

It is regarded as fortunate here that the egotiators themselves are acting in har-Early in the Venezuela negotiaiony. tions the British Ambassador maetf to do all in his power to settle he Venezuela dispute as soon as possible, and all his efforts in this line are receiving the indorzement of the Washington rament.

It is stated in an authoritative quarter that the President and the German Emperor are both taking a keen interest in the early adjustment of the dispute, feeling that no good can come from prolonging the blockade.

## GERMANY ANGRY WITH BOWEN.

### They Say He Changed Proposition After It Was Accepted.

BERLIN, Feb. 4 -- Some disappointment s felt by the German Foreign Office at Minister Bowen's attitude in his conferith the Ambassadors at Washington. Mr. Bowen, it is said here, impresses the representatives of the allies as allowing his fighting spirit to overbear his de-sire for a peaceful settlement. His deor at the conference is described as that of an advocate defending an inno-

cent, persecuted client. Besides, the Foreign Office regards Mr. Bowen's first proposition as having been changed after it was accepted and it is held that it was not clearly stated and for that reason was misunderstood. The British and German governments thought Mr. Bowen proposed setting apart 30 per cent of the customs of La Guayra and Puerto Cabello for the liquidation of their Pherio Cabeno for the indination of their claims alone, and so accepted it provis-ionally. Later, upon figuring upon the future receipts on the basis of receipts in the past, it was found that it would be basis of the future of the first close of the later of the future of the first close of the take six years to pay the first class of claims. The two governments then re-plied to Mr. Bowen in substance:

"Six years is rather a long time, but we accept."

The 30 per cent was to include the claims of all countries. This Great Britain and Germany said was not enough as, instead of gix years, it would take 30

years to pay all the claims. It is also averred here that Mr. Bowen's powers are not so full as desirable. The co-operating powers, standing by their first condition that the blockade shall not e raised until an adequate guarantee for the payment of the reserve claims is given, have instructed their Embassies at Washington to insist upon such an ade-quate guarantee. Otherwise the blockade will continue for months, or for years, if this is necessary, to persuade Presiden Castro to meet the demands of the allies Some of Minister Bowen's suggestions are here regarded as being "almost trivial."

#### WANTS ALLIANCE DISSOLVED.

#### French Objection to Priority Is That It Bolds Allies Together.

PARIS, Feb. 4.—Opinion in official cir-cles here strongly opposes the latest po-sition taken up by the allies as outlined here, which in effect, it is said, gives them six years' priority. There is reason to believe that France has expresse disapproval of the plan. One of the chief grounds for this disapproval is that six years' priority is regarded as virtually being a new triple alliance between Great Britain, Germany and Italy toward South American affairs for six years. Such a long continued co-operation of three Eu-ropean powers in South America is con-sidered here as introducing a political factor more important than the final amounts involved. Britain, Germany and Italy toward South

A leading official of the Foreign Office and that it was desired to see the triple ment today.

York.

dissolution of the present also secure the Anglo-German-Italian alliance.

### FOR SAKE OF APPEARANCES. Allies Feel They Must Get Some Con-

Railroads Blockaded, Wires in a cessions From Bowen. LONDON, Feb. 4.-It might be fairly said that the allies now feel the absolute Tangle, and Whole Country Shivering-Floods in Ohio Valley. necessity of forcing from Venezuela at

pparent con Officially it is pointed out that the powers have now conceded everything they are willing to grant, so far as the time, the amount and the method of payments are concerned. The Ministers of the three governments feel they cannot go before their countrymen admitting that they did

noon on the terms of the answer which

should be returned to Minister Bowen's refusal to grant preferential treatment to

Hudson River Tri-Centennial,

Ledger.) .

down at this stage of progress.

whole Middle West. It buried railroads in snowdrifts many feet deep, tore down telegraph and telephone wires, put a stop to electric light plants and thus left businot even secure consideration for their ness in a state of paralysis. Snow was accompanied by an extremely high wind which in many places tore down Rather than do so, Germany is in favor of letting the whole question go to The Hague court. Great Britain is inclined to telegraph poles and wires and uprooted trees. support this determination, feeling that the outcome at The Hague could not be worse than the effect of a complete back-

Chicago was for some time today cut off. from all communication with the world. Cleveland was in the same plight. Cleveland was in the same plight. Rall-roads could only be operated by signal, so that trains had to feel their way. The blizzard reached the Ohio Valley in time to check a flood which reached Germans and British Confer. LONDON, Feb. 4 .- The officials of the German Embassy and of the Foreign Office here were in conference this afterthe danger-point at Cincinnati tonight.

## CENTRAL OVER LAKES.

Storm Covers Wide Sweep of Territory-Louisville in Darkness.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4 .- A blizzard, which

was felt most severely on the great

lakes, swept last night and today over the

the claims of the ailles. The negotiations have now reached a point where a small matter will be sufficient to determine LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 4.-A heavy rain which set in over Louisville last evenwhether they can be settled at Washing-ton or must go to The Hague court. ing continued intermittingly during the night, accompanied by wind which at one time reached a vetocity of 46 miles an hour. The wires of the Louisville Rail-

(New York Letter to Philadelphia Public way Company, the Citizens' General Elec-tric Company and the Postal Telegraph The projectors of the proposed celebra-tion of the 300th anniversary of the dis-Company became crossed during the night, burning out the dynamo plant of the telecovery of the Hudson River have not yet reached a decision as to what form the celebration shall take. But, with one exgraph company and working damage to the power plants. Falling trolley wires caused a temporary suspension of street rallway traffic on two lines.

ception, every member of the committee is opposed to holding a world's fair. New York does not want the labor, worry and The Weather Bureau was advised that high winds and heavy rains prevailed expense of a great exhibition such as Chiduring the night and early morning at Indianapolis and Springfield, IM, and that ago held in 1893, and St. Louis is to hold in 1904. The merchants here believe that a particularly low barometer is reported the gain to their trade by a world's fair would in no degree repay them for the cost. Besides, New York does not need the advertisement, they argue. The citi-zens who have the celebration in charge

at Detroit, the storm being central this morning over the last-named city. The telegraph companies are without communication with Chicago, and their facilities to other points are seriously im-paired. The storm is central over the lake reactor, and is companied by dehave several projects in view, but are still intre several projects in view, but are sum uncertain which to adopt. The celebration, it may be said, is essentially that of the discovery of the Hudson River. Only in-cidentally does it include a discovery of the New York harbor. Several navigators entered the harbor and saw Manhattan Island before Hendrick Hudson, notably the French emman Vortration and thy Lake region, and is accompanied by de-structive winds. The temperature has fallen rapidly in the Mississippi Valley and the West, and is falling rapidly in the Ohio Valley and Tennessee. Moderately heavy rains also have occurred in the Ohio and Mississippi Valleys. They were accom-panled by high winds.

the French ceaman Verrazzani, and the Portuguese Capt Gomez. But to Hudson Portuguese Capt Gomez. But to Human helongs the full credit of being the first to navigate the Hudson as far as the present City of Albany, the site of which he reached on the 18th of September, 1669. Snow blizzards are reported throughout the West and Northwest, and it is snow-ing today in Northern Indiana and Illinois. The isolation of Cascago from the world telegraphically, which has not happened in many years, is the direct re-The approaching tri-centennial will give the opportunity not only for a celebration suit of a heavy sleet storm which extends northward from Monon, Ind., to the of the river as a whole, but also of the various principal towns along its banks.

Lakes Model for Grant Monument. Squade of linemen have been dispatched by the various railroad, telegraph and tel-ephone companies to repair the damage. WASHINGTON, Feb. 4. - The Grant Memorial Commission, appointed under the act of Congress of 1991 to select plans

for a monument to General Grant, met today and decided to select the model submitted by Henry M. Shready, of New CHICAGO IS ISOLATED. Blizzard Cuts Off Limbs and Nerves

of the Big City.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.-Chicago was the scene today and last night of the worst Long Shows Marked Improvement. blizzard in years. Wires are down in every BOSTON, Feb. 4 .- The condition of exdirection, and all telegraphic lines except those of the Chicsgo-Milwaukee roads ccretary Long showed marked improve-

juotations have been received from New MIDDLE WEST CITIES CUT OFF FROM ONE ANOTHER.

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wind, completed the havoc. Street-car traffic is demoralized, and all incoming trains are reported late. The storm continued today, hampering the work of the repair crews sent out in every direction by the telegraph companies. Two lives were lost and numerous accidents have occurred.

## WIRES ALL IN A TANGLE.

## Trains in Illinois Have to Run by

Signals Only. BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Feb. 4.-Electric, telegraph and telephone wires in Cen-tral Illinois are in a worse condition to-night than they were last night. The tangie was sufficiently straightened today to allow street-cars to run tonight, but the city electric light plant cannot re-

sume for several days. One telephone company will be out of businers indefinitely.

The Chicago & Alton Railroad was un able to establish wire connection with Chicago and trains were moved by time card and signals. All other railroads re-port similar conditions.

The temperature is falling tonight and a snow storm, which began late today, ex-tends over Central Illinois.

## FLOODS TIE UP OHIO.

#### Several Railroads Cannot Operate Because of Washouts.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 4.-Reports of damage in the telegraph wires, washing-out of culverts and the weakening of bridges were received at the headquar-ters of the local lines today. Traffic on the Hocking Valley and Ohio Central was greatly delayed by the storm. The Zanes-ville & Western was completely tied up for five hours on account of washouts

near Muskingum, O. The Norfolk & West-ern was completely tied up on account of washouts on the Ohio Valley Division. All of the morning trains were annulled.

CHATTANOOGA 18 SWAMPED. Streets Are Flooded, Trees Torn Up

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Feb. 4.-The storm which has prevaled throughout this section for the past two or three days reached a climax last night, when the rain fell in torrents for five hours, and the wind reached almost a cyclonic velocity. Streets were flooded, signs blown down, trees uprooted and telegraph and telephone wires badly demoralized. ...e Ten-nessee River is rising rapidly.

Cleveland Cut Off From World. CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 4.-This city was today entirely cut off from telegraphic and telephonic communication with Chi-cago, as the result of a very heavy sleet storm in the vicinity of the latter city. The telegraph companies reported that Chicago was completely isolated, the

by Wind and Rain.

heavy sleet having broken down the wires at hundreds of points. Every available lineman is being hurried to the scene of the trouble, and the work of repairing the breaks will be pushed forward rapidly. The weather here today was c.ear and mild.

Deep Drifts Block the Roads.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Feb. 4.-Nearly a foot of snow fell on the level at La-Crosse and vicinity, and according to the local Weather Bureau all records are broken for previous February snow

narrow escapes from death are reported York up to 11:30. Nearly a foot of snow fell yesterday, and last night a rain and sleet storm, accompanied by a gale of from one to five hours inte. The Northwestern trains were stalled in tunnels near Baraboo several hours by drifts of blockaded the that snow entrances.

## Wind and Flood in Tennessee.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 4.-A heavy rain and wind storm prevailed here last night. At 2 o'clock the velocity of the wind was 30 miles an hour. Extensive damage was done to electric wires, and for several hours this city was cut off entirely from telegraphic and telephone com-munication with the outside world. Many entire night. numeration with the outside world, Many local light, power and telephone wires were affected. The Tennessee River is rising rapidly. Reports from flood sta-tions on streams above here indicate an roads. average rainfall of one inch through the Upper East Tennessee yesterday and last night. Snow Stops Everything in Iowa. WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Feb. 4 -- A fearful

#### Wind Tears Down Wires.

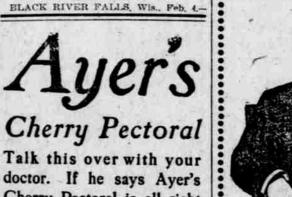
cause great loss of stock in this section. About six inches of snow fell on a level, ST. LOUIS, Feb. 4 .- A wind storm which gained a velocity of 50 miles an ho ir pre but drifts from four to ten feet are piled up. Traffic is almost blockaded and all ailed during the greater part of last night and this forenoon, causing much minor damage and prostrating telephone and telegraph wires in every direction. A flurwires are down. Trains have been from three to eight hours late last night and today. ry of snow accompanied the storm with prospects of a heavier fail before night. The temperature is failing. For several hours St. Louis was entirely cut off from of last night were followed tonight by snow and very cold weather. The Ohio River has reached a stage of 47 feet towire communication with Chicago and the East except by round-about routes.

#### Topeka Takes a Chill,

night, with predictions that the danger line of 50 feet will be reached tomorrow TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 4.-The cold wave night. reached its most severe stage here at \$:30 this morning, with the thermometer at 12 above. The backbone of the storm is now broken, however, the mercury at 10 o'clock standing 15 above and rising mode fast. Nearly all trains are delayed. all day.

St. Paul Outside of Storm Belt. ST. PAUL, Feb. 4.-Although it is clear and cold here today, with no sign of a storm, all trains from the South and East have been delayed by the blizzard which swept over Iowa, Southern Minnesota and Western Wisconsin:

Wisconsin Under Snow



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Ohio River Near Danger Line

CINCINNATI, Feb. 4 .- The heavy rains

One of the fiercest blizzards for years perature 40 degrees is predicted and the has been sweeping over this section the Ohio River is expected to reach a stage of The wind is still blowing, about 22 feet at Davis Island dam. Foreand snowdrifts are mounting high on all roads. Business is practically suspended, caster Ridgeway, of the local Weather Bureau, says that more than 22 feet will and early trains are delayed from two to be reached.

#### Oldest Woman in Canada Dead,

STRATFORD, Ont., Feb. 4 .- Mary Ann Mills, the oldest woman in Canada, is dead at her home in Woodham. She was storm, accompanied by a high wind, which overspread Iowa last night, will in her llåth year, having been born in the County of Fermanagh, Ireland, on October 18, 1788, With her husband, she came to Canada in 1557.

#### Mabel Bouton, Actress, Dead.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.-Mabel Bouton, the actress, died today of consumption in Flower Hospital, of which she had been an inmate for some weeks. She was one of the three sisters, all of whom were well known on at Reno, Nev. I known on the stage. She was born

## The Tyrant Man Analyzed.

Americus (Ga.) Recorder. What is man? Man that is born of wo Predlet Cold Wave and High Water. man is small cabbages and few in a patch. In infancy he is full of collc, patch. PITTSBURG, Feb. 4.-The Pittsburg disparegoric and cotnip tea, and in old age trict has been under a heavy windstorm A cold wave reducing the temhe is full of cuss words and rheumatism

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