IN OUR GREAT STATE.

THE HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN BRIEFLY RELATED.

State Association of Farmers' Clubs and State Grange Hold Profitable Conventions at Lansing — Three Killed by a Train Near Imlay City.

Farmers' Clubs Convention.

President Angell, of the U. M.; Principal R. G. Boone, of the state normal; President Snyder, of the Agricultural college and other educators addressed the State Association of Farmers' Clubs at Lansing.

The resolutions adopted favored the Kimmis county salaries bill, the Atkinson equal taxation bill, the Stevens real estate transfer system, an income tax, postal savings banks and free rural mail delivery. The Agricultural college was indorsed. The canteen system in the army, the outrageous prices paid by the government for carrying the mails, and the proposed attempt to repeal a portion of the law requiring the closing of saloons on legal holidays were strongly denounced.

The officers elected are: President, L. D. Watkins, Manchester; vice-president, Mrs. H. N. Garner, Fairbury; secretary, A. D. Cook, Owosso; directors, C. S. Johnson, of Vassar, and M. H. Crafts, of Leoni.

State Grange Meeting.

The State Grange in session at Lansing adopted the recommendations of their executive committee which were very similar to resolutions of the Farmers' clubs. The Agricultural college was given an enthusiastic indorsement, and the legislature was asked to make an appropriation for a building that will accommodate the women students.

The two farmer organizations held a joint opening meeting in Representative hall. Master Horton of the Grange presided, and addresses were made by Thomas Mars, of Berrien Springs; President Cook of the Farmers' clubs; State Librarian Spencer; A. C. Bird, of Highland; A. E. Palmer, of Kalkaska; Miss Jennie Buell, of Ann Arbor; K. L. Butterfield, of Lansing, and Gov. Pingree. The governor talked on state affairs, and captured the audience.

The report of Secretary Buell, of the State Grange, shows that the total receipts of the year were $5,089.97, and the total disbursements $4,159.23. During the year 15 entirely new granges were organized and 17 surrendered charters were put in use again, thus making an increase of 32 subordinates. The following officers were elected: Master, George B. Horton, Fruit Ridge, unanimously re-elected for the fourth successive term; overseer, E. R. Ward, Charlevoix; lecturer, Mrs. Frank Saunders, Kent; steward, George L. Carlisle, Kalkaska; assistant steward, Wm. Robertson, Newago; chaplain, Mrs. Mary A. Mayo, Battle Creek; secretary, Miss Jennie Buell, Ann Arbor; treasurer, E. A. Strong, Vicksburg; gate keeper, M. H. Foster, Kent.

One Bullet's Work.

Private Thos. J. Collins, Co. E, 7th U. S. infantry, at Ft. Wayne, Detroit, was cleaning his Krag-Jorgenson rifle on the upper floor of the barracks when it was accidentally discharged. The bullet cut through Collins' foot and passed through the ceiling and plaster and struck Private Sands, of Co. H in the neck, passed close to the bone, went into his arm and passed through, breaking the bone. It then passed through another two-inch oak floor and finally landed in the basement. The hole in Collins' foot is not larger than a lead pencil, and both floors are cut through without hardly a splinter being torn off the sides of the hole. Sands may not recover. Collins didn't know it was loaded.

Three Killed by a Train.

A southbound engine on the Pontiac, Oxford & Northern railroad, struck a sleigh containing five people four miles north of Imlay City, throwing them out, seriously injuring two and killing three outright. The dead are: Mrs. Thomas Robb, of Lum; Walter Robb, aged 4; Mrs. John Yerkes' son, aged 12 months. The wounded are: Mrs. John Yerkes, of Port Huron, and Mr. Dawson, the driver.

The party in the sleigh had been visiting at Mrs. Robb's farm and were returning home when the light engine, running backward, struck the rear end of the sleigh as it was crossing the tracks near a curve.

Young Couple Killed by a Train.

While driving across the Michigan Central railroad track at Brown's siding, near Athens, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Churchill were struck by the southbound passenger train. Mr. Churchill was instantly killed, and his wife died two hours later. Both were young and had been married only six weeks. The buggy was smashed to splinters, but the horse escaped without injury.

Federation of Labor in Detroit Next Year

Detroit was selected by the American Federation of Labor over Louisville, Atlanta and Cleveland as the next place of holding the annual convention. Samuel Gompers was re-elected president unanimously.

Steambarge Burned by Incendiaries.

The steambarge James P. Donaldson, owned by Bay City parties, was damaged $10,000 by fire, while tied up at Bay City. The fire was of incendiary origin. Insured.

Fire destroyed the new Episcopal church at Lyons. The building was originally the Methodist church at Muir.

Wm. Marshall, of Saginaw, is forming a company to manufacture roof tiles from shale thrown from coal mines.

Percy Duncan shot and seriously wounded C. D. Farr and then shot himself in the head, at Sturgis. Neither will die.

Leroy W. Midlam, a former postmaster and prominent citizen of Marquette, committed suicide at Utica, N. Y., by shooting himself.

Chas. Catt was caught in a shaft in a mill at Palo and had one leg and one arm broken and received other injuries which may cause his death.

Gov.-elect Theodore Roosevelt, the famous Rough Rider, will probably participate in the annual banquet of the Michigan club at Detroit, Feb. 22.

Michigan's Salt Industry.

The total amount of salt manufactured in Michigan during 1898 was 4,477,121 barrels, or 854,357 more barrels than in 1897. The amount of salt inspected during 1898, was as follows: Manistee county, 1,555,006; St. Clair county, 596,547; Mason county, 557,838; Wayne county, 546,003; Saginaw county, 424,044; Bay county, 402,331; Iosco county, 58,358; Midland county, 31,799; total, 4,171,916.

The state salt inspector reports: Balance of cash on hand Dec. 1, 1897, $1,815.03; duties on 4,171,916 barrels at 5 mills per barrel, $12,515.72; total $14,-330.78. The expenditures were $10,-850.72; balance on hand Dec. 1, 1898, $3,480.06. The number of persons employed in the manufacture of salt in the state is 2,184.

Of the 4,171,916 barrels of salt inspected in this state in 1898, at least 75 per cent was sold in other states, and the demand for Michigan salt is steadily increasing.

STATE GOSSIP.

Antrim county wants a new court house.

Hart shipped 40 cars of potatoes in one day.

A 40-foot vein of coal has been struck at Alpena.

Chas. H Ross, of Pontiac, was killed by a train at Inwood, Ind.

Wm. Bain, aged 16 years, of Morley, was accidentally killed while hunting.

An unknown man, aged about 60, was killed by a Big Four train near Niles.

Charles Olds, of Traverse City, was struck by a falling tree and fatally injured.

Mrs. J. H. Smith, of Milan, cut her throat with a butcher knife with suicidal intent.

Charlie Clark, aged 14, was drowned while skating on the ice in the river at Saginaw.

Maggie Bradenburg, aged 4, was burned to death at her parents' home near Alpena.

It will take 12,000 acres of beets to supply the three sugar factories of Bay City next fall.

Arthur Smith, a farmer, fell off a load of hay near Brighton and was fatally injured.

Brig.-Gen. Tyrrell, of the Michigan National Guard, has established headquarters at Jackson.

The lockout of the freight handlers by the F. & P. M., at Ludington, is likely to be a long one.

The date of the delication of the new law building at the U. of M. has been set ahead to Feb. 16-10.

Nathan Fine, a merchant tailor at Kalamazoo, was fatally injured by falling on the sidewalk.

Another coal mine is to be opened in Monitor township, Bay county, by the North American Chemical Co.

Joseph Duzel, of South Lake Linden, while returning from work broke through the ice and was drowned.

John Thon, a blacksmith, was killed by an F. & P. M. train while walking on the belt line tracks at Saginaw.

Chief Engineer Cooley, formerly of the U. of M., has been ordered to go to Manila with the cruiser Yosemite.

The 35th Michigan was reviewed by President McKinley, together with the other troops stationed at Augusta, Ga.

Wallace Irvins' barn, northeast of Ithaca, burned, together with two cows and one horse. Loss $800; insurance $550.

New Michigan postmasters: Cedar Run, Grand Traverse county, Adelah Chain; Olds, Branch county, Riley Bennett

The immense barns of the J. & T. Hurley Trucking Co., at Detroit, were destroyed by fire and 36 horses perished in the flames.

Henry Campeau, a miner, died at Sebewaing from the effects of a blow by a falling stone in the Michigan Standard coal mine.

Albion college has recently received presents consisting of a $2,500 pipe organ, and a valuable farm adjacent to the city of Grand Rapids.

The Mt. Clemens Sugar Co., has been formed. One thousand acres of sugar beet lands have been contracted for, and the project will probably be a go.

Col. J. P. Petermann, of the 34th Michigan, is to have the rank of brevet brigadier-general conferred upon him for meritorious services in the Cuban campaign.

Albert Larsen, aged 21, of Manistee, while dressing suddenly dropped to the floor and expired. He had just been joking and laughing with members of the family.

Michigan department, G. A. R., will push a law in the state legislature to prohibit persons wearing the G. A. R. badge or button who are not members of the order.

Herbert W. Savage, of Saginaw, who recently returned from the Klondike with considerable gold, has gone on a land looking tour in Nicaragua and South America.

Gov. Pingree thinks that the militia companies will get their $400 annual allowance for armony rent just the same, whether portion of the militia is in the field or not.

At Adrian Mrs. Frank Johnson was fatally burned in extinguishing flames which enveloped her daughter, the latter's clothing having caught fire while she was filling a lighted lamp.

The Bliss & Van Auken sawmill, at Saginaw, one of the oldest on the river, was burned. Loss, $25,000; insurance $18,000. The origin of the blaze is believed to have been incendiary.

At a large mass meeting of farmers at Kalamazoo formal steps were taken looking to the establishment of a beet sugar factory there. Farmers will pledge to raise 6,000 tons of beets.

Emma Thompson, aged 21, committed suicide on a farm near the village of Fruitport, by cutting her throat with a razor. She nearly severed her head from her body. The act is the result of a quarrel with her mother and was witnessed by her husband, mother and a neighbor.

Prominent union printers from the principal cities of the state met at Lansing and organized the State Allied Printing Trades council, with A. H. Smith, Detroit, as president; W. C. Lounis, Detroit, as secretary-treasurer. The object is to aid in the establishment of a state printing office.

John McAllen, farmer near North Branch, was killed by being thrown from his wagon by a runaway team.

The workmen at the Michigan Coal Co.'s mine at Bay City have struck. They were recently notified that wages would be reduced from $2 to $1.75 per day and hours lengthened from eight to nine.

Commissioner Campbell reports that the Northwestern Fire Insurance Co., of Chicago, which he has authorized to do business even in Illinois, is flooding this state with circulars soliciting business.

The total number of deaths registered in Michigan for the month of November was 2,185, or 229 fewer than the number for the previous month. It was the smallest number registered since June.

The contract for building a factory for the Bay City Sugar Co. has been awarded to the Kilby Manufacturing Co., of Cleveland. The capacity will be between 500 and 600 tons of beets per day.

Henry A. Goodyear, aged 81, of Hastings, was a member of the 1847 legislature, which held its sessions at Detroit, and voted to locate the capital at Lansing. He has a clear recollection of early legislation.

Lee Hung, proprietor of the Chinese laundry at Munising, and Mary Smith, colored, were married at Bessemer. The woman refused to live with Lee until he cut off his queue and declared his intention to become a citizen.

Hon. A. F. Temple, L. B. Smith and C. C. Billingsworth, of Muskegon, had a hearing before the rivers and harbors committee of the house at Washington to urge an appropriation for the general improvement of their harbor.

The famous Spanish cat taken from the Spanish battleship Cristobal Colon on July 3 by the crew of the Oregon, died at the United States government station at St. Joseph. The cat was in the cat show in Chicago and was awarded a special medal.

It is now reported, on apparently reliable authority, that Congressman Wm. Alden Smith, of Grand Rapids, will enter the race for the U. S. senatorship. He left Washington before the holiday adjournment to look over the ground.

The state canvassers report the total vote on the constitutional revision was 289,270, of which 163,123 were in favor and 127,147 against. The board will not certify that the proposition carried, leaving that to the judicial authorities.

Rep. Wm. Alden Smith secured the appointment of Jose A. Gonzalez, of Grand Rapids, to assist the postoffice authorities in establishing a potal service in Cuba. Gonzalez was born in Cuba, but is a naturalized citizen of this country.

Harry Rudd, aged 14, jumped into the Shiawassee river at Owosso and rescued Sadie Cooper from drowning. He was so paralyzed by the cold water that he could not pull himself out and sank a second time before rescuers could reach him.

New Michigan postmasters: Chase, Lake county, Alvin Seabuck; Glen Arbor, Aleona county, Joseph H. Hayes; Lasalle, Monroe county, John C. Bottimer; Clarenceville, Oakland county, Herman Shoupeter; Pittsfield, Washtenaw county, Geo. B. Crippen.

Three young men of Benton Harbor, Guy Hollis, Frank English and Wm. Crosby, started a factory for the manufacture of pearl buttons from clam shells, taken from the St. Joseph river. Hollis has invented a button machine that will revolutionize the pearl button industry.

Michigan was largely interested in the proceedings of the Northwestern Game Wardens' association at Chicago. Uniform laws for game season, the interstate shipment of game and other needed protection were advocated and will be presented to the various state legislatures this fall.

Insurance Commissioner Campbell will ask the legislature for a law providing that when foreign companies resort to the U. S. court for the purpose of tying up the insurance department, or to commence actions in this state, that fact shall be deemed sufficient cause for revoking their Michigan licenses.

Warden Otis Fuller, of the Ionia house of correction, says that institution is almost self-sustaining. The average number of inmates is 530. An appropriation of $14,200 is asked for, for special improvements. Of this $5,500 is wanted for the purchase of a farm of 35 acres adjoining the prison, and $4,000 for general repairs.

The largest individual subscription yet received by the Cuban Relief committee of New York City, was a check for $1,000 from Prince Louis Sapieha, a Russian nobleman, who lives in Paris. The committee has now received cash subscriptions amounting to about $200,000 and also contributions of supplies amounting to 6,000 tons.

The schooner San Diego, of Detroit recently taken to the Atlantic for coast trade was badly wrecked by continued gales off the Nova Scotia coast that she had to be abandoned, the crew being rescued by a fishing schooner. The San Diego was built at Detroit in 1874, was 768 tons register, valued at $12,000, insured for $12,000.

Gov. Pingree has issued a formal statement setting forth the reasons why he opposes the re-election of U. S. Senator Burrows. The principal reason given is that he opposed Atkinson tax equalization bill, and it is alleged that his entire efforts in congress have been directed towards the promotion of the interests of trusts and monopolies.

Hon. H. A. Chapin, the large upper peninsula mine owner and one of the wealthiest citizens in the state, died at his home at Niles, aged 85. His one son, C. H. Chapin, becomes heir to an estate valued at about $20,000,000.

Various organizations of Michigan stock breeders met at Lansing simultaneously and discussed papers bearing upon the merits of different kinds of live stock. The Short Horn Cattle breeders elected D. F. Bacheler, of Howell, president, and I. H. Butterfield, of Agricultural College, secretary. The Merino sheep breeders elected: President, D. P. Dewey, Grand Blanc; secretary, E. N. Ball, Hamburg; treasurer, Thomas Van Geisen, Clinton. The Swine Breeders' association chose as president, E. A. Bush, Fowlerville; secretary and treasurer, George H. McIntyre, Iosco.

NEWSY GENERALITIES

ITEMS GATHERED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS.

President McKinley Stirs up the Enthusiasm of the Southern People by His His Timely Patriotic Addresses—Pinar del Rio Province in Bad Shape

McKinley Cheered by Georgians.

President McKinley participated in the southern peace jubilee at Atlanta, Ga., and made a speech before the Georgia legislature which aroused the most intense enthusiasm when he said: "Sectional lines no longer mar the map of the United States. Sectional feeling no longer holds back the love we bear each other. Fraternity is the national anthem, sung by a chorus of 45 states and our territories at home and beyond the seas. The Union is once more the common altar of our love and loyalty, our devotion and sacrifice. The old flag again waves over us in peace with new glories which your sons and ours have this year added to its sacred folds. * * * Every soldier's grave, made during our late unfortunate war, is a tribute to American valor. And the time has now come in the evolution of sentiment and feeling under the providence of God, when in the spirit of fraternity we should share with you in the care of the graves of the Confederate soldiers. The cordial feeling now happily existing between the north and south prompts this gracious act and if it needed further justification it is found in the gallant loyalty to the Union and the flag, so conspicuously shown in the year just passed by the sons and grandsons of these heroic dead."

The southrons almost went wild in their pleasure at these words and it is generally conceded that the President's address has marked an epoch in history.

The President made a tour of southern cities and at every point was greeted with the greatest enthusiasm. Speeches delivered at Tuskegee and Montgomery, Ala., and at Savannah, Ga., were cheered to the echo by thousands of citizens. At the latter place the President reviewed 10,000 troops stationed there.

The burden of the President's addresses was the retention of the eastern possessions wrested from Spain and the applause of the multitudes indicated their most hearty approval.

LOWER CUBAN TARIFF.

New Schedule Goes Into Effect Jan. 1 — Will Encourage Commerce.

President McKinley has signed an executive order establishing a customs tariff for the island of Cuba, to go into effect Jan. 1 next. It is a revision of the temporary military tariff adopted by the war department for the port of Santiago, which was a general reduction of 62 per cent on the tariff imposed by Spain on all imports into Cuba from the United States and all other countries except Spain. The rates in the tariff about to go into force, with some few exceptions, are greatly below the rates now in force at Santiago. The new tariff has been framed with a view to the rehabilitation of the island. The duty on paving stones, which are likely to cut an important figure in the sanitary rehabilitation of Havana, has been abolished, and the duties on chemicals, tar and pitch and crude oil heavily cut. The iron ore and steel rail duties have been reduced 50 per cent. Coal and agricultural implements are put on the face list.

Former Ohio Senator Dead.

Ex-U. S. Senator Calvin S. Brice died at his residence in New York City of pneumonia. He contracted a severe cold one week before. At Mr. Brice's bedside when he died were Mrs. Brice, Capt. Stewart M. Brice, John Francis Brice, Misses Helen and Kate Brice. Another son, W. K. Brice, is on his way home from China. Mr. Brice was delirious for 24 hours before his death.

Calvin S. Brice was born at Denmark, O., on Sept. 17, 1845. He served through the war, enlisting as a private and at the close of the war was appointed lieutenant-colonel. He graduated from Miami university at Oxford, O., and from the University of Michigan. In January, 1890, he was elected senator from Ohio for the term beginning March 4, 1891. Senator Brice was a keen man of affairs and left a fortune well up in the millions. He was actively interested in many financial undertakings, particularly in railroad interests.

Spaniards Devastated Pinar del Rio.

The war department has received a report from Gen. Davis showing a terrible state of affairs existing in Pinar del Rio, the western province of Cuba. The country is one of great fertility and beauty, but is ravaged almost to destruction. Responsible citizens and foreigners declare that one-half of the former population has been killed or starved to death. The treasury is empty, and the only means of replenishing it is a system of taxation almost to the verge of confiscation. There is no custom houses in this province.

The American troops were received with the greatest enthusiasm and rejoicing.

3,000 Chinese Killed by an Explosion.

A dispatch from Shanghai says a powder magazine situated in the center of the Chinese camp at Hang Chow exploded. It is estimated that 3,000 soldiers were killed, including the general commanding. The American and French missions were damaged; but there were no fatalities among the Americans.

TELEGRAPHIC BITS.

Admiral Dewey has raised the Spanish cruiser Isla de Cuba and sent her to Hong Kong for repairs.

"Hero" Hobson was kissed by 163 girls at Chicago, but 267 of the "sillies" bombarded him at Kansas City.

Senator Davis, one of the U. S. peace commissioners, advocates a triple alliance between the United States, Great Britain and Japan.

Col. W. E. Bundy, president of the Ohio League of Republican clubs, has issued a call for the annual convention, to meet in Dayton, February 11.

Admiral Dewey's health is failing from continued work and worry in the tropic climate and he desires to come north for a time. He may come home on the Olympia, via the Suez canal.

BRIEF NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

Ex-Capt.-Gen. Blanco has arrived in Spain.

The U. S. peace commissioners have sailed for home.

It is said the deal whereby the Chicago & Alton road goes to the Missouri Pacific has just been concluded.

Chinese rebels have massacred a French priest and 100 native converts.

Maj. Marchand has finally lowered the French flag and evacuated Fashoda.

The President will submit the peace treaty to the senate during the present session.

Admiral and Mrs. Sampson sailed from Havana for home on the cruiser New York.

Col. W. J. Bryan favors mustering out volunteers at once and opposes a large army.

The pope will try to establish diplomatic relations between the vatican the U. S. government.

The Filipino insurgents demand that Spain pay them $20,000,000 as a ransom for the 10,000 Spanish prisoners held by them.

The cruiser Yosemite, which was manned by the Michigan naval reserves during the Spanish war, has been ordered to Manila.

Edward G. Mason, a Chicago attorney who was proposed as a successor to President Dwight, of Yale, is dying of Bright's disease.

The Russian government has ordered 10 new torpedo boat destroyers to be completed within two years, for her Pacific squadron.

Prince George of Greece, commissioner general of the European powers in Crete, departed from Athens amidst a great popular ovation.

The transports Mobile and Mohawk are under orders to sail as soon as possible for Manila, via the Suez canal, each carrying 1,400 troops.

The Mexican government has submitted a colonization scheme to the Spanish authorities in Havana, for Spanish soldiers evacuating Cuba.

A Paris cable says: President Faure will probably dissolve the chamber of deputies and then resign his position, because of the Dreyfus case.

Secretary Alger has ordered the Third, Fourth, 12th, 17th, 20th and 22d U. S. infantry to Manila as soon as possible to relieve volunteers.

The U. S. cruiser Cincinnati ran full speed upon a rock in Chicago harbor, clearly defined in the charts, but not buoyed. She is probably badly damaged.

After the most bitter fight in Chicago in years the city council has killed the ordinances proposing the extension of the Yerkes street railway franchises 30 to 50 years.

Gen. Kitchener is planning a new campaign to recover the remaining Egyptian provinces held by the mahdists, and will enlist 5,000 Soudanese for the expedition.

The First New York volunteers have returned home from garrison duty at Honolulu. Since August, 20 members of the regiment died and 200 sick were left in the Honolulu hospital.

Out of all the millions who traveled over the waters, the Great lakes claimed 94 victims for the season of navigation just closed. Of these 81 were drowned. No passengers were lost.

Brig.-Gen. Snyder reports from the province of Puerto Principe, Cuba, that there is great suffering and many deaths are reported daily among the natives from starvation.

It cost the war department $513,860 to send Spanish soldiers home from Cuba, and it is expected that to return the 15,000 Spanish garrisoning the Philippines will cost as much more.

A wagon containing eight persons was struck by a train on the Pennsylvania railroad, near Manasquan, N. J., and four were killed, two fatally injured and two others seriously injured.

Orders have been issued assigning Brig.-Gen. Michael V. Sheridan to the command of the department of the lakes, which includes Forts Wayne and Brady in Michigan, with headquarters at Chicago.

Adjt.-Gen. Corbin has submitted to the house committee on military affairs the recommendation of Gens. Wade and Butler and Admiral Sampson, the Cuban evacuation commission, that 50,000 troops be stationed in Cuba.

The United States soldiers in Cuba and Porto Rico will not lack good Christmas dinners. Uncle Sam forwarded to them by the steamship Mississippi, 10,000 pounds of prime turkeys and 2,000 pounds of fresh cranberries.

Under the impression that the Spanish had evacuated Cerro, a suburb of Havana, the Cubans attempted a celebration which was resented by a force of Spanish troops. A fight resulted in which one Cuban was killed and several wounded on each side.

Mr. Bailey (Dem., Tex.) introduced a resolution in the house, directing the judiciary committee to investigate and report on the questions as to whether the members of the house who accepted commissions in the army had forfeited their seats in the house. This is aimed particularly at Maj.-Gen. Wheeler, of Alabama.

Lord Charles Beresford, now in China, asserts that owing to the aggressive diplomacy of Russia, Great Britain has taken second place in China. Russian troops control the whole of Manchuria. The prospects for trade and open ports looks very dark.

2 Terre Haute, Ind., sustained a loss of $2,000,000 by a fire which started in the big wholesale and retail dry goods house of Havens & Geddes. Seven other large establishments and a dozen smaller ones were wiped out. Two girls were injured by jumping from windows and one will die.

The Lafayette monument commission, having in charge the matter of the erection of a monument to Gen Lafayette in Paris in 1900, report that appropriations had been raised, principally from dime donations by children of the public schools, which fully assures the success of the enterprise. A cablegram was received from the French government accepting the Lafayette monument with gratitude and stating that it grants a site in the heart of Paris opposite the principal entrance to the Louvre gallery.

The Brooklyn, Texas, Castine and Resolute have sailed to Havana,

CONGRESS AT WORK AGAIN.

Rep. Corliss, of Michigan, introduced a comprehensive bill providing for the acquisition of a right of way and the construction of an inter-oceanic canal by the United States. The bill provides that the United States shall acquire from Costa Rica and Nicaragua a strip of land sufficient for a right of way for the canal, and the necessary ports and harbors, and authorizes the payment of $3,000,000 to the Maritime Canal Co. in full compensation for the concession which that company now holds. It guarantees to Costa Rica and Nicaragua the use of the canal and harbors and authorizes the issuance by the United States of $120,000,000 in bonds of denominations from $50 to $1,000 at 3 per cent interest. The President is authorized to extend to all nations the use of the Nicaragua canal on equal terms as to tolls and the privileges of navigation, provided said nations respectively enter into a treaty providing for the neutrality of the said canal, together with the ports of entry thereto in the Pacific ocean and the Caribbean sea for a least the distance of 200 miles from said respective harbors.

Senator Platt (Rep., Conn.) spoke against the Vest resolution which declares that the United States has no power to acquire territory. He said that expansion has been a law of our national growth, the mainspring of our national development. As to granting self-government to new peoples, we would be under no obligation to do so until the people showed their fitness for it.

Senator Proctor (Rep., Ver.) introduced a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of five senators to visit the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico for the purpose of "inquiring into the military requirements necessary to establish and maintain order in those islands until civil government is inaugurated." Mr. Hale (Rep., Me.) opposed the measure.

Senator Hanna introduced in the senate and Rep. Payne in the house, a bill to grant subsidies for American shipping. The bill is entitled; "A bill to promote commerce and increase the foreign trade of the United States and to provide auxiliary cruisers, transports and seamen for government use when necessary."

The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, making provision for the army and navy for the next six months, displaced the Nicaragua canal bill in the senate for one day. The deficiency bill was passed after a spirited discussion turning principally on the point of keeping the volunteer soldiers in the service.

During the discussion of the Nicaragua canal bill Mr. Money urged postponement of the question in order to permit an opportunity for negotiations with Great Britain for a modification of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, and Mr. Morgan antagonized the proposition.

The house surpassed all previous records in the expedition with which it passed the pension appropriation bill, which went through in 20 minutes without a word of criticism. The bill carries a total of $145,233,030.

The bill to incorporate the International American bank—to facilitate exchange with Central and South American countries—was buried under an overwhelming adverse majority in the house.

The bill to extend the customs and internal revenue laws of the United States over the Hawaiian islands was passed by the house.

Senator Morgan made a three-hours' speech upon his bill for the construction of the Nicaragua canal.

The house refused to concur in the senate amendments to the army and navy deficiency bill.

The house passed a bill appropriating $350,000 for the Philadelphia exposition of 1899.

The house passed the Indian appropriation bill as it came from the committee.

Both houses adjourned to Jan. 4.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
New York—				
Best grades	$4 85@5 00	$4 60	$6 05	$3 75
Lower grades	3 90@4 75	2 50	4 75	3 40
Chicago—				
Best grades	5 00@5 75	4 10	5 50	3 45
Lower grades	3 00@4 90	2 50	4 00	3 25
Detroit—				
Best grades	4 75@5 50	4 00	5 00	3 35
Lower grades	3 00@4 50	3 00	4 00	3 25
Buffalo—				
Best grades	4 00@4 75	4 30	5 25	3 45
Lower grades	3 00@4 00	3 25	4 25	3 30
Cleveland—				
Best grades	4 00@4 75	4 00	4 75	3 40
Lower grades	3 00@4 00	2 50	3 75	3 20
Cincinnati—				
Best grades	4 00@4 65	4 10	5 25	3 45
Lower grades	3 00@4 00	2 75	4 25	3 25
Pittsburg—				
Best grades	4 25@5 00	4 25	5 50	3 55
Lower grades	3 50@4 25	3 00	4 25	3 35

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat, No. 2 red	Corn, No. 2 mix	Oats, No. 2 white
New York	69@69½	38@38½	32@32¼
Chicago	69@69½	36@36	29@29¼
*Detroit	69@69½	36@36	29@29¼
Toledo	70@70¾	35@35	29@29
Cincinnati	69@69½	35@35½	29@29
Cleveland	68@68	35@35½	28@28½
Pittsburg	71@71¼	36½@36¾	30@30¼
Buffalo	69@69	39@39½	29@29

*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 timothy, $8.00 per ton. Potatoes, 35c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 6½c per lb; fowls, 6c; turkeys, 7½c; ducks, 6c; geese, 5c. Butterfully fresh, 22c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 15c per lb; creamery, 21c.

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The national board of trade at Washington adopted resolutions advocating the nearest practical approach to complete reciprocal trade relations between the United States, Canada and Newfoundland; also, a resolution in favor of the speedy construction of the Nicaragua canal by the U. S.

Great Britain has given another instance of her friendship for the United States by suppressing a filibustering expedition organized in Hong Kong for Aguinaldo and his followers in the Philippines. The news of this attempted trickery by Aguinaldo caused the navy department to order the battleships Oregon and Iowa from Valapariaso with all haste for Manila.

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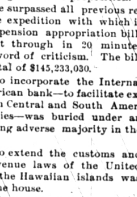

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