M'CALL TO CALL HAMILTON BACK

Agrees to Repay Money Lent Lobbyist.

MORE SECRET LOBBYING

New York Life Will Oppose Legislation Openly.

HEGEMAN FINDS EASY COIN

Gets Rebate on Interest From Bank ers_Chief Lobbyist Required to Harry Home From Europe to Testify.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13 .- John A. Mc Call, president of the New York Life Insurance Company, was called before the Armstrong committee of investigation today and peremptorily requested by the committee to order the return from Europe to this country of Andrew Hamilton, the lawyer who has had charge of legislative matters of the New York Life, Mr. McCall was further ordered to demand an accounting from Hamilton of the money expended owes to the New York Life, Mr. McCall company to have Mr. Hamilton remain like to have Mr. Hamilton return.

Mr. McCall, replying to Mr. Hughes, called the attention of the board of mony before the committee relative to New York Life. nilton and gave Mr. Hughes a copy York Life Insurance Company the sum asked Mr. Hoghes. of \$225,300 by December 45, he would dimself pay it to the company, Mr. McCall said Mr. Hamilton was either in Paris or Nauhelm

Another interesting line of examination was opened up just before the adjournment for the day, when John Mc- to the trustees of the New York Life In-Guinness, an employe of the Equitable books and memoranda which Mr. Hughes was in the midst of reading when adjournment was taken. These when anjournment was taken. These were instructions from former Controll- pany's annex property in the block bound or Thomas D. Jordan, of the Equitable Em. Leonard, Center and Worth street Life to A. C. Fields relative to killing stated there were unsettled bills of 1905 or assisting the passage of every bill standing of Judge Hamilton which might introduced in the Legislature that introduced in the Legislature that would affect the interests of the insurance company or any of its officers This line of examination will be followed out when the sessions are resumed tomorrow.

Just Between Friends.

Other witnesses today were John R. Hogeman, president of the Metropolitan Life, and Vice-President Fisk, who were interrogated about agents' salaries, legal expenses of the company. real estate holdings and the methods of acquiring properties, and the fact was brought out that the fire insurance firm that places all the risks on the properties of the Metropolitan Comis composed of W. D. Edmister and Silas B. Dutcher, the latter a director of the Metropolitan Life. The low rate at which Mr. Hegeman secured loans that had been received from the old firm of Vermilye & Co. cal condition to do so.

was testified to by several members Mr. McCall replied that he would inform Mr. Hamilton of the wish of the of business. This firm was the banker of the Metropolitan Life, but since last March the business has been taken over by William A. Reade & Co. Mr. Reade was a witness today and said that Mr. Hegeman got these loans at a rate below the market rate because Mr. Hegeman had been a client for a number of years and because of the volume of ousiness he transacted with the firm of Vermilye & Co.

Mr. Hegeman presented a statement of rebates paid to him on interest on loans o his personal account. The statement showed that Mr. Hegeman paid Vermilye & Co. interest at the rate of \$5 per cent. and received in the personal checks of us individuals, memberes of the firm, at different times a rebate of this interest at the rate of 3 per cent.

The statement covered a period from lune 30, 1902, until this year, when Mr. liegeman's account was transferred to W. H. Reade & Co., on the dissolution of Vermilye & Co. Mr. Reade was one of partners in Vermilye & Co. The total amount of the rebates paid to Mr. Hegeman as shown by the statement presented was \$71,966.

Secret Rebate on Interest.

While a statement of Mr. Hogeman's syndicate participations was being looked up, George T. Hollister, who was a mem-Vermilye & Co. until its dissolution last March, was called. He remembered making a payment of a rebate to Mr Hegeman. He said the individual checks sent to Mr. Hegeman because his firm did not want it generally knwon when a special rate of interest was charged a special client. He said Mr. Hegeman was given a special rate beof the volume of business he did with the firm. Mr. Hegeman's personal running account was about \$500,000.

George W. Palmer, bookkeeper and

Vermilye & Co., was then examined. He described the system of remitting the rebates. The books do not show, according to the witness, that the moneys were ually paid to Mr. Hegeman.

Refunds Syndicate Profits.

Mr. Hegeman then resumed the stand and the statement of his syndicate parteinations was read. It covered a period of ten years and witness said the synd rates had netted him about \$48,000. ount is exclusive of \$16,000 he paid into the treasury of the company in May or June, 1966. This payment was made after consulting counsel, when the Equitable trouble was in the public eye last Spring. Witness said he did this, not because he had done anything wrong, but he did no want to have anyone feel that he was taking advantage of the company in his onnection with it. Mr. Hegeman said the \$16,000 he paid to the Metropolitan "represented what it might be claimed I had made through the participation of the Metropolitan, Life in the various syndicates in which I had participated my-

The published answer to a question pro bounded by Insurance Commissioners of several states after the Equitable dislosures was read to Mr. Hegeman, This answer was published after this payment of \$16,000 into the company treasury and stated that' no officer benefited by the company's syndicate participations and that the company received all of the profits of them. Mr. Hughes brought out that the answer covered the situation as it existed in July, when the answer was made, and not at any previous time.

Mr. Hegeman was asked about the value of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company's real estate. He did not know the cost of the company's building in which it maintained its headquarters in this city. The basis on which it was built was to pay the contractor for it and 4 per cent additional.

Willard Demister, a fire insurance brok er, testified that his partner, Silas B. Dutcher, was a director of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. He said policies on the mortgaged property of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Wants to See Hamilton Back.

John A. McCall, president of the New York Life Insurance Company, was then called and asked if he had any knowledge denied that it was the policy of his of the whereabouts of Andrew Hamilton, abroad until after this investigation Insurance Company before the Legislahad been concluded and said tont, on ture at Albany. Mr. McCall said he the other hand, he would very much thought Mr. Hamilton was at Paris or Nauheim. He has not ordered Hamilto to return, because he was informed that counsel for the committee, said he had Mr. Hamilton was not in condition to do so. He had not had any accounting from trustees of the company to his testi- Mr. Hamilton of the money he owes the

"Is it the policy of your company to of his statements, which said that, if bave Mr. Hamilton remain abroad until Hamilton did not return to the New the conclusion of this investigation?

"On the other hand, I should very much like to see him here," replied Mr. McCail. "He has not had any money from us in months, but we have not discharged him." Mr. McCall submitted the statement, which he said he had made

Ready to Assume Debi

fore the special legislative committee of this state, referring to the advancement of \$225,000 not repaid by him to the company before December 15, 1906, then it will be my duty and obligation, as expressed in my tes-timony aforesaid, to pay to the company said amount of \$225,000 on or before December 21 1908. JOHN A. M'CALL.

New York, October 9, 1905. Was any action taken by your board of trustees or any suggestion made in the board that, exclusive of the \$235,000, there were hundreds of thousands of dollars paid to Judge Hamilton, for which you have but his receipt?" asked Mr. Hughes. Mr. McCall said it was not considered. Mr. Hughes said that the committee is desirods of having an accounting of the money which has been disbursed without any vouchers other than the receipts of Mr. Hamilton and to know what the money has been used for, and asked Mr. McCall to take steps to have such an accounting and to istruct Mr. Hamilton to return to this country if he is in a physi-

committee, but he could not control him

Big Deals in Bonds.

William A. Reade, the banker for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and ex-member of the firm of Vermilye & Co., was questioned about the rebates to Mr. Hegeman. He said the rebates were an instance of favoritism to a client whom the firm had known a number of years. The association, he said, had been years. The association, he said, had been a profitable one to the firm. According to a schedule, the Metropolitan Life bought in the past 10 years \$35,000,000 in securities, of which \$87,000,000 was from Vermilye & Co. In the same period \$25,000,000 worth of securities were sold by the Metropolitan Life, of which \$34,000,000 worth were sold through this firm. old through this firm.

Mr. Reade, explaining the loans to

Mr. Reade explaining the loans to him by the Metropolitan Life, of which \$100,000 and \$150,000 were at 1½ and 2 per cent, said Mr. Hegentan or Mr. Fiske made the loans. He left it to them so fix the rate. The rate was considerably under the market rate, Mr. Reade said, and he demurred at it several times, but was told that the company was under obligations to him and would fix the rate satisfactorily to the company.

No More Secret Lobbying.

President John A. McCall was again called and offered in evidence a resolution adopted by the board of trustees of the New York Life Insurance Company on October 18 last. It stated that the board had learned from the testimeny before the legislative committee that executive officers of the company had expended large sums annually to oppose legislation believed to be against the interests of the policy-holders and that for these sums no vouchers or receipts were lasted and that the payments were never brought before the board of trustees. It was therefore resolved by the board that such opposition to legislation should be open and public, so as to place them such opposition to legislation should be open and public, so as to place them above criticism, and that regular vouchers and receipts should be issued for such payments, setting, forth in detail the services rendered. Moreover, a special committee of the board should report to the board whatever was done each month in

Reclamation Service Asks Mr. Hitchcock to Reconsider His Decision.

LIBERAL OFFER TO SELL

Seattle Men Who Own Half the Land in Question Only Wish to Reserve Small Tract-Legal Question Raised.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash ington, Nov. 13 .- Notwithstanding the adverse action taken by Secretary Hitchcock in refusing to approve the Umntilla irrigation project, the Reclamation Service does not despair of having this work undertaken at an early day. Today the papers in the case were returned to the Secretary by the Reclamation Service and the recommendation that this project be adopted was renewed and a strong ar gument presented showing why

should be built at this time. Scattle Men's Liberal Terms.

The Umatilia project, which will reclaim about 18,000 acres, includes a tract of between 8000 and 9000 acres belonging to the Maxwell Land & Irrigation Company, which includes Wil-liam A. Peters, J. D. Lowman and Charles A. McNamee, all of Seattle. The land-owners have signified every willingness to step aside and aflow the rernment to build this project, and have named a price at which they will sell their land and the canals which they have already dug by which they are watering portions of their holdings. but they reserve for themselves 300 acres and sak for the perpetuation of their water right to this small tract.

Hitchcock Says They Are Illegal.

Mr. Hitchcock, in turning down this project, excessed the opinion that it would be contrary to the terms of the reclamation law to permit these Seattle men to retain 300 acres of land under a Government project. He thinks they should be limited to 160 acres. But the Reclamation Service takes a broad view of this question. It is friendly to these men, because of their mugnanimous offer to step aside in the interest of the Government and is satisfied that there is ample authority for permitting the company to retain 300' acres with a water right attached.

It is not known what disposition the Secretary will make of the case, nor can it be learned what amount the Maxwell Company asks for its property. A final decision is looked for within a few days.

HAZING MAY PROVE FATAL

THEOLOGICAL STUDENT IN STATE OF COLLAPSE.

McGavrey, Who Was Found Bound and Gagged, Believed to Be Victim of Hazers.

GAMBIER, O., Nov. 11. - James E. McGavrey, the Bexley Theological Seminary student who was found bound and gagged in his room Saturday night, is in a precarious condition and fears are entertained that he may not re-

He suffered several convulsions to day, and physicians say he is on the verge of complete nervous collapse. He suffers great pain in his right side, and it is believed he was kicked while us by the men who bound and

gagged him. Early this Fall McGavrey underwent an operation for appendicitis, and he had not fully recovered from this when he was attacked Saturday.

McGavrey's mind is not yet clear, and he is unable to tell anything of the afsault which will give a clue to the po-lice at work on the case.

Not only to the police, but to the college authorities as well, is the as-sault a mystery. Dean Jones, of Bex-

ley Hall, said tonight that it is a wellnary are poor, a majority of them working their way through college. His statement strengthens the belief that robbery was not the motive for

STANDS BY HIS STUDENTS

President of Kenyon Denles Pierso Was Tied to Track.

COLUMBUS. O., Nov. 11.—President William E. Pierce, of Kenyon College, was in Columbus today, conferring with Attorney T. P. Linn and Rev. John Hewitt, both trustees of the Institution, concerning the tragic death of Stuart Pierce, In a signed satement issued by Mr. Pierce,

"Belleving the Coroner's finding in the case to be entirely mismaken. I ask leave, in the interests of justice, to present facts which, in the eyes of the authorities of Kenyon College, absolve the students from any charge of misdoing."

Dr. Pierce, in a lengthy statement, traces the movements of Pierson and the students sengared in the inflighting on the

traces the movements of Pierson and the students engaged in the initiation on the fatal night to prove that they could not have sied Pierson to the track, and to disprove the report of the Coronor's jury. He says:

TORE DOWN THEIR FENCES Nebraska Cattlemen Plead Gullty and Get Light Sentence.

OMAHA, Nov. 12.-Bartlett Richards and James G. Comstock appeared before Judge Munger in the Federal Court today and pleaded guilty of having illegally fenced 212,090 acres of Government land in Sheridan and Cherry counties, Nebraska. They were fined \$300 each and assessed the costs of the case, amounting to about \$500. They were also sentenced to remain in the custody of the United States Mar-shal for six hours. This latter part of the sentence was merely a formality to meet the requirements of the law, and both men were permitted to go to their hotel without escort,

The Comstock and Richards ranches were the largest in the country, and the cases have been before the court for two years. Defendants filed affidavits and other evidence several months ago. signifying their intention to fight the case. This decision, however, was changed.

changed.
Counsel for Richards and Comstock stated that the defendants had been occupied for nearly two months with three large crews of men in removing the fence, and the District Attorney stated that he had reason to believe they were acting in good faith.

BERRY MAY BE DISMISSED

Court - Martial Renders Judgment and President Will Decide.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12 .- The papers in the case of Captain Alga P. Berry. detailed in the Quartermaster's department of the Army, have been received at the War Department. The case has been sent to the President, as the sentence of the court was dismissal from service.

Ceptain Berry was charged with conduct unbecoming an officer while in charge of the transport Sheridan. He was appointed from Kansas to the Military Academy in 1892, and after his graduation he served in the infantry until detailed as a Quartermaster,

Morris Nathan Set Free.

BOSTON, Nov. 12 .- Morris Nathan, who was arrested in connection with the death of Susanna Geary, was given his freedom today because the grand jury had failed to find any indictment against him.

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NINE THOUSAND

How Portland Has Answered Call In Behalf of the Persecuted Jews.

DONATIONS KEEP UP WELL

Pathetic Letters Accompanying Some of the Gifts in Aid of Those Whom Russian Brutality Has Left Destitute.

TOTAL OF FUND TODAY, \$132,685.

lief fund, making a total of \$132,685.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13 .- The executive committee of the National committee for the relief of the Russian sufferers announced that nearly \$15. 000 had been added today to the

"Contributions to the relief fund to the Russian Jews were received by the treasurer, Ben Selling, yesterday in a perfect stream. The total subscriptions for the day amounted to more than \$1800, raising the total sum raised in Portland up to this time to very near the \$9000 mark. In addition to the money turned over to Mr. Selling, subscriptions were collected among the Jews by committees appointed for that purpose, which will be added to the nain fund later. With these included the donations have probably now passed

the \$9000 mark.

Seldom in the past has there been call for aid that has aroused such wide spread sympathy and prompt response as the plea that has gone forth on behalf of the persecuted and starving Hebrews in Russia. From all parts of the United States and in foreign countries large sums of money are being raised to help in alleviating the suffering in that land. The donation of \$9000 in four days by the people of Portland proves that this city is doing her full share in this cause. It is expected that the fund will be rapidly increased during the pext few days and \$15,000 will be subscribed by the residonts of Portland and neighboring

Largest Single Contribution. The largest single contribution received yesterday was \$250 from the seemed possible to mitigate the ca-First National Bank. The Union Meat lamity." ceived yesterday was \$250 from the Company sent in \$150 and \$190 was tel-Simon, of Portland, who is now in New York. W. and I. N. Lipman, Mrs. Flora Jacobs, Simon Gustav and Lowenberg & Going Co. each donated \$100. Other donations ranged all the way from \$50 down to \$1. William Wurzeller, of Princyllie, telegraphed \$50 to Treasurer Selling from Prineville, fearing that it would arrive too late to send East with the next installment from Port-

land if sent by mail. Pathetic Letters Written.

Many of the letters accompanying the money are almost pathetic, and hey are all expressive of deep sympathy. A large number of gifts have been received from people in very poor circumstances, who really cannot afford to donate anything, yet add their mite with cheerfulness, willing to deprive themselves because they know that this fund which is being raised will no doubt be the means of saving many lives and lending hope and comfort to a downtrodden people. Mr. Selling reports numerous instances where laborers who have little or no personal property have come to him with most liberal donations.

Following is one of the most touching letters received so far: race have reason to sympathize with the pressed Jew, it is the negro. Please accept of this offering of my church. The Amount does not express our sympathy for them. We shall

NRS. M. C. CARR, treasurer, REV. GEO. E. JACKSON, pastor, A. M. E. Zion Churcia. The following letters are good ex-amples of those which are being re-

ceived and show the general feeling of

sympathy:

Dear Sir." In sympathy with the oppressed of every land, I send you \$20 toward the relief of the Jewish sufferers of Russia. Yours truly,

LOYAL R. STEARNS. of the Jewish sufferers of Ruesia. Yourstruly,

Dear Sir: I hand you herewith check for \$20 to be added to the fund you are now raising. In all of the different cities that I have lived in, Jews were among the very heat friends I ever had. I hope the good work being done by yourself and friends will be fully appreciated. With best wishes, I am, respectfully yours, CHARLES K. HENRY. Dear Sir: Inclosed please find our check for \$100, our contribution in aid of Jewish sufferers in Russia, and we hope that a fund will be raised in such ald as will demonstrate a broadminded spirit in Portland. Thurs truly, LOEWENBERG & GOING CO.

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No Subscriptions Are Solicited.

OREGON CITY, Nov. 13.—(Special.)—subscription for the aid of the Jewish sufferers in Russia was started in this city today. A volunteer subscrip-tion paper will be left at the store of I. Selling for gratuitous offerings from the people of Oregon City. Several subscriptions were received during the

BRITONS RESPOND NOBLY.

Give \$355,000 for Jews and Express Horror at Massacre.

LONDON, Nov. 13 .- Including a further sum of \$50,000 from Jacob Schiff, treasof the New York relief committee the fund here for the relief of the Russian

CUBA FEARS A COUP D'ETAT. HAVANA, Nov. 14 .- It is believed

that the government fears a coup d'etst, as the number of police at the palace has recently been trebled, and for the last two nights the police

Jews amounts to \$25,000. An influentia meetings of Jews was held today at the banking-house of the Rothschilds to discuss the allocation of the fund, which is growing. The greatest sympathy is displayed by every class of society. The Zionist Federation held a meeting

conight to express horror and indignation

at the anti-Semite excesses at which

meeting letters and telegrams were read from many prominent men. Premier Bai-"The government has heard with pity and horror of the Jewish massacres, and it has already taken every step which

Lord Rosebery, Joseph Chamberlain, Herbert Henry Asquith and the Archbishop of Canterbury and other prelates similarly expressed their indignation, Lord James, of Hereford, telegraphed: "Russia stands arraigned before the

whole world."
Lord Rothschild wrote:
"I feel confident that the action taken by His Majesty's government has pro-duced a great and salutary effect." Sir Harry Johnston, addressing the meeting, said he thought that European fleets ought to be sent into the Black

Another demonstration will be held in London tomorrow night at which sympa-thetic letters will be received from Maurice Masterlink, Thomas Hardy, Arthur Wing Pinero, Anthony Hope and

SAN FRANCISCO SENDS \$10,000 Will Swell Total Contribution to

\$25,000 in Few Days. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 11.-H. N. Lillenthal, chairman of the Russian re-lief fund, wired \$10,000 early today to Jacob H. Schiff, of New York, He had but the additional subscriptions swelled the fund to over \$12,000 during the day. An additional \$13,000 is to be wired within a day or two and San Francisco will again lead all of the cities of her

size and some of the larger ones in Many non-Jews are among the contributors, thus manifesting that the object is too broad to be limited to one creed. Small contributions are so numerous that the committee is unable to make prompt acknowledgement to

each individual.

A number of public meetings have been arranged for the next few days rate. to further appeal to the public. San Prancisco will probably send \$25,000 before the end of the present week.

SLAYER OF JEWS DISMISSED Persecuted People in Odessa Have

Double Cause for Joy. ODESSA, Nov. 12.-The dismissal of Prefect Neidhardt, to whom is attributed the responsibility for the recent outrages, was announced this evening and caused much rejoicing among the Jewish population. The prefect, it appears, will not receive another appointment. His successor, General Gregorieff, is a conservative A Jewish engineer named Abrahamso

has been made manager of the South-western State Railroad. The announcement of his appointment caused a sensa-

Philadelphia Will Raise \$100,000. PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 13.—in addition to the \$20,000 subscribed at the meeting beld last night to adopt measures for the relief of the suffering Jews to Russia, the relief committee today announced that \$4000 had been received. The committee expects to raise \$100,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 12 .- About \$15,on has been collected by the Jewish or-ganizations of this city for the Russian

Canadian Jews Co-Operate.

VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 11 .- An Ottawn special says the Hebrews of Canada are co-operating with their brethren in the Linted States to establish a fund for persecuted Jews in Southern Russia. (Concluded on Page 4.)

VERDICT AGAINST THE RAILROADS

Commission Ends Session at Colfax.

ALL COMPLAINTS ARE UPHELD

Arbitrary Rates Are to Be Fixed Very Soon.

IN FAVOR OF PUGET SOUND

No Arguments Are Presented Before the Board at the Conclusion of the Testimony Presented

by the Defense.

Goods have long been routed from points on the O. R. & N. by way of Portland, causing unnecessary delay and additional expense, to the injury of shippers and consumers. Hereafter shipments must go through Washington gateways.

shipments are made over two or more lines within the state. The commission will fix a foint rate

on coal from Roslyn to Colfax and in-Formal findings will be given

COLFAX, Wash., Nov. 12-(Special.) Found guilty as charged on each coun the State Railroad Commission rendered at 7:30 this evening in the State Railroad Commission vs. the O. R. & N. Co., the Great Northern Railroad Company and

the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. Shipmonts from Puget Sound for poluti on the O. R. & N. in Eastern Washington must not be routed via Portland inless requested by the shipper. rates from Roslyn to points on the O. R. & N. in Eastern Washington must be owered to that existing before the cuncellation of the joint rates January 1. 1902, and foint rates must be re-established between all the railroads of Washon. In fact, the railroads have dicted in The Oregonian, has arbitrarily announced its intent to fix the rates to favor Puget Sound at the expense of

Rate Granted on Roslyn Coal.

The O. R. & N. Co., by its attorney, ames Wilson, announced just before adjournment of the commission, after all the testimony had been taken, that it would grant a rate of \$2.55 on Roslyn oal from Wallula to Colfax, making the

GOVERNOR CONGRATULATES. Governor Mead sent the following message to Chairman Fairchild at Col-

fax last night: "I understand your work has been successful in a high degree. My con-"ALBERT E MEAD."

placing Roslyn coal on an equal basis with Wyoming coal. Mr. Wilson stated this was done as Codd & Mackennis, the complainants on coal rates, had stated preferred Roslyn to Wyoming cost, and this would permit those preferring the Roslyn coal to get it at the same price as that charged for Wyoming coal. Commissioner McMillan asked if the O. R. & N. and Northern Pacific would make the same rate on Roslyn coal to Colfax that the Northern Pacific makes to Garfield and Pullman. Mr. Wilson stated he has no authority to make such a

Ratiroad Witnesses Heard.

The commission finished taking testimony at 3:45 this afternoon. Blakeley, general Western traffic manager of the Northern Pacific at Tacoma; E. C. Fleming, freight agent for the Great Northern at Spokane; George Adams, chief clerk in the Great Northern freight office at Seattle; Francis R. Hanion, commissioner of the Pacific Northwest Car Service Association; Division Superintendent Walsh, of the O. R. & N. at Tekon, and Harry M. Adams were the only witnesses examined today. All of these gave testimony tending to show that present rates and methods of handling freight are just to practically all localities, and gave details of rate-making, railroad operation and freight ship-

The principal features of this testion are that traffic men do not take into consideration the cost of construction, capitalization, bonded indebtedness, interest on debt, nor operating expenses in making local freight rates. This was the testimony of Mr. Adams, assistant traffic manager of the Great Northern at Se-

attle Looks for Slump in Business.

Mr. Blakeley was asked if he thought the rapid and continued growth of business on the Northern Pacific and other transcontinental roads is not just cause for reducing rates, and replied that while the volume of business has increased fas-

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