PRESIDENT OF MINE ON THE STAND

LITTLE INFORMATION GIVEN.

J. L. Crawford Refused to Answer What Were Considered Most Important Questions.

The representatives of the mineraduring the course of proceedings bethe strike commission at Scran-Pa., called one of the independ operatora, J. L. Crawford, president of the Peoples Coal Company, to the witness stand, but he refused to answer what were considered the important questions. When Mr. Crawford was asked "When did you ship coal last?" he replied: "Yesy." "What are you getting it?" "I don't know exactly." terday. for "Can You come near it?" "I can if I want to." "Don't you want to?" "You are a party to this sir." commission and went to New York see the coal presidents?" "Yes "Then you refuse to give this commission that information?" dont think I am compelled to, sir." 'Which road do you sell to?" ware, Lackawanna & Western." clause. The Indian appropriation "What do you get for it?" "About 65 bill, carrying \$9,715,930, was reported per cent of what the Delaware, Lack- from committee.

awanna & Western gets for it." At this point attorneys for the operators objected to the inquiry proceeding further along U.S lines of what a company's profits were. Mr. Darrow he called the witness to show that the coal companies were able to my the advance in wages asked for. intimated that the increase, if grant-"bowed backs of the poor," and he wanted to show that the companies well able to give the increase

dred to 1,000 tons." "And you don't know how much you get for it?" "Well, what give an estimate." "Well, what ?" "About \$2.50 a ton." On furer examination Mr. Crawford said that during the latter part of the strike his colliery was in operation and he got \$20 a ton for his coal. Chairman Gray here stopped the ex-

amination, saying that the excep-tionally high prices during the strike not pertinent to the inquiry Two witnesses, employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Com-pany, testified that before the strike 1900 the men when they worked, received 94 cents a car, and that the strike was ended by the company agreeing to give the men an inper cent in warts of 10 per cent, 21/2 per cent in cash and the other 71/2 per cent to be considered in the reduction in the price of powder. Instead of receiving the increase, they now get three cents a car less, or 91 cents. In cross-examination the comproduced figures which showed that one of the witnesses earned an average of \$4.23 a day for 17 days worked in November. The with claimed he went into the mine The witness days during the month. One of the winceses handed in a statement which was given him some time ago by a mine superintendent showing that there were seven sizes of mine cars at the mine colliery where he The witness said the same wages are paid for filling all of

AT THE NATIONAL CAPITOL.

Representative Dalzell introduced Pittsburg & Lake Erie ship canal bill in Congress.

The Anti-Saloon League adopted resolutions declaring against the repeal of the anti-canteen law and pledging its efforts to continue the Inw.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTES. LVII. CONGRESS. Immigration Bill. The Senate Tuesday adopted an mendment to the National Guarl designed to prevent controver bill sies as to when a man becomes a United States soldier. The bill to regulate immigration was called up Amendments were adopted to exclude professional beggars from admission to this country; providing for the careful inspection of families of aliens who already have been admitted and filed their preliminary declarations for citizenship, and that tha o'clock skilled labor may be imported if such

labor cannot be found in this coun-The section relating to the try. clusion of anarchists was amended a board. as to make it specifically provide for the exclusion of anarchists who advo cate the destruction of the government of the United States, or of all governments by violence.

Holiday Adjournment.

The House Tuesday passed the reaolution for a holiday adjournment from December 20 to January 5. The London dock charge bill was opposed by Mr. Daizell, Pennsylvania, and was "Dela killed by striking out the enacting

Refund War Taxes.

The Senate Wednesday took up th bill passed by the House at the las session to admit Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona as States. bate ensued, participated in by Quay, of Pennsylvania; Beveridge, Indiana; Wayne MacVeagh, in his cross-ex- Nelson, Minnesota, Without further an ination of Mr. Mitchell, he said, action on the Statehood bill, the Senate passed the House bill remitting ed, would ultimately be placed on the the duties on tea and a bill to refund "bowed backs of the poor," and he war taxes to owners of private dies.

Tea Duties Remitted.

The House Wednesday passed the asked for without putting it on the bill to remit the duty on tea in bonded the examination. "How many tons do you produce a day?" "Nine hun-tect. Another bill was passed to refect. Another bill was passed to re-fund the duties collected on imports "I from Porto Rico and the Philippines between the ratification of the treaty of Faris and the enactment of the revenue laws for those islands. The pure food hill was made a continuing order, not to interfere with appropriation bills.

Strike Arbitration.

After brief discussion in the Senate Thursday on the bill to admit New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma as States it was passed over until Mon-The bill fixing the compensaday. tion of the coal strike commission was passed with an amendment making the pay of the members not already in the government service at providing that the compensa-\$4,000; tion of the employes and recorder of the commission, who are not officers or clerks of the government, shall be such as may be fixed by the commission, and allowing the commission ers and assistant recorders \$10 per day for expenses, and all other em ployes of the commission \$6 per day As passed, the bill takes the que tion of payment out of the bands of the President. The bill was further amended by changing the title of the commission to "The Anthracite Coal Strike Arbitration," The Senate then adjourned until Monday.

Contested Elections.

In the House Thursday Mr. Olm-sted, Pennsylvania, called up the resolution from elections committee 2. limiting to 40 days the time for taking testimony in the contested election case of Wagoner agains Butler, from the Twelfth Missour district. Butler, who is a son of Ed-ward Butler, the St. Louis million convicted of bribery aire, recently was expelled at the last session and was re-elected in November by a majority of over 5,000. Mr. Wagoner

MARINES LANDED IN VENEZUELA. CASTRO'S NAVY DESTROYED.

Four Philadelphi-

for

killed Lucy Wheeler.

exposition next April.

Venezuelan government.

plant to Pennsylvania.

867,210 harrols last year.

of several on caca side.

The first collision between the

striking dockmen and police at Mar

seilles, France, resulted in the injury

George W. Prescott, first president

of the Union iron works, was found dead at the Palace hotel. San Fran-

The New York Central will pay the

New York & Harlem railroad a divl

dend of 5 per cent on January 2 to

The president has withdrawn the

Dominican reciprocity treaty from

request of the Dominican authorities.

Governor Yates' secretary, in con-

menting on the answer of Governor

Stone on the stock quarantine, said

Governor Stone was not ruling 111

President of the Manufacturers

Association told the Civic Federation

that there are not enough men in the

Mr. Carnogie upon his arrival in

Plans for a combination of

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consideration by the senate at

cisco, Cal., from heart failure.

holders of record December 15.

The annual meeting of the

Feever was roasted

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DONA.

Galusha A. Grow made what is alled his farewell speech in Con-

The government tariff bill passed

second reading in the German reich-

Great Britain disclaimed responsi

scigure of Venezuelan

Hostile Anglo-German Fleet Moves

on Laguayra to Enforce Payment of Claims. The combined Anglo-German fleet entered the harbor of Laguayra Wed-nesday, December 10, and anchored within 300 feet of the custom house

\$50,000 and began landing marines. Ten German and four British cutters at Tuesday afternoon seized in the harbor the Venezuelan war-New York. ships General Crespo, Tutumo, Ossun and Margarita, which had 390 men on Stoubenville.

board. They went alongside the Venezuelan vessels and ordered them to surrender, and without a shot be-ing fired the British and German forces seized the feet in the name of Mra. Dora Liebi

the German Emperor and the King of England. Two of the vessels which were undergoing repairs were broken up. The German cruiser Panther steamed into the harbor during these proceedings with her decks cleared for action. The Venezuelan steamers

were taken outside the harbor and the General Crespo and Tutumo and Margarita were sunk. The Ossun

was the only vessel spared, in view of the protest made by the French New York Decomber 26. charge d'affaires, Quievreux, who notified the commodore of the allied Class Specialty Company's plu Loss, \$50,000; insurance, \$17,000. fleet that the Ossun is the property of a Frenchman. One hundred and thirty German sailors proceeded to Cardonal, a suburb of Laguayra, in which is situated the residence Cerman Consul Lentz, who, with his punity. family, they escorted to Laguayra and Georg

George placed on board the warship Vineta. death at Bird Island, Minn., by On their way back the sallors met a foot catching in the doorway of s party of Venezuelan soldiers, but no collision took place. A landing party burning house Congressman Burton's opposition to Bromwell's Ohio river survey reso

of 30 British seamen went to the British consulate and conducted the British consul, R. Schunck, and his family on board the Retribution. The pigeon-holed It. Cerman and British residents have Bruce Head was reinstated by Louis with the exception of Fieldwork, Price and Lepage, directors of the harbor corporation, who barricaded ent of City hospital.

themselves in their houses. They were rescued by British sailors and taken to the Retribution. Their houses were surrounded by Venczuelan policemen, but when 320 sailors marched to their relief the police

men made no resistance. All the stores and banks at Laguavra werclosed. Great excitement prevailed as the population were afraid that the town would be shelled by the Anglo-German versels. A Venezuelan gov-ernment communication to its representative at Paris, France, protests that Great Britain and Germany, act ing in concert, have committed an act of hostility in a manner as arbitrary as it is unprecedented by the seizure of Venezuelan vesaels lying at Laguavra. The communication says that indignation in Venezuela is at Its highest pitch and the government is reporting to reprisals. It has arrested the resident subjects of both hostile countries and has seized the railways and other undertakings belong ing to them. At the British and Ger

man embassies at Washington it was said that President Castro's arrests German and British subjects in Venezuela are sufficient ground for a declaration of war. Mr. Bowen, United States minister at Carnens, who had undertaken to look after the interests of British and Germans, at once demanded of Castro their reonse

New York, said President Roosevelt Castro at first demurred, but when Mr. Bowen produced his au and Attorney General Knox were tak thority from the German and British ing the right line in dealing with envoys, who had left Caracas, he con- trusts, sented to release the principal pris-oners, and Mr. Bowen will insist on larger toy factories of the country are almost completed. The combi-House of Commons of England Lord nation will have about \$2,000,004 capital.

the release of the remainder. In the Cranbourne, under foreign secretary, contests on the ground of fraud at the polls. The resolution was adopt Venezuela that necessitated coercion

LATEST NEWS NOTES. GEN. LEE RELATES SECRET HISTORY public schools were forced to close for want of coal

SPANISH BLEW UP MAINE.

Tells How He Nearly Killed General Funston While He Was Consul General in Cuba.

General Fitzhugh Lee, former Con sel General at Havana, Cuba, ad The town of Vontura, near Masor 1901: City, Ia., was wiped out by fire. Loss creased the members of the Patria club at New York on "The United period during the seven months and States and Cuba." He said in part: ed July 31, 1902, was \$19,310,437, as A newsboy was choked to death h States and Cuba." He said in part: unknown person in Central park Cuba is well worthy of the attention of the American people. It is the richest spot on God's green earth. No country can over rival Cuba in its A white man was killed by a negro lynching was threatened near products. It has been waiting for Claude O'Brien was sentenced to half a century for American energy deata at Lexington, Ky., for the mur and enterprise. If we had not sac-rificed wisdom for sentiment we would own Cuba to-day. When we did have Cuba we should have held 1962 was \$2,433,885, against approx Mrs. Dora Lightner told on wit stand at Toledo, O., how shu on to it, but some of the people wanted to show the world that they President Roosevelt will attend the not for the possession of territory. Prior to the war with Spain, when I was consul general is spain, when dedication exercises of the St. Louis British and German residents a I was consul general in Cuba, there Puerto Cabella have been arrested by were repeated attempts to assassi- that has practically annihilated the nate me. Wherever I went I had to carabao or water buffalo, and the out-break of cholera, which has curtailed sit with my back to the wall and my hand on my six-shooter. I received 20 and 30 letters a day in which I was threatened with all manner of dition to the effect of frequent ican Coal Company will be held in Fire destroyed the Fostoria (O. dition to the effect of frequent changes taking place in the present deaths. Some threatened to waylay plant and strangle me; others to string me currency standard, an early and sat up to the nearest post, and attill others to the me to a horse's tall and Senator Tillman in the Senate isfactory solution of which situation maintained that Pennsylvania coa the burcau says is absolutely essential drag me around the streets of Habarons violate constitution with im to the business interests of the islands vana. Five Spanish women called at produced a falling off in the exports my office one afternoon and handed for the seven months ended July 31 10 me a letter from some Spanish of 1902, of nearly feers in which they threatened to pared with the corresponding period of the previous year, the figures for his feet, put me aboard the Maine and The put me about the harbor. When some of these reports were current a man came into my office one day with the purpose, as I thought, of The annual export trade of the is-1902 lution is reported to have effectually He moved toward me lands since American occupation killing me inch by inch, and, just as he came within reach I had him covered with my gun. I asked him what he want-that is a state American Compared with the cutput prior to that time, has improved so rapidly that the present monthly average ville, Ky., authorities as superintend and, to my surprise, he said in notwithstanding the adverse The American Tin Plate Company "I have just come from tions that have prevalled during the Gomez's camp, suffering seven months of the current year, is English: has decided to remove the bar mil Gomez's division of the great Elwood (Ind.) General from a wound in the thigh. I want to go back to the United States." I in excess of the computed ratio based on the showing of former veats. on the showing of former years. The catch of the American Fisher asked him where he came from, and es Company this year is reported to he said, in the drawilest kind of a have been 1,375,786 barrels against

Way, "from Kansas." That man was General Frederick Funston. So you Mrs. U. S. Grant Died at Washington see I had much to do with the late capture of Aguinaldo. General Lea fol-

then related the incident that Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant, widow of lowed the blowing up of the battle-ship Maine and told of General Blan-President Grant, died at her resi-dence in Washington, D. C., at 11:17 co's actions after the catastrophe, o'clock Sunday night, Death was due General Blanco and his officers had to heart failure, Mrs. Grant having o'clock Sunday night. no more to do with the blowing up of suffered for some years from valvuthe Maine than had the people of lar disease of the heart, which was New York city. It is my belief that aggravated by a severe attack of some of the young officers left in the bronchitis. Her age prevented her arsonal by General Weyler blew up rallying from the stuacka. Her rallying from the Maine. In conclusion, General Lee advocated an increase of the daughter, Nellie Grant Sartoris. the only one of her children with her Lee advocated an increase of the time of her death, her three navy owing to the growing interest at the time of her death, her three of the United States and because "in sons had been summoned, not hav view of recent events we may be in ing reached the city. deep water before we know it."

STORE ORDER ACT INVALID.

vius is assuming a threatening ap-pearance. A number of smaller open-Courts Decide Unconstitutional Law Advocated by Mine Workers. ings have appeared around the great

erator. The Dauphin county (Pa.) court docountry to work three shifts of eight cided in an opinion written by Judge ada, was The Victoria hotel in Quebec, Can-Simonton, that the store order law fire. was unconstitutional. In a number of caped uninjured. Loss. \$110,000; incases tried and decided the court surance, \$75,900. found the companies against whom the German cruiser Vineta bombard the taxes had been charged did not ed the fortress at Puerto Cabello, issue any store orders of the kind Venezuela, Saturday and quickly silenced it. The bombardment lasted 45 minutes, and was in retailiation apon which the act imposed a tax of 25 per cent on their face value. The case of the Lehigh Coal and Naviga-The

for a mob tearing down a British tion Company, the court squarely flag. holds the act to be unconstitutional. A (1) The taxation

INSULAR AFFAIRS.

The bureau of insular affairs of the

war department at Washington has

Cholera Cuts Labor Supply-Rinder Wheat-No. 2 red. Rye-No. 2 Corn-No. 2 yellow. ear. No. 2 yellow, shelled. Mixed car. Oats-No. 2 white. pest Annihilates Water Buffaloes, Commerce of Philippines.

No. 3 white No. 3 white Flour-Winter patent Fanny straight winters flay-No. 1 throthy Clover No. 1 Feed-No. 1 white mild, ton the following comparative y of the commerce of the issued summary Philippine islands for the sever months ending July 31, 1902 and seven Brown middlings Bran, bulk, nw-Wheat Straw-Unt. The total value of merchan dise, exclusive of gold and silver, im Nutter-Eight creamery Unio creamery Fancy country roll Cheese-Obio, new New York, new against \$17,132,205 for the period of 1901. The principal in erense in 1902 was in food stuffs, th purchase of rice alone exceeding the Bons-per Ib...... Chickens-dressed! Eggs-Pa, and Ohio, fresh figures for 1901 by nearly \$1,500,00 Gold and silver was imported during the seven months of 1902 to the value of \$3,026,747, same period of 1901 Green Beans-peribas Potators Fancy white per bus Inbbage-per bbls \$1.230,294 The value Imports abbage-per bbls

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Retail Business Flourishing-Sales Largely Exceed Those of Corre-

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Lower temperature and holiday demands have combined to accelerate retail trade, sales largely exceeding the corresponding week in preceding years. Much postponed business is being made up and shipping departments are crowded with work, but wholesale trade has ruled quiet. Railroad earnings for November exceeded last year's by 7 per cent and those of 1900 by 20.5 per cont. At first glance the sudden rise in furnace stocks of pig iron to 91.-295 tons compared with 71,858 on No-

vember 1, might suggest that con

sumption was below production, but

obviously any accumulation that oc-

curs is due to lack of transporting

facilities, since needs are urgent, as

evidenced by the imports of eastern

dry hides are firmly held, despite in-

practically unchanged as to cottan

goods, a fair volume of orders pre

venting accumulation at the mills.

Quotations are steady and export

Bradstreet's says: Retail distribu-

has expanded largely.

creased receipts.

Conditions are

Willemstad, Curr

BEAUTIFUL LIFE FINISHED. by a severe attack of the stuacky. Her was **REVIEW OF TRADE.**

sponding Week Last Year.

The American Institute of Archied by a vote of 155 to 118 texts e'-rted as honorary members Andrew Carnegie, Samuel A. D. Ab Three Appropriation Bills. bott, of Boston, and Emil Nauchamer,

The House Friday passed 173 pri-ate pension bills. The lexislative of Paris vate The bar of the United States supreme court met and tock appropri- bill, carrying \$26,930,453, was report action in honor of the memory of the late Justice Horace Gray, of that court. Senator Hoar, of Massachu- justice building and \$1,500,000 for a presided and delivered a culosetts. gistic address.

George Sawter, United States consul at Antigua, British West Indies has been appointed to succeed the Thomas at Cunvaguil, Ecundor

General Crozier, chief of ordnance has awarded a contract for the manufacture of 20 15-pound rapid fire guns and mounts to the Bethlehem steel works at \$3,930 for guns and mount.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has asked Congress for an emergency appropriation of \$1,000,000 to be used in stamping out the foot and mouth ase among cattle in New England.

Representative Tayler, has introduced a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase site for a public building at East Liverpool at a cost not to exceed lish ovens at the bases of the supply of gas coal

Admiral Dewey, in a cablegram received at the Navy Department, dated San Juan, December 11, announces the opening of the fleet maneuvers by the combined squadrons under his mand

The delegates to the National In dian Association were received at the White House by Mrs. Roosevelt, who organization, of which she is honorary vice president.

Mr. Scott and other representa-tives of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad appeared before Secretary Root at the war department and asked his Avorable consideration of the bill introduced in Congress for the estabent of a military camp at Somerset, Pa.

arset, Pa. Benator Quay introduced a bill in the Senate appropriating \$2,625,000 to comble the secretary of war to estab-lish a permanent camp ground for the instruction and maneuvering of troops of the regular army and Na-tical Guard in the vicinity of Som-

executive and judicial appropriation ed from committee. Bills appropr building for the Department of Agri culture were favorably reported. tire from husiness

NEW \$2,000,000 COKE COMPANY.

Nast as consul general Organized at Syracuse, N. Y., to Compets With Frick Company

> F. R. Hazard, president of the Sol vay Process Company, has organized a company at Syracuse, N. Y., with a capital stock of \$2,000,000, for manu facturing coke and other hy-products providing that the term of the Presi-of gas coal. The Selvay Process dent shall continue until April 30, Company is now manufacturing coke 1905, at noon, and thereafter April 20 for itself on a large scale, and has at noon, shall be substituted instead of March 4 as the beginning and ending ceke ovens in Syracuse and Detroit.

> while the Scnet-Solvay works at Scima, Ala., are for the exclusive manufacture of coke. The new comand that the Fifty-ninth pany expects to compete with the H. C. Frick Coke Company. It is the after each Congress shall begin and intention of the company to estab-

Zero Weather.

New York and New England Tues-day experienced the coldest weather

of many years. In New York city it dets, members of the third class at was the coldest December 9 in 26 the Levington (Va.) Militady Insti-years, the thermometer registering tute, were dismissed from the school House by Mrs. Roosevelt, who eight above zero. In the Adirondack and ordered to return to their homes. ley the thermometer registered be class are under arrest pending action

tween 17 and 26 below.

Oliver Mine Still Burns.

The underground workings of th section 16 mine of the Oliver Mining Company, at ishpeming, Mich., which took fire December 8, is still burning, though the fire is not so fierce. All the shafts and openings have been scaled with timber and clay, but

gases continue to ooze out.

Bank Robbers Took \$30,000

The bank at Hillsbore, Sierra coun-ty, New Mexico, was held up in broad daylight and robbed of \$30,000.

included a demand for compensation for interference with trading vessels. the imprisonment and ill treatment of British subjects and the destruc-

tion of the property.

Tenders His Resignation. Philip W. Moen, second vice pres dent of the American Steel and Wire Company, has resigned and will re-

CHANGE INAUGURAL DATE.

April 30 Fixed in Resolution Introduced in Congress.

A joint resolution was introduced in the House by Representative De

Armond, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, at noon, shall be substituted instead of

of terms of President, vice president. Congress shall end and the Sixtieth begin on January 8, 1907, at noon, and there-

SCHOOL CADETS DISMISSED.

Military Institute Boys Sent Home

and 40 Others Under Arrest. For indulging in disorder 13 cta-

of the superintendent.

Four Killed by Dynamite.

explosion of a box of dynamite in Ao. 5 mine, of the Lehigh and Wilkes. York. 5 mine, of the Lehigh and Wilkes. The hoard of directors of the Penn The hoard of directors of the Penn barre Coal Company, at South Wilkes-

JOHN'S E Indge Simonton says: church of Huntingdon were defendants in suit for heavy damages by deposed rector.

Bishop Taibot and leading women

James B. Hawley, acquitted of the charge of killing his brother at De troit on the ground of self-defense. The brothers were prominent longshoromen and wreckers.

Edward and Oliver Tompkins, ne groes, 4 and 2 years old, at Wash-Mine Workers. ington, were burned to death. Rose

Prue, with whom they were left in charge, was placed under arrest.

Unless relief shall be secured soo. packing house managers at Omaha Neb., assert that they will have to

close their plants for want of coal, After undergoing repairs in the Bremerton navy yard the battleship Wisconsin, recently returned from Panama, will follow the Oregon to the Asiatic station.

Hugh C. Baldwin, at Plainfield, N. J., is trying to break the will of his mother, Mrs. A. C. Baldwin, who died a month ago. The estate is valued at \$200,000.

Among the nominations sent to the senate by the president was that of Leonard M. Thomas, of Pennsyl-vania to be second secretary of the embassy at Rome.

Before the Mine Workers' conver tion, at Indianapolis, Ind., L. D. Nich-

ols, president of the largest anthra cite district, will run against Tom Lewis, of Ohlo, for vice president. First of 65 Carnegie libraries was dedicated in New York Saturday State capitol commission of Penn sylvania closed contract with George Gray Barnard, sculptor, for marble decorations for interior of new cap-

itol General Kritschinger and Comman

ants Joubert and Fouche, formerly of Four men were killed and 10 in-jured, three probably fatally, by the explosion of a box of dynamite in No.

svivania railroad granted the request of General Manager J. B. Hutchinson

A \$500,000 Fire at Atlanta, Fire at Atlanta, Ga., burned out the stores of the Snook & Austin Furni-ture Company, the Jacobs Drug Com-pany, P. M. Rose's liquor store, the Williams hotel and the Norcross building. The loss was \$500,000.

imposed on defendent by said act and cao, dated December 11, says that the forcian residents of Puerto Cabello, charged against it in said settlement was intended to do, and if the act Venezuela, are taking refuge board the German cruiser Vineta and were sustained, would inflict a peuwere sustained, would influer a phat the British cruiser Ariadne, and that alty on defendant for doing, that the British cruiser Ariadne, and that which it has a legal and constitu- these vessels are threatening to bomtional right to do, and the act is, bard the port,

therefore, invalid and 'unconstitu-tional." This act was one of the House of Commons of England on measures advocated by the United steamable subsidies is against the

NUMBER 16 568,572. Spurious Twenty Dollar Bill Has governments.

J. E. Wilkie, chief of the secret ser-

notified secret service men through-out the country to be on the lookout for a new counterfeit \$20 gold certil, their own country. They are m rate, which is being circulated. The destitute, and many of them are bill has on it check letter "C," the anxious to return to Porto Rice. dgnatures of J. W. Lyon as register;

treasurer, and at Assound, Egypt, were opened De Ellis H. Roberts as contains a poor picture of ex-Presi-dent James A. Garfield. The number hedive, the duke and duchess of if the bill is 588,572, and the work- Connaucht, Lord Cromer, the British manship on it is very poor. The constant and consul general in Egypt, dificates are printed on two pieces of and Lady Cromer; the ministers and paper, having heavy red and blue silk many other distinguished persons.

hread running through them. Midshipmen Poisoned.

The number of sick midshipmen at Annapolis has reached 115, nearly a uarter of the whole naval academy. ptomaine They are suffering from colson contained in something which hey ate. Several are ill enough to work, and the naval hospital is stop work, and the naval hospital is infinite and the tapital of Haiti inli, the others being in quarters. It is not known what caused the trou-ble, opinion being divided between sausage and salad dressing. sausage and salad dressing.

Been Put in Circulation.

Pure Water for Public Use. The American Public Health Assostation at New York adopted a reso lution .asking for legislation that would require railroad and steamship companies and hotels to furnish pure drinking water.

Deep Snow in the West.

There was seven inches of anow in Nebraska December 14, and four inches in Kansas. Six inches fell over the Rocky Mountain region from Northern Wyoming to Southern New

steel works. The pressure is still greatest for railway supplies, with structural material next as to urgency of demand. Small supplem tary orders for spring shoes are reprinciple of granting subsidies. It fords that British ship owners have ceived by New England shops, but the season is practically over. Aside not suffered much from the fostering from activity in Union sole, the leatheffects of subsidies paid by foreign er market has been quiet. Further ccessions have occurred in domestic hides. On the other hand, foreign

a mass meeting of Porto Ricans held in Hilo, Honolulu, a resolution cice bureau at Washington, D. C., has was adopted providing for a commit tee to ask Congress to send the Porto Ricans, who are in Hawall, back to their own country. They, are mostly The destitute, and many of them are very

sales of heavy brown cottons con-tinue small. Woolen goods for next The great Nile reservoir and dam fall have been opened at an average advance of from 5 to 10 per cent. Failures this week in the United States are 269, against 204 last week, 213 the preceding week and 273 the corresponding week last year; in Canada, 30, against 15 last

the preceding week and 17 last year. The Sultan of Morocco's forces have been defeated with serious

on the road to Rabat. After detent ing the Zemmour tribe recently the toos, further stimulated by colder weather and the advance of the holl-Sultan's army encountered another day season, relief force and a sanguinary fight fol

until it easily occupies first position in the trade situation. Wheat, includlowed, with the result that the army was compelled to retire toward Fez. General Alexis Nord, who was wat miniater under the Provisional that in case he announces himself a candidate for the presidency his

election to that office is assured.

Chancellor von Buelow, in his argu ment on the third reading of the tariff bill in the German reichstag, said the allied governments would accept the bill and also the abolition of the municipal octrols since the date fixed for taking effect in 1910. The increase on meats runs \$1.50 a hundred on bacon to \$1.75 on

meat delicacies. Minister Bowen has suddenly become famous in Germany.

ing flour, exports for the week end-ing December 11, aggregate 3,761,047 bushels, against 5,704,440 bushels last week; 3,879,809 in this week last Wheat year, and 4.785,577 in 1990. exports since July 1 aggregate 120, 507,495 bushels, against 156,303,38 bushels last season, and \$6,008,003 bushels in 1900. Corn exports ag-gregate 1,301,286 bushels, against 1,151,563 bushels last week: 257,307 bushels last year and 4,853,458 bush-els in 1900. For the fiscal year exports are 5,160,186 bushels, against 19,794,958 bushels last season and 84,906,396 bushels in 1900. weather and snow have helped dis tribution at retail in the Northwest from

and the outlook is for an unprece dented holiday distribution on the Pacific coast.