

FIFTY-FIRST YEAR

VAN WYCK AND  
THE ICE TRUST.Chairman Odell Sends a Queer  
Telegram.

WAS TO GOV. ROOSEVELT.

Refuses to Deny or Affirm Its Authenticity—Was Urged Not to Give  
Out Mayor's Reply.

New York, Nov. 9.—In connection with the answer of Mayor Van Wyck to the charges against him filed with Governor Roosevelt regarding his alleged improper connection with the American Ice company, the World today prints a telegram purporting to have been sent by B. B. Odell, chairman of the Republican state committee, and nominee of the Republican state convention to Governor Roosevelt as follows:

September 26, 1900.  
"To Theodore Roosevelt, Governor of New York, Cripple Creek, Colo.  
"My Attorney General Davies to be sure not to give out this time. It is Van Wyck's answer at this time. It must be held until after the election is over. This would imperil our chances and get us into a useless wrangle. I have also wired Davies."

"B. B. ODELL."  
A reporter called on Governor Roosevelt at his home in Oyster Bay today and asked him of the genuineness of the telegram given above. The governor, calling attention to the fact that he had on ten days before the election been asked to give out the telegram, said that he was not sure of its genuineness. He said that he was not sure of its genuineness. He said that he was not sure of its genuineness. He said that he was not sure of its genuineness.

In the letter of Attorney General Davies to Governor Roosevelt dated October 4, communicating the answer of Mayor Van Wyck this attorney general says:

"The mayor by his answer admits that during the incumbency of the office he has been the owner of shares of stock in the American Ice company. He also admits that during the period in which he was the owner of stock the American Ice company had contracts with the city of New York for the supply of ice to various departments of the city and for the heating of docks belonging to the city. In my opinion the owner of stock in the corporation is interested in the meaning of that word as employed in article 223 of the Greater New York charter in a contract between the corporation and the city."

Further on in his letter to the governor the attorney general says:

"In order to justify the mayor's refusal to establish a case against him upon which he could be convicted of a crime under the provisions of section 2232 above referred to, but I do believe there should be clear and satisfactory evidence of his guilt. It is of the utmost importance that no further proceedings be taken in this matter unless you are satisfied that the charges can be sustained. The mayor of the greatest city in America should be humiliated by being placed upon trial upon charges which are groundless or which cannot be proved. Under all these circumstances and in view of the fact that the charges are made upon information and belief and are not based upon the great expense both to the mayor and the state involved in such a trial, I believe that before a commissioner is appointed or any further proceedings taken in the matter you should require the petitioner to place standing aside the question of evidence which, standing aside the question of evidence, would justify the removal of the mayor."

"In my judgment, the mayor's answer should not be made public at this time. As you have already stated, its details and allegations are clear and explicit, and it might be suggested that the charges should be dismissed or that a commissioner should at once be appointed and the mayor given a speedy opportunity to exonerate himself. You are powerless to act in this matter during your absence from this state. You cannot appoint a commissioner until you reach the state and I am informed that Mr. Woodruff will decline to take the responsibility of appointing one."

MYSTERY OF DAVIS LETTER.

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 9.—There is much mystery over the method by which Attorney General Davies' letter to Governor Roosevelt on the ice trust matter became public. Attorney General Davies says he did not make it public and he did not give out at the executive chamber while on his trip and together with all letters and telegrams was sent to the executive chamber for filing. Yesterday morning an assistant stenographer, whose duty it is to file such things, was charged. To several persons he made threats of vengeance. A searching investigation will be made at once to determine how the matter became public.

## KENTUCKY.

Democrats Still Claim Beckham's  
Election by 5000 Majority.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 9.—Democratic and Republican headquarters here are practically deserted. Those who remain are still in the city refuse to alter their claims. The Democrats place Beckham's plurality close to 5,000 and the Republicans putting the figure in the official count which begins in each county today. This official count, the Republicans assert, will bring to the front hundreds of ballots not yet reported. The unreported vote of Casey, which is practically conceded to the Republicans, and one missing precinct in Metcalfe county, claimed by the Republicans by a plurality, are expected by headquarters clerks today to be the figures on which the result of the election will stand. The Democrats have their candidates for governor already elected. The Republicans say if their candidate, Mr. Yerkes, is beaten, it will be done by unfair means.

Fatal Political Quarrel.  
Albany, Ky., Nov. 9.—Thomas Hackbart shot and killed J. Hamilton Hackbart at Brookville in a quarrel over politics.

A VICTORY FOR  
MONROEISM.Such is a Russian View of the  
Election.

AN INTERNATIONAL FAMILY

Says the Viedomosti—If America  
Wishes to be a Member, Must Re-  
nounce Her Fantastic Theories.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 9.—Continuing the comments on the election in the United States, the Viedomosti says it regards the re-election of President McKinley as "a victory for Monroeism above all." It adds: "Perhaps the time will come for the European powers to declare once and for all that there is only one international law and that the United States wishes to be a member she must renounce her fantastic theories."

Although the enthusiasm over the Franco-Russian alliance apparently is nearly so great as formerly, the press here displays warmth in discussing the czar-Loubet dispatches. The Novoe Vremya attaches great importance to them, "showing there is no change in the relations between the two powers."

The Novosti regards the same as "proof that the stories about the estrangement are unfounded."

## CHAPPELLE TO ROOSEVELT.

Congratulates Him and Says He  
Worked Hard for the Result.

New York, Nov. 9.—Among the messages received by Governor Roosevelt at his home in Oyster Bay, was one from Archbishop Chappelle, of Manila, as follows:

"Congratulations. Have worked for this splendid result."  
Chairman Dick, of the Ohio Republican State committee, sent the following:

"Congratulations to New York Republican State. Ohio gave the largest plurality ever given to any presidential candidate in her history. You led the fight in the grand contest and the Republicans of Ohio thank you for your presence in our canvass, as well as for the national work you have performed."

## PEARL FORBES' MURDERER.

Reward for His Apprehension Has  
Been Trebled.

Leavenworth, Kansas, Nov. 9.—Governor Stanley has added \$500 to the \$1,500 reward offered by Mayor Neely for the apprehension of the murderer of Pearl Forbes. The citizens will also add a goodly sum. Several suspects are under surveillance, but no arrests have been made.

## CEBU AND CAGAYEN.

Their Cession Must be Ratified by  
the Senate.

Washington, Nov. 9.—Because the cession of the islands of Cebu and Cagayan to the Philippine archipelago must be ratified by the Senate of the United States, the officials of the state department positively decline to discuss the transfer which was referred to yesterday by the Spanish minister. Still the fact is not that the state is set out in these dispatches as far as the executive branch of our government could effect it.

The state department officials regard the islands as absolutely necessary to complete American sovereignty in the Philippines. Lying as they do to the southwest of the group of islands and in one of the most important channels of communication it would be in the hands of another power and thus constitute a permanent menace to American sovereignty in the Philippines. They were excluded from the original cession by the geographical boundaries laid down in the treaty.

## Severe Storm in New York.

New York, Nov. 9.—A severe storm began last night all over New York State and continues with the wind rising to a gale. It is also much colder than yesterday, and in northern New York snowstorms are reported. Throughout the Adirondack district and in Saratoga there was more than an inch of snow on the ground at noon.

On the coast the wind became so high that the marine observer in the Sandy Hook tower was forced to leave his post because the building swayed so much that he feared it would collapse. A sloop lying inside Sandy Hook dropped her anchor and was driven inside the beach. All telegraph wires out of New York were badly crippled by the storm.

The gale caused high tides at Coney Island, said to be the highest ever known there. The water extended to the old Gravesend road, fully one mile from Coney Island. The spray dashed high over the strong bulkheads in front of the Brighton Beach hotel, but no great damage was done there. Sheepshead Bay was also flooded.

## OHIO.

McKinley's Plurality in His Own  
State 71,162.

Columbus, O., Nov. 9.—Chairman Dick of the Republican State executive committee, today announced that McKinley's plurality in Ohio, as figured from the complete returns from every precinct in Ohio reported to the Republican committee, is 71,162. There will be no change from these figures until the official count has been completed.

## Regular Cabinet Meeting.

Washington, Nov. 9.—All the members of the cabinet except Secretaries Long and Wilson attended the meeting today. They remained in session until nearly 2 o'clock and discussed the Chinese situation as well as matters pertaining to Cuba, the Philippines and Porto Rico. When the meeting adjourned it was announced that there was nothing to make public.

## French Commanders Protest.

Rome, Nov. 9.—The Tribune's Pekin correspondent cables under date of November 4th:

"The French commanders have protested against the Italian and German attacks on the Chinese near Pao Ting Fu, claiming the Chinese there are under French protection."

The French soldiers have killed an Italian soldier by mistake. The Italian troops were greatly excited, but the officers succeeded in calming them."

KILLED ON THE  
O. S. L. RAILWAY.Unknown Man Falls Under a  
Northbound Train.

BODY TAKEN ON TO OGDEN.

Both Legs and Arms Crushed—Enfor-  
tunate Man Supposed to Have  
Been Stealing a Ride.

[SPECIAL TO THE "NEWS"]  
Ogden, Nov. 9.—A shocking accident occurred on the O. S. L. this afternoon, at Hooper switch, a few miles out of Ogden. An unknown man, about forty years of age, was caught under the wheels of the passenger train which left Salt Lake City at 12:30 p. m. today, and received injuries which caused his death before his name could be learned. The trainmen knew nothing of his presence until he was under the wheels. When picked up both legs and both arms were found to be crushed, and life soon became extinct.

The body was taken to Ogden, where Justice Broden will hold an inquest. The unfortunate man was supposed to have been beating his way on the train, and to have slipped and fallen off. Nothing was found on his body by which he could be identified.

## DON DICKINSON'S DENIAL.

Never Gave Any Interview Regarding Plans for  
Reorganizing Democratic Party.Declined to Make a Statement as to  
Whether a Meeting Had Been  
Held in New York.

Detroit, Nov. 9.—Don M. Dickinson, of this city, postmaster-general under President Cleveland, today denied an alleged interview with him that appeared yesterday in a New York paper in which he was made to say that plans had been decided upon at a meeting in New York for the reorganization of the Democratic party. Asked if he knew whether such a meeting had been held in New York, Mr. Dickinson said: "I decline to make any statement. I am not engaged in promoting any movement for the reorganization of the party. If a meeting is called I presume I shall be invited."

"Will such a meeting be called?"  
"I decline to be drawn into any details," was his answer.

## STABBED FOURTEEN TIMES.

A Little Girl is Waylaid on Her Way  
Home From School.

Limon, Colo., Nov. 9.—Louise Frost, 11 years old, daughter of a ranchman, was found last night, unconscious and bleeding from many wounds, in a patch of weeds about half a mile from her home. She had been stabbed, apparently with a dirk, no less than fourteen times. She died at midnight without having regained consciousness. The physician who attended her expressed the opinion that the girl had been grossly maltreated before receiving the stab wounds. She was waylaid when driving home from school, for her horse reached the stable about dark with the buggy empty. Posses are scouring the country in every direction, and the murderer will probably be lynched if captured.

The sheriff of Lincoln county came from Hugo with a posse to aid the citizens of Limon in the search for the murderer. He offers a reward of \$500 for the capture of the guilty person, dead or alive, and the same amount for each if more than one was implicated. It is believed the terrible crime was committed by a tramp.

## Canvassing Kentucky Returns.

Lexington, Ky., Nov. 9.—The canvassing of the returns of Tuesday's election is likely to cause trouble in various ways. The county clerk neglected to furnish election officers duplicate forms for certifying the returns. Thus it happens that in several precincts the only official certificate of a vote is looked up in ballot boxes, which under the law cannot be opened for six months. It is possible the whole vote of the county may be affected. A mandamus has been granted directing the opening of one of the boxes this morning. The board of election commissioners meets to canvass the vote today.

## NEBRASKA.

Complete Returns Give McKinley Six  
Thousand Plurality.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 9.—Almost complete returns give McKinley a plurality in Nebraska of over 6,000. The Republican state ticket is elected by 1,500 to 2,000. The Republicans elect congressmen in the First and Second and the Fourth and Fifth districts. The legislature, the returns on which are not yet complete, will probably stand: Senate—Republican, 16; Fusionists, 15; vacant, 1. House—Republicans, 51; Fusionists, 49.

## Gale is Abating.

Chicago, Nov. 9.—Prof. Cox, local forecast official of the weather bureau, says the gale, which broke on the lakes Wednesday night and proved to be the heaviest storm of the year, is abating, and would pass over today. On Lake Superior four consortships were torn from their steamers and three of them are still adrift or have gone ashore. The schooner Stafford was wrecked at Good Harbor, Mich., and may be a total loss. The schooner Maumee Valley was driven ashore near Port Colborne. Several large steamers were driven back to Chicago after being exposed to the gale for a few hours, and large boats were generally seeking shelter on Lakes Superior, Michigan and Huron.

The wind, which at many places attained over forty miles an hour, was accompanied by fine snow and with the bitter cold made it hard work for the mariners. So far as known no lives were lost.

## Marcus Daly Better.

New York, Nov. 9.—Marcus Daly, of Montana, who is ill at the Hotel Netherlands, was reported much better today. He is said to be stronger than for some days past.

CLAIMING THE  
RESULT IS CLOSE.Figures to Show that Congressman  
and Treasurer Are in Doubt.

RETURNS SLOWLY COMING IN

King and Lund Made Gains Above  
Their Ticket—Returns Reviewed  
—Official Canvass Awaited.

Now comes the claim that the result on congressman and State treasurer are so close as to make it possible that Judge King and R. C. Lund, Democrats, are elected congressman and state treasurer respectively. Here is the claim of figures upon which the claim for Mr. King is based:

COUNTIES.	King, D.	Subtotal, R.
Beaver.....	555	240
Box Elder.....	1449	1387
Cache.....	1519	2782
Caribou.....	150	150
Davis.....	1421	1210
Emery.....	441	268
Garfield.....	173	173
Grand.....	400	202
Iron.....	1888	1482
Juab.....	168	389
Kane.....	1009	1118
Millard.....	820	810
Morgan.....	371	356
Plute.....	220	254
Rich.....	299	299
Salt Lake.....	13055	12394
San Juan.....	50	50
Sanpete.....	2299	3114
Sevier.....	1054	1310
Summit.....	1774	1506
Teode.....	708	639
Utah.....	200	200
Wasatch.....	780	715
Wayne.....	400	50
Washington.....	4103	4427
Weber.....	3700	3716
Total.....	37000	37166
Majority.....	130	130
*Estimated majorities.		

It was asserted that while the Republican majority in Fountain Green, Sanpete county, would wipe out Congress King's majority as shown in the foregoing, and leave Mr. Sutherland & Co. to his credit, yet other districts to hear from would change this result.

It was also claimed that whereas John DeGray Dixon is now only 45 in advance of Mr. Lund, the latter is likely to make gains that will elect him.

Naturally this claim caused considerable discussion. Coming from Democratic sources, it brought a counter statement from Republicans that Mr. Sutherland had been elected by at least 400. The returns being received at the Republican headquarters, which showed him to be elected by a safe majority.

There are many election districts in out-of-the-way places where the detailed figures are not known, owing to the returns being slow in coming. It is said this is notably the case in Utah county, where the full returns are known. Mr. Sutherland kept up with the McKinley electors, and there is no reason evident to justify a claim that he will be behind in that county. The returns from Lake Shore, Saline, Patoka, Highland and Tucker combined, show McKinley 473, Sutherland 475, Bryan 261, King 269, Wells, 461, Moyle 364.

In the claim given at the outset, saying Mr. King had a chance of winning the total vote of the county is given as King 1909, Sutherland 1,118, a majority for Sutherland of 199. The complete returns as given to the "News" give King 985, Sutherland 1,155, a majority for Sutherland of 167. In Sevier county's vote, the claim credits King with 1,064 and Sutherland 1,310, a majority for the latter of 246. The correct figures as wired to the "News" give King 1,277, Sutherland 1,567, a majority of 290 for the latter. It is also claimed that Sutherland's majority in Garfield county is 175, whereas the information to the "News" is that it is 250. There are other changes back and forth but none to indicate a reversal of the earliest announcement on any part of the State ticket.

The legislator from Sevier county, given as a Democrat in the "News," is a Republican.

## LEGISLATOR FROM SEVIER.

Republican Candidate Wins by a Majority  
of 29.This is a Close Vote, and Varies  
from a Former Announcement  
from There.

There has been some doubt as to whether the newly elected legislator from Sevier county would be a Republican or a Democrat. At first it was held the Republican candidate for Representative was elected. Then came the news that the Democrat was successful. But this was not on the final returns. These were received by the "News" this afternoon, giving the victory to the Republican. The full vote on Representative, State and congressional, is as follows:

Smith, Democrat.....	1416
Phillips, Republican.....	1445
King, Democrat.....	1277
Sutherland, Republican.....	1567

COURT AWARDS  
\$2,000 DAMAGES.Mrs. Mock Awarded That Amount  
for Her Husband's Life.

ANOTHER BIG DAMAGE SUIT

Mrs. Krough Wants \$5,000 for Al-  
leged Injuries by a Play-  
sician.

The case of Christina Mock against Benjamin Eglington was taken up this morning in Judge Cherry's court. Before adjournment last evening the evidence was all in, and today the arguments of counsel were proceeded with. Mr. Shekel, for the plaintiff, in his address, depended upon the record of the case before the criminal court, where the defendant was convicted of manslaughter for the killing of Martin Mock, the husband of the plaintiff, and then went into the matter of damages.

Mr. Harrington, the attorney for the defense, said that the case was a new one in the annals of a Utah court, and argued that this was persecution; that Mock was a trespasser upon the premises of Eglington and that the killing was done in self-defense.

The jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff for \$2,100.

## SUIT FOR \$5,000 DAMAGES.

It is in Progress in the Third Dis-  
trict Court Today.

The case of Jennie Krough against Dr. P. H. Ferrebee, came up for hearing in Judge Cherry's court this morning.

The case is one of long standing and grew out of alleged malpractice on the part of the defendant in treating the plaintiff for appendicitis when she was troubled otherwise and was not afflicted with the disease for which the defendant operated upon her in January of this year.

The plaintiff claims that by reason of malpractice on the part of the defendant she was injured in health. She claims damages to the amount of \$5,000. The defendant denies the malpractice and enters a cross complaint asking judgment against the plaintiff for \$300.

Wilson and Smith are counsel for the plaintiff, while Stephens and Smith appear on the part of the defense.

## SHORT COURT ORDERS.

In Judge Cherry's court this morning the following orders were made:

In the case of Annie Munn against Salt Lake City Railroad company, the case was continued for the term.

In the case of Matthew P. Gibson against S. B. Milner, leave was given to file amendment to answers of defendant on the part of plaintiff.

In the case of Joshua Knedy Machine Works against the Bingham Placer Mining company, the case was dismissed upon stipulation.

## HANNA ON THE ELECTION.

Says People of Country Overwhelmingly in  
Favor of Sound Money.Nebraska the Greatest Victory—Would  
Kill Man Who Started His Pres-  
idential Boom Talk.

New York, Nov. 9.—Senator Hanna, chairman of the National Republican committee, arrived here today, from Cleveland. In speaking of the election, he said:

"The people of this country were overwhelmingly in favor of sound money, law and order and a continuation of that policy that stands for prosperity. Patriotism and loyalty to the flag were strong factors in this campaign and that together with the aid of those who are generally termed sound or Gold Democrats, but whom I called American citizens, all combined to bring about the result."

"Nebraska was the greatest victory of all. We made a hard fight in that state; we went for it for all we were worth and while we did our utmost and hoped for the best, we did not expect to carry it."

"We have carried Kentucky and we have not yet given up hope of receiving her electoral vote and we do not propose to give up. We have carried the state and we propose to fight for it."

"How about changes in the cabinet, senator?" Mr. Hanna was asked.

"You won't get a word out of me about cabinet positions. I have nothing to say about that. It is none of my affairs."

Mr. Hanna's attention was called to the fact that Senator Depue had said the insurrection should be put down in the Philippines at once no matter how much money and how many men it would require to accomplish this end.

"It has been announced that you are a candidate for the presidency in 1904?"

"If I find the man who started that report I will kill him. I won't talk about or allow any one else to do it. It is too absurd."

"Do you mean to say you would tender the nomination if it were desired?"

"Well, something very like it. But I don't wish to discuss at all. It is too foolish."

## Fatal Mine Gas Explosion.

Mahoning City, Pa., Nov. 8.—One man was apparently killed by Edward Gallagher, going into an abandoned working with a naked lamp which ignited the air-circulated gas.

HE KILLED THE  
COLORED MAN.Negro Resists an Officer, and  
Shooting Results.

BURIED IN THE HILLSIDE.

Coroner's Jury Justifies the Officer—  
Negro Batters a Brakeman  
at Coalville.

Special Correspondence.  
Coalville, Utah, Nov. 9.—Will Howard, a colored man, was shot and instantly killed by an officer last Monday. Howard resisted arrest and attempted to shoot the representative of the law. The killing occurred near Castle Rock, on the U. P. R. R. County Attorney Callis, Justice Wm. M. Smith, Sheriff Lindsay, and a coroner's jury went to Castle Rock to hold the inquest. The jury found that Howard met his death while resisting an officer in the discharge of his duty. The body was buried in the mountain side, near Castle Rock.

OTHER EVENTS.  
Robert Gordon and Archie Lowe, colored men, were convicted yesterday of exhibiting deadly weapons. They were sentenced to a term of thirty days in the county jail.

A brakeman named Cornelius O'Keefe on the U. P. railroad, was severely beaten by a negro on election day. His assailant, Jos. Hughes, struck him over the head with a revolver, inflicting a scalp wound. Hughes was bound over to await the action of the district court, in the sum of five hundred dollars.

## DAVID W. JAMES BANKRUPT

Well Known Plumber Files Petition in  
United States Court.

David William James, the well known plumber, has filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States court. His debts are set forth at \$15,749.93 and he has no assets that are scheduled. He is indebted principally to Orson H. Pettit, to whom he owes \$2,000; W. H. Schluter, \$4,108; Alfred Best, \$356.60; Alfred Crebbin, \$289.25; T. R. Jones, \$2,944.29; Joseph M. Lapsley, \$117.66; Davis & Co., \$117.66; Edward H. Rush, \$117.66; Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett company, \$251.39; National Bank of the Republic, \$184.55.

## ROW WITH MOTHER-IN-LAW

W. T. Robison Says Life is Not  
Worth Living—Warrant Issued.

This afternoon W. T. Robison swore to a complaint before Justice Timmony, charging his mother-in-law, Mrs. Anna Crowther, with disturbing the peace. Robison says that Mrs. Crowther has been trying to drive him off the place, and that today she threw rocks at him and charged on him with a pitchfork. Conditions are such, so Robison says, that life is simply unbearable as things now go, and he wants relief through the protection of Mrs. Crowther.

## UTAH DELEGATES.

Mrs. Emmeline B. Wells and Mrs. A. W. McCune have been selected and appointed to represent the women of Utah, at the business session of the National Council of Women, which will convene at Minneapolis.

They are both fully competent for this important mission.

## AT THE WRONG HOSPITAL.

In the "News" last evening it was stated that a young lady who had been operated on at St. Mark's hospital had succumbed. The trouble with the item was that the wrong hospital was named. It was not at St. Mark's where the lady's death occurred.

SEVERAL NEW  
SMALLPOX CASES

Smallpox is increasing to a marked extent in this city at present. The pest house is full to overflowing, and new cases are being quarantined at their homes.

Yesterday it was found that a boy by the name of Henry S. Bowditch had an eruption upon him, which has been declared to be smallpox, though the lad was practically over with it. His home was at 425 west Fourth South street, and it is said that he has infected many persons in the neighborhood.

Six new cases were reported to the board of health today, including the Bowditch boy. Their names and addresses are as follows:

Jas. H. Smith, aged 19, Eleventh West, between Ninth and Tenth South streets (conflict).

May St. Clair, aged 18, 128 east, Seventh South street.

Thurman Smith, aged 8, 423 west Fourth South street.

Martin Zacherson, aged 10, at 152 Bethwell avenue.

Johnson, at 737 south Sixth East street.

## PETITION DENIED.

The Supreme court held a short session today to pass upon the petition of the defendant in the case of the State against Nell, who was convicted of unlawful conduct with a girl under the age of consent, some time ago, to show probable cause.

## B. HOFFER APPOINTED TEACHER

[SPECIAL TO THE "NEWS"]  
Washington, D. C., Nov. 9.—Miss Barbara Hoffer, of Salt Lake, has been appointed a teacher at the San Carlos Indian school, Arizona.

## Gen'l Otis in Chicago.

Chicago, Nov. 8.—Major Elwell S. Otis arrived here today and took command of the department of the lakes, to which position he was recently appointed.