### TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

An attempt was made to wreck the At intic Coast Line northbound fast mail train Thursday night-George Bahen, hurt in the Thanksgiving foot ball game, will cerainly die, his physicians say. Some of the

'olumbia players are to be indicted -The chairman of the Republican Congressional committee says that committee will take no action as to contests for seats in the House -The treasury loses \$3,300,000 in gold through withdrawals and the reserve is now below \$109,000,000-The Iron Mountain railroad will take off all passenger trains now running through Indian Territory at night-A man in Kentucky is killed by white-caps for wife beating-The cashier of the City National bank of Quanaha, Tex is a defaulter to the sum of \$37,000 and has disappeared-Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge is denied the use of the armory of the Cleveland Grays, of Cleveland, Ohio, for a lecture -Officers with blood-hounds are on the trail of the Texas train robbers-One of mittee and advanced to the class of the several farmers near Cushing, Oklo., is fourth year. killed by bandits for giving information killed also-Burglars make an unsuccessful attempt to blow open the Cleveland, O., stock yards company's safe --- A railroad postal clerk is arrested in Chattanooga for robbing the mail-The naval board of

construction has decided not to change the Vesuvius to a gunboat-The South Carobill to reduce the legal rate of interest. A bill has been prepared making a reduction week were 385 in the United States, against 385 last year-The next North Carolina Methodist conference will meet in Elizabeth City-The directors of the Clifton mill, Spartanburg, S. C., will build their third cotton mill in that county-Vice President Stevenson will spend Sunday in Asheville -- A negro in Florida is convicted most revolting circumstances-The Marblehead is to be fitted up for a three years' foreign cruise, to what station is not known -Lazard Freeres will ship \$1,250,000 in

gold to Europe to-day-Count de Lesseps died vesterday in his 90th year - The Presovterian boards of home and foreign mis sions have mortgaged their property in New York city for \$1,000,000-Two men are captured while attempting to rob a train in lowa. One was killed while trying to escape --- A little girl in Milwaukee is cured by two injections of anti-toxine serum-Most of yesterday's session of the Baptist State convention was devoted to educational excitement in Columbia, S. C., last night over the rumor of a proposed attempt to lynch Murphy, the assassin of the treasurer of Orangeburg county-A murder in Chicago develops a great scandal-A letter published in pamphlet form was circulated in/Columbia last night charging Governor Tillman with receiving a rebate from the Whiskey trust on the liquor bought for the

### Attempted Wreck of an Express Train.

State and with many other such acts.

[Special to the Messenger ] FLORENCE, S. C., Dec. 7 .- An attempt was made to wreck train No. 32, the northbound night, two miles below here. A piece of timber 12 by 12 inches and 14 feet long was laid on the track parallel with and between the rails. The engine and the mail, baggage and first class cars passed over. A sleeper's trucks caught it up and dragged it for a son, S T Moyle, J E Underwood, H mile, until it reached the oil mill switch, Anderson, G W Fisher, W A Forbes, J one mile below here, where the trucks of E C Glenn, W A Jenkins and J M Ashby. the sleeper were turned crosswise on the track, tearing it up for several hundred ers, each of whom made a report as to the

The train was running sixty miles an struction would have gone over a 35-foot embankment. Engineer Robert Mack and Conductor John W. Gaillord, of Charleston, were in charge of the train. Senator David B. Hill, of New York, was also on board the train in a special car. It was a dastardly deed and came near causing the death of haif a hundred passengers. No one was

### After the Train Robbers With Blood-Hounds.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 7 .- None of the county, is hot on the trail with bloodhounds and a large posse. The trail leads due the life of the Godhead. west from the scene of the robbery. It is supposed that the bandits are making for the Brazos river bottoms, where capture is almost impossible The sheriffs of Parker and adjoining counties also have large posses on

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 7 .- Capt. W. J. McDonald and a detachment of State gangers left here to-night to join in the search for the Mary's Creek train robbers The posses from this city have struck a trail and it is thought they are now in pursuit of the bandits, nothing having been heard of them since 1:30 o'clock this morning, when the trail was found. The express officials here still contend that they do not know the amount secured, but deny that it will reach \$50,000. If the through safe was taken the loss will be over \$100,000. Other letachments of rangers have left North Texas to join in the search for the robbers. Deity.

Attempt to Crack a Safe. ful attempt was made early this morning to blow open the safe in the offic of the Cleveland stock yards company. Soon after 4 of clock masked men entered the office, A tell the same story. Even modern theology tell the same story that can be suited and exhibits for the woman's building, which has now grown to be one of the most interesting features of the exposing Lamar's building, which has now grown to be one of the most interesting features of the exposing Lamar's salice and the same story that the columns of the Mobile building, which has now grown to be one of the most interesting features of the exposing Lamar's salice and the same story that the columns of the Mobile building, which has now grown to be one of the most interesting features of the exposing Lamar's salice and the same story that the columns of the Mobile building, which has now grown to be one of the most interesting features of the exposing Lamar's salice and the same story that the columns of the most interesting features of the exposing Lamar's salice and the same story that the columns of the most interesting features of the exposing Lamar's salice and the same story that the columns of the most interesting features of the most interesting features of the woman's salice and the same story that t bauched ideas of men. Society and religion tell the same story. Even modern theology takes too low a view of man. Christ raised our conceptions by a truer and profounder takes too low a view of man. Christ raised our conceptions by a truer and profounder revelation of the resources of human nature. He never expressed anything but faith in men, and no condition of life could lessen the faith. He never abused our nature. Many preachers say more against our nature head, while the other three drilled a hole in read, while the other three drilled a hole in he safe and inserted dynamite. There was life.

The Georgia t entral Bill Withdrawn. ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 7.—The House bill known as the Doolan bill, affecting the reorganization of the Central railroad, was

## was withdrawn.

Another Bank Cashier Defaults. FORT WOMEH, Texas, Dec. 7 .- Sheriff Coffe, of Hardeman county, reports that W. F. Brice, cashier of the City National bank, the bank perfectly sound and solvent. Brice had no known eyil habits and there is no explanation of his use of the stolen

### THE METHODISTS.

short distance below Florence, S. C., MATTERS OF INTEREST BE-FORE THE CONFERENCE.

> Reports of Ministers-Examinations Passed-The Woman's Parsonage Society-Epworth League-Dr. Nash's Report on Fifth Street Church - Eloquent Sermon by President

> > Kilgo. [Correspondent of the Messenger ]

DURHAM, N. C., Dec. 7th. The proceedings of the afternoon session of yesterday of the Methodist conference were as follows:

Question 7 was resumed. Who are the deacons of one year? Elias B Wilcox, J J Porter, W T Draper, J W Martin, W L Seabott and M Bradshaw, each reported his work, was passed by the examining com-

Revs G W Starling, J B Thompson, G G about them. It is feared the others will be Harley, G D Langston, W B Moore, J O Rouse, W H Pickett, E H Davis, W F Galloway, W Y Everton, passed and were elected to elder's orders.

The following local preachers were elected to elder's orders: Joseph M Carroway, R Bruton, W Y Scales and L T Turner. Rev. F. A. Bishop read the report on the Epworth league work, which provides for a lina House of Representatives rejects the State League conference each year. The report was recommitted with instructions to make the report more emphatic in its disapproval of the utterances of Dr. Steele, editor of 20 per cent, in the sclaries of all State of the Epworth Era, relative to Bishop Haygood locating Rev. Sam Sones. N. M. Lawrence, superintendent of the Oxford asylum, was introduced to the con-

W W Smith, president of the Ran-Dr W W Smith, president of the Ran-dolph-Macon college, and general secretary of the board of education, was introduced and addressed the conference. Dr T H Law addressed the conference i the interest of the American Bible society,

Dr J R Brooks and Rey J J Rusk, of the of the murder of his own daughter under | Western North Carolina conference were in-At Trinity church in the afternoon the

Woman's Parsonage Aid and Home Mission society held their annual meeting, which was largely attended President Kilgo addressed an Epworth league meeting to-night. The conference will adjourn Monday THE THIRD DAY.

Conference met at 9:30 o'clock, Bishop Wilson in the chair. The bishop took up the examination of character and the reports of the preachers. The following ministers reported their work, and their characters passed Raleigh district-Revs John N Cole, D H V A Sharpe, J B Hurley, P L Hermon and

Durham district—B R Hall, F A Bishop, L L Johnson, J W Jenkins, N M Watson, R H Broom, M H Tuttle, N E Coletrane, M Hunt, T J Gattis. Fayetteville district-R C Willis, D A Futrell, B B Holder, C W Robinson; J H Hall, HG Stamey, EC Sell, JA Lee, W J Crowson, LJ Holden, W B Doub, H D Betes, W

S Davis, J O Guthrie, C W Cain, B B Culbreth and S Sandford. On motion of Dr Yates the committee on Epworth league was appointed, consisting of F A Bishop, G F Smith. F M Shomberger, J B Hurley, Dr N P Bodie, J G Brown and

Then the following read the reports of heir charges and their characters passedtheir charges and their characters passed—W C Norman, L L Nash, E Pope, G W Starling, D C Giddie, A R Roven, W H Townsend, R F Taylor, T J Browning, C W Smith, Daniel Reid, O Ryder, J T Lyon, R C Beaman, J O Costell, N M Jurney, J E Bristow, D L Everholdt, J L Keen, P Gruing, R F Bumpass, M M McFarland, R J Moorman, G F Smith, I A White, R L Warck, DO Watkins, J D Pegram, C P Jerome L. H. Joyner, J. J. Parker, A. McCullen, J. J. Hornady, W. L. Cunninggim, R. P. Troy, J. F. Frizzelle, C O Durant, Z T Harrison, G Perry, A J Parker, W E Edmondson, J M Giles, J M Rhodes, T W Ivey, J W Gib Sawyer, M D Hit, W H Puckett, N H Gyton This completes the list of all the preachimber of churches and Sunday schools

and salaries paid. A letter was read from Rev W E Edmondson, who was recently appointed a chaplain in the navy and is now stationed on the Philadelphia, sending his love to the conference and asking for their prayers. The reports of the proceeds indicate a decrease in salaries paid, and nearly all the onference collections are behind.

PRESIDENT KELGO'S SERMON. The following is a brief sketch of the sermon delivered by President Kilgo Wednesday night, from the text: and the word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we benefit His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father)

ull of grace and truth."-John I, 14. John was more of a philosopher than a historian. He therefore searches for the ultimate truths in the Gospel, and does not have been captured. Sheriff Euliss, of this rest his faith in the mere incidents of the life of Christ. The text reveals not only the nature, but the functions of Christ in A word serves two purposes. First, it is a

necessary element in thought; secondly, it is the medium of revealing thought. The first makes Christ the source of divine realization, and accounts for the identity of His life in the life of the Father. It also makes Christ the limits of divine thought and enterprise. This is the idea which John discovered and

elaborated in his Gospel. In this he differs from Matthew, Mark and Luke. But Christ, as the word, is the revelation of God to men. The idea of divine existence is a universal idea. The question is not, is there a God? but who is He and what is He? Men want to know the inner nature of God. This cannot be found in any investigation of nature. Such investigations can only result in ideas of power and wis-They are not the greatest ideas in If so, then Christ was a disappoint-His birth, life and death do not give them full expression. But the deepest ele-

ments of His character are holiness, truth and love These are the ideas men wanted

explosion, but only the combination He showed the capacity of human nature was blown off, the safe doors remaining intact. Three employes of the yard, hearing the report, ran to the office, but they arrived after the robbers had escaped, leaving like with his hands in the air. He took hear down when he was fully assured that other with his hands in the air. He took extension, and never rested till He put every creature behind him in His ascension and landed our nature on the throne of God. He came to us, but He carried us up to God.

[By Southern Press ] RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 7.—A News and Ob-server special from Durham says: Dr. Nash, pastor of Fifth Street church, Wilmington, N. C., reported the spiritual condition of his charge improving. seported by the committee on railroads to the House to day with a recommendation charge improving. He said that \$35,397.42 that the author be allowed to withdraw it. Mr. Samuel Spencer, Mr. Comer and other gentlemen were present to be heard in opposition to the measure, but as the time of the session was so limited and the sentiment of the committee was so clearly against the bill was withdrawn. and fidelity to Christ in the midst of great trial. The church is in need of \$1,500 to pay off the balance of debt not bonded.

The conference board of church a xtension ordered a collection to raise the sum of this

ordered a collection to raise the sum at this of Quanaha, Hardeman county, is a defaulter in the sum of \$37,000 and a fugitive. The detalcation was discovered last Monday. The capital of the bank is \$100,000, with \$20,000 surplus. The loss has been made rood and a National bank examiner reports the bank perfectly sound and solvent. Brice had no known evil habits and there is session of the conference. forty-eight accessions and the Central Caudin the same city has had eighty-eight. The Goldsboro, Wilmington and Newbern churches also made good reports.

The standing committee of the Epworth league was appointed and new officers of the Parsonage Aid and Home Mission society were elected as follows: President, Mrs. W. H. Shaw of Wilmington; vice president, Mrs. L. R. Berry of Wilmington; corresponding acceptant. Mrs. L. P. Anderson of Wilmington; Mrs. L. R. Berry of Wilmington; corresponding acceptant. Mrs. H. P. Anderson of Wilmington; corresponding acceptant. sponding secretary, Mrs. H. B. Anderson of Battleboro; treasurer, Mrs. Roger Moore, of Wilmington; recording secretary, Mrs. W. V. Shaw, of Durham.

Dr. T. H. Shaw, State agent of the American Bible society, spoke regarding his work.

A report of the conference colportage was then presented, as was also the report on Dr. J. D. Barbee, general agent of the Publishing house, also presented his report

and spoke at length of the work of the President Peacock, of Greensboro Female college, spoke at length of the work of the institution over which he has so recently been called to preside. He made a touching reference to the late President, Dr. Reid. This afternoon Dr. W. R. Lambeth adfressed the students of Trinity college on the subject of foreign missions. To night the anniversary meeting of the board of the Church extension was held in Trinity church K. P. Wilson and Dr. Bar-

[By Special Telegram.] DURHAM, N. C., Dec. 7 .- Fayetteville, Raleigh and Elizabeth City were placed in nomination to entertain the next annual conference, but Raleigh and Favetteville withdrew in fayor of Elizabeth City and

### that place was unanimously chosen. BLEEDING THE TREASURY.

Gold Withdrawals on the Increase-The Vesuvius Worthless as a Cruiser-The Marblehead to go on a Long Cruise.

Washington. Dec. 7 .- The treasury lost by withdrawals of gold yesterday in New York, Boston and Philadelphia \$1,700,000, making a total loss in two days of \$3,300,000. Nearly all of the gold was paid out for United States notes. This continued withdrawal, which began ten days ago, in driblets, has now assumed larger proportions, and has reduced the gold reserve to below \$109,000,000.

The naval board on construction his de cided, after several months consideration, not to recommend the alteration of the dynamite gunboat Vesuvius into a cruiser, but to continue that vessel in the service as she is now. An act of the last session of Congress authorized the transformation, but the board has concluded that, insomuch as the changes would cost \$45,000 and would be a doubtful expendiency, further trial of given a preliminary hearing and placed the boat as a dynamite thrower is advisable. The majority of the board are of the opinion that the vessel is useful only for destroying derelicts and for despatch purposes, her thin much greater range than her own pneuma-Secretary Herbert sent to the House to-

men of the United States steamship Dol-

with the hearty approval of the Navy Department as there appears no valid reason why the enlisted force of the navy should e discriminated against. Secretary Herbert has issued an order that the Marblehead be fitted for a three years' cruise on a foreign station as soon affect her utility on the home station, but it to meet again December 14th. will require thirty days repairs at the Norfolk navy yard to make the yessel independent of workshops for three years. Secre he wants to have her ready abroad wherever she is needed. There is an impression that she will be attached to the European squad-

### but it is quite as likely that she will go to South America. It is certain that no further addition will be made to the Asiatic fleet. THE BAPTIST CONVENTION.

ron as a reward of merit for the conspicuous

services rendered by her officers and crew

during their long summer duty at Bluefields,

The Second Day's Proceedings Devoted to Educational and Foreign Foreign Mission Matter -Sirring Addresses by Returned

Missionaries. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 7.-The Baptist State convention held its second day's session to day. In the morning the board of education reported, and the chairman, Rev. John Mitchell, reported a debt of \$1,000. There are thirty-six young men being educated for the ministry. Rev. J. B. Boone, of Windsor, reported the

State mission board out of debt and advocated work for next year on a \$15,000 basis. The Baptists are alive on the foreign mission Last night three returned missionaries spoke to the convention and a great congregation in the Y. M. C. A, hall. Rev. H. Col. M. Slaughter, assistant Mosely spoke first. He was imprisoned in Mexico for writing a book against certain ractices of Mexican Catholicism, and, alhough released through the instrumentality of Secretary Gresham, is banished from the

country, but declares his intention of going back some day Rev. Dr R. H. Groves, a returned mis sionary from China, and Rev. J.W. Callum, on a visit to America from Japan, also spoke with great eloquence and force, insomuch that the convention under the lead of Mr. H. B. Duffy, a young business man of Newbern, was led to pledge an amount sufficient to send a missionary to Japan and support him for five years. This was in addition to the regular mission work of the Rev. R. J. Willingham, secretary of the foreign mission band of the Southern Bar-

## ist convention, made a ringing address.

A Swindler Exposed. LynchBurg, Va., Dec. 7.-For some weeks the question of lighting this city has been in a great muddle, owing to the mysterious manipulations of a man named David Lamar, brought here and made general manager of the local electric company. Lamar's methods having aroused suspicion, his record was hunted up, and last Tuesday a sayage as sault was made upon him by Councilman Hamner in the columns of the News. Exwas specifically charged in the city council with attempting to bribe an expert electrician to make false statements to the council as to the cost of producing light in order to prevail upon that body to give his com-pany the contract and not build a city plant. The contract had already been awarded to Lamar's company, but the award was re-voked by the council and the committee ordered to invite other bids. To-night the officers of the company, who are honorable men, repudiate Lamar's transactions and profess entire ignorance of his methods. It is not unlikely that Lamar will be nabbed by the police,

Schaefer Makes a Spurt. CHICAGO. Dec. 7 .- To-night for the first becoming known. time during the billiard tournament Jacob Schaefer was ahead on the night's play. He struggled nobly to overcome part of the treagainst him and succeeded in reducing Frank's lead 344 points. Both men played fine billiards and made big averages. Schaefer played the new in and out anchor shot, in which the player is allowed to make nine before driving them out of anchor, for all it was worth. The majority of his big runs were made in this way. At the conclusion of the night's play the score stood: Ives, 3,000; Schaefer, 2,375. Schaefer is now 625 behind. Schaefer's average was 62 14-15, within 1-15 of the best

New York average. A Convict Killed, Meyers, who was serving six years for burg-lary, after testifying in court to-day, in prison garb broke away from Deputy Sheriff Wilkerson as the jail door was being Tocked on him, and ran cown the street. Wilkerson fired three bullets, the last mor-tally wounding the convict, LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 7 .- Convict Frank

HOW TREASURER KNIGHT SECURED HIS BOND.

The Son of a Bondsman Virtually Treasurer-Reward for Capture of a Lyncher-Board of Canvassers Awaiting the Mandamus Decision - Meeting of Southern Ed-

ucational Association.; MESSENGER BUREAU, gsbee made a statement before the board of

commissioners to the effect that an agreement was made between Mr. Knight and himself, that if he (Mr. Knight) was sworn in, that young Mr. Riggsbee was to have a \$1,500 position and that none of the county and school money could be drawn out of partly to the refusal of the Senate caucus to take up tariff matters at this session. Some bank except by a check signed "H. H. Knight by Riggsbee''-and that Knight Chicago Gas was in better request could not drawn one cent of the money on his own check as treasurer. The question is, is this legal, and if not legal is it indictable? Some lawyers say it is not legal, but is indictable. Under this contract young Riggsbee is virtually Wake county's treasurer.

Sheriff Page was granted fifteen days in which to file his bond

Governor Carr yesterday appointed H. A. illiam, of Tarboro, a notary public. The law requires the Governor to report to the Legislature a list of all the pardons he has granted, and his reasons for granting each. The entire executive force are busy getting everything ready for the "gathering of the clan."

David Slaughter, of Surry county, the man who at a wedding killed one person and badly wounded two others, was during last February taken from the county jail and lynched. A man by the name of George Words was said to be the leader of the mob. He f'ed. Governor Carr offered a reward of \$300 for his capture. He has been captured, under bond. Yesterday the Governor was grade. Cash wheat was steady. called on for the promised reward. Among the society people two very enjoyable teas were given, one on Wednesday evening at Gen. R F. Hoke's and on yesterday eyening at Mrs. Julian Timberlake's. At Gen. Hoke's, the popular new game "Up Jinks" was a special feature where the wanted. Cash corn was firm without esday the petition of the officers and enlisted fortunes of the "wicked quarter" were followed with yarying success. The tea at ohin, asking the amendment of the act Mrs. Timberlake's was given to Miss Kate placing non commissioned officers and pri- Hale who on Tuesday will be married to vates of the army on the retired list, so as to include listed men of the navy. Secre tary Herbert, in submitting the matter, says tary Herbert, in submitting the matter, says turist, has received a notification from the that the object sought to be obtained meets Blue Ridge Horticultural society of High-

lands, stating that that society proposes send-ing a petition to the Legislature asking for further measures to prevent forest fires. Professor Massey is requested to suggest that other like societies in the State join in The State board of canvassers cannot adas possible. A number of minor journ, nor can it finish up its work until defects have developed during her stay in the West Indies, which would not The board has therefore only adjourned Engineer Watson, who was reported yesterday as having died from his injuries at the fatal wreck near Rockingham, is still tary Herbert has not yet announced the destination of the Marblehead, but he says He has lived in Raleigh for many years and has quite a large family. News this morn-

ing gives little or no hope for his recovery. A letter from a Mrs. Palmer, who has been, and still is devoting her life to the good of the Waldenses, has been shown your correspondent. She is trying to make her own home an example for these people ov cultivating it and putting out trees, etc. that are most suitable to that climate. She writes Professor Massey, of the Agricultural and Mechanical college, and asks his advice about many things. She says the colony as received valuable donations of clothing o they are not in want in that respect, but hat their stores of provisions are running low, and she does not know how they are get through the winter. She also asks if he Legislature will do anything in regard to their schools and to whom she had best apply so as to have that matter pushed. All teachers, professors in colleges, trustees, and others engaged in educational work nformed that the fifth annual session of the Southern Educational association, (organized at Morehead, N. C., July 1st, 1890), will take place at Galveston, Tex., on the 26th,

27th and 28th of December next. Advices from the executive offices promise a very successful and important meeting of South ers teachers. Leading officers of educational nstitutions in Texas predict an attendance of 5,000 teachers from that State alone. Very favorable rates for board have been made, and the hospitality of the Southwest Col. M. Slaughter, assistant commissioner

of the Southern Passenger association, at At-lanta, Ga, has fixed the following rates for continuous passage, sold December 22nd 23rd and 24th, and limited to eleven days from date of sale: From Raleigh, round trip \$49.05, Wilmington \$48.70, Charlotte \$42.85 Durham, Goldsboro, Henderson, Oxford, same rate as Raleigh. Greensboro \$46.60. Further information may be obtained from W. H. Bartholomew, president, Louisville Ky., Frank Goodman, secretary, Nashville Tenn., or C. B. Denson, Raleigh, N. C.

The Atlanta Exposition. ATLANTA, Dec. 7,-The House of Repreentatives of Georgia to-day passed by an verwhelming majority a resolution authorzing a complete exhibit of the resources of International exposition, to be held in Atlanta next year. The building is to be available not only for the State of Georgia, but any others as desire to use it. North Carolina will probably remove her full exhibit made at the World's fair at Chicago. Plans for two additional buildings have been asked for, making in all eighteen buildings, eleven of which are already in the hands of the

The Southern Railway and Steamship association, representing leading Southern railroads, has agreed to bring in free of charge all material and exhibits for the woman's women from all parts of the United States.

### Convicted of the Murder of His Own Daughter.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 7.—Wm. Jones, colored, was convicted to-day in the Circuit court of the murder of his daughter. The girl was found cut to pieces last spring in a suburban part of the city. Examination disclosed the fact that she would soon have become a mother. Jones made conflicting statements in regard to his whereabouts on the night of the murder and he was arrested. The theory of the State was that Jones was responsible for his daughter's condition and murdered her to prevent this

Washington, Dec. 7.—Medical Director John Mills Brown, U. S. N., retired, died at 8:30 o'clock to-night. He was stricken with

## COMMERCIAL NEWS.

tooks and Bonds in New York-The Grain and Provision Markets

of Chicago. NEW YORK, Dec. 7 .- While the trading in American Sugar was again on an enormous seale to-day, the sales footing up nearly 187,000 shares, the stock did not monopolize speculative attention by any means. Traders had something else to talk about, the developments in Washington in the matter of the proposed amendment in the Inter-State Commerce law so as to permit pooling having not only furnished operators with a fresh topic for discussion, but created quite a bullish sentiment in railway stocks as well. The impression here is that Congress

right that Rogers' and Knight's bonds had been accepted and they had been sworn into office, In the treasurer's office there is a rather queer state of affairs. Mr. Riggsbee a wealthy man of Durham, is on Mr. Knight's bond for a large sum and Mr. Rigquite general. The rise in the railway list ranged from 1 to 21 per cent. American Sugar was even more active than of late. The stock opened at 87½ to 88, rose to 91½, and closed at 91½. The rise was due partly to the decision of the directors not to issue a statement on the condition of the industry. generally admitted to be unfavorable, and of the buying was traced to inside sources among the Industrials and advanced to 72% In the inactive stocks, Pittsburg and Western, preferred, rose to 33½ to 33¾. New Haven prought 1951. against 1901 the last reported sale. Minnesota Iron, which was recently offered down to 40, with the best bid at 20 to-day sold at 40. The last transaction a the board before to-day was at 50. Net changes show gains of \( \frac{1}{2} \) to \( 4\frac{7}{2} \) per cent., Sugar leading. The sales were heavy, amounting to 387,237 shares. The bond narket was unusually active and strong.

The sales of listed stocks aggregated 185,000 shares; unlisted, 202,000. CHICAGO, Dec. 7 .- In wheat to-day the tendency was lower, prices, however, keeping within narrow range and being sup-ported in the main by holders of puts. The principal weakening factor was the failure of Liverpool to recognize the late recovery of American markets of yesterday, quota tions from the leading English point being d lower at the opening. The opening was lower than yesterday's close by ac, and at no time during the session did prices succeed in passing the starting point on the up-The buying side of corn grew in popularity to-day. There were several reasons

for this. The receipts were 100 cars less than The withdrawals from store were heavy and the weather was wet where dry weather was sential change in price.

The trade in oats was quiet and devoid of interest. Prices held well and at the close showed a shadow of improvement. The strength of corn was the main prop to

values. Cash oats were steady.

A prominent scalper in provisions evinced much anxiety to advance prices to-day, the general belief being that he was long and would feel better satisfied if he could dispose of his holdings to some slight advantage. The hog market did not show much change, and provisions coincided with the steady feeling. The trade was narrow and restricted and prices held within prescribed limits. The close was 2½c under yesterday for January pork a shade lower for January lard, and 2½ to 5c lower for January ribs.

Count De Lesseps Dead. Paris, Dec. 7 .- Count Ferdinand de Lesseps died this afternoon at the Chateau la Chesnaye. This dintinguished engineer was born at Versailies on November 19, 1805. His fame rests chiefly on his scheme to pierce the Isthmus of Suez by means of a canal, which was opened for steamboats on August 15, 1865, although the waters of the Mediterraneau were not connected with those of the Red sea in the Bitter lakes until August 15, 1869. On November 17, 1869, the Suez canal was formerly opened at Port Said amid a series of festivities. A few days after the inauguration, M. de Lesseps married his second wife, Mlle. Autard de Bragard, a young creole of English extraction. He was given the grand cross of

the Legion of Honor in 1869, and in 1870 ws s nominated by Queen Victoria an Honorary Knight Grand Commander of the Order of The last great engineering work attempted by de Lesseps was the cutting of a canal through the Isthmus of Panama, but after the expenditure of 600,000,000 francis, which eventually led to most serious scandals, the work was unsuccessful. As the enterprise became more and more helpless, the buoyancy and energy of de Lesseps began to fail him. He had just completed his 87th year and was very feeble when his reputation was assailed by the charges of colossal fraud and corruption in connection with the financial part of the Panama enterprise. It is doubtful whether he ever realized the grace. When arrested at his home he had apparently some vague idea of impending menace to his reputation, and he put on his orders and his star of the Legion of Honor before receiving the officers of the law. He was not molested further and never knew that he had been tried, convicted, and sentenced to five years imprisonment. Even the fact of his son's sentence was kept from nim and he was permitted to die in peace.

### Bradstreet's Report, NEW YORK, Dec. 7 .- Bradstreet's to-mor-

row will say: At the largest Eastern cities retail trade has assumed the characteristics of the holiday season. The demand from jobbers is mainly to fill out depleted stocks, and activity is mainly among retailers. An encouraging report regarding the outlook is received from Baltimore, but Boston, Buf-falo, Pittsburg and Philadelphia announce the State of Georgia at the Cotton States and trade quiet, with the volume for November

At the South there is a reasonable activity in staple goods, with a moderate improvement at Nashville, Chatanooga, Savannah Augusta and Jacksonville. Southern job bers are paying as much attention to co lecting bills as to selling goods. At Charles-ton, Memphis and Birmingham trade is quiet and unchanged. New Orleans and Jalveston likewise send unfavorable reports of the movement of merchandise, but with the first name the free marketing of crops makes money more plentiful, though the demand for funds is small. There has been a moderate gain in distribution of groceries, shoes and light hardware from Galveston,

Mortgaged for a Million Dollars. NEW YORK, Dec. 7 .- The boards of home and foreign missions of the Presbyterion Church in the United States have mortgaged Church in the United States have mortgaged their property at the northwest corner of Fifth avenue and Twentieth street to the Seamen's Bank for Savings, for \$1,000,000. The property has a frontage of 92 feet on the avenue and 192 feet on the street. The mortgage, which was filed to-day is for a period of ten years and states that the boards have given their bonds in the sum of \$500,000 each at the rate of 41 per cent. per

An Attempt at Suicide. An Attempt at Suicide.

Altoona, Pen., Dec. 7—James H. Ewing, an old newspaper man of this city, and some years ago a well known writer at Washington, Baltimore and Richmond, Va., made what will probably be a successful attempt this afternoon to end his life by thrusting a pocket knife into his windpipe. He is at the hospital and his condition is considered critical. His wife died a short time ago and it is supposed that he was latime ago and it is supposed that he was la-boring under aberration of mind.

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## OUR REPRESENTATIVES.

WHAT WAS DONE AND SAID IN THE HOUSE YESTERDAY.

The President's Message Distributed by Subjects to Proper Committees-The Railroad Pooling Bill Still Under Discussion - A Bold Advocacy of the Right of Monopoly-Necessity for Elastic Currency.

Washington, Dec. 7.-The greater portion of to-day's session of the House was devoted to a continuation of the discussion on he Railroad Pooling bill.

A resolution offered by Mr. Wilson, of West Virginia, was passed, distributing the subjects of the President's message among the several appropriate committees, On this resolution the House was briefly addressed by ex-Speaker Grow, Republican of Pennsylvania, who presented his views n regard to amendments to the National bank act necessary to secure the desired elasticity of the currency issued by the banks.

The order for a session to-day for the conideration of pension bills was vacated. A resolution was agreed to giving the Committee on Banking and Currency permission to sit during the sessions of the House. When the Railroad Pooling bill came up as the general order, Mr. Patterson withdrew all amendments offered by the committee to the bill and the debate was continued. Mr. Bryan, Democrat, of Nebraska, opposed the bill in a strong speech. Among poposed the bill in a strong speech made other things he referred to the speech made yesterday by Mr. Reed, expressing the opinion that never had the House listened to so bold an advocacy of the right of monopoly. He agreed with Mr. Daniels, Republican, of New York, that the railroads should not come to Congress to protect themselves against their own mismanagement or ruinous competition." Mr. Bryan gave notice that at the proper time he would move to amend the bill so as to secure a basis upon which the committee shall act in determining the reasonableness of rates. His proposition was that the committee should allow profit upon the cost of reproduction of the road and rolling stock at present rates, regardless of the original cost of the road, regardless of additional expenditures, and regardless of the amount of capital stock issued either real or fictitious. This was the rule, he said, applied to all other business. The passage of the bill was further op-osed by Mr. Northway, Republican, of Ohio.

Mr. Wise, chairman of the Committee of Inter-State and Foreign Commerce, replied to Mr. Northway. Referring to the latter gentleman's remark that the passage of the bill was urged by the railroads alone, he said that it was advocated by boards of trade and transportation all over the country and by very State railroad commissioner except The discussion for the afternoon was concluded by Mr. Cockran, who advocated the bill as one which should be supported by every man who desired that the commercial onditions of the country should be such as

to bring about commercial prosperity. If the railroad companies, he said, were denied what they asked in the pending bill they would seek the relief, he believed, in consolidation, as the telegraph companies had been consolidated. In answer to the question by Mr. Cox.Mr Cockran said he believed the passage of the bill would result in a reduction of rates, for the reason that it was the policy of railroad companies to constantly reduce charges. Railroads certainly did not seek to lay waste the country from which they derive their

### support-they sought those conditions which made for the prosperity of the towns through which they passed. At 5 o'clock the House adjourned.

The Sun's Cotton Review. NEW YORK, Dec. 1.-The Sun's cotton review says: Cotton advanced 5 to 6 points but lost this and declined 7 to 8 points, closing steady with sales of 136,200 bales. Liverpool advanced 3 to 4 points, closing 2 points higher for the day and quiet. Spot cotton was 1-16d higher with sales of 8,000 bales In Manchester yarns were firmer, cloths full. New Orleans advanced 3 points, but lost this and declined 8 The receipts to-morrow are estimated at 14,000 to 17,000 bales, against 7,250 last Saturday and 13,744 last year. Spot cotton here was dull and unchanged. Sales were 217 bales for spinning. It was rumored that two firms i Manchester were in trouble. In one case proved to be a reorganization of the firm There was a rumor that the East Indian Government intends to extend the 5 per cent, duties on cotton goods to those imported from Manchester, which are now exempt Unexpectedly large receipts at the ports, liberal arrivals at the interior towns

and the report that two firms in Manchester had failed caused the decline here to-day. To Build Another Cotton Mill.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 7 .- The directors of Clifton mills, Spartanburg county, have determined to build a new cotton mill which will make the third mill operated by this company on Pacolet river. The nev mill will be built at Thompson's shoal He left a large family of children by his second wife. which has a water power capacity of spindles and 800 looms, without the steam power. The mill will be finished and in operation by the first of next October and when finished will give five cotton mills within a three mile radius. These mills will have altogether 90,000 spindles and will be able to consume every pound of cotton grown in Spartanburg county.

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