

THE SAMOA TROUBLE.

A Bitter Article in Bismarck's Organ Causes Excitement.

The Cologne Gazette Says There Is No Occasion for Alarm—The Views Expressed by Washington and London Officials.

THREATENINGS OF WAR.

BERLIN, Jan. 25.—The North German Gazette, Prince Bismarck's organ, denies the existence of any treaty precluding any European power from acquiring or seeking to acquire ascendancy in Samoa. The Gazette also denies that England and the United States are agreed that the proceedings of the German agent in Samoa are contrary to the stipulations of the treaties concerning Samoa and are opposed to diplomatic etiquette, and that those powers have officially notified the German Government accordingly. The Gazette further says, "provide that Samoa shall concede to each treaty power equal rights with any other power, but no treaty regarding the neutrality or independence of Samoa exists between Germany and the United States."

BERLIN, Jan. 26.—The North German Gazette says that the English Cabinet disclaims co-operation with the Washington Government regarding Samoa. The Cologne Gazette declares that there is no occasion to fear that the excellent relations between Germany and America are in danger of undergoing any radical change. It says:

"Comparatively little importance is to be attached to the last acts of an American Government about to quit office. Under the Presidency of Mr. Harrison a complete clearance of Mr. Cleveland's official staff becomes unavoidable. Mr. Cleveland's most recent steps, therefore, have lost their importance, and his actions are in no way binding upon Mr. Harrison. From the intelligence received here it is evident that the American Government treats the Samoan question in a spirit hostile to Germany and on a basis of incorrect suppositions. It is incorrect to speak of a violation by Germany of actual agreements between the treaty powers, as no treaty was ever concluded between Germany, Great Britain and America in regard to Samoa, while on the other hand such a treaty does exist between Germany and England. The excitement in America is therefore incomprehensible. Mr. Bayard has declared that he does not know whether Klein is an American subject, but nevertheless he is responsible for Klein's misdeeds."

LONDON, Jan. 25.—The article in the North German Gazette relative to the treaties regarding Samoa has caused somewhat of a commotion in official circles here. By some persons it is regarded as a deliberate defiance to the Washington Government.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—Commenting on the Samoan affair the Daily News says: "It is extremely important that England should not cordially with America. It is therefore the more to be regretted that we have no Minister at Washington. If Lord Salisbury would be a little less humble to Germany and a little more civil to America it would be far better for all parties concerned."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—When Secretary Bayard was shown the Berlin dispatch giving the North German Gazette's views on the Samoan question he said he did not know what authority the Gazette had for its statements, consequently he could not assume them to be official, and they might, after all, prove to be mere newspaper gossip. In regard to the statement that Germany would violate no treaty in acquiring an ascendancy in Samoa Mr. Bayard called attention to the declaration concerning the boundaries of the German and English dominions in the West Pacific Ocean, signed at Berlin, April 6, 1885, and he thought this agreement precluded German acquisitions in Samoa, and that Germany was bound to respect the rights of that island.

Senator Sherman said he supposed Bismarck had a perfect right to express his opinion upon any subject, but did not suppose such an expression of opinion would deter the American people from carrying out any policy they might adopt.

PARIS, Jan. 27.—Le Temps publishes a dispatch from Zanzibar stating that an American sailing vessel from Zanzibar for Madagascar ports has been fired into and disabled by a German warship.

New York, Jan. 29.—John C. Klein, the Samoan correspondent of the New York World, who has been charged with being the leader in the trouble with the Germans in that country, has a six-column letter in Sunday's paper describing the trouble. Klein begins his letter by stating that the situation is alarming, owing to the tyrannical action of Dr. Knappe, the German Consul. He then tells of the killing of German soldiers, and the destruction of American homes. Klein declares that the German officers were drunk on shore, and committed many outrages. He announced that they were particularly anxious to meet American sailors. The sailors from the ship took possession of the shore, and proceeded to get drunk. They were then attacked by the Germans, and were killed.

whereupon George and Morris Scanlan, two Americans, resented the reflections. In the back of the ship the sailors run amuck through Matafele, assaulting men, women and children. One woman had her ribs and both arms broken. The story then goes on to repeat the story recently told by the press dispatches about the fighting and alleged outrages. Klein repeatedly declares that he acted simply as a newspaper correspondent, and did not advise any one. He describes in detail the battles between the natives and the protests of United States Consul Blacklock against the Germans attacking the Samoans.

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The North German Gazette says: "Advices from San Francisco show that the Chamber of Commerce there is the most active element in the opposition to Germany's policy in Samoa. The anti-German feeling is heightened by the action of Mr. Sewell, the American Consul in Samoa. There is no conflict between Germany and America. It is only with Sewell and the American officials in Samoa, who are anxious to cause complications."

A Whole Block Burned. MORRIS, Minn., Jan. 27.—Fire Friday evening destroyed a block of buildings. The First National Bank block, being of brick, checked the fire and protected the town from destruction. The loss was \$12,000; partially insured.

Many Idle Miners. SREXANDON, Pa., Jan. 27.—The Park Place, Centralia, and all the Lehigh and individual colliers around here have shut down, owing to their markets being overstocked with coal. About 4,000 men are idle.

Big Damages Awarded. BOSTON, Jan. 25.—James Harkins has obtained a verdict for \$55,000 against the Boston & Providence Railroad Company for injuries to his head and side in the Rosindale disaster.

SCALPING THE SCALPERS.

The Inter-State Commerce Deals the Ticket Brokers a Severe Blow.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The Inter-State Commerce Commission has promulgated an opinion on the subject of passenger tariffs and rate wars prepared by Chairman Cooley. The paper narrates the facts attending the wars in passenger rates in St. Louis in October, and at Chicago in December. The Chicago rate war extended over the lines running to St. Paul, Minneapolis, Kansas City and St. Louis. Its characteristic feature was the fact that tickets were placed in the hands of brokers or scalpers to be sold at rates below the tariff rates, and that the roads excused themselves for their dealings with brokers by claiming the right to pay commissions at will. The Commission recommends that the Inter-State Commerce act be so amended as:

1. To define what shall be considered excursion and commutation tickets.
2. To prohibit all payment of commissions on the sale of tickets and all sale of tickets for interstate business except by the regular agents of the carriers.
3. To require the carriers to provide for the speedy and convenient redemption of unused tickets or coupons.

TRAGEDY IN MICHIGAN.

A Lady Near Lansing Assassinated by a Would-Be Robber.

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 29.—August Tonto, a neighbor of Christian Stochal, who resides with his family, consisting of his wife, son, and a granddaughter named Miss Foltz, seven miles from this city, approached the Stochal residence on Saturday night and fired four shots from a repeating shot-gun at the occupants through a window, instantly killing Mrs. Stochal and dangerously wounding Miss Foltz and Mr. Stochal. Young Stochal was absent at the time. It is supposed that robbery was the object of the murderer, but failing to kill the whole family Tonto fled without attempting robbery. He purchased a railway ticket at Holt, a small station near where the murder was committed, and has not been seen since. Stochal's son is arrested on the supposition that he knew something of the plans of the murderer.

A. R. CAZAURAN DEAD.

The Well-Known Playwright Passes Away at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Playwright A. R. Cazauran died at noon on Sunday after a sickness of two years from dropsy. For the last six months he has been confined to his bed.

(Mr. Cazauran was born in Bordeaux, France, in 1818. He came to America in 1848, going to Louisville, Ky. He served on the Courier-Journal as reporter and dramatic critic. He was Supreme Court reporter in Washington before the war, when he became a correspondent. He afterward came to this city. With Bronson Howard he wrote the "Banker's Daughter." He is the author of "The Fatal Letter," and composed and adapted "A Celebrated Case," "Mother-in-Law," "French Flats," etc. Mrs. Cazauran's sister, Mrs. Hunter of Cleveland, was with her when the playwright passed away.)

IT IS A BIG FAILURE.

The Liabilities of J. J. Burns & Co., of Battle Creek, Mich., Approximate \$1,000,000.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Jan. 27.—It is now said that the J. J. Burns Construction Company, of this city, which made an assignment recently, owes about \$1,000,000, and that John Fitzgerald, president of the Irish-American Land League, is a creditor to the extent of \$450,000. The assignment, as alleged, was made after the company had come into possession of \$2,250,000 in railway bonds.

A Swindling Doctor Caught.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 25.—Dr. H. A. Eberle, of this city, was arrested in Fredonia, Kan., Wednesday, on a charge of swindling. His method was to request letters from his patients, which were not to be paid until a cure had been effected. He would then negotiate the notes. It is thought that he has realized about \$45,000 by his operations.

Moore Took a Million.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 19.—It is now said that the defalcation of James A. Moore, the insurance agent, will reach \$1,000,000. It is thought he will escape arrest owing to the ties of friendship between him and his employer, Mr. Greene, president of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Jealousy Causes an Awful Tragedy. QUINCY, Ill., Jan. 25.—Lafayette Frederick, a traveling representative of a patent medicine house of St. Louis, shot and killed his wife at noon Wednesday and immediately afterward fired two shots into his own brain and died. The alleged cause of the shooting was jealousy.

All Thought to Have Perished. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 26.—The Norwegian bark Alf, Captain Bach, which sailed from Demerara October 27 for this port with a cargo of sugar, has been given up as lost. She has undoubtedly gone down at sea, and all the crew consisting of thirteen men have perished.

The Inaugural Parade. HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 26.—Governor Beaver, chief marshal of the coming inaugural parade, has information that more than 25,000 men will participate in the grand parade. There will be 30,000 composing marching clubs, 20,000 civilians, and more than 13,000 troops.

Carried a Joke Too Far.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 29.—William Stemkin and Joseph Hodges, employees in a rolling-mill in this city, played "hanging" yesterday with Joseph Pope, aged 47 years, an victim. They strung him up about six feet when the knot slipped and he was choked to death.

A Sea Monster. MATANZAS, Cuba, Jan. 25.—What was supposed to be a great tiger shark was seen here yesterday. It was described by those who saw it as being about 150 feet long by 40 feet wide, and was of a dark gray color, covered with white spots as large as dinner plates.

A Lady's Fatal Fall. CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 26.—Mrs. Elinor Richter, manageress of the Lennox, an apartment house, fell down the elevator shaft in the building and was instantly killed. She was rather stout and her body was horribly mutilated.

Died at the Age of 104.

WOLFORD, N. H., Jan. 29.—Mrs. Nancy Edgely died here Saturday at the age of 104 years, 5 months and 25 days. She retained all her faculties and strength to the last.

Pullman's Latest Scheme.

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—The Times says the deal by which the Pullman Company obtains control of all the palace car companies in this country, except the Wagner Company, was consummated yesterday.

Ohio's New Bishop.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 26.—In St. Paul's P. E. Church Friday Rev. J. Boyd Vincent was consecrated as Bishop of the diocese of Southern Ohio, with solemn services.

SENATE AND HOUSE.

Daily Record of Proceedings in the Fifteenth Congress.

Several Petitions Presented in the Senate and Important Bills Passed—A Measure in the House to Restrict Immigration—Other Notes.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—In the Senate last evening the Tariff bill was passed by a vote of 32 to 30—a strict party vote. The date for the bill to go into effect was fixed at July 1, 1890. An additional paragraph was inserted in the bill creating in the Treasury Department a customs commission, to consist of five members to be appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate. The five commissioners are to hold office two, three, four, five and six years, respectively, not more than three of them are to be of the same political party, and their annual salaries are to be \$7,500 each.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The concurrent resolution for the counting of the electoral vote on February 13 was passed yesterday. Bills were reported to provide for taking the eleventh and subsequent censuses, and to protect the interests of the United States in the Samoan Islands. The bill to declare unlawful trusts and combinations in restraint of trade and production was considered.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—In the Senate yesterday resolutions expressing sorrow over the death of Representative Burnes (Mo.) were adopted, and an adjournment was taken in respect to his memory.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Among the bills passed by the Senate yesterday were the following: House bill increasing the maximum of international money orders from \$25 to \$100; establishing two additional land districts in Nebraska; thirty private pension bills, and the Military Academy, District of Columbia and Pension Appropriation bills. Adjourned to the 28th.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—In the House Saturday the Senate substitute for the Mills Tariff bill was reported and referred to the Ways and Means Committee. The Sundry Civil bill was considered in committee of the whole.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—A protest from citizens of New Mexico against the admission of that Territory as a State was presented in the Senate yesterday. The bill allowing a pension of twenty-five dollars a month to all women nurses during the late war was referred to the Committee on Appropriation. The Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill was further considered.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The time was occupied in the House yesterday in considering the River and Harbor bill. A bill was reported that dispenses with the present requirement of a declaration of intention to become a citizen and makes a residence of five years necessary before an alien can apply for naturalization.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—In the House yesterday the time was occupied in considering the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill. A favorable report was received from the Committee on Agriculture on the bill to promote the interests of agriculture by irrigation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Suitable resolutions on the death of Representative James N. Burnes, of Missouri, were adopted, and the House then adjourned as a mark of respect to his memory.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The time was occupied in the House yesterday in discussing the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill. At the evening session twenty-nine private pension bills were passed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—In the House yesterday the Senate bill was passed increasing the pension of soldiers or sailors who have lost both hands to \$100 per month. The Senate concurrent resolution providing for the joint meeting of the two houses of Congress on Wednesday, February 13, for the purpose of counting the electoral vote, was agreed to. A bill was introduced providing for an enabling act for the admission of the Territories of Arizona, Idaho and Wyoming as States of the Union.

OTHER NOTES. WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—In the House yesterday afternoon Congressman James N. Burnes, of Missouri, was stricken with paralysis, and was removed to his hotel, where he died at 12:45 this morning. Mr. Burnes was born in Indiana August 22, 1832, practiced law for twenty years in Missouri, and was elected a Representative and represented the Fourth Missouri district in the Forty-eighth, Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Congresses.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The President has approved bills pensioning at the rate of \$30 a month the widows of Dr. Favy and Sergeant Cross and Gardner, who died while serving under General Greeley in the Mexican war.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—A dispatch has been received at the State Department from Consul Blacklock at Apia, Samoa, which announces that a large fire had occurred in that place, destroying among other buildings the German consulate there. The origin of the fire, he adds, was undoubtedly accidental.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The House Committee on Naval Affairs has completed a Naval Appropriation bill for 1890. As reported to the House it appropriates \$19,918,577. The total estimate for 1890 was \$27,767,277, while the appropriation for the current year was \$19,942,833.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The Tariff bill as it passed the Senate has been engrossed and compared and is now ready to be transmitted to the House. The bill makes a document of 109 pages of engrossed paper seventeen by thirteen inches in size. It is estimated to contain upwards of 40,000 words.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The Postmaster-General has issued a circular to postmasters announcing the passage of the law by Congress which permits of the dispatch of special delivery matter upon which the senders have inadvertently failed to place the proper postage. The Postmaster-General directs that all such matter be forwarded without delay to the proper destination where the postage due is to be collected.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The time for the delivery of the electoral votes from the various States expired at midnight. No messenger from Florida has reached the President pro tem. of the Senate with the vote of that State.

Twenty Persons Hurt. LONDON, Jan. 26.—A crane working a ladle containing seven tons of molten steel at the Crew railway works collapsed and fell into a pit. The molten steel was scattered in all directions like flying bullets. Twenty persons were injured. The building was unroofed.

Work Suspended. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 29.—The Sheldon axle works, the largest plant in the country, has suspended temporarily. Twelve hundred men are thrown out of work.

Ives and Stayner Jailed. NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Ives and Stayner were last evening taken to Ludlow street jail, having failed to secure bondsmen.

MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

For Week Ended January 29.

A pack of sixteen wolves is said to be ravaging farms in the vicinity of Tuscola, Ill.

A fire on Thursday in the business portion of Jackson, Miss., caused great damage.

A band of seventy-five White Caps destroyed three houses in Jeromeville, O., on Saturday.

The second snowfall which has occurred at Pensacola, Fla., in twenty-five years took place Monday.

Jacob Tame, a millionaire banker of Baltimore, has donated \$250,000 for a boys' and girls' training school.

H. Guild, 94 years old, died on Monday at Geneseo, Ill., from injuries sustained by falling through a sidewalk.

Four prospectors in Wayne County, W. Va., are alleged to have taken out \$40,000 in gold in the past few months.

It is stated that Major Lillie ("Pawnee Bill") intends to invade Oklahoma early in February with 10,000 men.

Rev. Boyd Vincent was on Friday consecrated Bishop of Southern Ohio in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Cincinnati.

The Polish Church of St. Adalbert in East Buffalo, N. Y., burned with a loss of \$60,000 to \$70,000 and an insurance of \$50,000.

A passenger train was thrown from the track on Monday near Rockport, Ind., and thirty persons were injured, but none fatally.

The Austrian Consul General, Hugo Fritsch, died suddenly on Sunday at his residence in New York from heart disease.

Father McCarthy, charged with inciting boycott at Clonakilly, Ireland, was on Friday sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

Smith's livery-stable at Anniston, Ala., was burned on Monday, and twenty-seven horses and a number of vehicles were consumed.

Charlie Young, 15 years old, was killed on Thursday at Durand, Ill., by the accidental discharge of a pistol in the hands of a playmate.

A boiler exploded in Perkin's mill near Poplar Bluffs, Mo., on Saturday, killing three men and nine others were injured, three fatally.

Two freight trains collided on the Baltimore & Ohio road on Friday near Paw Paw, W. Va., causing a damage of \$100,000. No lives were lost.

The post-office at Rahway, N. J., was entered by burglars Sunday night, who succeeded in blowing open the safe and abstracting \$1,500.

General Boulanger was on Sunday elected to the French House of Deputies from the Department of the Seine by a plurality of 81,550.

C. W. Barry, a veteran actor, was stricken with paralysis on the stage of a Columbus (O.) theater Sunday night and died next morning.

The Zalsinski pneumatic dynamite gun was officially tested in New York Saturday. The trial demonstrated that the invention is a success.

Nic Hill, the wife murderer, pleaded guilty to murder in the first degree at Cincinnati Monday. He was sentenced to imprisonment for life.

Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., signed a contract Monday at New York with Manager Daniel Frohman, engaging herself to play as an actress for three years.

The largest lump of coal ever taken from the mines of the Consolidated Coal Company at Danville, Ill., was removed Friday. It weighed 3,700 pounds.

Parks Pledges killed himself on Saturday near Holly Springs, Ark., because he was engaged to two girls, neither of whom would release him from his bargain.

Clarke Stanley, a young farmer near Shelbyboro, Ind., was chasing a cow on Thursday when he fell on a stick which he carried in his hand and was killed.

About forty wooden buildings in "Dutch Flat," San Francisco, Cal., were burned Saturday. It was the Chinese settlement, and the loss was \$20,000 with no insurance.

Mrs. Nellie Grant-Sartoris, the married daughter of the late General Grant, and her two children, arrived in New York from Europe on Sunday on a visit to her mother.

While Martin Houseman, of Elkhardt, Ind., was building a fire on Thursday a can of gasoline which he was using exploded, and he and his wife were probably fatally burned.

Colonel W. H. Chilton, for fifteen years commercial editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, was on Friday adjudged insane. Close application to a narrow field of work did it.

Chief-of-Police Brackett, of Minneapolis, Minn., formally announced on Thursday that there would be no more "glove contests" or prize fights in that city during his administration.

Mrs. General Harrison, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. McKee, arrived in New York Monday night, and were driven to the Glissey House where they will remain during a shopping tour.

Governor Leslie, of Montana, has appointed Russell B. Harrison Commissioner for Montana at the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the inauguration of Washington, to occur at New York April 13.

Bishop Foley, of Detroit, has issued a letter declaring that Father Kolosinski is not a priest of the diocese, has no right to say mass, and that any person attending services held by him will be cut off from the Roman Catholic church.

The Secretary of War has notified the city of Frankfort, Ky., that the old wood bridge across the Kentucky river at that point must be raised, as it is too low for boats to pass under. The bridge has stood for over sixty years.

Charles L. Colby has resigned the presidency of the Wisconsin Central railroad and will be succeeded by his brother, Joseph L. Colby. This, it is thought, means that the Wisconsin Central is to be swallowed up by the Northern Pacific.

At Woodstock, Ill., Mrs. Hannah Sullivan has obtained a verdict of \$180 against the Kennedy Brothers and John McFlee for selling liquor to her husband when he became intoxicated and was killed. The case has been tried four times.

A Foot of Snow in New York State. NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Dispatches from the interior of the State show that a severe storm prevails, and that from ten inches to a foot of snow has already fallen.

A Family of Seven Asphyxiated. DRESDEN, Jan. 27.—At Crosson, Saxony, a man named Rudolph and his family, consisting of six persons, were suffocated to death by the escape of coal gas from a defective stove.

Cattle Dying in Florida. TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Jan. 27.—Cattle are dying all over the ranges in South Florida from starvation, the flat lands where they usually feed being nearly all submerged by the continuous rains.

POLITICAL PICKINGS.

Items of General Interest Gathered from Various Localities.

Several Legislatures Choose United States Senators—A gubernatorial Contest in Arkansas—Ohio Will Elect Electricity On Murderers—Other Notes.

THE POLITICAL FIELD.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 24.—The joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquors was taken up on third reading and passed finally by the House by a vote of 132 to 55. The resolution then went to the Senate.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 24.—W. D. Washburn was elected United States Senator yesterday by the Republicans in the Legislature.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 24.—The Legislature yesterday elected Isham G. Harris (Dem.) United States Senator for the third consecutive term.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 24.—A bill was introduced in the Legislature yesterday declaring the making or acceptance of a challenge for a prize fight to be a penal offense.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 24.—C. M. Norwood has filed in the Legislature a petition preliminary to contesting the election of James P. Eagle as Governor. Norwood was the Union Labor candidate for Governor, and was supported generally by the Republicans. Eagle's majority was over 15,000, but Norwood charges frauds, and claims that a fair investigation will elect him by 5,670.

COLUMBIA, O., Jan. 26.—The General Assembly has passed the Rannels bill providing that after January 1, 1890, all criminals in Ohio sentenced to death shall be executed by electricity at the Ohio Penitentiary. The bodies are to be immediately destroyed thereafter by the quick lime process, unless friends make a demand upon the authorities for the remains.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 27.—After a long and heated discussion in the Senate Friday a resolution was adopted to unseat Senator Carpenter. A motion to postpone indefinitely further action on the second division of the report of the majority unseating Ray, the contestant, was also carried, and the seat in the Senate occupied by Carpenter was declared vacant. The Governor will not doubt call a special election, and if this is done immediately the seat to which Shelby and Decatur counties is entitled will not be vacant more than two weeks. Carpenter was unseated because of charges of bribery in his election.

Fort Smith, Ark., Jan. 26.—The Indian Territory convention held here Thursday adopted resolutions recommending that Congress grant a Territorial form of government to the Indian Territory and to enfranchise such civilized Indians in the Territory as shall swear to support the Federal constitution.

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 29.—The Legislature in joint convention elected George L. Davis, of Norway, State Treasurer by a vote of 112 to 3.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 29.—The Times Charleston (W. Va.) special says: In Democratic caucus Monday night Senator Kenna was nominated, all the Democrats being present. He received thirty-one votes, which is one more than required to nominate on the two-thirds rule which was agreed to last night.

Record of Failures. NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days, as reported to R. G. Dun & Co., the mercantile agency, by telegraph, number for the United States 310, and for Canada 32, or a total of 342; as against a total of 387 last week, and 381 the week previous to the last. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 390 for the United States and 48 for the Dominion of Canada.

Want the Loggers Removed. CLOQUET, Minn., Jan. 27.—The Fond du Lac band of Chippewa Indians, in council Friday night, adopted a resolution to petition the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to employ military force to remove trespassers from the reservation. There are about 300 white men engaged in cutting, skidding and hauling logs in defiance of the law and instructions from the Indian Office. They threaten violence to Indians who attempt to interfere with them.

Levees Give Way. SHREVEPORT, La., Jan. 29.—Several levees thirty or forty miles above this city are reported to have given way on Saturday night, causing the submergence of a large tract of country. Many points levee below this city has also succumbed to the force of the current. All lowlands on the Red river not protected by levees are under water. No loss of life or stock is reported.

Clemency for Fish. WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The sentence of James D. Fish, formerly president of the Marine National Bank of New York, to ten years in the State prison for misapplying funds, has been commuted by President Cleveland, and Fish will soon be at liberty.

The Woman Suffragists. WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The Woman's Suffrage Association yesterday elected the following officers for 1890: President, Elizabeth Cady Stanton; Vice-President, at Large, Susan B. Anthony; Secretary, Rachael P. Avery; Treasurer, Mrs. Jane H. Spofford.

Murdered for Revenge. LONDON, Jan. 23.—The British Foreign Office has received a dispatch from Zanzibar stating that the Arabs engaged in the recent slaughter of Missionary Brooks and his sixteen followers said that the deed was committed in revenge for England's anti-slave trade policy.

Killed in a Saw-Mill. CHILLICOTHE, O., Jan. 26.—By the explosion of a saw-mill boiler yesterday at Tar Hollow, near this city, George and James Dearth were killed and John W. Arledge and Ebenezer Starling were fatally injured.

Of Course It Was Loaded. BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 26.—While fooling with a pistol supposed to be unloaded yesterday Peter J. Campbell, a prominent politician of this city, shot and killed Edward Gordon, a bartender.

Excitement in France. PARIS, Jan. 29.—In consequence of the election of General Boulanger to the Chamber of Deputies the Ministry tendered their resignations yesterday, but President Carnot declined to accept them.

A Bloody Riot. ROANOKE, Va., Jan. 25.—In a riot between the Pocahontas and Elkhorn miners in the West Virginia coal regions five white men and two negroes were killed and several others were wounded.

Death of a Well-Known Publisher. BOSTON, Jan. 26.—Charles A. B. Shepard, of the firm of Lee & Shepard, the well-known book publishers of this city, died, after an illness of several months' duration, aged 60 years.