TAFT APPROVES KNOX PLAN

Board of Examiners Will Pass Upon

the Fitness of All Applicants For Position of Secretary and the Rec-

ords of Efficiency Will Be Preserv-

Washington, Special.—To improve

he personnel and efficiency of the

diplomatic styice and to encourage

and commercial foreign relations of

for promotion to the rank or minis-

ters, President Taft has approved a plan suggested by Secretary of State Knox, and published it as an Execu-

The new prospect provides for a

board of examiners to pass upon all

applicants for appointments as see-

retaries and prescribes the standard

plan to the President, points out the

remarkable growth of the political

and commercial foreign relations of

the United States and the increasing

difficulty of the problems to be dealt

Records of efficiency of all the un-

der secretaries will be preserved in

the State Department and appintment

from outside the srvice to secretary-

ship will be made only to the class

of third secretary of embassy; or, in

case of higher vacancies, of second

scretary of legation, or of secretary

of legation at posts which have as-

signed to them only one secretary.

Vacancies in secretaryships of the

higher class will in the future be filled

by promotion from the lower grades,

and efficiency and ability demonstrat-

ed in the service will be the tests of

will be graded according to the importance or difficulty or other aspects

All the secretaryships in the future

tive order.

with.

advancement.

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TAR HEEL CHRONICLES

News Notes Gathered From All

Parts of the Old North State.

Case to Court.

Asheville, Special.-George Wast-

ganton for about one year," Fisher

Fisher was only temporarily in-

sane, staying at the asylum one year.

of land and a part of the Tom Can-trell lands. An interesting part of

the deed covering this land and sup-

posed to be signed by George Washington Fisher and wife, Addie, is that

his wife also says that she knows

nothing about the paper which bears a clear handwriting of the signatures of the two parties. Fisher is a man

to 11 Toutern

MORGAN BUYS RYAN'S STOCK IN EQUITABLE R. H. Linn, of Washington, Dies

Greatest Financial Power Ever Held by Individuals.

HARRIMAN ESTATE THE SELLER

This Single Transaction Involves an Enormous Amount of Capital Centered About One Man-Many Other Companies Concerned.

New York City.-The Equitable Life Assurance Society became the property of J. P. Morgan, with its \$462,000,000 of assets, its 350,000 outstanding policies, representing \$1,-300,000,000 of insurance. Official announcement was made that Mr. Morgan had purchased the society's stock formerly owned by Thomas F. Ryan, now deposited with Morgan J. O'Brien and George Westinghouse, as

involving an enormous amount of in the end apparently made by a gua-capital, is only a part of a great finan-shot. It is believed that Mr. Linn's cial combination centring around the gun was accidentally discharged, banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co. blowing the hole in the sinkbox, and Control of the Equitable and Mercan- that the recoil made it impossible for tile Trust Company passes along with the purchase. Only a few days ago control of the Guaranty Trust Company was taken over by a Morgan Commerce, second largest in the Uni-A money trust of the most gigantic

ready in syn asthetic affiance, as almorgan house through George W.
Perkins, a partner in the bunking firm
and the power behind the thrane in
the insurance company.

Another close associate of the Morgan interests is the First National
Bank. H. P. Davison, its former vicepresident, is the intest partner to enter the Morgan firm. The First National ranks third among the country's banks, and its interests in other
financial concerns are very large.

nancial concerns are very large.
It was Mr. Davison who gave out the following brief statement con-

"Mr. Morgan has bought the ma-

jority of the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance Society formerly

owned by Thomas F. Ryan. This pur-

James Hazen Hyde."

The peculiar wording of the official

announcement, which does not defi-nitely say that the stock was pur-

chased from Mr. Ryan, coupled to other circumstances, lends color to

disposed of his holdings secretly some

time ago to his former enemy, Harri-

his father, Henry B. Hyde, fifty-tw per cent. of the capital stock of the

great company is the only one of any size in the insurance world to have capital stock, the others being mut-

capital stock, he others being mut-ual concerns, rominally controlled by the policy holders. There exist 1000 shares of par value of \$100 each, rep-resenting a total of \$100,000 capital-

The Hyde interest being a majorit

absolutely dominated and controlled it. In 1905, when the extravagances

and irresponsibility of young Mr Hyde caused a great upheaval and

exposure of insurance corruption, he suddenly resolve' to sell his holdings and go to France to live. There was a battle of financial interests for the stock, because it controlled the hundreds of millions of cash and invested according.

at a Bonfire.

Wilmington, Del,—While playing with fire near her home, seven-year-ald Helen Kenney was fatally burned. She stopped on her way home from school to watch a bondre, and went

Wesley Trotter, a postoffice em-ploye, and Mrs. Mary Dougherty were severely burned in trying to save the little girl. She did a min an hour,

Equitable Life Assurance Society

James Hazen Hyde inherited from

report that the Harriman estate

cerning the transaction:

BANK PRESIDENT DROWNED

While Duck Hunting.

Sun Probably Discharged Accidental ly and Left Him Stunned-Other Hunters Heard No Call.

Baitlmore, Md .- R. Henry Linn, president of the American National Bank, of Washington, D. C., met his death while duck hunting on the Susquehhanna flats, about two and a half miles from Turkey Point and ten miles from Havre de Grace.

Mr. Linn reached the ducking grounds in the evening and expected to return to Washington next day. He was occupying a sinkbox, and had complained to those in charge of the tender that it was leaking. He re-ceived directions what to do, and appeared to have carried them out.

Sometime afterward, however, it was discovered by men in a rowboat belonging to the tender that Mr. Linn was not in the sinkbox. Investiga-This single transaction, although tion showed that the box had a hole him to call for help, which was within

There were no wounds upon the body, and it appeared evident that syndicate. The National Bank of Mr. Linn, probably insensible from Commerce, second largest in the United States, is now lodged in the same the weight of his body dragged the sinkbox down and filled it with The body was recovered in five feet

BANKING CAPITAL AND RESOURCES

48,000,000

17,000,000

came president of the institution.

He leaves a widow, who was Miss Jeannette Harrison before her mar-

riage, and a baby girl, residing at Leesburg. The body was sent to that place for interment.

WINS THEN SHUNS MONEY.

Uncle Sam to Be Given Back Gratuity

That Rent Family.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—"I intend to return my share of the money to the United States Government," said Anna Hall when a verdict was re-

will case by Judge James B. Swing's

jury in the Common Pleas Court here

The Government set a bad precedent

The will of Miss Hall's mother

residue, aside from a few charitable

equests, went to Anna. The case has

been in court for years, and during

the fourth trial Miss Hall conducted

her case unnided.

Miss Hall became famous a few

years ago when she succeeded in hav-ing a bill presented in the Ohio Leg-

islature, providing for the painless putting to death of the hopelessly

JEFFRIES-JOHNSON FIGHT.

Secured For \$101,000 and Two-

Thirds Receipts From Pictures.

Hoboken, N. J .- The big fight be

tha Johnson, negro champion, was awarded to "Tex" Rickard and Jack

Gleason. Their offer of \$101,000 and two-thirds of the moving picture privileges was accepted. "Tex" comes from Nevada and "Jack" from San

won for them the biggest thing in the

sporting line that has figured in hu-

The fight is to occur July 4, 1910, in California, and the pictures are expected to realize between \$200,000 and \$400,000.

Alleged Murderer Escaped.

Fan Pcdro, Cal.-Lient, Governo

filarino, of Lower California, Mex-

of San Diego.

Lynell way charged with killing unit Daris in a gamrel over a girl.

Vone. The removal grows out he excess from Sen Diego and from Lower California of Earl II, son of a prominent merchant

sick or injured.

man annals.

dreds of millions of cash and invested securities. Thomas F. Ryan was the successful buyer.

He paid young Mr. Hyde \$2,500.-000 cash for 502 shares. The remaining shares were scattered among numerous holders. Mr. Ryan said at the time he mude the purchase in a spirit of financial philanthropy in order to conserve the many vast interests involved should disruption come. Under the society's charter only seven per cent. dividends could be paid on the stock, and the only direct income which Mr. Ryan could obtain for his ontay would be \$3514 annually in dividends. This was a very small return for an investment of \$2,500.000, which at the current interest rate of five per cont. represented \$125,000 annually.

LITTLE GIRL BURNED TO DEATH. | LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNISHED.

On Her Way From School She Stopped Mexican Official Dismissed Because

when it donated \$15,000 to my fath-

CONTROLLED BY J. P. MORGAN.

Total\$1,749,000,000

Jroportions the country has ever known is being crested with J. P. Morgan at the head.

How many insurance companies, trust companies and hanks, each with many militons of assets, will be included in the combination is the subject of unlimited speciation. In addition to the purchase of a majority was cashier until 1263, when he came was cashier until 1263, when he came

chase is subject to the trust under which Grover Cleveland, Morgan J. explorations. It has been the cause O'Brien and George Westinghouse of all the trouble in our family, and were made voting trustees for the I shall not use a cent of it."

benefit of the policy holders, and it covers all of Mr. Ryan's interests, in- which has been sustained, left a small

James Hazen Hyde."

amount in trust to a son, Charles
Hall, a street car conductor, and the

National Bank of Commerce.....

Guaranty Trust Company
Mercantile Trust Company
Equitable Trust Company
Bankers' Trust Company
Astor Trust Company

of the work done at each mission, and these classifications will be made known to the srvice so that every man may know just where he stands. The examining board will determine the fitness of candidates desig-

The examinations will be held at Washington and will be both oral and written. A physical examination will be supplemental.

nated by the President for examina-

Candidates must be between the ages of 21 and 50 years. The department will aim to apportion representation fairly among the States

COTTON MEN WRONGED.

sioner of Corporations De-

producers of cotton and the dealers in that commodity are the victims of the system of trading in vogue on the cotton exchange of the country.

This is the burden of parts 4 and 5 of the report of Commissioner of

Corporations Herbert Knox Smith on the conduct of such exchanges. The practice of dealing in futures, as it is carried on at present, is condemned, carried on at present, is condemned, the existence of the exchange. "The brief discussion of general speculation in this report," says Mr. Smith, "recognizes the possibilities the great public q

for good inherent in a great central market like a cotton exchange, and the need that this good be developed and evils eliminated by regulations in line with economic law.

The report is especally condemna ory of the dealings in futures, branding this form of speculation as pure gambling and highly injurious to legiimate trade. In quotations for "fu ture" deliveries of cotton, the market s so uncertain and so many elements of change enter into the transaction that all bids are made at a much lower figure than those offered for

cotton actually in existence.

The effect of these fictitious quotations, the report points out, tends to mislead the cotton planted as to the true value of his crop, honestly grown. In addition it leads brokers o "play" both sides of the market to protect themsives against loss in such trades, with the result that the producer is forced to pay in the end, while the farmer loses likewise

The report, while recognizing that the exchanges in New Orleans and New York are necessary, does not nince words in criticising the New York exchange. After declaring that the New Orleans methods of conducting the transactions in cotton followed natural lines, the report draws atproven that the abnormal depressions n the future price in New York were almost wholly due to improper ertificial conditions now maintained by the New York coton exchange. By naintaining them the New York exchange is responsible for a very real njury to the producer and

King of Sweeden Mingles With the

People.
Stockholm, By Cable.King Gustave on Saturday inaugurated a new departure for sovereigns. Disguised as stevedore he spent most of the day earrying sacks of coal from a lighter. in an interview, after it was all over, he King said that this was only the beginning. He intended to mix with all classe of laborers, so that he might ascertain their opinions and wishes. Already he added, he had obtained many valuable hints from the nen with whom he worked.

W. J. Colhoun Likely to Accept the Chinose Ministership. Chicago, Special-William J. Cal-

houn, a Chicago attorney and diplo-mat, Sunday night admitted that Secretary of State Knox had offered him the post of minister to China. The admission came in denial of a report that he had declined to accept the offer. Mr. Calhoun explained that he had been induced by Secretary of State Knox to reconsider a determination not to accept the appoints

Appropriation Bills Give Right of Way.

LIVELY TIMES EXPECTED.

Much Interest is Manifested in President's Message of Account of Many Questions by Will Have to

Washington, D. Of Special.-Congress assembled Monday on the "long session," whi will probably run into the summer Representatives where e arrived express a determina take up the igorously with work of the sss the hope of having well advanced before the holidays The House is the election of ner com-be excuse Speaker and offic sion, and the ar mittees, so there down to for that body 1 business at once

s are to be The appropriat at both ends given the right of of the capitol an sed through When the with all possible appropriations hi been disposed of Congre turn its attention to more sting if not more important m things Con-

Here are some gress will find ; hand to the railway Sweeping char laws, giving add terstate Comme to the in-

An amendme Sherman anlabor unions titrust act ex-from penalties Subventions the merchant of the ocean Authorization building of extension

Authorization under strict terstate Company Legislation and the against lab

or may no Much ir President's the great questions it No preside tened to wit eagerness and

nt of Taft outlined in of the day and which he is porate in his me The President gress important ed to incor-

The President propose to Congress important at a mion upon at least ten subjects. Eth is a matter which will provoke discussion and arouse opposition in Congress. The arouse opposition in Congress. chief subjects to be dealt with are: Supervision of the issue of stocks and bonds by interstate corporations: readjustment of the daties and power of the Interstate Commerce Com-mission; expansion of the duties of of the Interstate Commerce the Bureau of Corporations: creation of a new buren in the Department of Justice to leal with violations of law by inter state carriers; establishment of a spealled "railroad court"; ame much of the Sherman anti-trust act: creation of a postal savings back; ship subsidies; amendment of the pocedure regard-ing the granting of injunctions, and the conservation of natural resources In addition to these it is probable that currency reform will be recom-mended, not as something to be im-mediately undertaken, but to be considered when the report of the Mone-tary Commission is completed.

PROMINENT PROPLE.

Denn Cushing, of Columbia Law School, cent his resignation to Pres-

Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Starl Company, was elected a trustee of Lehigh Univer-

Wellman at Washington, D. C., de-claring Dr. Frederick A. Cook an im-

Senator N. W. Aldrich discussed the work of the Monetary Commis-sion at the Economic Club dinner, in

serious draws, dealing with the prob-lems of to-day, would be the prevail-ing form of theatrical entertainment. Senator H. A. Co Pont's chances of re-election were shaken by the au-rouncement that his county, T. Cole-men du Poet, is about to retire from

MAKES A REPORT TO BOARD

Major Graham Commissioner of Agriculture Reviews the Agricultural Status in North Carolina-Receipts of Department \$132,258.75.

Raleigh, Special.-For the annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture hich convened here Wednesday for probably three days' session, the feature for the day was the annual report of Commissioner W. A. Graham treating farm conditions in North Carolina and the work of the various divisions of the department. The report declares the results of

farming operations this year were in different section of the State and that while the yields were very good u some sections they were quite inferior in others. So that the North Carolina erop census in connection with the general census by the United States government will not show an average yield for the State. Farmers, he says, have given far better attention to their work this year than in the past, especially as to improved culture of corn, due in a large measure to institute work and corn clubs in connection with demonstration work. He says the great interest in agricultural work is phenomenal and urges the board to devise some method of assuring its permanency.

Soil Improvement and Divesity of Crops.

The report urges the necessity of striving more effectively for per-manent improvement of soils and diversity of crops through raising all farm supplies. Attention is directed to the fact, as he stated it, that North Carolina pays to dealers in other States for supplies that could be produced on the North Carolina farms more money than is gotten for the entire cotton crop of the State. As long as this is the case the only cotton money left in the State is that realized by profits by the dealers selling the supplies.

The yield of cotton in this Stars

will, he says, be the smallest per acre on record. This will also be the case as to corn. At the same time some yields of both crops will be abnormally large. Receipts For the Year \$132,258.75.

Commissioner Graham reports receipts of the department for the fiscal year ending Dec. 1, 1909, \$132,258.75. The amount remaining in the treasury at the end of this fiscal year was not given in the report. He report-ed \$15,000 paid on the debt for the

special appropriation from the re-

The commissioner reported finest agricultural exhibits at State and the district fairs this fail ever made in the State, due largely to the attractive supplemental premiums provided by the State Department of Agriculture He recommended that the amounts especially the department of women's work, be increased.

Treating soil survey work the re port mentioned the resignation of Mr. Drane to take an appointment in the United States assay office at Charlotte and the substitution of Brinkley to take up his work in co-operating with the national gov-ernment the last work being in Pitt, Gaston and Scotland counties, there being 22 counties and special sec tions already mapped.

to check the spread of this disease, especially in Eastern Carolina.

He recommends legislation that will check hydrophobia among cattle, declaring that sevral thousand head

agronomy were reported, special at-tention being asked to action to pre-vent the introduction of the boll vent the introduction of the boll weevil into this State which, he said is expected to recale this State through natural progress in 1923. There was special mention of farmers institute work under T. B. Parker, held each year in every part of the State.

In conclusion the commission re-

MAN'S ANNUAL REPORT.

methods of farming, in the efficiency

sued by the various divisions. Increased diversification of crops. Market value of 87 counties. Decrease in fertilization is reported in four-teen counties. The great majority of the counties. The great majority ward smaller farms. Reports from 95 counties claim that negro labor is Claims Tozaway Site-Will Carry

unreliable. General inercase in the

ost of living is reported. Report as to wages show highest average for men \$24.11, an increase ington Fisher, a farmer of Polk over last year. The lowest average county, it is learned here, claims that is \$14.76 an advance of \$1.39 over he is the rightful owner of the prolast year. Reports show financial condition of working people good in 20 perty that is now occupied by the counties, fair in 42, poor 30; bad 3; Toxaway lnn at Lake Texaway. Improvement is reported from 71 "While I was in the asylum at Mor-

As to cost of production 65 coun- is quoted as saying, "returning in ties show cotton produces at a er-age cost of \$33.30 per bale; wheat in 77 counties at 77 cents per bushel; land, of which I have an interest, corn in all counties at 53 cents; oats to the Lake Toxaway people." In 38 cents; 51 counties tobacco aver- making cut the deeds, it is afleged,

age 47.71 per hundred pounds.

In the general introductory to the report covering the whole scepe of to work of the department Commissioner Shipman says the disincliniation, especially on the part of it was to me that the fifth and to the some manufacturers to furnish the of this form had the fifth and to the some manufacturers to furnish the of this form had the fifth and to the some manufacturers to furnish the of this form had the fifth and to the some manufacturers to furnish the of this form had the fifth and the first series and the second sec some manufacturers to furnish the of this hand required reports has largely disaps that George Washington peared, but there are still many that had a guardian appointed by the give trouble by neglecting to prompt- courts. So it became necessary to fill out and return the blanks. sign an entirty new deed with theorge The effort to give statistics of organi- Washington's signature to the papers. zed and unorganized labor failed this On this ground Fisher expects to win year but it is the purpose to have his suit and regain the lands or a such a report for the next year, part thereof. Commissioner Shipman or Assistant Commissioner George B. Justice have cone into every section of the state He is now a farmer of Polk county, wherever necessary to make sure of 3 miles from Tryon, where he owns getting the fullest and most accurate reports possible. In spite of three months he has been working great effort, the commissioner says t has been impossible to secure ab- a survey made of the whele tract

Verdict For \$7,500.

Oxford, Special.-A remarkably interesting case was argued in court here, that of Sidney H. Usry against Southern Railway. The jury rendered verdict of seven thousand five hunired dollars in favor of the plaintiff, who was sriously and permanently injured, by having his hip fractured. The accident occurred in September, 1908, near Oxford, while the train was at a water-tank. Mr. Usry was suddenly thrown down by unex-

preparing for the centests in their

respective districts, the leaders of the

great parties are carrying on a gen-

ong forseen the fate of their finance

In London Saturday afternoon one

Democratic League, held a demon-

Snow Ties Up Trains.

according to statements issued by the

general managers of those roads Sun-

day night. According to General Manager Slade of the Northern Pa-

cific, freight is more or less tied up

all along the system on account of the

nesota and Norths Dakota. Pasenger

late in St. Paul Sunday night.

30th of this month,

trains are from one to four hours

The 20th annunal coference of the

Southern Educational Conference will

be held at Charlotte, 28th, 29th und

FAMOUS WAR BEAUTY DEAD.

Miss Rebecca P. Baird, the last of the elder representatives of one of

Pennsylvania's oldest and wealthlest

families, died here this morning, al-

ter having celebrated her eighty-sec-

Miss Baird's brother was Snenco

F. Baird, the held of the Smithton-

ian Institution. The deceased was a

rousin of United States Senator Seles

Moncure Robinson,

and birthday last Thursday.

grow under their feet.

mostly of the laboring and

on the Northern Pacific and

of no education and can barely write his name so that people can read it. Seven Prisoners Escape. Smithfield, Special.—Tuesday night there was a fail delivery here, seven prisoners making their escape and so

Loo H. Battle Not Gullty. versus free trade, but these are being pushed into the background by Greensboro, Special.-The jury in he conflict between the two houses. Lee H. Battle, cashier of the City Na-While the various local organizations are busy selecting candidates and

tional Bank, on trial in the federal court here for the past two weeks, re turned a verdict of not guilty at 10 clock last Saturday. District Attorney Holton announce-

ed that he would not pos two other cases against Battle and he was discharged. Judge Boyd, in thanking the jury, said it was evident that the community believed Mr. Battle lind committed no intentional wrong.

Murphy, Special.—At a meeting of the Murphy board of trade Monday night it was decided to organize a solicit subscript, one. The steck was taken up immediately. A meeting of the stockholders will be called a once, when officers will be elected and the business will be pushed right along, it is thought the company will rent power from the Murphy Power & Light Co.

39,480,326 Pounds Plug.
Winston-Salem, Special.—Local to-bacco manufactories have shipped, the past eleven months of the present year, 39,480,326 pounds of plug te-bacco, an increase of 4,446,760 pounds over the same period of last year. The manufacturers have paid out to the United States government for revenue stamps, the sum of \$2,368,819,93 this year, an increase in favor of the present year of \$266,802,47.

plant of the Michal Gheen such, deors, blinds, etc., here was destroyed by fire at an early hour Friday morning. The machinery, buildings and raw material are a total loss. Insurance for \$7,300 was carried but the loss will reach higher figures than this. Mr. Victor F. Motz of this place was the principal owner in the company. The first had quite a good headway when discovered about 3 o'clock in this morning.

Plans to Check Bell Wagell Raleigh, Special.—The North Car slina beard of agriculture has pe a regulation having for its ! the keeping of the Lall world of the State. The regulation for

Captain Samuel F. Cody, the Amer. ican aviator, took out his naturaliza-tion papers as a British citizen.

A statement was issued by Walter

Beron Alec's Hochwarehier, of Berlie, was arrested on a charge of vio-lating the entomobile speed law, in

York City. George Tyler predicted that the

Governor Hughes delivered a enlogy on the life of the late Covernor Johnson, of Minneson, at a memorial meeting held by the Scandinavians of New York City.

David A. Weedward, a prominent artis, and the inventor of the selar print system of partral, painting, fied at his country hore, acar Relay, Md., eighty-six years old.

James Preeman Gurtten Harvard's golf chammion in 1829 and brother to two winners of women's golf chammionship, is appointed assistant Secretary of the Present to meet 1 L.

solutely complete reports of micellaneous factories. Hoever the reports of cotton, woolen and silk Barton places, Johnnie Bagweil tract mills are complete.

He recommends definite effort and provision by the State Departmen for raising improved breeds of stock cattle. And stated that mountain test farms will undertake to demonstrate the possibilities of sheep raising.
Progress in Horticulture Shown.

Progress in horticulture as demonstrated by the very creditable high premiums carried off by North Caro-lina at the National Horticultural Congress at Council Bluff in the contest with all the other apple-growing States, was presented with special compliment for State Horticultura-list W. M. Hutt.

Treating animal industry, the commisioner recommended the appropriation of \$500 for the preparation and distribution of hog cholera serum

of cattle were lost the past year from this disease. Cattle tick eradication was declared to be progressing well. Fine progress in dairy demonstrating department, the department of entomology and in the department of

ported that the new oil division turned into the treasury Nov. 30 the sum of \$10,500. COMMISSIONER H. L. SHIP-

Penrose and of Judge Edward W. Bid-Raleigh, Special.-The forthcoming die. Miss Christine Piddle and Mrs. annual report of Commissioner of of Philadelphia, were pieces of Misa Labor and Printing, M. . Shipmen Baird's, and her relationship in Washwill show decided improvement in ington, Haltimore, Philadelphia, and New York is both extensive and promthe chapter of farms and farm labor. especially in application of better Miss Boird's father was Samuel

Baird, of Reading, Pa. In her every of labor and an advance toward in-tensive farming. The report declares years and during the civil war Baird was a famous besuty, and wa that a gratifying increase in breadth of vision is noticeable among the parties of armers generally, says the report, and largely to the effective effort through the state department of arriculture and the special hallotine in

Great Britain is memersed in the po-litical campaign which has been inangurated by the refusal of the House of Lords to consent to the budget. The country is divided into two great camps, composed of those who support the Lords' action and those who contend that the House of Commons must have absolute control of the finances of the mation. There are, of course many solute control of the finances of the mation. There are, of course, many other issues, such as fariff referm

eral campaign. The radicals, who had bill, are not allowing the grass to of their organizations the National

stration as a protest against the ac-Chair Factory Crganized. tion of the Lords which was one of the most notable ever held in the metropelis. Fully 20,000 persons, classes, gathered in Trafalgar square and cheered the radical speakers. who condemned in unmeasured terms the members of the upper chamber St. Paul, Minn., Special.—Cold and snow are now delaying freight traffic parts of the Great Northern railroads more than the strike of switchmen,