FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

SOME POLITICAL POINTERS REGARD-ING THE COMING SESSION.

Independents and Republicans if United Would Balance the Democrats in the House--- Request of Settlers to Buy In Their Farms Denied by Acting Secretary Muldrow.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.-In the house of representatives of the fiftieth congress there will be 168 Democrats, 153 Republicans and 4 Independents. This gives the Democrats a majority of 11 over all, or a majority of 15 over the Republicans if the Independents, so called, are to act as an independent party. What the contentions of the four Independents are is not known. Three of them are of Republican antecedents, and the other of Democratic. Included in the list of 168 Democrats are four representatives who, while returned Democrats, were elected. as distinctively labar candidates or as the representatives of the labor element, and who, it is understood, owe their election in some measure to Republican votes. Some of these gentlemen have shown marked independence on more than one occasion. If six votes should be taken away from the Democratic column of 168. and be united with the Republican and Independent votes, the result would be 163, while the Democratic vote would be reduced to 162, giving this coalition a majority of one.

INDEMNITY LANDS.

Request of Settlers to Buy in Lands Pur-

chased by them in Good Faith Denied. WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—George P. Flannery, of Minneapolis, yesterday made application to the secretary of the interior to be allowed to purchase from the government certain lands in Cass, Becker and Otter Tail counties for certain clients

who had purchased them in good faith from the Northern Pacific railroad company. The lands, comprising about 2,000 acres, all lie within the second indemnity belt of the Northern Pacific. Mr. Muldrow declined to withdraw the lands from settlement, as requested by Flannery, but will give the application consideration. Mr. Flannery holds that the construction placed on the joint resolution of May 30, 1870, by the interior department and the recognition of the second indemnity belt by Secretary Teller were a guarantee to the purchasers of lands from the Northern Pacific that the road could convey valid title, and that these settlers ought to be protected in their right and given the first right to purchase.

THE POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT.

Annual Report of the Second Assistant

Postmaster General. WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.-The annual report of A. Leo Knott, second assistant postmaster general, shows that the total cost for the year was \$29,306,508. In the star service there was an increase of 615 routes, and a decrease in the cost of \$252,647. In the mail messenger service there was an increase of 163 routes and a decrease of \$5,311 in cost. In the railroad service there was an increase of 7.015 miles in length of routes and an increase of cost of \$654,500. Since July 1, 1863, the number of free delivery offices has increased from 66 to 189 and the number of carriers employed, from 685 to 5,310.

The Fisheries Commission.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.-The English fisheries commissioners called at the state department and were introduced to Secretary Bayard by Minister West, Mr. Bayard will call with them and present them to the president. An informal conference will be held this Monday.

A TRAIN FIRE.

An Engine and One Coach Turned Over and Consumed by Fire.

BRAZIL, Ind., Nov. 21.—The passenger train leaving here for Clay City on the Evansville & Indianapolis road was ditched three miles out. The engine and single coach turned over and instantly took fire and were consumed. Engineer William Felton, of Clay City, was buried under the engine and instantly killed. Fireman Clark Leeham was badly scalded and D. S. Highwood, brakeman, badly injured. There were sixteen passengers in the coach, all of whom escaped with more or less slight injuries. The train left the track at the switch:

INDIANA WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS.

An Organized Effort to Secure to the Weaker Sex Municipal Rights

WABASH, Ind., Nov. 21.-Miss Susan B. Anthony, the famous female suffragist, was in this city affecting the organization of a suffrage club and arranging for the formation of clubs throughout this congressional district. She addressed an immense andience at the Christian church on "Power of the Ballot." Miss Anthony states that clubs are being organized in every congressional district in Indiana, and it is hoped by next winter that influence will induce the general assembly to grant women municipal rights.

Weighing Grain at Elevators.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 21.-A conference was held between the railway commission and representatives of public elevators at Minneapolis regarding the matter of weighing grain at the elevators when shipped out as well as when received. law requires both to be done, but weighing out has, in some instances, proved difficult. It was finally determined to allow the weighmasters to exercise their best judgment in the prem-

Milwaukee Beer-Strikers

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 21.—The maltsters' strike is likely to assume larger proportions. The brewers decided not to handle malt made by non-union work-men, and as three brewing establishments have declined to yield to this stip-ulation a strike of the brewers employed in them is looked for.

Ward Is Satisfied.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.-John M. Ward and his wife, Helen Danvray, have left for San Francisco. Ward said he was satisfied with the new contract signed by CHICAGO ART INSTITUTE.

An Exhibit of the Art Treasures so Far Collected --- A Prize for American Paint-

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—The new buildings of the Chicago art institute for the permanent art museum are completed. A superb collection of pictures is displayed. The program for the opening included an exhibit of the art treasures so far collected and belonging to the institute, and a reception to the members of the association. Four rooms are filled with the art gifts of Mrs. Hall Ellis, which are valued at \$10,000. The historical collection of the late Elihu B. Washburne fills one room. J. W. Ellsworth has set aside a here, are furnished by an eye witness: sum from which \$250 will be annually At 1 o'clock a. m. the Arizona was com-American painter.

toria Much Concerned About Her Sonin-Law, the Crown Prince of Germany --- Czar Alexandria Resumes His Journey --- Foreign Matters in General,

LONDON, Nov. 21.-The queen, accompanied by Princess Beatrice, arrived at Windsor, where the court will remain until a few days before Christmas. The queen will then go to Osborne to spend the winter and will arrive in London about the middle of February. Victoria is very seriously affected by the hopeless condition of the prince imperial of Germany, who is the husband of her eldest daughter and namesake, Victoria Adelaide. The queen appears to think, from the special reports of Sir Morrelt Mackenzie which have been communicated to her, that there is little hope, if any, of the prince's recovery.

THE CZAR IN BERLIN.

Interviews Between the Czar and Emperor --- A State Banquet---Off for St. Peters-

BERLIN, Nov. 21.-At 11:30 a. m. the czar, accompanied by Gen. Von Werder, returned the emperor's visit. The czarina and her five children visited Emperor William in the afternoon. In the evening at the state banquet covers were laid for ninety-eight. Prince Bismarck and wife were present. The czar and his party left for St. Petersburg at 9:30 p. m.

A GRAND SPREAD.

Thirty-Second Annual Game Dinner at the Grand Pacific.

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.-A distinguished company gathered around the tables in the banqueting hall of the Grand Pacific hotel at 6 p. m. It was the thirty-second annual game dinner which has been given by mine host John B. Drake, and for months skilled hunters have been scouring the forests of Northern Michigan and Wisconsin in search of the specialties which graced the table. It was in 1855, when game was plentiful and near at hand, that the idea of an annual game dinner originated with Mr. Drake, and to.day it is one of the racognized institutions of the city. Forty sat down to the first dinner, while 600 participated in this event, and thousands more would have been there if they only could. There are seventy dishes on the menu, not counting the entrees. The roast occupy a space of twenty-seven lines, and broils some twenty more. Game of all kinds and from all parts of the country was served in every conceivable manner. THE ABERDEEN FIRE.

The Land Office and Several Other Build-

ings on Fire. ABERDEEN, Dak., Nov. 21.—The United States land office and several other important buildings are now on fire. If the flames are confined to their present limits the loss will not fall below A high wind prevails and the fire is likely to spread. In that event the loss may reach \$25,000.

Rich Deposits of Coal.

CLINTON, Mo., Nov. 21 .- A company was recently formed in the west part of the county with a view to prospecting for coal near Urich. Drills were started and at a depth of thirty-five feet a vein of coal six feet thick was reached. The coal proved to be the best quality of cannel coal and seven car-loads put on the market in Kansas City brought 24 cents per bushel.

Restored the Lumber Rates.

Sr. PAUL, Nov. 21.-Friday the roads interested in the matter-the Manitoba, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Northern Pacific, Minneapolis & St. Louis, Minneapolis & Pacific, and the Chicago & Northwestern-held a meeting and agreed to restore the lumber rates to all points in Minnesota and Dakota to those in operation last June.

Will Emigrate to Alaska.

Tower City, Nov. 21.-A colony is organizing here to go to Cook's Inlet, Alaska, 600 miles northwest of Sitka, G. H. Ellsbury is father of the scheme, and ne is a rustler from way back. Several have already booked themselves for the new gold diggings in far-off Alaska.

The Chinaman Acquitted. CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—The jury in the case of Sing Lam, the Chinaman charged with the murder of Officer Philip L. Robinson, returned a verdict of acquittal in Judge Williamson's court to-day. The jury had been out all night.

The Minnesota Northern.

St. PAUL, Nov. 21.—Articles of incorporation of the Minnesota Northern Railway company were filed Saturday in the office of the secretary of state. The capital stock is fixed at \$5,000,000.

Dakota Horticultural Society. HURON, Nov. 21 .- The Dakota Horticultural society, in joint session with the Territorial Farmers' alliance, will hold their annual meeting here Dec. 13, 14

Bitmarck's New Water-Works.

BISMARCK, D. T., Nov. 21.-The new water-works are now in successful operation. The water was turned into the mains on Wednesday, and no obstruction or leakage has been discovered.

Will Sue Gladstone.

London, Nov. 21 .- Col. Dopping and his friends have decided to bring an action against Mr. Gladstone for slander.

TWO GRAND HEROES

WITNESS GRAPHICALLY DESCRIBES THE BURNING OF THE ARIZONA.

Brave Actions of the Engineer and Captain Save the Entire Crew From Certain Death--- A Terrible Ride on a Fire Ship --- A Jump for Life.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Nov. 21.—The following additional particulars of the loss of the Arizona, reported quite fully in our telegraph columns, which occurred given as a prize for the best picture by an pelled to put back to Marquette by weather, and when within three miles OUEEN VIC'S MOVEMENTS of port a big sea struck ner concussion overturned sevof port a big sea struck her eral carboys of acid. Combustion ensued, and in less time than it takes to tell it we saw the vessel a mass of flame and the suffocating fumes of the acid were terrible. The crew rushed for the windward side and managed to get fresh air and to live. It was a ride for life and it developed at least two noble heroes, the engineer, who not only stuck to his post, but acted the part of a fireman and crammed the furnace with coal after the flames and vapor had seemingly cut him off from all assistance, and the captain who stayed in the pilot house and surely directed the vessel to the breakwater. Had it not been for these two men, Captain Graser and Engineer John Miller, most if not all the crew would have been lost, for had she been five minutes later in reaching the breakwater there would have been no safety. So terrible was the effect of the acid that they could not even get to the yawl, and it was either to ride the vessel to a landing or jump into the water. As she touched the pier every man jumped for his life, but even then they had a lively time in getting away from the suffocating acid, which seemed to chase them like death itself. The vessel then took a new start with her rudder tied hard to the starboard. She went on down the brakewater and ran ashore but a few feet from the water works buildings where she burned to the water's edge.

ADMISSION OF DAKOTA.

Movement for Admission Without Divis-

ion---Convention at Aberdeen Dec. 15. ABERDEEN, Dak., Nov. 21.-For the past week a movement has been on foot here for an admission convention at Aberdeen on Dec. 15 next, to unite in memoralizing congress for admission as a whole. The meager majority in favor of division led to the action. Several meetings have been held by prominent citizens and a petition calling for a convention has been sent to every town of importance in the territory. They are being returned with numerous signatures. The press, especially of North Dakota, is giving the matter favorable

DAKOTA ELECTIONS.

Reliable Returns From Most of the the Counties --- A Close Estimate on the

General Result. BISMARCK, Dak., Nov. 21.—Election returns, official and unofficial, from sixty out of the eighty-six organized counties in the territory foot up 30,803 for division and 21.796 against division, or a total of 52,599 votes. Of the twenty counties not yet heard from it is safe to estimate that the official canvass will show about 10,292 votes cast, of which at least 5,292 will be against division. This will make the total vote on division in the territory in round figures 63,000 and the majority for division 9,000.

Striking Chicago Printers

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.-At a meeting of the typographical union it was resolved to settle the present strike on the basis of nine hours' pay for nine hours' work, Saturday's work to consist of eight hours; or to have the week's work consist of fifty-six hours, at 32 cents an hour. In case these propositions are not accepted, the printers will submit the question of a nine-hour or a ten-hour day o arbitration.

Exposed the Spiritualist.

Boston, Nov. 21 -- One of the most prominent materializing mediums in own for a long time has been Mrs. Herthan B. Fay, who has given public seances regularly in a fine house at 62 West Newton street. A party of twelve sent by the Record Saturday made a complete exposure of the madame and her methods, which were of the ordinary

Weekly Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.-The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Specie, decrease..... egal tenders, increase..... 1,267,900 Deposits, decrease. 2,494,800 Fireulation, decrease 600 The banks now hold \$27,488,000 in excess of the 25 per cent rule.

Arrested for Blackmail.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.-Henry C. Wells, secretary of the New York club, was mrested on a warrant obtained by Col. Edward Gebhard charging him with blackmail. The charge grows out of Mr. Gebhard's trouble with the clab, which recently led to his resignation as a mem

Wheat Receipts at Duluth.

DULUTH, Nov. 21.-Wheat receipts so far this month have been in round numbers 5,000 cars, or about 2,750.000 bushels. Grain men are of opinion that wheat will continue to move steadily all winter, and that by the beginning of the new year we will have received as much of the crop of 1887 as we did in the same period of 1886, notwithstanding the unprecedented movement in September, 1886.

All Passengers Landed.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21 .- The remaining passengers of the steamship Alesia, 224 in number, who were quarantined at Hoffman's island, were landed at Castle Garden Saturday.

Attempted an Abduction.

BROOKLYN, Nov. 21 .- An old woman looking like an Italian seized little Willie Olney, aged 41/2 years, while he was playing in front of his father's house and walked off with him. The child was rescued, but in the excitement the old woman escaped.

AN ELEVATOR ACCIDENT.

A Young Woman Horribly Mangled and Crushed in a New York Apartment

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.-Winifred Egan, a young married woman, met a shocking death in the well of the servants' elevator of the palatial Berkshire apartment house yesterday. As the car passed the first floor of the building Mrs. Egan changed her position so that her dress extended through the open space and was caught in the elevator shaft. In an

CARNEY AND M'AULIFFE

A Speedy Renewal of the Recent Fight Being Arranged for to Decide the Draw --- The New Base Ball Contract--- American Chess Congress in Contemplation--Other Sporting Matters.

Boston, Nov. 21.—Patsy Sheppard, for Carney, has written James Colville, McAuliffe's representative, asking for a meeting to agree upon a new referee and a speedy renewal of the Carney-McAuliffe

NEW BASE BALL CONTRACT.

The Nalional League Practically Adopts the Contract Recommended by the Brotherhood.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—At the meeting of the National league committee a contract was adopted in relation to the brotherhood. The more important items in the contract are as follows: The player is to be ready to play ball at all reasonable times, and from April 1 to Oct. 31; the club has the right to make rules to govern the player either at home or abroad, to suspend or expel the player, and to punish for insubordi-nation, dishonest play or carelessness; a player who shall leave the service of his own club, perform any service for any other club or make a wager on a game may be expelled, or the club may bring action against him for damages; the club can deduct the salary of a player who be-comes sick from natural causes, but if he meets with accident while in the discharge of his duty and becomes incapaci-tated, he shall receive full wages, the club to have the right, how-ever, to release the injured player; the club may deduct \$50 for each offense of violation of contract or insubordination; for violation of contract the club may, on reasonable notice, terminate the contract, and the back pay of the player is forfeited; if the club violates the contract and ceases to be a member of the league, in case the right of reservation be made to another club, that club must pay the back pay or release the players; the right of reservation is limited to fourteen players.

AMERICAN CHESS CONGRESS.

Efforts to Arrange for a Chess Tourna-

ment Meeting with Excellent Success. NEW YORK, Nov. 21.-There are promising assurances that the various chess clubs of the country will be successful in organizing an American chess congress to be held in this city some time during the winter. Efforts are being made by the Columbia Chess club of this city to raise \$5,000 to be distributed in prizes, and \$3,500 have already been subscribed. ment, which is to be conducted on the lines of the London tournament of 1883, a "championship match," which promises to be one of the most interesting features of the meeting, has been arranged. This will determine the real champion of all the contestants, and if four European players should enter it would involve the championship of the world. Already many well-known players have signified their intention to participate in the tour-

Sporting Notes. Dick Stanner, a new English pugilist, has arrived in Boston and wants to fight

any 120-pound man in the country. Scarcely a base ball player has been signed this season who has not received advance money. The league rule regarding this matter is a dead letter. Mervin Thompson, now of Cleveland,

is anxious to meet Cardiff, Killen, Clow, Joe Lannon, or any other heavy-weight in America. Muldoon, "the Solid Man," is traveling with an athletic combination, and

offers \$50 to any man he cannot throw in fifteen minutes, Graco-Roman style. The Kilrain-Smith international fight will occur on the estate of the Marquis de San Basilio in Spain. The marquis

will accompany the American party back to New York. It is said that Teemer has taken a great dislike to the spoon our and will hereafter use the straight blade. He has also adapted himself to the use of the

sliding wheel seat. Pat Killen yestorday made an offer to fight Conley, the 'Ithaca Giant," with skin gloves, eight weeks from date, for \$1,000 a side and the entire gate receipts,

the meeting to occur west of Chicago. Killen has posted a forfelt. President Stearns, of Detroit, is the authority for the statement that his salary list is \$49,000 while that of Chicago is \$29,-000, and while his club has made \$10,000

during the past season, the other club made between \$80,000 and \$90,000. Dr. J. H. Kutuewsky, of Redfield, D. .., has purchased of W. H. Wilson, of Abdallah park, Cynthia, Ky., the 2-year-old black stallion William Penn. This forse has three lines of Hambletonian and three lines of Mambrino Chief blood

The race between Hanlan and Beach for the world's championship is set for the 26th inst., on the Nepean river, near Penrith, thirty-four miles from Sydney N. S. W. As Hanlan furnishes \$300 of the stake money and pays all his expenses after landing, he must be pretty confi-

dent of success Stelking Switchmen.

HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 19 .- The Southern Pacific yard men here struck for an increase in wages. The company has derlared their places vacant. No attempt was made by the strikers to prevent the making up of trains.

instant she was drawn toward the edge of the car. Just then the elevator passed a large open space in the shaft and through this Mrs. Egan's body disappeared. The car passed on, crunching the face and neck of the woman remorselessly against the woodwork of the shaft. The body then fell under the car to the bottom of the well. The woman's neck was broken.

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