FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 1906.

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Drummers Required to Pay Excess of these books and few persons would on Mileage Books.

IS ANOTHER GRAFT

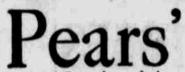
\$ 20,000,000 IS COLLECTED

Sto to Insure Return of Mileage Which no Interest is Paid.

CHICAGO, Jan. 11 .-- The Tribune todey says:

Twenty million dollars of money belonging to the jobbing and wholesale ouses and manufacturers is constantly tied up in the treasuries of the railroads from one year's end to another, and the railroads, which have the use of this money, pay no interest for the use of it. This enormous amount of money represents the excess that is paid by the traveling men for their offer of a reward of \$5000 for the capmileage books and is not returned until after the 1000-mile book has been used.

The railroads contend that their only safeguard in selling these thousand-mile books at reduced rates, two cents a mile, is the fare, is to collect in the Thompson saloon were held up this extra one cent a mile, of \$10, at early this morning by a bandit while the time the book is sold, to be re- the bartender was compelled at the turned when the empty cover is point of a gun to turn over the conturned in. This buniness of redemption of mileage book covers is conducted by mileage bureaus connected caped. with the various passenger associations



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The claim is made by passenger men is that if a mileage book was sold at a flat rate of two cents a mile, which would require no refund or extra expenditure on the part of the purchaser, it would result in wholesale scalping purchase regular tickets, even for short journeys, because of the comparative ease with which they could get mileage books from scalpers. There is, however, a growing move-

ment of revolt on the part of the traveling men to this form of mileage book and in all states the railroads are beginning to hear complaints. One of Railroads Compel Drummers to Deposit the results of this agitation is a demand for legislation for a straight two-Books - Amounts to \$20,000,000 on cent mileage, without reservation, and on all tickets, which has taken definite

form in several of the states and is spreading throughout the Middle West and the East. The railroad and warehouse commission, of Illinois, has promised to take the matter up within a few months, when a full hearing upon the subject will be had.

BIG REWARD.

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 11 .- The D. J. Hennessey Mercantile Company's store which was robbed of \$3000 by two robbers Tuesday night has authorized an ture of the bundits.



BUTTE Mont., Jan. 11-Twenty men tents of the cash register to the robber, about \$20. The highwayman es-

LOCKOUT DECLARED OFF.

BUTTE, Mont. Jan. 11 .- The orehaulers locked out was declared off last night, the hauling contractors yielding to the demands of the teamsters for an increase of fifty cents per day and today the work of hauling ore will resume. About 350 men have been idle for ten days as a result of the trouble. The action of the miners' union in taking a hand in the controversy caused a speedy settlement.

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#### A Tragle Capture.

One of the most industrious of the man thieves who recruited the famous regiment of giants for King Frederick William of Prussia was Baron Hompeach, whose many successes led him

once to cast covetous eyes upon a very ingthy joiner. He ordered of the joiner a chest or cupboard which should be as long and broad as the worker himself. In due course the baron called round. The cupboard had been finished, but he protested that it was too small. This the carpenter denied and laid himself within it as proof of its dimensions. No sooner had he done so than servants of the baror clapped down the lid and had the glant prisoner. They carted him off to the court, but when the lid was opened instead of a giant there rolled out a corpse. The man had been stifled. In his anger the king sentenced the baron to death, but reprieved him when he wanted more glants.

News Speed In South Africa. When Lord Wolseley during the Ashanti war crossed the Prab he found a white cord stretched from tree to tree along his route. It was a native fetich. copied from the British telegraph wire,

which was believed to possess some sovereign magic virtue. But the native has his mysteries of his own, which the white man often proves unable to fathom. It is said that no one can understand how it happens that with such marvelous celerity news has traveled across the whole of South Africa. During the South African war, except where the telegraph was in operation. native news was always days ahead of official. The relief of Mafeking is said

to have been known next day in guinland and also 700 miles away in the beart of Cape Colony. Signals by fire and drum, measures conveyed by run sers or cried from hilltop to hilltop, do not explain speed such as this.



Suffered for a Long Time Without Relief-Had Three Doctors and Derived No Benefit-One Doctor Was Afraid to Touch Them -Soreness Disappeared and Hands Now Smooth After Application of

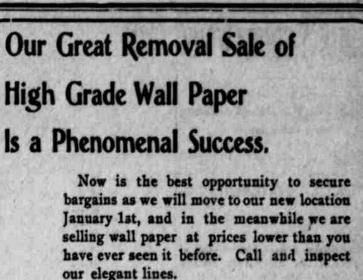
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