NICARAGUA RESISTS THE MOVE

Sends a Detachment of Troops to Reinforce the Garrison There-Serious Trouble May Follow.

Managua, Nicaragua, Jan. 4. - With little beating of drums or blowing of trumpets, a warlike move upon the part of the republic of Colomiba is now believed to have been checkmated by the republic of Nicaragua, although further news from the objective point, Corn island, is anxiously expected here.

About a month ago the government of Nicaragua was informed unofficially that Colombia had planned to make a landing on Corn island, a valuable strategic point situated about thirtysix miles off the Mosquito coast, belonging to Nicaragua, whose flag was to be hauled down and the ensign of Colombia substituted for it. It was alleged that Nicaragua was overtaxing Corn island, and that the inhabitants, numbering a few hundred, had appealed to Colombia for redress, on the ground that territory some five miles long, which formerly belonged to Colombia, was unlawfully held by Nicaragua. It was further stated that the pre ect of San Andrez, Colombia, had assembled a military force, and was only The Clever Device o a Minnesota waiting for the arrival of a Colombian gunboat in order to embark troops and to proceed to Corn island and secure and fortify it against the possibility of recapture. That such a plan was discussed there is no reason to doubt, but and electric motors. President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, took prompt steps to meet this move upon the part of the neighboring republic. they were sent in small parties through Juan river to Greytown and Bluefields. through a large tank of water. By this time the soldiers of Nicaragua are believed to be in possession of Big and Little Corn islands, for there are two of them, and the work of erecting a strong fort should be progressing. in this way the chain will be in per-The troops took all the best guns available, and a supply of ammunition and other supplies. Storehouses are to be constructed at Corn island.

started earlier than expected and the first cost will be less than of a steam reached Corn island before the Nicaragua troops, fighting may have oc- will be so small that all other motive curred before this, and, if so, the mat- powers will be driven out of use. ter may lead to a general upheaval in Central America, for Colombia was horsepower required can be conwarned, diplomatically and through structed. the press, last month that her seizure of Corn island might lead to a warlike combination of the republics of Salvador and Honduras in support of Nicaragua against her. Colombia was also advised, if she still maintained that she had rights over Corn island, to submit them to the arbitration of a disin- United Presbyterian church, Rev. J. G.

terested republic. transporting of Colombian troops to church circles as to its final disposition. board Air Line, just east of here. A Corn island. It is hoped here that About two years ago Mr. Stewart was rail had been displaced by train-

the canal, would have been converted into another chain or British forts off enabled her to be practically in command of the eastern entrance of the waterway which is in time to join the Atlantic and the Pacific. Therefore, Nicaragua, acting upon the suggestion took possession of both Big and Little Corn islands, hoisting the Nicaraguan flag over them with much ceremony, and giving diplomatic notice of the

The British claim to Corn island is pretensions, since given up, to a prothe Mosquito reservation. Colombia, however, insists that Corn island was only ceded to King George on the condition that it was to be returned whenever requested.

Boys Played With His Head.

Oakland, Cal., Jan. 4.-Yesterday the remans of John Conlon were found strewn along the railroad tracks in accidents in the history of Pachuca. Oakland. Bullet holes in the face led to the belief that the man had been murdered, and his body placed on the track to conceal the crime. Today detectives learned that no crime had been dent was completed today. Maryland committed. Some small boys who were practicing with an air gun found what vote of the United States was 13,888,they thought was a piece of meat. It was a portion of Conlon's face, and they hung it on a post and used it as a 656; Palmer, 135,956; Levering (Protarget. After shooting it full of holes hibition), 130,560; Bentley (National), they threw it on the track again. It is now suppsed that Conlon was ron McKinley's plurality was 630,742, and down by one of the local trains.

New York, Jan. 4. - John Lynchtenberg, a cabinet maker, his wife, Lizzie, and their two children, Willis, 22 months old, and Jacob, 12 weeks old, were asphyxiated in their home today.

Famine in a Russian Province.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 4 -A famine is prevailing in the province of Kherson. It is estimated that 750,000 rubles will be required for the relief of the sufferers.

J. B. M'CULLAGH DEAD.

The St. Louis Editor Fell From Second Story Window.

St. Louis, Jan. 4.-Jospeh B. Mc-Cullagh, editor of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, and one of the best-known newspaper men in the country, is dead, as the result of a fall of twenty-five feet from a second-story window of his apartments at the residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Kate Manion, of 3837 West Pine boulevard.

There seems to be a difference of opinion as to whether Mr. McCullagh's death was due to an accident or was the result of his own act. The latter story is scouted by the dead man's friends. The body, which was cold in death and clad only in a nightgown, was discovered by Mrs. Manion's colored man-servant about 7 o'clock this morning. Waters, the colored servant, without touching the body, ran frightened into the house, where he told the cook of the discovery She immediately called Mrs. Manion, who bad not yet arisen, and told her that Mr. McCollagh had "fallen out of the window and killed himself." diately up on being notified by the servant, Mrs. Manion dispatched her coachman to summon Dr. C. H. Hughes, who resides in the neighborbood, and who was Mr. McCullagh's physician during his last illness. He hastened to the house, and, after examining the body ordered it removed to the house.

PERPETUAL MOTION.

St. Paul, Jan. 4 -J. G. Kaller, of hemorrhages. He is not likely to re-Mankato, Minn., has applied for a cover. patent for an invention which he says will take the place of steam engines

The device is called a hydraulic motor, and the principle upon which it works is the natural one which causes Very quietly detachments of Nicara- lighter substances than water to raise guan troops were assembled here and to the surface. An endless chain of at Granada, and when all was ready small air-tight tanks is placed over two sprocket wheels in such a manner that Lake Nicaragua and down the San on one side it will pass upward

As each air tank enters the watertank from below through a water-tight valve, it will be forced to the surface by the superior weight of the water and petual motion, revolving the sprocket

wheels to which shafts are attached. Thus, if the claims of the inventor are true, the motor will run on indefi-Of course, if the Colombia expedition nitely without feul. He claims that engine, while the operating expenses

Hydraulic motors to furnish any

A MINISTER DEPOSED.

His Faith Cure Doctrines Opposed by

His Congregation. Monmouth, Ill . Jan. 4 -At a meeting of the Monmouth presbytery of the Stewart, of this city, was deposed from To these threats and suggestions ap- the ministry and also from church Alexander Overby and Engineer John twelve cents a bushel, and other feed parently no attention was paid, for it membership. Owing to the peculiar Robertson were seriously injured in a at corresponding low prices. was announced that the Colombia gun- features in connection with this case, boats were being fitted out for the much interest has been manifested in leigh & Augusta division of the Sea-

the Nicaragua forces reached there in a prominent divine of the United Pres- wreckers. Bloodhounds have been put advance of the Colombian detachments. byterian faith, doing service as an upon the trail. Some years ago, when work was be- evangelist. Suddenly he espoused the gining on the maritime canal, it was cause of faith cure, healing through reported that Great Britain was con- prayer. The church reprimanded and templating laying hands on Corn admonished in vain. Several trials enisland, which, situated at a convenient sued, resulting in his suspension from distance from the Atlantic entrance to the ministry. Last fall he made appliinstatement. That body referred the the American coast, and would have case back to the Monmouth presbytery.

which was unanimous for expulsion. For the past year Stewart has been known as the Full Bible church, which advocates his peculiar doctrine. He of the president of the United States, has organized a church at St. Louis and one in this city. He has also sent out several missionaries.

City of Mexico, Jan. 4.-A terrible disaster has occurred in the Santa Gerunderstood to be based on her former trust mine at Pachuca, one of the most famous silver mines in the country. tectorate over the Mosquito territory. For some cause not known fire broke and because Colombia, which originally out in a level of the old southern workowned Corn island, ceded the island to ings yesterday, shutting off the exit of King George, then the governing thirteen Mexican miners. Miners on chieftain, under British auspices, of the outside went to work to try to put out the fire and save the men. One Englishman named Richardson, an experienced miner, went down in charge of the rescue operations, but perished from suffocation. All the Mexicans died from the same cause, or from burning. The bodies have not yet been excitement, as it is one of the worst

Chicago, Jan. 4.- The official canvass of the vote of Maryland for presiwas the last state to report. The total 762. The vote was cast as follows:

McKinley, 7,101,401; Bryan, 6,470,-14,392; Machette (Socialist), 33,539. his majority 316,399.

Explosion in a Powder Mill. Xenia, O., Jan. 4 .- A mill belonging to the Miami Powder Company, located at Goes, five miles north of this city, exploded this afternoon, killing Jacob Kreitzer instantly and fatally injuring Joseph Happing. Kreitzer leaves a family. Happing was not married. The loss is \$7,000.

It is a fact not generally known that there was a tunnel under the Euphrates within the walls of ancient Babylon.

A SALOON RIOT.

Two Policemen Nearly Killed While Doing Their Duty.

Grand Rapids, Jan. 4.-Two cemen were pounded half to death by a crowd today, and two of their assailauts were shot. The trouble was the result of a crusade, which the police have been waging against saloonkeepers, who have been violating the ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Today Patrolmen Viergiver and Harrington found the saloon of Sommers From All the Cities and Towns of the & Treadwell doing a thriving backdoor business. As the officers entered the air was filled with clubs, bottles and glasses. Officer Viergiver was struck on the head and felled with a club. He was drawing his revolver as he fell, and as he fell he pulled the trigger. Several shots were fired from the crowd and Harrington managed to get his revolver out and pulled it upon Treadwell, who was pounding him on the head with a bottle. The next moment Harrington went to the floor. A great crowd had gathered in front of the saloon, and the excitement was intense. One officer outside guarded the door and sent for the patrol wagon. A squad of eighteen policemen responded. with orders to arrest every one in the place, but most of the crowd had managed to slip away.

Officer Viergive had an arm broken in two places, a finger broken, his nose dislocated and an awful gash across the scalp. His injuries are not necessarily Officer Harrington was cut with broken glass. He has a severe scalp wound and serious bodily in-Treadwell was shot in the juries. right lung. An examination late tonight showed that he is suffering severe

The Nicaragua Canal.

Washington, Jan. 4 .- One of the main objects of the formation of a new Greater Republic of Central America is said to be the completion of the Nicaragua canal. Senor Roderiguez, recently recognized as the diplomatic representative of the new country in the United States, is said to be charged wi h the duty of interesting this govment in the enterprise.

This aid to the project comes at a time when it is needed. The supporters of the measure on both sides at the capital have hopes that the great petiiton sent to Speaker Reed, asking that time be given for discussion of the bill after the funding measure is disposed of, will be heeded, and at least two days so allowed.

There are enough friends of the plan on the senate side to bring it up if there is any hope of getting in a few hours while the funding debate is on in the upper house.

Trains Wrecked by Robbers.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 4 .- An international & Great Northern freight train was wrecked four miles south of here this morning, presumably by trainrobbers lying in wait for the passenger train. A brakeman, Fred Joynson, was killed, and Engineer Smith seriously injured. A switch was left open and rocks piled on the track.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 4.-Fireman

New York Mail Robbery.

New York, Jan. 4.—The postoffice inspectors have arrested William H. Post, aged 22, a mailwagon driver, on a charge of mail robbery. A quantity cation before the Illinois synod for re. of incoming mail from the West was stolen on December 20. Many rifled packages were found on December 22 in the water off Brighton beach. The keys to the mail pouches are said to engaged in the formation of what is have been found on Post, and small articles, probably Christmas presents, in his room. Post denies robbing the mails. It is believed he threw the rifled letters into North river from the ferryboat. He has been held in \$5,000

Got Half of the Interest.

Washington, Jan. 4.-The Crow-Creek-Sioux delegation of South Dakota Indians have not gained their announced object, of securing a per capita cash payment of \$187,000 less about \$1,8000 for expenses, now to their credit in the treasury, but they have secured a payment of about \$4 or \$5 per capita, representing half of the accrued interest on the money.

Paid Interest With Coffee.

Hamburg, Jan. 4.—There was an important sale here yesterday of 24,000 bags of Brazilian coffee on board steamers now in this harbor. The recovered. The affair caused great coffee is believed to be a consignment of the Brazilian government, in lieu of bills to pay interest on the Brazilian debt. The coffee was consigned to the Rothschilds, of London, who sold it

Bussia's Gold Standard Scheme.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 4.-Most authoritative quarters deny that M. De Witt's gold-standard project has been abandoned, as was reported from here. It will be discussed at the council of the emperor in March, after the statutes of the bank have undergone the necessary revision to bring them into harmony with the statement.

A Cut in Wages.

Waltham, Mass., Jan. 4.- A general cut in wages in the iron foundry of Davis & Farnum, of this city, went into effect today. The cut ranges from 2 to 25 cents and affects over 500 men. The fact that the large foundries in Pennsylvania and the West have commenced to do their own small work, making it impossible for this firm to compete, is given as the cause.

Japan has forty-one cities of over 10,000 inhabitanta.

NORTHWEST BREVITIES

Evidence of Steady Growth and Enterprise.

Thriving Sister States -Oregon.

The John Day flouring mill, having ground up all the wheat in sight, is Marion county's assessment for 1896

has already cost \$7,000, and the end

is not yet, says the Statesman. A colony of Illinois people will leave that state in March or April, to settle in the southern part of Yambill county and the southern part of Polk

Fred Kemper, of Pendleton, who won a cayuse at a raffle the other day, gave the beast back to its original owner and treated him for taking the cayuse off

Engineer Dillman, of the Astoria railway, says that there are 400 men at work near Rainier and the Clatskanie, and that two big dredgers are being run night and day.

Henry Buccholz, a prominent citizen of Tamarack, Uamtilla county, is burning charcoal. It takes five days to burn a pit, and he has to watch it day and night, and camps by the pit.

The Wallowa stage was wrecked last week by an accident on Wallowa hill. There were three passengers that day, but they got out to walk just before the stage started down the hill, so that nobody was injured.

G. W. McKinney, of Brownsville, last week butchered a hog that dressed 622 pounds, from which he rendered pounds of lard, and the Brownsville Times asks if any Willamette farmer can beat the record.

Mrs. James Crosby, of Monmouth, Or., has a family Bible, printed in Edinburgh, Scotland, that has been handed down in the family for several generations; crossed the ocean to America, and now lies on the center table of Mrs. Crosby. It is prized very highly, and is still in a state of good preservation.

The body of a white man washed ashore on the beach about half a mile south of the mouth of Hunter's creek, in Curry county recently. The coroner's jury was unable to identify the body, and found a verdict of death by drowning. The body was that of a man about six feet tall, with very small hands and feet, and weighing

about 180 pounds. During the storm in November, Otto Kohler shipped 3,500 sheep from The Dalles to Columbus, Neb., and arrived there in due time, losing only four sheep on the trip. Mr. Kohler writes back that he is feeding his sheep at the farm of Nic Blazer, an uncle of John Blazer, of The Dalles, near Columbus, where he gets shelled corn for

Washington.

Jabez Cowles, an old citizen of Clark county, died at his home near Wood-The Ellensburg city council has

made a reduction in the salaries of city officials that will amount to \$30. The Spokane street car company's receipts during the year have averaged

\$30 a day more than last year, says the Spokane Chroniele. A farmer of Cow City lost 4,000 bushels of potatoes by the November treeze, and a Toledo man lost 1,000

bushels. There seems to have been a heavy loss all over Lewis county. Blackleg is making its appearance among the cattle in Kittitas county. Mr. Otis Hyer, stockman and farmer, says that three of his neighbors have lost from six to ten head of cattle, each

caused by this disease. The state treasurer has issued a call for state warrants on the general fund, numbered 13,491 to 13,735 inclusive, amounting in the aggregate to \$21,-651.49. Interest on these warrants will cease after January 7, 1897.

The Washington State Historical Society at Tacoma has filed articles of incorporation. Their purpose is the collection and preservation in substantial form of objects of traditional and historical interest to the state. Their main headquaters will be in Tacoma.

Alfred Snyder, 70 years of age, and one of Seattle's pioneer residents, died the other night at Port Blakely, where he went some time ago to act as tallyman at the big mill. Mr. Snyder has always been held in high esteem by the older residents who knew him well, and his death is much

Harry Parlin, a brakeman on the O. R. & N., was taken to the hospital at Walla Walla last week, suffering from a scalp wound inflicted by a couplingpin. He was standing beside the drawhead when the cars came together in such a manner as to throw the pin in the air with great force. The pin struck him a glancing blow on the head, and bounded ten feet higher. Had it struck him squarely it probably would have killed him instantly.

Secretary Cass, of the state board of horticulture, is authority for the statement that the actual damage to Washington orchards from the extreme cold weather of the early part of the month is very slight.

The recent shipment of four cars of ore from the Reco mine natted the owners \$20,798.50, says the Spokane Spokesman-Review. Two cars went \$11,000. This is not the first wonderful shipment from the Reco. A number of shipments have been made which ran into the thousands of dollars.

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Downing, Hopkins & Co.'s Review of

The wheat market has every indication of an upward tendency. It hardened steadily last week in the face of loal bank failures, and was only affected by them temporarily. A good percentage of the local traders were afraid to go into the market, owing to the unsettled condition of finances at Chicago last week. Local influences, however, are only of a transient character, the market being governed more by foreign advices, and also by the great strength of the domestic situation, which overshadows almost everything in the way of local bearish factors. Had the market been a local one prices would have gone lower, but the timely buying of foreigners offset the bearish influences, and made sentiment bullish, over-riding everything bearish. English traders who were sharp enough to fore-English see their wants early in the fall, and took adayntage of it by buying them from three to four months in advance. almost before the American speculators were aware of it, have come in the market within a week and taken millions of bushels of both cash and futures for shipment during the next four months. while local traders were as a rule afraid to take the buying side. It is claimed there is a larger short interest than at any time within sixty days. The Northwest is short against its cash holdings there. Foreigners have absorbed the suprlus wheat that is affoat large lines without sending prices up rapidly, if any of the recognized leaders are credited with being at the back of the orders. This leaves the and those who watch the pit operations closely are confident that prices will advance to 90c within the near future. The visible stocks are 14,000,000 bushels less than last year. Foreigners are expected to lead the buying again next

GENERAL MARKETS.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 5, 1897. FLOUR - Portland, Salem, Cascadia and Dayton, \$4.50; Benton county and White Lily, \$4.40; graham, \$3.75; superfine, \$2 50 per barrel.
WHEAT-Walla Walla. 81@82c; Val-

ley, 846 Foc per bushel. OATS-unoice white, 40@42c per bushel; choice gray, 38@40c. Har-Timothy, \$13.00 per ton; clover,

\$8.00@9.00; oat, \$8.00@10; wheat, \$8@ 10 per ton.

BARLEY—Feed barley, \$21.00 per ton;

brewing, \$22. MILLSTUFFS — Bran. \$15.00; shorts, \$16.50; middlings, \$23.00. BUTTER—Fancy creamery is quoted at 45c; fancy dairy, 35c; fair to good, 20@22%c.

POTATOES. - Oregon Burbanks, 50@ 7'c: Garnet Chiles, 70@80c; Early Rose, 80@90 per sack: California river Bur-banks, 55c per cental; sweets, \$1.25@2 per cental for Merced, \$2.50 for Jersey

Onions-85c per sack. POULTRY—Chickens. mixed. \$2.00@ 3.00; broilers, \$1.50@2.00; geese, \$6.00; turkeys. live, 12½c; ducks, \$3@4.50

per dozen. Eggs-Oregon, 321/6c per dozen. Cheese — Oregon, 11c; Young America, 12c per pound.

Tallow-Prime, per pound, 21/2@3c; Wool-Valley, 10c, per pound; Eastern Oregon, 6@8c.

Hors-New crop, 9@10c. BERF-Gross, top steers, \$2.75; cows, \$2.00@2.25; dressed beef, 4@5%c per

MUTTON—Gross, best sheep, wethers. \$2.75; ewes, \$2.75; dressed mutton, 5c

per pound. VEAL-Net, small, 5c; large, 43cc per pound. Hous—Gross, choice, heavy, \$3.25@ 3.50; light and feeders, \$2.50; dressed, \$3.50@4.25 per cwt.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 5, 1897. FLOUR-(Jobbing)-Patent excellent, \$5.25; Novelty A, \$4.75, California brands \$5.60; Dakota, \$5.50; patent. \$6.25; buckwheat flour, \$6.50; per cwt. \$4.00; graham, \$4.50 per bbl; 10-lb sacks, \$2.50 per cwt; rye flour, \$5.00 per bbl; 10-lb sacks, \$2.50 per cwt; rye flour, \$5.00 per bbl; 10-lb sacks, \$2.50 per cwt; rye meal, \$4.50 per bbl; per cwt, \$2.40; rolled oats, \$5.75@6 per bbl; hominy, \$2.50 per cwt; cracked wheat, \$3.25; rolled wheat, \$5.50 per bbl; whole rolled wheat flour, \$2.75 per cwt; pearl barley, per 100 lb sacks, \$3.60; split peas, 4½c; table commeat, yellow, \$1.70 per cwt in 10-lb sacks; \$50s, \$1.60; white, l0s, \$1.80; 50s. \$1.70; flaked hominy, \$2.50 per keg.

WHEAT-Chicken feed, \$27.00 per ton. OATs-Choice, \$24@25 per ton. Barley-Rolled or ground, \$22.00 per

Conn-Whole, \$22 per ton; cracked \$23; feed meal, \$23. MILLSTUFFS—Bran. \$16.00 per ton;

EKD-Chopped feed, \$19.00 per ton, middlings, \$24; oilcake meal, \$28. Hay—Fuget sound, per ton, \$9@10; Eastern Washington, \$13. SUGAR-Golden C in bbl, 4%c per lb;

extra C in bbl, 45c; dry granulated in bbl, 5c; cube, 6%c; powdered, 5%c spor cash. BUTTER-Fancy native creamery, brick

26c; select, 23c; tubs, 22c; ranch, 18c. Chress.—Native Washington, 10@12c. POULTRY—Chickens, live, per pound. hers, 7@8c; dressed, 9@11c; ducks, \$2@ 3.50; dressed turkeys, 13@15c. Eogs-Fresh ranch, 28c; Eastern, 23@

FRESH MEATS-Choice dressed beef,

steers, 5)-c; cows, 5c; mutton, sheep, 5c per pound; lamb, 5c; pork, 5c per pound; veal, small, 6c.
Provisions—Hams, large, 12c; hams, small, 124c; breakfast bacon, 10c; dry salt sides, 6c per lb.

24c per dox.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5, 1897. Pozerozs - Garnet Chile, 40@50c; saimas Burbanks, 85c@\$1; Early Rose, 70@80c; River Burbanks, 30@40c; Sweets, \$1.25@1.50 per cental.

Ontons-50 arous per sack for yellow. Eggs-Store, 23 a 25c; ranch, 30c; ducks, 25c per dozen.

BUTTER—Fancy creamery, 22c; do seconds, 20@21c; fancy dairy, 21c;

seconds, 17@18c.

CHERSE—Fancy, mild, new, 11@12c; fair to good, 9@10c; Young America 11@12½c; Eastern, 19@22c per pound

HANDS TELL A STORY.

Palmistry Will Reveal Many Secrets of Character.

"A person has but to open his hand and he opens the history of his life to a person well versed in palmistry," said a professor of the art. "The paint reveals more of a person's true character and disposition than could be learned in a life-long friendship. A person's peculiarities are written there as plainly as if in a book; each line is full of meaning. Chronic diseases as well as acute allments leave their marks upon the palm. I have known instances where diseases that bave nonplussed learned doctors have been correctly diagnosed by persons knowing nothing of medicine or physiology. who formed their opinion from the appearance and condition of the hand alone. The moisture, color and condition of the cuticle and nalls are just as important to the palmist in determining disease and condition of the system as the lines upon the hand.

"Malformations of the body are reflected in the hand. So far is this true that Rice, the promoter of so many spectacular productions, selects his chorus girls who are to appear in tights by looking at their hands, and that his system is not a faulty one is evidenced by the appearance of the girls on the by operators in a position to know that stage. I have never known a case where the hand of a criminal or thief has not shown just what he was. In examining the hands of people who come to me just for the sport of the thing I have frequently seen the line in the pit. It is difficult to buy any of the thief well developed in hands whose owners are away up in the social world. Naturally, I watch with interest the careers of such people, but only in one instance have I ever market in a stronger position then ever, discovered a proof of what the palm revealed. I have no doubt the thief existed in the life of the others just as in this man's life, but undiscovered.

"The case I refer to was a bright society man of Gotham who moved in the best circles. About three years after I examined his hand a theft of tens of thousands of dollars from a bank in which he was employed was hushed up, but not before rumor had given it to the winds among his friends.

"So firm is my faith in the psychometry of the hand that I believe suspicious characters could be judged by a well-informed palmist so that crimes could be prevented by the detection of such parties. Bankers selecting their clerks and business men their trusted men would have a test for honesty as sure as any acid in the requirements of chemistry. The life of the street car 'spotter' would be at an end, for none but honest men would obtain positions. If the science of palmistry develops in coming years as it has in the past ten, the time may not be very far distant when every well regulated business house will have a palmist in its employ as it now has a typewriter."

Wash ngton as Fireman.

Some interesting little stories are told of George Washington in connectionwith the "Friendship Fire Company," organized in 1774, in his home, Alex-

At first the company consisted of citizens who, out of "mutual friendship," agreed to carry to every fire "two leathburg or wider linnen." Washington was made an honorary member, and when he went as a delegate to the Congress of 1774 at Philadelphia, he examined the fire-engines in use there. On his return to Philadelphia to the Continental Congress in 1775, he bought from a man named Gibbs a small fourth-class engine, for the sum of eighty pounds ten shillings, and just before he set out for Boston Heights to become commander-in-chief, he dispatched this little engine to the Friend-

ship Company. During his younger days he always attended fires in Alexandria and helped to extinguish them. In the last year of his life a fire occurred near the market. He was riding down King street at the time, followed by his servant, who was also on horseback.

Washington saw that the Friendship engine was insufficiently manned, and riding up to a group of well-dressed gentlemen standing near the scene of action, he called out authoritatively: "Why are you idle there, gentlemen? It is your business to lead in these mat-

After which he leaped off his horse, and, seizing the brakes, was followed by a crowd that gave the engine such a shaking up as it had not had for many

Standard for Light Wanted.

A subcommittee of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, appointed in 1893 to investigate the subject of a suitable standard of light for photometric purposes, has recently issued a preliminary report. Of all the standards thus far used it finds the candle the least reliable. It is also evident from the bolometric curves that naked flames are subject to sudden and rapidly recurring fluctuations that may be almost entirely eliminated by the use of a properly constructed chimney. It seems likely that many of the difficulties which are unavoidable with flame standards may be overcome by the adoption of a standard consisting of some surface electrically heated to a standard temperature. With this object the results of the committee's experiments on Incandescent carbon will be looked forward

He squandered \$10 for roses, you see-

Her joy in the gift was immense; But little she dreamed that his dinner

would be Three buckwhents that cost him ten cents. -Chicago Record.

It costs as much to be popular as to send a 16-year-old daughter away to boarding school.