

WHY DENVER UNDERSELLS.

any time. The opinion does not be-lieve that the stockholder should be denied to obtain the information he desires to obtain in the manner he elects to secure the information desired. The opinion declares that it does not lay with the officers or agents of the cor with the onders of agents of the cor-poration to say what method the stock-holder should follow. From 10 Cyc, 958 the court quotes in support of its position, "The stockholder is not con-fined to a personal inspection by himself, but may exercise the right through an agent, attorney, solicitor, counselor or expert." Many cases are cited in furtherance of the court's opinion. The opinion confirms the judgment of the lower court, Judge T. D. Lewis, presiding, and taxes the costs to the respondents.

From J. M. Marriott, prominent in the organization of Butchers and Grocers, comes a definite explanation of the great secret of why Denver meats and Denver grocories are measurably cheap-

"Every time the Denver grocer or butcher," he said, "adds 40 cents to the cost of a bill of goods from the Missouri tiver, for freight, Sait Lake must not ded this mum or turber this mum but fiver, for freight, Salt Lake must not add this sum, or twice this sum, but over four times this sum. Every time the Denver man adds \$0 cents, we must add \$2.40 or even as high as \$3. Denand 12.40 or even as high as \$3. Den-ver freights run to about 4 per cent of the price of the invoices. Sait Lake freights run to 12 per cent and 15 per out. Is it any wonder then that Den-ver merchants can sell cheaper?" An inspection of a number of in-voices in a Sait Lake firm's headquar-ters this morning shows a freight rate on one invoice of \$132.60, while the to-lal value of the goods reached \$550.67.

al value of the goods reached \$350.67. It is believed that the freight to San Francisco would not have been so high on the "long haul" schedule with "common point" concessions which Denver enjoys and not Salt Lake.

DENVER'S CHEAPER FUEL

With the telegraph wire yesterday whging word from Denver that a per-manent injunction had been granted spainst the food combine the papers from that city today bring news of the successful termination of a long fight SUCCESS saccessful termination of a tong light stainst the coal trust. The Colorado Fuel & Iron company dropped the price of coal this week from \$5.50 to \$4.50 per ton, trimming off a whole dollar at a

The Denver newspaper which bought a mine to fight the trust and sold its product at \$3.90 per ton, holds that over-production of coal and the failing market was responsible for the decrease, as well as the fight of the non-trust source, backed by half a dozen inde-pendent mines. The opinion seems to be that the drop has been made to stay, and that public opinion will not let that commodify again advance without mass situated on a source without most streamous opposition. In Salt Lake there is a prevailing opinion that the Utah Fuel will drop another 25 cents off the mine price and that the freight rate will drop 50 cents in z few weeks. Manager Williams, who has just returned from the mines to few weeks. has just ret has just returned from the mines, re-ports that the company has closed a Sunnyside mine that furnished coke for the specified coke for Sunyside mine that furnished coke for the smelters, and is working the other mines only four days a week with one whit. "Our expenses, however, are only slightly reduced by this shorter working period," he explains, "and the cost of mining is fully as high as ever. We have not cut the wages of our mcn, but on the contrary raised them some months ago."

CONTEST IS DECIDED.

Judge Howell Says Huntsville Election Was Straight-One Man Out.

(Special to the "News.") Huntsville, Jan. 16 .- The contest Waged against the last city election Peals was decided at noon today. The new city officers, with one exception, ware declared to have been chosen to office in the proper method, etc. Judge Howell of Ogden rendered the decision. The one exception was John Feit, Jr., who ran for councilman. The votes were incounted and as many votes were for John Feit and others for John Feit, Jr., father and son, the judge feit the teal candidate was not entitled to nold office. Geo, D. Perrin will fill the ofwaged against the last city election Geo, D. Perrin will fill the of-

fork's verdict was as enthusiastic as was that of London, where the diva was heralded as a second Patti. Sing-ers from the rival Metropolitan as wen as from the Manhattan company over whelmed Mme. Tetrazzini with their congratulations after the first act of "La Traviata," and the singer herseif

expressed her appreciation and her gratitude. She said: "I am content, I am happy, yes, so

very happy. The audience is enthusi-astic. Never have I sung before an audience so quick to see. I was so-nervous, like all artists, before I began singing, but now there is only that feeling which comes when one feels that recognition has been accorded in full to the degree that it is

deserved. "I was sure I would succeed beyond I was suffer would suffer beyond any doubt. If I had not been I should not have come to New York. Yet, I was anxious, because it meant much to me, Now, after the first act I am sure of my success. re of my success. "The great audience was most kind

My voice responded to every demand I asked of it, and I could not ask for-greater good fortune in the things which contributed to the achievement

"To the splendid support of my col-leagues in the cast and the orchestra and to Maestro Campanini—who was a tower of strength at all times—I owe much. I shall sing 'Lucia' next, and 'perhaps I shall pleasa them still more, eh? Tell them all, the people, I am happy—very happy."

JOHN PAUL JONES.

Magnificent Publication Issued by the Gov't in Commemoration of Him.

Washington, Jan. 16 .- "John Paul Jones Commemoration" is the title of a congressional publication now ready for distribution, commemorative of our first great sea fighter. The volume is superbly illustrated.

An introduction describes the contents of the book and the ceremonies of the commensation at Annapolis, April 24, 1906. The addresses of Pres-ident Roosevelt, Ambassador Jusse-rand, Gen. Porter and Gov, Warfield, are given. A footnote appended to the president's address is a touching trib-uic to Admired Densay. At the manpresident's address is a touching trib-uie to Admiral Dewey. At the men-tion of Dewey's name, the president paused until the Applause subsided, and, looking directly at the admiral, said:

"Presidents are all well enough

their way, but it's worth while in life to have a first of May." Being a congressional publication, the book will be distributed by the senators and representatives. The edition num-bers 10,600.

# LIVE GOLDFISH.

Found in Glass Tank in Ruins of Parker Skyseraper.

Parker Skyscraper. New York. Jan. 16.-Searchers in the fuins of the Parker building, the skys-eraper which was burned Friday night, and the second for the rules yesterday a gladsh. The tank had been a portion of an exhibit in the offices of a company manufacturing scientific instruments on the second floor of the building. The office was wrecked, the first having been particularly severe at that pean, but the debris had fallen in such a way that the gladsh. The fish did not appear to be any the worse for their experience.

Several escaped through the sand dunes. The fight occurred at the camp of the

Hungarians, one mile west of Gary and the battle was of several hours duration

duration. The Hungarians had been working on the tracks of the South Bend rail-road. Several of their number des-troyed the tent of a negro laborer and when the latter sought redress at the camp he was fired upon. A railroad watchman who sought to aid the negro with man generalized to dee. Warrants also was compelled to flee. Warrants then were sworn out and the policeman went to the scene. A shot greeted their demand for surrender and the battle

**OPIUM IN PHILIPPINES.** 

### Law Prhibiting Its Importation Will Soon be Effective.

# Washington, Jan. 16.—Within a little over a month the law prohibiting the importation of opium into the Philip-pines will become effective. A large quantity of opium is consumed in the islands, mainly by the Chinese element, but the baneful habit of opium smoking has been rapidly extending among the native Filipings and even among the has been rapidly extending among the native Filipinos and even among the Americans. Congress has passed an act intended to correct the evil, but there is great doubt of the ability of the confirmed oplum user to abandon the drug and a considerable agitation has been taking place in the Philippines with the object of securing an exten-sion of time permitted for the stoppage of the traffic.

PRICE OF DIAMONDS.

# It Will Not be Reduced Though Sales

# Are Less.

New York, Jan. 10.—There is to be reduction in the price of diamonds, according to an announcement myde by one of the big diamond importing houses. It is stated all importers have received word from the diamond syndicate in London, which controls 95 per cent of the diamond output of the world, that the policy of main-taining prices will be strictly adhered to in spite of the great falling off in sales within the last few months.

TONG LEADER MURDERED.

TONG LEADER MURDERED. Oakland, Cal., Jan. 16.-Word has been received here that Lee Hoy, presi-dent of the Hop Sing Tong was shot five times in Sacramento last night. His murderers, it is said, were seven Chinese members of the Bonk King Tong and a Tong war is expected to spread over the state as a result. Lee Hoy, it is said, is the third president of his Tong, to be murdered within the last few years. His predecessor, Lee Bock Dong, to whom he was secretary, was murdered by the Hop Sing Tong assassing a year ago.

EDITORS GUESTS OF HONOR.

EDITORS GUESTS OF HONOR. New York, Jan. 16.-Charles Kirchoff, editor of "The Iron Ase," T. Comer-ford Martin, editor of the "Electrical World," and Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, were guests of honor at a dinner last night given by the members of the American Museum of Eafety Devices, on which occasion they received decorations confer-red upon them by the Frenh Govern-ment for their work in promoting safety appliances. The decorations consist of crossed laurel and bay leaves in gold on purple ribbons. The three are members of the committee of direction of the museum.

More than 60 death certificates were issued up to 10 a, m., and most of these bodies will be buried during the day, most of them without any funeral ceremonles. There is not a clergyman in town able to conduct services.

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town able to conduct services. The scenes about the morgues today are much the same as yesterday. Day-light found crowds around the en-trances clamoring for admittance. At 7 o'clock the doors were opened and the gruesome work of identifying the deed was generic taken in. If is he

the gruesome work of identifying the dead was again taken up. It is be-lieved that more than 50 bodies will never be identified. One hundred and seventy persons perished in the Rhoades opera house fire Monday night, according to fig-ures compiled by Coroner Strasser.

### BANK OF ENGLAND **REDUCES DISCOUNT RATE.**

London Jan 16-The rate of discount of the Bank of England was reduced from 6 to 5 per cent today.

The reduction was anticipated, as the fresh gold arrivals, most of which were absorbed by the bank, and the return of cash to the country, so materially strengthened the reserves in the metal in spite of the considerable amount takin spite of the considerable amount tak-en by South America, that there was no excuse for a further prolongation of the higher rate, which so discommoded trade for some months past. Even had the bank desired to retain a higher rate it is doubtful if it could be made effective, as the supply of money in Lombard street was so abundant as to be almost for the moment in excess of the requirements. The discount in the open market fell to 4½ per cent. The recent continental purchases of sterling bills indicated the probability that the gold borrowed from

purchases or sterring bits indicated the probability that the gold borrowed from France during the American stringency would be allowed to remain here for a time and the bills renewed. This proved a further inducement for the bank to lower the role. lower its rates,

The stock exchange already had fully discounted the 5 per cent rate and the actual announcement caused only a slight hardening of quotations.

### SWEDISH PARLIAMENT.

## Formal Opening of the First One Un-

### der King Gustave.

Stockholm, Jan. 16 .- The formal opening of the first parliament under the reign of King Gustave took place in this city today with simple ceremonies. King Gustave, who was present, in the speech from the throne referring to the heavy responsibility that devolved up-on him with the death of King Oscar, promised, in whole-hearted seal for the prosperity and progress of the father-land, always to try and fulfill his du-

"It is my hope." the king said. "in both good and evil days to be support-ed by my Swedish people in the com-mon work for the true welfare of the fatherland."

fatherland." Continuing, his majesty announced that the suffrage bill adopted at the last session of the rigsdag would be re-submitted to the present house for final approval, but he said there was no intention of giving the franchise to women for the present. Special com-missions are considering a joint scheme of naval and military defense as well as the question of the relations between employers and workmen.

hand to do all they can for the cause of ard farming." With a great many "whereases" ex-pressing the faith of that common-wealth in arid farming, the governor of New Mexico sends a list of dele-gates composed of R. E. Twichell, Geo. Berringor, J. C. Dunn, J. E. McCarty, R. P. Dunahoo, Ralph C. Ely, J. D. Tunsley, W. W. Humble, N. S. Boldon, D. T. Hoskins, J. L. Zimmermann, R. C. Reid, John W. Corbett, O. W. Foster, M. M. Salazar and A. C. Vorhees. From Tooele City, Utah, a list comes composed of W. H. Vowles, C. A. Orme, J. W. Taite, S. C. Orme. M. C. Ander-son comes from Fillmore, and from Ephralm, Andrew Hanson, Christian Willardson, A. C. Nielson, Charles Jo-hansen, D. W. Anderson. DELEGATE FROM OREGON. President W. J. Kerr, now of the Ora-gon Agricultural college, and formerly

gon Agricultural college, and formerly a Utah man, will attend as a delegate under appointment from Gov. Chamberlain of Oregon.

# HOPE FOR SUCCESS OF RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

Chicago, Jan. 16 .-- Hope for the early and complete success of the Russian revolution was held out by Anton Stcher bak, leader of the peasant revolutionist

olution was held out by Anon Stcher-bak, leader of the peasant revolutionist organization of Russia, to the members of the Russian Socialist Revolutionist society, of Chicago at Hull House last might. He spoke in Russian. "Theore is no cause for despair," he said. "The progress of the revolution has been wonderful. When I entered the work I believed I knew the name of every work-ers, the active, intelligent workers, are numbered by hundreds of thousands. Rus-sia is awake. There is standing room only in the schools of Russia today from the lowest to the highest. "The best evidence of the true state of affairs is found in the fact that there is no market for Russian land. It sells for almost nothing." Stcherbak has been connected with the Russian revolutionary movement for 25 years. In 1803 he went back to Russia to take part in the releated to Russia to take part in the releated to Russia to the sch with the releated to Russia to the sch with the releated to Russia to take part in the revolutionary move-ment then beginning. Stcherbak was im-prisoned. When the duma met its first act was to demand his release, which was granted. He expects to soon return to Russia.

# MRS. THOMAS METCALF MYSTERY IS SOLVED.

Chicago, Jan. 16 .--- The Tribune today

says: The mystery of the identity of Mrs. Thomas Metcalf, who on Tues-day attempted to kill Samuel R. Ham-ill, one of the John R. Walsh attor-

meys, was cleared up last night. Mrs. Metcalf is the wife of a form-er foreman of rallroad construction on the Western Indiana. His present the Western Indiana. It is present whereabouts is not revealed in the disentanglement of the web of mysfery surrounding the case. That he was a man of intemperate habits several of Mrs. Metcair's friends allege. He lost his place on the railroad a year ago because of the suspension of construc-tion work. Previous to that, however---about two years ago--the pair separ-ated.

The Metcalf alliance was the wo-man's second matrimonial experience. She was divorced six or seven years ago from Jofferson Morris of Denver, to whom she was matried 17 years ago. Her maiden name was Beatrics Burns, and she was the daughter of Forrest Burns of Covington, Ky. In her youth she lived in Terre Haute, and it was during her residence there that she is supposed to have met Law-yer Hamil. The Metcalf alliance was the wo

### KANSAS LEGISLATURE.

### It Meets in Its Fifth Special Session.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 16 .- The fifth special session of the Kansas legislature convened at 4 o'clock this afternoon and immediately listened to the

noon and immediately listened to the reading of the governor's message. After the reading of the message, the introduction of bills began. The bills of interest that are ex-pected to be formulated into laws are the guaranty deposit bill, the primary election bill, the amendment to the assessment and taxation law, a two-

cent fare bill and amendments to the prohibitory law.

DEFENSE IN THAW CASE PILING UP EVIDENCE.

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# DIED OF EXCITEMENT.

Oakland Mining Broker Succumbs

During a Fire.

Oakland, Cal., Jan.16 .- Fire last night destroyed the Pacific Press building at Tweifth and Castro streets. During the progress of the fire, W. B. Coldian, 61 years old, a mining broker, dropped dead from excitement in his room at 715 Tweifth street, and Fireman Arthur Converse was see seriously indured that Covvens was so seriously injured that one of his legs had to be amputated at the hip. The Pacific Press building was one of

the oldest in the city. The two lower floors were occupied by the Andrew Brown Printing and Lithographing company and the two upper floors by the Oakland Furniture company. The total loss is estimated at \$80,000, of which \$40,000 falls on the building and ,000 on the Oakland Furniture company.

# TWO ROBBERIES AT **ROCKEFELLER'S ESTATE**

New York, Jan. 16 .- Twice within week there have been robberies at a week there have been robberies at Pocantico hills, near the estate of John D. Rockefeller. The residents of the district have formed a vigilance com-mittee and it is stated that Mr. Rocke-feller has doubled the guards that al-ways patrol the grounds near his house house

Several dogs are also used at night about the house as guards

### DORCHESTER CHURCH BURNED

Boston, Jan. 16 .- That the fire early today which nearly destroyed the Second Congregational church in Dorchester with a loss of \$50,000, was the work of incendiary was the opinoin of the authorities at the conclusion of their investigation after the fire had

been extinguished. The principal loss was an organ, recently installed at an expense of \$25. 000. Many of the historic treasures of the church, which recently celebrated its one hundredth anniversary, were

Rev. Dr. Arthur Little is pastor.

## OAKLAND TONG WAR.

Hop Sing Official Shot and Killed in Broad-day on Crowded Street.

Broad-day on Crowded Street. Oakland, Cal., Jan. 16.—The Chinese tong war between the Bin Kongs and Hop Sings resulted in another mur-der this morning. A Chinaman as yet unidentified but who is an official of the Hop Sing faction, was shot six times and instantly killed at 10 o'clock this morning at the corner of Fourth and Washington. The murderer, Wong Tip, who would only state he was a Bin Kong partisan, made no attempt to escape. The shooting was on a crowdad street and a panic followed. The police have extra patrols all through China-town now. More trouble is expected This is part of the feud which resulted in last night's shooting in Sacramento. in last night's shooting in Sacramenta, and the recent killing of Wong Foon, on Webster street, San Francisco,