IT IS AN OPEN BATTLE

NEITHER FACTION IN OHIO SURE OF THE UPPER HAND.

Price and McKinnon Leaders Have Difficulty in Keeping Their Men in Line—Caucus Today.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 3.—On the eve of the Republican caucus, the so-called Foraker-Hanna contest over the organization of the Ohio Legislature is an open battle, with neither Price nor McKinnon assured of the 35 votes necessary for the Republican nomination for the speakership of the House. While McKinnon and Price are claiming 37 votes each, their managers who "keep books" are more conservative.

Congressman Dick, who is director-general for McKinnon and the Hanna forces, said: "We have gained two in the declarations of Binckley of Perry and Fisher of Medina today, and we want a couple more."

The Price men concede McKinnon only 29 of what are called first, last and all the time men. But conservative onlookers say that each has 33 of that class, and that each needs at least two more.

George B. Cox, who is the director-general for Price, said today: "There are still seven doubtful Republican Representatives. We need two or three of them, and the others four or five."

While Dick, Cox and others are after recruits, their lieutenants are having lively times in holding their men in line. Members on both sides are accompanied by friends wherever they go, even to their meals and to bed. There are sentinels about the hotels and at the station to see that none get away or into strange company. Representative Willis turned on his escort today and publicly denounced the "organized espionage on both sides." He afterward attempted to start a movement to drop both Price and McKinnon and take up a new man for speaker.

Senators Hanna and Foraker both remain continually in touch by long-distance telephone with their friends here. While Foraker will have no opposition for the Republican nomination for Senator, the names of Charles W. Baker, of Cincinnati, and Judge A. W. Patrick, of New Philadelphia, will both be presented for the Democratic nomination for Senator, with the odds in favor of Baker.

While both Senators have become directly involved in the contest through direct interest of their respective followers, it developed today that lines are not strictly drawn between their friends. Many members concur with George B. Cox, of Cincinnati, in stating that this fight is not one for supremacy of either Foraker or Hanna in Ohio, and that they are on equally cordial relations with both Senators. Some of Hanna's closest friends are for Price, and some of Foraker's for McKinnon for Speaker, for personal, local or other than factional reasons.

The lines are much more distinctly drawn between what are known as the Cox men and the Daugherty men. Two years ago ex-Representative Harry M. Daugherty was defeated for the Gubernatorial nomination by Governor Nash. In that contest Cox threw his whole strength to Nash, as he is now doing for Price. McKinnon was a Daugherty man then and a leader in the last Legislature, which was controlled in its organization by the Daugherty men. Cox, who is now supporting Price for Speaker, says he was pledged to him before present complications arose.

While Cox is friendly with both, Senator Daugherty is an avowed opponent of both, and the local feature of the contest is the fact that Hanna and Daugherty are for the same man for Speaker. The entanglement goes still further with some in talking about Foraker and Cox being for the same man for Speaker. And the crossing of wires extends to ex-Governor Foster, ex-Governor Pushnell, ex-Congressman Kurtz and others, who are cooperating with those from whom they are said to have been estranged in late years.

Ignoring the Daugherty element entirely, Cox endeavored originally to have an agreement among the leaders and found no opposition to Price for Speaker. After Cox had committed himself, he says the Hanna men said Price would not do.

Referring to his original canvassing and the present complications, Cox says he found Senator Foraker at first friendly to McKinnon although not pledged, and Senator Hanna favorable to Price and at the time that he committed himself, both of the Senators approved of Price for Speaker. Mr. Cox insists that the present entanglement is temporary only, and will have no bearing on future politics in the state.

Some of the conferences lasted until after midnight, when it was found that a strong tide had set in during the night for McKinnon, whose manager claimed 40 of the 68 votes. While these figures were disputed by the Price men, most of the latter no longer claimed the nomination. During the night Kimball, Crist, Binckley, Fisher and McNeal, five of the doubtful ones, not only pledged themselves to McKinnon, but they also called on General Dick. Senators Wirt, Hanna, Dunham, Godfrey, Overturf, Harris and Patterson met tonight and decided to name a complete Hanna ticket in the Republican Senate caucus tomorrow. Until the turn for McKinnon in the House, the Hanna men had decided to support Senator Archer, who was not expected to have any opposition for President pro tem, and all the Hanna men had asked for in the Senate was the re-election of W. B. Uhl as Chief Clerk. Now there will be an opposition ticket, including Senator Wirt for President pro tem., Uhl for Clerk and others for minor places. However, it is conceded that 11, enough to nominate, are pledged to Archer and Scoble for President pro tem and Clerk.

The Foraker Senators, who claim 11 votes in the Senate, also met tonight. They had only nine present, and one of them is counted as doubtful. The three Hamilton County Senators were not present. They will meet at 1 P. M. tomorrow, and there are reports that, with the balance of power, they may force a compromise in the Senate, but the McKinnon faction's claims of 40 on caucus do not include any of the 10 Representatives of Hamilton County.

NEW YORK ALDERMEN.

Movement on Foot to Upset the Fusion Majority.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Interest in the organization of the Board of Aldermen of Greater New York, when, it is expected, the fusion members will be in the majority, is very great. Mayor Low issued a statement today, indicating that he has reason to believe a movement is on foot among the opposition to upset the majority confidently counted upon. The Mayor's statement, as given to the newspapers, said in part:

"Pretty definite rumors have reached me that money is being used to induce Aldermen elected on the fusion ticket to stay away from the meeting of the board for organization on Monday next, or, if present, to vote against the fusion side."

Seventy-eight members of the Board of Aldermen for Greater New York will meet Monday and will organize for legislative work. On the board, 73 members were elected Aldermen, the other five being the presidents of the boroughs. Of the Aldermen, 38 are counted on the fusion side. The Mayor's statement is the political sensation of the hour.

Attitude of the Nationalists.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Nothing could be more interesting or instructive as an indication of the attitude of the Nationalist party at the next session of Parliament than John Redmond's speech at Sligo, cables the Tribune's London representative. The Irish leader devoted some of the choicest flowers of his rhetoric to describe those Liberals, who, like Lord Rosebery, are a little tired of the Irish Alliance. The Nationalists have received an intimation that the alliance is to be thrown over with scarcely veiled contempt, and Redmond advises Lord Rosebery to rally round him "all those rotten members of the Liberal party who call themselves Liberal Imperialists." Apparently the meaning of all this is that the Irish party will again carry out the policy adopted by Parnell.

PROTOCOL WITH NICARAGUA

Some of the Terms of the Important Instrument.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Some of the main features of the protocol between the United States and Nicaragua, referred to in President Zelaya's message to Congress, have been made known in dispatches from Managua. But there are many other important features which have not been disclosed, one of these being the complete American jurisdiction and the establishment of American courts, civil and criminal, throughout a zone six miles wide, extending from ocean to ocean, and including the proposed canal termini, Greytown, on the Atlantic, and Brito, on the Pacific. The entire policing of this large tract also is placed in the hands of the United States, so that it has the power to preserve order, and after that to issue judicial process extending throughout this zone.

Besides the authority of American courts and of the American police in the six-mile zone, the chief features of the protocol are in giving a lease in perpetuity of this tract to the United States, and at the same time giving an American guarantee that the independence, sovereignty and integrity of Nicaragua shall not be disturbed by the rights thus conferred upon the United States. No exact information is obtainable as to the price specified in the protocol as payment to Nicaragua for the grant to this country. It can be stated positively, however, that this price is much less than was expected when the negotiations began, and that it is considered by officials as satisfactory. It is understood that at the outset the view in Nicaragua was that $20,000,000 would be paid for the grant to this country, and that $5,000,000 would be paid for Costa Rica's grant. While there is no information as to the final sum in the protocol, it is known to be far short of the above figures. It takes the form of a perpetual lease, and it is probable that the protocol includes the feature of an annual rent as part payment. A protocol with Costa Rica, identical in form with that with Nicaragua, except in the matters of price and territory leased, has been in course of negotiation, and it is understood that a satisfactory conclusion will be reached with that government.

VIGILANTES AT DENVER.

Steps Will Be Taken to Rid the City of Thugs.

DENVER, Jan. 3.—Fully 2000 citizens of Denver held a mass meeting in Lincoln Park tonight for the purpose of effecting an organization to aid in ridding this city of the thugs that have for the past two years maintained a perfect reign of terror by robberies, murders and assaults committed in all parts of the city. The immediate cause of the meeting was the murder of Harold Fridborn and the outraging of his 16-year-old sister on the night of December 31. The meeting adjourned to Sunday afternoon, when it is expected that a permanent organization will be effected.

Bank Robbers Caught.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Jan. 3.—The four Camden Point bank robbers were captured at Pleasant Ridge, 10 miles west of here this evening. Three members of the Leavenworth police force, a farm hand and a telegraph operator comprised the party which captured the outlaws. The robbers were caught in a box car, which was on the sidetrack at Pleasant Ridge. Two of the robbers went to a grocery store a mile from their hiding place and bought some crackers and cheese. The storekeeper had been notified by the police that the robbers were headed in this direction, and he suspected who the two strangers were. The storekeeper telephond to police headquarters here, who sent three officers to the scene. The box car was surrounded and the robbers ordered to lay down their guns and come out one at a time. They obeyed after some hesitation and were bound securely, loaded into a spring wagon and brought to Leavenworth.

Dynamiters Robbed a Bank.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Jan. 3.—The Blue Valley Bank, at Bellwood, Butler County, was robbed last night of $3000. The vault was blown open with dynamite. The robbers escaped.

Collision on New York Central.

ALBION, N. Y., Jan. 3.—A collision occurred on the New York Central Railway at Fancher today. The west-bound passenger train had just pulled into the station when a work train crashed into its rear. Several passengers in the day coach of the passenger train were badly shaken, but only one, Mrs. Catherine Reddy, of New York City, was seriously injured.

Telegraphic Brevities.

Guy C. Major has resigned as manager of the American Linseed Company.

The Denver Fire and Police Board will not permit prize fights in that city.

The Maryland Society, of Chicago, has invited Schley to be its guest this month.

The Creek Nation is overrun by negroes from the Southern States, who expect to find free land.

Plans are under way for the consolidation of the principal felt manufacturing mills in New England.

Kitchener accepted the offer of five Canadian nurses for South Africa, and asked that some scouts be sent.

Horticulturists express the opinion that the peach crop in Southern Illinois will be very small, if any at all.

Norley Hall and Ray Leepham, aged 16 and 18, broke through the ice while skating, on Utah Lake, and were drowned.

Will Mathis, charged with murdering two Deputy United States Marshals named Montgomery, at Oxford, Miss., was found guilty.

Lord Milner started the machinery of the Johannesburg Star, and the paper resumed publication, which was interrupted by the war.

Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal has sent £25,000 to the Aberdeen University, to go toward completing the extension of the university.

Ed Corrigan, the Chicago turfman, has decided to give up his racing stable in England and confine his operations to the American tracks.

Rev. Dr. Henry Ganse has been appointed financial agent of the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, with headquarters in Washington, D. C.

The Minnesota Supreme Court has decided that the newly organized state board of control has full charge of all matters pertaining to normal schools.

While hauling in a seine off Fort Hamilton, N. Y., a fisherman captured a full-grown female fur seal, said to be the first ever caught in those waters.

Miss Alice Roosevelt, the eldest daughter of the President, has decided to christen the German Kaiser's new yacht, now building at Staten Island, N. Y.

John G. Thomas, cashier of the Wells-Fargo Express Company, in Cincinnati, is missing. An examination of his books and accounts show everything correct.

At the preliminary trial of the ringleaders of the Leavenworth mutiny, three of the prisoners were remanded into the warden's care, to be held to the United States grand jury.

The report that 14 Jews were massacred at Zaweisna, Galicia, by a mob headed by three landowners turns out to have been a common murdering affray, in which three Jews were killed.

Stops the Cough and Works off The Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price, 25 cents.

THE CLEVELAND FAILURE

CREDITORS OF EVERETT-MOORE SYNDICATE ARE LENIENT.

Run on the Home Savings Bank Was Stopped by Enforcing the 60 Day Rule.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 3.—"The situation is wonderfully relieved," said Chairman H. R. Newcomb, of the bankers' committee that has charge of the affairs of the Everett-Moore syndicate, tonight. "The withdrawal of the savings deposits was stopped by the action of the Dime Bank in requiring the 60 days' notice before the shrinkage exceeded $30,000, I understand, and there has been scarcely any call on the commercial account, and even that is ended. This relieved the Everett-Moore situation, also. We have been talking with creditors to see if they will agree to the extension of time for the syndicate to meet its obligations, and we have not yet met with a single obstacle in our work. Not one of the creditors has refused the extension asked for."

Chairman Newcomb stated that telegrams were being received from many out-of-town creditors, approving of the steps taken, and agreeing to the proposition to give an extension of 18 months on the paper of the syndicate. He added that the committee felt confident that the affairs of the syndicate would be speedily placed on a solid basis and that the various constituent properties would not suffer in the least.

When the doors of the Dime Savings & Banking Company were opened today a big crowd was in waiting to draw out deposits. Each person was handed a printed slip by the tellers, bearing the following notice:

"In order to best serve the interests of all depositors, the directors have instructed the officers to require a notice of 60 days from each depositor of the amount to be withdrawn. This action is in accordance with the rule printed in all savings deposit books. The assets of this bank are more than sufficient to pay all liabilities and leave the stock of the bank intact."

A run was started on the bank yesterday as a result of the announcement of the financial troubles of Messrs. Everett and Moore, who are members of the board of directors of the institution. Shortly after noon the crowd around the bank entrance gradually melted away, and the excitement came to an end. Referring to the notice concerning the 60-day rule, President Watterson said:

"We do not expect at all to live up to the letter of this announcement. If any of our savings depositors want money in a few days, they will have no trouble in getting it."

Notwithstanding that the bank is the depository of $1,650,000 of the city's money, Mayor Johnson, after an examination of the bank's statement, has decided that the money shall not be disturbed, and it will remain on deposit in the bank.

WALL STREET NOT SURPRISED.

Cause of the Financial Difficulties of the Syndicate.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The troubles of the Everett-Moore syndicate did not come as a surprise to Wall street bankers, says the Press. Bankers here say that those interested are principally small investors and banks throughout Michigan, Ohio and Indiana, and that only indirectly will Eastern financiers feel the effect of the passing of the trolley lines into the hands of bankers. Interest coupons of some of the companies in the Everett-Moore syndicate were paid in this city yesterday by Kean, Van Cortlandt & Co., bankers of this city. At that office it was said that the firm's only interest in the syndicate was to act as fiscal agents for some of the companies which the syndicate controlled; that it had none of the securities.

The syndicate's attempt to build a line parallel to the Lake Shore, a part of the New York Central system, from Cleveland to Toledo, led to the rumor that the New York Central management intended to buy out this opposition. It was asserted here, however, that failure to sell to the Lake Shore has caused the financial difficulties of the Everti-Moore syndicate managers.

Local interest was aroused by the reports from Cleveland because Edward W. Moore is a director of the Phoenix National Bank. It was explained that the syndicate directly or indirectly did not owe the bank one dollar, and that the bank's officers had not even seen any of the syndicate's securities. Mr. Moore's position as a Wall street banker was also explained by saying that the bank's management had considered him as a man who probably would bring business to the bank. For that reason his name was added to the directory a year ago this month. But Mr. Moore did nothing more than open a small personal account with the bank. On account of his absence from the city he has been unable to even attend any meetings of the board of directors.

Youngstown Company Not Affected.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan. 3.—The Youngstown Telephone Company, which is controlled by the Everett-Moore syndicate, will not be affected by the financial embarrassment of the syndicate. The company, it is stated, is on a paying basis and amply able to meet all its obligations. No securities of the syndicate are held by local banks.

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION.

St. Paul Trust Company Is in a Bad Way.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 3.—The directors of the St. Paul Trust Company, a well-known institution of this city, of which General J. W. Bishop has been president since it organized in 1884, with a capital of $200,000, have voted to go into voluntary liquidation. Public Examiner Pope made the announcement of the company's decision at noon, stating that from his knowledge of the trust company's business he believed all creditors would be paid in full, although the stockholders probably would lose part of their investment. The company has carried on an extensive business and administered several large estates, the greatest having been that of the late Commodore Norman Kitson, who left $5,000,000 or more, the last action on his big property having only recently been taken. There has been much litigation of this estate, the heirs contesting the trust company's claim for compensation and securing a big cut in the amount claimed. The most serious case against the company, however, was that of the estate of C. D. Strong, whose estate showed a depreciation of more than $100,000 during the 10 years it was in charge of the trust company. The Supreme Court held that there had been no criminal impropriety of action in handling the Strong estate, but that the trust company must make good the $100,000 depreciation in the value of the estate, such falling off in value having been in real estate which the company, as trustee for the Strong estate, purchased from itself as owner of such property. It is stated that the company will be closed up by new officers.

The company's assets consist largely of real estate, and, notwithstanding the depreciation in realty valuations during the past few years, the assets still largely exceed the liabilities. The total assets are given at $510,558 in the last published statement of the company. Today's action was taken with the consent and approval of all the creditors, and the public examiner was simply notified of the action taken, not having taken any official part in the decision of the directorate. J. W. Bishop, president of the company, late this afternoon issued a statement in which he says:

"After an experience of some 16 years, the St. Paul Trust Company has found that the conduct of the trust business under conditions and restrictions existing here has been unprofitable, and has decided to liquidate its affairs, to accept no new business, and within two years to retire from the field entirely. Within two years it expects to wind up its affairs fully, amicably and honorably."

WILL SUPPLANT DEVERY.

Lieutenant-Colonel N. B. Thurston, New York's First Deputy Commissioner of Police.

Lieutenant-Colonel Nathaniel Blunt Thurston, who has been appointed First Deputy Commissioner of Police of New York City, will supplant the present incumbent, the notorious Devery. Colonel Thurston has announced in an interview that he would be governed in all things by his Chief, Colonel Partridge. "Colonel Partridge is to be the head of the department," he said. "It is not going to be a case of the tail wagging the dog, as at present. The Deputy under the new administration is to be a subordinate."

He has also announced his intention of stopping bribery and blackmail in the department, and enforcing the law against gambling and policy playing; while he has declared himself in favor of more liberal Sunday laws.

Lieutenant-Colonel Thurston was born in New York City on April 12, 1856. He was graduated from Grammar School No. 23, Thirteenth street, near Sixth avenue, in 1872. He enlisted in Company E, Twenty-second Regiment, on August 6, 1877; was promoted Corporal April 3, 1878, and First Sergeant February 20, 1879. He was commissioned Second Lieutenant February 11, 1880; First Lieutenant April 6, 1880; Captain December 20, 1886; Major July 28, 1896, and Lieutenant-Colonel May 14, 1898. He volunteered in the Spanish-American War, and was mustered into the United States service as Lieutenant-Colonel, Twenty-second Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, on May 23, 1898. He was mustered out of the United States' service and honorably discharged on November 23, 1898. Colonel Thurston was appointed Inspector of Small Arms Practice and Ordnance Officer on the staff of Major-General Charles F. Roe, commanding National Guard, with the grade of Lieutenant-Colonel, on December 31, 1898. This place he still occupies. He has been detailed as instructor of guard duty and infantry drill at the camp of instruction at Peekskill each year, with the exception of 1898, since 1885. He is a member of the Sons of the Revolution, the Society of Colonial Wars and the Military Order of Foreign Wars.

IN TROUBLE WITH ST. J. DIX

His Lawyer Guilty of a Breach of Diplomatic Etiquette.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Charles Russell, counsel for H. St. John Dix, now in custody here on the charge of larceny committed in the United States, and with wrecking the Scandinavian-American Bank, of Whatcom, Wash., has been guilty of a serious breach of diplomatic etiquette and of breaking a law. Mr. Russell served a writ on the United States Charge d'Affaires, Henry White, commanding him, under various penalties, to deliver Dix before the King's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice, to enable the prisoner to appeal against the extradition, which was granted December 17, at the Bow-Street Police Court. Representations on the subject were made at the Foreign Office today, where proper apologies were forthcoming. Writs issued by Justice Walton were served on the Governor of Holloway Jail, where Dix is confined, and on the Magistrate, Mr. Marshal, who granted the prisoner's extradition, and another writ, which created the trouble previously referred to, was mailed to the United States Embassy. Under the statutes of Queen Anne, an offending lawyer who thus infringes diplomatic usages is liable to imprisonment, a fine and corporal punishment. It is not probable that any of these penalties will be enforced, but Justice Walton and Mr. Russell are likely to receive a warning from the Foreign Office.

Montana Mining Deal.

VIRGINIA CITY, Jan. 3.—Mining Expert B. G. Davis, of Boston, representing the Amalgamated Copper Company, has been here for several days examining the claim to the Clipper-Boss Tweed group of mines, and today made the final payment of $400,000 for the property. A. H. Jones and John Rattle, of Rugby, N. D., today closed a deal with the owners of the General Shafter mine, paying in the neighborhood of $45,000 for the property.

MONEY ORDER BUSINESS OF THE PORTLAND POSTOFFICE.

	1901.	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.
Domestic orders issued	58,492	51,590	46,094	42,777	39,384
International orders issued	7,596	6,793	6,082	5,317	4,347
Total orders issued	66,088	58,383	53,176	49,094	43,731
Certificates of deposit	17,075	15,244	13,445	11,969	11,101

Payments.

	1901.	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.
Domestic orders paid	179,068	164,264	146,893	139,194	112,190
International orders paid	1,489	1,960	1,753	1,551	1,732
International orders repaid	28	15	21	25	16
Total orders paid	180,585	166,239	148,697	140,770	113,938

The decrease in foreign payments was caused by the fact that all Canadian orders are now treated as domestic orders.

WILL KEEP ON FIGHTING

BOERS TRYING TO WEAR OUT THE BRITISH TAXPAYERS.

Dewet Orders Commandants to Retard the Work of Extending the Line of Blockhouses.

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 3.—General Botha has sent a notice to all Boer commandoes requesting them to keep on fighting, for the British Parliament is to be asked for another war vote, which will induce the British Nation to demand that the war in South Africa be stopped.

General Dewet has ordered the Boer Commandants to retard the work of extending the British blockhouses at any cost. Further fighting may consequently be expected.

General Bruce Hamilton has captured another Boer laager and 22 prisoners on the Swaziland border.

Officers Too Conspicuous.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The imperial authorities in Canada have received orders that in every branch of Great Britain's Army, gold lace, swords, belts, conspicuous shoulder straps or like badges of rank must be abandoned, says the Halifax, N. S., correspondent of the Press. It is understood that the cause for the reform has been the lesson learned in South Africa, where the Boer marksmen are enabled to pick off the officers with alarming frequency by reason of their conspicuousness.

Attempt on Milner's Life.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—A rumor was current in the city today that an attempt had been made to assassinate Lord Milner, the British High Commissioner in South Africa. The rumor, however, was wholly unconfirmed, and was entirely discredited in responsible quarters.

Contradicted by Roberts.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—Lord Roberts has issued an official contradiction of the stories circulated on the Continent of the violation of Boer women by the troops in South Africa and the employment of Boer female refugees for immoral purposes.

Another Intervention Rumor.

PARIS, Jan. 3.—The Courier du Soir publishes another report this evening to the effect that the United States is preparing the way for intervention by the powers in South Africa.

MUTINY AT BEYROUT.

Half-Starved Turkish Troops Demand Their Pay.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Cairo says in a dispatch that several hundred half-starved Turkish troops mutinied at Beyrout, Syria, last Sunday, and demanded their arrears of pay. They attacked the Governor of the province and the commandant of the garrison, and flogged them. The mutineers also repulsed the cavalry sent to the rescue of the officials.

Spanish Gold Payments Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—With a view to reducing the high premium on gold and foreign currencies, Spain has enacted a law which went into operation December 15, whereby the customs duty on certain imports into Spain is to be paid in gold. Consul-General Lay, at Barcelona, in reporting the matter to the State Department, says that one of the causes of the high rate of exchange by Spain, apart from the unfavorable financial situation of the country, undoubtedly has been the necessity on the part of the government periodically to obtain gold drafts to meet its liabilities in foreign markets.

It is asserted for the new scheme that it will enable the treasury to secure gold or foreign drafts from the merchants, instead of being obliged, as heretofore, to apply directly to the bankers, who were able to control to a considerable extent the rate of exchange and to profit thereby.

England's Iron Supply.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Some big firms in the north of England, in order to meet the threatened invasion of this country by American iron and steel goods, have been lately devoting time, trouble and money to the search for new beds of a high quality of iron ore near the already existing collieries, says a dispatch to the Tribune from London. The northern countries are full of coal, but up to the present time many of the largest iron works have had to depend largely on Spanish and other extraneous supplies of iron ore. That will, however, no longer be the case should the discoveries reported in Cumberland and elsewhere prove authentic. Vast beds of excellent hematite are said to have been already tapped in more than one locality, and the quick success of these tentative efforts are expected to stimulate the search further.

France Welcomes America's Riches.

ROME, Jan. 4.—The Giornale di Italie today publishes an interview with M. Delcasse, the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, in which he confirms the statement that an agreement has been arrived at between Italy and France respecting Mediterranean questions. In this interview M. Delcasse refers to the friendly relations of France with the United States and Great Britain. He says: "They are our best markets and we welcome the riches of America, which has need of our articles of luxury."

With regard to the American invasion, M. Delcasse says that the best course is to seek to copy American systems, and it was for this reason France had decided to establish a commercial industrial school in the United States."

Spanish-American Treaty.

MADRID, Jan. 3.—The treaty of friendship between Spain and the United States having been examined by the Cabinet, will now be submitted to the Supreme Council of State.

The submission of the treaty to the Supreme Council of State is necessitated by the differences between the two governments. Spain is not disposed to allow American citizens to acquire real property in Spain or in Spanish colonies, unless Spaniards are granted the same rights in the United States. The Supreme Council will consider fresh representations by the United States in this matter.

Affairs on the Persian Gulf.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The Bombay correspondent of the Times says that Mabaroukh, the Sheikh of Koweit, is momentarily expecting an attack from Ibu Bashid, the Ameer of Nejd, who is marching on him. Mabaroukh's capital is in a state of defense, says the correspondent, and British gunboats have lent him several field pieces. The cruisers Perseus and Fox, the correspondent concludes, left for the Persian Gulf yesterday.

Scalded to Death.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Jan. 3.—The boiler in the South Penn Oil Company pumping station at Harry Rhoden's, in Doddridge County, blew up, scalding to death Harry Rhoden, Merrick, Frick and Dell Ash, workmen. The men were in the boiler-house warming themselves when the explosion occurred. They broke open the door, which had been locked, and escaped to another house, a mile away. They are all scalded so that flesh fell from them on the way. After reaching the other boiler-house they collapsed and in a few hours were dead.

Big Nome Company Formed.

SEATTLE, Jan. 4.—The Lindeberg-Lindblom interests at Nome, comprising many of the richest claims, will be incorporated in a company with a capital of $5,000,000. The concern is backed by Swedish capital.

Both principals are now in Seattle, and yesterday received a cable request from Stockholm, asking permission to place $1,000,000 of stock.

Coughs Cured In a Night

Facsimile of Genuine Package.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, the formula of which was discovered by Dr. John W. Bull, the world's most noted throat specialist, over 50 years ago, has stood the test against all other preparations, and is today the only absolutely sure and safe cure for cough, cold, whooping cough, croup, bronchitis or any throat affection.

It cures consumption.

Dear Sirs:—We have used DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP for a number of years, and found it very beneficial. We find it the best remedy for throat troubles which originate from colds, and only use a couple of 25c. bottles to relieve and cure. It is excellent for cough, which it cures in a short time. We keep it in the house all the time, and when my brothers have at times come home, after being out in the cold and damp, with a sore throat, a couple of doses at night and in the morning have cured them.

RACHEL E. VAN BLARCOM.
56 N. Main St., Paterson, N. J.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup
The Old Reliable Cough Cure.

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SMALL DOSE. PLEASANT TO TAKE.

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WHITE HOUSE DEBUTANTE

MISS ALICE ROOSEVELT INTRODUCED TO WASHINGTON SOCIETY.

Large and Brilliant Gathering of Prominent People of the Capital and Friends of the Family.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Miss Alice Roosevelt, eldest daughter of President and Mrs. Roosevelt, was formally presented to Washington society tonight at a ball given in her honor at the White House. About 500 guests in all were present, many of whom were either connections of the Roosevelt family or well-known society people living outside of Washington. Miss Roosevelt is the first White House debutante since 1873, when Miss Nellie Grant, the daughter of President and Mrs. Grant, was presented to society at a ball which was the gayest social event of the decade. Tonight's entertainment was given a personal rather than an informal character by Mrs. Roosevelt, whose wish was that Miss Roosevelt should make her debut much as if it had taken place in her own private home, rather than in the White House. There was no cotillion, and consequently no favors.

When the ball was opened tonight the interior of the White House was most attractive. Never before have the floral decorations been more beautiful. The massive mirrors, chandeliers, columns and ceiling of the East Room, where the dancing occurred, were festooned and garlanded with smilax, maiden-hair ferns and asparagus trimmed with bouquets of carnations. More than a mile of green festooning was used in this way. The window recesses were filled with palms rising out of banks of variegated foliage. The mantels were banked with roses and azaleas, and crowned above with screw pines. English holly was used in profusion in the decorations. The Red, Green and Blue Parlors were adorned on the same lavish scale.

When the guests arrived at the White House they were conducted to the blue parlor, where the presentations were made, Mrs. Roosevelt introducing her daughter. The latter presented a charming appearance in a dress of white chiffon, with white roses, and wearing the jewels which her father gave her at Christmas. Mrs. Roosevelt wore pure white, with white lace, and trimmed with lilac orchids. Miss Helen Roosevelt, a cousin of the President, and who also was of the immediate party of the hostess, wore white chiffon, with white satin ribbon, and Miss Cuttin, white lace, trimmed with mull and white roses. Miss Roosevelt was the recipient of many floral pieces in beautiful designs, sent to her in commemoration of her "coming out" day. The President enjoyed the occasion heartily, and mingled freely among the young folks.

The dancing, which began shortly after 10 o'clock and included a programme of 20 numbers, was held in the large east room, the scene of so many brilliant functions of the past. The golden carpet on the floor of that room was removed yesterday, and a handsome figured gray linen crash put down to form a dancing surface. The large number of dances kept the company until after midnight. The Marine Band, under the leadership of Lieutenant Santelmann, and the Artillery Corps Band, from Washington Barracks, alternated in furnishing the music.

A buffet luncheon was served in the banquet-room, where the decorations were very much the same as at the Cabinet dinner last night. The conservatory, brilliantly lighted, was opened during the evening, and was a favorite place of promenade between dances.

The company which gathered to do honor to the daughter of the Chief Executive was a thoroughly representative one of Washington society, and also included a generous contingent of gentlemen from Harvard, Yale and Princeton Universities and society folk from out of town.

Will Increase Capital Stock.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Stockholders in Swift & Co., packers, have decided to increase the capital of the corporation from $20,000,000 to $25,000,000, as recommended by the board of directors. The additional stock will be offered to present holders at par in the ratio of one new share for four of the old. The financial statement presented at the annual meeting showed an addition of $1,500,000 as surplus for the year. The report also showed a total of $27,756,878 quick assets.

Marquis Ito Entertained.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The Marquis Ito, of Japan, was entertained this afternoon at luncheon in the Mansion House by the Lord Mayor. Two hundred distinguished guests were present, including the Duke of Argyll, Lord Rosebery and a number of members of Parliament. Replying to a toast proposing his health, the Marquis commented in a gratifying spirit upon the cordial relations existing between Great Britain and Japan. Speaking of the latter's future, the Japanese statesman said the focus of international competition was moving toward the Pacific, and added that Japan would have an increasingly prominent part in its development.

Admiral Sampson's Condition.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The condition of Rear-Admiral Sampson shows some improvement. He took a short walk and gave evidence of enjoying the exercise. His family desires to add nothing to that already published concerning the symptoms of his malady.

Strike at Barcelona.

BARCELONA, Jan. 3.—The strike situation here is so alarming that large reinforcements of troops have been concentrated in and about the city. The strikers now number 20,000.

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