

who were thought to have been massacred after falling into the Matabele ambush, defeated King Lobengula's force on the brink of Shangani river, Dec. 4. Lobengula fled. Premier Rhodes announced that the natives are daily yielding guns and assegais in large numbers, and the Matabeles are submissively settling in small kraals.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21.—Secretary Herbert this morning gave out his decision in the case of Commodore Stanton, detached from the command of the South Atlantic squadron for saluting Mello in the harbor of Rio. The secretary restored Stanton to duty and assigned him to command the North Atlantic squadron. This is regarded as perhaps the choicest station to command.

TOPEKA, Dec. 21.—A special to the *Capital* from Abilene, Kan.: Letters written by one R. F. Rock, and dated Topeka, was found here and outlined a scheme for kidnapping Ruth Cleveland next month. Five people are named as implicated in the deal. At first it was thought to be a fake, but developments show that it was probably the scheme of a crank, who has been hanging around the city recently, but has gone East.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 21.—Six hundred delegates, representing nearly every municipality in the state, attended the business men's convention today. Governor Waite was present.

"I am in favor," he said, "of fighting for the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1, not all summer, but till hell freezes over."

Resolutions were adopted, denying that there was sufficient reason for calling an extra session of the legislature, and declaring that such a course would do the state more harm than good.

EDINBURGH, Dec. 22.—The jury in the Monson trial this afternoon returned a verdict of "Not proved."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The first attempt to get a judicial determination of the legal right of the commissioner of pensions to suspend a pensioner from the rolls came up today in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. It was brought in the form of an application by Charles D. Long, a justice of the supreme court of Michigan, for a mandamus to compel Commissioner Lochran to restore him to his full rating, \$75 per month. Justice Bradley issued an order on the commissioner to show cause why the mandamus should not issue, and the writ being returnable today, the matter was argued by counsel.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—Near Winchester, O., the dead bodies of L. P. Ryan and wife, aged 81 and 78, were found at their home. Wounds on their bodies showed that they had been clubbed to death. Rescue Parger, colored, was arrested on suspicion, and confessed, implicating his half-brother, Sam Johnson. Parker was hurried to jail to avoid the vengeance of the mob. Johnson was left at large on account of lack of faith in the truth of that part of Parker's story implicating him.

OMAHA, Dec. 22.—General Solicitor Thurston of the Union Pacific, in speaking of the scheme of reorganization, said: "There are many plans for reorganization of the Union Pacific property in the air. The general scheme, however, that seems to meet

with most favor is that the Union Pacific proper, together with those lines which are properly a part of the system, although classed as feeders, shall be reorganized under Congressional legislation, and subjected to sale under the direction of the court. A sale is absolutely necessary, that a new company may be formed that will permit a fresh start being made. With reductions made in the fixed interest charges, the property would be able to pay interest on its obligations and the principal of the government debt, so that the government security would grow better every year, while the liability would grow constantly less. Should the administration disapprove of some of the features the theory of reorganization would have to be completely discussed over again. The rights of the government must be sacredly guarded, as well as the rights of individuals, and this requires no inconsiderable time."

MADRID, Dec. 23.—The city is threatened with famine owing to the strike of the bakers. The governor has applied to the military to establish bakeries. The governors of the neighboring provinces have been requested to send supplies of bread here.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—The Associated Press has obtained a copy of a violent manifesto which the French anarchists in London have secretly prepared for distribution in Paris. The manifesto is headed: "Dynamiters, to the Panama Crew." The manifesto says: "This first dynamite explosion will not be the last for you wretches. Since 1871, when you converted Paris into a charnel house and massacred 35,000 proletariates, the republic has been turned into a den of thieves, directed successively by the scoundrel Thiers, the brute MacMahon, the thief Grevy, and the maulkin Carnot, while the poor hounds below were condemned to white slavery or die of starvation in the streets."

"Do you think such a state of things can endure? No, revolution will devour you. We whom you outlawed, will come to the rescue of the starving and duped poor, who cannot wait patiently like the labor deputies, scoundrels because they had no work. These knotic and reegade deputies declared recently that you would have them shot like rabbits, but they decline to be blown up with you. Don't hold the miserable socialists responsible for the dynamite; they only want to enrich themselves like you."

After a further denunciation of the socialists the manifesto proceeds to describe the bourgeois class, saying they are "worse than dung, and we warn those who are demanding the death penalty for Vaillant, who followed the knife of Lauthier with a bomb thrown in the midst of your robbers' cave, to look out for your skins. That was merely a foretaste, Monsieur; you, who inwardly prefer to surrender to being blown into shreds and into the air."

"Vive la revolution sociale!" "Vive l'Anarchie!"

MADRID, Dec. 22.—A bomb exploded yesterday in the village of Soda. A drug store was wrecked, but nobody killed. An anarchist named Cermenio and his son have been arrested at Barcelona. It is believed they were implicated in the bomb outrage in the Liceo theater, and attempt upon the life of

General Campes. Important documents were seized at their lodgings.

BARCELONA, Dec. 23.—Jose Cedina, the anarchist, who already has confessed that he threw the bomb in Liceo theater, has made another confession. He says he was selected by the anarchists last September to assassinate Gen. Martinez Campos. He went with Pallas and a number of anarchists to the review, took a position from which he could easily have accomplished his design, General Campos being the reviewing officer, but at the last moment his courage failed, as he realized that if he threw the bomb hundreds of persons in the crowd which surrounded the general would be killed or wounded. Pallas urged him to throw the bomb and when he refused, Pallas, with an expression of contempt snatched the bomb from him; but his nerve also was overcome for a time, and the delay saved the general's life. Up to the time of his execution, Pallas maintained that he was alone in the attempted assassination. Cedina says he threw the bomb in Liceo theater to avenge Pallas's execution.

HOMESTEAD, Pa., Dec. 23.—At 1 o'clock this morning fourteen Hungarians were engaged in excavation of the foundations for the new building for the Carnegie Steel company when the walls caved in. Wild rumors to the effect that all were killed at once spread, but the accident proved less serious. John Knoddie was killed and John Noroski, John Harko and Charles Murrghatt injured. Noroski may die.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 23.—J. W. Gaddley, who has been hunting fossils in the Wyoming bad lands for six months past has secured enough material to restore the skeleton of at least four different animals of mammoth proportions, which will be fitted up and placed on exhibition in the American museum at Central Park, New York.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The President has granted pardons to Joseph P. Burton, Wm. E. Jones, Obet Palmontier and Stephen S. Barton, Utah.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The secretary of state has received the following dispatch from Rio, dated yesterday: "The American dockmasters, each hold a Brazilian Pacific dock permit. The docks specified are contingent points. Protection from shore fire is promised by the government. Instruct Pickling to anchor off that point for convenience till the question is equitably settled. The insurgents make lives of fire anywhere to suit their purpose, thereby indefinitely blocking the neutral commerce without previous notice."

The dispatch is signed by Towne, United States consul general to Brazil. The dispatch is supposed to mean that the Brazilian government has granted a permit for shipping to unload at certain wharves and that Towne wants the naval forces to respect these permits and not fire along these lines. It is not likely that such instructions will be granted.

The *Millennial Star* of December 11 announces that Elder M. A. Lewis has been released from his labors as traveling Elder in the Welsh conference and has been appointed to labor in the Irish conference.