TWO CENTS.

THE BOERS SHELLED OUT

Buller's Men Drive Them from Position on Plain.

OF BURGHERS RETREAT

French and Gatacre Fighting-Reinforcements Sent to the Former. Latter Dislodges Burghers at Cyphergat-Narrow Escape of a Force of New Zealanders-Joubert Denies That He Protested Against Lyddite-Preached in His Camp Last Sunday.

Frere Camp, Jan. 4 .- A vigorous shelling of the Boers' trenches on the plain this morning forced the Burghers to shift their position after their horses had stampeded.

Captain Thorneycroft's patrol found the enemy in some force at the Little Tugela bridge. Their presence was discovered by scouts. It is reported that five men and a lieutenant of the

party have not returned. Rensburg, Jan. 4.-The British casualties in General French's force up to the afternoon of Jan. 3 were five men killed and twenty-four wounded. detachment of twenty-five New Zealanders had a narrow escape. White advancing on Colesberg they were directed to occupy a kopje, but met with a hot reception from a concealed force of Boers. Another body of British troops, seeing the danger of the colenials, doubled to their rescue, and their retreat was successfully accomplished under the cover of the gun on a hill westward.

Coleskop is now the principal scene of the fighting. The train wrecked yesterday had 22,000 rations and a supply of rum aboard.

Ster!:stroom, Jan. 3 .- General Gatacre today met the invading forces at Cyphergal, near the British advance camp at Bushmanshoek. The Boers retired hurriedly soon after the British artillery opened fire. The enemy occupied Moltene and Cyphergat today, but the latter place is now occupied by us.

Cape Town, Jan. 3.-The Duke of Westminster, it is announced, will remain in Cape Colony during the war. It is understood that a prominent Inhabitant of the Orange Free State, a gone to the United States to lecture in

the interests of the two republics. Borr Camp, Colense, Tuesday, Jan. 2.-The British naval guns at Chieveley camp continue their ineffective long-range tire night and day, in order to divert Boer attention from the movements of the troops. Several scouts yesterday penetrated into the British camp. When returning the British pickets discovered them and wounded one. General Lucas Meyer resumes command of the division here.

A Denial from Joubert.

General Joubert denies that he has ever protested against the use of lyddite. He avers that up to the present he has not lost a single man from lyd-

Hoofd Lauger, Ladysmith, Jan. 1. The garrison of Ladyswith, during the night, threw out feelers on all sides, exchanging shots with the Boer pickets. At midnight a couple of shells fell in the Boer camp, killing a burgher. General Joubert preached in camp or Sunday, Rev. Mr. Mciring, who has just arrived here from America, addressed the burghers this afternoon, dwelling on the expiring century witnessing the life struggle of a people. This morning shells filled with con

fectionery and containing the season's greetings were sent into Ladyamith. Pederal shells are selling in Ladyemith at from thirty shillings to five pounds, sterling.

Orange River, Cape Colony, Wednesday. Jan. 3.-There was a skirmish near Belmon; this morning. The British fired a few shells, and the Boers

did not respond. About forty Boers attempted to rush Kickfontein this morning. They were beaten back by the mounted infantry.

Possibly they were fugitives from Sunnyside. Reinforcements of infantry and ar tillery have been dispatched to General

French from De Aar.

Steyn's Manifesto.

Cape Town, Jan. 4.-Intelligence has been received here from the Free State to the effect that President Steyn has issued a proclamation declaring that every white man, irrespective of na tionality, is to be considered a burgher and is liable to be compelled to fight for the defense of the country.

Arrested After Fourteen Years.

Kokomo, Ind., Oct. 4.-Detectives arrested Peter Dunkle, near Henneck, last night for a crime alleged to have been committed at Franklin, O. in 1886. fourteen years a reward of \$1.500 has standing for Se apprehension of the murder. Dunkle denies knowledge of the

Governor Crane Inaugurated.

Boston, Jan. 4 .- W. Murray Crane was teday inaugurated as governor of Massachusetts. At the same time the other state officers-elect took the cath of ot-Governor Crane's address was de wholly to matters of state inter-

Dr. McGlynn's Illness.

Newburgh, N Y., Jan. 4.-The report r. McGlynn has a mysterious on his right hip which is eating that Dr. McGlynn its way into his system and robbing him of his vitality, is pronounced untrue by the attending physician.

Pennsylvania Pensions. Washington, Jan. 4 .- Pensions: Increase so Chapman, Hornbrook, Bradford,

HORRORS OF KLONDIKE.

Five Tragic Deaths Reported-Bodies of Men Frozen.

Scattle, Wash., Jan. 4 .- The steamer ity of Topeka, from Alaska, brings information of five recent tragic deaths in the north, four of which were due to freezing. The bodies of two men were found frozen on the day the Topeka sailed. They died on the summit of White Pass, apparently overcome by a blizzard. In a belt tied around the body of one man was found a check on the Alaska Commercial company for \$8,000, dated Nov. 7. The check was issued in favor of R. C. Jennings. His residence was not given. The bodies were discovered by a party of snow shovelers. The men are believed to have been returning

Klondikers. Another man, D. R. Richter, of San Francisco, was reported frozen in his cabin near White Pass.

William Somerville, a well known Dawsonite, was picked up by a squad of the northwest mounted police just below White Horse. He had been frozen during the night. Somerville was superintendent of the British-American corporations' extensive copper mines back of White Horse Rapids. He left White Horse about Dec. 20. Andrew Andochwitz, a laborer on the White Pass and Yukon extension to White Horse, was killed by a stone from a blast last week.

BRAZNELL MINE INVESTIGATION

Testimony Before the Coroner Indicates That the Mine Had Been Managed in a Careless Manner.

Uniontown, Pa., Jan. 4 .-- The second day's probing by Coroner Taylor of the Braznell mine disaster developed even more surprising testimony than yesterday regarding the apparently careless manner in which the mine was managed. Mine Poreman Thomas Jones was the first witness called. He was kept on the stand till noon, answering questions fired at him by the inspectors and corener. The books of the foreman showed the same careless keeping as did the fireboss. He failed to make entry of the result of his work during the day, as is required by law, When asked if he removed the danger, as reported by the breboss, he answered, "No," and this was the case for days. He could not reconcile his report with these of the firebess. The fireboss reported at times from fourteen to three feet of gas and on these dates the foreman did not enter on his books, as required, what he did with this large accumulation of gas. Some of the entries had been brattleed with cloth and the air currents worked through the chambers, after these reports of gas had been made, but it is not reported by the foreman whether the mine was clear of this gas. He said that he always went to the books for information as to what the fire-boss discovered, but when there was much gas and danger the fireboss sometimes reported to him verbally. "Did the men have a habit of going into the mine before you entered upon your duties?" asked the coroner.

Yes, sir. On Saturday, the day of the explosion, I got there at 6 o'clock and found the report on the books as made by Freboss Radeliffe, After I had given the men the lamps I started to go down the mine, when Superintendent Royer told me to wait a minute to see whether we would run that day or order the men out. There were no cars and at that time we were not sure of running. I then started toward the mine to go down to order the men out when I heard a report, followed shortly by another. At first I did not know what it was, but soon found

"Had you been in the mine?"

used were gas was reported."

"No sir." "Who were the men you intended to order out?" "The drivers, the cager and the road

The diggers were to remain in." "Did you consider the mine safe on that morning?" Yes sir, when safety lamps were

On the day when three feet of gas were reported he stated he did not remove the gas, but stated in the book the mine "in fair condition." Jones was on the rack all forenoon and throughout his whole testimony he showed the effects of the strain. His testimony was of a nature to establish the indisputable fact that the affairs of the mine in so far as he and the fire boss had anything to do with it was in a wretched condition. Miners went in and out of the mine in the morning while neither of the officials were present. Jones admitted that he allowed the use of unlocked safety lamps. Only three sets of men, two each worked with them, men that he had confidence in and because they had bad oil. He did not lock the lamps because they were practical min-He said he did not know it was

contrary to law. The other testimony of the day was of a technical nature.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

Arrangements Completed for Holding It at Harrisburg, April 25.

Harrisburg, Jan. 4.-Republican State Chairman Reeder was here today. He says he has completed arrangements for holding the state convention in Harrisburg on April 25.

General Reeder conferred with some of the local leaders and secured possession of the opera house for the convention.

Doctors Must Pay Liquor Tax.

Washington, Jan. 4.-Commissioner Wilon, of the internal revenue bureau, has decided that a physician who prescribes and sells to his patients, whiskey, bran-dy, wine, or any other alcoholic liquor that is not compounded into a megicine ingredient therewith is required to pay a special tax as a retail liquor dealer, even though the alcoholic liquor thus furnished be prescribed as a medicine

Bud Harris Hanged.

Rome, Ga., Jan. 4.—Bud Harris, colored, was hanged here today for the murder of David Irwin, another negro, in 1997

HEARING IN THE

ARGUMENT BEGUN AGAINST THE MORMON CONGRESSMAN.

John G. Carnsie Ready to Submit Endeavors to Discredit Testimony Swore out a warrant against him on Addresses the Committee.

Washington, Jan. 4.-The Roberts investigating committee resumed its sessions today. It was expected that ex-Secretary John G. Carlisle would son would make the argument in his own behalf. Mr. Cariisle, however, a demand on the bondsmen. sent ward that he had not understood volved.

committee, said that a statement from the country. a witness in Utah had been received, but as Mr. Roberts declined to admit it in an informal manner, the matter would have to be taken up later.

Mr. Roberts said he wished to present matter tending to show the untrustworthiness of witnesses who appeared against him. It included a published eard signed by Thomas J. Brandon, who in the card denied having given out certain information relative to Roberts. Court records were also produced, in which it was shown that Roy Brandon was a party in a certain case. Mr. Reberts also offered a telegram from the proprietors of the Salt Lake Herald, concerning the testimony

of Mr. McDaniels. Mr. Taylor excluded the telegram. Mr. Schroeder, the head of the "Gentile" delegation, began the summing up of the case against Roberts. His argument was largely technical, and was divided under three general heads, viz.: First, whether or not the member-elect has the constitutional qualifications, including citizenship; second, whether or not the constitutional provisions as to citizenship includes one who has impaired his citizenship by crime or unlawful status, and whether Mr. Roberts has so impaired his citizenship; third. whether a member-elect has the statutory qualifications, and whether the house has the power to establish qualifications beyond those in the constitu-

Mr. Schroeder said Roberts had admitted his relationship with his plural wives. He had said publicly he would be d-d, if he would give up his wives." It was an offense against the public morals as well as against the aw, and Mr. Roberts should be excluded from a seat.

At that point recess was taken until 2 o'clock.

The Afternoon Session.

The afternoon hearing was enlivened when Senator Rawlins, of Utah, was drawn into a discussion of polyganty. Mr. Schroeder had continued his argument, when Mr. Rawlins interrupted to correct a detail as to when certain testimony was given before a congressloral committee relative to polygamy, Chairman Tayler thereupon asked Mr. Rawlins, who was once a delegate from Utah, if it was not understood at

the time the state was admitted that polygamy was at an end. "It was my understanding," said Mr. Rawlins, "that the solemnization of polygamous marriages was interdicted by the Mormon church and that this would have a salutary effect in a termination of the practice. But I did

not hold out to congress that family relations already established would be broken up." Mr. Tayler asked if it was expected

that the law against polygamy would be violated. Mr. Rawlins answered that it was thought there might be sporadic cases, but as a general system polygamous

relations would gradually terminate. "Do you think," continued Mr. Tayler, "that Utah would have been admitted if it had been understood that in a few years Utah would send to congress a man maintaining polyga-

mous relations?" Mr. Rawlins said he did not think congress believed the practice of polygamy would be continued. The course of events in recent years had clearly shown that the practice would end in

"Did you not believe and state at the time," asked Mr. Taylor, 'that the polygamous system was dead and

Mr. Rawlins did not recall such

statement. Mr. Taylor read from the speeches of Mr. Rawlins of those days to the effect that while polygamy had once existed the world was progressing and that the discussion was becoming "an-

cient history." Mr. Roberts here interrupted to put question to Senator Rawlins, say-"I will ask the senator if he thinks congress understood at the time Utah was admitted that the president of the United States would appoint to federal offices in the state of Utah

men practicing polygamy?" There was some question as to whether Mr. Rawlins should answer the question. He finally proceeded saying that for years polygamy had prevailed in Utah. Under it many people had established strong conjugat relations and ties. But the proclamation of the Mormon church forbidding further polygamous marriages had given general satisfaction, and it was commonly accepted that the practice

would come to an end. Mr. Schroeder concluded his argument, which related mainly to the historical aspect of polygamy and the law

Mrs. J. Ellen Foster addressed the committee in behalf of the great number of women interested in the case, and who were not represented before the committee. She spoke vigorously dealing with the Roberts case and the general moral interests it involved. This concluded the day's proceedings and the committee adjourned until to-

WARRANT FOR HERSHEY. BRIEF SESSIONS IN

ROBERTS CASE The Eureka Detective Agency Intended to Spare Nothing in Secur-

ing His Arrest. Lancaster, Jan. 4 .- The county commissioners stated today that they learned on Saturday tast that ex-County Treasurer Hershey was \$65,000 Opinion—The Utah Representative short in his accounts and immediately

the charge of misappropriating public of Witnesses Against Him-Sen- funds. This morning they decided to ator Rawlins Enlivens the After- put an expert on the books at once. A transcript of the account of each noon Sessions-Mrs. J. Ellen Foster tax collector will be made and sent to the collector for certification, and in this manner it is expected to get this portion of the books straightened out without the aid of the missing cash book. The county has three sources of revenue-taxes, sale of bonds and liquor license fees-and expects that the items of the last two can be easily be present to sum up the case against traced. As soon as the work of the ex-Roberts, and that Mr. Roberts in per- pert is completed and the exact amount of the defaleacion ascertained the county commissioners will make

The warrant for Hershey was given that his presence was desired, but he in charge of the Eureka Detective was ready to submit written argu- Agency, with instructions to spare ments on any of the questions in- nothing in securing his arrest. Communication was at oney opened with Mr. Taylor (Ohio), chairman of the all the leading detective agencies in

MOLINEUX TRIAL.

Interest Did Not Lag in the Famous Case Yesterday-Testimony of Expert Chemists and Others.

New York, Jan. 4.-Interest did not lag for a moment today in the trial of Roland B. Molineux for the murder f Mrs. Katherine J. Adams. Three of | resolution: the with sees gave testimony concerning the sickness of Henry C. Barnet, who died at the Knickerbocker Athletic club in the fall of 1898, and who, the prosecution claims, was poisoned feers and men under them for the de-by cyanide of mercury contained in struction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago. kutnow powder. The prosecution was also enabled to introduce the marriage certificate of Roland B. Molineux and Blancha Chesebrough, the alleged purse of effering it being to fix the age of Molineux. In one of the letters asking for a patent medicine, signed "H. Barnett." the writer gave his age. It corresponded with that in the certificate, but did not answer for Bar-

A witness testified today as to the effort by Molineux to have Cornish disciplined by the Knickerbocker Athletic ciub, and a bank teller identified the poison package address and the "Barnet" and "Cornish" letter as all written by Molineux. All the testimony today strengthened the prosecution's case except that Barnet's attending physician, while conceding that, there had been mercury poleoning insisted that the cause of death was heart fallure. He was asked:

"You have no doubt that Barnet's death was due to diphtheria?" and replied:

Barnet's death was due to diphtheria. with symptoms of mercurial stomati-

Guy E. E. Ellison, a chemiat, testified that he had reserved some of the mysterious powder taken from the box in Barnet's room and was sent to his office for the powder and for apparatus to analyze it. He made a demonstration before the jury to show that the

powder contained mercury. Charles C. Hughes, a member of the Knickerbocker Athletic club, testified that he had repeated to Molineux a statement made by Cornish that he (Molineux) had made money by selling liquor in a disreputable way.

"What did Molineux say?" "He said it was an outrage, and an employee should not be allowed to make such statements."

Witness then told how Molineux complained to the board of governors of the club of Cornish slandering him. and also complained of the condition of the baths, which were under Cornish's charge.

Joseph Farrell, a Newark policeman testified to meeting and speaking to Molineux on December 21, 1898, in Newark, near the store of Hartdegan & Co., where the silver bottle that contained the poison received by Cornish is supposed to have been purchased. Court adjourned until tomorrow. when it is understood that Joseph Kosh, the letter bex man, will identify Molineux as his patron.

DEROULEDE EXILED.

French Conspirators Sentenced Ten Years' Banishment.

ate), in secret session today, condemned MM. Buffet and Deroulede to ten years' banishment.

Paris, Jan. 4.- The high court (sen-

M. Guerin was sentenced to ten years' onfinement in a fortified place. M. Saluces was sentenced to ten years' banishment. There were a few cries of "Vive De-

roulede!" and "Abas Loubet!" from the | tunity to study his presentation of the audience after the sentences were pronounced, but the demonstration was quite insignificant. Today's decision condemns the convicted men to pay the costs of the prosecution. The sentences took effect

immediately. It is asserted that Monsieur Deroulede was hurried to the ward the Spanish frontier, he having decided to reside at San Sebastian. Monsieur Guerin will be removed to a French fortress, probably on the island of Oleron, off the west coast.

Governor's Appointments. Harrisburg, Jan. 4.—The following mem-ers of the college and university coun-

Monsieur Buffet will go to Belgium.

ell were re-appointed today by Governor C Harrison, Philadelphia J. Holl nd. Pittsburg; George W. Ather-J. D. Moffat, Washington; George Ed-ward Reed, Carlisle; Edward Brooks, Philadelpeia; J. M. Coughlin, Wilkes-Farre; G. M. Philips West Chester, The governor, attorney general and superin-tendent of public instruction are exofficio members of the counsel.

Company Disbanded. Marrisburg, Jan. 4 - General orders were issued teday from the headquarters of the National Guard of Pennsylvania disbanding Company D. Fiftcenth regiment,

SENATE AND HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE LOWER BRANCH.

A Resolution of Thanks to Admiral Sampson and Officers Under Him at Santiago-Mr. Hoar Explains His Course on the Quay Case. Controversy Over the Promotion of General MacArthur.

Washington, Jan. 4.-The house session was very brief again today, the only incident being the adoption of the Sulzer resolution, introduced yesterday, calling upon Secretary Gage for all information regarding the deposit of government funds in certain New York national banks. The resolution as was adopted was made more general in its scope and in addition was added information respecting transactions relating to sale of the New York custom house site. Secretary Gage's friends had been informed that he courted the fullest investigation and was prepared to submit all the facts to congress. Accordingly there was no friction over the passage of the resolution, which

was unanimously adopted. The seizure of a large number of cigars at the factory of William M. Jacobs at Lancaster, Pa., is recalled by a bill introduced by Representative Brosius, of Pennsylvania, directing the payment of employes of the factory up to \$2,075 out of the moneys realized from the sale of the forfeited cigars. Representative Bingham, of Pennsy!vania, introduced the following joint

Reselved, etc., That the thanks of con gress are hereby tendered to Rear Autolial William T. Sampsen and Commodore Winfield Scott Schley and the of-Representative Quarles, of Virginia,

introduced the following: Resolved. That we hereby extend to our sister republics in Africa, the Transvaul and the Orange Free State, our deepest sympathy in the noble, brave and patri otic structle they are now making to preserve their governments from destruction by the hands of monarchy.

In the Senate. In the senate today a brief explanation of his attitude upon the contest of Mr. Quay for a seat in the senate was made by Mr. Hoar. He said he had received numerous letters urging him not to vote for the seating of Mr. Quay upon the appointment of the governor Pennsylvania, on the ground of charges against the personal character of Mr. Quay. Mr. Hoar referred to the fact that he had frequently investigated the subject of the right of a governor to fill a vacancy and to the numerous speeches and reports he had made in support of the theory. It was constructions on great public questions

upon such appeals, Such requests he considered in the nature of appeals to him to stuff a ballot box and make false returns, simply because the petitioners think some one else should be appointed. He hoped his explanation would be a sufficient reply to the writers of the letters.

MacArthur Promotion.

In the executive session of the senate today there was a brief discussion of the promotion of General Mac-Arthur, started by an inquiry by Senator Pettigrew as to what the general had done to entitle him to such distinction as had been conferred upon him. The inquiry was responded to by Senators Hawley, Carter and others, who explained that General Mac-Arthur's record had been uniformly good from the time of the Civil war until and including the present campaign in the Philippines. After these explanations, the nominaton was confirmed without an opposing vote.

FINANCIAL BILL.

Discussion Opened in the Senate by Mr. Aldrich.

Washington, Jan. 4.-In accordance with the notice previously given by him, Senator Aldrich today opened the discussion of the financial bill in the senate with a speech in explanation of the secate substitute for the house bill. The speech was carefully prepared and was read from manuscript. It was delivered in clear and distinct language, but without any effort at oratory. Senators present gave him careful attention, but no one interrupted him with questions or otherwise during the delivery, nor did any one manifest a disposition to reply after he had concluded. After Mr. Aldrich concluded. the senate adjourned over until Monday for the purpose, it is understood, of giving those who may wish to reply to the Rhode Island senator an oppor-

subject-The Pettigrew resolution concerning the Philippine war went over until Monday, when it is understood some senators will be heard on the general Philippine question. Senator Beveridge also gave notice of a speech for Tuesday on the Philippine question, train and immediately dispatched to- prefacing his notice with a resolution declaring his own position on the sub-

St. Paul's Ice Palace. St. Paul. Jan. 4.-St. Paul will have an

when word came that Admiral Dowey

palace for the central feature of car-

This was decided

association of New England, in

today

will be unable to come here next month. It had been previously intended to have an ice representation of the cruiser Olym-Moody Memorial Service. Boston, Jan. 4.-The churches of Bosten and vicinity will unite in a memorial service to the late Dwight L. Moody, to be held under the auspices of the evan

Italy's Response Favorable.

Tremont Temple, Jan. 8.

Washington, Jan. 4.-Italy has returned a favorable response to the recent note of the state department respecting the open door in China. Italy was the last of the great powers remaining to be

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

General-General Buller Shells the Boers. Emperor William Angry Over Seizures of German Ships. Hearing in the Roberts Case, Erief Session of the National Law-

INCREASING CLOUDINESS.

makers.

General-Northeastern Pennsylvania, Financial and Commercial Local-Purging the City of the Pre-

valling Epidemics. Editorial. News and Comment.

Local-Viaduct Ordinance Delayed, Court Proceedings.

Local-West Scranton and Suburban. First Return of the Grand Jury. Round About the County

Local-Live Industrial News.

WILL PUNISH THE WOMAN

A Wilkes-Barre Judge Does Not Propose to Show Partiality in the Jones-Stephenson Case.

Wilkes-Barre, Jan. 4 .- John Stephenson, who eloped with Mrs. Alice Jones to England last August, was arraigned in court today to receive sentence for forgery. Before leaving this country still earnestly endeavoring to preserve Stephenson and Mrs. Jones forged a conservative relations, but England deed to the property of the woman's husband and secured \$600. When the couple was arrested on landing in Liverpool \$450 was found in the possession ; of Mrs. Jones. Upon his return to this country Stephenson could not procure bail and was remanded to fall. When his case was called in court he pleaded guilty to forgery and sentence was deferred until today. Mrs. Jones he has been assured, is guilty of carwas more fortunate. She was arrested on the same charge, but her husband went her beil and took her back home. They are now living happily together again. When Stephenson faced Judge Lynch this morning his honor said:

"What has become of the woman in the case?" District Attorney Martin replied:

She will be tried later." "Very well," responded Judge Lynch, "I will not sentence the man until the woman's case is disposed of; there is no use of making flesh out of one and fish of the other. Mrs. Jones was no child; she knew what she was doing." Stephenson was then taken back to Counsel for the prisoner say that jail. he paid his own expenses on the cloping tour and Mrs. Jones kept all the

ROLAND REED'S CONDITION.

Second Operation Has Been Per-

formed-Little Hope of Recovery. Philadelphia, Jan. 4.-The friends of Roland Reed in this city were advised not to be expected that senators sit- today that Dr. Bull, the famous surting here as judges could change their geon, had performed a second opera- here today convoked by leading memtion upon the comedian. The first operation, performed about a week ago, was supposed to have been made necessary by an attack of appendicitis. When the wound was explored, however, the surgeons discovered that Mr. Reed was suffering from an advanced

attack of intestinal cancer. Mr. Reed was too weak to stand a radical operation at that time and a delay was agreed upon. The radical operation was performed today, and from its nature little hope is held out his recovery. Should he survive the shock of the operation, he will, in all probability, be an invalid for some

BRYAN WILL VISIT US.

May Attend the Democratic Com-

mittee Meeting. Philadelphia, Jan. 4.-It was announced tonight by an official of the Democratic state committee that Willlam J. Bryan will visit Pennsylvania

some time during the latter part of this month. Plans for his entertainment while within the borders of this state have not yet been completed, but it is not unlikely that he will attend the meeting of the Democratic state committee in Harrisburg on Jan. 27. He will probably stop in Pittsburg and this city. Whether he will make any speeches is not yet known. Mr. Bryan will also visit cities in New Jersey, and it is not improbable that he will be in Washington on Feb. 22, the date set for the meeting of the Democratic national

committee.

FIRE AT JOHNSTOWN.

Ten Women and Children Are Seriously or Fatally Burned. Johnstown, Pa., Jan. 5.-In a fire in Lower Yoder township, near this city, tonight, a double dwelling occupied by Fred Wesenberg and another family. ten women and children, were either fatally or seriously burned. All have been sent to the Memorial hospital. One of the burned women is from Pittsburg. At this hour names

and particulars cannot be learned. Hearing in Jr. O. U. A. M. Case.

Alteona, Pa., Jan. 4.-State Councillor George B. Bowers was in Harrisburg today, in the interests of the Junior Order United American Mechanics. The minnetion restraining the members of the per capita tax to the national body its support, was to be heard, some argument the injunction was tinued until the 29th inst. for final hear-

Two Boys Drowned.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 4.-New Year's day near Dunwille, Essex county, Va., John and Charles Wheely, 17 and 15 years old, sons of a leading farmer, went skating on Robinson's mill pond. One of the youths went through and his brother tried to rescue him. The result was the

drowning of both. Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Jan. 4.-Arrived: Steamer Noordland, from Antwerp; Steamer Wer-kendam, from Amsterdam, Sailed; Steamer La Normandie, for Havre; Kaiser Wii-helm Der Gtosse, for Bremen via Cher-hourg and Southampton. Rotterdam-Sailed: Steemer Amsterdam, for New

EMPEROR WILLIAM **AROUSED**

Very Angry on Account of British Seizures.

SITUATION AGGRAVATED

Indignation Against England Is Intensified-The Emperor Asserts That the British Would Not Dare to Make Such Seizures If Germany Had a Better Navy.

Berlin, Jan. 4.-The seigure of the imperial mail steamer "General" has considerably aggravated the situation here, and the indignation against England is intensified. The government is will do well to make amend honorably

to Germany. On absolutely reliable authority the correspondent of the Associated Press learns that Emperor William is now thoroughly aroused by the repeated seizures of vessels, not one of which, rying contraband. He regards the seizures as high-handed proceedings which England would not dare to undertake if the German navy were more

powerful than it is. Vienna, Jan. 4.-Diplomatists here seem to consider that Great Britain ought not to have searched a German

steamer in the Sucz canal. The Weiner Allegemeine Zeitung says: "It looks as if Great Britain cared less for the cargo in question than for demonstrating before the world that, although most unlucky on the land, she is the unchallenged mistress of the sea-a demonstration that will do more for the German navy than all of the speeches of Emperor Will-

jam."

PEACE LEAGUE AT WORK. An Appeal to President McKinley to

Mediate. Brussels, Jan. 4 .- At the meeting held bers of the Universal League of Peace, having in view a petition to President McKinley to mediate in favor of peace between Great Britain and the Transvaal, it was decided to open petitions for public signature throughout the country. The proposed address to

President McKinley follows: "Painfully affected by the bloody and terrible struggle in which two of the most civilized peoples are brought into conflict in South Africa, the undersigned urgently appeal to you for mediation. You alone can offer to heal the breach, and, in so doing, you would

fulfill the sacred duty of human brotherhood." Senator Lejeune, former minister of justice and now a member of the council of state, presided, and among those present were many former members of the senate and several professors of

the University of Brussels.

SANTA DOMINGO CLAIMS. French Consul Refuses to Accept

Fund Offered by Government. Santa Domingo, Jan. 4 (Via Haytien cable).-The French consul has refused to accept the government's offer to pay the amount of the Bismaire-Caciraviella claim of 280,000 francs in three instalments, every formight, and insists on an immediate settlement. They are raising funds by public subscriptions, and the patriotic feeling is very strong. The town is quiet and no disturbances are feared. Three days have been granted for the payment of

In view of the fact that the French consul considers the manifesto of the government to the public to be one reflecting unfavorably upon France, he has stopped legal proceedings and asked the French government for

further instructions It is believed that a French warship will soon arrive here.

DYNAMITE IN A CAR. Dastardly Work Brought About by a Strike.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 4 .- For the third time since the street car men's strike was inaugurated, dynamite was resorted to tonight, being placed on the street car tracks and exploded beneath a car containing twelve passengers.

No one was injured, but the car was

badly wrecked. The explosion created great excitement. Will Relieve Merritt.

Chicago, Jan. 4 .- A dispatch received at rmy headquarters today states that Colonel Michael V. Sheridan, adutant gen-eral of the department of the lakes, has been relieved from duty in Chicago and ordered to New York to become adjutant general of the department of the east, He is to relieve General Merritt, who has been assigned to duty in the Philippines, Cojonel Sheridan is a bro-late General Phil. Sheridan. a brother of the

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Jan. 4.-Forecast for Friday and Saturday: Eastern nsylvania-Increasing cloudi-ness Friday; threatening Saturday, light southeasterly winds, in