IS IT A COMMON INTEREST?

Farmers' Alliance and Knights of Labor Hold Secret Sessions.

HAD THEIR LABOR FOR THEIR PAINS.

Tramps Hold Up a Farmer and Search Empty Pockets—Liberal Subscriptions for Western Sufferers—A Mortgage Filed.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The annual meeting of the farmers state alliance convenes tomorrow in Bohannon's hall in Lincoln, and the town is full of farmers from various portions of the state. The most important business is to be transacted in executive session. The plan of action for the alliance members of the legislature is to be formulated and other political interests looked after. Changes are to be made in the state constitution. It is astonishing what a revolution of feeling there is concerning Dictator Burrows. His reign seems to be ended and tomorrow's convention promises to commence the work that will result in his overthrow. The reason for this is that he has crowned his autocratic methods by demanding that he be chosen to the position of president of the alliance as Powers' successor.

In addition to the alliance convention it has leaked out tonight that the executive committee of the Knights of Labor is to have a secret conference tomorrow and it is understood this evening that the two conventions have an interest in common.

Disgusted Tramps.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—While returning from the city at a late hour last night, Tom Golden, a young farmer, was held up by four tramps on the Missouri Pacific, just north of the city. As he had no money or valuables with him they secured nothing, and he escaped from them after being rather severely handled.

Nebraska Helps Herself.

CULBERTSON, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—THE BEE's editorial in answer to the Des Moines Register meets popular approval here. Help is needed, but we believe that Nebraska is able and willing to help her own people. There is already much being done to relieve those in need. Thanks to Governor Thayer and the state relief committee, aid is coming from all parts of the state. Nothing to speak of has been received from outside the state. Coal and flour is the principal need. The B. & M. is shipping everything free of freight charges and the county clerk is distributing only on orders from the county justice. Two hundred and nineteen families have already been relieved in this county. There is no particular distress here at present, but there would be if a severe storm should come. All eastern loan companies have withdrawn from this county and the banks are making no new loans. The problem of what will become of this part of the state if capital refuses to remain here is now a serious question with every farmer and every business man. The feeling has been so strong against banks and loan companies that they feel that it is useless to attempt to stem the tide of public sentiment any longer. Many of the farmers of Hitchcock county will be able to go through the winter without assistance, but will be absolutely unable to sow their fields and tend their crops next year without assistance from some source. They have no money and no credit.

A Big Mortgage.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A $16,000,000 mortgage was today placed on file for record in the county clerk's office of Dodge county. The mortgage is given by the Union Pacific railroad to Edwin D. Morgan of New York and Oakes Ames of Massachusetts. The instrument which was received here direct from New York is an old one, dated in 1869. It was once before recorded in this county. It is a voluminous document of forty pages of closely printed matter.

Waiting for the Legislature.

INDIANOLA, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The governor's estimate that there are 800 families in the western part of the state who need present immediate relief is very nearly correct. The various county alliances have made a careful canvass and there are fully that many families which need prompt assistance. Ten car loads of coal have already been ordered to this county and several car loads have been distributed. The banks here have ordered a car load of coal each in addition to the above. Everything so far has been shipped free over the railroad, and this fact has materially assisted the relief committees. Other years there has been a constant stream of eastern money pouring in here from farm loans and the bankers have supplied the local demand for short time money, but now these sources of revenue are cut off and no loans are being made. Bankers and loan men all over the country are hedging against public sentiment and the probable action of the coming legislature. Farmers here believe that a stringent interest law will make money plenty and lower the rate to 7 or 8 per cent per annum, while the bankers claim that most of the money loaned is borrowed by them at 8 per cent, and they must make their running expenses and profit above that amount. But little is being done here by either farmers or business men except to discuss politics and prophesy as to what the coming legislature will do.

Sequel of a Failure.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE]—The latest phase of the Golbgraber failure, wherein the liabilities were about $30,000, the stock selling Saturday for $12,000, was the commencement today of a suit in equity in the district court. The plaintiffs in the case ask that a receiver be appointed and the proceeds be divided pro rata among the creditors. There are fifteen or twenty creditors who failed to get in on the first deal and they are the ones who have begun the suit.

A Nebraska Failure.

OXFORD, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—W. Giles' general merchandise store was today closed for debt, the principal creditor being Donald Bros., of Atchison. The Farmers' state bank of this city and a Red Cloud miller hold smaller claims. The stock is valued at $4,000. Mr. Giles' liabilities are not known, but he claims they are not so large but that he will be able to effect a satisfactory settlement with all creditors.

Behind Closed Doors.

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—At a meeting of the county alliance in this city Saturday, which was held with closed doors, the railroad and money question was discussed at some length. They will urge a 6 per cent law and a law requiring the state treasurer to retain state funds in the treasurer's vaults instead of being deposited in the banks over the state.

School Children Contribute.

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Robert Brown, solicitor in this city for the western Nebraska destitute, shipped a car of clothing and provisions to Benkleman for the Dundy county sufferers. The donation of a barrel of flour by the public school children was also shipped from the same place.

Rush to Pay Taxes.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Today was the limit of the time for the payment of Fremont's occupation tax which has been a bone of contention for nearly a year. There was a big rush of business firms to the treasurer's office. The saloons, thirteen in number, each pay $200.

Wakefield's Part.

WAKEFIELD, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Wakefield will do its part for the unfortunate. One car load containing flour, corn meal, groceries and clothing was sent from here over the Union Pacific railroad to Chappell, Duehl county, Nebraska, to be distributed among the poor people there.

Dr. Riggs Reinstated.

SANTEE AGENCY, Neb. (via Niobrara, Neb.,) Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Dr. A. L. Riggs has been reinstated, with full executive power, as a principal of Santee normal school at Santee agency. Mr. Steer, treasurer, continues his position and is not held responsible for the executive department.

Found Dead in Bed.

KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Yesterday morning E. C. Gallar of St. Albans, Vt., was found dead in his bed at a late hour by a chambermaid at the Brunswick. An autopsy was held in the afternoon, which proved that he had died from heart disease. The coroner's jury arrived at the same conclusion today. The deceased came here about ten days ago to start a general market, and had about completed his arrangements. He had been drinking heavily for several days prior to his death. The body will be held for friends to arrive from his New England home.

An Old Soldier Goes Insane.

SPRINGVIEW, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—James Lowe, an old settler of this county, was adjudged insane by the board of insanity recently and will be taken to the Norfolk asylum as soon as arrangements can be made. Mr. Lowe has been a soldier in the regular army for eight years and served on the plains with General Custer. His insanity is not of a violent nature, but on the contrary very mild, probably caused by softening of the brain. He simply lays in his bed and picks at the clothing without taking notice of anything or anybody.

Grand Island Bicycle Races.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—About eight hundred people witnessed the bicycle races at the exposition hall this evening between the locals. The first race for boys under twelve years, one mile, safeties, was won by young McGeans in 4:48. The free-for-all safety race, mile heats, best three in five, for the championship cup, was won by Charles Menck, A. W. Buchert second, A. Mayer third. The event of the evening was the five-mile race, ordinaries, in which there were three entries, Powell, Nelson and Lorenzo, who finished in the above order. A fall in the last mile lost Nelson one lap; otherwise it would have been doubtful until the finish.

A Woman Killed by a Fall.

WOOD RIVER, Neb., Dec. 15.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The body of a woman was found about 1 o'clock today lying beside the track about a mile and a half east of town. She had jumped or fallen off the fast mail train. She was taken to a house near by and a doctor was called, who pronounced her injuries fatal. She died at 4 o'clock. She and her husband, William Roberts, and two children, and her brother, A. S. Stone, were on their way from Portland, Ore., to Seneca, and as she had tried to commit suicide once before it is supposed that she jumped off the train while laboring under temporary insanity. She was not missed until the train reached Grand Island, when her brother came back with a team in search of her.

FOR FINANCIAL RELIEF.

Secretary Windom Confers With the Republican Senatorial Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The republican senatorial caucus committee today had a long consultation with Secretary Windom respecting the formulation of a financial relief measure. The various propositions contained in the Sherman and Plumb bills were taken up. The secretary endorsed the proposition to reduce the compulsory holding of United States bonds by national banks and commended the proposed issue of 2 per cent bonds. In regard to the proposition to purchase the existing surplus of silver bullion now in the country, Secretary Windom took positive grounds in favor of the purchase as a means of enhancing the price of silver and relieving the financial stringency. He suggested, however, that it might be prudent to restrict by law the amount of this surplus silver purchased in one month.

The caucus committee referred his suggestions to a subcommittee—Sherman, Allison, Aldrich, Plumb and Teller. After deliberation the sub-committee reached a decision, which was promptly ratified by the full committee and will be submitted to the caucus tonight in the shape of a bill to be drafted by Sherman. The main features will be a provision for the purchase of $12,000,000 worth of silver surplus within one year, not to exceed $3,000,000 worth in any one month (in addition to the purchase of 4,500,000 ounces per month now required by law); the issue of 2 per cent bonds not to exceed $100,000,000 in amount, and the purchase of sufficient silver bullion (in addition to the foregoing requirements) to make good the deficiency in the national bank circulation whenever that circulation falls below $180,000,000 (by means of the issue of treasury notes based upon bullion thus purchased). In case bullion in sufficient amount to meet this deficiency cannot be obtained the deficiency in circulation will be made good by the issuance of ordinary treasury notes. In addition the bill contains a clause providing that when the price of silver shall for one year remain constantly at or above legal "par" with gold, any holder of bullion may deposit it with the treasury and have it coined into standard silver dollars or receive treasury notes therefor.

While the committee neglected to take specification upon the subject of reducing the amount of the compulsory holding of United States bonds by national banks, all the members appeared to be in favor of legislation for that purpose.

The report did not meet with the unanimous approval of the committee or the subcommittee in every particular.

The republican senatorial caucus tonight discussed the report of the caucus committee agreed upon today. The 2 per cent bond project found few friends and was quickly knocked out. The $5,000,000 bullion purchase seemed to have strength, but neither on that nor the other propositions was final action taken. There was a great deal of discussion, which may be summarized as indicative of the willingness of a strong majority of republican senators to considerably enlarge the monthly purchases of silver bullion, possibly to the extent of $6,000,000 or $7,000,000. Another caucus will be held soon. The elections bill was not mentioned tonight.

IN MEMORY OF JUSTICE MILLER.

Resolutions Adopted by the Bar of the Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The resolutions adopted by the bar of the supreme court on the death of Justice Samuel F. Miller, were today presented to the court and brief remarks made in eulogy of the deceased. In presenting the resolutions Attorney General Miller said: "When Justice Miller ascended the bench a political earthquake was shaking the foundations of the government, obliterating the old landmarks. To guide this, the weakest and most sensative branch of the government, through all the troublous times that followed, so that on one hand no just power of the general government should be lost, and on the other no just right of the state or of the citizen should be sacrificed was worthy of the best efforts of the greatest of jurists, and most worthily has the task been done."

Chief Justice Fuller, who responded, paid a high tribute to the dead jurist. He said: "While he took a share in the consideration of every subject of judicial investigation, he carefully distinguished himself in the statement of grave constitutional questions, which brought into play the patience, deliberation, foresight, intellectual grasp and breadth of view, all who have deserved the name of statesman."

The resolutions were then ordered spread on the minutes of the court.

Tobacco Men Assign.

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 15.—Hancock, Hollans & Co., proprietors of the Gracey tobacco warehouse, have assigned. Liabilities about $180,000. The assets are thought to exceed that sum. The stringency of the money market was the cause of the assignment.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh, Bee bldg.

DILLON WRITES A LETTER.

The Irish Envoy Touches on the More Recent Events in Ireland.

HE DEPRECATES THE LANGUAGE USED.

The First Issue of McCarthy's Suppressed United Ireland Makes Its Appearance—Patrick O'Brien Declares for Parnell.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—John Dillon has issued a lengthy letter to the press as to the more recent events in Ireland. He says that he has been from the first strongly opposed to any personally offensive attacks on Parnell, although it must be admitted that the cruelly unjust charges he has leveled against the members of his party and the extraordinary violence of the methods by which he has sought to suppress all expression of opinion hostile to himself, renders it very difficult for his opponents to maintain an attitude of moderation. Dillon deprecates in strong terms some of the language which has been used in Ireland on both sides the past few days. Referring again to the attacks on Gladstone and Morley, he says he is convinced that there is not a shadow of foundation for the charges made against them, "Charges which would never have been imagined, much less uttered," says he, "but for the O'Shea divorce case and Gladstone's letter." Dillon speaks of the charges against Gladstone and Morley as a gross and monstrous insult. Dillon says that his reliance for the satisfactory character of the home rule bill has always been not on the pledges of any English statesman, but on the honesty and independence of the Irish party, and, above all, on the unity of the national feeling of the Irish race. He still has hopes that the conference between O'Brien and Parnell may result in restoring unity, but in the meantime Parnell has plunged Ireland into a conflict which wrings the heart of every Irishman with pain and humiliation. He has done this for a purely personal end and Dillon feels bound to say that since he commenced his Irish campaign Parnell has used language and done acts revolting to every free born man, and if he (Dillon) could meet Parnell in Ireland he should tell him, unless he very much altered his course, that he was not a fit leader for a nation aspiring to be free. Dillon, in closing, strongly appeals to the people in Ireland, notwithstanding the provocation, not to forget the respect due Parnell for his past mighty work.

Patrick O'Brien Declares for Parnell

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—Patrick J. O'Brien, member of parliament for North Tipperary who was sentenced at Clonmel to six month's imprisonment for conspiring to incite tenants on the Smith Barry estates at Tipperary not to pay rent, and Michael O'Brien Dalton, who was sentenced to four month's imprisonment for the same offense, were removed to Menagh today where they will be prepared for rioting at Tipperary at the opening of the conspiracy trial there. They both informed a reporter that they regretted not being beside Parnell in his fight to retain the leadership of the Irish nationalist party. O'Brien said he had abandoned the extreme ideas formerly entertained by him when it appeared likely that constitutional agitation would secure the benefits demanded. But if the independence of the nationalist party was lost by abandoning Parnell, any full measure of relief for Ireland through parliamentary means would be impossible.

The formal nomination of Scully as the candidate of the Parnellites for the seat in the commons for North Kilkenny made vacant by the death of Marum was made today. Sir John Pope Hennessy, his opponent, was formally nominated by the McCarthy section of the nationalist party.

The branch of the national league at Armagh has adopted a resolution repudiating Parnell.

At the Franciscan church at Ennis yesterday the friars denounced Parnell both for his moral and political action. Several members of the congregation became offended at the utterance of the friars and left.

An Editorial Opinion.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Daily News correspondent at Kilkenny declares his belief that Parnell's cause is lost. Speaking of the Rathdowney meeting today, he says that 4,000 persons attended Davitt's meeting, while only a few hundred listened to Parnell. The allusion to the Freeman's Journal in Tanner's speech called forth the shouts, "To blazes with it." Tanner thereupon burned a copy of the paper. Davitt in his speech said: "Parnell has fled as he will flee from Kilkenny next Monday. But I will meet him face to face before this contest is over and ask him to repeat that archbishops, bishops, priests, and Sexton, O'Brien and Dillon are the scum of the earth. This is the Parnell who did not hesitate to accept £40,000 from the "scum of Ireland." At the conclusion of the meetings the farmers dragged the wagon with Davitt and others on through the village in triumph.

Archbishop Walsh to McCarthy.

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—Archbishop Walsh's letter in Suppressed United Ireland urged McCarthy to keep his pledge to sit, act and vote with the party always in front. "It will be your best argument in the long run and you will find yourself safe in taking your stand of it alone. The discreditable device of calling members to account for standing by their party instead of by Parnell has been resorted to not without temporary success, but every one knows that the assertion that the pledge was to an individual leader is grossly untrue. Calumny has been a favorite weapon in the hands of our enemies."

The new paper displays pugnacious headings, such as "Parnellite Cowards," "Freemans Journal's Falsehoods," "Parnellite Opinion Manufactured," etc. The paper had a large sale.

Circular Regarding League Funds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A circular letter has been issued by the Irish delegates to the treasurers of funds at all points where they have been deposited that before they left Ireland a clear understanding was arrived at that the funds collected in America should be used for the support of evicted tenants. Joseph E. Cenney and Alfred Webb, who were appointed treasurers of the fund, have taken opposite sides in the present controversy. "But in every case," the delegates say, "we are quite content that the money, if sent to them, will be honorably applied to the purposes for which it was subscribed." They therefore earnestly request that any funds in hand be immediately forwarded to Dublin, payable to the joint order of Dr. Joseph E. Kenney and Alfred Webb.

Parnell at Rathdowney.

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—Parnell and several of his adherents today addressed a large meeting at Rathdowney. Parnell was presented with an address of confidence. Harrison, in his speech, regretted that the opposing members of the party descended to hurling a woman's name at their former leader. This was received by the crowd with shouts of "Dirty Tim Healy." While the meeting was in progress Davitt and Tanner arrived in town and began to address a crowd in the market square. While they were talking Parnell drove away in a carriage, whereupon Tanner shouted: "He is clearing out now. Tally-ho, the fox has got away." Parnell and party managed to depart without any collision of the factions.

Parnell's Supporters Leave a Church.

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—During the celebration of mass at Kildysart yesterday, Father Gillian, the officiating priest, took occasion to denounce Parnell in very severe terms. While he was speaking the whole congregation arose and left the church. A meeting was organized by the parishioners outside and a vote of confidence in Parnell unanimously adopted.

McCarthy's United Ireland Issued.

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—The Suppressed United Ireland, the paper issued by the McCarthyites, appeared today. It contained a letter from Archbishop Walsh, supporting the opponents of Parnell. Rev. O'Reagan, dean of Chapter, Cloyne, called a meeting at which resolutions were adopted repudiating Parnell. A number of those present procured a picture of Parnell and burned it.

At a meeting called by the clergymen of Gallway for the purpose of denouncing Parnell, the supporters of Parnell turned out in force and passed a resolution supporting their leader.

IT GROWS BITTER.

The Parnell and Anti-Parnell Contest Waxing Daily Hotter.

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KILKENNY, Dec. 15.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—As the decisive day approaches the contest grows more bitter. Parnell, usually calm, has taken to lashing his opponents with epithets much worse than they have used in speaking at Urlingford. He called his late followers "gutter sparrows" and "scum." This roused Davitt's ire and today he announced his determination to meet Parnell and hurl the charges in his teeth.

Today both sides went to Rathdowney, Parnell accompanied by Kelly, Nolan, Harrington; Davitt accompanied by Dr. Tanner. Rathdowney is not in North Kilkenny, but it was a fair day and many electors were there. Parnell found himself in such disfavor that he held a meeting in the house. It could hardly be called a meeting, so slimly was it attended. Davitt and Tanner on the other hand addressed a roaring outdoor meeting. While Davitt was speaking Tanner espied Parnell driving for his hotel. He at once called attention to him and shouted, "Boys of Rathdowney, give a good tally-ho to the fox who is stealing away." The advice was taken and Parnell might have tasted Rathdowney mud had he not driven out of town in a circuitous route. The incident made Parnell contemplative. He took the train for Kilmanagh, accompanied by a dozen correspondents. He said he would speak at Kilmanagh as announced. The train slowed up as it approached Baldiragget and quietly Parnell and Harrison slipped out of the train and went into the town. The train went on without him, carrying the correspondents who did not find the game gone until too late. Heretofore Parnell has been anxious to have the correspondents with him, but they have grown irksome since the tide has turned against him on account of their unpleasant way of speaking the truth in regard to his personal feeling. By the way the only American paper represented here by a roving correspondent is the Herald.

This was a peaceful day at Kilkenny. At the nomination today the candidates had to be nominated between 11 and 1 at the court house. Scully's papers were handed in soon after 11; Hennessey's soon after 12. At 12:30 a hundred people were at the court house, along with them Hennessy, his agent Murphy, Tim Healy, John Roche, Daniel O'Rielly, and a dozen priests.

Sub-Sheriff Fanning occupied the bench. The place was as cold as an ice-house. Everybody was congealing when Fanning said: "There are three minutes in which objections can be made."

Scully came in and there was a buzz when he said he had no objection to make. He said according to the law a candicate must hand in nomination papers to the returning officer and Hennessey had not done so. Hennessey, who looks like a bantam eagle or an overgrown dicky-bird, grew red about the ears. An angelic smile crossed Healy's face. Agent Murphy laughed cheeringly. The returning officer said Hennessey had complied with the law. The objection was disallowed. Scully left the room amidst the mocking laughter of the crowd, all of whom were against him.

The anti-Parnellites are feeling very jubilant tonight on general principles and on account of a dispatch received from Father Murphy of Kilmanagh, announcing that he had joined their forces though a few days ago he was considered a fierce Parnellite. The rumor of conservative candidate is unfounded. The tories are working hard for Parnell, even the women, foremost among whom is the Marchioness Ormande.

There will be meetings day and night all over the division until Monday. So far the contestants have managed to hold meetings at different hours, but collisions are sure to occur.

Dick Power mounted the steps at the Patriots' hotel here last night to address the crowd for Parnell. He was promptly pounced upon by Tanner, and Healy sent him word that he would bet him £100 Parnell would be beaten. Tanner hurled a man down stairs who was battering Davitt's door. Late last night the fellow, when questioned, said he was a Clan-na-Gael man from Boston named Hennessy.

He swore he wanted only to get Davitt's opinion of the election. He left Kilkenny on the first train, as it is not a safe place for an inquisitive person.

ELKHORN'S CHEMICAL.

It Starts a Lively Rumpus in the Little Town.

The town of Elkhorn has a $700 chemical engine and it is causing the officials no end of trouble. The machine was bought some weeks ago and to give it a test, a shanty was built just outside the business portion of the town. This was filled with combustible material, set on fire and the machine turned loose. It worked well, but some of the members of the common council desired a second test. This was made and the engine refused to operate. On Sunday a third trial was demanded, and after the torch had been applied the officials indulged in a free-for-all fight over how the engine should be managed. During all of this time the flames continued to eat into the shanty until nothing remained but a pile of smoking ruins. The cart was then started and in its progress Ed Mahew was knocked down and run over, the result of which is that he is laid up with three broken ribs. Several of the officials were arrested, but they all escaped the penalty of the law except one, who was fined $15 and costs.

Hightower Harasses Harris.

The Hightower-Harris fight at Germania hall, South Omaha, last night, notwithstanding its lopsidedness, was a very interesting mill. Harry Gilmore and Tommy White were behind Hightower's chair, while Pat Allen and Prof. Sharry officiated in a like capacity for Harris.

The story of the battle can be told in a few words. Hightower simply went in and in a few minutes demonstrated that Harris' claims to being a fighter were of the shabbiest description. He banged and smashed him about the squared circle like an old shoe, the leniency of the referee, Jimmy Donnelly, alone allowing him to continue. In the fourth round, however, Hightower put on the "kibosh" beyond dispute, a blow on the jaw sending Mr. Harris to the resined floor, where he remained until counted out. Hightower showed himself to be a really good man, while Harris as thoroughly evinced that what he knows about fighting wouldn't make more than a line in a penny primmer.

A Barge Believed to be Lost.

SOUTHPORT, Conn., Dec. 15.—Fears are entertained here that the steam barge City of Utica of New York has gone down with all on board. Wreckage has come ashore.

A Long Courtship Ended.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Miss Elena Porter, daughter of Admiral Porter, and Captain Charles H. Campbell of the army were married tonight at Assension church.

The Chess Tournament.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The fourth game of the chess tourney resulted in a victory for Gunsberg.

Hall's Hair Renewer eradicates and prevents the formation of dandruff, thickens the growth and beautifies the hair as no other preparation will.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh, Bee bldg

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS

A Resolution Extending the Bonded Period Presented in the House.

NO ACTION TAKEN UPON THE MATTER.

The Bill to Erect a Monument to the Victims of Prison Ships Excites Considerable Debate—Senate Doings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—In the house today Mr. McKinley, from the ways and means committee, reported and the house adopted a resolution, calling on the secretary of the treasury for the names of the banks in which public money is deposited, the reasons for making the deposits and the rate of interest, if any, which is returned for the use of public funds. Also for information as to the authority by which and the law under which such deposits are made.

The speaker said that the pending business was a motion made by Mr. Hermann of Oregon to suspend the rules and pass the bill for the adjustment and payment of claims arising from Indian depredations.

After advocacy of the measure by Messrs. Lanham, Townsend of Colorado, Sayers, Mills and Perkins, and criticising upon it by Messrs. Holman and Kilgore, the motion was agreed to and the bill passed. The bill provides for the appointment by the president of three judges to constitute a court to adjudicate all claims for property taken by the Indians without justice.

Mr. Spinola of New York, moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill appropriating $100,000 for the erection of a monument to the victims of the prison ship at Fort Green, Brooklyn.

Mr. Allen of Michigan, while adding his meed of praise to the patriotism of the men whom it is designed to honor, opposed the bill. These men had suffered untold horrors, but there were men all over this county men who had suffered horrors equally as atrocious at Libby, Andersonville and every prison south of the Potomac. These men had come time and again asking congress to give them a pittance, but so far their prayers had been refused and the leading papers of New York had been engaged in bringing their powerful batteries to bear upon public sentiment in order to turn it against granting pensions of any kind whatever. At the same time representatives of New York city came here and asked the government to build a monument to commemorate men who needed no monument to tell the story of their patriotism.

Mr. Sweeny of Iowa said the present was no time for making appropriations of this character. The gentlemen who urged the passage of this measure were the very ones who day after day declared that there would be a deficiency in the treasury.

Mr. Cannon of Illinois said he was informed that the library committee had reported favorably thirty monument bills. There was an estimated increase in the expenditures of the government of $75,000,000 and an estimated decrease in the revenues of $60,000,000. Congress must choose between giving relief to the living and erecting monuments.

Messrs. J. D. Taylor of Ohio and Kerr of Iowa twitted the New York members with the fact that their city had not erected a monument to General Grant, but nevertheless asked congress for a monument to victims of prison ships.

Mr. Spinola's motion was lost—103 to 90.

Mr. McKinley of Ohio reported the Flower resolution extending the bonded period to July 1 next. There being a disposition on the part of Mr. Culberson of Texas to debate it, Mr. McKinley withdrew it. Adjourned.

In the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The senate met at 10 o'clock this morning. After the transaction of unimportant business Mr. Morgan gave notice that he would tomorrow morning call up the Dolph resolution respecting the abridgment of the right of suffrage.

The bill enlarging the rights of homesteaders on public lands was passed.

The house bill was passed for the erection of a public building at Fargo, N. D., at a cost of $100,000.

The bill subjecting oleomargarine to the operation of state laws, the Paddock pure food bill, and the Conger pure lard bill, having come up in their order, were laid aside without prejudice, and the senate proceeded to the consideration of the election bill. Mr. Colquitt spoke upon it.

Senator Saunders today introduced a bill to amend the silver coinage law so as to authorize the secretary of the treasury to purchase all the silver bullion offered at a price not exceeding $1 for 371.25 grains of fine silver and issue treasury notes in payment therefor.

Messrs. Colquitt of Georgia, Wilson of Maryland and Vance of North Carolina spoke at some length against the elections bill.

At the close of Mr. Vance's speech the vice president announced the question to be on Mr. Graves' amendment to strike out the house-to-house clause. A vote was not reached, however.

Mr. Butler spoke in support of the amendment he had suggested several days ago, providing that supervisors, canvassers and other election officers be regarded as ministerial and not judicial officers.

Mr. Hoar opposed the amendment and a long debate ensued. Before it ended the senate went into executive session and soon adjourned.

Business Troubles.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The Morrison, Adams & Allen company, paints and putty, assigned today. Liabilities, $58,000; assets, $50,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Judgment was entered this afternoon against the old broker firm of Maris & Smith by John M. Maris on a note for $15,000. It will probably cause the assignment of the firm.

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 15.—C. A. Hindsell, an extensive clothing dealer, assigned today. Liabilities believed to be heavy.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Lorillard brickworks company of this city and Keyport, N. J., has been placed in the hands of a receiver, Charles Seidler. The company has been carrying a large amount of real estate and builders' paper and was short of cash. Jacob Lorillard was president of the company and R. C. Guyer secretary and treasurer. The liabilities of the company are reported to amount to upwards of $1,000,000, which includes mortgages on property for $687,000. Assignee Seidler says the assets amount to $1,500,000, which is enough to pay every debt and leave a large surplus for Lorillard.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 15.—The wholesale liquor house of A. H. Laurence & Co. assigned today. Liabilities, $126,000; assets, not known.

A Virginia Sensation.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 15.—President Ernest Howard of the Virginia stock exchange of Staunton was arrested today on a warrant charging him with embezzlement. Howard locked the door of the exchange, refused the stockholders admittance, and kept a crowd at bay with a pistol. He afterwards left the exchange and was arrested while checking money out of the bank.

Objects to Probating the Will.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Fayerweather's objections to the probate of her husband's will were filed today. She claims that the will was not the free act of the decedent and that it was procured through wrongful and undue influence exerted upon him.

Koch's Lymph Killed the Child.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Doctors today reported a case of death following the use of Koch's lymph. The patient was an eighteen-months-old child suffering from tuberculosis meningitis, and inoculation was performed as a last resort.

Relieved from the Receivership.

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 15.—The United States court has issued an order relieving the Houston & Texas Central railroad from a receivership and turning it over to the new company.

Murder and Suicide.

MORRISON, Ill., Dec. 15.—Robert Robinson, an aged widower, has been for some time importuning Miss Mary Wall of Union Grove to marry him, but she has steadfastly declined. Today he blew her brains out with a revolver and then suicided.

Steamship Arrivals.

At New York—La Normandi, from Havre; the Dania, from Hamburg and Havre.

He Will Be Prosecuted.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—It has been decided to prosecute Anarchist De la Bruiore, the accomplice of Gregoire, for conspiring to defeat justice in assisting Padlewiski to escape from Paris.

TERRIBLE SENSATIONS.

They are Experienced by a Family Inhaling Natural Gas.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 16.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A family of five, consisting of Mr. Sarah Worstell, daughter and three sons, came near meeting death last night from the effects of natural gas. A leak in the pipes filled the house with gas, after the family had retired. About midnight one of the boys awoke, and by crawling and rolling on the floor, reached a window, and by calling for help the other members of the household were carried to a neighbor's house and physicians summoned. The oldest son, Benjamin, was found to be in a critical condition, having become completely blind and his hearing gone. The various feelings experienced by the members of the family were terrible, and they describe their agony as excruciating for hours while they lay in their beds conscious, but in a helpless condition. It is thought the whole family will recover.

A Charming Memory.

No improvement have been so marked, so signally perfect in attainment, in the last few years, as the numerous luxuries which have been introduced in transcontinental travel. Instead of harrowing recollections the tourist now has left to him when his journey is completed, a charming memory of perfect train service and palace dining cars. The arrangements this winter for dining cars on the Union and Southern Pacific roads is something far in advance of anything in that hitherto attempted.

The Young Man Squealed.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 15.—A civil action has been begun by Mrs. Ankie Everett for Jonathan Bourne of New Bedford to recover $48,000 from John Stetson. The money is alleged to have been lost in gambling in rooms occupied by "Carlton associates" in Howard Place. Stetson is president of the associates. Bourne came into a fortune of $1,000,000 about a year ago, and it is claimed that he was a victim of a fleecing game.

The American Idea

is that "nothing is too good for me when I travel," and in consequence we have become noted as the most luxurious travelers in the world. That which the people demand, the roads must supply, and thus we have also the most perfectly appointed railway service in the world. The traveler now dines in a Pullman palace dining car clear through in his journey, from Council Bluffs and Omaha to San Francisco, on the Union and Southern Pacific roads.

The Death Roll.

STEVENS POINT, Wis., Dec. 15.—A. E. Bosworth, president of the First National bank, died today.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 15.—Joseph H. Hough, secretary of the New Jersey grand lodge of Masons for the past forty-eight years, died tonight.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 15.—Colonel Glover Perin, U. S. A., assistant surgeon general, died today. He was retired in 1887.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh, Bee bldg.

Holiday Excursions.

On December 24, 25 and 31, 1890, and January 1, 1891, the Union Pacific will sell tickets to all points in Kansas and Nebraska at one and one-third fare for the round trip, good returning until January 5, 1891. Remember the dates.

Two Arkansas Towns Destroyed.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec 15.—Two thriving Arkansas towns, Dardanelle and Montecello, were almost wiped out of existence Sunday night by fire, whole business blocks being burned with their contents. The losses reach $150,000; partially insured. Neither place had facilities for fighting fire.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh, Bee bldg.

Did you ever buy a horse and not have some misgivings as to his points till they were fully tested? Not so with Ayer's Sarsaparilla; you may be sure of it at the start. It never disappoints those who give it a fair and persistent trial.

Nelson Outrows Kemp.

SIDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 15.—The sculling match for £300 a side and the championship of the world took place today on the Parametta river between Kemp and Nelson and resulted in a victory for the latter.

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For Throat Diseases and Coughs use BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES. Like all really good things, they are imitated. The genuine are sold only in boxes.

The Silver Pool Resolution.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The house committee on rules had under consideration today the resolution proceeding from an investigation into the alleged silver pool, but came to no definite conclusion.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh, Bee bldg.

1602 Sixteenth and Farnam streets is the new Rock Island ticket office. Tickets to all points east at lowest rates.

Much Anxiety About the Pope.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to the National Zeitung from Rome says there is much anxiety over the condition of the pope, who is seriously affected by the extremely cold weather.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh, Bee bldg.

Mrs. Winslow's soothing syrup is the best of all remedies for children teething. 25 cents a bottle.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mrs. Henry Fuhrman of Fremont is in the city for a few days, the guest of Mrs. E. Rosewater.

E. J. Murphy, who for four years has held the position of chief clerk in the custom house, has resigned, the resignation to take effect the first of next month.

Gus M. Butler, formerly with the Western Union telegraph company in this city, has just returned from Albuquerque, N. M., and will manage a hotel for his mother.

The Baby's

Health often gives fond parents very great anxiety and care. S. S. S., is the popular remedy for children. It is safe, palatable and does the work. David Zartman, of Independence, O., says:

"S. S. S. CURED MY BABY OF THE WORST CASE OF CATARRH I EVER SAW A CHILD WITH. THE NASAL DISCHARGE WAS VERY LARGE AND OFFENSIVE. S. S. S. MADE A PERMANENT CURE."

Books on Blood and Skin diseases free.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

We Advertised Last Week to Give Away A $20 Suit or Overcoat

To the person in this state or Iowa that would furnish us the best original suggestion for an advertisement or trade scheme.

We got over 1,000 Answers some were old chestnuts and lots were good, we will in our next advertisement notify the successful contestant.

We will have ANOTHER Christmas - Gift For You

Look out for our advertisement.

We this day opened 500 suits of underwear that are as good as the very best garment sold in this