NEWS OF THE WEEK NAMES CURRENCY COMMITTEE

In a Condensed Form for Our **Busy Readers.**

HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Sunday theaters in New York may

Receivelt has ordered the land fraud

cases pushed. The dry party shows great gains in

Secretary Taft was given a great re-

ception at St. Petersburg. Moorish rebels have captured the

harems of the sultan and his ministers. There are more women and girls in New York seeking positions than there

More than a score of persons were injured near Dayton, Ohio, by the overturning of an electric car.

Mrs. Bradley has been acquitted o murdering ex-Senator Brown, of Utah,

and will now contest his will. Ambassador Aoki states that his recall is for the purpose of making a verbal report to the Japanese emperor.

The Supreme court of Colorado has decided that the Torrens act for the registration of real estate with the county recorder without the formality of abstract transfers, is legal.

The monthly report of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad shows an increase in earnings for October of \$152,-465 over the same month last year, notwithstanding the two-cent rate law.

The Oklahoma legislature is in ses-

Forty-nine miners lost their lives in the Fayette City, Pa., mine accident.

Reforms in land laws have been requested of congress by Commissioner Ballinger.

A passenger steamer was wrecked off the coast of Nova Scotia, but all lives were saved.

A receiver has been asked for to Fire in the Pullman car plant at

Buffalo, N. Y,. destroyed \$400,000 worth of property.

Night sessions of court are being held at Boise to hurry the selection of the Pettibone jury.

the Oregon & Califonria land grant until the terms of grant are observed. The ice trust at Los Angeles has

knocked out the California anti-trust law on a technicality and promptly raised the price of ice. The estimates of the various depart-

ments of the Federal government for 1909, which have been sent to congress, ask for appropriations of \$766, Jury Says He is Not Guilty of Bribing 508,273, an increase of \$77,479,819 over the 1908 estimates.

The mother of Secretary Taft is near

The Panama canal bonds have been greatly over-subscribed.

Glasgow is said to be growing weary of municeipal ownership.

Hill predicts the decline of New York as the chief port of the United States. President Riley, of the Santa Fe. blames clerks for the granting of re-

Evidence has been secured that J. R. Walsh stole \$2,250,000 from the Chicago National bank.

The New York bank reserve is growing steadily, showing an improvement

in financial conditions. The annual report of Postmaster General Meyer deals largely with the estab-

lishmer t of postal savings banks. The American Tobacco company is said to secretly control a large number of the supposedly independent concerns.

The Jamestown fair has closed. The management is in debt \$2,500,000 and mismanagement and carelessness is giv-

commenced in 1874.

with France.

Canada has made a reciprocity treaty

Boston has a municipal indebtedness of \$111.848.735.

It is reported that Senator Smoot will not seek re-election.

Democrats in the house will revolt against Williams' leadership.

Archbold, of the Standard Oil, de nies that his money is tainted.

Seven men were killed by a gas plosion in Kansas City.

The German chancellor declares the policy of the kaiser is one of peace. It is reported that an attempt was

made to blow up Taft's train in Russia. Foraker has announced his candidacy for president and denounces the rate

Mount Vesuvius is slightly active, but the villages surrounding it are not suffering.

Congressmen who have just returned from Panama say the canal may be finished in six years.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson says the present year has been the best for crops in all parts of the country in its

The government has increased its d posits in Portland banks.

No more treasury certificates will sold by Secretary Cortelyou.

Secretary Garfield says irrigation has now passed the experimental stage. electric cars were delayed.

Cannon Yields to Demard for Quick

Action by Congress. Washington, Dec. 4 .- In the house yesterday Speaker Cannon announced the appointment of the committee on banking and currency, and in doing so stated that he had exceeded by one member the number permitted by the rules of the house and asked unanimous consent to his action, which was granted.

The committee retains as its chair man Fowler, of New Jersey, and in the main its personnel is unchanged. There were only two vacancies on the committee is it stood last year, one of these being caused by the failure of Shartel, of Missouri, to secure re-election, andg the other by the voluntary withdrawal of Legare, of South Carolina, who found the duties pertaining to his work on this committee to be in conflict with his service on other committees. Burton, Rep., Ohio, was designated for Shartel's place and Crawford, of North Carolina, for Legare's. The additional selection was McHenry, Democrat, of Pennsylvania.

ELECT CULBERSON LEADER.

Democratic Senators Organize and

Snub Bailey, of Texas. Washington, Dec. 4 .- The Democratsenators held a conference after the Texas, chairman of the Democratic inal leadership of the minority on the

A resolution was passed asking the duty it shall be to arrange for Demoeratic appointments on senate commit- fortune for him in 25 years.' tees and to shape the legislative course of the minority as soon as possible.

Proposes New Form of Currency

Asiatic Bill Introduced.

Washington, Dec. 4 .- Representative Hayes, of California, introduced a bill vesterday providing for the appointment of a committee to select the site San Diego harbor, also his bill to regulate Asiatic immigration.

More Pay for Vessels.

Washington, Dec. 4 .- Representative ntroduced a bill providing for an inceived by first-class vessels making voyconformity with the recommendations made by the president in his message.

FORD IS ACQUITTED.

Supervisors San Francisco, Dec. 4 .- Tirey L.

an overhead trolley franchise. The case went to the jury at 6 o'clock and the verdict was reached at 10:40, the jury reporting to the court at 11:05. or acquittal and three for conviction. Several more ballots changed it to eleven for acquittal and one for conviction. The sixth ballot was unanimous for ac-

mittal. This was Ford's second trial. In the banks during the financial stringency. of deputy sheriffs.

Federal License for Autos.

New York, Dec. 4 .- A Federal auto nobile bill similar to the one introduced just before the close of the last ession of congress, will be introduced by Congressman Cox, of New York. The railway tunnel under the Hudson | The bill has the backing of the Ameriother states with a Federal license.

Oil Trust Controls Rates.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 4 .- Ned Chamberlain, of Cleveland, O., secretary of the National Petroleum association. this morning made a spirited attack on the Standard Oil company in a speech before the state railway commission. He asserted that Nebraska, like other states, was in the relentless grip of the short of that of last year. The Klye 10c; ducks, 12@12%c; pigeons, \$1@ railroad rates. He referred to county seat points, equalized so that the inde pendent companies would be placed on an equal footing with the Standard Oil company.

Insurance Taxation.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 4.—State In surance Commissioner Henry O. Prewitt has called a meeting of the committee on taxation of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners for December 18 in Louisville. Mr. Prewitt also invites members of the associations and representatives of life and fire insurance companies to attend the meeting and aid in drafting a uniform insurance taxation law for presentation to the legislatures of the various states.

Snow Storm in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 4 .- A blinding snow storm swept Chicago yesterday and last F. Mulkey, of Ashland normal, said night and was responsible for many street accidents. hampered and surface and elevated lic instruction, with which aspirations ness; mohair, choice, 29@30c electric cars were delayed.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

LARGER THAN LAST YEAR.

Oregon's Prune Shipments Will Reach

24,00,000 Pounds. Albany-According to figures comfiled by C. A. Malboeuf, district reight agent of the Southern Pacific, Oregon's total prune shipment for 1907 pounds, or 175 cars. The total shipment of dried prunes from this state this year will aggregate 600 car-

loads, a total of 24,000,000 pounds. Last year the total shipment consisted of 425 carloads, consisting of 17,out from one city in the Pacific Northwest, 6,000,000 pounds have already ramento and San Francisco bay. been sent.

Fortunes in Walnuts. Ashland-The black walnut thrives pointing out the annual growth in the rendered unnecessary. cross-section, said: "The young man chairman to appoint a committee whose who will plant 10 acres of black walnut trees here will find that it will make a

Walnuts Will Supplant Hops. P. J. Wirfs, 13 acres. R. Jacobson when spring opens. has more than 20 acres in which he will grub up hop vines at equal distances and plant walnuts, cultivating

Apples Bring Good Money. Medford-J. A. Perry, president of the Rogue River Fruitgrowers' union, states that financial conditions have had Humphrey, of Washington, yesterday little bearing upon the fruit shipping industry of the union. He says: No more patents will be issued for crease in mail pay of second-class ves. have shipped to date all varieties of apsels to the same rate that is now re- ples which we have handled at a date corresponding to this in previous years. ages of 4,000 miles or over. The bill We have received good prices for all is believed by Mr. Humphrey to be in fruit shipped, and we now have in transit to London and other markets. for which we shall also receive good prices, as I think the English market will not be subjected to financial conditions as in the United States."

Chance for Oregon Mills. Portland-The Panama Canal commission has called for bids on the larg-Ford, general counsel of the United est lot of lumber known to have been Railroads, was late last night acquitted embraced in a single order on this of the charge of having bribed ex-Su. coast. The commission, through the pervisor Jennings Phillips to vote for Portland chamber of commerce, asks Oregon lumber mill men to bid on lumber lots aggregating \$6,000,000 feet, of Douglas fir or Oregon pine, to be used The amount n canal construction. On the first ballot the jury stood nine asked for would be sufficient to make two ordinary shiploads. Oregon mills should, it is said, make a strong effort

Persimmons Grow in Oregon. Albany-The versatility of producfirst trial the jury was unable to agree tion of Willamette valley soil is again on a verdict. The present trial was illustrated by the fact that in the orbegun about seven weeks ago, but was chard of George W. Wright, a local at interrupted a month by a series of torney, persimmons, figs, almonds, filpecial holidays called to protect the berts and walnuts are growing beside all common varieties of Oregon fruit. Durling all the holidays the jurors The persimmon tree, which is probably were kept together under the custody the greatest rarity, was planted six years ago, and began bearing the third year. This year it is loaded with fruit, which will be a delicacy when it at-

tains full flavor. The tree is of the variety native to Missouri. Complete the Houndup.

Weston-The stockmen of the Weston ountry have completed their annual fall roundup, which has been the most connecting New York and Jersey City can Automobile association. It is based successful in recent years. Cattle have will be opened soon. The work was on interstate traffic and provides for come out of the mountains in fine con-Federal licensing of motor cars. These dition, and they have left the ranges icenses are to be in addition to the knee deep in grass because of the favorpresent state license, the only change able rulings of the forest reserve offibeing that after an owner has taken out cials. It is thought that next year a license in his own state he can tour in there will be a double amount of cattle on the Wenaha reserve. About 1,000 per pound. head have recently come from the mountains to the Weston country.

Pack Short of Last Year. Astoria-Reports from the canneries on the Oregon coast streams for the ing in slowly, and it will be some time 11 1/40; cannery and cold storage plant on the 1.50; squabs, \$2@3. Siuslaw put up 12,000 cases of canned fish and 180 tierces of pickled salmon. On the Coquille river the Prosper Canning company put up 9,000 cases and Cross Timmons packed 5,000 cases.

Electric Line for Wallowa.

Enterprise-There is some talk that organize an electric railway to be run cabbage, lc per pound; between Walla Walla and points in the years from the date of the right of way tomatoes, \$1.25@1.35 per box. deed, there is no doubt an electric line will be constructed in the Wallowa

Mulkey Not a Candidate.

Salem-While in Salem President B. olds, 21/2@31/4e per pound.

GREAT LAKE IS LOWERING. Vast Area Will Be Added Reclamation

Work in Klamath Klamath Falls-Nature is performof the reclamation work of the Klamath will exceed that of last year by 7,000 .. project, and also one of the most expensive parts included in the estimate, which is the drainage of Tule lake.

Reports received from J. Frank Adthat the water of the lake is rapidly on any other night than Sunday the 000,000 pounds. This year's ship-ment, it is estimated, will bring \$1.- through which the water is passing 680,000 into the state. Laselle Broth- with a deafening roar that can be heard from 275 to 300 regularly, about oneers, of this city, are the chief prune a great distance. Below is apparently fourth of them making entry at night, shippers of Oregon, and they alone a great channel underground through but on Sunday nights only about one will ship 7,000 000 pounds of prunes which the waters find outlet beneath half the night force goes to work. The galleries of representatives of the offi. passed. from this city. Of this colossal shipment, which is the largest ever sent the drainage of Fall river to Pitt, and crete sides of the entry were broken

adjournment of the senate yesterday other day a black walnut was cut on dated. For several days the water has alive. and elected Senator C. A. Culberson, of Laurel street in this city that was been receding and investigation revealplanted 26 years ago. Its diameter two ed the new outlet. Should the vent en caucus. This position carries the nom- feet above the ground was two feet. A tirely drain the body of the lake, it will number of cuts were taken from it to a add 50,000 acres of irrigable land to foor of the senate. Senator McCreary, cabinet shop. It is of fine grain and the project and at a saving of hunof Kentucky, was chosen vice chairman, rich color, equal to any black walnut dreds of thousands of dollars to the and Mr. Owen, the senator-to-be from Grown in the Mississippi valley. The people of Klamath basin, as the in Oklahoma, was made secretary of the cabinet maker in exhibiting this wood, tended diversion of Lost river will be caused. tended diversion of Lost river will be

Halt in Survey Work.

Klamath Falls-Teams and wagons used on the Oregon Eastern to the north progress when she left and that Decem have been brought here and turned over Washington, Dec. 4 .- Representative yards in this county is apparent from ceived and stored for future use a large history. der to be called "United States curren- duced this fall. Among the growers has been recalled from location work stated that the discovery of large quancy notes," and providing for their wh are plowing up their yards out- on the Oregon Eastern. The feeling tities of arms and explosives had nuts are F. W. Fenton, 14 acres, and is only for the winter and will resume

Forest Supervisor at John Day. tances and plant walnuts, cultivating John Day—Cy J. Brigham deputy them with the hops for a few years and surpervisor of the Western division of A receiver has been asked for to ment of a committee bags.

wind up the affairs of the Jamestown for a naval base on San Francisco bay hopgrowers will follow Mr. Jacobson's at this place, where his headquarters at Vladivostok to construct barracks to will be from now on, and is preparing to take up his new duties. The establishment of a supervisor's office here is one of the most important concessions made local stockmen by the buerau of forestry, and it is hoped that most of the causes of friction will disappear under his administration.

Pilot Rock Getting Ready. Pendleton-It is announced that train service over the Pilot Rock branch of the O. R. & N. will be inaugurated De cember 15. Arrangements for a demonstration in Pilot Rock that day are being made and it is expected that several hundred people will go out over will consist of a combination train one

Still Threshirg in Gilliam.

crew in Ferry canyon has 25 days' work past crises of a similar condition. gold coin, and this is hard to get. The ancy of the money market, a heavy acbad weather of the past week has also cumulation of banking reserves and a hindered them in hauling their produce free export movement of gold. to market, and a lrage amount of the spring.

Smelter at North Powder. assay is very high.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Club, 83c; bluestem, 85c; alley, 83c; red, 81c. Oats-No. 1 white, \$29; gray, \$29. Barley-Feed, \$28.50 per ton; brew-

ng, \$30; rolled, \$30@31 Corn-Cracked, \$33; whole, \$32 Hay-Valley timothy, No. 1, \$17@ 18 per ton: Eastern Oregon timothy, \$23; clover, \$15; cheat, \$15; grain hay, \$15@16; alfalfa, \$14; vetch, \$14. Butter-Fancy creamery, 30@321/2c

Veal-75 to 125 pounds, 8@836c; 125 to 150 pounds, 7c; 150 to 200 pounds, 5@6%c. Pork-Block, 75 to 150 pounds, 61/2c

packers, 6%c. Poultry-Average old hens, 11 1/4 (a) season ending on November 20 are com- 12c per pound; mixed chickens, 11@ spring chickens, 1016@11c; before all the plants are heard from, roosters, 8c; dressed chickens, 12@13c; Advices thus far are that the pack is turkeys, live, 14@15c; geese, live, 9@ Eggs-Fresh ranch, candled, 371/6

40c per dozen. Fruits-Apples, 75c@\$2 per box; peaches, 75c@\$1 per crate; pears, \$1 25 @ 1.75 per box; quinces, 50@60c per box; cranberries, \$9.50@12 per barrel.

Vegetables-Turnips, \$1.25 per sack carrots, \$1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.25 party of Walla Walla capitalists will per sack; beans, 7@9c per pound 60@90c doz; celery, 72@90c doz; on-Wallowa valley, and unless the O. R. ions, 15@20c doz; parsley, 20c doz; & N. company complies with the condi- pepper, 8@17c per pound; radishes, tions in the right of way deeds, to com- 20c doz; spinach, 6c pound; sprouts, plete its line of railway within two 8c per pound; squash, 1@11/4c pound; Onions-\$1.50@2 per sack.

Potatoes-Delivered Portland, 506 75c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 21/4c per pound.

Hops-1907, 5@7%c per Wool-Eastern Oregon, averag best, that under no circumstances will be be 13@20c per pound, according to shrink-Street traffic was a candidate for Superintendent of pub- age; valley, 18@20c, according to fineMINERS ENTOMBED.

No Hope for at Least Twenty-five

Pernsylvania Mine. Fayette City, Pa., Dec. 3 .- Between entombed in the Naomi mine of the United Coal company, located three miles west of this city, and there is practically no hope that any of them are alive. The imprisonment is due DEMOCRATS DENOUNCE RULES ing one of the most extensive portions to an explosion of black damp about o'clock Sunday night, soon after the night force went to work.

It is said a miner entering an old working with an open lamp caused the ams, of Tule lake, brings intelligence explosion. Had the disaster occurred falling, and a tremendous whirlpool number of victims would have been twice as large. The mine employed scene characterized the meeting of the an emergency currency, safely secured the Modoc lava beds and thence through mine is of the shaft type and the concial society of the capital. finally on to the ocean through the Sac- down so as to close the passage back a in the house of representatives, where considerable distance. About 100 feet the formal selection of Joseph G. Can-It has long been held by geologists from the entrance is located the first non again to be speaker and the desigthat Tule lake has an underground out-let, and that Fall river, which bursts pouring in great volume. The gas Williams as their leader, were occafrom a gushing spring in Modoc county, found in mines in this territory is so sions for ovations for those gentlemen. in the Oregon climate, particularly in Cal., is the vent. Last spring the lake poisounous that no human being can The speaker was given as warm a recep-Southern Oregon, above almost every water reached a higher level than has live in it for more than a few minutes, other tree and becomes a tree of much ever been known since the country was and for this reason it is believed not a party. The appearance of William J. commercial value within 20 years. The settled, and bordering farms were inun- single one of the entombed men is still

SIBERIAN REBELS ACTIVE.

Rumors of Battle in Which 280 Are

Killed-Many Arrests Made. Victoria, B. C., Dec. 3 .- The British steamer Port Maria, which arrived at Nagasaki shortly before the Monteagle sailed, with fugitives from Vladivostok, reported severe fighting, in which 280 had been killed or wounded, was in ber 12, the czar's birthday, had beer to Assistant Engineer J. D. Church, of fixed for the outbreak which revolu-McMinnville-That walnut groves the California Northeastern, stationed tionaries on the Port Maria said would will in time supplant the extensive hop at this point. Mr. Church has also re- give Vladivostok a place in Russian

Garner, of Texas, yesterday introduced the action of the largest hopgrowers. quantity of supplies, turned over to a bill creating a new form of legal ten
The hop acreage will be materially re- him by Engineer D. D. Griffiths, who ed Nagasaki, brought fugitives who printing to the amount of \$500,000,000. right for the purposes of planting wal- here that this lull in railroad activity made, and plans of the fortress and rolls of revolutionists had been unearthed by secret service officers in a Viadivostok shippard, the finding of the enrollment of the rebels being followed by hundreds of arrests, quickly succeeded by executions. A girl of 17 was among

those shot. accommodate two additional divisions. showed 365 members present. and substantial increases are to be made to the Baikal forces to cope with the revolutionists. Arrivals from Habworovsk say large forts and barracks are also being built at the mouth of the opened with prayer by the Rev. Ed-Amur.

PAPER MONEY HARMFUL.

Financiers Fear Evil Results From

Currency Tinkering. New York, Dec. 3 .- It is significant of the change in financial opinion that most of the discussion among financial men last week dealt with the dreaded men last week dealt with the dreaded ate ne ther Bankhead nor Johnson will ate ne ther Bankhead nor Johnson will be core. the new line from this city on the first effect of a state of inflation of the curtrain. The regular service on this line rency, into which it was feared the be sworn in until the deaths of Morgan country might merge with the passage way each day, leaving Pendleton in the of the effects of the irrational distrust. morning and returning in the afternoon. The bringing forward of this subject into debate while the premium on currency was still being paid and measures Condon-A great amount of threshing were being taken to stop the famine was is still to be done in this county. One due to plain lessons of experience in The farmers are hampered a all of these the return of confidence and great deal by the fact that the threshers the re-establishment of credit have

will take nothing in payment except brought a condition of actual redund-While the enormous mass of gold

grain will remain to be hauled in the that has flowed into the United States in response to the urgent requirements developed by the crisis is admittedly in excess of the normal requirements of North Powder-A smelter is being the period, the return flow of gold is out in at the new copper mines, the bound to have an unfavorable effect on Panhandle and Tamarack, southesast financial sentiment and in the event of had no right to appropriate \$750,000 of here. Charles Mills, who lately lo- its undue stimulation by any inflation from the tax fund for the purchase of cated these fine mines, says the first by paper note issues, which would tend the Geary street railway. The board Mr. Williams was elected by acclamashipment of copper will be made about to force out gold, the danger of a check of supervisors instituted suit to have tion. the second week in December. The being administered to the recovery in the ordinance declared invalid on the commercial activity is taken anxious ac- ground that the city's charter provides count of.

Train Leaps Into Bay. San Francisco, Dec. 3 .- While round- will permit of such investments, and ng a sharp curve near Marshall, a train neither provision prevails. of the Northwestern Pacific railroad was derailed, and after running over the ties for a distance of 200 feet, dashed down an embankment into Tomales of the water saved the crew and passengers from being drowned like rates in a plunged into the muddy bottom of the seriously injured in the accident. Sev-

eral were painfully bruised.

Huge Fighter Is Ready. on pounds of ammunition stowed will be concluded today. away in her magazine rooms and with nearly one thousand men and officers aboard the big 16,000-ton battleship class of fighting craft in the American the Brooklyn navy yard for Hampton roads. The heavy stores are explained nearly one month at spring target practice in Magdalena bay, Lower California.

Change City Government.

New York, Dec. 3 .- Sweeping changes involving a remodeling of the entire present plan of city government of reater New York are recommended to on committee. The recommendations city administration, a vice mayor, a clusion from the city debt limit of all bonds issued for revenue earning improvements.

Thousand Men Out of Work. Pittsburg, Dec. 3 .- The Isabella furmen out of employment.

CONGRESS CONVENES

25 and 30 miners, possibly more, are Brilliant Scene Marks Opening of Sixtleth Session.

Give Speaker of the House Too Much Power-Point is Lost and Cannon Chosen.

Sixtleth congress yesterday. In the senate and house of representatives there were notable gatherings in the tinue its use after the emergency had The striking scenes of the day were

tion from the minority as from his own

tion by Democrats and by a single Re- free of an export tax. publican, Cooper of Wisconsin. The old rules were declared to be too autoadopted by a party vote.

ommunicate. New senators and all carried out, he will not have any fights the representatives were sworn in and on his hands with congress. both houses adjourned out of respect to the memory of members who have died during recess of congress.

Promptly at 12 o'clock Clerk Mc Dowell entered the chamter of representatives accompanied by the veteran assistant sergeant-at-arms, Colonel E S. Pierce, bearing the mace, the emblem of order in executive bodies. The hum of conversation suddenly

body duly in session. prayer, after which the roll was called. day. The nomination was made in a The roll call occupied 20 minutes, and caucus held in the house of representa-

noon. After Vice President Fairbanks sounded the gavel the proceedings were ward Everett Hale, chaplain. La Feliette was the first senator

ognized, and presented the credentials of Isaac Stevenson, of Wisconsin. The vice president ordered that the roll of senators-elect be called alphabetically, and they were sworn in and escorted to their decks. All of the senators-elect were present except Bank- sergeant-at-arms, and Samuel W. Lan-

head, of Alabams, who is ill.

and Pettus have been acknowledged Robert L. Owen and Thomas P. Gore, of Oklahoma, not having been elected to the senate by their legislature, were not received by the senate and their

credential will not be accepted until after their election December 10. The roll call showed 85 senators present. Allison and Teller were des. in the position of minority leader for ignated a committee to inform the presdent that congress had assembled and of Mr. Williams was agreed on in a s ready to receive any communications. Teller offered resolutions of respect to in the hall of the house of representathe memory of Morgan and Pettus, of tives beginning at 2 o'clock.

the senate adjourned at 12:39 p. m.

No Right to Buy Car Line. San Francisco, Dec. 3 .- Judge Sturtevant, of the Superior court, yesterday decided that the board of supervisors for municipal operation of public utilities only by direct vote of the people, or when the city's unexpended revenues

Ford Evidence Completed. bay, where nothing but the shallowness of the United Railroads and ex-attorney Williamsburgh, of New York. The general of California, on the charge of three companies insisted on taking suits trap. Owing to the fact that the train board of supervisors in connection with to the United States courts. This is in the granting of an overhead trolley violation of a state law. bay and failed to overturn, no one was franchise, was resumed yesterday after an interruption of one month, caused by the intervention of legal holidays. The prosecution closed its case and the New York, Dec. 3. - With two mil- timony. It is expected that argument bill providing for the national incorpor-

Race Under Lipton's Rules

New York, Dec. 3 -Sir Thomas Lip-Louisiana, representative of the largest ton and other famous foreign yachtsmen will be invited to come to Amernavy, sailed at daybreak yestedray from ica next year to sail for a cup to be by the fact that the fleet will spend be for boats similar to those suggested by Sir Thomas in his challenge for the America's cup, which challenge was de-clined by the New York Yacht club. A number of prominent yacht clubs in Europe will be invited to compete.

Insurance Company Fails

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 3 .- Attorney General Thompson yesterday prepared ate notice of an appeal was given, it Governor Hughes by the charter revis- a petition asking for a receiver for the being the intention of the contractors National Mutual Fire Insurance com- to test the constitutionality of the statinclude absolute home rule in regard to pany, of Omaha. The attorney general alleges that the liabilities of the smaller board of aldermen and the ex- pany are \$253,653 and the assets \$116,- construction work on the St. Paul road. 779. T. M. Coffin is president of th company and J. L. Abbie secretary.

Japan Recalls Her Envoy.

Washington, Dec. 3 .- It was reported here early this morning that Visnace of the American Steel & Wire count Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, his letters of recall.

AIMS TO PLEASE ALL.

President's Message is to Be a Con servative Document.

Washington, Dec. 2 .- It is said that President Roocsvelt's annual message o congress will open with a broad and onfident expression of belief in the resources of America and an appeal to the citizens to keep thier money in cirulation.

It will be patriotic in tone, conserv-

ative without being reactionary. The message will be regarded by many as a political work of art. It reaches out to reassure and please the ousiness man, the railroad man, the working man, the farmer, the labor agitator.

The president is in favor of currency legislation. He would have provision Washington, Dec. 3 .- A brilliant made for the issuance by the banks of by good bonds, which should be taxed enough to make it unprofitable to con-The president is in favor of legisla-

> tion that will give the railroads a chance to live. He would have the Sherman enti-trust law amended. It should be changed so as to permit certain very projer combinations, necessary to industrial progress, and also made to prevent other combinations that are opposed to the public interest. Mr. Roosevelt thinks the tariff should be revised at proper periods, but noth-

Bryan on the floor of the house also was ing is to be done in that direction with the occasion for enthusiastic cheering. his consent until tie next presidential When the adoption of the rules for election. He looks w th favor on the the government of the house during the proposal to remove the tax on print Sixtleth congress came up, the rules of paper and pulp, but only c additioned he last congress were opposed by Wil. on the Canadian government permitting liams and he was joined in the opposi- its pulp wood to enter the United States

Though he wants the condition of the women and children who work in cratic, placing too much power in the factories improved, he wants more inhands of the speaker, but after a some. vestigation of the subject. So, too, the what acrimonious discussion they were president wants technical training extended to the farmer. He does not ex-Committees were appointed by both pect congress will enact any of his ouses to inform the president that recommendations at this session, excongress had met and was ready to re- cept, perhaps, currency reform and railceive any message he might wish to road relief. If his present plans are

> CANNON IS CHOSEN Republican Caucus Nominates Him

for Speaker of the House. Washington, Dec. 2 .- Hon. Joseph G. Cannon, of Illinois, was Saturday night nominated by the Republican members of the house of representatives ceased and Mr. McDowell declared the for his third term as speaker, and he will be re-elected to that office upon the Chaplain Couden immediately offered convening of the house at 12 o'clock to-

The senate convened promptly at ly all of the 226 Republican members. The caucus was called to order at 8 o'clock by Representative Hepburn, of Iowa, who presided, and within an hour's time the nomination not only of the speaker, but of all the officers of the house was completed and an adjournment taken. The other officers

tives, which was attended by practical-

Alexander McDowell, Pennsylvania, clerk; Frank B. Lyon, New York, doorkeeper; Henry Casson, Massachusetts, gum, Minnesota, postmaster.

chosen were:

DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE

John Sharp Williams Chosen Minority Leader of the House Washington, Dec. 2 .- By agreeing to place in nomination for speaker John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, the Democratic members of the house Saturday in effect decided to continue him the Sixtleth congress. The nomination capcus of the Democratic members held Alabama, and they were adopted and sentative Henry D. Clayton, of Ala bama, presided, and Representative

Ryan, of the Buffalo, N. Y., district, was chosen secretary. Immediately after the organization of the caucus had been completed, Representative Thomas, of North Carolina, was recognized, and he proceeded at once to place Mr. Williams in nomina-There was no opposition, and

Barred from California San Francisco, Dec. 2 .- The Examin er says today that three of the largest insurance companies doing business on the coast have been denied certificates of authority to do any further business in this state by Insurance Commissioner E. M. Wolf. The companies affect-San Francisco, Dec. 3 .- The second ed are the Palatine, of London, the rial of Tirey L. Ford, general counsel Commercial Union, of London, and the having bribed members of a former for losses sustained in the great fire in-

Sanction for Fiat Money.

New York, Dec. 2 .- It is announced that shortly after congress opens Senatdefense rested without offering any tes- or Platt will introduce in the senate a ation of clearing houses. The bill is similar to those which failed of passage in 1896 and 1892. It will provide that one clearing house in each state shall have the power to issue currency to its members and shall maintain a reserve equal to that required of national banks. presented by certain members of the The passage of this bill will give cor-Brooklyn Yacht club. The race will gressional sanction to the plan of issuing clearing house certificates.

Test the Eight-hour Law.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 2 .- Two Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway conractors, Michael Jennings and D. A. McIntosh, were today found guilty of violating the eight hour statute and fined \$100 each, with costs. Immediute. The contractors aver that if the ecm- law is upheld it will greatly retard

> Graveyard Sinks Into Sea. London, Dec. 2 .- Owing to the ero-

sion of the sea at Lyme Regis a graveyard attached to the church is disappearing, and it was reported at a meeting of the county council that coffins company at Etna, a suburb, has been called on the president and Secretary could be seen projecting from the sides closed indefinitely, throwing over 1,000 of State Root yesterday and presented of the cliff, while many coffins have disappeared in the sea.