

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

DUBLIN, 27.—At a meeting at Limerick of delegates of the Gaelic Athletic Association, the Fenian party defeated the members of the National League in the election to fill the office of priest. Finding themselves outvoted they withdrew. Father Sheehy, on retiring, declared that henceforth the priests would have nothing to do with the association.

Father Sheehy and the delegates from thirty-one nationalist clubs, subsequently held a meeting and decided to act independently of the Fenian members of the Gaelic Athletic Association. A committee was appointed to attend the convention at Thules.

WARRANTS

have been issued for the arrest of Mr. Crosbie, the editor of the Cork Examiner, a liberal journal.

The Gazette publishes an order signed by Commissioners Lyton and Wrench, prescribing the reductions of judicial rents practically throughout the whole of Ireland, ranging from 6 to 22 per cent, the average being 14 per cent. The aggregate reduction is estimated at 2,000,000 pounds. The reduction is permanent and applies to arrears since 1881. Judge O'Hagan attacked a note dissenting from the decision of his colleague.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The large firm of William T. Coleman & Co., shippers and commission merchants, of New York and San Francisco, will be reorganized by mutual consent on January 15th. The house of Wm. T. Coleman & Co. of San Francisco, will conduct the business for the Pacific Coast and for the territory not now occupied by the New York house and the Chicago agency. Richard Delafield, lately of the firm, together with D. P. Morgan and Rudolph H. Kiesel, of New York, and Thomas B. Govern, of Chicago, will represent Wm. T. Coleman & Co. exclusively and will cover the section east of the Rocky Mountains as well as Canada. The eastern house will go by the name of Delafield, Morgan, Kiesel & Co., New York and Chicago. They will make a specialty of Pacific Coast products. The objects of the change is said to be to relieve Mr. Coleman of a portion of the work and responsibility.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 27.—Dr. W. W. Weber stated today that the claim of his father, William Weber, as one of the heirs to a plot of land sixty-six acres in extent, located in New York City south of Canal Street, has been proven. The said plot, now studded with massive blocks of buildings, was bought in 1656 by Wilfred Weber, of Holland, who settled on Manhattan Island a short time previous. In 1674, Weber leased the land to a kinsman, Wilfred Weber, Jr., for 200 years. Dr. Weber's father is of the seventh generation of Weber, senior, who originally owned the land. On the expiration of the lease in 1874, the land naturally reverted to the descendants of the original Wilfred Weber, and for a few years past William Weber and other descendants have been busily engaged in proving they were direct descendants of the first owner. Now that it is proven, there will be a meeting of the heirs in New York January 20th to complete arrangements for getting possession. The property is valued at \$20,000,000.

BERLIN, Dec. 27.—Notwithstanding the semi-official denials, it is again asserted that Russia tried to arrive at an understanding with Austria on the Bulgarian question, but was referred to the Berlin treaty as the only basis on which a settlement could be effected.

PESHU, Dec. 27.—Herr Esmeratorov, an intimate friend of Herr Tizza, writes to Nemzet as follows: "The guiding spirits of the German army are in favor of war, in order to stop Russian designs. They apprehend nothing from an attack by France and are confident of success in case of war against Russia. If it were not that Bismarck favors peace, the German army would already

BE FIGHTING

the Russians, in company with the Austrian and Italian armies."

In conclusion the writer says he expects that peace will be maintained, now that Russia finds that the powers do not fear her.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 27.—The steamer Australia arrived from Honolulu today. Advices to December 20, confirm the reports received by the steamer Mariposa Saturday, in regard to the conflict between King Kalakaua and the legislature, growing out of the King's action in vetoing two bills, but no additional details are given.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, December 27.—In reply to a communication from the Buckeye Club of this city protesting against the confirmation of L. Q. C. Lamar as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, Senator Sherman in a letter, says: "You may be sure that I will do all I can to prevent his confirmation. I regret to say, however, that I fear my efforts will be unsuccessful."

BOSTON, December 27.—The steamer Roman, which arrived here Thursday last, brought as a stowaway a Scotch boy of 18 and permitted him to land and escape. The commissioner of emigration has fined the company \$1,000, and the vessel is detained in port until the boy is found or the fine paid.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 28.—Abel Wright, the faithful old negro janitor of St. Paul's church in this city, died Monday and was buried yesterday. The funeral was remarkable for the reason that the vestry of St. Paul's,

which is composed of leading citizens of Augusta, and C. C. Goodrich, cashier of the Georgia Railroad Company, were the pall bearers, and the entire congregation was at the burial.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 28.—John J. Littleton, editor of the National Review, who was shot by John K. Banks last Saturday, died at 2:30 this morning.

New York, Dec. 28.—Advices from Ilbernia, a small mining town in Morris County, N. J., tell of a fearful riot there Monday. The population is composed of Hungarians and Russians, between whom a feud has sprung up. On Monday, all celebrating Christmas, six Hungarians in a saloon were thrice attacked by twenty Russians, but the latter were driven off. In the afternoon the Russians moved in force on the saloon with stones, clubs and shovels, but were forced back and more Hungarians coming the battle was renewed in the roadway. Finally the Russians were scattered. Over fifty men were more or less hurt and one rioter was stabbed to death.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—A state of semi-military prevails among the soldiers of York and Lancaster regiments quartered in Wellington barracks. A bad feeling has been brewing among certain companies for some time. Two-thirds of the regiment and its officers made preparation to celebrate Christmas in the old English style. They had decorated the barracks and issued invitations for a ball. Meanwhile there was a great deal of drinking among the men, in fact most of them were drunk when orders were issued that no more liquor be issued to company G. The men of that company began to be very ugly and in a moment there was trouble. The preparation for the ball was brought to a sudden stop by the discovery that the quarters had been set on fire. It was soon located in the company apartment and was quickly extinguished. It was clearly the work of an incendiary. Three of the soldiers were in the place at the time. They were put under guard. The whole battalion was called out into the exercise grounds and formed in companies, extra sentries and guards were put on duty and orders given that no man should leave the barracks that night, that all festivities were at an end and the ball was indefinitely postponed. The men were terribly enraged at the severity of the orders issued by Colonel Luck, and that commanding officer, clad in full uniform, was hooted and jeered at by the frenzied soldiers. A mob of them is reported to have surrounded and badly jostled him. The same barracks were burned twenty years ago.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Times, referring to the snowballing of Gladstone yesterday, says that it was a discreditable act, though the Gladstonians set the example by their doings at unionist meetings. The position and age of Mr. Gladstone, says the Times, ought to insure him against such insults.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—L'Univers says that the offerings already received for the papal jubilee mass amount to \$200,000. The mass will be celebrated at 7 a.m. in Rome and at 7:30 a.m. in Paris. The offerings are expected to be the largest on record.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—On January 1 an important change is to be made in transcontinental passenger rates, the requisite ten days notice of advance having been duly given. An increase was determined upon at the Chicago meeting some weeks ago, but there was for the time some uncertainty whether it would be carried out owing to the apparent hesitation of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe in the matter. That corporation, however, fell into line with the result of an amiable agreement among all of the interested transcontinental roads. California business has developed into enormous figures and the roads concluded that the traffic could justly

BEAR AN ADVANCE,

as it was being done at cheap rates when compared with the rates prevailing in other sections. The low figures were due to the influence exerted by the old trans-continental war, when rates were pulled down to almost nothing and only partially recovered when the Inter-State commerce law caused a suspension of hostilities. There are only two rates—unlimited first-class, which has been raised in most instances, and new second class rates which correspond with the old emigrant or third-class tickets. Although the increases will be found in this class in the new schedule, there will be only two rates in effect from points on the Missouri River to the Pacific Coast, which will be \$60 first-class unlimited and \$35 second-class. These will be the

FIGURES ON ALL

trans-continental lines except via St. Paul to Oregon and Washington Territory points. The rates between Chicago and San Francisco will be first-class \$72.50, St. Louis \$67.50, New York \$91, Boston \$93. These tickets will be unlimited, whereas at the old rates continuous passage was necessary. The most important advance, however, is in round trip excursion rates, a species of travel which constitutes nine-tenths of the business now being done by overland lines since the boom began. These have been fixed at \$80 between Chicago and the Pacific Coast and \$90 from the Missouri River. These have been advanced from Chicago to \$100, and from the river to \$80.

SHAMOKIN, December 28.—The Reading Railroad Knights of Labor here are still out and declare they will not return to work until their discharged

associates at this place are reinstated. Three train crews of non-union men are at work but there are thirty-five locomotives here without crews. The colliers in this locality are all idle owing to the lack of transportation facilities. The railroad strikers, however, declare that the miners will go on a strike as soon as requested to do so. Good order prevails among the strikers.

READING, December 28.—The coal and freight traffic by this morning was

FIRMLY RE-ESTABLISHED

on the main line by the Reading Railroad. Up to noon to-day 22 empty coal trains passed through Reading from Port Richmond and 30 loaded trains from the coal regions.

FALL RIVER, Mass., December 28.—The striking spinners at Stafford Mills decided today to return to work tomorrow on a promise that the pay would be equal to that in other mills.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—There was a feeling of uncertainty in Port Richmond all day, and there was some hesitation about going on a second strike. Still, it appeared that some sort of an order had gone forth, and at noon 200 coal handlers

QUIT WORK.

The leaders claimed they had gone on a strike, but the representatives of the company denied it. This has been the situation all afternoon all along the Reading lines. In this city the trains running into their different stations seem to be running as usual, and to casual observers no indication of trouble would appear. With the exception of the coal handlers at Port Richmond, there does not appear to be any trouble and diligent inquiry failed to reveal the true situation, and, although an order for a strike if generally believed to have been issued, this material point cannot be definitely determined. Dispatcher Goodman, at Port Richmond, said he had been told by a number of men during the day that if there was another order to strike they would probably

NOT OBEY IT.

Around Port Richmond tonight quiet prevails everywhere. A largely attended meeting of local assembly 6,285 was held this evening. All of those present were loud in the declaration that this trouble would be fought to a finish. One of the executive committee of the Reading employes' convention said after the meeting that the order to strike included every department of the system, even to the miners and the New York branch, and that assurance had been received that it would be generally obeyed. Nothing but the United States mails would be hauled over the road.

This afternoon seven of the fourteen crews in charge of engines at Port Richmond, ran them on the sidings and abandoned them. Superintendent Keim at once went to the wharf and personally

THANKED THE CREWS

of the seven engines for their loyalty, and told them that if they thought it unsafe to remain on the engines for a time, their places would be held open for them. Keim also called in the aid of fifty Pinkerton detectives to protect the property and men at work. About 500 men are guarding the company's yards and wharves. The loyal employes of the company are to be supplied with clubs for self-defense.

READING, Pa., Dec. 28.—The notice of Chairman Lee, of the executive committee to the assemblies of the Knights of Labor, revoking the order to go to work once more and calling out the Philadelphia & Reading men, has not yet reached Reading. It will not generally be heeded by employes who have already refused to go out and by their action on Monday

BROKE THE BACK BONE

of the strike. They are all at work today. The call for a Reading Railroad employes' convention to meet here tomorrow for aggressive measures against the company has not created much excitement and the indications are it will be slimly attended. The miners will be most largely represented. The fact that about thirty members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers obtained engines held by the knights has made the feeling between these parties very bitter.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The steamship Oceania, which arrived from Hong Kong and Yokohama today, says the United States man-of-war Omaha reached Nagasaki, Japan, November 23d, having on board a Korean embassy accredited to the United States, the dispatch of which the Chinese government recently prohibited just as they were on the point of leaving.

Whether the Chinese eventually gave way in the matter or whether the Koreans left in spite of the threats that China would declare war if her injunctives were disregarded, is not settled. On the way down the Omaha met a squadron of Chinese men-of-war bound to Chamulpo, but whether on a peaceful mission or to the support of Chinese authority over Corea, was, of course, not known. The Korean flag was hoisted on the Omaha as they passed. The embassy, consisting of two high officials and their attendants and Dr. H. N. Allen as foreign secretary, proceeded to Yokohama.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—At 1 o'clock last night the cold wave struck Chicago and before morning the mercury dropped over 20 degrees. At 5 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 1 above and, though the sun's rays moderated the temperature during

the morning, it is expected that during tonight a still more decided drop will occur. A cold wave and blizzard are reported from points northwest, west and south of Chicago. Trains are delayed from one to five hours. Minneapolis reports the mercury this morning 14 below and Duluth 25 below. At Brainerd yesterday it was 30 below. There is a blizzard raging at La Crosse, Wisconsin, with the thermometer at 11 below last night. It is expected that by tomorrow the Mississippi River will be

FROZEN SO SOLID

that foot passengers can cross on the ice. At Oshkosh, Wisconsin, there was a drop of over 20 degrees, and at daylight this morning the mercury registered 6 below. At Bloomington, Illinois, it was 16 below.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 28.—Trains on all roads are from one to five hours late this morning in consequence of the blizzard which raged in this section throughout the night. The snow fell to the depth of five and a half inches and drifted badly. The highest velocity of the wind was thirty miles an hour. The temperature at daybreak was two below, and at noon the mercury recorded four below. The zero line runs from Lake Superior south to Milwaukee and southwest to southern Wisconsin. Colder weather is predicted by the local signal officer. A wild snow storm is raging upon the upper Michigan Peninsula today and train blockades will be the result.

DELAYING TRAINS.

DUBUQUE, Dec. 28.—The temperature is ten below this morning. Trains are late in all directions and the passengers on the Illinois Central from the west due at 9:30 last night arrived at 7 this morning. No trains are running between Waterloo and Sioux City. The train on the Milwaukee & St. Paul road from the west of McGregor are arriving six hours behind time. Trains on the two river roads are running behind time.

CHENOYGAN, Mich., Dec. 28.—A terrible storm is sweeping over this portion of the state, delaying the trains, blocking the highways and impeding travel.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 28.—The mercury here this morning was 10 below, a drop of 20 degrees since yesterday.

IN NEBRASKA.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 28.—The mercury stood at 13 below this morning. Not much snow has fallen and no railroad disasters are reported.

OMAHA, Dec. 28.—Tuesday's blizzard started at Manitoba Saturday and Christmas, howling through Montana, Dakota and the western territories, struck Omaha Monday night with a velocity of 32 miles per hour and a temperature of 14 degrees below zero, while Bismarck and Fort Buford registered 22 below. It had little effect on railroad traffic, the Burlington & Missouri road reporting one freight train snowed under on the Schuyler branch, but all trains on time on the main line. On the Union Pacific the greatest delay reported was three hours on the east-bound flyer, all the other trains picking up the lost time after the storm abated. Today agents all along west of Omaha report the weather

COLD AND CALM,

with everything on time. Trains arrived late from Chicago and will delay today's west-bound flyer forty minutes in starting, but it will pick up time. The wires are down between Omaha and Deadwood, and Omaha and Valentine, Neb., but all others are working satisfactorily. At the hotels here a number of guests have re-engaged their rooms rather than face the storm on the railroad trains leaving today.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Another sharp change in the weather has taken place here. From 2 p.m. to 9 last night the mercury dropped 19 degrees, with flurries of snow, and the wind blowing 34 miles per hour. Early this morning the thermometer marked zero with a nipping but quiet atmosphere. Since then the mercury has risen to 14 and the day has been bright and pleasant.

IN IOWA.

BURLINGTON, Iowa, Dec. 28.—Last night was the coldest of the season. The thermometer this morning registered 16 below zero. Passenger trains on the B. C. R. & N. Railroad were abandoned. On the C. B. & Q. the passenger trains from the west were all late and many freights were laid out.

DAVENPORT, Iowa, Dec. 28.—The mercury marked 12 degrees below zero this morning. There was a strong wind from the west and snowdrifts in the streets were three feet high in places.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 28.—Among the "below zero" reports on tonight's weather bulletin, were the following: St. Paul, 10; Huron, Dakota, 20; Moorhead, Minn., 26; St. Vincent, Minn., 34; Fort Totten, 26; Fort Garry, 40; Misnedosa, 30; Bismarck, 22; Swift Current, N. W. T., 22.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.—A Journal special from Jefferson City says that Governor John S. Marmaduke died at the executive mansion at 9:37 o'clock tonight. Governor Marmaduke has not been well since the adjournment of the special session of the legislature last summer. Taking the advice of friends and physicians, he went to Europe, visiting England and Ireland, and finally located at a famous watering place in Belgium where he remained three or four weeks. On Friday last he felt badly, but attended to his official duties as usual. On Saturday night he was troubled with a cough

and on Sunday Dr. Davis was called in and informed the governor that he was liable to a violent attack of

PNEUMONIA.

By Tuesday morning his condition had become so much worse that he asked that Dr. R. E. Young, superintendent of the Nevada Lunatic Asylum, be sent for. He remained in bed all day, but was able to discuss official business and join in general conversation. Up to 2 o'clock this morning no special uneasiness was felt, but at that hour a change for the worse became visible. By 2:30 p. m. a great change had occurred, and his physicians announced that he was beyond the reach of medical skill. He remained in a semi-comatose state all the afternoon and evening. At 9:40 tonight, surrounded by members of his household and a number of intimate, personal and official associates, he breathed his last.

PORT TOWNSEND, W. T., Dec. 28.—Frank Fuller, who killed Archbishop Lebrero on the Yukon River in Alaska last December, has been found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to McNeil's Island for ten years and to pay a fine of \$1,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Paul Boden, of San Francisco, who was convicted of smuggling \$45,000 worth of diamond jewelry and fancy gowns, way today sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—The Corean embassy, which was landed at Yokohama by the United States man-of-war Omaha, arrived here on the steamer Oceania, which is now detained in quarantine.

ALBANY, Dec. 29.—The Lathrop Memorial Home for working women's children, erected by Mrs. Senator Stanford, of California, was dedicated yesterday. It is on the site of the house in which Mrs. Stanford's parents lived and where she was born. The home is a memorial to her mother. The house and furnishings cost \$75,000. Senator and Mrs. Stanford were present at the dedication.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 29.—The schooner Annie I. Grace, which arrived yesterday from Boston, reports that she was boarded on December 24th, at 2 p.m., by a crew from the Nantucket South Shoal lightship, having with them the captain of the British steamer Newcastle City, from Newcastle, England, November 29, for New York, and who reported the loss of the Newcastle City on the day previous. The crew were saved and were on the lightship and wished to be taken off, as provisions were getting short.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, December 29.—The Ohio River at this point this morning is frozen over and navigation is entirely suspended. This closes all hope of a coal supply by the river sooner than February, unless there is an extraordinary warm January. The prices of coal are now double what they were a year ago and must go still higher.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—President Corbin, of the Reading Railroad, in a letter to General Manager Wood this morning in which he says those who leave the company's employ in obedience to the knights or any other organization will never be taken back. He does not object to employes joining the organization, but they must consider their duty to the company first. He further says the company has nothing to arbitrate.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 29.—The river was frozen over here early this morning and navigation is suspended. River men say now that no coal can reach here from Pittsburgh until February. The maximum temperature was reached at 6:30 a.m. when the thermometer registered 4 degrees above. At 12 o'clock to-day it is 13 above with the weather clear and a rising temperature indicated.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—Thermometer 20 degrees below at 7 a.m.; clear and still. No serious delays are reported to traffic. In Dakota the weather is much colder and there is more interruption to business. Water-erow reports 32 degrees below.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—The mercury was 8 above this morning. Navigation is entirely suspended. One man was frozen to death while intoxicated.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 29.—The deputation of members of the French Institute, appointed to present to Duc d'Aumale a medal struck in commemoration of his gift of Canaltilly to France, arrived at Brussels yesterday and made the presentation.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 29.—A patrolman early this morning found a man almost frozen to death. He was taken to the station and revived. He said his name was Patrick O'Brien, of Iowa, a contractor who had come to Cincinnati to visit his brother. In his clothes were found intact \$8,000 in money and \$6,000 in checks, besides a valuable gold watch and diamonds.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 29.—Judge Broady, in the district court of Gage County, decided yesterday that the \$50,000 bonds voted by the city of Beatrice in aid of the Rock Island road were void owing to the fact that the proposition upon which they were voted contained no provision for paying the principal of the bonds. A perpetual injunction was issued by the court against the issuance of the bonds.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—Within the past 48 hours the Pennsylvania White Lead Co., of this city, have received bogus drafts from Beatrice, Hastings, Grand Island and Lincoln, Neb. The drafts were for \$75 each and were signed by M. Harrison or M. H. Lewis. The firm claim that the two men are one and that he has been traveling through the west for several months representing himself as their agent.