

the two powers regarding the dispute practically are unchanged. I have no indication of the reception this note is likey to meet at the hands of the Russian government, but I expect the negotiations will continue for several weeks."

STATEMENT FROM RUSSIA.

New York, Jan. 14.—An important personage, a privy councillor, gives the assurance, cables the Herald's St. Pe-tersburg correspondent, that the news received from the far east is of such a favorable nature that any immediate danger of war is averted

This means that the anticipation of the Russian foreign office, says the correspondent, that the reply given would enable Japan to continue nego-tiations has been realized. The future will depend upon Japan's demands, be-cause only parts of the Russian reply are acceptable. Meanwhile the foreign office will issue a statement to the powers drawing attention to her inability to give the promised freedom of trade In Manchuria until the country has been brought into proper condition, safety merchants and on false certificates.

and order. Optimism reigns and general congratulation is the order of the day. The Russian new year opens with the phantom of immediate war for the time being dispelled.

WHEN WAR IS IMMINENT.

Paris, Jan. 14.—The intention on the part of certain European powers to find means to prevent the Russo-Japanese controversy drifting into actual war, as ntimated in these dispatches yesterby, has begun to assume definite pro-portions, though until today these means were confined to exchange of views between the cabinets as to what course was desirable, and it can be aspostively that no tender of good offices has yet been made to Japan or Russia; it is the accepted view that a grave moment which would warrant representations from the outside has not been reached. On the contrary, the official view here continues to expect a peaceful solution without outside pres-This expectation is borne out by the latest official advices. One of the dispatches sent from Tokio last night alleged that Japan's answer had not been forwarded up to that time, which leads the officials to question the pesreports based on the statements that Japan's answer had already been vered and further defers any steps which may be taken toward advising the two parties to terminate the contro-

the meantime the cabinets of London and Paris have arrived at switch. quite clear understanding as to what will be done if the eventuality of war becomes imminent. This will not be by a tender of mediation, as this is considered to be too extreme a step in diplomatic procedure, when two of the foremost powers are the principal dis-putants." The form of the representa-tions will be that known in diplomatic usage as a tender of good offices. This consists mainly in giving friendly ad-vice for the maintenance of peace. In the present case ft is likely to include rather different suggestions that the outside power consider the main quesoutside powers consider the main question causing the present differences are entirely susceptible to pacific adjust-ment. How far the other cabinets of Europe and the United States will give moral or actual support to the friendly representations is an open question, as the exchanging of views has thus far been confined mainly to London and Paris, but throughout the exchanges there has been a strong sentiment that the united influence of Europe and the United States should give at least mor-al support to the efforts to avert a con-

This has been one of the chief factors in the strong belief in official quarters during the last few days that the Rus-Japanese issue could not result in war. The opinion today continues to be that the parties themselves will succeed in averting a conflict, and that until it becomes manifest that they are unable to do so no action will be taken from the outside.

RUSSIA MAY NOT ACCEPT. London, Jan. 14.—The British foreign officials said tonight after receiving the Japanese reply to the last Russian bote that it only takes the crisis a step further in a less hopeful direction.

be admitted as a state.

Delegate Solicited a Bribe.

Delegate Solicited a Bribe. St. Louis, Jan. 4.-Citcuit Atty. Folk was informed today that a representative of the house of delegates had solicited a bribe of \$10,000 from certain St. Louis ticket brokers to kill the bill lately pass-ed prohibiting the scalping of railroad ex-cursion tickets. It is now charged that delegates voted for the bill in retailation for the refusal of the ticket brokes to subscribe to a boodle fund. Subpoenas to appear before the grand jury were is-sued for two local ticket brokers, for E. J. Linberg, president of the St. Louis Ticket Brokers' association, and for Speaker Gazzolo, of the house, and Dele-gate John R. Fontana. and agreeable disposition. The Ogden man says he can be borne out in these statements by his old comrades still living in that section.

Pechtel Family on Trial.

Allentown, Pa., Jan. 14 .- The four nembers of the Bechtel family, Mrs. Catherine Bechtel, her daughter Mar-tha, and her sons John and Charles, were today placed on trial charged with being accessories after the fact in the murder of Mabel Bechtel. The district attorney desired to try all four indict. ments at once, but the defendants More Charges Against Ballentine

counsel opposed the proposition and the case of Mrs. Catherine Bechtel was first taken up. She pleaded not guilty. Manila, Jan. 14 .- The government has

decided to file additional charges against W. D. Ballentine, ex-inspector at this port, and John T. Miller, an ex-Palma Given Tariff Powers. inspector of immigration, both of whom

Havana, Jan. 14.—The senate last night, after a long debate, approved the bill authorizing President Palma to increase duties in his judgment neces-sary, not to exceed 30 per cent more than the present rates as adopted by the house yesterday. The bill now goes to President Palma.

Lieverymen's Strike Renewed.

Iroquois Memorial Association. Chicago, Jan. 14.-Relatives of victims of the disaster. over 100 in number, have of teh disaster. over 100 in number, have met and taken action looking to the per-petuity of an organization to be known as the Iroquois Memorial association. The aims of the organization are: "First—To establish a suitable memorial to perpetuate the memory of those who lost their lives in the Iroquois theater fire on Dec. 30, 1903. "Second—To extend aid to those made destitute through the loss of relatives. "Third—To devise and carry out meth-ods of preventing similar occurrences in the future. "Fourth—To assist in and compet the enforcement of existing and any future Chicago, Jan. 14 .- The strike of livery. drivers began anew today after a truce of 15 days, following the Iroquois fire. Ninety-five per cent of the 1,600 drivers of carriages and hearses are said to be out and only the black undertakers' wagons were put into service in lieu of hearses at funerals, while mourners were obliged to resort again to the streetcars in journeying to the cemeter. ies. Failure of employers and employes to agree on a wage scale was the

cause of the resumption of the strike.

enforcement of existing and any future ordinances and statutes enacted for the purpose of safeguarding human life in public assemblages." Chairman Arthur E. Hall was instructed to appoint a committee of 25 on incorporation.

were recently acquitted of a charge of

conspiracy to import Chinese coolies in-

to the Philippine Islands disguised as

Iroquois Memorial Association.

Speed Foils Train Wreckers.

St. Louis, Jan. 14.—Its great speed saved the Chicago Lound "Diamond Special" on the Illoinois Central from a wreck near Glen Carbon, Ill., and foiled the attempts of train wreckers. Three cars of the freight train which follow-ed the fast train, were derailed. The train wreckers had failed to open the switch lock, but pried open the points of the switch. The speed of the fast train carried it over the open

Riot on Hankow-Canton Railway.

Hongkong, Jan. 14.—A riot is reported to have occurred on the Hankow-Canton railroad, about 4.000 coolles participating in the disturbance. The United States consul here has telegraphed to United States Minister Conger at Pekin.

Coke Trade Starts Up.

Scottdale, Pa.,Jan. 14 .-- The coke trade seems to have started upward with a rush after its long period of depression. During the week, 4.936 additional ovens have been fired and the production increased 20,000 tons.

TROOPS MAY STAY.

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Line

appointed.

Gen. Cannon Advises That the National Guard be Kept in the Field.

General Cannon sent a message this morning, to Adjutant General Burton, advising that the troops now in Carbon Short Line system.

county be retained there for the pres-ent, as the strikers had refused to abide by the agreement drawn up for them by their attorneys and special committee, relative to the disposition of their houses, and agreed to by the Fuel company management. It was reported this noon, that evictions were beginning in consequence, and no fur-ther consideration would be shown the

This program, it is said, was resist-ed by Mr. Burt and it was one of the factors that led up to his retirement. The original program is to be carried strikers. So an outbreak may after all occur. There was a proposition to return one of the Salt Lake companies out, however, it is semi-officially announced, and just as soon as a success-

upon. He was one of the most jovial boys in the neighborhood and had a host of friends because of his sunny The body was placed in a vault

IN HONOR OF GORDON.

Middlesboro, Ky., Jan. 14.--By re-quest of Major W. J. Campbell, commanding, every Confederate veteran, every Son of Veteran and every Daughter of the Confederacy in Bell county ceased work and bowed head at 10 this morning in honor of Gen. o'clock John B. Gordon.

CAPT. WRIGHT DEAD.

Helped Survey Wagon Road From Denver to Salt Lake.

Junction City, Kans., Jan. 14 .--Capt. John K. Wright, a pioneer railroad contractor who has built thousands of miles of railway in Kansas, died at his home here to- T day, the result of a stroke of 4 paralysis, aged 69 years. He was one of the early Colorado gold 1 prospectors; later helped to survey the wagon road that was laid

out on the trail from Denver to Sait Lake City, and in 1861 en-listed in the Second Colorado volunteers. Later he became captain of the

Sixteenth Kansas volunteers. He had lived here for nearly 40 years and had represented his district I in the state legislature.

Company-Covers All Territory Between Green River and Ogden-

Factor in Resignation of Burt.

EFFECT OF TARIFF. A. C. Halliwell, editor of the Chicago Daily Livestock World, delivered a brief address on the subject, 'The Tariff as it Affects the Stockgrowers." He contended that the effort to remove the duty from hides was a direct thrust at

dragged Dr. Beer a number of feet be-fore he became disentangled from the the business of the American livestock lines, otherwise he might have met with growers. He said in part: "The proposition to throw down the serious injury. The horses continued their flight and ran into a hitching post at the Holy Cross hospital, where the tariff bars that now serve to limit, if even in a small degree the number South American and other foreign hides sleigh was badly damaged and was left with only one horse. The other horse was found on Third street in front of the house which it was the in-tention Dr. Beer and Mr. Korth to serious that reach this country is a thrust at the business of the livestock rower. The one certain thing in a reduction of the duty on hides would be that ranchmen and stock farmers would have to foot the bill. visit. The horse had been there before so thought he would stop there again

"The hide dealers and tanners not slow to make their demands for free hides. In their efforts to follow GOOD WORK OF SCHOOLS. pernicious practises of the financier who try to make one dollar of capital Prof. Eaton Says Eighth Grade Pupils pay fat dividends on nine of water, they have taken advantage of the consume and would not put additional screws to the producer. ' Boots and shoes cost The principals of the city schools held much less to make than they used to, but they do not cost the wearer any a meeting yesterday afternoon and listened to an excellent address by Prof. "The livestock producers of the Unit-

George A. Eaton, principal of the West ed States have a right to demand that Side high school, who took occasion to what they produce shall enjoy as much trade protection as is given to those remark that during the past three or who engage in the final process of manfour years he had noticed a gradual increase in the quality of the eighth | W. W. Cotton of Oregon addressed

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grade pupils graduated from the public the convention on the subject "The Relation of Transportation companies to schools, reports of a movement to the contrary notwithstanding. Prof. Eaton the Live-stock Industry." In hand. explained the work of the high school and asked those present to visit the ling his topic the speaker compared the requirements in handling wheat and and asked those present to visit the school and bring their eighth grade He pictured the greater diffipupils along with them. manner. Notwithstanding this, he quoted figures to show that the wheat

IOWA AND IDAHO.

Former is Sending Many Homescekers To the Latter These Days.

There is considerable of a slope on the

Are Improving in Quality.

the ground.

FROM UNION PACIFIC TO OREGON SHORT LINE "Idaho is gradually depopulating the state of Iowa," declared I. B. Perine, the well known stockman of Blue Lake, Ida., who is at the Kenyon for a short One Hundred and Seventy-Seven Miles of Road to be Transferred From Former to Latter stay. "Immigration up north is at its height, and I dore say that more than half of the newcomers are from Iowa. I cannot explain why, but it seems that the good work of our great development has been scattered throughout that state as in no other section of the United States.

"We are booming. Home seekers-Manager E. E. Calvin both state that good, industrious settlers-are flocking they have not been notified of the pur-Harriman slate in New York is that the Harriman slate in New York is that this order will go into effect on the first of next month or the 15th of Febinto Idaho. It has been the greatest winter for stock in ten years. Mining development is going on at a tremend-ous rate. The Short Line is realizing its old-time dream of the state's great-It is significant, however, to note that ness, and is boosting it to the skies. fact that is fully appreclated by Idathe handbook heretofore issued quarter-ly by the Oregon Short Line wherein are set forth lists of officers, station ho's inhabitants"

agents, equipment, mileage and other details, has not been printed for six JAPS NOT CALLED HOME. months past and the forms are being held pending numerous changes.

Denial Made by Salt Lake Subject of The Mikado's Kingdom.

E. D. Hashimoto, the dapper Japanese labor agent for the various railroads in this section, this morning stated to the "News" that the stories that are going the rounds of the press to the effect that the Japanese in the United States and elsewhere had been called home was made purely of whole cloth. Mr. Hashimoto says that no such call has been issued but probably arose from the fact that about 15 or 20 returned to Japan a short time ago to visit. Just as soon, however, as a call is forthcoming, he affirms, there will be a great rush to return home. The Japanese army, he says, turn home. The Japanese army, he says, r is composed of 180,000 men, who will go to the front at the commencement of any hostilities with Russia. After the call is issued this army will be brought up to 450,000 men in short order. He says that all Japanese are decidedly patricito and they will flock home just as soon as they are needed to fight. He has firm faith in the fighting capabilities of his fellow countrymen, and asserts that Japan will give Russia all the fighting it wants on the sea, provided mostilities are precipitated in the near future, THE DIFFERENT SYSTEMS.

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side of the street at that locality, so when the horses shied the sleigh tipped The City creek system, Twentieth over and the occupants were landed on ward and brick tanks, the superintendent reports as being in good condi-tion. The Parley's conduit has been The horses then began to run and thoroughly cleaned and is now in good condition. It is recommended that the intake in the Thirteenth East reservoir be changed to the north end so as to give circulation from end to end in the reservoir. The sump in Emigration canyon is in very bad condition, and should be replaced with cement and built three feet above the ground so that the high water in the spring time will not wash over the top. It is also recommended that the feed pipe be connect-ed at the bottom of the sump instead of 10 feet above it and thus increase the flow of water 20 per cent. By driving another tunnel along bedrock. the superintendent believes that the flow of Emigration creek can be increased from 2,500,000 to 3,500,000 gallons per day.

AS TO "DEAD" ENDS.

For the fourth time Supt. Hines recommends that all dead ends through-out the system be closed by connecting so as to permit better circulation of the water and do away with the expense of flushing to remove accumulations of sand and other matter at the ends. The practise of drawing water to be used in the street sprinklers should be discontinued and the sprinklers should be supplied from the city canal.

LIBERTY PARK WELLS.

It is also recommended that all that part of the city lying south and west of a line drawn from Ninth South and Seventh East and running northwest system and supplied by the flowing wells below Liberty park. This sys-tem could be used from Aug. 10 to Feb. 15 and would help in the winter months when the creeks are frozen up. The cost of such a system is estimated at about \$46,000. Supt. Hines last-ly recommended that the county pay for its water used at the city and county building, jail and grounds, and that the city cemetery pay for its water the same as others.

Following are statements of the expenditures and receipts of the waterworks and street sprinkling depart-ments for the past year: EXPENDITURES.

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Total expense of department STREET SPRINKLING EXPENSES.
 Payrolls for labor
 \$27,070,29

 Material and repairs
 1.759.17

 Painting carts
 824.25

 New building for carts
 1,548.65

Number of blocks sprinkled 1.321 Britain and France, the foreign office says no such steps are on foot, so far as Great Britain is concerned.

Ribbledale's Son's Body Found.

London, Jan. 14 .- A dispatch received today at the war department from Maj.-Gen. Egerton, commanding the Somaliland expeditionary forces, an. the Hon. Thomas Lister, Lord Ribble-dale's son and heir, who was reported by Gen. Egerton to be missing after the engagement recently between the British and the forces of the Mad Mullah, has been found pierced by a spear.

will go into effect. This will result in | Manager W. H. Bancroft and Asst. Gen, adding 177 miles to the 1,225 already | Manager E. E. Calvin both state that There was a special meeting of the directors of the Union Pacific at the owned and operated by the Short Line Brodway, New York, headquarters on system. While there is nothing definite forth-Tuesday. It is understood that at the meeting the new general manager of coming at this time and while Gen. the Union Pacific was named, or at least agreed upon. As to who he is, however, is all speculation at this time. Several names are being freely used, including Messrs. Bancroft, Calvin, KAILROAD RAILROAD ROW. including Messrs. Bancroft, Calvin, Huntington and others, but nothing definite will be known until the official Among the rumors that were . announcement is made by Mr. Harrirife in railroad circles today were the following:

The fact that Vice President W. H. W. H. Bancroft, vice president 4 Bancroft of the Oregon Short Line left and general manager of the Ore- 1 hastily for New York has given rise to gon Short Line, to be promoted the story that he has been or may be to occupy a similar position in the Harriman system operating From a semi-official source, however, departments as that held by J. C. T. it is stated that the real reason of the visit of Mr. Brancroft to New York is the making of final arrangements for Stubbs in the traffic department. Asst. General Manager E. E. L. Calvin to be promoted to genturning over a portion of the main line of the Union Pacific to the Oregon

It has leaked out that it was the in-tention on Jan. 1 of this year to cut down the mileage of the Union Pacific and all that portion of the Wyoming division of the Overland which lies be-A. Reeves to be promoted to gen-Gray as assistant general freight 🕂 agent, and D. S. Taggart as gen. * eral agent for Salt Lake for the tween Green River and Ogden was to have been tacked onto the Oregon Short

Harriman lines. The revival of the old story in

connection of the merger of the T Oregon Short Line and the O. R. & N.

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Aside from the union depot feature at Ogden and the short haul on Diamondville coal to the Utah and Southern Pacific market there are other reasons why the change would be a good one. The matter has been under consider ation for some time by Mr. Harriman and his advisers. Among other things it is said that Mr. Harriman has been

watching the administration of Oregon Short Line affairs with a great deal of interest and satisfaction. In compari-son with the Union Pacific the Oregon Short Line has had little trouble with eral manager of the Short Line, I its men in any department, no wrecks, Asst. General Freight Agent J. I of maintenance. These are the essenof maintenance. These are the esse tials which tell in the operation of a

railroad The fact that Mr. Harriman is about to acquire the Chicago & Alton for the Union Pacific Chicago outlet, also may have something to do with the changes that are scheduled for the near future. The official announcement is expected

at any time and is being eagerly looked for by those connected with the Ore-gon Short Line. In the meantime the freight department is working overtime

