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WEATHER FOR TODAY.

Minnesota—Snow and much colder Saturday. Sunday with winds shifting to high northerly.

Wisconsin—Increasing cloudiness Saturday, with warmer in eastern and snow in western portion; Sunday snow and colder; increasing southeasterly winds Saturday.

Table of weather statistics including highest temperature, lowest temperature, average temperature, and precipitation.

IS GROSVENOR RIGHT?

The call for another anti-trust conference at Chicago for Lincoln's birthday will be welcomed by those who are really in earnest in the effort to find an effective remedy for the process of concentration which is going on in all departments of industrial life.

They will doubtless feel still more assured of their position when they have read the declaration made by Congressmen Grosvenor, generally regarded as the mouthpiece of the White house, who declares that there will be no anti-trust legislation by this congress.

If the men in control of legislation in congress decide that nothing need be done to supplement the Sherman law, they must do so in the light of facts which have been made known to the public through the reports of the proceedings of the industrial commission.

Mr. Grosvenor is right in his statement that the law in question has been found effective in the steel pipe case and in the trans-Missouri rate case; but when he declares that it meets all the requirements necessary to the smashing of trade combinations maintained in restraint of interstate commerce, he relies greatly on public goodwill.

The coming anti-trust conference will help to sharpen the wits of federal politicians and officials like Congressman Grosvenor, who believe that all has been done that can or ought to be done to ally the trust evil; and it will furthermore aid in making plain to the several state legislatures which will then be in session that a uniform and efficient system of anti-trust legislation is one of the prime prerequisites to prosecuting the needed warfare upon these dangerous and illegal combinations.

ARE THERE TO MAKE MONEY.

The publication at this time of the text of the notorious proposed treaty with the sultan of Sulu certainly cannot be regarded as accompanied by any purpose of public enlightenment.

arms, the undisputed governing power of the islands or we merely hold them by compromise. Either we should rule the Sulu group as absolutely as we do Luzon, or we should consult and compromise with the Tagal leaders as we have done with this brutal and semi-savage ally and ward of ours.

Why have we entered into this arrangement which places on our shoulders the moral responsibility of patting with slavery and polygamy, while we are proclaiming to the world that we have gone into the Philippines and propose remaining there in the interest of Christian morality, civilization and freedom? The answer offered by the administration, through Prof. Schurman and his confederates on the peace commission, is that a fierce war would be certain to result in case we asserted our authority.

It is absurd for us to claim that we have any moral or Christian mission on the islands while such is our policy. We have gone in to make money; that is our mission, our only mission; and our treaty with this monarch of the harem wipes out all appearance that it is otherwise. This is a crime against property.

Let us have done with this false pretense. It deceives nobody, not even ourselves. There is no hypocrisy in the true American nature. We will save ourselves at least some measure of the contempt of other peoples if we have the courage to admit the facts of our appearance in the East. The imperialist press in large measure makes no bones about it. It is only the truly good, Christian politicians, like our president, who are keeping up the foolish pretense.

THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

The Globe does not know just what conclusion County Auditor Johnson has reached regarding the application of recent decisions of the supreme court to the law of 1877 under which the county attorney's office has been an additional expense to this county of \$1,200 per annum in salaries over and above what it has cost under Democratic administrations.

Whatever the county auditor may do in the premises will not, we think, cut much figure anyway. Could it be said that the county attorney's office was earning the money or an approach to the money, which it costs the taxpayers each year, there would be little disposition on the part of the Globe to, or anybody else, to force the hand of the auditor on the subject.

Mr. Horace Bigelow is a very nice young man, as is his assistant, Mr. Zollman, although the latter is not quite so young. The Globe is unwilling to appear to speak unkindly of either of them. But they will, separately and together, find it necessary to make a total, if different record for themselves officially in the immediate future if the Globe is to remain silent.

THE GREAT STEEL STRUGGLE.

A mighty struggle is impending in the iron and steel industry of the United States. The contestants are Andrew Carnegie and his great corporation, on the one side, and the former general manager of the Carnegie company, John D. Rockefeller, and W. L. and A. W. Mellon, the great Pittsburg millionaires, on the other.

The trouble has arisen from the inability of Mr. Carnegie and his former general manager to agree upon the terms of anti-trust legislation which will then be in session that a uniform and efficient system of anti-trust legislation is one of the prime prerequisites to prosecuting the needed warfare upon these dangerous and illegal combinations.

THE HELPFULNESS OF THE ADVERTISER.

Philadelphia Record. At this season the wise merchant is especially careful to place his advertisement where it will assure the greatest returns, and the forehanded buyer peruses it for helpful hints in the selection of Christmas presents. With the great Christmas holiday less than two weeks distant, people who are willing to purchase are anxious for suggestions which will help them to a decision as to what they want. The wise advertiser, however, his wares in the newspaper gets the patronage, and the advertisement reader gets the best bargains.

Chat of the Capital.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The prediction made in the Washington dispatches that a paper before congress assembled that a special effort would be made during the sixtieth congress to provide for the election of senators by direct vote, the people is soon to be verified in every particular.

The contest over the seating of Quay, appointed by the governor of Pennsylvania, and the selection of men, if Quay is seated, will probably be very hot. Where vacancies exist, and other states between Millionaires Clark and Daly, of Montana, over a seat in the senate, is becoming a very hot issue.

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MUSIC AND THE STAGE.

SCHUBERT CLUB. Men have principles, women have precedents. In so far as the feminine artist dates to depart from established rules and gives her own, as it were, in just such a measure is her work not imitative but artistic. Mrs. Herman Scheffer possesses the courage of her art, therefore her work is not imitative, but artistic.

Metropolitan. The engagement of "The Royal Box," at the Metropolitan, will close with the matinee and evening performances today; both the play and the company presenting it, have pronounced a hit, the production is artistic and thoroughly enjoyable, and no admirer of high-class drama should fail to see it.

Smart Short Stories. Triumphant Indians had bound their captive to the stake, says the Detroit Free Press. The conventional happy thought struck the star of the play, "me," he explained, "the sun will be darkened tomorrow." "You will find," replied the Indian, "if you calculate the time, the eclipse will occur about the day after tomorrow." Saying which, for these simple children of the forest who are graduates of the government schools, they proceeded with their barbaric slaughter.

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Civil Service League.

REPORT LEAGUE VIGOROUSLY ATTACKS METHODS OF REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION.

The executive committee of the league had studied this report and the committee submitted it in two reports: One on the scope and effect of the president's order of May 29 last, taking 10,000 offices from the civil service list, and the other on the Indian service.

The report of the special investigating committee, of which Charles J. Bonaparte, of Baltimore, is president, appointed some time ago to report upon the action and effect of such action of the McKinley administration with reference to civil service reform.

The committee has also been compelled to report that probably the branch of the federal service has suffered most from the ravages of the spoilsman during the present administration than the Indian service. That such should have been the fact is not only a reflection on the president's appointment. The choice of Mr. L. L. Bliss, as secretary of the interior, was accepted by many friends of good government as an assurance that the program made during the McKinley administration would be continued, or at least maintained.

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17 through the transfer of clerks appointed in local postoffices, 600 to excepted positions and 377 to positions in unclassified labor service. In other words, while 1,173 have been appointed as roughly contemplated, as the civil service law contemplated, 2,550 have been appointed through other means, exclusive of those who have been selected through examination under the emergency act, or for services in the census office. The number of appointments under certain heads, as, for instance, temporary appointments made by the president, is unduly abundant. The total figures, nevertheless, furnish a fair basis for estimating the proportionate degree in which methods of the competitive system are now followed.

AMERICAN PLUCK.

Soldiers Pursue Filipinos, Though Suffering Great Hardships. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The war department received a cable message today giving the latest developments in the situation in the Philippines. The cablegram was as follows: "Manila, Dec. 15.—Bachelor, Twenty-fourth Infantry battalion, reports on 7th of Magat an engagement at the junction of Magat and the main road, in the province, enemy leaving four dead and five more wounded in trenches. Says he is in need of clothing, provisions and money. Our loss was one killed and four wounded. One killed yesterday. Four hundred and seventy-five Spanish prisoners arrived this morning, among them the sick at Vigan, numbering 120. Young men, and others, still pursuing the remnant of the insurgent army. Twenty-three American prisoners in their possession. Country exceedingly rough. Our men without shoes, but persistently pursuing. Low Spanish probably 1,000, mostly in South. Expect to effect a landing in a few days. Sixth Infantry, 20 soldiers and 13 native soldiers, captured and sent to Manila. Negros reports Sergeant Alford killed. Enemy's loss, twenty-eight killed and many wounded.

ESCAPEE DEATH PENALTY.

Volunteers Who Assaulted Filipino Women Go to Prison. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Communion is made of death sentence passed by court-martial upon a sergeant, sergeant-major and two soldiers of the Washington Volunteers, who were charged with assaulting Filipino women. The commutation is to twenty years imprisonment.

Recruits for Manila.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The war department has arranged to send about 1,000 recruits to Manila to fill the regiments which are running short on account of death, disease and discharge.

FREDERICK EARLING HURT.

St. Paul Official Falls Beneath the Wheels of a Work Train. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 15.—Word was received here tonight that Frederick Earling, of this city, chief of telegraph construction, and brother of H. Earling, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road, had been badly crushed in a fall beneath the wheels of a work train at Nemah.

VENEZUELAN REVOLUTION.

It is Said to Be Assuming Alarming Proportions. KINGSTON, Jam., Dec. 15.—Mail advices just received here say the Venezuelan revolution is taking thorough hold, nearly all the states having declared in favor of Hernandez.

Sanderson Murder Trial.

MARSHALL, Mich., Dec. 15.—The prosecution in the Sanderson murder trial closed its case today, reserving the right to call three witnesses on unimportant points. Dr. Wattles, of Battle Creek, who attended Mr. Sanderson in his last illness, was called by the prosecution to testify that he found Sanderson suffering from apoplexy. He prescribed for Sanderson a diet of bland food, including diarrhoea. Dr. Wattles said he saw evidence of affection between Mrs. Sanderson and her husband.

Municipal League Adjourns.

MONROE, Wis., Dec. 15.—The convention of League of Wisconsin Municipalities adjourned at 11 o'clock this morning to hold its next convention in Janesville in June. Officers were elected as follows: President, J. H. Douglas, Mukwonago; first vice president, Victor Richardson, Janesville; secretary, S. E. Spurling, Madison; treasurer, H. J. Roach, Watertown.

Christian Missionary Jubilee.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 15.—The silver jubilee of the Christian Foreign Mission Society of America, held in Louisville, Ky., today. Leaders of that denomination were present from Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Dr. J. H. Douglas, Mukwonago, Ind., was the guest of honor. Dr. J. E. Pounds, of Indianapolis.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—Peter Studebaker, grandson of the Indiana carriage manufacturer, died here today of heart failure.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 15.—Rev. Dr. Warren Witham, pastor of the Second Baptist church of Newport, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Ingham, died here today of heart failure. He was 84 years of age and had a reputation among Baptists, is dead, aged eighty-four years.

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Berne, Switzerland, Dec. 15.—M. Numa, distinguished Swiss statesman, and former president of the Confederation, died today in his fifty-sixth year.

DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

Calculata. The distress in the famine-stricken districts has become more acute. About 2,250,000 persons have received relief.