

# DAKOTA DOINGS.

News Gathered From The Most Reliable Sources.

## DAKOTA LEGISLATURE.

**JAN. 18.**—In the Council sixteen bills were introduced, and three passed, merely local in their effect. The bill introduced by Mr. Hughes for the punishment of wife beaters provides that husbands convicted of the crime shall be tried by jury and when convicted shall be punished by not exceeding 30 lashes upon the bare back, with a whip, the sheriff or his deputy to inflict the whipping in the presence of only two witnesses, one of them to be a physician.

**JANUARY 18th** The revolutionary proceeding inaugurated on Monday, in the House, collapsed to day, by the vote 15 in the affirmative to 31 in the negative. The bill to extend the time from Feb. 1, 1887 to June 1, 1887, when the taxes of 1886 shall become delinquent, was passed. In all nine bills were introduced, nine bills had second reading and six Council bills read the first time.

**Jan. 18th** Six bills were introduced in the Council and two passed, one providing for registration of school orders and limiting the interest. The other amending section 877 of the Civil Code by striking out the word "primitive."

**Jan. 19.**—A Bismarck dispatch reports that great calm had fallen upon the House, after the enactment of Monday and Tuesday. Soon after roll call the speaker announced he had made the following changes in the chairmanship and additions to the standing committees: Rorer, insurance, Ward taking second place; Robert, railroads, Stewart, second; Fletcher, education, in place of Roger Berry; appropriations, with Fletcher a good second; Jones supercedes Rorer on the same committee, with Dutch added. Stewart, of Fall River, heads the ways and means vice Robert; Mallory and Dutch added to the penal; Ely and Millner added to the charitable institutions.

The above changes were made in accordance with the pledges given at the time of the legislative blizzard. Speaker Crose also announced the appointment of a committee on temperance as follows: Fletcher, Sprague, Harkins, Dodds, Estlin, of Miner, Mearns and Wise. These gentlemen are all aggressive temperance workers. It is expected that they will be instrumental in effecting legislation which will result in the banishing of all liquor traffic from the territory.

In order that this committee might not lack an immediate opportunity to begin their work of reform, Mr. Moore, the oldest member of the house, introduced a resolution requesting the committee to ascertain and report whether any room in the capitol building was used to sell liquor, if so, by what authority the temperance sentiment of the people of the territory is thus outraged. This resolution was adopted without a dissenting voice.

Sprague also submitted a joint resolution requesting the saloon removed from the basement of the capitol. This also was adopted without opposition. There has been a red letter day in the Dakota Temperance Calendar. It is understood the temperance committee have already drafted a bill which will be presented to-morrow forbidding the issuance of license and sale of intoxicants in any building or property of the territory?

**JAN. 20.**—The Council signified concurrence in the House joint resolution authorizing such members of both bodies to procure six copies of daily or weekly newspapers, furnished daily during the session, with an amendment that such papers should be only those which published the proceedings of the legislature. The amendment was concurred in. The President announced Mr. Fellows was appointed on the judiciary committee in place of Mr. Rorer resigned. Mr. Galloway introduced a bill providing for the formation of boards of county chambers of commerce. The following bills and resolutions passed: The memorial to congress for the passage of Collins' Massachusetts bill, providing for the adjudication of the validity of certain land entries; The House bill extending the time of payment of taxes to June 1st, with McCumber's amendment to strike out after the enacting clause, substituting three sections of the council bill passed after a long discussion. The House bill providing for the purchase of 73 copies of the second edition of Larlee's code for the use of the legislature with an amendment that the books remain the property of the territory.

**JAN. 20.**—The business of the House today ran smoothly. No combinations or rumors of combinations appeared to disturb the serenity of the assembly. The Governor's message, which was to have been made a special order for this afternoon, was put over until Saturday, owing to the fact that the committee were not placed upon the members' desks until today. Mr. Hawkins introduced a bill which, if passed, will revolutionize the methods of taxing of telegraph companies. It provides they must apply for a license to the territorial treasurer; must present to him a verified statement in writing, showing the number of miles wired and operated, the number of wires on each separate division, the number of offices maintained, and the number of instruments in use. In case of failure to procure and pay the license on or before Jan. 1 of each year, the territory acquires liens on all lines and appurtenances. The fees which must be paid prior to April 1 are as follows: First wire, 60 cents per mile; second wire, 30 cents; third and each wire besides, 20 cents. These fees are in place of all taxes in territorial localities. This bill is substantially the same as introduced last session, when it was rejected.

**JAN. 21.** This was a fairly busy day in both houses. Among the bills introduced in the council was one creating the office of county auditor and defining the duties thereof; for the inspection of illuminating oil and gasoline; authorizing counties and townships to issue bonds, sell the same and apply the proceeds to the payment of existing indebtedness. The bill increasing the fees of registers of deeds was rejected unanimously. The bill providing fuel for the capitol passed. The Collins bill, cutting off fees of register of deeds at Grand Forks county, giving him a salary of \$1,500 and allowing of \$2,000 for clerk hire, passed after much discussion.

**JAN. 21.**—The House committee reported that they found saloon laboratories in the capitol building, and a joint resolution was formulated prohibiting the licensing and sale of intoxicating liquors in or adjoining any building used or occupied by territorial officers or legislative assembly, and any license granted to the contrary is void, and violators subject to prosecution and penalties prescribed under the laws now or hereafter in force relating to this subject.

The Council bill providing for assistant clerks in both branches having passed that body, sent it down to the House, which passed it under suspension of the rules. This is the first bill which has successfully run the gauntlet of both houses. Another Council bill, correcting a printer's error in a section of the code of civil procedure, substituting the word "mortgage" for "mortgage," shared a similar happy experience. These two bills will now be turned over to the tender mercies of the executive. The Council returned to the House the bill extending the time for the payment of taxes to June, 1887, with the word "June" changed to "July" and the amendment was accepted by the House. The bill repealing the "struck jury" law passed.

Mr. Sprague's merry bill fixes the legal rate of interest at 7 per cent, but permits contracts for interest at the rate of 10 per cent, but restricts for a greater rate of interest than 10 per cent shall be valid for the excess of interest over 10 per cent. Persons who have paid a greater rate of interest than 10 per cent may recover. Every person offending against the

provisions of this act shall be compelled to answer on oath any complaint that may be exhibited or filed against him, and whenever it shall appear that any bond, bill, note, assurance, pledge, conveyance, or other evidence of debt has been received in violation of this act, the court shall declare the same void, and enjoin any proceeding thereon, and shall order the same to be cancelled and delivered up.

**JAN. 22.**—In the Council a resolution was adopted providing for a clerk for each Committee not already supplied, at \$5 a day compensation. A resolution was also adopted for the appointment of a postmaster. A few bills were passed and several introduced. The Governor's message was made the special order for Monday.

**JAN. 22.**—Motions for the appointment of Committee clerks were adopted. A long time was spent in discussing the Hughes grain bill, and the Governor's message made a special order for Monday. The long delay in the Confirmation of Gov. Pierce has called out a pressure upon Gov. Pierce to make appointments. It is explained from Washington, that Senator Flett had "hung up" the nomination at the request of Senator Callom, and Senator Callom is reported as saying he made the request at the suggestion of a personal friend of Gov. Pierce, but no reason had been assigned for it. Senator Callom said on Saturday that he knew nothing against church himself, and the nomination had been held back long enough. It would be reported to the Senate next week and would be at once confirmed. He had been given to understand that the confirmation had been held up by an arrangement between Pierce and Church themselves. Delegate Gifford said he had supposed Pierce was very anxious to get out, and for that reason he had been urging the Confirmation of Church strongly.

**JAN. 24th** this was a quiet day in both branches of the legislature, a large portion of the time being occupied with the consideration of the message of Governor Pierce. In the Council bills were introduced touching divorce and marriage laws; to render both male and female eligible to office of notaries public, extending the time of office of county auditors elected in 1885, to January 1889; providing that all territorial institutions be governed by five trustees nominated by the Governor at the present session; a joint resolution for the appointment of a joint committee of both houses to confer with a committee from the Montana legislature to adopt measures for the prevention and suppression of contagious diseases among live stock. Up to Saturday night 88 bills had been introduced in the Council.

**JAN. 24th.**—Gov. Church, soon after the House was called to order, came into the session and a recess was taken and an informal reception held for half an hour. Seventy one bills have been introduced in the House, making a total of 159 introduced in both branches. About a half dozen have been passed the two houses and two have been assigned by the Governor. The bill relating to tax rates was considered in committee of the whole and afterward passed. Mr. Williams of Barleigh, having resigned from the appropriations committee, Mr. Dodd was appointed to the vacancy.

## COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION

Lauren Dunlap, commissioner of immigration and statistician of this territory, issued his biennial report for the years 1885-86. It is a comprehensive work of seventy-two pages neatly bound and furnished with tables, charts and maps. According to the report the settlement of public lands in the territory during the past two years has been very satisfactory and the class of newcomers as a rule, has been of the highest character. Dec. 1, 1886, there remained a total of 80,000,000 acres of government land in the territory open to settlement. This area is distributed as follows: Bismarck land district, 12,500,000; Devil's Lake land district, 4,500,000; Deadwood land district, over 2,000,000 acres of which the large part is classed as agricultural land; Aberdeen land district, 600,000 acres; Grand Forks land district, 60,000 acres; Fargo land district, 400,000 acres; the Huron, Watertown, Mitchell and Yankton districts there is but little vacant land left, excluding that which has already been filed on. In the Huron district there is probably a vacant area of 50,000 acres. In addition to the vacant public land area above described, there remains in the hands of the Indians a total area of nearly 37,000,000 acres. For the year ending June 30, 1886, there were 22,431 new filings under the general land law, as follows: Homesteads, 7,463; pre-emption, 7,994; tree claims, 7,011. The area surveyed during the year named was 8,556,364 acres. There were 10,080 filed proofs made during the same year, of which 6,562 were cash entries, 3,093 final or perfected homestead entries, and 2,425 timber culture proofs. The area of lands unsurveyed which have been taken up but not filed on during the year is estimated at 300,000 acres, and the number of squatter claims, not including their families, is about 2,000. The number of filings at this time in the Deadwood and Devil's Lake land districts. The grand total of lands newly filed on and purchased by immigrants for settlement for the year in question may be safely estimated at over 4,000,000 acres. During the past year 1,010 miles of railroad has been built in the territory.

## HURON LAND OFFICE.

Hon. J. S. McFarland and Hon. E. W. Miller register and receiver of the United States land office in Huron have completed their report of the business transacted by this office for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1886. The report has been transmitted to the department at Washington, and will compare favorably with that of any district land office in the country, and will fully sustain the reputation of the Huron office for doing the greatest amount of business of any land office in the world. During the month of October there were made a total of 195 entries. Of these 47 were pre-emption, 64 homestead, and 84 timber culture, covering in round numbers 24,966 acres. There were made 173 final proofs, of which 85 were pre-emption (cash entries), 64 homestead (cash entries), and 24 final homestead, covering 26,846 acres. For the month of November there were 49 pre-emption, 73 homestead and 88 timber culture entries making a total of 210 filings, covering 83,427, 40 acres, or 1,461 acres more than was entered the previous month. For the same period there were 176 final proofs made, 85 of which were pre-emption (cash entry) and 87 final homestead, making a total number of acres acquired by proof of 26,379.16, or 133 acres more than for November. In December the number of entries was less than for either of the preceding months, the total being only 133, divided as follows: Pre-emption 25, homestead 65, timber culture 43; all covering 16,945.23 acres; or 7,021 less than in October, and 6,488 less than in November. The December final proofs were 78 pre-emption (cash entries), 73 homestead (cash entries), and 33 final homestead, total 184; or 15 more than for October and 18 more than for November, the total acreage acquired by final proof being 29,059.90, or 3,118 acres more than for November. In December 160 acres were acquired by land scrips.

## INDIAN AFFAIRS.

The House Committee on Indian Affairs has decided to report favorably the act granting right of way to the Jamestown & Northern Railroad Company through the Devil's Lake Indian Reservation in Dakota, and the bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Dawes, amending the

last Indian Appropriation bill so as to provide that Indians committing murder, manslaughter, and other specified crimes against the person or property of other Indians or other person within the boundaries of any State or the limits of any portion of Indian Territory not set apart and occupied by the Cherokee, Creek, Choctaw, Chickasaw, or Seminole Indian tribes, shall be subject to the same laws, tried in the same courts and in the same manner, and to be subject to the same penalties as are all other persons committing any of the above crimes within the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States.

The annual meeting of the National Indian Defense Association took place. The following officers were elected: President the Rev. Byron Sunderland; Vice-president, the Rev. Alexander Kent; Secretary, William M. King; Treasurer, Casper B. Shafter; Executive committee, Gen. J. W. Denver, A. J. Willard, J. Owen Dorsey, Bernard T. Janney, J. H. Oberly, Dr. T. A. Bland, and J. W. Westfall. After the business meeting a public meeting was held at which the Rev. Dr. Sunderland presided. Addresses were made by Dr. Sunderland, Judge Willard, Dr. Bland, George W. Harkins of Chickasaw, and Pleasant Porter of the Creek Nation, all opposing the Dawes Land in Severalty bill, which is now in conference committee.

Second Controller Maynard has allowed the claim of the legation of Walter (or Wat) Grayson, a Creek Indian, for \$25,000 for money proved to have been stolen from him in November, 1878, while a resident of Indian Territory by three white men named W. D. Wilderm, James Reed, and one Burns, alias Myron Dixon. The robbers used threats, force and violence to obtain knowledge and possession of the stolen money. The Controller says that Secs. 2,154 and 2,155, Revised Statutes, put claims of this kind properly within the forum of the Treasury Department. The Controller stated his belief that these sections are intended for the mutual benefit of the Indians and white men, and he remarked that claims for the destruction of white men's property by the Indians have been allowed time and time again under these same sections. A very cursory examination of the records, he says shows that within a few years over \$100,000 has been so allowed to white men. In conclusion, he says:

If treaties and statutes solemnly entered into or enacted for the reciprocal benefit of the Indians and the people of the United States are not fairly or honestly enforced surprise ought not to be expressed at the occurrence of Indian outbreaks and reprisals.

## SAID AND DONE AT FARGO.

The Fargo roller mills have this month been shipping 800 barrels of flour a day in New York. The merchant has hardly as yet subsided over the bouncing of Chase and notable citizen by the St. Paul clubs during their stay last week. One morning last week the police found on the street a thin clad, dilapidated lad about 10 years old. He proved to be a boy just arrived, shipped from Russia entirely penniless. His mother came over five or six years previous, has married and lost her husband here the past year, and saved up means to send for this boy. As she had not seen him for so long she did not recognize him but there was an affecting scene when she learned he was her son. The revival meetings at the M. E. church are doing good work and growing in interest. There is a good deal of regret here at the loss of one of the Barnes elks on the way down to the carnival, as they made quite an attraction when driven on the St. Paul streets. There are ten graduates of Dartmouth college in Fargo & Moorhead, most of whom will attend the alumni reunion and dinner at the West hotel in Minneapolis Jan. 28. Revival meetings continue on lower Front street. There is some prospect that the site of the old Sherman will be selected for the new hotel. The spacious quarters of the Y. M. C. A. will soon be completed, and it is proposed to inaugurate them with a festival.

## PAYING FOR INDIAN DEPREDAATIONS.

The following claims have been allowed to citizens of Dakota on account of Indian depredations:

| Claimed                              | Allowed       |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Jos. Eleonette, Shannon county       | \$1,250 \$925 |
| Basil Clemens, Cheyenne River agency | 4,650 1,740   |
| Antoine Janis, Pine Ridge agency     | 1,065 530     |
| M. A. Moessan, Fort Laramie          | 7,110 3,513   |
| Charles H. McCarty, Bismarck         | 1,275 625     |
| J. W. Powell, Lincoln county         | 70 40         |
| Manuel Romero, Pine Ridge agency     | 953 500       |
| Seth Ward, Cheyenne                  | 3,000 3,550   |

The following are reported as "not proved": William Brock, Yankton county, \$450; Carahoot & Stone, Burleigh county, \$291; Samuel Dean, Pine Ridge agency, \$900; W. G. Dodge, Dakota, \$150; Joseph Ellis, Yankton, \$30; Joseph Hunt, Devils Lake, \$100; Antoine Loasane, Fort Laramie \$900; A. G. Shaw, Dakota, \$100; J. B. Weston, Fort Phil Kearney, \$900.

## INSURANCE ELECTIONS.

At the first annual meeting of the Fidelity Fire Insurance Company just held, H. E. Giles, of Kimball, was elected president; Wm. Fisher, of Volga, vice-president; A. Davis, of Huron, secretary; F. H. Hagerty, of Aberdeen, treasurer; Leslie Durby, general agent. The above gentlemen with C. P. Packer and Burke Steeve of Chicago constitute the board of directors. At the second annual meeting of the Dakota Mutual Fire Insurance company, held in the general office at Huron, all the old officers were re-elected. Following is the board of directors: H. R. Dean, of Watertown; F. E. Yerra, of Fargo; A. Davis and Leslie Durby, of Huron; E. W. Foster, of Frankfort; H. E. Gates, of Kimball; Johnson Nickens, of Jamestown; Wm. Fisher, of Volga; John H. King, of Rapid City; D. W. Diggs, of Milbank; F. H. Hagerty, of Aberdeen.

## ABERDEEN NOTES.

From Sunday until Wednesday last week no mails from the east were received at Aberdeen. Severe wind and snow storms render it difficult to keep railroads open this winter. C. A. Bliss, president, and J. W. Holt, secretary, of the Dakota Agricultural Association, went to Huron Thursday to attend an official meeting of the association. The marriage of Maurice Fischbein and Miss Kate Elliot was celebrated Thursday evening, after which a reception was given to which a large number of invitations were issued. Public installation of offices of Aberdeen chapter R. A. M. will take place Friday evening, followed by a ball and banquet. The Masons now have a very fine hall in the Jewitt-Hicks block and a good time is expected all around. The toboggan slide is now lighted by an electric lamp which adds greatly to the attraction of the sport.

## FIGURING UP THE POPULATION.

The election of November, 1884, taken with the census of the following June gives a very accurate criterion. The vote then was 86,907. The population the June following was 415,610. The increase in the population nearly eight months from the vote to the census was certainly not less than 16,510. The population at the 1st of November, 1884, was then almost exactly 400,000, and the 86,907, which is but 4.6 of the population to the voter. By this test the vote of 104,811 on Nov. 3, 1884, shows a population of 488,180.

## DEDICATED AT ABERDEEN.

The opening and reception of the new Masonic hall on the 31st was a grand success. The public installation was one of the features, which was witnessed by over 400 persons. The ball in the evening was a grand success, over 100 coup-

les participating, under direction of Prof. W. W. Holcomb, of St. Paul, who also furnished and led the orchestra. Over 800 were banqueted and the festivities lasted until day dawned.

## RED LAKE INDIAN TREATY.

The Grand Forks chamber of commerce has memorialized the United States Senate to ratify the Red Lake Indian treaty and appointed a committee of fifteen to go to Crookston on the 25th and attend the mass convention there on the subject. It also petitioned the Dakota legislature to take action in the premises. The memorial to the senate sets out the reasons why the people of the Northwest solidly favor the treaty as the reservation contains a natural timber supply for Western Minnesota and Dakota. Hon. M. L. McCormack, George B. Winship, George D. Jay, F. E. Fulton and J. G. Hamilton were appointed a legislative committee to represent the interests of Grand Forks and vicinity at Bismarck.

## CIVIL AND MILITARY.

The Board of Trade of Watertown has organized with over 100 members. W. E. Thomas was elected president; W. H. Stokes, first vice-president; W. E. Scarritt, second vice-president; J. E. West, secretary, and C. M. Cannon, treasurer. The board of directors, consists of nineteen men, as follows: C. W. Sutenroth, W. E. Thomas, C. M. Cannon, O. P. Kemp, M. W. Sheafe, O. E. Dewey, W. D. Morris, W. S. Wilson, H. A. Park, C. C. Whistler, S. B. Sasse, O. Gealey, W. H. Donaldson, H. R. Pesse, W. E. Scarritt, J. E. West, F. G. Rice, W. H. Stokes and A. C. Melleto. Under the direction of Col. M. W. Sheafe and Capt. Murphy, of Brookings, Company H, of the Second regiment, D. N. G., was mustered into the military service at Watertown last week, with 4 names on the muster roll. E. L. Hills was elected captain; B. F. Badd, first lieutenant, and Ward Williams, second lieutenant.

## INDIAN APPROPRIATIONS.

The Indian appropriation bill contains the following allowances for the service in Dakota: Fulfilling treaties and support of different tribes of Sioux, \$1,318,500; fulfilling treaties and support of Yankton Sioux, \$60,000; support and civilization of Arickarees, Gros Ventres and Mandans, \$30,000; support and civilization of Chippewas, Turtle Mountain band, \$7,000; support of Sioux of Lake Traverse, \$5,000; support of Sioux of Devils Lake, \$4,000; incidental expense of Indian service in Dakota, \$5,100.

## CROOKEDNESS.

Frederick L. Omasa, of Olivett, Dak., was arrested at Mitchell, for mortgaging property he did not own by which he obtained \$140 from the First National Bank of Mitchell, and \$80 from Mitchell, also a new top buggy, from Walworth & Merrow. He waived examination, and in default of bail was locked up in the county jail. It is thought he gave money to a partner named Kobas, as he had only 12 cents on his person when arrested.

## AT WAREFOTON.

Married January 20, at the residence of W. A. Zely, by Rev. G. B. Barnes. James R. Ford, formerly of Painesville, Ohio, to Lizzie A. Loomis, formerly of Mentor, Ohio, sister of Charles Loomis, Mrs. J. W. Hayward and Mrs. W. A. Zely. One hundred and fifty invitations were issued and few regrets received. A long list of presents were received from the guests, eminently useful and ornamental. There was also a gift of a house and lot from the husband to his bride.

## BURNED TO DEATH.

At Roscoe, at an early hour on the morning of the 20th, two Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul boarding cars, on the side track, were totally destroyed by fire, caused from a stove. Frank Tellyard, boarding boss, whose home is at Stratford, Iowa, was burned to death in endeavoring to rescue his wife and child, supposed to still be in the cars, but who were afterwards found to be safe. His remains were sent to Iowa.

## TROWN OFF.

On the evening of the 20th, Mike Kelly, a conductor on the Hastings and Dakota, was severely injured at Summit. He slipped and was thrown from the cars while going at the rate of 45 miles per hour. He was brought to Aberdeen in a sleeper, and is doing as well as possible.

## FROZEN TO DEATH.

January 20th, Louis Meisel was frozen to death 10 miles north of Mandan. While returning to his home he lost the way. He leaves a wife, who is insane, and nine children.

## Remarkable Railroad Accident.

Cleveland Plaindealer: George W. Howe used to be a railroad conductor way back in the fifties of the present century. He doesn't look it, but he was. Yesterday he fell to talking about peculiar railroad accidents, caused by seeing a story of how a locomotive jumped a track and failed to take the cars with it. Said he, "I've seen a stranger accident than that. It was in the winter of 1857 and I was running on a train between here and Erie. One bitter cold day my train was headed Clevelandwards. At Painesville we took up Gen. Jack Casement since dead, and he and I went into the rear car for a talk. Suddenly we passed a car bottom upwards at the side of the track. I said to Jack: 'There's a fellow lost a car.' Soon our train slacked up and I ran forward to see the cause. I found that the car bottom upwards at the track's side was a car filled with emigrants and part of my train. It was the third on the train and three more were behind it. A wheel upon it had broken and it had snapped the couplings at both ends and keeled over while the broken train had moved on. The break of the bell-ropes and jar had notified the engineer and brakeman and the two sections of the train were soon stopped. Then we went back with axes, put out the fire that had already started in the car, and released the emigrants. There was not a man seriously hurt among the forty. Two or three incidents of this kind in seven years reminded me that I wasn't built for railroading and I retired."

Legislator Callahan of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, introduced a resolution abolishing prayers in the lower house, and now his constituents want him to resign.

## SPIRIT OF THE NEWS.

The mints coined 264,199 standard silver dollars last week.

Lord Hartington has written a letter in support of Mr. Goeben for Parliament.

Immigrants have arrived in the United States this year at the rate of 1,000 a day.

Emm Bey has freed from the slave trade a province containing 10,000,000 inhabitants.

A tenant named Keane in County Kerry, Ireland, was shot for paying his rent.

Emperor William is deeply chagrined over the rejection by the Reichstag of the Septennate bill.

Charles B. Farwell's nomination to the United States senate is said to have cost him not less than \$30,000.

A citizen of St. Thomas, Ont. expended \$99 dollars in lawyer's fees and costs in collecting a debt of \$66.

Archdeacon Farrar says that "in India the English have made one hundred drunkards for one Christian."

The son of the late Earl of Iddesleigh denies that his father had any quarrel with Lord Randolph Churchill.

Miss Edgerton, the only woman who has received a doctor's degree from Columbia College is passing a part of the winter in Boston.

A telephone service between Paris and Brussels will be in operation during January, and it is proposed to extend it to Cologne.

Minister McLane has been invited to visit England during the jubilee because he danced with Victoria when his father was Minister under Jackson.

Herr Tisza, Hungarian Prime Minister, has tendered the office of Minister of Finance in the Hungarian Cabinet to the brother of Count Andrassy.

The wife of President Mousanet of the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus railway, was caught stealing dry goods in a Cleveland store the other day.

The name of a Connecticut Salvationist is "Little Johnny Bull, the devil-killer, man-slayer, devil-hater, and son of a king, fresh from the old country."

The winter carnival at Montreal will be held from Feb. 7 to 12. The ice castle will inclose an area of 14,000 square feet and of an entirely new design.

Solon Chase, the distinguished Greenbacker of Maine, has been left homeless by fire and a fund has been started at Lewiston, Me., for his relief.

In a speech at a banquet given in Paris to celebrate the capture of Yorktown, United States Minister McLane spoke in the highest terms of Gen' Boulanger.

Miss Brinck, a Swede, and Miss Van Overbeke are among the ladies who have registered this year after passing the examinations of the Irish College of Physicians.

The gross mineral output of Montana last year was \$24,000,000, of which there was \$3,500,000 in gold, \$7,000,000 in copper, and \$13,500,000 in silver.

Mrs. Leland Stanford of California is erecting in Albany, N. Y., a home for the aged poor and a day nursery for children of poor working-women as a memorial to her parents.

The late Truman M. Post of St. Louis, the pioneer of Congregationalism in the West, learned Latin from a grammar fastened to the handle of his plow when a farm-boy in Vermont.

The Montreal Herald says that Americans need not be afraid of Canada. They are not afraid of Canada. They are afraid of their own State Department.—New York Tribune.

Geo. W. Childs, proprietor of the Philadelphia Ledger, was much more seriously injured by his recent fall than was at first supposed. He cannot sit up in bed, but is obliged to lie flat on his back all the time.

The greatest bicycle race of this or any other country took place at Minneapolis. It was a six-day contest, and during that time Albert Schock rode 1,405 miles on his bicycle, breaking all the previous records. One of his competitors, Miss Armaido, rode 1,049 miles.

A long-forgotten portrait of Byron, painted at Venice in 1816 by Natale Schiavoni and representing the poet seated at a coffee-table, smoking, and wearing a high hat and voluminous cloak, has been discovered among some unappreciated relics at Fiume, Hungary.

Mrs. Senator Stanford is said to have worn jewels worth \$500,000 at the White House reception last Thursday night. Mrs. Frank Leslie's jewels also attracted attention. She wore her celebrated diamonds, the size of bird's eggs in her ears, and her corsage was one great blaze of rare gems.

The Duke of Sutherland, who is now in this country, owns very large tracts of land in the United States, aggregating, it is said, 425,000 acres. His possessions in Great Britain cover over 1,258,545 acres, yielding an income of \$708,335. He also has \$1,500,000 invested in a Scotch railroad. He is the owner of Dunrobin Castle, Loch Inver House, House of Tongue, Tarbet House and Castle Lead, all in Scotland, and Stafford House, Trentham Hall, Lillishall Hall, and Chifden, in England.