Interstate Commerce Commissioner Thinks Car Shortage Is Relieved.

RAILROADS HAVE ACTED

Serious Terminal Congestion Exists, but Fault Lies With Carriers, Who Have Not Been Able to Cope With Emergency.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Franklin, Lane, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, who has been in confer commission, who has been in conference with officials of the Western railroads relative to the car shortage, in an interview tonight said the coal situation, one of the most knotty problems resulting from the car shortage, had been relieved greatly. "President Hill of the Great Northern and President Elliott of the Northern Pacific have notified as that the alteration is now milliott of the Northern Pacinc have notified us that the situation is now in hand by the roads, and danger of suffering from lack of fuel is over," he said. Speaking of his recent trip through the West, Mr. Lane said:

Terminal Congestion Exists.

"There is a very serious terminal congestion. The shippers are complain-ing that the railroads should have foreseen the car shortage and been pre-pared to meet the emergency.
"The suggestion was made to us by James J. Hill that the railroads spend

55,000,000,000,000 at the rate of \$1,000,000-000 a year, in buying equipment, putting double track in the place of single track, four tracks where now are two, putting in new switches and enlarging terminals.

"Both in Chicago and Minneapolis positive proof was given that the tense situation is due to faulty management as well as inadequate equipment. Need Car Clearing House.

"A car clearing-house, by which the A car clearing nouse, by which has roads will receive credit weekly for their cars, and under which cars might be used to best advantage, is a good suggestion offered by Mr. Midgley, of Chicago, an authority on railroad matters. He cites the system now followed by the Southern Pacific, one of the roads he represented before the Commission. I do not care to discuss a mission. I do not care to discuss a remedy at present, or to go into the matter further. A report will soon be submitted to the Commission. It is safe to say there is no remedy resting within the power of the Commission. I think that is beyond question. It rests with the railroads themselves, and if they cannot successfully cope with the issue, then a law should be made to cover such cases."

NO CONGESTION AT KANSAS CITY

Railroads Give Figures to Show Freight Is Moved Promptly.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 22.—The first of the week it was reported in some of the week it was reported in some of the papers that the railroad yapds at Kansas City were greatly congested, and similar testimony was given be-fore the Interstate Commerce Commis-sion. A representative of the Union Pacific Railway stated here today that this report was a mistake and an in-jury to the road. "The Union Pacific has made a care-

ful investigation of the subject," he said, "and, as an example of the condiof its yards in Kansas City, it found that on December 19 there were in its yards 105 loaded cars to move out, only 12 of which were delayed over 12 hours. It had on hand to unload 156 cars. There were on hand 152 empty cars and 150 bad-order cars undergoing repair, making a total of 575 cars in the yards at Kansas City, Mo., Kansas City, Kan., and Armstrong,

The company has 38 miles of storage track at these points, which is enough to handle 4500 freight cars; so was evident that 575 cars could not ake much of a congestion." The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific

officials at Topeka also say that the figures used were incorrect, so far as they were concerned at Topeka. that the statement that the Rock say that the statement that the Rock Island had 400 cars in the Topeka yards, more than 100 of which were said to be empties, was false

DELEGATES MAKE COMPLAINT

Tell Commerce Commission of Their Troubles Validating Tickets.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.-Complaint has been made to the Interstate Commerce Commission that in many in-stances persons desiring to attend conventions on the particular day are peonot been presented for validation. The Commission expressed the opinion "that it would not be unlawful or improper for carriers to accept a satisfactory guarantee of bond of an assofactory guarantee of bond of an asso-ciation or society for which the round frip rate is made, that the minimum number of tickets will be validated or the difference between the reduced rate and the full rate paid by the associa-tion or society, thus permitting the prompt validation of tickets and re-duced trip rate. It being understood that if the specified number of tickets shall not be validated the society will be required to pay the difference agreed be required to pay the difference agreed

upon."

The Commission also announces an The Commission also announces an extension of time in the application of the rule governing through rates which exceed the sum of locals. The Commission had previously ruled that carriers shall make use of the rule until December 31, 1906, but carriers now may make use of the rule, "until further notice."

ACCUSES ROADS OF EXTORTION

Oklahoma Investigator Files Report on Rates Charged.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 22.—Attorney-General W. O. Cromwell, who was instructed by Governor Frantz to Investigate railroad rates prevailing in Oklahoma, today issued a lengthy statement, in which he charges the six important railroads operating in the territory with violating their charters by demanding exorbitant rates.

WILL RULE PULLMAN CARS

Texas Railroad Commission' Declares

Them Common Carriers. AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 22. - The Texas Railroad Commission issued an order today declaring Pullman cars common Mining Company de carriers and providing that all such operated in Texas shall be under its as six months ago.

immediate and constant supervision immediate and constant supervision, providing a reduction in rates of 20 per cent and specifying that the Pullman Company shall consult the Commission regarding the number of cars operated, as to increase or decrease in number; file its operating books, etc., and report all operations to the commission the same as railroads are required to do.

DRAFT LAW ON CAR SHORTAGE

Commission Will Meet and Recommend Stringent Measures.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—C. A. Prouty, member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, who has been conducting an investigation into the freight car shortage, passed through here today on the way from Kansas City to Washing-ton. He stated that the Commission will meet within the next few days at Washington and recommend to Congress some legislation for the relief for the shippers who have been suffering from the car

"The damage to grain and cattle ship-pers in the West and Southwest cannot be estimated," he said. "Active and stringent methods will have to be ad-opted at once to relieve the situation."

Seize Railroad Coal, but Will Pay.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—Dispatches from Berwyck, N. D., say that citizens and farmers from the nearby country yesteriay helped themselves to ten tons of coal from a train which was stalled on the village siding. Bankers and

Peacemakers Tackle the Japanese Imbroglio.

ARBITRATION IS SUGGESTED

President of San Francisco Schoo Board Says He Is Powerless to Consider Schemes Under Present State Law.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.-That the ersy over the segregation of the the United States authorities and the mu

TWO CHILDREN OF MRS. ANNA M. BRADLEY, DISOWNED BY LATE EX-SENATOR ARTHUR BROWN



business men joined in the distribution. all the coal being weighed and charged to the recipients, who are to pay the railroad company for it.

Mines Close for Lack of Cars. SCRANTON, Kan., Dec. 22.-All of the coal mines are closed here, because there are not empty cars to haul away the fuel. This is causing a great hardship among the miners, who are out of work. Orders for coal are pouring in every day. There is a promise by the Santa Fe officials that a number of cars will be sent out next

DEATH SAVED THEIR NECKS

Snyder's Alleged Accomplices Escape Prosecution by Auto Smash.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.-Circuit Attorney Sager today entered a nolle prosequi in the cases of W. H. Ritter, of Denver, former, ly a member of the St. Louis Municipal Assembly, and Frederick G. Uthoff, of Denver, who was also a member of the St. Louis Assembly at one time. Ritter was charged with attempted extortion and Uthoff with perjury in connection with the case of R. M. Snyder the Kansas City capitalist who was recently killed in an automobile accident and who was under indictment here is

EXPLAINS AWAY MIRACLE

connection with the granting of a street

Italian Scientist Disposes of Fable of

ROME, Dec. 22.-At the People's Paince here today Signor Glecci gave a visible demonstration of the yearly "miracle" of the liquifying of the blood of St. Gennaro. which is kept in a phial in the Church of

St. Gennaro at Naples. Signor Glacel explained that this change was effected by a chemical combination known to the ancients for the preserva-tion of blood, and that blood treated with it liquifies at a certain temperature, Sig-nor Giacel performed the experiment with calf's blood, adding thereto substances the nature of which he did not reveal.

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Washington Streets. Garcia cigars, the green and gold label, stands for quality. Acceptable

Christmas gifts.

New York Brokers Fail.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.-The suspension of the brokerage firm of Arnold, Leo & Co. was announced on the stock exchange The firm of Arnold, Leo & Co. was

established 25 years ago. Its standing on the exchange was high, and the announcement of the suspension came as a general surprise. An assignment was made in the interest of all creditors and a re-sumption is hoped for.

Mr. Hubbard, the assignee of Arnold, Leo & Co., said that the Philadelphia branch was not responsible for the fail-ure of the firm. Mr. Hubbard said that the only reason he could assign for the failure was its inability to raise money during the recent stringency in the money market. He had no idea of the firm's liabilities.

Dividends on Copper Stocks.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The directors of the Tamarack Mining Company today de-clared a semi-annual dividend of \$3. Six months ago \$2 was declared and a year ago \$3. The directors of the Osceola Mining Company declared a semi-annual dividend of \$6 a share. This is the same

board of education, was approached with a tentative proposal to arbitrate the en-tire controversy, the basis of arbitration being that Japanese native-born children should be allowed to attend the San Francisco schools that American children do, provided they are of the same age as the latter.

Mr. Altmann refused to consider the essibility of arbitration along these line He reiterated his position that it is man-datory on the part of the board of edu-cation to segregate the Japanese children under the present state school laws.

The persons who are striving to adjust the matter in behalf of the Japanese and the Federal authorities are now planning

Cain Will Run Rio Graude Road

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 22—D. E. Cain, general manager of the Southwestern lines of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway, has been appointed assistant vice-president in charge of operation of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad, effective January 1.

RIOTS FOLLOW THE FAMINE

vinces Grow Worse.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 .- Consul-General Rodgers at Shanghai today cabled the State Department as follows: "Klangsu famine conditions are daily growing worse. Brigandage and rioting in adjacent districts resulting. Very dangerous state of affairs anticipated by officials. Chinese Government will prob ably provide work on a grand scale for the destitute hordes. Immense numbers unquestionably starving. Sickly, afflicted and old left in the famine district."

DISCORD MAY TEAR ABYSSINIA

Menelik Again III and Struggle for Throne Is Impending.

ROME, Dec. 22. - Reports from an authoritative source declare that Menelik, King of Abyssinia, has suffered a fresh attack of syncope. Apprehension is felt, especially as recently the Negus seems to have changed his mind about the appointment of a successor. It is no longer certain that Jisu, son of Menelik's daughter and Ras Michael, will be chosen, and, if this is so, the struggle for the throne will be fierce.

These difficulties are augmented by the differences between the represent-atives in Abyssinia of Italy, Great Britain and France. These diplomats have been in Abyssinia since the time when the interests of their respective governments conflicted strongly. They have not buried the personal resent-ments aroused during that period, and are today adversaries, in spite

acting in accord.

Italy and Great Britain have decided to recall their representatives, and it is believed that France will follow suit.

SHAR HAS ANOTHER RELAPSE Appoints Heir Regent Over Persia

and Awaits Death. TEHERAN, Dec. 22.—(7:45 P. M.)—The Shah has again had a relapse. After a few days' improvement, his condition took a turn for the worse last evening

and his physicians now report his condition to be very bad.

Among the state papers which the Shah December 20 was a decree formally appointing the heir apparent Prince Ali Mirza, regent. The latter had earlier in the week assumed general charge of governmental affairs.

Bryce and MacDonnell Disagree.

LONDON. Dec. 22 .- In a dispatch from Dublin, a correspondent of the Times says the appointment of James Bryce as Brytish Ambassador at Washington has induced many well-informed persons to believe that he has serious differences of opinion with Sir Anthony Patrick Mac-Donnell, under secretary to the Earl of Aberdeen, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. over the home-rule measure. It is be-lieved that Mr. Bryce was willing to go farther than Sir Anthony and that he saw no objection to giving the Irish control of the constabulary. Rumor further points to Sir Anthony, the correspondent says, as the new secretary for Ireland

Merry Christmas in Germany. BERLIN. Dec. 22.-This will be a pleas-

ant Christmas in Germany owing to the prosperity of the people. Few people are out of work, there are not many beggars, and there is less evidence of misery among the poorer classes than in years past. The parcels-poet warehouses are too small to contain the great number of holiday packages. The total is swelled by more parcels from the United States than ever before. Several hundred American residents in Berlin gathered at the American Church this morning, and Mrs. Tower, the wife of the American Ambassador, distributed presents to the children from a large tree.

Kalser Will Celebrate.

POTSDAM, Germany, Dec. 22.—Twelve large Christmas trees from the forest of large Christmas trees from the forest of Rominten have been set up in the Shell Hall of the new palace for the Emperor and Empress, their six sons, Princess Victoria Louise, the Crown Princess and her baby, and Princess Eltel Friederich. The Emperor has articles brought to him from which he chooses gifts, but the Empress and the other members of the Imperial family so shooping in the streets of perial family go shopping in the streets of Berlin daily, beginning a fortnight pre-vious to Christmas. The members of the royal families of Europe make a large in-terchange of gifts at Christmas. A wagonload of purceis destined for other courts was dispatched from the new palace De.

Will Build Another Dreadnaught.

LONDON, Dec. 22.-The contract for the pattleship Superb, the third of the Dreadnaughts to be laid down this year, has been awarded to the Armstrongs, of Newcastle-on-Tyne. The contracts for the construction of the turbine engines of the Bellerophon and Temeralse, now in course of construction at Pertsmouth and Devonport, also have been awarded. The en-gines are to cost from \$1,350,000 to \$1,400,000.

No Change in Oscar's Condition.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 22.-The following bulletin was issued this morning by the "The King passed a quiet day yester-day. His temperature in the evening was 9.4. The action of his heart and the con-dition of his lungs remain unchanged."

TWENTY PERSONS HURT

Wreck in Nevada When Engineer's Watch Stops.

RENO, Nev., Dec. 22.—Twenty passengers were injured, some seriously but as far as reported none fatally, in a head-on collision on the Southern Pacific Railroad at Harney, Nev., at 4:45 o'clock this afternoon. A freight train was stopped on the main like while, the conductor who know main line while the conductor, who knew that the tri-weekly special passenger was due, went to the office to telephone for nore time.

As he was in the office the passenger

train, going 50 miles an hour, crashed into the freight. The engineer of the freight says his watch had stopped and he did not know what time it was .- The

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 22.-A special to the Herald from Reno, Nev., says that officials of the Southern Pacific give the number of injured in the Palisade wreck at 20. The injuries to the passengers are slight. A brakeman had one leg

SIX MEN SHOT BY YOUTH

Fatally Wounds Two in Fusillade in Kentucky Town.

BOWLING GREEN, Ky., Dec. 22.-BOWLING GREEN, Ky., Dec. 22.— Tom Wilson, a youth, tonight fatally wounded Homer Still, a hardware clerk, and inflicted a fatal wound on Police-man Baldemaker. He wounded four others, among them W. S. Waudby, spe-cial representative of the Department of Commerce and Labor. Waudby was wounded in the face, but neither he nor the other three of Wilson's later vic-tims is seriously hurt.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

John Boden, Jr., Horseman.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—News was received today of the death at Saranac Lake last night of John Boden, Jr., sec retary of the Brighton Racing Associa-

Bishop Henry Cosgrove.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Dec. 22. - Bishop Henry Cosgrove, of the Catholic Dio cese of Davenport, died tonight after a long illness, of cancer of the kidneys. He had been bishop of the Davenport diocese since 1884.

Edwin Huffer, Pioneer of Soda Water MEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 22.—Edwin Huffer, a ploneer soda water manufac-

turer and formerly vice-president of the American Soda Water Fountain Company, died here tonight, aged 87 years. Mineworkers' Official. SURINGFIELD, III., Dec. 22.—W. E. Smith, president of the United Mine Workers of Illinois, died today at his

home in Coal City'.

Car-Strike Causes Riot in Lima. LIMA, Peru, Dec. 22.-Streetcar traffic bilding. Peru, Dec. 22.—Streetear traffic was suspended today as a result of a strike of the conductors and motormen which culminated in a conflict last night between the police and the strikers and their sympathizers. The police fired on the latter, wounding several persons. The newspapers declare this action of the police was not justified and urge the authorities to be more prudent. The various benevolent organizations are asvarious benevolent organizations are as sisting the strikers; the butchers are fur-nishing them meat and the bakers bread free of cost.

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 22. - It was an nounced late today that President Pardo would arbitrate the strike of the carmen, whereupon the men agreed to return to work tomorrow.

Mother Quarrels; Baby Dies.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.-A quarrel of two women yesterday indirectly caused the women yesterday indirectly caused the death of a baby girl. Mrs. Anna Papirak and her sister, Mrs. Petrina Masuga, were quarreling beside a crib in which Mrs. Papirak's daughter, Elizabeth, 5 weeks old, lay. In her excitement, Mrs. Mazuga tossed a bundle of clothing into the crib and the child was smothered to the crib and the child was smothered to death before the women finished their Mrs. Mazurga will be held pending a

Corporations Lose Advantage.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 22.—By a decis-ion rendered by the State Railroad Com-mission today, the advantage which has heretofore been enjoyed by corporations owning private cars is practically nulli-fied. The decision was rendered on the complete of the Harring Wilson Confied. The decision was rendered on the complaint of the Harring-Wilson Coal Company against the Wheeling & Lake Eric Railroad, the Commission ruling that it shall hereafter take into account all private cars in the distribution of cars.

Louislana's Engines Repaired. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.-Repairs to disabled starboard engine of the battleship Louislana were completed today. The battleship is scheduled to sail tomorrow marning for Hampton



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HOUGHTONBROKEHISWORD

PROMISED TO QUIT STEALING AND WAS RELEASED.

Governor Chamberlain Is Determined That ex-Convict Shall Go Back to Penitentiary.

SALEM. Or., Dec. 22 .- (Special.) -Whether the Governor has authority to revoke a conditional commutation of sentence is a question that is likely to be determined soon by the courts of the state. Revocation of the commutathe state. Hevocation of the commuta-tion granted in favor of "Chick" Houghton is likely to form the basis of legal proceedings, which will settle this question, concerning which there has long been uncertainty. The Gov-ernor has not yet taken action, but he has secured the original commutation from Superintendent James, of the Oregon Penitentiary, and if he thinks there is a probability of his being able to put Houghton back behind the pris-on bars he will issue an order revok-

ing his act of elemency.

There is no express authority for the issuance of a conditional commutation, but Governor Chamberlain believes that when a commutation has been accepted by a convict upon certain conditions expressed therein, the courts would not order him released if taken into cusorder him released it taken into custody again for violating the condition.

Houghton was brought to the Penitentiary in April, 1904, on a five-year sentence for robbery in Multnomah County. After serving two years he was released by Governor Chamberlain upon condition that he would be a lawabiding citizen. He has broken the

abiding citizen. He has broken

condition, and the Governor thinks it will be best to get him back to prison, "I granted the commutation against my better judgment," sald Governor Chamberlain today. "That was the only time I ever extended clemency to a prisoner against my judgment. I had little hope of his reforming, but I did hope that he would take care of for them and not for "Chick" that I granted the commutation. Even the appearance of old man Houghton, feeble and almost totally blind, is enough to arouse the sympathy of any man. But I can see now that the com-mutation was a mistake, and I shall see whether "Chick" can be brought

back to prison.'
It is probab It is probable that Houghton will object to being brought back to the Penitentiary, and will bring habeas corpus proceedings in case he is taken

MINER TAKEN FROM PIT

(Continued From First Page.) noon occurred when Foreman McClure grasped the hand of Hicks through the opening made under the car, and with a wringing grasp shouted in his ear: "God bless you for your nerve, old man; we could never have gotten an ordinary man out alive."

Hicks replied in a voice overflowing with feeling: "Don't go away for a while, Mac: this is the sweetest moment of my life. God, how good your hand feels."

Cut Through Mass of Timbers. This dramatic incident occurred late in the afternoon, when, after sawing through the great masses of timbers which obstructed the ore car, the rescuers sunk to the base of the car, cut the rails with saws and began to burrow the cavity through which Hicks could crawl. Immediately after this hole had been made a few moments were spent in speaking to the buried man and asking about his spirits and health. Dr. Stinchfield stepped to the face of the drift and called:

the old nag to the hospital?" "Get out the wildest mule in camp and I will ride her if I get out of here," the man who never despaired replied. Then Superintendent Cone had his turn. Lying on his stomach, he shouted into the

"Do you think you will be able to ride

crevice: "Hicks, you have been a good workman; you have been a laborer for 15 days down there and have never yet called your time. Your salary contines and you check awaits you at the office.'

Eyes Tied Up With Gauze.

Before the work was resumed the phy-

sician once more interposed. He handed

Hicks a great roll of gaute and bade him bind his eyes with it, as the light was streaming under the car in long rays. "The light doesn't hurt a bit, Doc," said

As the closing hours of rescue work flitted by the expected in-flow of messages and letters from the outside be gan. The telegraph offlice has a dozen wires to Hicks tonight from all classe of people who believe in living by the ingenuity of their brains. A saloon, a real estate company and an amusement resort are among those who have expressed their interest by sending the messages to the man while he was still gripped in the granite jaws of the moun

Two or three women want to marry him. This morning Wells-Fargo received a ten-pound box of chewing tobacco from San Francisco for Hicks. This sender had noticed in the papers that Hicks wished for a chew above all else. Bids also have been received in numbers for the meek old cow which has stood at the end of a rope in the camp yard, daily giving fresh, invigorating nilk for the heipless victim of the cave-in.

Hicks Was Very Strong.

Hicks was not the slightest emaclated as was expected. He was strong and stimulants that had been prepared for him were not needed. He drank an eggnog and was then placed in a comforta ble position, where he will remain until morning. He will not be removed to the hospital till daybreak,

Hicks' beard was thick and stubby, but not grown out as might have been expected. His face and hands were dirty, but otherwise his clothing was fairly clean and was in good condition

When it was announced from the depths that Hicks was released a great shout went up from the men assembled about the shaft, and Superintendent Cone hurried into the shaft to meet and congratulate the miner.

BURIED FOR FIFTEEN DAYS

Hicks Sent Up Signals Three Days

After the Disaster. BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Dec. 22.-L., B. Hicks, the miner who was rescued to night, was entombed alive under 60 feet of debris 15 days ago in the tunnel of the Edlson Electric Power Company, 17 miles northeast of this city. Five of his fellowworkmen were buried at the same time by the cave-in of thousands of tons of earth and rock. The men had just begun work in the tunnel, which is being built work in the tunner, which is being dult-to ald in generating electric power from the waters of the Kern River, when, without warning, the perpendicular walls of the shaft above them collapsed. No immediate help could be rendered. The work of recovering the bodies was

immediately begun, and prosecuted with vigor, but, owing to the yielding nature soil, slow progress was made Hope of rescuing any of the victims had been abandoned, when, three days after the disaster the sound of tapping on a water pipe in the shaft was heard. Instantly a response was sent, and the an-swering raps proved that at least one of the imprisoned miners was alive.

The water pipe was cleared and com-munication established through it with the man at the bottom of the shaft. He proved to be Hicks, a former soldier and an expert miner, whose life had been saved by a steel car under which he was saved by a steel car under which he was pinned. His five companions were dead. Fearing to dislodge the debris in the shaft, the rescuing party began work on a drift from the side of the hill, and work was not suspended day or night. Hicks was given milk through the pipe and even shawed signs of renewed vigor. and soon showed signs of renewed vigor. He said that during the three days pre-vious to his discovery he had subsisted en a plug of chewing tobacco. There-after, during the long hours of his imprisonment in closely cramped quarters, he was kept well nourished. Every ef-fort was made to keep his mind in a cheerful mood, so that it might not be come unbalanced by his surroundings. The stench from the remains of the dead miners was perceptible at the surface of the ground, and was intense in the close quarters where Hicks was confined.

A phonograph was placed so that the

A phonograph was piaced so that the lonely man could be entertained by mu-sic. He also was in almost constant com-munication with his friends. Only at rare intervals did he seem despondent, and frequently sent words of cheer to those

of work, and that it was accomplished at all is regarded as marvelous by all those acquainted with the conditions which were met and overcome.

Faint Hope for Caffery. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.-The condi-Caffery, who is suffering from acute kidney trouble, was practically unchanged early today, and his physicians hold out only faint hope that the aged Senator will be able to resist the attack.

Mr. Caffery came to New Orleans last

Hicks; but rather than take any chances of imperiling his now famous patient's eyesight, the doctor made him obey. In this

condition the gritty miner was taken out. daughter, he was stricken with pains that resulted in unconsciousness. Physicians diagnosed his ailment as cardiac trouble

MURDER CHARGE DROPPED

Miss Clark Exonerated for Killing Too Persistent Wooer. NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Dec. 22,-Miss

NORTH PLATTE. Neb., Dec. 22,—Miss Mirth Clark was today discharged in the County Court after her preliminary hearing on the charge of murdering John Leonard, December 10. The testimony showed that Leonard had followed the girl from Vancouver, Wash., to press his suit for marriage, she repelling all his advances. On the night of the sheoting Leonard was annoying the girl with his protestations, and threatened to kill her protestations, and threatened to kill her if she would not marry him. She fol-lowed him into the yard, where the shooting occurred without witnesses discharge was on account of insufficient

BUY LARGE TIMBER TRACT

Minnesota Capitalists Secure Billion Feet on Pacific Coast.

STILLWATER, Minn., Dec. 22.-Albert M. Sheldon and other Minneapolis cap-italists today purchased 1,000,000,000 feet of timber on Queen Charlotte Island, on the Pacific Coast, from James W. Foley, James and Arthur J. Mulvey and Sven Berglund, of Stillwater. The con-sideration was not made public.

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stantly Stopped.

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sorbers ever prepared. Sometimes your meals will reveal themselves in your breath to those who talk with you. "You've had onlone," or "You've been eating cabbage," and all of a sudden you belch in the face of your friend. Charcoal is a wonderful absorber of odors, as every one knows. That is why Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges are so quick to stop all gases and odors of odorous foods, or gas from indiges

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meal. Just try it.

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things, too. It carries away from your stomach and intestines, all the impurities there massed together and which causes the bad breath. Charcoal is a purifier as well as an absorber

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