

FOURTH BIG BLIZZARD IS ON, BLOCKADING THE NORTHWEST.

Wind and Sleet Have Been Playing Havoc With the Prairie Railroad Lines.

NEARLY ALL TRAINS ARE ABANDONED,

With Prospects of Several Days' Blockade on Some South Dakota Lines—Half Million Dollars' Loss to Railways From Storms of the Winter.

The fourth blizzard, or "blizard," as they spell it nowadays in North Dakota, in order to bring out the double-cross idea, struck the Northwest yesterday with full force, and once more was being whirled around like a weather vane.

lowing these and due today will probably have a hard time of it. The Milwaukee and the Omaha lines running into Aberdeen, S. D., were snowed under completely three hours after the blizzard struck that section so fierce was the wind.

on the Great Northern, but the officials of the road announced to the passengers that the train would not leave the union depot.

FOOT OF SNOW

Has Fallen in Northern Minnesota, During the Storm. Special to the Globe. BRAINERD, Minn., Feb. 13.—A terrific snow storm has been in progress here all day, fully a foot of snow having fallen. The wind is blowing quite fiercely, piling the snow in huge drifts.

Special to the Globe. Tracy, Minn., Feb. 13.—A severe storm set in here this afternoon. The wind from the northwest and the weather is growing colder with indications of a big blizzard.

Special to the Globe. Redwood Falls, Minn., Feb. 13.—The worst storm that has visited this section for the past fifteen years is raging now. The wind is blowing a terrific gale accompanied by a blinding snow.

Special to the Globe. Luverne, Minn., Feb. 13.—A blizzard has been raging here all day and traffic has been suspended for the time being. Railroads are snow-bound, and no trains are expected before Monday.

Special to the Globe. Barnesville, Minn., Feb. 13.—What began as a mild snow storm last evening has today developed into one of the worst blizzards of the winter.

Little Falls, Minn., Feb. 13.—A hard blizzard is raging in this vicinity. A heavy wind is blowing and it is impossible to be out on the street. All trains are late. Fifteen inches of snow has already fallen.

Carlton, Minn., Feb. 13.—A blinding northeaster has been raging here since 3 o'clock this morning that has completely blocked all kinds of traffic and driven camp men from their work.

the storm that has been raging, only in a milder degree, for the past four days, with a heavy wind and falling thermometer added.

TRAINS ABANDONED.

Blizzard as Severe as Any of the Winter. GRAND FORKS, N. D., Feb. 13.—It has snowed here all day. Trains are blocked and indications are that the railroads will be tied up fully as bad as by any storm this year.

Special to the Globe. HURON, S. D., Feb. 13.—Railroading on the lines of the Chicago & North Western, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and Great Northern in this part of the state is abandoned today because of the severe wind and snow storm that has been in progress since 2 o'clock this morning, covering nearly the entire state from Manitoba south and east from the Black Hills on far into Minnesota.

Webster, S. D., Feb. 13.—A terrific snow storm is in progress. It promises to equal the famous storm of January. Passenger train No. 2, which left Minneapolis last evening, is snowed in between Anderson and Grotton.

HURON, S. D., Feb. 13.—A snow storm is raging with a strong wind from the north. Trains are all blocked.

Mitchell, S. D., Feb. 13.—Last night another snow storm set in. It is the worst this winter. It is feared much stock will be lost, as many farmers are now short of feed.

Abertown, S. D., Feb. 13.—A genuine blizzard struck this vicinity at 2 o'clock this morning. All Milwaukee trains have been abandoned, either going or coming. The blizzard is not quite so bad as the January storm.

Abertown, S. D., Feb. 13.—One of the best blizzards of the winter set in at 4 o'clock this morning and in two hours time traffic was abandoned on all lines. The west-bound passenger on the H. & A. D. is in the ditch one mile and the half the other side of Grotton. Nothing can be done to extricate it at this time. James River division trains are all laid up.

Cassellton, N. D., Feb. 13.—It snowed all day yesterday and last night. This morning the wind was blowing from the northwest and a heavy blizzard was in progress. Trains are all abandoned, business is suspended and streets are blocked.

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 13.—Sixteen hours of continuous snowfall, with an average depth of nearly a foot, has blocked the railroads west and north and traffic is suspended.

Waterbury, S. D., Feb. 13.—The heaviest snow storm of the winter set in last night. It is still raining hard with a blizzard from the northwest. The railroads are blocked.

NOBLE FIGHT BY FIREMEN AGAINST A GALE OF FLAME.

Milling District in Minneapolis Again Has a Narrow Escape From Destruction.

BASSETT SAW MILL A COMPLETE RUIN.

Two Firemen Seriously Injured by the Overturning of a Hose Cart—Good Work Limits the Financial Loss to \$40,000.

For the second time within the past month the milling district in Minneapolis was visited by fire yesterday afternoon, and the loss resulting will totalize fully \$40,000. It represents the almost complete destruction of the saw mill of the J. B. Bassett Lumber company, situated on First street, between Fifth and Second avenues south, and considerable injury and serious inconvenience to the engine and boiler room of flour mill "B" of the Consolidated Milling company, adjoining the Bassett saw mill.

When the fire department had reached the scene the fire had spread completely over the inside of the roof of the Bassett mill and had eaten its way through in many places. The interior of the building was also a MASS OF FLAMES.

Engines were stationed on Sixth avenue south and two on First street. The fire could only be fought from the one side effectively for the time, as the lower ground on the railroad tracks offered no facilities for water or the stationing of hose carts.

and strength, carrying the heavy volumes of smoke from the fire and the department engines along the ground and blinding the eyes of the firemen. Hats were swept from the heads of the fire-fighters into the flames, flying cinders were carried in clouds through the air but without resulting in increased damage.

STAMPEDE OF SPECTATORS followed out Sixth avenue and were held in safe distance by Capt. Coshok and a squad of his men. As quickly as the task could be accomplished lines of hose were strung five feet to the track below, and extended upon the element from the rear of the structure.

BULLETIN OF THE ST. PAUL GLOBE.

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RED RIVER FARMERS DEMAND LOWER RATES.

MASS MEETING AT FERGUS FALLS MEMORIALIZES THE LEGISLATURE. Special to the Globe. FERGUS FALLS, Feb. 13.—In spite of the lively blizzard and heavy snow storm the freight rate convention for the Seventh congressional district, held in this city today, was attended by upwards of 100 delegates representing counties all the way from Kittson to Stearns. Among those attending were about twenty-five senators and representatives. E. E. Corliss, of Fergus Falls, was elected chairman; H. P. Borge Underwood, secretary. At the forenoon session, committees on credentials and resolutions were appointed. A strong set of resolutions was presented when the convention reconvened, and the afternoon was devoted to their discussion. Among the speakers were Senator Ringdal, of Crookston, who presented many facts and statistics to show discrimination in freight rates against this part of the state; Representative Feig, of Willmar, who declared the present system of regulation by commission all wrong; Representative Stockwell, of Minneapolis, who expressed himself in favor of legislative action and promised his support to a bill equalizing and reducing rates; Senator Cole, of Fergus Falls, who pointed out that the Iowa law has been proved unconstitutional and therefore a good one to adopt; Messrs. Clayton, of Perham; B. F. Partridge, of Fergus Falls; C. S. Campbell, of Alexandria, manufacturers and shippers, who gave personal in-



SPARK OF WAR IN CRETE MAY SET EUROPE ABLAZE.

NOTE OF GREECE TO THE POWERS TANTAMOUNT TO A DECLARATION OF HOSTILITIES. LONDON, Feb. 13.—All Europe is watching the Cretan fireworks display with the greatest anxiety, as a spark may set all Europe ablaze. Everybody is agreed that the present moment is the most critical since the powers intervened in Turkish affairs. The daring action of Greece in sending Prince George with a torpedo flotilla to Crete has caused a tremendous flutter in the European cabinets. Telegraphic dispatches on the subject have been flying across the continent between the different governments and their embassies. Unusual activity prevails at the British foreign office. Telegrams from the East have arrived in rapid succession, and the Marquis of Salisbury yesterday had special interviews with the Russian, Austrian and German ambassadors. The importance of these conferences can be gauged by the fact that Count von Hatzfeldt, the German ambassador, went to the foreign office, although he was in such feeble health that he was unable to meet the ex-Empress Frederick on her arrival in London yesterday and had to be carried upstairs at the foreign office. The Greek note to the powers, justifying the attitude of Greece towards Crete, is couched in such strong terms as to be regarded in official circles here as almost tantamount to a declaration of war against Turkey. The note accuses the Turkish troops of siding with the Mussulmans, said that the Turkish

HEARD COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Dull, Routine Day in the Senate at Pierre. Special to the Globe. PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 13.—In the senate today the business was all committee reports and second reading of bills. The warehouse bill came up for another round and was amended by cutting the limit for storage warehouses from \$10 to \$5. The bill to prohibit use of passes by members was killed. In the house favorable reports were brought in on two of the stock association bills. A resolution was adopted instructing the Judiciary committee to inquire into the constitutionality of an income tax. Bills were introduced to provide for co-operative associations, and to allow railroads to build, lease and operate disconnected lines in South Dakota. Bill was passed reimbursing Treasurer Phillips for the expense of bringing the state money here. The equal suffrage amendment was lost for lack of a majority of all members elect.

DISCUSSED CHRISTIAN WORK.

Many Notable Papers Read at the Red Wing Convention. Special to the Globe. RED WING, Minn., Feb. 13.—At this morning's session of the Y. C. A. Frank W. Ober, of Chicago, delivered an address on the Bible and training class work of the association. J. L. Gordon, of Duluth, read a

REAP THE FRUIT

which was not yet ripe. Apparently King George, pushed by the national feeling in Greece, has been trying to expedite matters by a bold stroke. According to advices from Athens, the excitement in Greece was so great that

the king either had to yield or pack his trunk and leave the country. It is stated that King George had no choice between detronement and putting himself at the head of the popular movement, and it is thought in some quarters that the practical send-off of his son, Prince George, with the torpedo flotilla, was only intended for effect, and as a means of appeasing the clamor of the populace. But dispatches today show that the passions of the Greeks are thoroughly aroused. Throughout the country meetings are being held and subscriptions in aid of the Cretan cause are being raised. Dispatches from the European capitals indicate sympathy with Greece, but the governments fear that if Greece is allowed to annex Crete an uprising in the Balkans will ensue, and efforts will be made there to throw off the Turkish yoke. All the Balkan states except Macedonia are ready to rise. Greece is especially eager to see Macedonia in the Balkan league. Arms there, however, are comparatively scarce, although a quantity has been imported recently. Nevertheless, this will not prevent a rising if Greece is involved in war with Turkey, and the whole peninsula is speedily being converted into a huge cockpit. Turkey is the reason the powers now oppose Greece's annexing Crete until the whole scheme for the partition of Turkey is agreed upon by the powers. Several foreign newspapers are already discussing the division of the spoils, and a French diplomat, the Comte de Chautoury, today in an interview says he thinks that the collapse of Turkey is now inevitable. Russia, by adds, will probably take Armenia, France will get Syria and England will retain Egypt. Many of the continental newspapers accuse Great Britain of inciting Greece; but they add a charge upon the establishment the allegation. The English papers generally sympathize with the Cretons and urge the government not to prevent the annexation of Crete by Greece. According to the Spectator the Marquis of Salisbury dare not, in view of the feeling in Great Britain, join in cooperating with Greece. This journal says: "We do not believe that there is any danger of it, but, in any case, the British people will not enter upon such a COURSE OF CRIME even to preserve the European concert or European peace. Horror at the situation has gone into their very souls." The newspapers publish a list of the foreign warships in Cretan waters. Great Britain has four battleships and two cruisers there. France has four cruisers. Russia has a battleship and four cruisers. Austria has a cruiser and six torpedo boats. The papers also publish comparisons between the Turkish and Greek fleets. It is announced from Gibraltar that the British channel squadron is expected there next week. The South Sea inquiry commission at its first meeting just held granted the applications of Messrs. Cecil Rhodes, Alfred D. Beit and Leonard Phillips to be represented by counsel, and it also decided to notify the cable companies to destroy no copies of cable messages between England and the Cape of Good Hope at the end of 1895. It is expected that the examination of Mr. Rhodes will take place on Tuesday. In this connection the old story of the important documents showing the existence of a dangerous intrigue between the Transvaal and Germany, said to be in the possession of Mr. Rhodes, is revived. It was stated in December last, when Mr. Rhodes' country house near Capetown was burned, that a desperate attempt had been made by the German agents to thus destroy the important documents. When this was suggested to Mr. Rhodes, who was then in the field against the Matabele, he is reported to have laughed, and to have granted to a black bag which he had with him, intimating that the papers were safe. This mysterious black bag is alleged to have been the object of the continual sollecitude while on his way to England recently.