signing his paper. Mrs. Walsh interposes the claim that she knew nothing about the transaction, and that as to her the mortgage was void. There was some conflict in the testimony, the bank contending that the mortgage was given as a direct security for the loan, but that Nash held the mortgage for the bank as a matter of convenience. At the trial Judge Mahoney was assisted by Messrs. Brooks & Hendrix, and the defendants were represented by Henry J. Gjertsen. Judge Belden, in his decision, finds in favor of the defendants, and that the mortgage is not a lien upon the homestead.

Mr. Walsh was in business several years ago, and owed the Irish-American bank considerable money, but in 1895 he turned over all his property to the bank, save and except the homestead. The Walsh family have lived on this property for almost a quarter of a century, and the possibility of losing it through the litigation has caused defendants and their numerous friends considerable anxiety, and the decision, no doubt, will be considered as the most valuable Christmas present which could come to the defendants.

Christmas at the West.

More than half a hundred little people were given a happy taste of Christmas last evening at the West hotel, where Miss West entertained fifty-three children of the house employes and small charges from the Villa Maria academy in Frontenac. The pleasant custom was inaugurated last year, and a larger company made merry last night, trooping through the corridors with merry shouts and crowding into the ladies' ordinary, where a towering Christmas tree was loaded with gifts. Miss West was assisted in her duties of entertaining by Mrs. G. W. Porter, Mrs. Shepherd and others, although the children needed no other entertainment than was provided in the Christmas merrymaking.

Minnie's Wild Man Captured.

The aged colored man, who for several weeks past has been living the life of a hermit in the vicinity of Cedar lake, near the Sixth avenue road, was brought to the city yesterday afternoon by two farmers, and turned over to the police of the North Side station. The man's wearing apparel, when found, consisted solely of a pair of trousers. He is evidently in a demented condition, and the police have been trying to capture him ever since he was discovered a week or so ago. He managed to evade capture until this afternoon, when the farmers discovered him and brought him to the city.

He has been living on corn and refuse from a slaughter house.

Officers of Foresters.

Court Minneapolis No. 2, Foresters of America, held their semi-annual election of officers last evening at their hall, 705 Nicollet avenue, as follows: O. R., C. F. Crew; S. O. R., J. C. Johnson; recording secretary, Max Kohen; financial secretary, George Cuscuil; treasurer, B. W. Rhodes; Sr. W., J. S. Harris; Jr. W., Joseph Gibson; Sr. B., D. Feeny; Jr. B., J. A. Hesket; Jr. P. O. R., E. M. Southerland; trustees, Thomas Craig, H. H. Slater, E. Engley; court physician, Dr. A. A. Coates; court druggist, R. H. Lane.

Early Athletic Meet.

The annual meeting of the State Interscholastic Athletic Association was held Wednesday afternoon at the Nicollet house. It was voted to hold the regular spring meeting at an earlier date than usual in order to give the candidates for the team time to get ready for the Chicago meeting. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Charles Shepley, South Side high school; vice president, Harry Westin, Central; secretary, F. S. Bunnell, Minneapolis academy; treasurer, Burt Cooley, East side.

Minnie's Sub-Station Held Up.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—There is such controversy over the selection of a new postal sub-station in Minneapolis that Gen. Jones, of the postoffice department, has decided to send a special inspector to look over the field. One or two reports from Inspector Wood, of St. Paul, have been received, but it is evident that his recommendations will not be acted upon. The department is inclined to locate the station at the old Clifton house on grounds of economy, but Gen. Jones is anxious to accommodate the public, and, hence, will send a special agent.

Presentation at Pillsbury A.

At the noon recess yesterday a large meeting of the packing force and flour loaders of the Pillsbury mill was held in the sack house for the purpose of presenting Mr. G. B. Townsend, the popular bookkeeper, with a substantial token of their esteem and regard. The presents consisted of a couch and a massive gold pen of the fountain pattern. B. W. Rhodes called the meeting to order and Michael Kavanagh took the floor and made the presentation speech in his happiest mood. Mr. Townsend replied in a warm manner.

Central High Orators.

At the Central high school Wednesday the preliminary contest was held to select Central's representatives in the debate with the Duluth high school to occur April 15. There were fourteen contestants, the winners being Miss Day, Withstrand and Anderson, all of the senior class. Rev. J. J. Faude, Rev. W. W. Dawley and Mr. Cooper, of the state university, acted as judges.

ONE ALDERMAN IN IT

AT LAST THE GRAND JURY NET MAKES A HAUL FROM THE MURKY POOL.

DURNAM PUT UNDER BAIL.

CHARGED WITH SOLICITING A BRIBE OF $10,000 ON RESERVOIR CONTRACT.

HANEY MAKING A HARD FIGHT.

His Case Heard in Court at Bloomington—He Will Seek Habeas Corpus.

At last the grand jury investigation of crookedness among the city officials is beginning to bear fruit.

George A. Durnam, alderman from the Third ward, was arraigned yesterday before Judge Pond, on an indictment, charging an offer to accept a bribe of $10,000 from Halvorsen, Richards & Co., for which he agreed to lend his aid toward getting through a huge reservoir contract.

When Durnam appeared in court he stepped before the bar and listened intently to the reading of the following indictment, by R. C. Royce, in whose custody it had been since the report to the grand jury:

The District Court of the Fourth Judicial District, County of Hennepin and State of Minnesota. The State of Minnesota against George A. Durnam—Indictment.

George A. Durnam is accused by the grand jury of the county of Hennepin, in the state of Minnesota, by this indictment, of the crime of asking for a bribe, committed as follows:

The said George A. Durnam, on the second day of May, A. D. 1895, at the city of Minneapolis, in the said Hennepin county, then and there being a duly elected, qualified and acting member of the city council of said city of Minneapolis, to wit: An alderman duly elected and returned from the Third ward of the said city, and then and there executing the functions of a public office, said city of Minneapolis then and there being a municipal corporation, duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Minnesota and situated in said Hennepin county, did willfully, unlawfully, wrongfully, corruptly and feloniously ask for a bribe, to wit: The sum of $10,000 good and lawful money of the United States of America, and of the value of $10,000, from Halvorson, Richards & Co., being then and there a copartnership, composed of Halvor K. Halvorson, Charles Richards and William Lundin, doing business under the firm name and style of Halvorson, Richards & Co., upon the understanding and agreement that his, the said George A. Durnam's official vote and action as a member of said city council as aforesaid, should be influenced thereby in the following manner, to wit:

In favor of the acceptance by the said city council of a certain bid theretofore duly submitted and proposed by the said Halvorson, Richards & Co. to said city council for the construction of a reservoir and boulevard by the said city of Minneapolis in said city; said bid having heretofore been duly submitted by the said Halvorson, Richards & Co., and having been opened and submitted to said city council on the 13th day of April, 1895, a more particular description of said bid being to the grand jury unknown, and the grand jurors do further say on their oaths that at the times andplaces above mentioned the said city of Minneapolis by and through its city council aforesaid, was constructing a reservoir and boulevard, and prior to said 13th day of April, 1895, said city council had advertised for bids and proposals for the construction thereof, and that said bid of Halvorson, Richards & Co. was submitted to said city council pursuant to said advertisement; that said city council at the times and place above mentioned had full power and authority by virtue of the power vested in them by the laws of the state of Minnesota and said city to construct said reservoir and boulevard and advertise for proposals for the construction thereof, and to accept or reject proposals for the construction of said reservoir and boulevard, and that said reservoir and boulevard being then and there under the supervision, control, care and authority of the said city council, and the said city council having then and there full power and authority in the premises to reject or accept the said bid of said Halvorson, Richards & Co. for the construction of said reservoir and boulevard by the votes and acts of the members of the said city council, and he, George A. Durnam, as said alderman and said member of said city council, being entitled to act in said matter and said official proceedings, and being entitled to vote in said city council upon said matter and proceeding, and having full knowledge of the bid of said Halvorson, Richards & Company, and the amount thereof and of his duties and powers in the premises and the acceptance or rejection of said bid of Halvorson, Richards & Company being then and there dependent upon the action of said city council.

Contrary to the statute in such cases made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the state of Minnesota.

Dated in Minneapolis, in said Hennepin county, this 18th day of December, 1896.

Names of witnesses examined before the grand jury, Halvor K. Halvorson, Charles H. Richards, Samuel E. Adams, Frederick C. Harvey, Frank T. Moody, Peter Nelson, Fred B. Snyder.

(Signed) —William D. Hale,
Foreman of the Grand Jury.

PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

"Are you guilty, or not guilty?" asked Clerk Royce.

"Not guilty," was the reply of the alderman, apearing to awake from a dream.

"Your bail will be fixed at 2 o'clock, Mr. Durnam," said the court. "In the meantime you will be in the charge of the sheriff."

Durnam donned his coat and hat, and left the court room in company with Building Inspector Gilman and George T. D. Baxter. Durnam gave a mirthless laugh as he left the court room, and the trio went down the elevator, stopped at the cigar stand where a supply of cigars was procured, and then they went up the street, and at the same time a deputy took the elevator to go to an upper floor of the court house and city hall. Durnam was free as air, an went about completing the arrangements for bondsmen in company with his friends.

At 1:30 o'clock Durnam appeared at the office of the clerk of courts, where Henry Altnow took his acknowledgment to a bond, which was blank as to the amount. From there the alderman went to Judge Pond's court room, where he waited until the court arrived. The whole proceedings lasted but a few minutes. Judge Pond wandered in with his hands in his pockets, and without taking his seat, fixed the amount.

"Mr. Durnam," he said, calling that worthy to the bar, "I have fixed the bond at $5,000. You will remain with Mr. Peterson, who will go with you while you find sureties."

Saying this, Judge Pond disappeared suddenly into his chambers. The clerk following him in, and there the date of trial was fixed for Jan. 18. George T. D. Baxter, newly elected to the park board, and John A. Gilman, signed the bond, and the accused was released from further attendance until his case is called next term.

HOLD-UP ARTISTS BUSY.

They Levy on Citizens for Christmas Gifts.

W. H. Simpson, residing at 621 Second avenue southeast, was held-up by three men at 6 o'clock last evening a half mile from the belt line on Como avenue, and relieved of 20 cents. Mr. Simpson had just sold a load of hay, for which he had received $16, which, however, was overlooked by the highwaymen.

The residence of E. D. Mall, 3015 Ninth avenue south, was entered by burglars some time yesterday and a valuable overcoat taken. The case differs from all others reported in that nothing else was missed, although there was jewelry, watches and other valuables lying around. It is thought that it was the work of sneak thieves who entered unseen and took the first thing that they could lay their hands on.

The police were notified that burglars had gained an entrance to the house at 205 Seventeenth street south, last evening, and made way with a suit of clothes, a new dress and other articles of wearing apparel.

Yesterday afternoon Officer Martin arrested Joseph Rosenaal and Joseph Rosenberg on the charge of shooting craps.

John Corel was arrested early last evening on a warrant sworn out by relatives, charging him with threats to assault. He was locked up by Sergeant Manren, of the East Side station. The parties all live in northeast Minneapolis, on Green street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets.

THIEVES AT IRONDALE.

Hebrews Arrested for Carrying Off Valuable Machinery.

Herman Fiferman and Samuel Brooks, Hebrews, were arrested last night and locked up at the central station, the charge of grand larceny being booked against them. Inspectors Hoy and Lawrence made the arrests after working on the case all day yesterday. It is alleged that the two prisoners are the thieves who broke into the rolling mill of Harris Bros., at Irondale, a few nights ago, where machinery to the value of $3,000 was stolen. The detectives discovered a clue yesterday which culminated in the arrests last night, both men being found at their respective homes. The prisoners allege that they purchased the machinery, also claiming that there was only 500 pounds of scrap iron in the lot.

OH, YES, HANEY WILL COME.

Fighting for Habeas Corpus at Bloomington.

Special to the Globe.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 24.—The case of City Clerk Haney, of Minneapolis, wanted there for alleged complicity in municipal frauds, reached the local courts today. Sheriff Holmberg today sought to have the sheriff of this county take Haney into custody and guard him to prevent his getting away in case of improvement in his physical condition. This movement was vigorously resisted in the circuit court by an action in the nature of habeas corpus proceedings to prevent Haney's arrest. Judge Tipton decided he could take no action until Haney came within the jurisdiction of the court. An officer was sent to the house where Haney is confined and read the requisition to him, which was equivalent to Haney's arrest. Then Haney's friends asked an order restraining the Minnesota sheriff, and all others, from removing or attempting to remove Haney while he is ill. Haney will remain here until he is capable of making the trip back to Minneapolis. Meanwhile he will be kept under the surveillance of an officer representing the Minnesota authorities.

Fishing Shacks Make a Blaze.

Summary action was taken Wednesday night by State Game Warden Fred Coffin and Deputy Warden Tom Mann to stop illegal fishing at Minnetonka, and this morning the former location of between 25 and 50 fish houses is marked only by as many ash heaps. The wardens have secured evidence that may convict 12 or 15 men for illegal fishing.

Battery A's Second Defeat.

At the armory last night Battery B, of Minneapolis, defeated Battery A, of St. Paul, at indoor base ball by a score of 20 to 3. Charles Bond, umpire.

THE BLUE CUT ROBBERY.

The Bandits Are Said to Have Got $2,500.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—The Chicago & Alton express, which was held up by masked bandits in the famous Blue Cut, near Independence, Mo., Wednesday night, arrived in St. Louis this afternoon at 1:05 o'clock. J. D. Frier, messenger in charge of the looted express car, two trainmen and the Pullman car porter and conductor, were the only ones of the crew aboard, the others having changed at Slater and Roodhouse. The story, as obtained from these men, stamps the robbery as one of the cleverest and boldest pieces of work done by road agents during the year. Messenger Frier is in a bad state of mind. He feels terribly broken up over the robbery. The first thing he said when the train crew asked how he fared was that the company had been hard hit.

When seen by a representative of the Associated Press, Frier said:

"I was busy, and especially so this trip, and thought we had stopped on account of a break-down or something of that sort. I heard no voices outside.

"When the knock came I supposed it was a brakeman and opened the door. Then I was helpless. The robbers threw my shotgun out of the car and broke it all to pieces. They certainly knew their business, and were very polite, but it would not have been safe to resist them."

The politeness of the robbers impressed all who saw them. The trainmen said they were well dressed. The leader was a little under the influence of drink. He was so jovial that when he took $4 from Conductor Nicholls he gave $2 of it back to him. The other $2 he presented to Frier as a Christmas gift.

Frier has been a messenger for the Pacific Express company for twelve years, and has been connected with express companies for over twenty years. The messenger had a good view of the robbers, and will be able to identify them if they are caught.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—At the offices of the Chicago & Alton railway here it is stated that the amounts secured by the Blue Cut train robbers foot up between $2,500 in cash and may reach $3,000.

WEYLER'S OPPOSITION.

He Captures an American Reporter and May Shoot Him.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The state department has been requested to interest itself in the case of Enrique Delgado, an American citizen reported to have been captured by the Spaniards while lying wounded in a Cuban hospital, and believed to be in danger of summary execution. A representative of the New York Mail and Express waited upon Secretary Olney today and claimed the protection of our government for Delgado, whom he described as a legitimate correspondent of that newspaper, and in no sense a combatant. Telegrams also have been received by Secretary Olney from some of Delgado's relatives in New York, notably from W. E. D. Stokes, begging him to act at once to rescue the man from the peril in which he stands.

The department so far has received no official news of the arrest, but in compliance with these requests, instructions have been cabled to acting Consul General Springer at Havana to make inquiries immdiately into the facts, and do whatever lawfully may be done for Delgado.

WEYLER'S WOLVES AT WORK.

Murder and Rapine by Guerillas in Pinar del Rio.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 24.—A special from Key West says: Passengers tonight say that all Havana is waiting for reports from Weyler and commenting upon his action. He is reported to have stated that he intended to make a desert of the Pinar del Rio section to starve Gen. Rivera out. According to rumors he has begun strongly on this. His guerilla bands have orders to shoot all pacificos at sight, to carry off or destroy all cattle or provisions of any kind, and to lay waste the entire country, burning cane fields, houses, barns, etc. This they are beginning to do. Fifteen pacificos have already been killed between Artemisa and the foothills, among them two women. The Cubans are infuriated at this savagery, and have begun to show a spirit of retaliation by hanging all guerillas captured, with a short trial. Weyler's arrival was opportune, it is stated, as his commanders in that section have been greatly worried over the various successes of the Cuban bands. Several attacks have been made on the trocha; in fact, that is now a daily occurrence, the Cubans seemingly being desirous of keeping their foes in a state of siege.

It is stated that an entire Pacifico family of five persons was destroyed Friday last by Capt. Melquizo's band, when they tried to prevent the removel of their cattle. Melquizo, irritated at their resistance, shot three down in cold blood, and then binding the two elder sons to his horses' tails, dragged them around until life was extinct. They were then cut loose, thrown into the house, to which the firebrand was applied. Cubans swear to burn them alive if they ever capture them. Several engagements are reported from Santa Clara province with the vanguards of Gomez's army, the Spaniards being defeated in nearly every case, though the published records claim a victory.

LIL HAS ARRIVED.

A Queen Out of a Job Joins the Crowd in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Queen Liliuokalani, who is on her way to New England, arrived in Washington on the train from the South at 1:30 a. m. She was sleeping and could not be interviewed.

Amiable Mother.—Here, Tommy, is some nice castor oil with orange in it.

Doctor (playfully)—Now, remember, don't give it all to Tommy; leave some for me.

Tommy (who has had some before)—Doctor's a nice man, ma; give it all to the doctor.—Household Words.

BOREAS AT IT AGAIN

BLIZZARD IN NORTH DAKOTA THREATENS TO STOP TRAFFIC.

RANCHER KILLED RANCHER.

WINCHESTERS CAUSE A TRAGIC ENDING TO A MONTANA FEUD.

WINONA HOLD-UP THAT FAILED.

Robber Shot His Accomplice and Escaped—News of the Northwest.

Special to the Globe.

LANGDON, N. D., Dec. 24.—A big blizzard is sweeping over this section. The snow is flying and drifting, and indications point to a stoppage of traffic tomorrow.

HOLD-UP THAT FAILED.

Highwayman Shot His Pal in the Hip, Then Fled.

Special to the Globe.

WINONA, Minn., Dec. 24.—Last night when a farmer living near Witoka was about eight miles out of this city and driving home, he met four men. When just past them, he received orders to halt. One of the men had a revolver, and so Farmer Reimer consented to "get off his perch" and into the road. One of the robbers then started to clamber into the seat. It was dark, and the man holding the weapon evidently thought Reimer was trying to get away, and so fired. The robber getting into the wagon was shot in the left hip, a serious wound. His companions then fled. Reimer took the man to his farm home, and later brought him to the Winona hospital. The man's name is Milton Cook, and he says he did not know his companions meant to hold up the farmer, but in spite of this, local officials are proceeding to arrange for prosecution. Benjamin Brown and Steve Maczek, suspects, have been placed under arrest.

RANCHER KILLED RANCHER.

The Tragic Ending of a Montana Feud.

Special to the Globe.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 24.—Peter Welcome, rancher of Kibby township, forty miles out, shot a neighboring rancher, Arthur Vieau, through the heart this morning, then rode to the nearest town, Belt, and gave himself up to the authorities. Welcome claims that Vieau was trying to break in his window with evil intent. A Winchester was found by Vieau's dead body. There has been a feud of long standing between the two men over a disputed tract of land. Welcome was given considerable notoriety in the Chicago papers last summer, whither he went to steal away a child from a woman who was his wife, but from whom he separated some years ago. She caught Welcome just as he was escaping with the little one, and he had to come back to Montana. She still lives in Chicago.

Bank Robber Identified.

FARGO, N. D., Dec. 24.—The identity of the Caledonia N. D., bank robber, who was killed Monday near Ada, Minn., has been clearly established here. He arrived in Fargo Oct. 16, and registered under the name of E. J. Dewitt, from Omaha. He was about six feet tall, blond moustache, aquiline nose, receding forehead and bald-headed. He posed as a machinery expert while here, and would make periodical trips into the country, which would invariably be followed by reports of safe-blowing. He was a quiet and unassuming fellow, and claimed to have been recovering from the effects of a pistol wound, accidentally received. He was a good shot and a very nervy fellow. While here was accompanied by a short, heavy-set fellow known by the name of Cornell. They boarded at different hotels, but would frequently meet each other.

Settlers Threaten to Shoot.

ASHLAND, Wis., Dec. 24.—The settlers on the Wisconsin Central lands indemnity have declared war on the loggers, who have started to log on the lands. Ed Mercier, who has charge of Steve Smith's camp, was notified that thirty-five settlers would drive them away at the point of Winchesters. The settlers lost their lands through the decision of the United States supreme court, but have not yet been evicted. They claim that the company should pay for the improvements they have made during the past five years. Serious trouble is feared, as the settlers are determined that the pine on their lands shall not be cut until they have been legally evicted and their improvements paid for.

Mrs. Thorne's Funeral.

Special to the Globe.

HASTINGS, Minn., Dec. 24.—The remains of the late Mrs. Gilbert G. Thorne, who died at Minneapolis, arrived here today, the funeral being held at St. Luke's church, at 4 p. m., the Rev. H. P. Nichols, of St. Mark's church, officiating, assisted by the Rev. E. M. Duff. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful. The remains were placed in the vault at Lakeside. The deceased was the oldest daughter of the Hon. and Mrs. J. F. Norrish, of this city. The attendance was very large.

Veterans Indorse Pickler.

IPSWICH, S. D., Dec. 24.—A large petition, memorializing the incoming administration for the appointment of John A. Pickler for commissioner of pensions, was forwarded today. The movement was inaugurated by the Union ex-soldiers throughout the state. This petition includes the signature of every soldier in Edmunds county, irrespective of party affiliation, which represents over 10 per cent of the voting population of the county.

Would Make Greely Senator.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 24.—One of the latest senatorial theories to be sprung on the public is in the way of an attempt to secure a Republican senator this winter. The plan is to pass both Gov. Sheldon and Congressman Pickler in the Republican caucus and select State Senator M. F. Greely, of Deuel county, and on this new man attempt to secure enough votes from either Democrats or free silver Republicans to assure his election. The hope for this is in the fact that the fusionists are not a solid body on one party, and that it is going to be a hard matter to consolidate them upon any one candidate which the Populists will bring to the front.

Auditor Hoffman Bereaved.

Special to the Globe.

HASTINGS, Minn., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Suzan Hoffman, wife of County Auditor Michael Hoffman, died this evening from typhoid fever, after a two-weeks' illness, aged about 42 years. The announcement of her death was an overwhelming shock to the community, she being a woman universally esteemed by all who knew her. The sympathy of our people goes out to the stricken husband and bereaved children.

Judge Lochren Busy at Winona.

Special to the Globe.

WINONA, Minn., Dec. 24.—The United States court, before Judge Lochren, convened here today for the purpose of allowing second citizenship papers. Some 125 men took out their final papers. The district court here has also been busy making out final papers for the past week, and the court clerks are smiling accordingly.

Governor Will Soon Own the State.

VERMILLION, S. D., Dec. 24.—Gov. Lee purchased at auction last week a quarter section of land lying joining this city for $15 per acre. The land is extra fine and was a bargain. The governor is said to be one of the heaviest land owners in the state. He has a quarter section in nearly every county in the state. The recent purchase belonged to the Cusick estate.

Hastings Illuminates for Christmas.

Special to the Globe.

HASTINGS, Minn., Dec. 24.—Hastings was tonight lighted by electricity for the first time since the burning of the electric plant a month ago.

A Minnesota Postmaster.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—L. E. O'Brien was today appointed postmaster at Richland, Rice county, Minn., vice K. E. Johnson, resigned.

HOLIDAY DULLNESS

THE OUTLOOK NOT MATERIALLY CHANGED ACCORDING TO THE MERCANTILE PEOPLE.

GENERAL HOLIDAY APATHY.

NORTHWESTERN BANK FAILURES ARE ONLY LOCAL IN THEIR BEARING.

WHOLESALERS ARE NOT SELLING,

But the Traveling Men Will Take to the Road Inside of a Couple of Weeks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: The arrival of the holidays, the close of the year and the period of annual stock-taking have further checked the volume of the wholesale trade. Only filling in orders are being received and trade is slow. Retail demand for holiday goods has been active, but it is for cheaper grades than in previous years. In other lines, the distribution of merchandise has been smaller at a number of distributing centers. Failures of important banking institutions at Northwestern cities tend to unsettle confidence in commercial and banking circles. Very few salesmen remain on the road, but most of them are preparing to go out within a fortnight. The moderate trade revival which followed the last presidential election has been disappointing in that, aside from the Christmas demand, business has been more unsatisfactory for a month past than at a corresponding period in many years.

Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts this week amount to 2,111,702 bushels, against 3,524,000 last week, 3,457,000 in the same week a year ago; 1,814,000 bushels in the week two years ago, 2,036,000 three years ago, and compared with 2,917,000 bushels in the corresponding period of 1892. Exports of Indian corn this week held up well, the total amounting to 3,179,000 bushels, as compared with 2,814,000 bushels last week, 1,839,000 in the week one year ago, and with very much smaller totals in like weeks in the three preceding years.

There are 327 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, 12 less than last week, and 11 more than in the corresponding week a year ago.

There are 45 business failures reported throughout the Dominion of Canada this week, against 39 last week, and 30 in the week a year ago.

Bradstreet's review of the stock market will say: A rapid recovery followed the depression in stock values at the end of last week. The street quickly realized that the situation created by the senate foreign relations committee, in giving a favorable report to the resolutions acknowledging Cuban independence, lacked the gravity of the Venezuelan matter a year ago.

AS DUN SEES IT.

The Bank Failures the Most Important Event of the Week.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade tomorrow will say:

The failure of two important banks, the second in size of business at Chicago and the oldest in St. Paul, with some others dependent on them, closes not favorably a month which promised to end with only moderate commercial disasters. Since several thousand business men and depositors are for the time embarrassed as much as the speculators that caused the trouble, the break down is the reverse of hopeful at present, although it comes when money markets are well supplied and when no serious effect in business is to be apprehended.

Wheat has grown a little stronger in spite of the disturbance of the Chicago market. Exports have been 1,471,443 bushels, flour included, for five days, and 8,392,587 for four weeks, against 8,527,959 for the same week last year, while from Pacific ports the increase has been large. Western receipts are still small, amounting to 8,455,631 bushels in three weeks of the month, against 14,344,859 last year. The volume of business, all branches considered, is not large. Payments through clearing houses have been for the week 25 per cent less than last year, and for the month thus far the daily average is 9.8 per cent less than last year and 20.8 per cent less than in 1892.

Failures for the week have been 297 in the United States, against 322 last year, and 44 in Canada, against 40 last year.

HAD PROVED ITS VALUE.

Shrewd Old Money-Maker Found He Had Met a Dangerous Rival.

Here is a millionaire story, which I am assured is absolutely correct, says a writer in Pick Me Up. A well known Jew financier was walking down Regent street the other day when he was accosted by a beggar, who is a more or less familiar feature to that thoroughfare. Instead of turning a deaf ear to the man's supplications and getting out as quick as he could, as some people might have done, the millionaire at once stopped and proceeded to ply the man with questions as to why he did'nt try to get work instead of begging, whether he had a wife and children to support, and so on.

The beggar, who was aware of the identity of the man talking to him, and thought he might be in for a really good thing, poured out the usual story of his woes into the millionaire's ears—whether true or no is not, for the moment, of consequence.

The millionaire continued to listen attentively, and the beggar's hopes of bringing off a "scoop" rose higher and higher. Then the millionaire put his final question. "How long have you been begging?" he said, suavely.

"Over twenty years, kind gentleman," was the reply.

"Ah," said the millionaire, reflectively, "it's not a bad trade!" Then he walked on, and a non-conformist journalist, who happened to come by just then, went home and wrote an impassioned article on "The Increase of Bad Language in the West End Streets."

Keep to the Left.

There is one beauty of living in a very old country. Every little custom can be traced back to something picturesque. Have you ever driven along the English roads, every one keeping to the left? And do you know how it originated? An antiquarian told me the reason why. In olden times, when folk walked about badly lighted towns in fear and trembling, with rapiers at their sides, every country had the same rule, i. e., to keep to the left, so that an unexpected rapier thrust might, at least, escape being mortal. As times became quieter, and civilization developed, the necessity ceased, and the law of the road was reversed; but for some unknown reason England maintained the old custom. Another reason, of course, suggests itself, as far as driving is concerned. The driver, with the reins in his left hand, and sitting on the right side of the vehicle, can see much better when he is passing anything in the road. But still every other nation keeps to the right, or is supposed to.—New York Advertiser.

Raided Jackson Dives.

Special to the Globe.

JACKSON, Minn., Dec. 24.—Mayor W. B. Spetch made a raid on a couple of gambling dens, and two strangers, Al Gibson, of Fonda, Io., and D. Holderman, of Chicago, were arrested and fined $25 each and costs. Several arrests will be made tomorrow evening.

Facts to Prove that
Dr. Sanden's
Electric Belt
Is a Natural Cure.

When we consider that our nervous system, which is the fountain of life to the kidneys, liver, stomach, brain, sexual organs and the various organic functions of the body, depends for its sustenance upon the vitalizing element of electricity, and that without this life is impossible to keep up a normal condition of health in the body, it is easy to understand that a waste of this life principle will be followed by weakness and disease, and it is also easy to understand why the natural restoration of this electric force in the nervous system will saturate the various vital functions which have become weakened, with a new energy which will place every vital organ of the body in a state of natural health. Thus, it is understood that the element most necessary in our bodies is electricity, as it is electricity which generates nerve force, and nerve force is health, or the source of health, and without it we cannot live.

The utilization of this great principle has been greatly retarded for the want of a proper knowledge of the means necessary to generate the electric currents demanded to reach the weakened functions, and, indeed, until very recently, the only apparatus that could be obtained was both inconvenient and costly, so that only those possessed of ample means and fully acquainted with the science of electricity could avail themselves of this most effective remedy.

This rendered it vastly important, and, indeed, indispensable, that self-applicable treatment should be contrived, that the vast and valuable properties of electricity could be accessible without the services of a medical electrician. It was therefore highly desirable that some simple, inexpensive, but efficient means should be found that would produce and apply electric currents with no more inconvenience than is experienced in the use of ordinary remedies; and it was to meet these requirements that Dr. Sanden invented his Electric Belt.

This famous belt, with its new improvements, is doing more to restore weak men and women to their natural vigor and health than all other remedies combined.

DR. A. T. SANDEN: West Superior, Wis., Dec. 4, 1896.
I have been wearing your No. 5 Belt 30 days, and you have made a new human being of me, as I have tried treatments without getting helped. You can quote me as saying that you have a wonderful Electric Belt for weak men. Thank you very much. Yours for luck and success.
C. L. MORIN, Box 301.

DR. A. T SANDEN: St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 20, 1896.
The belt I purchased seven years ago has given entire satisfaction. Used by myself for lame back and rheumatism of the spleen and by my wife for female weakness, giving permanent relief in both cases. I consider it far superior to any medicine in all cases for which it is recommended. Yours truly,
F. F. GRISWOLD,
Locomotive Engineer, G. N. Ry., 200 Sherburne avenue.

DR. A. T. SANDEN: Jamestown, N. D., Sept. 7, 1896.
Your belt is a good one, and has done me more good than all the drugs I have ever taken. Yours truly, JOHN CURRY.

DR. A. T. SANDEN: La Crosse, Wis., Sept. 2, 1896.
I bought one of your electric belts in June for rheumatism, and now I am entirely cured. There cannot be too much said for the Dr. Sanden Electric Belts. Yours very truly, THOMAS SCALES.

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For many years I was greatly troubled with pains in the back and kidneys, so that often when I would lie down on the lounge I found it difficult to get up again. I was in this condition when I got your belt, but the belt gave me relief in a little while, and after a few applications the pain was entirely gone. Have had no trouble with my kidneys or back since. Evidently the belt has cured me completely and permanently. DAVID MORGAN.
Engineer Northwest Casket Co., Residence 1528 Jefferson street NE, Minneapolis, Minn.

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THE MAYOR A POWER

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ELABORATE PLAN SUBMITTED.

STRONG'S SUCCESSOR WILL BE MORE POWERFUL THAN ANY MONARCH.

DEPARTMENTS CONSOLIDATED.

A Dual Legislative Body Provided for and the Members Ineligible for Re-election.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The draft of the proposed Greater New York charter, as submitted to the commission, will be published tomorrow. The legislative power is to be vested in a municipal assembly, to consist of two houses—a lower house of 104 members elected from senatorial districts, and an upper house of 37 members elected from council districts.

All of the members of both houses are to be elected for the term of two years, and all are to retire at once.

As to everything concerning the rights, privileges and liberties of the citizen respecting municipal rule, the legislative department is to be subject to no restraint. But in respect to public improvements, the action of the municipal assembly is to be further subjected to the concurrence of the board of estimate and apportionment.

The mayor is to have power to appoint all the administrative and executive officers of the city, except the comptroller, who is elected by the people every four years, so that the treasury and finances will constantly be in the hands of an independent department. The mayor is to have supervisory control over the various departments, and an enlarged veto power upon the acts of the municipal assembly. His patronage and his power are so great that he will in these particulars be a dignitary second only in importance to the governor of the state or the president of the United States.

The mayor is to be given absolute power to remove, at will, every administrative officer, irrespective of the prescribed term of office, during the first six months of his administration. After that he can remove only on charges, with the approval of the governor.

Where the powers of the administrative departments are largely discretionary, it is proposed to have the departments presided over by a board of two or more commissioners. Where they are executive merely, only one commissioner has been provided for. By far the largest and most important board is to be the board of public improvements, consisting of the heads of six newly created departments—the department of water supply, of highways, of sewers, of street clea