FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1903. SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

JAPAN WILL SEND TROOPS TO COREA

They Go for the Purpose of Restoring and Maintaining Order At Disturbed Ports

THEY NUMBER 15 THOUSAND.

By Russia Their Departure Will Not Be Regarded as an Unfriendly Act or a Casus Belli.

IS NOT WITHOUT SIGNIFICANCE.

Baron Hayashi Says There Will be War Unless Russia Modifies Her Position.

Paris, Dec. 26 .- It was learned in authoritative quarters, today that Japan is about to send a large military force to Corea for the purpose of restoring and maintaining order at the disturbed ports. The departure of this force is imminent. It will probably consist of a division of 15,000 men.

Japan has been assured that Russia will not regard the sending of troops to Corea to be an unfriendly act or a

It is anticipated that the departure of the troops will revive the war rumors, which, however, it is pointed out in authoritative quarters, will be unjustified, in view of Russia's acqui-

During the recent exchanges of communications between Russia and Japan the former fully recognized the need of the presence of a strong military authority in Corea and conceded that Japan was in the best position to promptly send troops to the disturbed

The sending of the troops neverthe less, is construed as having an important bearing on the present negotiations as it will be the first conspicuous evidence of Japan's actual exercise of paramount authority over Corea. It ramount authority over Corea. It further said in the same quarters that the peparations for this expedition were the cause of the recent great activity at the Japanese arsenals and dock yards, which, it is asserted, has been erroneously ascribed to prepara-

tions against Russia.

Information has also been received here that Foreign Minister Lamsdorff has personally received Japan's reply, and that in view of its terms he is said to have expressed surprise at the re-port of Japan's belligerent attitude. This, it is added, is regarded as clearly showing the amicable spirit in which the negotiations are proceeding.

BARON HAYASHI ON SITUATION. London, Dec. 26 .- Japan is negotiating for the purchas of two Chilian warships, the armored cruiser Emer-alda and another, probably the battleship Captain Pratt, which are for sale It is now only a matter of price. Negotiations with other South American governments for the purchase of war-

ships are also in progress.

Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to Great Britain, said to a representative of the Associated Press today relative to these negotiations:
"We want more ships. Of course this is only a precautionary measure and it may be a lot of expense all for nothing. I have no indication of the

nature of the Russian reply. Person-ally I scarcely expect it will be delivered for some little time.
"There is no truth whatsoever in the

report that Japan's last note stipulated time limit." Asked anent the disputch from Berlin of Dec. 24, saying the British gov-ernment reported to the czar that just and earnestly expected that Russia would grant them," Baron Hayashi, while he was not aware of the precise

ction taken by Great Britain at St. The British government is well aware that Japan will be obliged to go o war unless Russia modifies the pe sition she has taken in her last note. At the foreign office here nothing s yet known of the probable nature of

the Russian reply. ITALY IS INTERESTED.

Rome, Dec. 26.—Owning to the complications in the far east the Italian rmored cruiser Vetter Pisani will sail

L. F. Loree to Succeed W. B. Leeds

New York, Dec. 28.—L. F. Loree, president of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, will on Jan, 1 become president of the Rock Island, succeeding William B. Leeds Mr. Loree was chosen executive head of the Rock Island company, which controls the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway system at a recent meeting of the directors when Mr. Leeds tendered his resignation. The latter will continue as a member of the Rock Island company's executive committee. It is known that Mr. Loree was offered the presidency of the Rock Island company's executive committee. It is known that Mr. Loree was offered the presidency of the Rock Island company some months ago, but it was then denied that he would

of the Rock Island company some montis ago, but it was then denied that he would leave the Baltimore & Ohio.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 28.—President Loree of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, admitted when seen today that he had been chosen for the presidency of the Rock Island railroad, and that he has accepted and would enter upon his duties at once, it is understood that Vice President Loree as the official head of the Baltimore & Ohio system. ree as the online.

MEXICO WILL SURRENDER CHAS. KRATZ OF ST. LOUIS.

City of Mexico, Dec. 26 .- President Diaz, acting upon the request of the American ambassador and upon hearing the evidence submitted in the case, has conceded to the United States authorities the extradition of Charles Kratz, a former member of the St. Louis city council wanted in that city on a charge of bribery in connection with street car franchise leg-

GREAT DANGER IN **NEW YORK HARBOR**

Snow so Heavy That Captains of United States Anxious to Have Tugs and Boats Lost Their Bearings.

INTENSE COLD EVERYWHERE.

From All Sections of the Country Come Stories of Freezing And Blizzards.

New York, Dec. 26 .- A heavy fatt of now, accompanied by high wind began early today. So thick were the snow flakes during the morning that darkness almost like that of night prevailed in the down town streets for nearly an

During this period many ferry boats went astray, their captains having lost their bearings, and the harbor resounded with the whistles of tugs and other steam craft that had become enveloped in the darkness and blinding snow.

Several liners on their way from quarantile to their piers had to lay to until the darkness lifted.

The snow, wet and heavy, at first melted as fast as it fell, but later the temperature fell and the storm took on the semblance of a blizzard. Before noon the storm lessened considerably in severity, although the snow continued to fall.

A heavy snowstorm accompanied at many places by a high wind prevailed throughout the state.

THE WABASH FREEZES. Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 26.-From 35 degrees above yesterday noon, the temperature dropped today 8 degrees below zero, the coldest in two years. The Wabash river is frozen over, and much damage has resulted from the high

A DROP OF THIRTY DEGREES. La Crosse, Wis., Dec. 26.—A drop in temperature of 30 degrees in 24 hours occurred here and today the government thermometer registered 15 degrees below. A penetrating north wind made it the most disagreeable day of the winter and charitable organizations were besieved by pleas of the control of the contr were besieged by pleas for fuel from the

STRONG WIND IN MISSOURI.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 26.—The temperature in western Missouri teday averaged 5 degrees above zero with a strong wind blowing. In Kansas and Oklahoma mild weather prevailed, the temperature ranging from 5 degrees above zero in eastern Kansas to 36 above at the Colorado state line. INTENSELY COLD IN MINNESOTA.

degrees below zero was the record at the weather bureau today. At Winnipeg, Man., the mercury went down to 20 degres blow but is now rising and warmer weather is in sight in the northwest. The cold here was accom-panied by a piercing wind which made it more intense during the night.

IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Dec. 26 .- The crest of a chleago, Dec. 28.—The crest of a cold wave, eastbound, reached Chicago today. The minimum temperature here was 8 below zero. Trains, as a result of the cold, were generally unable to maintain schedule time.

ZERO WEATHER IN NEBRASKA. Omaha, Dec. 26,-Zero weather prevailed over the greater part of Nebras-ka and western Iowa at 7 o'clock. The

mercury began to rise later with pros-pects of warmer weather. At midnight the thermometer reached 6 below zero. FOURTEEN BELOW ZERO.

Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 26.-Two depes Molnes, Iowa, Dec. 26.—Two degrees below zero was recorded at the weather bureau today. At Dubuque, the mercury went to 14 below and at Davenport a mark of 12 below was registered. The cold here was accompanied by a disagreeable raw wind, which made it more intense during the night. night.

BLIZZARD IN OHIO.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 26.—The first real blizzard of the winter is reported from various points in Ohio to have prevailed last night and today. hermometer went down to zero the wind reached a velocity of 52 miles an hour, while a heavy blinding snow fell to the depth of several inches. Railway traffic is delayed owing to the heavy snow storm.

COLD IN GEORGIA. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 26.—The minimum temperature here today was 16, a fall of 43 degrees in the last 12 hours. The cold wave reaches the south Atlantic

and gulf states. HEAVY SNOW IN BOSTON.

Boston, Dec. 26 .- A heavy northwest snowstorm began here today. The strong wind driving in from the sea

contributed to conditions resembling a

Bennett Will Give a Park.

New York, Dec. 26,-Amouncement is made today of the purpose of James Gordon Bennett to lay out and adorn a large park to be dedicated to the puba large park to be dedicated to the public use and pleasure, in memory of his father, the founder of the Herald. It will lie between the Boulevard Lafayette and Broadway, north of One Hundred and Eighty-second stree and lands now owned by Mr. Bennett will be devoted to this end. Upon the highest elevation within its bounds will be reared a monument to James Gordon Bennett, the elder.

Panama .Postal Rates Reduced. Washington, Dec. 26.—Consul-General Gudger, at Panama, has notified this government that the republic of Panama has reduced its postal rates 50 per cent. The foreign rate for each 50 grammes or less is equivalent to four cents in United States money, and the domestic rate is the equivalent of 2 cents United States money.

Twelve Victims Still Left.

Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 26.—There are still 12 bodies, victims of the wreck of the Duquesne limited on the Baltimore & Ohio railway at Dawson Wednesday night at the morgue in this city. Four of these are unknown and means for their identification are either entirely absent or very meager. very meager.

The unknown dead will be kept at the morgue as long as possible, and when all hope of identification is past they will be buried here.

PRESSURE BEING PUT UPON CHINA.

Commercial Treaty Ratified Before Crisis Becomes Acute.

SAME COURSE TOWARDS COREA.

To be Urgent With Corean Government.

Washington, Dec. 26 .- The situation in the far east has caused the officials of the state department to renew their efforts to secure for the United States from China and Corea certain necessary trade advantages as embodied in the Chinese commercial treaty and in Minister Allen's demands upon the Corean government, before the crisis becomes more acute. It is realized that should hostilities break out between Russia and Japan, the resulting peace treaty probably would leave the United States and other neutral nations entirely outside of the pale of advantage in Corea and Manchuria, no matter which way the side of victory turned. Therefore, the state department is bringinng pressure to bear upon the Chinese court to insure the speedy ratification of the treaty and as other nations have indirectly been given to understand in this negotiation, it is hoped that final ratification of the treaty may be exchanged in Washington within three months at the outside. This will result in the opening to the United States of the trade of the ports of An-Tung and Moukden, in Manchuria. Across the river from An-Tung, in Corean territory lies Wiju and the state department has prompted Mr. Allen at Seoul to renew his pressure upon the Corean government to secure the opening of that port to trade. THE VICKSBURG GOES TO COREA.

Washington, Dec. 26.-Rear Admiral Washington, Dec. 26.—Rear Admiral Stirling, temporarily in command of the Asiatic station cables the navy department announcing the departure of the gunboat Vicksburg today from Shanghai for Chemulpo, Corea, where she has been ordered at the instance of Mr. Allen, the American minister at Seoul. The local riots at Chemulpo recently endangered American life and property and the dispatch of a warship was thought necessary.

As the marine guard of the Vicksburg does not exceed a half dozen men,

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bove at the Colorado state line.

NTENSELY COLD IN MINNESOTA.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 26.—Sixteen
the weather bureau today. At Winnithe weather bureau today. At Winnithreatened.

Three Men Drowned.

Boston, Dec. 26.—Three men were drowned today by the sinking of a dredge in the channel between Deer island and Nixsmate in Boston harbor.

Albert Lea College Assignment. Albert Lea. Minn., Dec. 26.—The trus-tees of Albert Lea college have made an assignment for the benefit of its creditors. The assignment it is said, was brought about in part by friction be-

tween Albert Lea college and another Presbyterian school.

Bakers Loot a Bakery. Paris, Dec. 26,—A band of 50 striking bakers sacked a co-opeative bakery during the night. There were several minor strike demonstrations. The minis-try for war has ordered the military bread makers to be in readiness to take the places of strikers in case of a shortage in the public bread supply.

Welcome to Russian Ambassador.

Rome, Dec. 26.—Prince Ourosoff, the new Russian ambassador to Italy, has arrived here. The press welcomes him to Rome and expresses the hope that he will succeed in re-establishing the ne will succeed in re-establishing the intimate relations between Russia and Italy which were disturbed by the abandonment of the proposed visit of the czar to Rome, through the advice of the former ambassador of Russia, M. Denelidorff.

Italy Also Recognizes Panama. Washington, Dec. 26.—Acting Secretary of State Loomis has been notified by the Italian embassy that the government of Italy has recognized the new republic of Panama.

Rev. G. W. Street Dead.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 26.—Rev. Dr. George Edward Street, pastor emeritus of the Congregational church at Exter, N. H., died here today of heart disease, aged 69. He was widely known for his historical writings aged 69. He was wi historical writings.

Pronounced in Jiminez's Favor. Washington, Dec. 26 .- United States Minister Powell reports to the state de-partment under yesterday's date from San Domingo confirming the cabled announcement that the town of Macoris has pronounced in favor of Jiminez and adds that troops from that place under the insurgent flag are marching on the the insurgent flag are marching on the city of San Domingo. A great many arrests are being made at the capital but otherwise everything is quiet.

Fitting Transports for Service. Washington, Dec. 26.—War department officials admit that the transports McClellan and Sumner at New York, as well as the Sherman, Buford and Crook, at San Francisco, are being fitted out for active service. The two vessels at New York have been in a state of readiness for several weeks but so far no calls have been made for them. It is expected that one of them them. It is expected that one of them will be utilized in bringing to the United States the artillery troops now stationed near Havana and at Santiago. Primarily all of these transports are intended for the Manila service.

Bids for Friars' Lands Loan.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Announcement is made that bids for the new Philippine friars land loan of \$7,200,000 will be received up to 3 p. m. Jan. 11, and allotments will be made Feb. 7, 1904.

CASTLE GATE MINERS LEAVING.

Thirty New Men Took Leave for Pastures New-Evictions At Clear Creek.

American Minister at Seoul Instructed | E Company Moved from Sunnyside to Scofield to Take Place of Men Called Home.

> Desertions are reported among the Castle Gate miners. Thirty new men "took French leave" Thursday night, but their places ar being filled by others. The strikers are gathering at Scofield as fast as evicted from Winter Quarters and Clear Creek, and have rented all of the houses to be had Strikers are being run out of Clear Creek as fast as possible, but the married men will not be evicted until the 31st, when trouble is feared. An in-furiatd Italian woman viciously as-saulted Deputy Dowse while the latter

saulted Deputy Dowse while the latter was making an eviction, but she was finally drawn away and sent home.

D company, First Infantry, has been released from its long tie-up at the coal camps, and allowed to return to Salt Lake. Its place at Scofield has been taken by E company from Sunnyside. The command narrowly escaped casualties ere leaving. The straw that had been used in the tents was heaped up and burned, and by mischance a number of cartridges got mixed up in the straw. Presently there were several explosions. One builet knocked the hat from Private Lawson's head, an

the straw. Presently there were several explosions. One bullet knocked the hat from Private Lawson's head, an empty shell struck Sergt. Gardiner in the face, and other members of the company narrowly escaped being hit by the flying bullets.

As the train bearing E company reached Castle Gate, the officers left for the moment to pay their respects to the commanding general at headquarters, and the train went off without them. The loss was discovered on reaching Kyune, and the train was backed to Castle Gate to recover them. President Lewis of the Miners' union at Helper made an assault on John T. Rowley at Helper in a discussion on the merits of the strike situation, and now the sheriff is hunting for him with much zeal. The striker's friends are trying to hide him.

Fifty coal diggers are being distributed among the mines from Vernal and more are coming.

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PENSIONS FOR UTAHANS.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.-Pensions granted: Utah-James M. Thompson, \$10; George H. Chappell, \$16.

Idaho—Richard M. Woods, \$6. Richard A. Wilkins has been appointed regular and James S. Wilkins sub-rural carriers at Troy, Ida.

OFF FOR WASHINGTON.

Attorney F. S. Richards and State En gineer Doremus to Go.

Hon, F. S. Richards, the well known

Salt Lake attorney, and State Engineer Doremus are going to Washington on important matters connected with the work of the arid land reclamation fund commission and to arrange for a hearing before that body. Messrs. Richards and Doremus have been engaged upon the matter to be considered for nore than a year past and have other matters to present affecting the water supply of this state—matters that require speedy and urgent action in connection with the Utah lake project a preliminary report upon which will be shortly forthcoming. Mr. Richards leaves tonight and Mr. Doremus will follow a few days later when notified by Mr. Richards that his presence is

STRUCK BROKEN RAIL.

Rio Grande Passenger No. 6 Delayed In Consequence.

Rio Grande No. 6 was delayed this morning for three hours owing to an accident which occurred between Sal take and Ogden. It is reported that the engine struck a broken rail. No con-firmation, however, of this story could be secured from the general superinten-

In the face of the awful railroad disasters on railroads in the east that hav prevailed during the past few days, it past 25 years not a single passenger riding on a Rio Grande Western train has lost his life.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC.

Tomorrow night the following pro gram of Christmas music will be rendered at the services in the Sixteenth ward meettinghouse: Christmas carol-Ward choir.

Baritone solo, rederick Sanford, "Vesper Prayer" Duet, "Dawn of the Millennium,"— W. D. Phillips and Frederick Sanford, Tenor solo, "Salvation,"—W. D. Anthem, "Glory to God on High,"

-Ward choir,

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday school in the Eighteenth ward chapel tomorrow.

Treasury Balances

Washington, Dec. 26.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general gund exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, \$225,303,128; gold,

L. C. Dubois Dead.

Salida, Colo., Dec. 28.—L. C. Dubois, a prominent mining man, is dead of pneumonia at his home in this city, aged 35 Mr. Dubois was well known in mining circles throughout the west, and took a leading part in the development of Tonopah, Nev., He also was superintendent of a mill at Delamar, Nev., for several years. A widow and one child survive him.

INTO MOURNING.

Christmas Party at Eureka Ends In Tragedy, One Man Being Killed, Another Wounded.

TROOPS BEING TRANSFERRED. JOHN EASTMAN IS THE VICTIM.

Trouble the Result of a Drunken Man Entering the Building-Shooting Accidental.

> Special Correspondence. Eureka, Juab Co., Dec. 25 .- A horrible tragedy was enacted at the Tintic hall about 3 o'clock this morning, during a Christmas celebration, in which John Eastman was instantly killed and John Backman fatally injured. The Finns and Swedes of the camp were holding their annual Christmas celebration and dance and all went merrily until the time stated when John Backman entered the hall in an intoxicated condition, and began to raise a disturbance. He was warned to be quiet, but got into a quarrel with a Finn and hurled a bottle at him. The missile went wide of its mark and

struck a lady in the mouth, knocking

out her teeth. This act started the

SECURED A SHOTGUN. Charles Peterson, who had charge of the entertainment, attempted to put a stop to the rioting, but could not do so. He rushed across the street to his home and secured a shotgun, and returned to the hall. He was selzed by several of the parties present and during the struggle both barrels of the weapon were discharged. John Eastman, an innocent party, who was trying to reinnocent party, who was trying to re-store peace, received both of the dead-ly loads. One of the shots took effect ly loads. One of the shots took effect in the breast and the other in the right side, tearing large holes in his body. He died instantly. Backman, the cause of the disturbance, was shot in the left thigh, probably by some unknown party, as the physician states that the wound was made by a bullet from a 44-caliber revolver. The man was fatally wounded. The city officers were immediately summoned to the scene. Of mediately summoned to the scene. Of-ficer Hannifin went to the home of Peterson, who immediately surrender-ed to the officer and he was locked up in the city jail.

BACKMAN IN SALT LAKE.

Dr. Hensel was called to dress Backman's wounds, and the wounded man was put on the early Rio Grande train and sent to a Salt Lake hospital.

The remains of John Eastman were removed to the undertaking parlors of James Eustice, and this morning a coroner's jury, consisting of David Lindsay, John Horkins and John Wirthlin, was summoned, who viewed the remains and summoned, who viewed the remains and the inquest will be held tomorrow.

EASTMAN MUCH RESPECTED. John Eastman, the innocent victim of the 'ragedy, is about 35 years of age, and has been a resident of Eureka for several years, and at the time of his death was employed at the Centennial-Eureka mine. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He has a wife in the old country. His funeral will probably be held Sunday under the auspices of the Eureka Maers' union, of which organization he was a member.

Very little is known of Backman in Eureka, but it is said that he is of a several years, and at the time of his

Very little is known of Backman in Eureka, but it is said that he is of a quarrelsome disposition when under the influence of liquor. He is a married man and has a family.

WHO PETERSON IS.

Charles Peterson, who is charged with doing the shooting, is well known in Eureka, and is known as an upright, honorable man. He is married and an employe As far as known he was not addicted to the use of intoxicants keenly feels the position in which he is

According to his statement made to the "News" representative, he did not the News representative, he did not procure the weapon for the purpose of shooting, but to overawe the quarrel-some element. Peterson also stated that some element. Peterson also stated that he ild not fire the shots that killed Eastman, but that the gun was acci-dentally discharged during the struggle which ensued when he entered the hall. Peterson and Eastman were personal friends, which makes the tragedy all the more sad.

INDIAN AGENT ANDERSON. Charges Against Him Are Being Investigated.

Washington, Dec. 26.-Indian Inspec tor Jenkins is at the Colville Indian agency, Washington, investigating charges against Indian Agent A. M. Anderson. The charges include alleged irregularities in vouchers executed some time ago. There are a num-ber of other charges, including some growing out of religious difficulties. The Indians in the Couer d'Alene agen-cy Idaho which to work and a server despersable to the court of cy, Idaho, which is under the same ad ministration as the Colville agency, are regarded by the department as being in regarded by the department as being in need of but little supervision owing to their progressiveness and its separa-tion from Colville agency and the ap-pointment of a sub-agent there has been urged. It is probable that a government farmer will be appointed to take charge at the Couer d'Alene reser-

San Domingo All Torn Up.

New York, Dec. 26 .- The Clyde line steamer New York arrived today from San Domingo, having been subjected to considerable delay in loading and discharging cargo at ports of the revolution-swept island.

Cabin passengers on board said that the whole country was in a turmoil of riot, anarchy and revolution within rev-olution. Communication between ports, they said, was suspended and all tele graph wires were down. At Port graph wires were down. At Port Plata, the home of Morales, the peo ple were his ardent supporters, it was reported, when he went to San Domin. go City then a strong Jiminez party developed. It was said that Morales would send the war vessels to bombard the town to put down the revolt.

Frozen to Death.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 26 .- John Weir, aged 5, was frozen to death near Elmwood today. George Baumgarten was found frozen to a tree here and he cannot re-cover. The thermometer recorded 7 below zero today.

HOLIDAY TRADE WAS VERY GOOD.

Volume of Business Much Greater Than Was Expected Ten Days Ago.

FEW COMPLAINTS ARE HEARD.

Demand Was Good Along all Lines and The Candy Trade the Greatest City Has Ever Had.

Local merchants report the Christmas

trade as being very good though there are some complaints. All day long on the day before Christmas the stores in the center of the town were thronged, the rush lasting until late in the evening, so that the outgoing street cars were crowded, as with a lake rush, until near midnight. An immense number of small sales were made, and in some of the smaller establishments whole lines of stocks were sold out at fair prices. The larger houses simply did a land office business. Money was spent freely for many things, but principally for holiday gifts in the way of children's toys and stationery novelties, Briefly, it may be said the storekeepers are happy. Ten days ago there was a complaint from some of the merchants that there were too many firms here in the same lines of business, and the prospects were dubious. But the big Christmas rush came on so quickly and Christmas rush came on so quickly and in such volume that all fears of a duli holiday trade were brushed away, and it is believed that the good business will continue into the New Year. A decided taste for mechanical toys has been manifested, toys that suggest some mechanical principle that may be taught to children with no very great effort; and it is supposed that the development of manual training in the public schools is the occasion of this. The candy trade has been something immense, fully 25 per cent, dealers say, greater than last Christmas season. T greater than last Christmas season. T demand this season has been for the regular staple with nuts in them. The styles of putting up candies this sea-son, have developed more and more into artistic lines, and are very attractive.
As a rule prices in all lines have been As a rule prices in all lines have been reasonable, and the advent of cold weather at this particular time, has created a strong demand for staple winter wear, and goods generally. Thus, the merchants have the weather to thank for helping them out. The streets today present a lively appearance, and the fact that this is a business day randwiched in between to holidays, tends to make business all the livelier. Altogether, the outlook is nothing to

Altogether, the outlook is nothing to complain of; on the contrary, there is much to be thankful for.

MAY ISSUE PASSPORTS. President Gives That Authority

To Governor of Hawaii. Washington, Dec. 26.—The president has delegated to the governor of Hawall authority to issue passports. This is the only case of a governor being given such authority and the action is taken to meet the exigencies in that

Big Fire in Marietta, O.

Marietta, Ohio, Dec. 26.—The finest business block in Marietta, that of the First National bank, was today de-stroyed by fire which started from a gas explosion. It was occupied by the bank, the office of the Standard Oil company, Dawes Lumber company, Sarber Oil company and others. Loss,

Maj. Malcom McDowell Dead.

Chicago, Dec. 26 .- Maj. Malcolm Mc-Dowell, widely known as an iron and steel expert, is dead, at the age of 75

was the youngest brother of the late Maj.-Gen. Irvin McDowell, commanded the federal troops at the first battle of Bull Run. Maj. McDowell was aide de camp of his brother's staff during that battle. Deceased was an intimate friend of Gens. Grant, Sherman and Logan and of President Rutherford B. Hayes.

All Mines Running.

Meyersdale, Pa., Dec. 28.—There is not a mine that was running in the Somerset and Cambria branch of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad before the strike order went into effect that is not working now. These places had no organization. The Meagher mines and those of Galloway and Clayton, of Baltimore, located near Salisbury, are running, as is also the Hardly Able mine near Meyersdale, but they are paying the old scale of 65 cents.

Reward for Train Wreckers.

Columbus, Ohio Dec. 26.—General Supt. Ralph Peters, of the Pan Handle railroad, has offered a reward of \$1,000 for the arrest and conviction of persons have attempted to wreck trains and the bridge at Ellis station on the Muskingum river. Several attempts have been made to cause a wreck by stretching a wire cable across the track so anchored that it will pull down the bridge. The purpose is not understood by the railroad officials.

Funeral of Admiral White. Annapolis, Md., Dec. 26 .- The funeral services over the remains of the late Admiral Edwin White, U. S. N., retired, were held at the naval academy chapel today, after which the interment took place in the naval cemetery. The escort was composed of the marine bat-talion and a detachment of seamen accompanied by the naval academy

Marines Leave for Panama.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 26.—A detachment of 97 men in charge of Capt. William Hopkins and Lieut. Kligore from the naval academy marine barracks left here today for Philadelphia to join the United States steamer Dixle for duty with the Panama battalion.

Holiday for Naval Men.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Orders have been issued for the disposition during the Christmas holidays of the United States warships assembled off Culebra. The different squadrons have been dispersed among the nearby ports on the Porto Rican coast, and the officers and men will reassemble off Culebra early in January for the winter maneuvers.

ONE MORE EFFORT TO FORCE UNION.

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Will Try Again.

WILL "PUSH THINGS" HARD.

This Result is it Looks Like a Big Fight Is to be Precipitated on the First Of January.

THEY WANT "PAID UP CARD MEN."

Some Caustic Comment on the Situation - What a "Scab" is-General Situation.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers is going to make one more effort to unionize the electrical shops of Salt Lake. Despite the defeat of last summer when the local lodge lost a heavy percentage of its members during the process, local union No. 354, I. B. E. W. is coming back with one more attempt.

With this object in view the following notice has been sent to a number of shops in this city:

"On or before Jan. 1, 1904, paid up card men must be installed in your wiring departments or some arrangement made thereof or some action will be taken by the Local. "Local. 354. I. B. E. W.

"J. SCHLUTER, P. S. Answer if see fit."

Those shops which have been considered union establishments take this notice to mean that even the helpers must be card men. As there is not a shop in Sait Lake that employs solely union men the outlook promises to be

while the managers of the various electrical establishments in this city were not backward in discussing the situation this morning none was anxious to be quoted in coid print.

One of the most prominent men said: "Of course I will give in to the union every time. It is nothing out of my pocket. If wages are raised it is the dear public who pays, not me. Then the best workmen are to be found in the ranks of the union."

This last sentiment is different to that expressed by R. W. Nicol, president of one of the largest supply firms in Utah. In reply to a number of questions put by the "News," he said:

questions put by the "News," he said:
"There was a time when I was as
strong a union man as there was anystrong a union man as there was anywhere. In those days the best men belonged to the union and skilled labor was considered. Now anyone, providing he is a good fellow, can get a card irrespective of his qualifications as a warkman. He joins the union and gets the schedule pay. If you do get a good card man nowadays he will not stay, but moves on. If you happen to get good card men from the east they will be called out on strike as has been instanced here more than once.

"We had a strike last summer. At that time I made arrangements with the Federated Trades in regard to some the Federated Trades in regard to some of my men who did not belong to the union. What was the result? Just as soon as these men asked to be admitted they were turned down. This action so sickened the rest of the boys that they quit the union. We have ten of them with us now who were members of the union, but have had enough. They call them scabs. I want to differ with them. A scab in my opinion, is a man who is a traitor. I do not think that a man who stays with a strike and then when it is all settled comes out and says that he has fought the fight and has had all he wants of the union can be called a scab."

According to the story told by a for-According to the story told by a former member of the union the local lodge is very bitter against Mr. Nicol for the reason that he has established a school for electricians, which is attended by about 50 young men two nights a week. Among the students are ten members of the union. It is a unique school, for any man who is absent and no excuse taken, is docked a day's pay. In this manneh the men are taught everything to be known not only in wiring, but in the setting up of are taught everything to be known not only in wiring, but in the setting up of generators and other branches of the work. In this manner a force of men is educated which has in its ranks numbers who are better than some union men. Under such conditions a strike would be hardly a good move, especially in the face of the fact that the firm pays \$3.50 a day against the union schedule of \$3.25.

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Another ex-union man said to the "News:" "The union is all right in its way. I believe in unions, but at the same time I believe in living and let living. Just so long as the Sait Lake boys were in it it was all right, but these fellows who are not married and drift into town and commence to stir up trouble are too much for me. No man should look upon his employer as his enemy and seek to get him in a tight place and then put on the screws. I stayed with the unuion through the stayed with the unuion through the ast strike and then when it was over I quit. If you will believe me some of the boys had the nerve to tell me that I cauld not quit the union even if I wanted to do so. I know that the public is getting pretty tired of this perpetual fuss, and to illustrate a case in point, one of the biggest wiring contracts this month was awarded to a non-union shop for the simple rea-son that the contractors did not want to take any chances on the union.

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