

PROBABLY TWELVE.

Victims of the St. Paul Disaster Will Undoubtedly Reach That Number.

Eight Already Dead, Two More Will Die and Two Others Are Missing.

The Coroner's Jury at Present Investigating the Affair—List of the Dead.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 7.—Up to the present time the number of fatalities reported from the disaster at the corner of Third and Wacouta streets is eight, and of those now in the hospital it is thought that two must soon die. The others may survive. The corrected list of the killed and injured is as follows:

EDWARD WILCOX, employed by Kenny Bros. to make contracts.
JOHN ADAMSKI, laborer.
CHARLES KATRITZKI, foreman.
JOHN KOLESKI, laborer.
FRANK SEWEL, laborer.
ALLEN YOUNG, laborer.
FRANK MARSH, laborer.
PETER LARSON, laborer.

List of Injured.
Frank Teshler, will probably die.
Thomas Morter, skull fractured and cannot live.
Frank St. Peter, chance of recovery very doubtful.
John Maurer, badly bruised.
Thomas Seemutter, face and hands hurt.

Mike McNamara, left hand smashed and right hip hurt.
Stephen Rohde, left arm severely injured.

Two men are still reported missing, and their mangled bodies will probably be found in the ruins.

A coroner's jury has been summoned, and are at present investigating the cause of the disaster.

STRUCK BY AN ENGINE.

Passengers of an Indianapolis Street Car Scattered in Every Direction.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 7.—As a West Indianapolis street car was crossing a network of railroad tracks at Kentucky avenue, a Big Four passenger engine backing down from the depot struck it and made a complete wreck of it. There were sixteen passengers in the car and they were thrown in every direction. Strange as it may seem, none were killed outright, but three persons were seriously hurt and six others more or less bruised.

Four in One Grave.

CRESTON, Ia., Dec. 7.—The horrors of Thursday's gasoline accident have increased. Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Mans died during the morning, and will be buried with little Bessie and Walter, aged 2 and 3½ years. Carl, the surviving boy, aged 6, though painfully burned on both hands and feet is not seriously injured. He will be cared for by Mr. and Mrs. David Bonham, his mother's parents, who live near Macksburg, Ia.

Only Two Lives Lost.

NYACK, N. Y., Dec. 7.—It is learned that only two lives were lost by the sinking of the barges near Haverstraw. The dead are Nicholas Nagel and Frank Murray. Captain Albertson, of the schooner Alice Snidecker was struck by the boom of the vessel and killed. The gale did considerable damage in Rockland county.

Fire at Argyle.

ARGYLE, Minn., Dec. 7.—Fire started here during the night while the wind was blowing thirty-five miles an hour and before it was extinguished burned an entire block of buildings. The total loss is about \$37,000.

Five Men Killed.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 7.—A boiler exploded in the San Francisco mine at Sombrete, Tuesday, killing five men outright and wounding nine more. The engineer's negligence was the cause of the accident.

Some Buildings Wrecked.

MUSKEGON, Mich., Dec. 7.—Kelly Bros.' factory, the Heights hotel and a few smaller structures at Muskegon Heights, have been wrecked by a cyclone. Fortunately no one was injured. The loss will be heavy.

Big Fire at Coeur D'Alene.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 7.—A dispatch received from Coeur D'Alene city, Idaho, states that a terrible fire is now raging at that place, and from present appearances there is every probability of the whole city being wiped out.

Committee Meeting Postponed.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 7.—The date of the meeting of the Republican state central committee has been changed from Dec. 7 to Dec. 17. This is owing to the fact that a number of committeemen could not be present on Dec. 7 and can be on the 17th. The fact that J. S. Clarkson, chairman of the national committee, will be in the Twin Cities during the week of the 17th, and has promised to address the committee, is also given as a reason for the change.

Train Ran Away Eight Miles.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 7.—By the breaking of an eccentric on an engine hauling the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley passenger train, the engine became unmanageable and ran down a steep grade for a distance of eight miles before it could be stopped. The engineer remained at his post and finally stopped the train. No one was injured.

Cruiser No. 9 Launched.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 7.—The United States cruiser No. 9, named the Montgomery, was launched at the Columbian iron works at 11:15 a. m.

DOM PEDRO IS DEAD.

The Deposed Emperor of Brazil Succumbs to the Inevitable at Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—Dom Pedro, ex-emperor of Brazil, died during the evening. The ex-emperor's complaint was diabetes, and for the past forty-eight hours his life has been despaired of.



DOM PEDRO.

The princess Isabella was at her father's bedside at the time of his demise and was overwhelmed with grief to such an extent that it is feared that she too may be seriously ill. The Count d'Eu, husband of the princess, was also present. Details of the last hours of Dom Pedro show that in the afternoon his condition was one of grave seriousness while the increase of the fever indicated that he was getting worse. In the evening the attending physicians held a consultation, but could see no hope for their illustrious patient. The 9 o'clock bulletin showed that the fever was still increasing and the end came about midnight. Prince Augustus of Saxe-Coburg, Dom Pedro's grandson, was at his bedside with Isabella, Dom Pedro's daughter.

Mrs. Parnell Off for England.
NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Mrs. Della Parnell, mother of Charles Stewart Parnell, and her son John, will sail for England on the steamship Aurania. They were to have sailed on the Majestic Wednesday but were unavoidably delayed.

THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

Trade Brisk and Collections Satisfactory at Western Points.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

The one sign of unfavorable character of the business situation is that collections at some points are slower and harder than usual, particularly where the low price of cotton leads holders to defer selling as long as possible, but at the principal Western points, Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati and St. Paul, collections are very satisfactory, the larger trade centers reporting most favorably in that respect, and there is less difficulty at Eastern cities, though at the South some embarrassment continues. The speculative markets have tended downward on the whole, although wheat is unchanged in price with sales of 38,000,000 bushels here during the past week and the receipts continue at the rate of over 7,000,000 bushels for the week, with exports unabated and at the rate of nearly 3,000,000 bushels for the week.

From Atlantic Ports Alone.

At the expiration of November corn dropped sharply about 6 cents, but the market has by no means recovered its natural condition. At Chicago receipts of four are slightly more than a year ago, of dressed beef and cuts a third more, of wheat three times and of rye four times as large, but a slight decrease is seen in barley, a decrease of a quarter in cured meats, a third in lard and wool, and one-half in cheese. Trade at Milwaukee is uniformly good, at St. Paul larger than a year ago, and at Duluth sales are large for the season. At Minneapolis the output of flour is 175,000 barrels against 155,000 barrels last year, and receipts of wheat in three months 25,000,000 bushels against 21,000,000 bushels a year ago. Cold weather has stimulated trade at St. Louis.

Business Failures.

The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number, for the United States 305, and for Canada 23, or a total of 330, as compared with totals of 265 last week and 285 the week previous to the last. For the corresponding week of last year, the figures were 312, representing 282 failures in the United States, and 30 in the Dominion of Canada.

SHE WAS EXCUSED.

A Pennsylvania Woman Summoned as a Juror.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 7.—Presiding Judge Thomas Ewing, of this county, has just achieved the distinction of summoning the first woman juror in Pennsylvania. Recently the name of "Illa Hoffman, jeweler, Twentieth ward," came out. When court met Illa Hoffman did not answer, and, persisting in apparent contumacy, the sheriff was summoned. He deposed that Illa had been regularly summoned, so Deputy Sheriff Richards was instructed by the court to bring Illa to the front to show cause for nonappearance. Richards repaired to Illa Hoffman's place of business, when a vision of beauty answered the summons and demanded to know what he wanted. He explained, and she declared she was the person named. The gallant Richards caught convulsively at the jewelry case for a moment and then fled. On his return he reported that Illa Hoffman, though taxed and held amenable to the laws of Pennsylvania, wore petticoats, and the judge accordingly made an order excusing her from jury duty. Since then every lawyer has had a laugh on Judge Ewing.

A Regrettable Incident.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—A Valparaiso special says the appearance in court of a sailor of the United States steamer Baltimore in an inebriated condition was a regrettable incident in more than one way. The judge of crimes calls the attention of Captain Schley to the suggestion that the probable cause of the disorders of Oct. 16 was a similar state of intoxication on the part of his men. This is taken to forecast a decision by the court to that effect.

Tranquillity Being Restored.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—A dispatch from the correspondent of The Times at Santiago de Chili, says that General Castillo has decided to be reappointed governor of the Brazilian province of Rio Grande do Sol, and that the Nationalists troops are gradually being disarmed. Tranquillity, according to the same correspondent, is being slowly but surely restored in Brazil.

CLARKSON'S OPINION.

The Chairman of the National Republican Committee Talks About the Presidency.

He Thinks Harrison's Renomination Inevitable, but Doesn't Care to Give Reasons.

The Field Against Crisp Is the Way the Speakership Fight Is Sized Up at Present.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 5.—The Tribune's Washington special says: Chairman Clarkson has expressed himself very positively on the presidential question. Coming from one known to be partial to Blaine his words possess much significance. He says:

The renomination of Harrison is inevitable. I do not care to explain why I think this, but such is the fact. The course of the administration has not been such, politically, as to please me always—in fact I, in common with other members of the national committee, have often felt aggrieved; but it has been the ablest since Lincoln, and this, combined with other circumstances, and the logic of the situation, will make Harrison the next nominee. I think this will be accepted as a fact by all within the next sixty days.

It is believed from the above that Mr. Clarkson has assurances that Blaine will soon declare that he cannot be a candidate.

FIELD AGAINST CRISP.

That Appears to Be the Situation in the Speakership Contest.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The field against Crisp is the situation of the speakership contest. Whether the field can center upon one man now in the race or a new man is the question asked on all sides. Crisp has a commanding lead, but is some distance from the goal, while the other candidates are a considerable distance in the rear. Wilson, of West Virginia, is mentioned as the man most likely to be taken up if McMillan, Springer and Hatch are dropped by their supporters. No break in their lines was affected during the day though several efforts in that direction were made, especially among the Springer forces.

The headquarters of the different aspirants were crowded during the evening and the utmost good feeling prevailed. Judge Holman, of Indiana, the caucus chairman, has arrived but did not visit any of the headquarters. He refused to express his preference.

The total Democratic members of the house is placed at 233; but as matters of course candidates will not be present and voting. The claims of the several candidates on the first ballot is: Crisp, 98; Mills, 67; Springer, 59; McMillan, 39; Hatch, 33. This total gives more votes than there are Democratic members, so that somebody is over estimating his strength. The Crisp people claim they cannot be beaten.

Wanamaker's Estimates.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The postmaster general's report shows that the postal deficit of \$6,000,000 is surely disappearing, notwithstanding enormous losses by a reduction of the postage receipts due to a discontinuance of the lottery business, and that the service will probably be self-sustaining on July 1, 1893. The estimated expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1892, are \$76,755,542; revenue, \$72,777,149; leaving an estimated deficiency of \$3,978,393. For the year ending June 30, 1893, the receipts are estimated at \$80,336,350, and expenditures, \$80,323,400, leaving a surplus of \$12,949.

Brush Will Not Resign.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 5.—Colonel C. H. Brush, United States bank examiner for Minnesota, Wisconsin and Northern Michigan, was seen in regard to a Washington special to a St. Paul morning paper to the effect that he was about to resign that position. The colonel denied the statement in very emphatic tones and said that his work was delayed on account of his predecessor going out of office and leaving a large amount of work for him (Colonel Brush) to do. The colonel stated that an accident received several weeks ago retarded the work to a certain extent, but he was now catching up and would be even inside of a month.

Folger's Estimates.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Commodore Folger, chief of the bureau of ordinance, in his annual report to the secretary of the navy, estimates the expense of the bureau for the next fiscal year at \$4,780,291, of which the total sum of \$4,186,250 is to be applied toward the armament of new vessels authorized to be built. The number of guns required to arm the new vessels is placed at 347, ranging in calibre from four to thirteen inches.

Iowa's Vote Counted.

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 5.—The state board of election canvassers has made a canvass of the vote cast at the last election. The pluralities are as follows: Judge supreme court, Kinne (Dem.), 2,977; superintendent of public instruction, Knoefler (Dem.), 839; railroad commissioner, Dey (Dem.), 7,486. The votes for governor and lieutenant governor will be canvassed by the legislature.

Schools May Be Closed.

REDWOOD FALLS, Minn., Dec. 5.—Four new cases of diphtheria are reported and the public schools may be closed as a whole unless the disease is speedily checked. Two of the primary grades are closed for two weeks. Every effort is being made to prevent any further spread of the disease.

HALF STARVED ORPHANS.

Horrible Treatment of Children in a Tennessee Institution.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 5.—The removal of Mrs. Steele, the matron of the Colored Orphan asylum, creates an immense sensation. Miss Maud De Long, of Oberlin, O., who came to Chattanooga Oct. 4 to accept a position in the home, leaving her own home with Mrs. Steele, who had been lecturing in that city for the benefit of the orphans, said in an interview: "With three other ladies on Saturday we left the institution because Mrs. Steele made it so unpleasant for us that we could not stay. The children were treated in the most horrible manner. They were poorly fed and half clothed. Mrs. Steele's rule was that the children should have meat to eat twice a week, but if they got it that often we did not know it. The children would come into my room eating bones like dogs, and they would eat like one of these beasts when the bones would be taken away from them. They were required to do without food for two or three meals as a punishment. The usual food consisted of peanuts, crackers and baker's bread. Each of the children would have their allowance issued out to them and I have seen them pick up the crumbs on the floor from the table after finishing eating what was given them. To cut a long matter short, they were half starved."

RETURNED THE WRONG VERDICT.

A Mistake in an Indiana Court That Prompted Not the Prisoner.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 5.—A ludicrous scene occurred in the federal court when Judge Woods called in the jury that had tried B. H. McCloud for counterfeiting. When the jury retired he instructed the foreman to return a sealed verdict, and yesterday he was too sick to occupy the bench. The jury entered the room during the morning and the clerk read the verdict, which found the prisoner not guilty. McCloud rose, smiled and bowed his acknowledgement to the jury. The judge was very much surprised, for the evidence of guilt was clear, and he asked if all the jurors assented to the verdict. Every one replied in the negative. It then developed that the jury had been given two verdicts in blank and the foreman by mistake had signed the wrong one. The court decided that the mistake might be rectified, and a new verdict was handed in and McCloud was remanded to jail to await sentence.

Stabbed His Rival and the Girl.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 5.—A fatal stabbing affray occurred at England, Ark., during the evening. Sibe Martin and James Reeves attended a dance at that place. Both were enamored of a young lady in attendance and a quarrel arose between the men over the disputed right to a waltz, and resulted in Reeves stabbing his rival twice in the back and plunging the knife deep into the bosom of the girl. Both will die.

A Bold Diamond Robbery.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 5.—An unknown man dashed a fifteen pound stone through the plate glass window of J. E. Ingham's jewelry store, 327 Jackson street, seized a tray of diamond rings, estimated by Mr. Ingham to be worth \$2,500, and ran. He slipped down near the middle of Jackson street and spilled from the tray over half the rings, then gained his feet and escaped with the rest.

Violated Insurance Laws.

BOSTON, Dec. 5.—Benson C. Hazleton, treasurer of the Order of the Royal Ark, which recently failed, withdrew his plea of not guilty of the charge of violating the insurance laws and was fined \$400. L. C. Powers, secretary of the same concern, also withdrew his plea of not guilty on the same charge and was fined \$400. Judge Sherman said that he was sorry that he could only impose fines.

Officers of Pilots.

WINONA, Dec. 5.—At the annual meeting of the Upper Mississippi river pilots at La Crosse the following officers were elected: President, Hon. George Winans, of Waukesha; vice president, Joseph Buisson, of Wabasha; secretary and treasurer, D. C. Law, of Clinton, Ia.; directors, Thomas Davidson, A. M. Short, V. A. Bigelow, John Walker. The meeting was a very lively one and largely attended.

Paying Off Red Men.

WHITE EARTH, Minn., Dec. 5.—United States Indian Agent B. F. Shuler and party, who have been making the annuity payment of Leach Lake, are expected to return here within a day or two, when the annuity payments due the Mississippi, Pembina and Otter Tail bands of Indians, living on the White Earth reservation, will be made. The party will then go and pay the Red Lake Indians.

Many Deer Being Shot.

WHITE EARTH, Minn., Dec. 5.—Since the first fall of snow upward of five hundred deer have been killed on the reservation, all of which have found a ready market at prices ranging from saddle to 5 to 6 cents per pound without hide, and 8 and 9 cents with hide included. Old settlers say that they have never known deer to be so plenty as the present season.

Wants Fins for the Army.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 5.—The Russian ministry is considering a decree to bring Finland under the same regulations as to emigration as the rest of the empire. The Fins are desirable recruits for the Russian armies, but lately the young men have been emigrating in such great numbers that many of the farms are without workers, and obligatory military service is a nullity.

Her Clothing Caught Fire.

MARTINSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 5.—Mrs. James Sargent, of Brooklyn, this county, was preparing breakfast when her clothing caught fire and she was frightfully burned. Her injuries will prove fatal.

MR. FROST EXPLAINS.

A South Dakota Politician's Story in Regard to His Presence in a Lady's Room.

Purely Accidental on His Part—Presumably the Victim of a Mysterious Conspiracy.

A Californian's Estate Being Fought for by Three Wives and Their Descendants.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Hon. Charles C. Frost, the prominent South Dakota Democrat who was shot last summer in the bed room of Mrs. Le Cointe, has been on the witness stand for the past three days giving testimony against the man who attempted his life. Mrs. Le Cointe, the wife of the man who attempted to commit a double murder, gave very damaging testimony against her husband, and all that she said was corroborated by Frost.

The other woman in the case, Miss Grace Eaton, is expected to give testimony to show that there was a conspiracy between herself and Mr. Le Cointe, to lure Frost into the house and into the bed room, where there would be ample excuse for the double murder of Frost and Mrs. Le Cointe, in order that the said Le Cointe and Miss Eaton might live together. There was no reason for ill-feeling towards Frost, much less the harboring of murder in his heart against the young Dakotan. Frost was merely an incident in the game. It was necessary to have a man in the room in order to make the murder of his wife palatable before the law. Present indications are that Le Cointe will go to the penitentiary for life. Frost seems to have entirely recovered from the three wounds received that night and will probably take his Christmas dinner in Huron, where he formerly published The Free Trade Democrat.

RATHER MIXED.

Three Wives and Their Descendants.

Claiming a Californian's Property.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—Thirty-one years ago, in England, Joel R. Carter married a charming lass and lived happily with her until two children were born. Then he resolved to seek his fortune in America. Going to Akron, O., he began business in a modest way, but his establishment grew rapidly and he soon was considered a solid citizen. While in Akron he corresponded with his family but appeared to weary of them, and, selling his property, moved to Peoria, Ill., where he sunk his identity by calling himself Cramer. He ceased writing to his English wife and married again. Cramer and his new wife left Peoria and came to Sacramento two years ago. He brought \$50,000 in greenbacks on his person. Then his wife secured a divorce and married a man named Campbell. Carter also married again. Recently he died, leaving a large estate and now there is a lively row going on in the probate court. The news of his death rapidly spread, and his family in England soon had a representative for California, and now Joel R. Carter, Jr., son of wife No. 1, is in the city. Mrs. Sarah J. Campbell, wife No. 2, is here, and the son of No. 1, together with wife No. 2, wife No. 3 and her infant, occupy the same house in Sacramento.

CLEMENTSON'S CHARGE.

A Wisconsin Judge Sees No Reason for Not Indicting Lynchers.

DARLINGTON, Wis., Dec. 4.—The grand jury called to consider the lynching of Anton Siebold here on Sept. 21 have met and Judge Clementson delivered a charge to the jurors, which leaves no room to doubt that, as far as he is concerned, he realizes fully the fact that the crime cannot be justified and that the perpetrators should suffer the penalty which the crime of murder demands. Local interest was renewed in the case by the meeting of the grand jury and the knowledge that it would be charged. There was quite a crowd in the court room, and it is fair to presume that some of these who participated in the lynching are beginning to feel a little nervous. Judge Clementson's charge was listened to with close attention. He said very plainly that Siebold's misdeeds furnished no excuse for his lynching, and that the lynchers were guilty of murder in the first degree. The crime, he said, was committed in broad day light, and in the presence of many people. They ought therefore to be no difficulty in ascertaining who the guilty parties were. Their duty, he told the jurors, might be an unpleasant one, but they had been sworn to do it, and that they owed it to the law and to their oath that the guilty men should be found out and punished.

Emin Pasha Heard From.

BERLIN, Dec. 4.—Another dispatch to The Tagblatt from East Africa says that, when last heard of, Emin Pasha was marching in a northerly direction with a formidable force. As he had over 9,000 men in all, of whom about 1,600 were armed with breech-loading guns and the remainder with muzzle-loading rifles. It is supposed that he was making in the direction of Kerkartom, and perhaps intended to attempt the recapture of that place from the Mahdist forces.

Recommendations Separate Coaches.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 4.—The annual report of the Kentucky railroad commissioner recommends that a law be passed providing for separate coaches for whites and blacks. This is probably due in part to the shooting of Miss McEwan, by a negro in a row between whites and blacks on a Louisville and Nashville railway train in September last.

NEBEKER'S ANNUAL.

The United States Treasurer Submits His Report to Secretary Foster.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Hon. E. H. Nebeker, treasurer of the United States, has submitted his annual report in regard to the operations and condition of the treasury to Secretary Foster. The report says:

The net ordinary revenues of the government for the past fiscal year were \$392,612,446, or \$10,468,535 less than those of the year before. The net ordinary expenditures, exclusive of the amounts paid in premium on bonds purchased were \$355,372,684, an increase of \$57,636,198. The surplus revenues were thus cut down from \$105,344,496 to \$37,239,762, which last sum was applied to the reduction of the public debt. The postal revenues amounted to \$65,762,908 and the expenditures to \$72,067,580, an increase of about \$5,000,000 on both sides.

The reduction effected during the year in the principal of the bonded debt and the circulating notes which cannot be reissued amounted to \$116,599,273, and required an expenditure of \$126,991,494, including the premiums on bonds purchased. This sum was made up by taking \$39,751,731 from the reserve in the treasury, in addition to the surplus revenues of the year. The consequent reduction in the annual interest charges was \$4,442,092.

HIGH SENSE OF DIGNITY.

The Laborer in America Believed to Be a Man.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The royal labor commission has decided it to be desirable that two women be appointed sub-commissioners to be assigned to the duty of inquiring into the subject of women's labor. Factory Inspector Henderson testified that when he visited America he had found factory buildings and arrangements there to be superior to what was furnished in England. The buildings were more comfortable and better ventilated and the arrangements such that there was less danger of accidents. He did not attribute the superior conditions in America to legislation, but rather to the high sense of dignity that he had found among American workmen—a feeling that had no counterpart among English workmen.

McManus Hung.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4.—John McManus was hanged in Moyamensing prison yard at 10:08 a. m. After the prisoner had ascended the scaffold he deliberately sat down and took off his shoes, he having sworn that he would "never die with his boots on." He then stood up, and in a broken voice said that he humbly asked forgiveness, and said that he freely forgave everybody. His arms were then pinioned, the rope adjusted to his neck, the black cap placed on his head, and while the priests were praying for him the signal was given and the drop fell. His neck was broken by the fall, and at 10:29 the doctors pronounced life extinct. His crime was the murder of Eugene McGinnis on Feb. 21.

Rushing Lands to Patent.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—It is learned at the general land office that 4,253 patents had been signed in four and one-half days, and 3,010 of them transmitted to the local offices. It is the best record ever made for a similar length of time. The information was also obtained that 820 mineral entries have been approved for patent, and on Monday next the chief clerk will assign a sufficient force to this branch of work so that the whole number can be copied and sent out within ninety days. The rapid progress of the work in connection with the land and mineral patents is especially important to Minnesota, Wisconsin, the Dakotas, Montana and Colorado.

Placed at 3 Per Cent.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 4.—Governor Merriam was doubly exuberant on his return home. He was pleased from a political standpoint that Minneapolis had secured the convention, and he was pleased from an executive standpoint that he had finally succeeded, while in New York, in placing with Blair & Co., the banking firm of that city, \$1,600,000 worth of bonds of the state at 3 per cent. interest. This amount represents the repudiated debt of 1857, on which the state is now paying 4 per cent. interest.

Had a Free Fight.

FULDA, Minn., Dec. 4.—A saloon row occurred in Suding's saloon in which Germans, Russians and bad whisky prevailed. The marshal and constable were called and when they entered the saloon the crowd locked the door and commenced an assault on the officers, whereupon parties outside broke through the front of the saloon and assisted the officers, and the saloonkeeper and four others were locked up. Warrants were issued for three others who will have a hearing on the arrival of the county attorney.

Secured a Jury.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 4.—A jury to try Dr. Graves for the murder of Mrs. Barnaby was obtained at noon, and an adjournment taken till morning, when the trial will begin in earnest. District Attorney Stevens will make the opening argument for the prosecution and will probably occupy the entire day. Judge Furman will open for the defense.

Brush's Health Is Poor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The controller of currency has for several days been looking for a bank examiner in Minnesota. No fault is found with Colonel Brush, but his health has been rather poor, and it is impossible for him to keep up with the large amount of business in his district. Who will be the appointee is at present very uncertain.

Explosion in a Tunnel.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—A dispatch from Glasgow says that a serious explosion of gas has taken place in the underground railway workings there. Six persons were seriously injured.