

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

We give below a condensed report of the doings of the General Assembly at Minneapolis. Lack, of space to print a full report compels us to leave out every superfluous word.

The first duty of the Assembly was the call of delegates who passed the scrutiny of the committee on credentials. One hundred and eighty-five were reported.

Thursday at noon Mr. Davitt, the Irish leader, was admitted to the hall, and was permitted to address the Assembly. His speech was listened to with marked attention and elicited much applause.

The Committee on Legislation recommended that the eight-hour law be extended to letter-carriers; that the first Monday in September should be a national holiday; that the Blair educational bill be passed; that the legislative committee should be instructed to urge the passage of the Foran bill for the settlement of the governmeni lands under the homestead law, and that settlers be required to pay not more than 3 per cent to the government for money loaned; that government contracts be covered by a weekly payment provision; that the Foranlake shipping bill be endorsed; that a department of labor, postal telegraph. and governmental possession of railroads, as recommended by the General Master Workman, be endorsed; that United States Senators should be elected by a popular vote; that a the Colman Haidware Co., Morris, universal effort of our members should Illinois, caused by the new schedule be made to bring about a radical of prices, which makes a reduction of change in the conspiracy laws in the 10 to 15 per cent. different States, All the foregoing were adopted after varied and intelligent and pleasant discussions. The following recommendations also were adopted: The committee on boycotts and strikes recommended that the firms of Garry Bros., dry goods, New York City: Francis Coob & Co., lime, Rockland, Me.; Richards Paper Co., Gardiner, Me.: B. F. Spinnev, shoes, Norway, Me.; E. & A. H. Batcheller, North Brookfield, be boycotted. It was also determined to in- the wages of the miners 000 cents per dorse the action of the 15 District ton. Assemblies who have boveotted the New York Sun; it was voted that the honor of Thomas J. Armstrong. late New York Tribane be condemned; editor of the Labor Tribune of Pittsthat the action of the General Execu- burg, an able and staunch supporter tive Board in connection with the of the rights of the laborer. dock vard strike be endorsed, as they labor leaders of Pittsburg have taken had done their whole duty in the the matter in hand. matter. Considerable time was taken up in discussing a proposition to strike out that portion of the Constitution which gives the General Executive Board power to submit at any time a constitutional amendment to the locals and to declare it adopted by a majority vote. Amended so that the board be without power to act until requested by five district assemblies. Adopted. political organizations the world ever An amendment to the constitution authorizing the establishing of trade councils in local assemblies was rejected on the ground that the assem- tem of teachings in principles of ecoblies have already all the power in nomic government in a strictly non this direction consistent with discipline. The rule giving permission to citizenship, which enables them to district or national trades councils to exercise the right preservative of all regulate the time of the delivery of rights-that of suffrage-to the best charters to newly organized local as- interests of not only themselves, but semblies, was adopted. The action of the delegates in the No man can reasonably object to the convention has developed the fact Alliance going into politics in this that they are the most intelligent and way. +Ex.

conservative body which has come together to legislate for the benefit of the great organization that they represent. Members of the orders can rest has been consummated is calculated to assured that the result of this convention will be to solidify the organi- regard to the money power that one zation and restore harmony among its man may possess. The telegraphs members.

esteem in which she is held among of trade, of finance, of polices, of the membership of the Knights of official action and of domestic life. He Labor. Mr. Prose to thank the conemotion that he was unable to do so, sponded in his stead.

nesday, 19th.

LABOR WAIFS.

Culled and Condensed from our Exchanges.

a new weekly labor paper about Nov. ger to foresee with complacency. 11. Victor Drury will be the editor.

The miners of Iron Mountain. have struck against an order requesting them to work on Sunday nights.

The boycott on the American Tube and Iron Works, at Youngstown. O., has brought the company to terms existing lines. Telegraph lines could with its employes.

There is a strike of the molders of

JAY GOULD'S POWER.

The apparent fact that the sale of the B. & O. telegraph to Jay Gould excite the gravest apprehensions in

of the country convey intelligence A magnificent crayon portrait of T. regarding every transaction in busi-V. Powderly was brought into the ness, every act of the government. hall and placed on an easel in the every movement in politics, every centre of the room. Mrs. Leonora important personal and do nestic re-Barry, in behalf of the delegates, re- lation. With a telegraphic key-board quested the General Master Workman in Jay Gould's back office. he will to take to his wife this token of the have his on finger on every pulsation who shall own the telegraphs of the vention, but was so overcome with country can advance or depress prices by which thousands or millions may and General Secretary Litchman re- be ruined in an hour; he may control the government itself; his evil The Assembly adjourned on Wed-or unclean presence may be felt in levery home. Possibly one man might not abuse this stupendous grasp on the vitals of the country: but other Distrct Assmbly 49 will publish a men would, and it is too great a dan-

> It is evident_that, if competition and all its results are to be excluded from the private administration of such a great public service as the telegraph, the government must intervene for the protection of the people. But the United States should not ouv be established to every point reached by the Western Union, over every railway and post road, for one-tinth part of the nominal value of May Gould's combination. A telegraph office could be placed in every important post office and at every railway station in the country for a sum of money that would not sensibly reduce. the surplus in the United State Treasurv. The work should be undertaken at once, unless monopoly shall reinove and keep its greedy and oppressive hands off from the existing hnes. -- Chicago Journal, October S.



Clothing. Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Trunks, and Notions, &c.

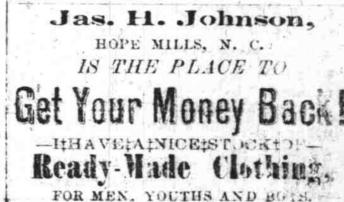
Our M' Fulh, on his recent extended trip to the Northern markets, bought hundreds of dollars worth of goods for prices conside any less than their manket value These goods we propose to

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Railroad employes who testified against the St. Paul road at Dubuque, Towa, are being discharged. They testified that the company were to blame for a recent wreck.

The Anthracite Coal Shippers Association, in Chicago, have advanced the prices of hard coal 25 cents per ton at wholesale. The Coal Exchange will advance prices the consumers.

P. S. - The Association advanced For THE MESSENGER

A monument is to be erected in

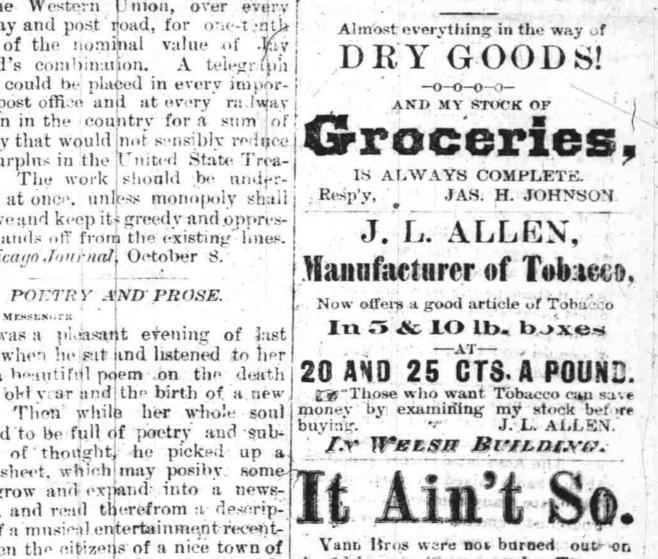
Knights of Labor of Caleb. Il., have a movement now on foot to organize a co-operative company, its capital stock to be \$100.000 or 40.000 shares at \$25 each, which organization is to date from 1888 or as soon as the titles to several tracts of land can be perfected.

The Alliance is one of the grandest produced. Rising as it does above the slums of the party politics, it elevates its membership through a syspartizan sense, to a higher plane of the nation at large. This is right,

POETRY AND PROSE.

It was a pleasant evening of last week when he sit and listened to her read a beautiful poem on the death of an old year and the birth of a new one. eemied to be full of poetry and sublimity of thought, he picked up a. small sheet, which may posiby some time grow and expand into a newspaper, and read therefrom a description of a musical entertainment recent-" given the citizens of a nice town of N. C., and as he read on she naturally grew the more interested, until, when the writer reached the zenith of his glory in his grand description of the sun's departur ,' and radiance of his beauty, and the grandly sublime writer seemed about to flap his wings N. C. and SUGAR-CURED HAMS. at the prospect of soon passing through the "pearly gates" and marching "the streets of gold" to the sweet notes of the Cornet band, when she droped back in her easy chair and exclaimed in the language of the poet, "Oh fan me, fan me quickly with a knitting needle."

Isn't it singular that while so much is said in the papers about workingmen organizing to keep up or prevent trading there. When you want to buy a cut in wages, so little is said about the pools organized to fleece the people.-New Order.



the 3d instant, as reported. They are still alive and driving business. They are selling "Rafts" of THE PLANE BOLIE

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