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TIENESTA LODGE, No. 380, I. O. O. F. Meets every Tuesday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall, Partridge building. FOREST LODGE, No. 181, A. O. U. W. Meets every Friday evening in A. O. U. W. Hall, Tionesta.

QUEEN CLINGS TO LIFE.

Remarkable Vitality Shown by Victoria.

Though She Has Rallied Slightly the Royal Patient Is Kept Alive Only by Stimulants-Royal Family and Faithful Subjects In Sadness and Gloom Await the Inevitable.

COWES, Isle of Wight, Jan. 22.-Another day in the Victorian era, now so rapidly drawing to a close, passed away without any great change in the condition of Queen Victoria. The slightest improvement, so frequently mentioned in the official bulletins, merely indicates a postponement of the inevitable.

The end may be a matter of days or only of hours; but the members of the royal family, who are now dragging out a weary visit at Osborne House, know that the death of her majesty is merely a question of a short time.

The most noticeable feature of yesterday was the satisfactory portion the queen spent in consciousness, which she regained early in the afternoon, and still retained at 10 p. m. At that hour she had not seen Emperor William, local rumors to the contrary notwithstanding.

The despatch of the queen's physician, the prince of Wales, and Emperor William, to the contrary notwithstanding, is a matter of course, and the prince of Wales, who is now at Osborne House, knows that the death of her majesty is merely a question of a short time.

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The news of the death, when it occurs, is likely to be publicly announced in London before it is announced here, as, according to present arrangements, the first telegram is to be sent to the lord mayor of London.

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WILL HAZE NO MORE.

Cadets Sign Agreement to That Effect.

Congressional Action Anticipated-General Dick Congratulates Cadets on Their Action-Said Committee Will Report That the Deaths of Booz and Breth Were Not Due to Hazing.

WEST POINT, Jan. 21.-The congress was here, after having concluded the mission of investigation at the United States military academy. Before their departure, however, through a voluntary agreement of the cadets, hazing was abolished.

This action came as a surprise to the committee, which consisted of General Dick of Ohio, Judge Smith of Iowa, Congressman Wanger of Pennsylvania, and Messrs. Clayton and Driggs of Brooklyn.

RELIGION IN SCHOOLS.

Debate Between Philippine Commissioners on That Class of School Act.

MANILA, Jan. 22.-The act establishing the department of public instruction was passed unanimously yesterday by the Philippine commission after a debate between Commissioner Moses and Judge Taft.

The commissioners originally were unanimously in favor of the section, but Commissioner Moses became convinced it was not wise and offered an amendment prohibiting the teaching of religious doctrines in school buildings.

Referring to arguments of the Central Catholics in favor of Catholic instruction exclusively, Commissioner Moses insisted that a compromise was inadvisable when one of the parties was predisposed against a compromise.

Concerning the alleged disobedience of the administration's instructions Judge Taft said the question was whether such a tax on school buildings would involve a tax on the people.

After the adoption of the substitute the bill was passed unanimously.

VENEZUELAN DISPUTE.

Authorities Taking a Bold Stand in Seizing Steamers.

PORT OF SPAIN, Jan. 22.-It is explained that the Venezuelan authorities are counting on the disinclination of strong nations to coerce weaker ones.

The company is said to be losing heavily through the seizure of the steamers. The commander of the French cruiser Sachet, stationed at Caracas for the protection of the large French interests in that vicinity, reports that disturbances are increasing.

The insurgents of Venezuela have just gained a battle near Guaira. Paper to Get a Fortune. CANTON, O., Jan. 21.-John Finn, an inmate of the county jail, has been ordered to take the oath of allegiance to the Confederacy.

It was during this time that he lost track of his family, including his daughter, then 2 years old, who has just sent for him.

Mott's Trial Postponed. LANCASTER, Pa., Jan. 22.-The trial of William M. Mott of Norfolk, Va., who shot and killed Madame Albert, a pianist, and Miss Elizabeth Steinbauer, proprietress of a boarding house at Columbia, Pa., several months ago, has been postponed until April.

Stock Decreased \$78,000,000. NEW YORK, Jan. 22.-The stockholders of the North American company voted unanimously to decrease the capital stock from \$40,000,000 to \$32,000,000 and to increase the number of directors by three.

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BRIEF NEWS ITEMS.

Pointed Paragraphs Chronicling the Week's Doings.

Long Dispatches From Various Parts of the World Shown by Their Findings and Only the Facts Given In as Few Words as Possible For the Benefit of the Harried Reader.

King Oscar of Sweden has recovered his health and will resume the reins of government January 21.

Northern ice floes drifting along the Atlantic coast, now threaten to blockade St. John's, N. F. They are already within sight of the port.

Seven people were crushed to death and many more seriously injured in a panic which followed a man's cry of "Fire" late Saturday afternoon in Turner's hall, Chicago.

There is a famine in the province of Szechwan, China, and it is said that 5,000,000 people are facing starvation.

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MARKET REPORT.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET. NEW YORK, Jan. 21. Money on call, 2 1/2% per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3 1/2%.

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NEW YORK WHEAT MARKET. WHEAT-No. 1 northern, old, 89 1/2c; winter wheat, No. 2 red, 77c.

NEW YORK CORN MARKET. CORN-No. 2 corn, 11 1/2c; No. 3 mixed, 4 1/2c.

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE.

Verdict of Jury A. Alton McAlister, Death - Campbell.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.-Walter C. McAlister, Andrew J. Campbell and W. A. Death, three of the four persons indicted for the death of Jennie Bosscheter, a mill girl of Paterson, N. J., who was fatally murdered on the night of Oct. 18 last, were last night adjudged guilty of murder in the second degree.

The jury took 14 ballots, and after summoning Judge Dixon and the prisoners, fled into the courtroom. They returned at 8:14 o'clock, having been out 4 hours and 20 minutes.

The prisoners, when brought in, appeared very nervous. McAlister seemed more excited than any of the others. He sat biting his lips while waiting.

Judge Dixon thanked the jury and said he believed the verdict was a just one. He then dismissed the jurors until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Campbell Breaking Down. NEW YORK, Jan. 21.-Andrew Campbell, one of the men convicted of the murder of Jennie Bosscheter, is slowly breaking down in the county jail at Paterson, N. J.

It is thought that the trial of George J. Kerr for his participation in the events preceding the death of Jennie Bosscheter will begin a week from today.

Prosecutor Emley has asked for a lighter degree of crime than any of the others, and he was much excited the night he heard the result of the jury's deliberations.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.-Just before 6 o'clock last evening the senate finally disposed of the army budget bill. The measure, having originated in the senate, the final question was not upon its passage, but upon agreeing to the senate amendments. They were agreed to by a vote of 43 to 23.

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