# LONDON FEELS EASY

Alaska Boundary Treaty Lightens Venuzuela Case.

BUT CANADA IS UNCERTAIN

sn't Like Idea of Possible Surrender of Claims to Skagway and Dyea-Probable Personnel of the High Commission.

anglo-American treaty to settle the Alaskan dispute at Washington Satury has given great satisfaction to the hes at a critical moment in the Veneelan trouble, an undoubted proof of the interrupted friendliness existing be-een Great Britain and the United states. This is the point which is elab-rated in all the editorials on the subost to the exclusion of discussion

appointment of an umpire, because in event of the commission being equally Nided in opinion, it is said the contro-ersy will be very little nearer a settle-tent. One paper thinks that in this event ague tribunal. It is hoped, however, at the publication of the text of the may show a more favorable prosct of the commission arriving at a comlike, thus settling a long-standing ute, of which, it is admitted, a settle-it is imperative if international fricto be avoided.

The Times rejoices at the constitution the proposed commission, which, it each side in the equity and friendship the other side. The same comm an odd man added, becomes virtually

#### CANADA NOT QUITE EASY. Not Willing to Place Skagway and

Dyen in Doubt. TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 25.-An Ottawa patch to the Mall and Empire says the treaty to refer the Canada-Alaska bounary dispute to arbitration was not un-spected. In the Prime Minister's absence m the city the other Ministers do not to discuss the matter or give particars. It is known however, that the Otetty much in Premier Laurier's hands, The query is being made here tonight, low far does the treaty go? If the entire indary dispute, without the Dyea and tagway reservation, is to be referred to e arbitration commission, then Canada un she is today. If, however, the ownship of Dyea and Skagway has been aced in a dangerous position. Supposing e United States wins over the British presentative, then good-bye to Canadian

It is generally believed here that Lord verstone, Lord Chief Justice of Eng-nd, will be the British Commissioner, He better known as Sir Richard Webster nson, K. C., as counsel for Canada before the Behring Sea Commission at Paris. Justice Mills, of the Supreme Court, is entioned as a probable representative of

LONDON, Jan. 25.-Colonial Secretary rlain started on Saturday on an teresting wagon trek from Potchestroom to Mafeking, accompanied by Mrs. Cham-berlain, Dr. Arthur Lawley, Major-Gen-Baden-Powell and others. Relays. of mules had been arranged to enable the party to travel at about 10 miles an hour. There was a picturesque scene outside Ventersdorf, 31 miles northwest of tchestroom. A commando of Boers met the party and escorted it into the town. A bouquet of flowers was pre-sented to Mrs. Chamberlain. The Colonia Secretary was conducted to the house of the Landrost, and the commando of Boers drew up in a half circle outside. Soon after General Delarey arrived and was received by Mr. Chamberlain.

After the presentation of an address of me. Mr. Chamberlain made a speech lated the Boers on being the comrades of so great and gallant a man as General Delarey. The Colonial Secretary contin-

"I hope he is my friend and I hope you are all my friends. We fought a good hattle, and there is nothing to be ashamed of on either side."

On the conclusion of Mr. Chamber-

lain's speech, General Delarey unexpectedly stepped forward and addressed the Boers in Dutch, declaring his belief that the Colonial Secretary was "the man to set things right in South Africa." These speeches made an excellent im-On proceeding on their journe;

today, General Delarey accompanied the

#### GERMAN PRESS IS CALM. Considers Attitude of United States

Toward Bombardment. BERLIN, Jan. 25.—The German press discusses calmly the bombardment of San Carlos. The leading newspapers here and in provincial cities publish telegrams from New York reproducing the views heldthere, and giving the supposed attitude of the United States Government in regretting the bombardment, the loss of life it caused, and its consequences. The news-papers take the position that if the United States put itself in the place of Germany it would see that the commander of the Panther, unless the blockade were to become a mere operetta, would be obliged to enter the lagoon of Maracaibo, and that the action of the fort and the subsequent co-operation of the Vineta with the Par ther was an inevitable consequence. The newspapers attach some importance to President Castro's throwing ridicule on the blockade and his remark that he could render the blockade useless through

the Maracalbo lagoon. of the editorials published in the Na-tional Zeitung, the Post, the Boersen Zeltung and other representative organs.

#### DECISIVE BATTLE EXPECTED. Pretender and Sultan Face Each Other With Armies.

TANGIER. Jan. E.-News from Per Asted January 21 states that the tender, Buhamara, was then advancing at the head of large forces and had arrived at a point E miles from Fez. A decisive hattle was expected, and should the Sultan's main army, which is posted on the Sebu River, be defeated, it was thought that the City of Fez would inevitably fall into the hands of Buhamara

sainn Decoration for American. ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 25.—An ex-United States Consul to St. Petersburg, Mr. Heydecker, now residing at Nice, has received the Order of St. Anne of the third class for assisting Minister Witte in ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 25.-An ex-

BURGLARS WERE AT WORK Frightened Away From Salem Residence-Daft Man Captured.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 25.-(Special.)-Burgers were discovered at 3:30 o'clock this morning attempting to enter the residence of Mrs. Virginia E. Meeick at the corner of Center and Summer streets. were frightened away before they could enter the building. Members of the house-hold heard a disturnance at the rear door and sounded an alarm to which numer-ous neighbors responded. The would-be burglars were even to disappear down a dark alley-way.

A local bootblack claims to have en-countered a footpad in the vicinity of Wade's clore on North Liberty street Sat-urday night while on his way home. The lad reports that he was struck with a club of some kind, but being mounted on his wheel escaped before the supposed footpad could do anything further. A stranger giving the names of Burton and Thurston, and claiming to come from

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The signing of the local officers last night because of his strange actions. He will be examined tomorrow as to his sanity. The stranger entered the Willamette Hotel late last night and telephoned to the state prison informing the officers that he had a num-ber of prisoners for that institution and squesting a conveyance to take the men to their destination. He performed a number of other equally peculiar antics and gave positive indications of an un-

ne United States Senate will accept the reaty and that the commission will ulti-nately meet in London, but regret is repressed that no provision is made for the appointment of an unmited because it. in the Crown Paper Mills Friday morning, brought in a verdict last night. Sunderland's body will be taken to Portland tomorrow morning and sent from there to Sheridan, where his parents reside and where the interment will take place. Sunderland left a wife and a baby three weeks old, living in this city. He carried \$1600 insurance in the Woodmen of the

> "caught in the machinery of said com-pany while said machinery was inadvertently placed in motion by an inex-perienced hand. We further find that de-ceased was not guilty of contributory negligance in bringing about his death. We further find that the machinery and place where the said death occurred is dangerous and not properly equipped and recommend that the same be provided with safeguards and better facilities for adjusting and operating the same so ( that lives of the employes are not endan-gered. We further recommend that said Crown Paper, Mill Company see that prop-er discipline is brought about in the wood room where said Sunderland met

Reception for Labor Legislators. SALEM, Or., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—The ombined labor unions of the city have clanned for a reception to the union mem bers of the state Legislature and the prominent Labor Union leaders of the state, many of whom are here in the interest of pending legislation. This event will be given in the City Hall Armory on Tuesday evening next. The various labor organizations recently named the follow-ing committee on arrangements: Meesrs. C. A. Bort, W. E. Bathe and Frank Willman. Among the speakers for the oc-casion are Messrs. Morgan and Curtis, prominent in labor circles in Portland; G. needed to the United States, Canada is Y. Harry, president of the State Federaced in a dangerous position. Supposing ation of Labor, and Representatives Orton, United States wins over the British Hutchinson and Hansbrough. Governor Chamberlain will also be asked to address

May Need to Change Charters. FOREST GROVE, Jan. 25.-Representa-tive Hines today told C. F. Miller, a druggist here, that he was at a loss to know whether such a bill as he is now trying to get through the Legisla-ture, "which prohibits druggists from selling intoxicating liquors by the drink or glass," could be enacted without a change first being made in the charters CHAMBERLAIN IS TREKKING.

of the towns, as the passage of such a bill would conflict with the present special law, which grants to towns that are inof intoxicants with the City Council, which must be done by an ordinance. If of intoxicants the Council chooses not to pass any ordi-nance prohibiting the sale then there is violation in selling liquor by the drink or glass, within a corporation.

## Tacoma Signs Kling.

TACOMA, Jan. 25.-The Ledger tomorrow morning will say:
John Kling, the star backstop of the
Chicago National League team, has been
signed by Manager B. E. McKibben to play the coming season with Tacoma in the Pacific Northwest League. Kling is rated as one of the greatest young catchers in the baseball business, and both American and National League agents have been hard after him during the past Winter. He did practically all of the backstop work for Chicago last season.

Montana Church Dedicated. BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 3.—St. Paul's Episcopal Church, one of the most beau-tiful edifices in the State of Montana, was consecrated today. The service was very impressive and was conducted by the Right Rev. Leigh Richmond Brewer, S. P. D., bishop of Montana, assisted by visiting clergy from all the principal cities of the state. The church was con-structed by William A. Clark and was donated in his and his late wife's name. The structure was erected at a cost of

Rewarding New Jersey Justice.

New York World. Governor Murphy, of New Jersey, declares his state not guilty on the charge of special generosity to the trusts. It is simply just to them. And justice to these poor, abused monopolles is not without its reward. Jersey's state treasury is richer by an average of \$2.227,346 a year because of its readiness to do the fair thing by such persecuted enterprises as the Standard Oil combine and the steel

\$300,000 Loss in Armagh, Ireland, ARMAGH, Ireland, Jan. 25.-A great fire broke out here today and spread so rapidly that the local fire brigade was ur able to cope with it and assistance was asked from Beifast, 35 miles distant. Ten of the largest warehouses and shops in the center of the town were destroyed, the damage being estimated at \$300,000. The trade of the town is paralyzed by this destruction. The timely removal of quantity of dynamite from one of doomed stores averted a worse disaster.

More Pay en Baltimore & Ohio. PITTSBURG, Jan. 25.—It was announced today by I). J. Burke, who represented the enductors at a recent conference with the Baltimore & Ohio Rallroad officials at Baltimore, that an agreement had been sanctioned by the company granting a 10 per cent advance in wages, to date from January 1. The auvance extends over all branches of the road, and was given to conductors, brakemen and yardmen,

Hawaii's New Attorney-General. HONOLULU, Jan. 25.—Lorrin Andrews has been appointed Attorney-General of Hawaii by Governor Dole to succeed E. tive of New York and is a grandson of

Fire in Sky-Scraper. NEW YORK, Jan. 25.-Fire in the

# Olds, Wortman & King

# LAST WEEK OF Clearance Sale

With this week our 25th Annual Clearance Sale ends. These last six days will be the greatest bargain days Portland has ever known. We have much more stock to clear than in former seasons, and adopt more heroic measures to accomplish it. Every day counts when there are so few of them. Don't put off making your selections if you intend to share in this store full of bargains. The whole page of bargains mentioned in Sunday's Oregonian is but a sample of what is to be had here this week. We name a few more today as reminders.

# Ladies' and Children's Knit Underwear

Very Extra Clearance Specials for This Week

LADIES' VESTS AND PANTS-White merino, fine ribbed, vests with long sleeves, pants ankle length with French bands, reduced from \$1.25 per garment to LADIES' VESTS-Ecru cotton, ribbed, winter weight, 35c very elastic, splendid 50c grade, now ......

wool plated, Oneita or half-open front, long sleeves, ankle length, \$1.50 grade, extra special \$1.09 LADIES' HOSE-Fast-black cotton, medium weight, double sole, spliced heels, 25c value, extra special, pair 17c LADIES' UNION SUITS-Silver gray, Jersey ribbed cotton, long sleeves, ankle length, 75c grade, extra special,

LADIES' UNION SUITS-Silver gray or white, Jersey ribbed,

LADIES' PANTS—Flat woven, silver gray, French band, 69c specially reduced this week from \$1.25 per pair to ... LADIES' VESTS AND PANTS-Silver gray or white cashmere, vests with long sleeves, pants ankle length, French band. A very fine, soft garment. \$1.75 value,

CHILDREN'S HOSE—Black cotton, finished foot, double knee, heels and soles, reduced from 25c and 35c, pair 15c CHILDREN'S HOSE-Part wool, fine ribbed, sizes 5 to 81, values 20c to 30c, extra special, per pair ....... CHILDREN'S VESTS AND PANTS-White merino, broken lines, prices range from 45c to 85c each. There are only about 24c

9 dozen of them. Monday they will go for .....

At Prices That Will Surely Interest Lace Buyers

Here is a fine lot of broken lines of Laces, long and short pieces, fine, medium and cheap grades, on which we have made such low prices that they will move quickly. There are black chantilly galoons and edges, white Irish crochets, black es-curial galoons, cream Oriental white Irish crochets, black esnet top laces, very fine crochet edges, worth up to \$6.00 a yard. All beautiful patterns that will make very handsome garniture for dresses.

#### Here Are Prices

Lot 1-Reduced to 5c a yard. Lot 2-Reduced to 10c a yard. Lot 3-Reduced to 15c a yard. Lot 4-Reduced to \$5c a yard. Lot 5-Reduced to 48c a yard. Lot 6-Reduced to 98c a yard. Lot 7-Reduced to \$1.48 a yard. 1/2 Lot 8-Reduced to \$1.98 a vard.

# CUBA'S RADICAL PARTY

DEMANDS RELEASE FROM THE ties for Acre. PLATT AMENDMENT.

Extreme Views as to Revenue Matters and Other Political Affairs of the Island.

HAVANA, Jan. 25.-The convention of tion party has appointed a committee to proclaim a platform. The principal feat-ures of this platform are as follows: Revision of the Platt amendment; the independence and the sovereignty of the Cuban Republic to be an absolute fact; the Piatt amendment to be considered transitory and not to be a perpetual feature of the constitution; liberal interpretation of the constitution; liberty of industry and of commerce; the prohibition of monopolistic tendencies; protecencouragement of industries and agriculfractional currency; the establishment of a system of labor arbitration; the abolition of Sunday work and the total freedom and independence of church and

#### VALESCO IS BANISHED. To Give Opportunity for President

to Visit Acre. LAPAZ, Bolivia, Jan. 35.—At noon yes- are wanted on erday the First Vice-President, Colonel bank robbers. ruvian frontier. The reason for this action was that Vice-President Velasco, being a leader and rods away.

of the opposition, could not assume the It is believed the robbers will not sursidency without creating political dis-pances. The Second Vice-President,

Dr. Anibal Capriles, will Presidency when President Pando goes to of men and boys

During the past week several conferences have taken place between the Brazilian Minister and President Pando. The object of these meetings has not been definitely ascertained, but it is be-

the Bolivian government from proceeding men of the mountains, met death from with the military expedition to Acre. It ambush before daybreak here today on is said that Brazil is offering in exchange one of the principal streets. James A the Madeira territory, situated on the Bolivian frontier, with financial facilishot in the arm. The assassins are un-

Ecuador Afraid of the Plague. GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Jan. 25.—The Board of Health has decided not to admit into port the Kosmos Line steamer Hermonthis, from San Francisco, December 31, for Hamburg, which has arrived

The board also asks President Plaza to recall the Ecuadorean Consul at San Francisco, and to request Dr. Felicismo Lopez, of New York, to go immediately political parties that are opposed to the Lopez, of New York, to go immediately Republican conservatism or administration to San Francisco and act as Consul until the plague disappears from that city.

> PROBABLY THE RIGHT MEN Desperate Conduct of Two Pursued for Robbing a Bank.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 25 .- A special to the Globe-Democrat from Union, Mo., says:
"The house 12 miles from here where vesterday occurred the fight between men suspected of being the robbers of the Bank of Union and officers, in which Deencouragement of industries and agriculture; the organization of an army, a navy searched today together with the premises, and a militia; gold to be the monetary and a cack containing \$800 was found in killed, was earched today together with the premises, the cistern.

As a result of the fight Frank Rudolph, aged 99, his wife, aged 45, their daughter Esther, aged 12, and George Harmos, a relative who were occupants of the house, were arrested. Rudolph is the stepfather of William Anderson, who escaped from the house after the fight and is suspected of complicity in the robbery. The prisoners have been brought here.

Anderson and a companion named Lewis are wanted on the charge of being the Lewis was wounded in Valesco, was banished under an execu. the fight yesterday. Both secured horses tive decree for an indefinite period. A late last night and departed. They went police patrol conducted him to the Pe- to a former named Armstead and demanded two horses. He refused and they

render, if surrounded, but will fight to the death. Posses are scouring the counthe try and are being augmented by hundreds

> HIGHWAYMAN ASSASSINATED. dlesboro, Kentucky.

Was Ambushed on Streets of Mid-MIDDLESBORO Ky., Jan. 25.-Henry lieved that Brazil is seeking to dissuade Cummins, notorious among the highway-

TO PRESERVE THE HOUSE OF PAUL REVERE

ONE OF THE MOST INTERES TING PRE-REVOLUTIONARY BUILD-

INGS IN BOSTON.

P. Reynolds, a Boston real cetate man, who purposes to preserve the structure, is

one of the most interesting of pre-Revolutionary buildings in Boston. The house

and slummiest of Boston's neighborhoods, but which three centuries ago was the residential quarter of "the quality." The house was already old when Paul Revere

went to live therein. He was sheltered by it from 1770 until 1800, and it was thence, on the night of April 18, 1775, that he sailled forth to row to Charlestown

Italian grocery-shop and on the second floor by a cigarmaker. On the wall is a

tablet reading: "Here lived Paul Revere, 1770-1866. Placed by the Paul Revere

Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, 1895." The new owner intends

to renovate the old house and convert it into a museum of Revolutionary and

Of late, the Revere homestead has been occupied on the ground floor as an

shore, there to receive the signal and make his famous ride.

Colonial antiquities.

The house of Paul Revere, which has just been bought at private sale by John

ies 19 and 21 North Square, in the heart of the North End. now the poorest

Lot 9-Reduced to \$2.48 a yard.

John Gorham, president of the United Mineworkers' Union, two years ago, Greenwood Ward soon afterward, and about a year ago Branham Elam, a Ken-tuckian, and the death of others is generally attributed to him.

SERIOUS LOCK IN CHINA. Revolt That May Prove Worse Than That of 1900.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 25.—The steamers Athenian and Tremont arrived this morn-ing from the Orient, having both sailed from Yokohama and arrived within an hour of each other.

The steamers bring further news of the revolt in Kansu, and one correspondent telegraphs to the Shanghal papers from Las Ho Kow to the effect that unless Tung Fuh Slang is suppressed the pow-ers will soon find themselves face to face with a bigger revolt than two years ago. Missionaries are already beginning to leave the threatened district, spondent of the Shanghal Mercury in Kansu writes:

"A crisis is imminent, and the official are powerless to act. The Toatai is suppressing news. There is cause for grave apprehension unless Tung Fuh Siang suppressed."

Messrs. Rydbog and Soderstray, missionaries, who have reached Shanghai from Singan, having come from the interior because of the threatened revolt. in an interview given to a German daily of Shanghai state that Tung Fuh Siang is gaining ground, and intends to lend his armies to Singan, where he will endeavor to make his capital and place Pu Chun. who has been proclaimed Emperor, on the throne. Tung is himself enlisting troops, and everything else points to the fact that he has government support. Kansu and Shensi are overrun by Tung's spies. All pro-foreign officials are being removed from Singan.

Pekin correspondents also tell of the threatened outbreak in the northwest, and credit Yong Lu, the "real ruler of China." as being behind the movement.

The evacuation of Shanghai by the German and British troops, who were the last to retire, was marred by a fatal accident to a German mounted soldier who was thrown from his horse and so badly injured that he died shortly afterward. A Canton correspondent of a Hong Kong paper states that the rebellion in Kwangsi s more serious than ever known. rebels, 40,000 to 50,000 in number, have taken possession of many districts and towns, and Pak Ngai, Pak Shek, Sishing. Siyan Hing Yip and Lau Chow are in their occupation. They are now marching into Yunnan, armed with modern rifles. The names of their chiefs are Chan and Luk. The officials at Canton are enlisting soldiers.

The steamers Ving Chow and Minna collided 30 miles north of Che Foo on De-cember 24 and the Minna foundered. Two passengers were drowned. Both are Rus

#### NATIONAL LIBERAL PARTY First Annual Congress Collects Warm Lot of Ideas.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 25.-The first annual Congress of the National Liberal party closed tonight. St. Louis was selected as the next place of meeting, during the exposition. The new officers are:

President, Dr. J. B. Wilson, Cincinnati; Secretary, Morris Sachs, Cincinnati; Treasurer, Morgan Warmsley, Cleveland. A dispatch was received stating that Judge Parrish B. Ladd, a noted free thinker, was dying at his home in Alameda. Cal., and a telegram was sent to

The platform adopted deplores war, or poses government protection to misrle aries, condemns the liquor traffic and race prejudice, asks investigation by the Gov ernment that may lead to rendering strikes impossible, advocates equality of the sexes in rights of citizenship, a fuller liberty of speech and press, favors initia-tive and referendum in legislation, that all money be issued by the Government and that church and state be kept sep-arate. The resolutions invite the co-operation of societies, single tax advocates and lovers of liberty; deplore diplomatic relations between the United States and the pope regarding friars; oppose clos-ing of the St. Louis Exposition gates on Sunday; denounce the Comstock Agency as a means of intimidating free speech and claim ecclesiastic encroachments on

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## PRINTING TRADES ROW

CONFERENCE IN INDIANAPOLIS LOOKING TO SETTLEMENT.

United Mineworkers Suggest Raising Defeuse Fund of \$5,000,000-Baltimore & Ohio to Ruise Wages.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 25.-The officers and delegates of the international organizitions connected with the printing, photo-engraving and electrotyping industries conference which will be held tomorrow to settle disputes of long standing among the various branches of the allied printing trades. Many, of the questions which those between the printers and the pressnen and those between the indepe photo-engravers and the men affiliated with the International Typographical

TO PREPARE A BIG FUND.

ous Defense Plans. INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 25. - President

Mitchell said today that he thought there was no doubt the United Mineworkers would be through with their convention work Thursday and that the miners would be ready for the conference with the operators Friday.

Members of the defense fund committee say the committee will report in favor of a large fund. Suggestions to the committee recommend that a fund of from \$2,000,-000 to \$5,000,000 be maintained. Numerous

which begins January 30.

Street-Car Men Strike.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 25.—The street-car employes of South Bend, Elkhart, Goshen and Mishawaka went on strike today. As a result the Indiana Railway Company was unable to operate

lines in Northern Indiana tonight. PLEA FOR FEEBLE-MINDED Legislature Is Urged to Establish a

Home.

PORTLAND, Jan. 35 .- (To the Editor.)-Why should the state provide a home for these? Presumably many of them are omfortably cared for by their parents Though mostly the offshoots of poverty or crime of some sort, not all are, and why in the economy of nature such should exist is not easy to account for. Their presence among us, however, is a certainty, and the obligation of the state to them is the subject at hand. The state guarantees to every child capable of re-ceiving it an education sufficient to de. velop its powers to that extent that it may be able to exercise them to its own betterment and that of the world at

That any class on account of inability to improve these educational advantages should be cut off from any help from the state seems unjust.
By gathering these unfortunate chil-

to that extent that they may fill a place, in part at least, in the affairs of life. In every mind, however deficient, exists a desire to do something. To this I am sure every teacher who has had

to do with imbeciles will attest. They ever manifest a desire to be useful. Many a good teacher's heart has ached through her loability for lack of training in this special line to give them the help neces-sary to make it possible for them to use to the fullest extent their limited powers. How pitiful to see them in helpless idleness, longing in their feeble consciousness to become a part of the busy, moving world, but without help, as no one knows just how or what to do to bring into activity the mere spark of mentality they possess. Not long since at a meet ing of the Portland Woman's Club have already arrived in the city for the conference which will be held tomorrow done by children in a home of this character by both boys and girls, all very good, and one piece especially excellent, which was the work of a girl about 12 years ing trades. Many of the questions which are in dispute are over jurisdiction. The of even one ray of intelligence. Yet the main disagreements to be adjusted are skill of an expert had discovered and deoressndent now a competent and busy worker,
liated Since this development can be ac.

complished by those only who are spe-cially trained for the work, and the help of such cannot reach all unless a home be provided to receive them, is it not the business of the state through its law-Union Mineworkers Suggest Numer- making body to provide such a home, that the children of the poor as well as others may enjoy these benefits?

There is yet another vital reason why these children should be removed to such a place, and that is their presence in the home of their parents casts a gloom over the lives of the other inmates and is also a menace to the well-being of the community.

That women should interest themselves in the behalf of defective children is in keeping with woman's nature to labor lovingly in the cause and care of the help-less, and when the clubwomen make their plans are suggested.

The coal operators will arrive in the city on Wednesday morning for the joint city on Wednesday morning for the pions. them to act in this matter that moved a woman years ago to give to him that surture and care through loving and unselfish devotion that fitted him to serve his state as one of the law-givers of the land. The mother love that burns in the heart of every true woman is the dominating force that moves her to the achievement of the highest and holiest purposes of her life. May man join to this motive power his strength and fill the earth with justice and right, that all humanity may enjoy in fair proper the dispensation of God's manifold to MARY OSBORN DOUTHIT.

Albany Argus. The persistency of one Addicks of Delaware in seeking a seat in the United States Senate is akin to that supernatural personage of evil fame, who is alone commended by the most charitable for that one virtue of persistency.

American Bowling Congress. DAYTON, O., Jan. 25,-The call for the annual convention and tournament of the American Bowling Congress, to be held at Indianapolis, February 23 to March 1, has been just issued,

Death of Express Manager.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.-Joseph Shepard, as-sistant general manager of the Western division of the United States Express Company, died here today, aged 74 years.

dren into a home it is possible to place them all under experts who, by training When a man is not afraid of women, it is beand endowment, are able to develop their