

be used in buying me a new hat. I Bever suspected that there was anyong in the case until the ex

The letter points out that the ma fority, although reduced, is still a ma-jority and that therefore the party policy of the ministry should continue to govern the forthcoming ministry, and closes with an expression of faith in the ultimate triumph of the policy despite the present "presumptuou boastings of the reactionary elements."

reading clerk of the senate. Mr. Suth-erland's term of office is for six years, dating from March 4, 1905. At 12:10 the

when the members of the senate had retired. Representative Wilse objection to being called "Railroad Bill," after which Joseph moved an adjournment till tomorrow at 2 o'clock, which carried unanimously,

WILL REPORT TOMORROW.

pose came in the newspapers."

To the officers Lee explained that it was true that he had never received a cent of money from the county, and that he had never seen a single hide. On this showing other complaints will be lodged against Swan. Lee has not been arrested, and may not be,

Arthur H. Conlisk last night gave ; bond of \$750, with his father, John M. Conlisk, and J. W. Abbott as sureties, after which he was released. Swan gave a cash bond for the same amount, which was placed in the hands of Sher. | representative at the jall.

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What the Bounty Band Got From Weber County

Hunters of Weber county are not much behind those of Salt Lake, as during the year 1004 they raked in the neat little sum of \$12,046.50 under the state bounty law. Of this amount C. W. Jones, now in the county fall, got the llon's share, this expert sportsman drawing down \$3,27.50. Close behind him is James Mitchell with a record of \$2,559, while J. T Miller is credited with \$1,759.50, and A. H. Con-lisk with \$1,474.50. The transactions thought to be fraudulent are as follows:

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Henry T. Dickson, whose term of sheriff expired on Jan. 1, had held office four years up to that date, and a constitutional law prevents him from servnger William Butler, who was Dickson's

William Butler, who was Dickson's turnkey, was appointed sheriff by the prosecuting attorney and county clerk on the ground that the office was va-cant. Butler and Dickson continue to hold possession of the fail in harmony with each other, regardless of which one may eventually be declared ad interrim sheriff. However, the county auditors have allowed Dickson's employes to receive their pay, thus tacit-ly recognizing him as sheriff, although they appointed Butler as their special

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courts, the present isolation of which may be remedied and their independence assured. The imperial decree of Dec. 25 does not make a change of any kind. On the contrary, it directly sug gests the maintenance of the import ant functions committed to the pro vincial conference.

"Regarding the inquiry mentioned i the ukase into the most important questions of peasant life and the needs of agriculture by a special conference this inquiry is confined to the consid eration of communications of opinion of the local committees and can only contribute to the elucidation of the needs of the peasants without depriv-ing of their importance the reports of the provincial conferences which doubtless will serve as the basis for the which final elaboration of the peasant laws."

In conclusion the circular says: "The considerations above set forth by the minister of the interior have been approved by the emperor. The minister, therefore, directs the gov-ernors to take all measures to assure that the work of the provincial confer-ence is continued and brought to a conclusion with the utmost rapidity and that the members of the confer-ences are granted power to freely state their opinions so that full expressio may be given to the true views of thos conversant with the needs of the peasantry.

### RIO DE JANEIRO SUITS. Demurrer to Complaints Against

Pilots Sustained. San Francisco, Jan. 18 .-- Judge Gra-116.0) ham has sustained the demurrer to the complaints in suits brought against the regular pilots of this harbor for damages for the deaths of persons who were on board the steamer Rio de Janeiro, which struck a rock and sank on Feb. 22, 1901, as it was entering the port. The pilots were sued as an aggregation or partnership, and it was claimed that they were jointly responsible for the sinking of the vessel, as one of their number, F. W. Jordan, had charge of the ship when it was being guided into the snip when it was being guided into the bay. Judge Graham says that the pllots cannot be regarded as partners. A pilot is a public officer, he remarks, appointed under the state law, and the founctions of a public office cannot be performed by a partnership.

#### CHINESE REGULARS.

 $\begin{array}{c} 133.0\\ 128.0\\ 102.0\\ 142.0\\ 130.5\\ 104.5\\ 53.0\\ 128.5\\ 128.5\\ 0\\ 136.0\\ \end{array}$ Japanese Officer Says They Accompanied Russian Raiders.

Tokio, Jan. 18-2:30 p.m. A Japanese staff officer made the statement today that Chinese regulars accompanied the Russian raiders in their recent ex-peditions planned to cut the line of Japanese communications.

## TROUBLE ON THE PENN.

#### Grievance of Trainmen in Course Of Settlement.

Philadelphia, Jan. 18.—As a result of the conference today of the Pennsyl-vania trainmen with W. W. Atterbury, general manager of the road, it is ex-pected that later in the day the rail-road company will issue a statement setting forth in full the situation and probably announcing that the griev-ances of the trainmen have been ad-justed. The indications are that the differences will be amicably settled.

#### Lighthouse for Midway Islands.

Washington, Jan. 18 .- The house com-Washington, Jan. 18.—The house com-mittee on interstate and foreign com-merce today authorized a favorable re-port on a bill appropriating \$111,000 for a light house on the Midway islands.

# COLORADO GOVERNORSHIP CONTEST INQUIRY BECINS.

Denver, Jan. 18 .- The committee of 27, nine senators and 16 representatives, to which the general assembly at a late hour last night delegated the power to hear the gubernatorial contest between former Gov. James H. Peabody, Re-publican, and Gov. Alva Adams, Dempublican, and Gov. Alva Adams, Dem-ocrat, met this morning to begin the inquiry, which must be concluded by March J Representatives William H. Griffith of Cripple Creek, is chairman of the committee, which is compose of 18 Republicans and nine Democrats The proposition to submit the contest to a committee instead of hearing it in joint session of the two houses, was opposed by all the Democratic members

of the legislature and three Republican members, who contended that the plan adopted was unconstitutional. Counsel in the case for Gov. Adams

Counsel in the case for Gov, Adams are Julius E. Bissell, Militon Smith, Samuel W. Beltord, Henry C. Vidal, James B. Orr, Everett Bell, Alva B. Adams and M. G. Saunders. Mr. Peabody's are, John M. Waldron, James H. Brown, Thomas Ward, Jr., Henry J. Hersey, and Robert Yeaman. A noticeable feature of the context is A noticeable feature of the contest is the fact that Gov. Adam's leading attorney, Judge Bissell, is a Republican, while Mr. Waldron, who is conducting the contest for Mr. Peabody, has been associated with the Democratic party previous to this year.

All the Democratic members of both houses today signed a written protest, to be placed on the records, against having any evidence or any action in the contest taken by a committee. The signers allege that the method adopt-ed is unconstitutional and in violation law, and that the contest should be heard before a joint session of th general assembly.

#### Gov't Indian School Burned.

Shawano, Wis., Jan. 18.—The govern-ment school for Indians on the Menominee reservation, eight miles north, has been destroyed by fire. Loss, 550,000. Three hun-dred Indians made their escape with diffleulty.

DELIVERS UTAH'S

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18 .-Judge James A. Miner, Salt Lake messenger of the electoral college of Utah, presented his credentials and the official vote to the president of the senate yesofficial receipt today. Mr. and Mrs. Miner have been invited to and will attend the reception given by Mrs. Fairbanks, wife of the vice president-elect, this afternoon.

#### SENATE DID LITTLE.

#### Aside from its Participation in Election it Simply Adjourned.

The election of a United States sen-ator was enough of a task for one day's work for the 18 senators comprising the upper house of the Legislature.

At 11:30 the senate convened and read fits journal of yesterday. Then it ad-journed to meet in joint session with the house of representatives, and after the formalities connected with electing United States senator, reconvened s chamber for the purpose only of formally adjourning.

#### IN THE HOUSE.

#### Committee of Three to Investigate Bounty Frauds.

The house resumed its deliberations at 11:30 a. m. today. In the absence of Chaplain Hess, Rep. Richards of Davis offered prayer, and after the ap-proval of the journal of the day pretious, a communication was received from the senate, notifying the hous of its appointment of a committee o three to act with a like committee from house to investigate bounty frands.

The secretary of state sent in the ollowign communication: To the Legislature of the State of

Utuh: The state board of examiners re-spectfully reports that no claims were presented to it for examination under the provisions of section 939 of the Re-

vised Statutes. Under the provisions of section 3 of the general appropriation act of 1903 the following state officers and boards of public institutions have applied to

his board for its consent to contraction idebtedness in excess of the appropriations provided in the said act for the

ations provided in the said act for the said officers and institutions: M. A. Breeden, attorney general, for a sum not in excess of \$300, for con-tingent expenses of his office.

W. J. Beatie, state bank examiner or a sum not exceeding \$50 for traveling expenses in connection with his

National Guard of Utah, for neces National Guard of Utah, for neces-ary costs incurred in actual service in Carbon county, in maintaining order juring the existence of the strike in the oal fields, a sum not exceeding \$25,000. The state board of corrections, for necessary expenses in the maintenance of the state prison for the remainder f the state prison, for the remainder the year after the regular appropriation had been exhausted, a sum not exceeding \$7,500.

The Agricultural College of Utab. The amount required to install transformers and necessary equipment for the distribution of light and power, necessarily required be cause the board had an opportunity of contracting for electrical energy at a materially reduced rate, from Logan City but the city would not furnish the tronsfarmers and equipment, the amount of the deficiency to be \$5,288

University of Utah, an amount no to exceed \$5,000 for the completion and equipment of the school of mines build

The board was reluctant to give it The brand was religiant to give his consent for the creation of any in-debtedness in excess of the appropria-tion made. Yet in each of these cases it seemed necessary that the additional expenditure should be made, and that t was in the best interest of the pub-lic service, and after due consideration the board gave its consent to the ized. Nitrate exports and c creation of the indebtedness in excess cepts show large increases.

During the session it was announ that the special committee appointed to investigate the bounty frauds, would be ready to report tomorrow, after which the house took an informal recess pend-ing the arrival of the senate. ---

# LEGISLATIVE GOSSIP.

Representative Joseph had as Representative Joseph had as hi guest today in the house chamber, Mr M. P. Morris, consul general of Child for the dominion of Canada, with head-quarters at Vancouver, B. C. Mr. Mor ris is greatly interested in the bee sugar industry, in that Chile produces great quantities of nitrate of soda, which is recognized as perhaps the best which is recognized as perhaps the best known fertilizer for the production of beets. Last year, he says, his country shipped 1,450,000 tons of this product. This is the gentleman's first visit to Utah, and he is much pleased with con-ditions, so far as he has been able to observe them. Mr. Morris is a brother of leaders Morris of this city. of Isadore Morris of this city.

Speaker Hull is in receipt of the fol-Speaker Hull is in receipt of the foi-lowing communication from J. Frank Hunt, speaker of the Idaho house of representatives: "Hou, Thomas Hull Speaker of the Utah House of Repre-sentatives. Dear sir: It is one of my greatest pleasures to be able at this time to extend to you my sincere con-restubitions upon your recent success in being elected speaker of the house of representatives of the State of Utah. The henor of being speaker of a great state like Utah is one to be much ap-preciated, since there are such a few that can have such as henor bedtowed preciated, since there are such a few that can have such an honor bestowed upon them, and I trust that your elec-tion may ald in promoting the good feeling which now exists between your state and this, the state of Idaho. Once more extending my warmest and most sincere congratulations, I remain, yours very truly."

Students Have Narrow Escape. St. Louis, Jan. 18.-Forty students had a thrilling escape from death in a fire which early today completely destroyed the Dodge and Clark school for stammer-ers, at Brighton, Ill., 20 miles north of St. Louis. One student was severely burned, but no lives were lost.

### A BAD ITALIAN.

Murders a Man in Quarrel Over Bread Basket.

Bread Basket. New York, Jan. 18.—The custom of an Italian baker to leave this heavy deliv-ery basket in the dark hallway of an East Side tenement while he delivered his wares through the house, today resulted in a quarrel in which Pasquale Totoriel-lo, aged 45, was killed, and his neice, Mrs. Maria Totoriello, aged 30, was so badly wounded that she probably will not recov-er. Both victims were stabled. Mrs. Totoriello identified the baker, Salvatore Ferrari, as the man who killed her unele, and caused her own injuries. He was cap-tured after a sharp chase by the police. The janitor of the building fell over the baker's basket. The quartel followed and Totoriello and his niece went to the jani-tor's assistance. When Ferrari was cap-tured later and brought back to the tenement house for the wounded woman to identify him the officers and their pris-oner were surrounded by an angry mob-erd the policement had to fight there way. oner were surrounded by an angry mot and the policemen had to fight their way

#### Chilcan Corporations.

New York, Jan. 18.—During last year, says a Herald dispatch from Valpariso de Chile, 59 miles, agricultural and ni-trate banking companies have been incorporated with a total capital of about \$20,000,000. Seven foreign concerns with \$8,000,000 capital, were also formed. Commercial and industrial enter-prises of al kinds, representing hundreds of millions, continue to be organ ized. Nitrate exports and customs re-

learing, have frequently attempted to show that while congregations must "sustain" Priests and presidencies of the Church in laws promulgated, the fact really is that the people have really little or no voice in such matters, That their action is perfunctory he showed from the history of the Church; that as long as ago 1827 the people in conference at Kirtland rejected the nominations of three apostles named by Joseph Smith; and that in the October conference of 1843 the people overruled the presidency in that they refused to depose as counselor Sidney Rigdon, whom President Smith desired to supercede with Elder Lyman.

through witnesses produced during the

Mr. Talmage may be on the stand all day tomorrow, as the attorney for Senator Smoot expects to produce through him a great deal of testimony which will tend to throw an entirely different light upon the work of the Church.

It is still exceedingly difficult to get the committee together. No attempt is longer made to secure a quorum, but Senator Burrows calls for order just as soon as the attorneys and witnesses enter the room, without regard to the question of how many of his colleagues may be present. One reason for the slim attendance is the fact that the atmosphere of the room is as had as it cauld be; there is no vontilation whatever, and in half an hour the air becomes vitlated and very difficult to breathe. Still the crowd of ladles present this morning reached about the highest limit yet, nearly 40 being seated inside at one time.

#### (By Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 18,-When the Smoot investigation opened today before the senate committee on privileges and elections, Prof. James E. Talmage of the Utah state university, was sworn He was born in England and has been a "Mormon" all his life. He testified a "Mormon" all bis life. He testified that he is the author of the book called "Articles of Faith," which he prepared at the request of the First Presidency. The book was approved and published by the Church. He also revised the last edition of "The Pearl of Great Price." He was a member of the High Council of Utah stake in 1884. At the request of Atty. Worthington, for Senator Smoot, Prof. Talmage gave a detailed descrip-tion of the organization of the "Mor-Prof. Talmage gave a detailed descrip-tion of the organization of the "Mor-mon" Church, together with the au-thority held by the various quorums. The Apostles, as a body, have no au-thority over the First Presidency ex-cept in their advisory capacity, sold the witness. Church courts were de-scribed, and Senator Overman asked if the varies to suite in the Church courts the parties to suits in the Church courts are permitted to have counsel. The witness replied that they do not have legal counsel, as it is the purpose of the Church to "steer clear of the law-yers."

yers." A number of letters showing the ac-tion of the Church in appeals of land cases were shown to Prof. Talmage. He identified the signatures and the letters were offered in evidence to prove that the Church authorities seek to have disputes settled amicably, but that they do not prevent the taking into eivil court of such matters as involve questions of law.

questions of law. Prof Talmage testified that the words of Orson Pratt had not been adopted at the general Church conference, and that his works therefore were not of binding authority. His narrative concern-ing the Church practises and history its various branches had not con uded at noon, when a recess was taken.

\* JUDGE MINER ELECTORAL VOTE. (Special to the "News.")

terday afternoon and took his