

was turned over on the men, killing William McGraw, single, James Dodge, married, Adolph Buttel, married, Mathias Tegelburg, married. The following were injured: Charles Anderson, Erick Maril, James McGraw and Andrew Peterson.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—The British consul at Archangel, the capital of the Russian government of that name, telegraphs confirming the report that Nansen is safe and returning from the North Pole.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—The new Bible prepared for the use of public schools has been completed. It will now be submitted to the board of education who will pass judgment upon it. The aim of those who compiled the book was to prepare a work that would be unobjectionable to any religious denomination. It has now been 22 years since the board of education discarded the reading of the Bible in the public schools of Chicago. Up to 1874 it was a regularly prescribed duty of teachers to read a portion of the sacred volume to their scholars every day. By some this exercise was relished and approved, but to others it became increasingly distasteful. The opposition to it grew, and after a long and stubbornly contested battle, the Bible was evicted from the public schools.

A few years ago a movement was begun to reinstate the Bible. The book which has just been completed is the outgrowth of a suggestion made by Prof. David Swing that a committee consisting of members of the Protestant, Catholic, Jewish and other denominations compile a book for the use of the school children, made up of selections from the Bible.

At the beginning it was decided that the version recognized in courts by English law when appeals to the Bible are made, should be the one from which the selections should be taken as the school is established pre-eminently for the state.

For the convenience of the children and better to facilitate the work, the book is graded in its arrangement. Those selections appearing first on its pages are adapted to the needs and intellectual standards of the lower grades of the grammar school, the latter part of the book being better suited for more mature minds. Quotations are also given in the book to show that men differing widely in religious belief, ranging from Prof. Huxley to the pope, have indorsed just such a scheme as this that has just been carried out. The committee that prepared the Bible, after giving the leaders of the woman's educational union due credit for the part which they took in preparing the book for the public, explains the fruit of their labors may be truly said to belong not merely to the educational union, but to the whole city of Chicago, whose representatives made it, and indeed to the whole world, for representatives of the different churches in all parts of the Union participated in the compilation.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—The recent reports concerning the return of Dr. Nansen from the North Pole have induced a Chicago syndicate to consider the advisability of dispatching a party at once to the Lena River for the purpose of ascertaining the foundation for the accounts received, as well as assist, if possible, the returning explorers in

their probable march toward either Yakutsk or Irkutsk. The man selected to lead the party is Evelyn B. Baldwin, the meteorologist of Lieut. Peary's North Greenland expedition in 1893-94. Much information concerning the region to be traversed, as well as special facilities for expediting Baldwin on the journey to Siberia, have been afforded by Monsieur A. S. Savine, Comte de Toulouse Lautrec, now in Chicago, who is connected with the Siberian railway.

In an interview, Baldwin said: "Barring such information concerning Nansen's whereabouts, as would make the proposed trip inexpedient at this time, I shall go direct from San Francisco to Vladivostok on the Pacific coast, more than eight thousand miles from St. Petersburg. From Vladivostok to Irkutsk, the first 450 miles will be by railway and the remaining distance by post. Twenty-two days will be occupied making the transit. The time to be consumed between Oulgo and Irkutsk will be about fifty days."

SPRINGFIELD, O., Feb. 17.—Cabinman George Jackson, connected with the Fort Thomas murder is wanted here for the embezzlement of \$27 from the United Brethren Church of Friendship. Jackson claimed he was robbed last September and assaulted here by William Melvin, but it was proven by police court that Melvin was two miles away at the time of the alleged assault. He is a sufferer from epileptic fits and is imaginative and likes public notice. Dr. Vance, here substantiates the above and says he can't believe Jackson drove the cab because he is too cowardly. The same belief prevails among the colored people here.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Feb. 17.—Detectives today learned that Pearl Bryan was kept at the Herman hotel in Newport on the night before the murder. The officers have a complete chain of evidence against Jackson and waiting from the time Pearl Bryan came here from Greencastle, Indiana, on Monday the 27th, to Friday night, January 31, when she was murdered in the secluded spot between Fort Thomas and Newport.

Governor Bushnell will hear the requisition case tomorrow, after which there is no doubt of the transfer of the two suspects to Sheriff Plummer of Campbell county, Ky., who will hold them in Newport jail. They will have a speedy trial.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 18.—A man of this place has patented a paper brick which he says will work a revolution in the pavement of streets and building of walls. It is made of straw and wood pulp. It is made the same as brick and at one-third the cost. The inventor says with the wheat straw that annually goes to waste in Kansas he can pave the streets of every town in New England.

PATOHOGUE, L. I., Feb. 18.—Much apprehension is felt here for the safety of the persons who crossed the Great South bay yesterday to visit the steamship Lamington, stranded at Fire Island beach. Many went to gather oranges and it had been given out that the fruit was to be floated. The cold snap froze the bay sufficiently enough to make a return to shore impossible, the boats being unable to break their way through the ice field.

All day long those on shore have been testing the ice to see if it was strong enough to support the ice boats that a trip might be made to the steamship to ascertain the condition of the missing townsmen.

Many of those on the beach are ill provided with clothing and must be suffering from the severity of the weather. Some of the more venturesome who carried no extra clothing have possibly perished from the cold. The families of the missing are in a distressed condition and fear the worst. Several seamen held a consultation at midnight and decided to resort to heroic measures to reach the missing men, should they not be able to reach in a d. It is estimated that the number of men who made the trip into the bay is fifty, and of this number none has been heard from. Just what part of the bay they are ice bound in cannot be stated.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 18.—While Alfred Whittaker, chairman of the Democratic county central committee and proprietor of Brooks Oil company and his sons Dana and Don Cannon were driving in Bed ord this morning, the Cleveland, Canton and Southern east mail train struck the cutter carrying Whittaker fifty feet and killing him instantly, and inflicting probably fatal injuries on Dana Cannon and seriously injuring the driver, John R. Con.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Feb. 18.—Annie Rives Chanler and Prince Pierre Troubetzkoy, the Russian nobleman, were married this afternoon, at Castle Hall, the home of Colonel Alfred Rives, the father of the authoress. Paul L. Meuzel, D. D., of Richmond, a Lutheran clergyman, performed the ceremony. The couple will live in London.

#### NOTES.

The body of William Horace Baker, an unmarried teamster, aged 24, was found Saturday under the east end and about forty feet below the Eleventh street bridge, Tacoma, Wash. It is thought that he fell over the railing and was killed.

John E. Murphy was to have been married at Park City yesterday, Sunday, to a most estimable young lady of that place, and all arrangements had been made. The wedding, however, did not come off, as Murphy failed to appear. His intended bride had not seen him since the preceding Monday, on which date he took the train quietly for Leadville, Colorado. On Saturday he received a letter from him, written at Leadville, in which he informed her of his intention to desert her, but gives no excuse for his dishonorable action.

Tooele Transcript: Early last Friday morning Asa Walters passed quietly away at his late residence on East street, at the advanced age of 90. The funeral services, which were largely attended, were held in the meeting house last Sunday afternoon, with interment in Tooele cemetery. Mr. Walters was born in Devonshire, England, in 1805. He joined the Mormon Church in 1845, and emigrated to Utah in 1868, where he has since resided. He died, as he has always lived, a firm believer in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.