VOLUNTEER'S STORY.

Private Roy Keator's Experience With the Army Commissariat.

Member of B Co., First Illinois Volunteers - Disabled by Bad Water and Exposure-Was Seized in the Clutches of Bright's Disease-Dodd's Kidney Pills Released Him

CHICAGO, Dec. 18 .- A victim of circum stances was Roy Keator, of B Co., First Illinois Volunteers, Shafter's Army of Invasion. He served three months in the Cuban war. The water in Cuba is a circumstance that few north-bred Americans can withstand. Roy Keator fell a victim to it, and it nearly cost him his life. That he is alive today, he owes to Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Keator was thrown into a fever which developed into Bright's Disease. Bright's developed into Bright's Disease. Bright's Disease is the most severe form of Kidney Disease. Dodd's Kidney Pills are said to be the only medicine that will cure it, and the proprietors assert that it has never failed in a single case where it has been tried. When Keator came home he commenced to take Dodd's Kidney Pills himself, and this is what he says about his case: says about his case:
Chicago, Ill., Aug. 29, 1899.

The Dodd's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.
Gentlemen: After serving three months
in the Cuban War, lying in trenches full my Kidneys, developing into Bright's trial.

Disease. I was in a serious condition for The some time after my return. Dodd's Kidney Pills were recommended to me by one of our company who had suffered the same trouble I had, and he had been cured; therefore I took Dodd's Kidney Pills and am glad to state that I am well and sound in health today as before going to Cuba. I credit Dodd's Kidney Pills for restoring my health, and recommend them to any one suffering from Kidney troubles. I am very gratefully, ROY KEATOR.

METHODIST BISHOPS ARRAIGNED.

They Are Termed Hypocrites at the Central Club Meeting.

The Central Prohibition club met last night and had for consideration a spirited paper on "How Many of the Metho-dist Bishops Are Hypocrites?" The paper excoriated Bishop John H. Waldey for eulogizing a deceased millionaire brewer, whom the bishop said was a worthy example for any Christian to follow; Bishop Fowler, for his hysterical panegyries of President McKinley, whom the bishop declared was "more anxious to please God than to please any other being in the universe;" Bishop John H. Vincent, for arrogantly refusing to transmit to Washington a resolution of con-ference, asking President McKinley to abolish the army grog shop; Bishop Hurst, for his frantic efforts to commend the national body of the Epworth league to the indorsement of McKinley, and Bishop C. C. McCabe, for his apology of the army grog shop, of which he practically said "it is a good thing."

LIQUOR HABIT HIS RUIN.

Charles Vogel Committed to Roches ter State Hospital.

Charles Vogel, an old resident of St. Paul, was yesterday adjudged insane in the probate court and committed to the state hospital at Rochester by Judge Bazille. He was formerly an architect in prosperous circumstances, but became addicted to the liquor habit, and of late has lived in a vacant house at University

and Farrington avenues. Sunday an acquaintance gave Voget \$1 with which to go to friends at Min-neapolis, and later in the day he was arrested and locked up at the Rondo station charged with drunkenness. Early yesterday morning he made an attempt to commit suicide by hanging himself by his suspenders in his cell. Judge Hine, of the municipal court, turned him over to the probate court for ex-

Jury Couldn't Agree.

amination as to his sanity.

The jury in the case of Miss Ella Corrigan against W. H. Elsinger & Co. yesterday reported an inability to agree upon a verdict and was discharged by Judge Jaggard. The foreman reported that the jurymen were evenly divided.

The plaintiff sued to recover \$30,000 for personal injuries alleged to have been received through a counter which was overturned upon her in the Golden Rule store.



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Don't miss this chance if you want a piano. A. E. Whitney, Fourth and Cedar streets. Second Floor, Take Elevator.

Suit Against Street Railway. The case of Rose Walker against the City Rallway company is on trial before Judge Bunn and a jury in district court. The plaintiff alleges that she was run into by a street car at University and Prior avenues Sept. 9, 1899, and her back and nervous system was injured. She asks for \$10,000 damages.

Cut It Down to \$156.07.

The jury in the case of James A. No-well against Dennis Sullivan yesterday re-turned a verdict awarding the plaintiff \$156.07. The action was brought to recov-er \$670 alleged to be due for services ren-dered by Attorney T. J. McDermott, who had assigned his claim to the plaintiff.



Temperance

Women hold up Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and "Favorite Prescription" as examples of what all medicines should be in absolute freedom from alcohol and narcotics. They are strictly temperance medicines. They contain no alcohol, neither opium, cocaine, nor any other narcotic. False formulas of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and "Favorite Perscription" having been published by ignorant or unscrupulous persons, Dr. R. V. Pierce as president of the World's Dispensary Medical Associa-tion, Buffalo, N. Y., the manufacturers of his remedies, offers one thousand dollars for any bottle of these medicines which on analysis shall show the presence either of alcohol or of opium, co-

caine, or any other narcotic. Suits against the originators and publishers of these false formulas have been instituted, and in order to effectually stop the publication of these malicious false hoods, Dr. Pierce asks that his friends will send him copies of any circular, pamphlet, or other advertisement, in which the statement is made that "Golden Medical Discovery" or "Favorite Pre-scription" contains alcohol or opium o: other narcotics. Address Dr. R. V Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

CYCLE PATH'S STATUS

POWER OF COUNTY BOARDS TO SET ASIDE PART OF ROAD THERE-FOR UPHELD

BRADFORD GETS A NEW TRIAL

Indictment Accusing Him of Trespassing on the Rights of the Cycling Fraternity Did Not Stand Test of the Supreme Court's Inquisition, as It Did Not Say That the Path Was Part of a Highway.

Judge Canty, in a decision handed down in the supreme court yesterday, decides that the county commissioners of Hennepin county not only have a right to segregate a part of a highway and Improve it as a cycle path, but they have a right to protect it from use by those other than bicyclists. The court, in a test case brought in the district court of Hennepin county, decides that Alfred Bradford, against whom the charge of violating the ordinance which prohibits the driving of teams across the path, can be properly prosecuted, as the law is of mud and warr day after day, and drinking water full of disease and eating when I got the chance, I was finally thrown into a fever and this located in the court therefore grants a new than the court there is a flaw in the indictconstitutional, but in the particular case at issue there is a flaw in the indict-

The case is of interest to wheelmen generally, as it involves the question of the board's right to set aside part of a highway for cyclists, and decides that, as it has that power, the ordinance which protects the path from trespassers is valid. The syllabus is as follows:

State of Minnesota, respondent, vs. Alfred Bradford, appellant.
Syllabus-1. Section 1, chapter, 43, Laws 1899, construed and held not void for un-

certainty.

2. Held, the section should be cut down by construction so as to apply only to cases of injuries to public bicycle paths.

3. Conceding without deciding that prior to the passage of said chap. 43 the county commissioners had no authority to set apart a portion of a public nighway for a bicycle path for the exclusive use of bicycles, held, that chapter by implication ratified the act of the commissioners in doing so, or attempting to do so, and also by implication authorized such commissioners thereafter to set apart a portion of a highway for such exclusive use.

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3. Held, the indictment is fatally defective in falling to allege that the bicycle path is a part of a public highway or a public bleycle path.

Rule applied that an indictment is not sufficient which merely follows the language of the statute when the statute does not sufficiently define the crime or set forth all of the elements necessary to constitute the offense intended to be punished.

punished.
Order denying a new trial reversed.
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Another decision of yesterday was as follows:

Torkel Thompson, appellant, vs. David L. Thompson, respondent.

Syllabus—I. A storage receipt for wheat delivered at a public elevator, after stating the rate of storage, contained the following clause: "This charge for storage shall cover loss by fire only; all other damage by the elements, or by heating, by riot, or by the act of God, or which in any way have been caused by the holder of this receipt, shall be excepted."

Heid, this by implication constituted a contract of insurance by the warehouseman against loss by fire.

2. Heid, by a subsequent agreement modifying the contract so as to provide that no charge—should thereafter be made for storing the grain, this implication dropped out, and thereafter the warehouseman was not such insurer.

Held, such storage receipt, signed by the agent of the warehouseman, constituted a written contract, the terms of which could not be varied by a prior or contemporaneous verbal contract.

4. The defendant Thompson was doing business in the name of Smith & Thompson, and the storage receipt was signed in that name.

Held, the terms of the receipt cannot

Held, the terms of the receipt cannot for that reason be varied by parol except so far as to explain the fact that defendant was doing business under such firm name.

5. Held, sec. 7646, G. S. 1894, requiring the second reciting certain facts

5. Held, sec. 7646, G. S. 1894, requiring a storage receipt reciting certain facts to be issued when the grain is deposited, does not prohibit a subsequent modification of such receipt by an independent verbal agreement.

6. Held, there was sufficient consideration for such a modification.

7. The storage receipt provided that the rate of storage "shall not exceed four cents for six months.

Held, this was intended to fix the rate of storage and not the duration of the ballment.

6. Held, such contract of insurance passed by a transfer of the storage receipt.

Judgment reversed and a new tria

—Canty, J.

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Among those who have made the highest bids for the original manuscript of Rudyard Kipling's poem, "The Absent-Minded Beggar," which is being sold for the benefit of the wives and children of the British Reservists who have been ordered to South Africa, is Mr. Beecham, of St. Helens, England, who offered \$25 for it.

Mr. Beecham's name is familiar to every newspaper reader in America, as he is proprietor of the famous pills which bear his name. In addition to being a lover of things artistic, he is also a most public spirited man. The great manufacturing center of St. Helens, of which his enormous factory is one of the largest industries, recognized his good services to the town by electing him recently to the mayoralty, backed by the unanimous petition of the municipal council of St. Helens, Without doubt that executive ability which has assisted him so materially in building up his vast enterprise, will be of great service to his fellow townsmen.

SUGAR BEET'S BOUNTY.

State Pays \$19,472 to the Minnesota Beet Sugar Company.

State Auditor Dunn yesterday made a settlement with A. Theden, president of the Minnesota Beet Sugar company, of the bounty provided for by the last legislature upon sugar manufactured by the lature upon sugar manufactured by the company during 1899. Senator Theden celled upon Mr. Dunn yesterday, and, after checking up the reports sent in by the state inspectors, Mr. Dunn drew a warrant in favor of the sugar company

A year ago the company received \$19,000 in bounty, making in all \$33,472, which the state has paid to promote the beet sugar industry in this state during two

Mr. Theden stated that the plant closed down at noon yesterday after a continuous run of 100 days.

"During the season," said the beet man "we received from the farmers of Hennepin, Scott, Carver, Le Sueur, Sibley, Dakota, Freeborn, Steele, Rice and Farlbault counties some 25,000 tons of beets for which we paid in the neighborhood of \$120,000, or perhaps a little less than that. The average price paid for beets during the year was \$4.50, although we have paid as high as \$5 per ton. The price pad is based entirely upon the quality of the beets. Farmers who have raised more than then true constants. than two crops received the maximum figure, and in some sections especially adapted for the culture of beets we readapted for the culture of beets we re-ceived some elegant beets and we are always willing to pay the very highest price for these, as we are able to make just so much more sugar and have a proportionately small amount of pulp as

Taken right straight through, the counties that have raised beets for the factory are going into peet culture next year en a much larger basis than heretofore Minnesota soil is especially adapted for the culture of sugar beets and the farmers

have found it one of the most profitable crops they can put on the market. The average crop under favorable circumstances is about fifteen tons to the acre. On the basis of \$4.50 per ton the farmer receives \$67.56 per acre, and in some cases more than that. It costs about \$25 per acre to raise beets, and the freight added brings the total cost of raising and getting the product to market to about \$35, making a clear profit of \$39 or \$55 per acre. It is well known that \$20 per acra profit on Thest per acre profit on wheat is a good

profit and in a great many sections of the state it is difficult to even make this

mount clear of all expenses.
"The factory at St. Louis Park reduced the 25,000 tons of beets to 1,000,000 pounds of sugar during the season of 1800. We will probably not open up again until some time next fall, although we may make a short run to reduce a large amount of refuse syrup that is now on hand, but of course we can claim no bounty on this."

STATE OF STATE TREASURY.

It Is Shown in the Report of Treas urer Koerner.

State Treasurer Koerner has just completed his annual report and placed it in the hands of the printer. The report covers the fiscal year ending Aug. 1, 1899, and covers about 100 pages of printed matter.

One of the most interesting items is that indicating the amount the state has received since 1873 through the investment of state funds. Very little of the state's money is idle in the state's strong how. The state is more than the state's strong the state is state in the state's strong that the state is strong that the strong that the state is strong that the strong th box. The state now receives 3 per cent interest on daily deposits and has on hand \$7,000,000 worth of bonds, as well as nearly that amount due on land contracts,

which also draws interest.

The state received during the current year \$28,378.35 from interest. The total amount received from interest during these years is near a half million dollars, 1894 being the banner year, with \$56,919.72. Treasurer Koerner has also collected \$3,781.83 interest on stumpage drafts, be-

ing the flist treasurer who has made lumbermen pay interest on delinquent accounts, and the plan is bringing considerable revenue to the state from a class of whom he considers able to pay it.

Rocking Chairs for Christmas. Bankrupt furniture stock, 419-421 Jack-

CLAIMS OF TWO WIDOWS.

They Entangle the Estate of the

Late William R. Edgerly. The contest for the estate of the late The contest for the estate of the late William R. Edgerly will begin in the probate court Jan. 8, when the application of W. T. Alexander to be appointed guardian of Mrs. Elizabeth Edgerly, who is confined in an English insane asylum, will come up for hearing. When the petition was originally filed Judge Bazille provided for a commission to take testimony in England, and the necessary affidavits were received yesteressary affidavits were received yester-

Early in the seventies Edgerly came over from England, accompanied, it is claimed, by his wife, Elizabeth Edgerly. They purchased a home at Olmstead and St. Paul, and then, after several years, Mrs. Edgerly went back to England on a visit. It is alleged that her husband refused to send her money to return, and she became insane and was confined in an asylum. Afterwards Edgerly married again and when he died, in May, 1888, he left a will making his second wife, Bella Edgerly, his sole heir and executrix. The estate was valued at \$4,000.

The will was probated, but, it appears, the final decree was never issued. pears, the final decree was never issued.

Last summer a surprise was sprung on Mrs. Edgerly No. 2 by the filing of a petition by W. T. Alexander, as next friend, asking to be appointed guardian of Mrs. Elizabeth Edgerly, about whom, up to that time, nothing was known. A commissioner to take testimony was authorized and yesterday James Beveredge Spence returned an affidavit that edge Spence returned an affidavit that he is personally acquainted with the first Mrs. Edgerly, who was confined in the Burntwood asylum, near Litchfield, under his charge from 1884 until Oct. 17, 1899, when she was removed to the Staf-fordshire County asylum. The hearing on the petition is set for Jan. 8.

Smokers' Holiday Presents. Go to Adam Fetsch's, Fifth and Robert streets, for Christmas Cigars, Real Meer-schaum Pipes, Beautiful French Briar Pipes, Cigar Cases. Thirtieth anniversary Christmas sale.

HUNGER PANGS ALLEGED.

One of the Grounds in a Divorce Suit Begun Yesterday.

Hunger pangs are alleged as one of the grounds for divorce in an action commenced yesterday in the district court by Mrs. Amanda C. Ferris against her husband, John F. Ferris. According to the complaint in the picturesque language of E. S. Thompson, the plaintiff's attorney, "this plaintiff was forced through the hunger pangs of herself and child and her well grounded fear that both might be slain by famine" to go out washing shortly after the birth of her only child.

Mrs. Ferris and her husband are both thirty-two years old and were married at Britton, S. D., Jan. 10, 1893. The plaintiff claims that her spouse had a bad temper, would not work, beat her and finally deserted her July 5, 1898, when, after a long course of "rent dodging,"

John sold the furniture and gave his wife 35 cents out of the proceeds for herself and the child, and told her to go

to his parents. The defendant is alleged to be earning \$2 per day in the employ of the Eastern Minnesota railroad at Superior, Wis., and for fear that his pay might be at-tached only "visits Minnesota by tached only "visits Minnesota by stealth." Mrs. Ferris asks for alimony, attorney's fees and the custody of her

HEADQUARTERS OF TEACHERS.

Ryan Hotel Named by the Minne-

The Ryan hotel will be the headquarters for the Minnesota Educational association. General Secretary W. G. Smith, of the above named association, has received many inquiries from teachers in the state and takes this opportunity to state that Supt. E. E. Parke, chairman of the committee on securing hotel headquarters, has notified Dr. Fry that the Ryan hotel is to be the official headquarters during the annual meeting Dec. 26. 27 and 28.

For Plans of a Hotel. J. W. Stevens, the architect, has sued George W. Magee to recover \$260 alleged to be due for services rendered in drawing plans and furnishing the estimates for re-modeling the building at Fourth and

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LESS CARELESS NOW

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHOW THE EFFECT OF PUBLIC EXAMINER POPE'S SUGGESTIONS

REFORM IN COUNTY OFFICES

It Is Proceeding Along a Number of Lines, According to the Full Report of the Examiner, Presented to the County Rulers Yesterday-Thtel Agency Bill Fails to Go Through.

The board of county commissioners yes terday morning turned down, by a tie vote, the claim of the Thiel Detective agency for \$679.57, for services alleged to have been rendered, under instructions from former County Attorney Anderson, in an unavailing attempt to locate the Middleton murderer. The bill had been in the hands of a special committee since last spring, and yesterday Commissioner Lott refused to vote, saying the matter, if legitimate, should have been settled

Former County Attorney Anderson again asked that the claim be definitely disposed of. Of the special committee to which the bill had been referred, Commissioner Hardick was the only one who had approved it. The rest of the committee did not care to make the recommendation.

The matter was brought up on a motion for allowance by Commissioner Hardick and Chairman Kiefer took a decided stand. He carefully scrutinized the different items for travel expenses and other

"I will never vote the people's money for whisky and clears for bums." County Attorney Bigelow remarked that the main fault with the bill was that it was itemized too plainly. As a usual thing the whisky and cigar charges were

entered as incidentals. Commissioners Hardick, Wright and Powers voted for the allowance, Mayor Klefer and Commissioners Quehl and Cray against, and Commissioner Lott refused to vote. The bill was disallowed. Mr. Anderson declared that the agency would at once institute legal proceedings against the county. An outrage had been committed in keeping the bill tied up in committee for nearly a vear The final report of Public Examiner Pepe upon the result of the investigation

of the county offices was read and re-ferred. The report was as follows: COUNTY AUDITOR.

The examiners found an imperfect method of accounting for premiums received on tax sales and redemptions from such sales. A new register has been procured by the auditor; the accounts were balanced and proven correct, and the book will hereafter be kept so as to show the true condition at all times, and be a check upon shy attempted irregularities.

we found in use twelve separate order we found in use twelve separate order books. This was confusing and superfluous and sometimes conflicting, and has been changed by the county auditor, who now uses but two books. One for commissioners' warrants and the other for auditors' warrants, each being numbered consecutively, as is provided in the statutes.

The current tax lists in use in the county are not in accord with the form prescribed by the state auditor. The law makes it the duty of the county treasurer to issue all receipts for current taxes, return stubs thereof monthly to the county auditor, who shall charge the treasurer the amount stated by the treasurer, and on the first Monday in January the treasurer shall return to the county auditor the several tax lists and himself compare them with the stubs in the auditor's possession. This plan affords no check upon the county treasurer, and should be improved on. I shall venture to recommend that the board of county audit check these returns and, by the sums of taxes, collected and taxes delinquent, when returned, prove and verify the total levy, following on each page of the tax lists for collections and delinquences. The current tax lists in use in the counquencies.

delinquencies.

The proper and prescribed form has columns ruled for these purposes—the form in use in this county has left them out. I shall ask the auditor to correct his forms for the coming year, and respectfully recommend that you shall take action through the board of audit, or, as seems best to you, to have the current list properly checked up in January next. This item is the largest source of county revenue, and should be properly checked; whereas, it has now no check.

COUNTY SURVEYOR.

COUNTY SURVEYOR. I have heretofore called attention to charges made by the county surveyor for team hire, which were smauthorized by law, and have here to call your attention to the rate of compensation for chainmen, which is fixed by section 1885, General Statutes 1894, at \$2 per day. COUNTY ATTORNEY.

It is made the duty of this officer to approve the bills of justices, constables, et al., as he is supposed best to know if the services charged for were rendered. If his approval reads for K." if services were rendered, it amounts to noth-

Gail Borden

BORDEN'S CONDENSED MILK CO. NEW YORK

ing. The law tells you the proper fee, and the county attorney should tell you if it was earned, provided always that such bills have been referred to him for his approval. GILMORE AGAIN FREE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

The county auditor has paid their per diem and mileage by auditor's warrants, I am clearly of the opinion that such bilis should be audited and paid by order of county commissioners, and not by county auditor, and have so advised the county auditor. As to constructing and repairing high-

ways, Gen. Pope calls attention to secs. 1847-50, G. S. 1894, providing that sums less than \$300 shall be paid to town treasurer and expended under the supervision of town boards of supervisors, and says:

"I do not find any authority for the expenditures of such sums by the county commissioners, and am equally at loss where to find legal authority for expenditure for cycle paths." SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Many bills seem to escape attention and receive audit and payment which should be more carefully scrutinized; for in-

be more carefully scrutinized; for instance:

June 7, 1896, State vs. Ola C. Olson.
Serving subpoena at Forest Lake; mileage charged in full for each of four persons, being \$24.40 in excess of the legal rate provided under sec. 5553, G. S. 1894.

This instance is but one of many.
Another practice of long standing in the sheriff's office has been to present bills and collect 50 cents per day from the United States for the board of United States prisoners contrary to law, which requires the sheriff to present such bills and collect \$2.35 per week from the county and then, acting for the county, to collect the sum of 57 cents per day's board from the United States and pay it into the treasury of the county.

I have prepared statements showing amounts due county from the several sheriffs named, as per recapitulation following, showing total due county from this source to be \$2.245.60.

I also find that the city of St. Paul has not been asked to pay for prisoners confined in jail, under sentence of municipal county for violation of city ordinances.

See secs. 7427-7428, Gen. Statutes 1894.

I enclose statement covering the years 1837-98-98, the period for which the new register was written, and showing due from the city for this period the sum of \$1,873.02.

In a preliminary report your attention was called to the large sum which had

In a preliminary report your attention was called to the large sum which had been withdrawn from the treasury for the benefit of purchasers of tax certificates without authority of law, and at the time, as now, the matter was left to your honorable body to consider where the blame rested. We are of the opinion that the new system of accounting provided and adopted by the auditor will prevent a repetition of such actions.

I desire to call your attention to the work done in the preparation of the new register by men employed under authority of a committee of your honorable body, which made the register of such character that at all times a cursory examination will verify the amount due the sheriff from the county for board of prisoners, as well as the amounts due the county from the United States for board of foreign prisoners.

Respectfully requesting your co-operation in the effort of this dear tree with the second.

eign prisoners.

Respectfully requesting your co-operation in the effort of this department to secure from all the officials a strict compliance with the laws governing their actions. I remain very respectfully your obedient servant,

—E. M. Pope,
Public Examiner.

The offer of Fleenor & Saylor to hust

The offer of Fleenor & Saylor to hunt up property not assessed, for one-fourth of the money recovered, was referred to a special committee with instructions to consult with the county attorney.

County Attorney Bigelow made a par-tial report upon the application of the banks for the return of a part of their assessments which they regarded as excessive. Mr. Bigelow thought that since the money had been voluntarily paid over, it ought not to be returned, but asked for further time in the matter. The humane society was allowed \$300

Rocking Chairs for Christmas. Bankrupt furniture stock, 419-421 Jack-

TAKING IT BACK.

The Home Insurance Company of New York, one of the members of the union, has notified Insurance Commissioner O'Shaughnessy that it will withdraw its circular of Oct. 31 requiring all agents to sever their connections with non-union companies to be entitled to the graded

The second circular to agents withdrawing the first circular says: "The attorney general of Minnesota having issued an opinion confirming the insurance commissioner's decision that the proposed plan for the payment of graded commissions is a violation of the anti-trust laws of the state, we now withdraw our circular of Oct. 31. This will simply leave your commission as it has been arranged, existing agreements not being effected in

Mr. O'Shaughnessy is receiving a large number of responses from companies to whom his circular was sent notifying them of the decision of the attorney general. The Home is the first of the union companies to respond

A letter is received from President G. T. Cram, of the American Central company, as well as president of the Western union, in which he disclaims ever having sent a notice to agents that they must withdraw all non-union companies from their agency. This, however, only applies to the company of which Mr. Cram is president. It is rather a pecular coinci-dence that the president of the Western Union association should be president of a company that had not come under the terms of all the Western union rules.

REPORTED RESCUE FROM FILI-PINOS OF BRAVE AMERI-CAN NAVY OFFICER

HAS HAD A WEIRD TRIAL Dragged Through a Hostile Country

to Prevent His Comrades From Finding and Taking Him-Report Yet Lacks Official Confirmation, but Is Probably True-Americans Rapidly Advancing. MANILA, Dec. 19 .- It is officially announced that Gen. Young reports he believes the American prisoners, including

Lieut. Gilmore, are now in the hands of United States troops. Lieut. Col. Howsee and Maj. Hunter have been operating with small commands in North Ilcos province and it is supposed that one of these have effected the release of the Americans. The report has not been verified. Gen. Lawton started from Manila with the Eleventh cavalry, under Col. Lock-

ett, and battalions of the Twenty-ninth and Twenty-seventh infantry, under Lieut. Col. Sargent, to capture San Mateo, where Geronomino has 300 insur-Gen. Grant has nearly cleared Zambeles province. He discovered hidden in Subig bay a steamer, the Don Francisco, of 180 tons, fully equipped and coaled. She is supposed to be the vessel Aguinal-

do was keeping ready for his escape. Capt. Layson, of the Thirty-second regiment, has routed an insurgent band in Zambeles province, killing several of-Mai. Smith, with three companies of the Seventeenth, surrounded and tured another band of guerrillas, which was terrorizing a large section of the

The troops killed several of the band. Gen. Hughes has captured insurgent strongholds at Leapiz and Rombion, the navy co-operating. One man was killed and one wounded. The insurgents in the islands of Panay

are apparently suppressed. PRESIDENT APPROVES.

Offending Soldiers in the Philip-

pines Will Not Be Shot. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 .- The president today approved the recommendation of the secretary of war in the cases of Private William Scarborough, Company B. Third infantry, and Corporal George Danhoffer and Privates Otto R. Conine and Peter McBennett, all of Company B. Sixteenth infantry. These soldiers were convicted of criminal assault in the Philippines. Danhoffer was sentenced to im prisonment for life, and the others to

suffer the death penalty. Gen. Otis approved the sentence in each case, and the cases came before the war department for review. Strong congressional influence was exercised in behalf of the men. Secretary Root finally rec ommerded a commutation of the sentence to twenty years' imprisonment with hard labor in each case, together with a for-feiture of all pay and allowance, together with a dishonorable discharge. His recommendations, receiving the president's approval, will be carried into effect. The men will probably be confined in the United States prison at Leavenworth.

GOOD NEWS FROM GILMORE.

It Is Brought to Manila by One of His Comrades.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.-Encouraging news reached the navy department today from Admiral Watson, at Manila, respecting the members of the crew of the Yorktown boat's party which landed at Baler last spring. The report gives the account of a sailor of the party who had made his way to Manila, and it shows that eleven of the original party of fifteen are still alive. The man Rynders, who brings this news, was coxswain of the Yorktown, a native of Amsterdam, but a resident of San Francisco, where he shipped.

four dead men mentioned enlisted at the following points: Nygard, a Russian at Brooklyn; McDonald, of Carmel Valley, Cal., at Mare Island; Dillon, a native of Peru, Ind., at Mare Island, and Morrissey, a native of Columbus, Neb., also at Mare Island. Admiral Watson's cablegram is as follows:

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"Manila, Dec. 17.—Seaman Rynders, of the Yorktown, captured at Baler, recaptured, with Woodbury, by cavalry at Bayombong, has reported on board the flagship; both wounded when Glimore was taken, and left behind; he reports Nygard, McDonald, Dillon and Morrissey killed. Rynders, Woodbury, Venville, wounded in foot, unable to travel. Doing well at Baler June 15. Expect Woodbury tomorrow; wounded not cared for, wounds received personal care. Woodbury and Rynders walked nearly to Manila.

"Watson."

Manila Mortality List.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Gen. Otis' latest mortality list is as follows:

Drowned, Rio Grande, near Cabanatuan, Nov. 7, Twenty-second infantry, F. J. Marks, F; at Tayug, Dec. 7, Twenty-fourth infantry, John H. Johnstone, corporal, H. Dysentery, Nov. 25, Thirty-fourth infantry, Frank Wells, A; Dec. 9, Eleventh cavalry, John Delaney, sergeant, E; 13th, Fourth infantry, Otto Unger, M; 14th, Twenty-first infantry, David E. Buckigham, I. Typhoid fever, 27th, Twenty-second infantry, Charles Rainwater, C; Dec. 8, Twelfth infantry, Dean Shearer, E. Gunshot wounds in action: Dec. 10, Thirty-third infantry, Gilbert Baron, G; Thirty-sixth infantry, Harry T. Lawrence, by comrades; Dec. 9, Third cavalry, Charles Rist, F. Suicide, Dec. 15, Thirty-sixth infantry, Mark A. Hallis, corporal, E. Meningitis, Dec. 10, Thirty-Manila Mortality List.

seventh infantry, Lewis L. Eastwood, I. Variola, Dec. 10, Third cavalry, William C. McFarland, K. Tuberculosis, Dec. 5, Thirty-fifth infantry, Homer Paup, A 15th, Twenty-second infantry, Arthui Hollenbeck, E. Collitis, Dec. 2, Eighteenth infantry, Thomas Smith, K. Septicaemia, Dec. 15, Ninth infantry, Henry Wolper, sergeant, band.

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S. W. Raudenbush & Co. are making the lowest prices in town on fine makes like the Weber, Vose & Sons, Shaw, Em-erson, Schiller, Wesley and others. New planos from \$148.00 upwards. S. W. RAUDENBUSH & CO., Sixth and St. Peter Streets.

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And Expenses Allowed the Appraisers of Savings Bank Realty.

Judge Brill yesterday filed an order in the district court allowing Robert H. Dougan and John W. Shepard \$120 each for services rendered in appraising the real estate of the Savings Bank of St. Paul. The appraisers are also given \$102.50 jointly for expenses.

Dougan and Shepard were appointed by the court to act originally under an understanding that their services were

to be gratuitous. Afterwards each presented a claim for \$15 per day, or \$360 each, besides expenses. At the hearing the claims were opposed by Receiver E. J. Hodgson, who was himself one of the appraisers. American Whiskies.

Rye and Bourbon. Especially for Xmas at Michaud Bros. STATE STANDS THE LOSS.

No Insurance Carried on the St. Cloud Reformatory.

The state's loss of the Minnesota state reformatory by the recent fire is not covered by insurance. Some time ago the board decided to cancel what insurance it was carrying, owing to the fact that the building was supposed to be fire

During 1895 and 1896 the reformatory board carried \$10,000 blanket insurance on the buildings, but canceled the three

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TAX BUDGET TO COME UP. Board of Aldermen Will Consider It

This Evening.

The board of aldermen will hold a regular session this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Bids for the collection and reo'clock. moval of garbage and refuse for next year will be opened, and the tax budget as reported by the conference committee will be considered.

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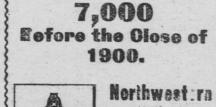
Change of Passenger Station at Chicago.

Patrons please take notice, on and after Monday, December 11th, The Wisconsin Central will use the Central Passenger Station, Park Row and Twelfth St., Chicago, for Passenger Terminals. Sol Smith Russell III. CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Sol Smith Russell was obliged by illness to dismiss his audience at the Grand opera house to-

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