## **EVENTS OF THE DAY**

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

rehenalve Review of the Import nt Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting to Our Many Readers.

Cuban reciprocity treaty sure to be

Oklahoma statehood bill in danger

Democrat says women dictate army appointments. Senate discusses bill to

shortage of fuel. Signor Sagasta, ex-Premier

Spain, dies suddenly. Pretender of Morocco retreats and Sultan is out of danger.

Federal Supreme Court declares California margin law valid.

Railroad trainmen of the confer on advance in wages. Governors innugurated and legisla-

tures convene in many states. Governor Taft will succeed Judge Shiras on Federal Supreme bench.

Crown Prince of Saxony is sued for separation, but will sue for divorce. Senators Depew and McComas have

declared themselves for an anti-trust Postmistress of Indianola leaves

The supreme court has declared valid the Federal license system in

Floods in White River Valley have done \$100,000 damage in King Coun-

ty, Washington. Financial panic in Venezuela end-ed; Castro defeats rebels; Germany wants more vigorous war.

The Secretary of War has asked for an appropriation for the construction of a cable from Fort Lawton to

Alaska delegates condema the pol ley of the Lighthouse Board in erecting expensive lighthouses on the Alas-Opposition to the confirmation of

Armstrong's appointment as Assist-ant Secretary of the Treasury has de-veloped. It is alleged that he is too

Democrats in the House are grow ing restive under the leadership of Richardson, who is said to be unequal to the occasion. He will be displaced in the next congress.

Plans are being formed to defeat the Oklahoma-Indian Territory statesaid to be opposed. He favors admit-ting Oklahoma alone.

Castro laughs at the idea of his ab-

No direct bag ships from Calcutta

Oriental liner Indrapura arrive with a big cargo.

Puget Sound country has greates flood in 25 years.

German papers apeak lightly of th

Colorado legislature promises a ho time over election of senator.

Ples Armstrong says he did not in tend to shoot Miss Ensminger.

Albany Methodists celebrate the 50th anniversary of their church.

French senatorial elections resulted in gain for the present ministry. Irish land report is made that both

Ireland and England appear to favor Loaded ship has narrow escape from Clatsop beach during thick fog Spokane legislative delegation

splits wide open on senatorial ques Report of Governor Taft speaks of difficulties and encouragements in the

Congress reassambled after holiday recess and senate takes up omnibus

Washington County farmers at Gas ton indorse \$500,000 appropriation for

Sultan of Morocco has discredited the pretender by effecting a reconcil-lation with his brother.

Torpedo-boat destroyer MacDonough, on trial exceeded her contract requirement of 28 knots.

Castro sends an army to fight the

New diamond field discovered

the Transvanl. Washington legislature has no cap

itol for its meeting.

Pension Bureau hurries action or Indian War pensions.

Sultan of Morocco sends his brother to fight the pretender.

on ocean steamers is ended.

Pacific cable completed to Honolulu

and first message received.

Democratic leaders choose the tar iff as issue of the next campaign, Moorish rebels march on Fes. and

the Sultan goes out to fight them. Bloodshed is expected among the claim-locators in Wyoming oil fields.

of India with great pomp, at Delhi.

PROFITS OF STEEL TRUST.

Nearly \$34,000,000 Annually - Employ Eager to Take Stock.

New York, Jan. 8.-The United States Steel Corporation declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 per cent, on the common and 1% per cent. on the preferred stock.

A financial statement was issued showing net earnings for the calendar year, with December estimated, of \$132,662,000. The net earnings for the quarter ended December 21 were David Ulm commits suicide at Al-

From the net earnings for the year, deductions are made of \$24,528,183 for sinking funds, depreciation and re-serve funds and for a special fund set serve funds and for a special fund set aside for depreciation and improvements; of \$15,200,000 for interest on bonds; of \$3,040,000 in sinking funds for bonds, and of \$56,052,869 for interest on the stocks. These deductions leave undivided profits amounting to \$32,841,565 for the year, applicable to increase, depreciation and reserve fund accounts for new construcserve fund accounts for new construc-tion and surplus. The cash on hand

The board approved the plan report ed by the finance committee for prof it-sharing and subscription to stock by the employes. It was reported to the board that the plan for stock subscription was being well received by the employes, and that within three days after the opportunity to sub-scribe was given, more than 16,000 shares had been subscribed for. J. Pierpont Morgan was present at

the meeting, although it is not his cus tom to attend meetings of corporaoffice.

PROMOTION FOR TAFT.

Mississippi denying she yielded to Will Be Associate Justice of the Supres Court Wright to Succeed Him.

Washington, Jan, 8 .- If existing plans carry, some time next month the President will send to the Senate the nomination of Governor Taft to be an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, to succeed Jus-tice Shires, who is expected to retire during that month. Governor Taft will be succeeded as Civil Governor of the Philippines by General Lake E. Wright, at present vice-governor, and the latter place will be filled by the appointment of W. W. Rockhill, the present director of the Bureau of American Republics. There are already many aspirants for the place which will be vacated by Mr. Rockhill but so far the President has made no

It appears that Governor Taft wa offered a place on the Supreme bench on the retirement of Justice Gray. but he felt that affairs in the Philip-pines were in such a state as to re-quire his own personal attendance, and he sacrificed his chance. The President has not forgotten his usefulness, and feels that the work in the archipelago will be in shape by Febru ary, so it may well be taken over by General wright.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

Rode 100 Feet Under Pilot of Locon

New York, Jan. 8.—To be jammed under the pilot of a hog locomotive as the ones Cornelius Vanderbilt in-vented are called, to have his legs curied over the axie of the coney wheels under the pilot and be carried along for 100 feet and yet to escape without a broken bone has been the experience of Louis Huysler, an elec-

Huysler was found with his legs curled around the axle of the cone; wheels. His head was jammed back under the pilot itself. He was in a position that made is impossible extricate him without lifting the locomotive from the rails. When he was finally removed Huysler's left kneed was found to be dislocated, the right knee bruised and the leg cut. He also had some cuts on the face and body, but not a bone was broken

SAGASTA IS DEAD.

Heart Fallure Takes Away Aged Spanis Statesman and ex-Premier

Madrid, Jan. 7 .- Ex-Premier, Prax edes Mateo Sagasta died at 11 o'clock tonight in his 76th year. At 6:30 he had an attack of heart failure and it was then thought he was dead; he rallied, however, and lived for four

and a half hours.

Senor Sagasta's death was due to bronchitis and gastric trouble. His family was at the deathbed, and for-mer Liberal members of the cabinet vere near their old leader. A bishop administred the last sacrament this

The news of the ex-Premier's death created a painful impression through-out Madrid. King Alfonso expressed

profound regret, Senor Sagasta's intellect was unin paired until his last hours. He talked to his daughters, the presidents of the senate and of congress, and to the archbishop of Toledo.

King Alfonso has written a letter of sympathy to Senor Sagasta's fam-ily. During the ex-Premier's illness, the Queen mother and other members of the royal family frequently sent of-ficials to inquire as to his progress.

Monterey Strikers Are Firm

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 7 .- A Monterey Mexico, special, says:

The strike situation here remains practically unchanged. The management of smelter No. 3 has offered to permit the men to return to work un-der old conditions, that is, the company to continue the payment of a premium for 21 days' consecutive work. The strikers, however, refuse to return to work unless granted the increase asked for.

London, Jan, 8.—The accounts filed of the failure in May last of Park, Mc-Fadden & Park, West Indian mer-chants, who had a branch house in New York, represented by Park, Son & Co., show gross debts amounting to \$1,295,000, and \$665,000 assets.

NEWS OF OREGON

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF THE STATE

Move to Tax Corporations Holding Valu able Franchises Horsethieves Still at Work on the Ranges - Mining Property Bonded Creamery Men Object to Pure Food Laws.

The First M. E. church of Albany elebrated its 50th anniversary.

The Marion County Bar Associa-tion has prepared a bill for the com-ing legislature taxing telephone, tel-egraph, express and oil companies, and other corporations holding valuable franchises,

George McKimmen, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George McKim-men, who reside just north of Grant's Pass, died as a result of the severe burns he received by falling into tub of boiling water.

Horses continue to disappear from ranches about Grants Pass, in many cases saddles and bridles being taken also. So far the officers have been unable to obtain any clue as to the identity of the thieves or their where

The Gold King group of quartz claims, situated on Josephine Creek, in Western Josephine County, has been bonded by M. Marks, of Seattle, for \$10,000. The claims are not developed to any great extent, but pre sent a rich and vast body of ore.

The Brownsville-Sweet Home stage met with a mishap recently after leaving Crawfordsville for Browns-ville. It was very dark and the driver ran into a stump which upset the back throwing the occupants out

and define the manner in which it shall conduct the work of selecting lieu lands. The bill proposes to con-tinue the power of the Governor to appoint a state land agent, so that state land agent is made subject to the orders of the whole board. The conflicts as have recently caused so

Creamerymen don't like the which prohibits them from remolding "tub butter" into squares and selling butter they say is just as good as the standard creamery, and some of it is better-in fact, butter stored in tubs keeps better than in squares. Food says that he does not care how much tub butter is remolded but he insists that the butter shall be sold for just what it is and nothing else. "If tub butter is just as good as creamery in squares," said Mr. Bailey yester-day, "the people will soon find it out. All I insist upon is that things shall be as they are represented when sold. The creamerymen say that the brand 'tub butter' condemns their product. But why does it? If tub butter is just as good as the regular product in squares, I ask why the brand con-demns it? I do not doubt that some tub butter is just as good as any. sells, he sells for just what it is, whether it be a threshing machine, a

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat- Walla Walla, 70c; stem 78c; valley, 75c. Barley-Feed, \$23.50 per ton; brew ng, \$24.00.

Flour—Best grade, 3.90@4.40; grah am, \$3.20@3.60. Milletuffs-Bran, \$19.00 per ton middlings, \$23.50; shorts, \$19.50

chop, \$18. Oate-No. 1 white, \$1.15@1.17% gray, \$1.12%@1.15 per cental.

Hay - Timothy, \$11@12; cloves \$8@9.00: cheat, \$8@9 per ton. Potatoes-Best Burbanks, 50@60

per sack; ordinary, 40@50c per cental, growers' prices; Merced sweets, \$2 00@ \$2.25 per cental. Poultry-Chickens, mixed, 10@11c

young, 10c; hens, 11@11½c; turkeys, live, 15@16c; dressed, 18@20; ducks, \$7@7.50 per dozen; geese, \$8

17%c; Young America, 17%@18% factory prices, 1@1%c less.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 27%@30cor pound; extras, 30c; dairy, 20 @22%c; store, 15@18.

Eggs—25@35c per dosen. Hops—New crop, 23@26c per pound Wool-Valley, 121/615c; Eastern Oregon, 8@141/c; mohair, 26@28c. Beef-Gross, cows, 8@3%c pe Veal-7%@8%c.

Mutton - Gross,

CRISIS IS PAST.

Washington Floods Have Ceased to Ris ut Recede Very Slowly.

Seattle, Jan. 7.-The flood situation south of Seattle does not seem to be greatly improved. Only the most meager particulars from the various points have been received. The first the water are reported from O'Brien on the Northern Pacific between Se attle and Tacoma. There the water is six or eight feet high, and last night it was rushing past the houses with the swiftness of a mountain cur Two men, Martin Cummings and F. Shaughnessy, were in a boat rescuing people from second-story windows, and on one of the trips the

looded districts, the Northern Pacific making no effort to resume operations between this city and Tacoma.

The particulars contained are meagthe wagon and railroad bridge er in the extreme, telling simply that across Nesqually River were in danthe vessel is a total wreck in the

siding. No train has reached Olympia from Portland since Friday.

Rebels Won a Decisive Victory Only Eight

Miles from the Capital. New York, Jan. 7.-According the democratic governor will not be the Herald's correspondent in Wildeprived of this patronage, but the lemstad, the revolutionists are advancing in three columns on Genera the orders of the whole board. The Castro's army. A desperate fight octwo land departments are to work in harmony, and, in fact, to constitute of Caracas, resulting favorably to the but one department, so that hence revolutionists. They are cutting all law, there could not recur any such railroad tracks and are hourly expected in the immediate neighborhood of the city. A condition of extreme pan-ic prevails among those who have

eretofore believed that Castro was the nonunion men, the coal operators and the mineworkers in rebuttal. Castro and made representations of the courtroom was well filled when how hopelessly untenable is his posihow hopelessly untenable is his posi-tion. But he insists on holding on until his forces are defeated in a decissive battle. It seems that this cannot be far distant. President Castro is already planning what he shall when the inevitable comes, but will make a desperate fight before quitting as he has no chance to es-cape. The only alternate is imprison-

The correspondent add that no tempt is now being made by the allies to conceal the fact that they are affording assistance to the revolu-

Washington, Jan. 7 .- The respons of the allied powers to Castro's last proposition to submit Venezuela's case to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal have not yet been received, but it is believed that the answers will not be much longer delayed, as a continuance of the present state viewed with satisfaction. ade is believed to be working injury to American interests, therefore the sire is strong to see the protocol, which will include a provision for the ter-mination of the blockade, speedily agreed upon. Mr. Bowen's advices from Caracas

much disturbed; that internal revolu-tionary troubles have intensified and that President Castro is sarely beset.

show that conditions there are very

Blockade Still in Force. Berlin, Jan. 7 .- Great Britain and lermany came to an understanding four days ago to enforce the blockade of the Venezuelan coast precisely as though the negotiations for arbitration were not going on. It was doubt-less in consequence of this under-standing that the vessels at Porto Cabello were taken, though both the foreign office and the navy depart-ment are yet without advices showing that vessels were taken or ma

rines landed. Commodore Scheder telegraphs that the Germans on Saturday seized a number of large Venezuelan sailing vessels at Porto Cabello. The prizes were towed to Los Reques, where they remain under guard. Otherwise here have been no developments at

CITY IN THE COAL BUSINESS.

Detroit Will Supply Its Population Fuel at Cost Price.

Detroit, Jan. 7.-The City of Detroit going into the coal business and will supply the people with coal at cost prices. The Common Council appropriated \$50,000 for the purchase of coal to be sold by the municipality, and Mayor Maybury approved the resolution today. Advertisements will be printed this afternoon calling for bids.

ONLY TWO SAVED

NORWEGIAN BARK GOING TO PIECES ON WASHINGTON COAST.

Lost Out of a Crew of Twenty-Captain Mistook Umatilia Lightship for Cape Flattery Lighthouse.

Norwegian bark, Prince Arthur, lies boat capsized and Cummings and a total wreck on the treacherous rocks Shaughnessy were both drowned. two miles south of Ozette, 29 miles O'Brien, however, little children, wo south of Cape Flattery.

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From Orillia comes the news that the water has receded about six inches, but that half of the town is still indoors or compelled to go about in boats. Many head of cattle are imprisoned in barns standing in two and three feet of water.

No trains are running through the flooded districts, the Northern Pathe wilderness by an Indian courier before being mailed.

The particulars contained are meag

gerous condition, but it is thought the vessel is a total wreck in the presence of gerous condition, but it is thought they will be saved, as the flood is sub-reakers, while but two men of her they will be saved, as the flood is sub-reakers, while but two men of her safety. No lives are reported lost, but much household belongings, made up of the frontiersmen living in the vicinity, assisted by the natives, ruled or lost. highest volume of water is pouring and were too exhausted at the time over the falls known in years.

to the extent of \$20,000. Fine weather tain Markussen to his doom among today will probably avert any further calamities.

A lake of water 20 miles long, and from one to five miles wide, and varying in depth from three to 20 feet, covers the entire White River Valley between Seattle and Kent. The like set and captain the statement are the make any cale make any centre statement as the make any centre future. The chinook still prevails, and water is pouring down the Cascales in torrents. At Martin, on the entire the wreck is where many vessels being in depth from three to 20 feet, fore have piled their bones, the reef extending far out into the sea, making between Seattle and Kent. The like symposium of assistance impossi-

contented themselves with giving the unfortunates Christian burial near the

cene of their tragic death.

AGAIN IN SESSION. inthracite Strike Commission Resam

Its Work at Philadelphia. Philadelphia, Jan. 8.—After a re-cess over the holldays, the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission resumed its work today, hearing the nonunion washed out. The Great Northern work today, hearing the nonunion coal regions during the past year. It is expected that nearly a month will be occupied in taking the testimony of

their seats. All the prominent attor ecishers were present, excepting C. S.
Darrow, leading counsel for the miners, who was delayed in the West.
The first business brought up was
the presentation by their counsel of

small independent coal companies in the Hazleton region. John J. Williams, a mining engineer, employed by the Lehigh & Wilkesbarre Coal Company, was the first witness. He told how he was set upon and beaten while on his way to work, but he could not swear that the

strikers committed the assault, Sher. Schadt, of Lackaw Sher. Schadt, of Lackawanna County, gave in detail his eperiences during the strikes, and finally his call upon Governor Stone for assistance The sheriff said that President Mitch ell had several times assisted him in preventing trouble.

CLARK MAY COME TOO

to Accompany Roosevel Washington, Jan. 8.—It is quite probable that Admiral Clark, who commanded the Battleship Oregon at Santiago, may accompany President Roosevelt on his trip through Oregon next spring, although definite plans have not been arranged. It is the present intention of the President to visit Oregon sometime in May and the suggestion has been made that during his visit to the State the sword presentation to the Admiral

f Admiral Clark desires to accompany the President on this occasion, he will The possibility of an extra session. nowever, makes it impossible for the President to definitely arrange for this Western tour. No definite plans

Boers Will Participate. Pretoria, Transvaal, Jan. 8 .- All

loubts as to whether the Boers would participate in the entertainments given in honor of Colonial Secretary Cham-berlain and Mrs. Chamberlain, were lissipated by the appearance of Gen erals Botha, Delarey, Cronje and Smuts at the garden party given by the governor yesterday. The attend-ance of the town Boers, however, was not large. Mrs. Chamberlain is tactfully aiding the Secretary in his pa-cificatory mission.

Madrid, Jan. 7.—Premier Silvela has presented to King Alfonso official dispatches confirming the report of the retreat of the Pretender to the Moroccan throne, thus allowing Sultan to reorganize the army stamp out the insurrection.

FLOODS IN WASHINGTON.

Pallroads Washed Out or Burle mmense Property Loss.

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Seattle, Jan. 5 .- White River over flowed its banks near O'Brien Sta tion, four miles below Seattle, at 3 c'clock this morning. The people of the town, not fearing disaster, had re-Indians Rescued the Two Survivors by tired last night, but were awakened Forming Human Chain Through Surf by the water, in many cases creeping into their beds. Orillia, a town on the White River, two miles above O'Brien, was also flooded, but the peo ple were warned and many of them left their homes and secured places out of her crew of 20 drowned, the of safety before the rushing waters had surrounded their homes. At

> were huddled on chairs and tables in order to keep from the water that was more than two feet deep on the floors. All persons were taken to places of

Tacoma, Jan. 5.—There was nothing doing on the Northern Pacific to-The greatest loss by the flood has been the bottling works belonging to the Olympia Brewing Company, wrecked Friday night, and damaged to the extent of \$20,000. Fine weather to the extent of \$20,000. Fine weather the bescon on Cape Flattery led Captain Markussen to his doom amons future. The chinook still prevails of the Captain Markussen to his doom amons future. The chinook still prevails covern the Captain Markussen to his doom amons future. The chinook still prevails covern the Captain Markussen to his doom amons future.

the hack throwing the occupants out in the mud. There were several passengers, but all escaped with nothing sengers, but all escaped with nothing more than a few scratches and a shaking up.

R. W. Hathaway, a creamery man from Corning, Ia., has located at Medford and has, as the result of a conferred with a number of dairymen of this section, decided to put in a creamery, and expects to have it in operation by March 1. No difficulty of the dead with one of the section by March 1. No difficulty of the dead with the facts are known it will reach of cream, as there are now 22 dairymen all highling cream from this place to the Roseburg creamery.

Roseburg creamery.

Right that never in his experience was there such a flood as prevails to the facts are known it will reach at least of the section, decided to put in a creamery, and expects to have it in operation by March 1. No difficulty of the dead of sheep and hogs have been rendered for the securing sufficient in the valley have been rendered practically homeless by the floods, and their household goods have been well-night destroyed. Hundreds of the Roseburg creamery.

Roseburg creamery.

Between Seatter saw the opproaching vessel, she was heading due west, which confirms the belief that Captain Markussen supposed he had reproper course to enter the Straits of Jun de Fuca. The vessel is reported to be in identically the same place to the indentically the same place to the saw the German ship Flotthek two years ago, said was the result of a complete the course of the section of the section was there such a flood as prevails to the flood reached its highest point at 11 p. m. Saturday, and has a since receded about 20 inches. The flood reached its highest point at 11 p. m. Saturday, and has a since receded about 20 inches. The struct of the flood of shingh and increased the mate in the flood reached its highest point at 11 p. m. Saturday, and has a since receded about 20 inches. The flood reached its highest point at 11 p. m. Saturday, and has a since receded about

Everett, Wash., Jan. 5.—Traffic conditions on the Great Northern and Northern Pacific are worse than yesterday. Bridges No. 95, 97 and 99, on the Great Northern, near Madison, are out, owing to slides. No trains have come from the East since Friday, but the Great Northern expects to bring a train in Tuesday. The Stil-laguamish River is covering the town over the Nortnern Pacific tracks. The Snohomish River is still booming Great Northern bridges at Sultan and

CASTRO WON'T ABDICATE.

volution Would Soon End Withou Ald of Foreign Powers. Caracas, Jan. 6.-The report President Castro proposes to abdicate or resign the Presidency is untrue.

The correspondent of the Associated Press saw the President with regard to this matter today. The President laughed when questioned and then said thoughtfully: "You are at liberty to say that I have fought during two years to retain the supreme power which was invested in me by the people of Venezuela. I will no more abdicate than I will resign. The Matos revolution without assistance from foreign powers will soon be past history."

The course pursued by the allied powers in maintaining the blockade of La Guayra has caused astonish.

of La Guayra has caused astonish ment among the foreign residents of this city. When the Dutch steamer ra to take on board the European mails the authorities at La Gwayra sent the mail out in a small boat. This boat was stopped by the British cruiser on blockade and the mail bags vere taken on board the The postal clerks who were in the small boats, say the mail bags, not-

withstanding their protests, were opened on board the cruiser.

Missoula, Mont., Jan. 6 .- Crazed with liquor and opiates, Louis H. Mott emptied the contents of a revolver into his wife this afternoon She died at the hospital five hours later. Mott was arrested. Mott's laundry was sold some week's ago because of his drunken habits. Since then Mott has been drinking couple had words in the parlor. Mrs. Mott, fearing violence, went to the kitchen and then outside. He fol-

lowed and shot her.

Seattle, Jan. 6 .- United States Marshal Shoup arrived from Juneau to day with three Hoonah Alaska In dians sentenced each to four years' improsonment in the United States Penitentiary on McNeil's Island for causing the death of Indian Isaac whom they claimed to be a witch They kept Isaac tied to a tree for

resulting in his death.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 6.-At Monterey Mexico, 250 of the employes of the large Guggenheim smelter have gone out on strike because of dissatisfaction with a new system of pay. About

## OPPOSE NEW STATE

PROBABLE RESULT OF PLANS BEING

Would Admit Oklaho but is Against Indian Territory Measure by Talking on Trust Legio

lation Throughout the Session

tion of the debate on the statehood bill yesterday gives rise to a number

made part of it.

If such a bill had passed the Hou If such a bill had passed the House at the last session, it would no doubt have become a law, as it is recognized that Oklahoma is entitled to statehood. Another suggestion is made that the statehood bill will be sidetracked by bringing forward antitrust legislation, the Hoar anti-trust bill or some similar measure to be reported to the Senate, when it will be taken up for discussion, but without any idea of passing it.

It is believed that a motion to take up an anti-trust bill would command democratic votes, even against the omnibus statehood measure, and thus the omnibus bill, which holds its place because a majority seems to favor it,

because a majority seems to favor it, would be pushed aside.

FAVOR A TRUST BILL

or publicity in the affairs of great cor-porations is found in insurance com-panies, which are under the careful supervision of state authorities. Senator McComas says that he be-lieves in Government supervision and that no corporation should be afraid of Government supervision.

Both of the Senators are members of the judiciary committee and will vote to report a bill, if a satisfactory

measure can be prepared in time.

NEW ELECTRIC LINE.

Spokane, Jan. 7.—Surveyors are ex-sected to begin work this week lay-ng out a route for an electric railway to run from Washtucna, on the O. & N., through Ritzville, on the No.

Northern. The proposed line will be about 45 miles long, passing through a fine wheat country and reaching three railways. The enterprise is backed by residents of Ritzville, C. Lunchford being president; P. R. Clark, secretary; O. R. Holcomb, lately democratic O. R. Holcomb, lately democratic nominee for congress, being vice-president. They propose to secure power from Hooper Falls, of the Pa-iouse River, and may also sell light

and power.

The cost of the enterprise is estimated at \$1,500,000. Ritaville said to be the largest initial shi

is thought such a road would in

POISONED NEW YEAR GIFT. A Colorado Coachman and His Wife Dei Strychnine in Whiskey.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Jan. ler mysterious circumstant poisoned from drinking from a smal vial of whiskey which contained white sediment. On the bottle was label completely hiding the content and bearing the inscription, "Hi New Year. Have a drink with According to Mrs. Bailey, her band came home at 11 o'clock an ter bathing remarked that he gue he would take a drink from his New Year's gift. He drank about half an ounce and shortly after retiring he

complained of cramps and remark that he believed he had been po oned. Mrs. Bailey aroused the neighbors, but by the time assistance rived her husband was dead.

Mrs. Bailey states that when he husband returned home from a bas where he was employed he broug the bottle with him, but did not the her where he got it.

Dynamiting an ice Jan

New York, Jan. 7.—A great of spectators gathered on the of the Connecticut River Sundi watch the process of dynamitis watch the process of dynamiting ice jam to save the great tempo bridge, says a Times dispatch; Hartford. At 10 o'colck a piecice was blown high in the air, falling 200 feet away, struck F Stavalo, aged 11, on the head, turing his skull. He is now in the pital, where it is said he can live a short time. He has not represented the consciousness.

gives his name as Jim B been arrested at Eddysvilled of being one of the me bed P. Sullivan of \$1800 r ton, Friday night. The n was wounded by Sullivan