

been singled out as defendant in a seek it through the same channel. suit of violation of the law. As an tional telegraphic operators the St. Paul has discontinued 63 offices that had been used for commercial tele-

telegraph service, the railroad opera- to the interstate commerce commistors previously having handled the commercial messages.

The new law has necessitated the employment by all roads of more than I 200 additional operators at larger sta- eral manager has requested all departtions at an expense of about \$290,000. ments to exercise the utmost discretion

the bituminous coal fields; including number of messages sent each day, as same as last year. This is disappointreduction owing to previous increases. The carriers, however, after a conference have concluded that they cannot make any changes, as the business cannot be handled profitably at the prevailing rates.

The Lehigh Valley has placed an order with a shipbuilding concern in 23 cars capacity, for use in New York harbor. This additional floating equipment is necessary to properly take care of the increasing business of the Lehigh Valley.

The Montreal Locomotive Works, American Locomotive Company, has

structural steel plant to the Dominion Bridge Company.

Increased switching charges in Chi-Commerce made the following strong declarations:

"More than 5,000 firms and corporations doing an annual business in ex-

utterly bad in this matter and have their lower price. been characterized by selfish aggrand-

lines in dividing the Chicago Junction crews and trains running between Bufinto two parts so that there might be falo and Cleveland. as an example. The deal whereby the pool of 20 crews without affecting that Lake Shore, through the Indiana Har- at Youngstown, Ohio. bor road, secured a portion of the Junction road, and then increased the

paying through all these years \$3 per Thomas assumed the presidency of the more. This was done in the face of old schedule. The present determina-Unless there is a power which can tions by Mr. Thomas as to the value of demand for the reduction of the make four." curb such rapacity, such inexcusable passenger business, particularly in the and such crooked business, the min- State of Pennsylvania, under the law ority cry will soon become a majority making the maximum passenger fare cry for Government ownership. If been declared unconstitutional by the Cardinal Gibbons Believes in High But Britain Would Back France railway corporate wrongs cannot be supreme court of the state, the decision applies only to the Pennsylvania which legislatures, and the courts have litigated the question, so that at pres-

lute governmental control or by Government ownership." Action by the Chicago and North-

"Is there any excuse, legal or moral, on the part of any corporation, and no the company's pay roll. figures nor contortion of figures which the railroads can bring can justify

on the part of the carrier." that they could not be expected to do at a meeting held this week in Buf- made, for incessant violation draws the business at a sacrifice, and that falo. Whatever conclusions were upon them disrespect." the commission is without power to reached were entirely of an advisory compel them to give the service at character, and will not become deciless than cost. The proposition of sive unless finally approved by the fered by the Commercial Association senior vice-president, when they reach Cornwall. as a basis for settlement of the diffi- him through the operating department. culty is a switching charge of 10 cents One of the most important of these per ton on a minimum of 20 tons for recommendations deals with steel rails

The commission is likely to take decisive action, as it has already given an opinion holding that it has power and opinion holding that it has power tests made thereof. The committee

The St. Paul is most affected by the bitterly of advances in charges, and Wisconsin eight-hour law, and has if that city gets relief the others will The railroads in making increases offset to the employment of 88 addi- have invariably insisted that these were necessary and justified by a higher cost of doing the work but shippers have not so regarded the matter. In many instances they have Highty similar stations have been asserted that the railroads acted deprived of telegraph service by other arbitrarily, and for the sole purpose of roads in the state, but they have not recouping themselves for revenues debeen charged with violation of the creased by other causes. They have law. Many small towns have com- been able in some localities to force plained to the railroad commission a reconsideration and modification of that since Jan. 1 they have had no the charges by threatening to appeal

In line with numerous economies in stituted by the Pennsylvania, the genin using the company's telegraph lines Rates to lake ports for 1908 from to reduce as much as possible the possible, this form of message will be

used instead of telegrams. In 1904, when a similar notice was sages a day was made at the main telegraph office at Philadelphia. Since Jan. 1, 1908, a reduction of about 1,500 messages has already been made at New Jersey for two steel car floats of the main office in Broad Street Sta-

Figures have been compiled showing that during the past six years 159 grade crossings have been removed on the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh. Of these, 105 were on the which is the Canadian plant of the west system. Those removed have been decided to increase the locomotive cities, the idea being to get rid of the plant to a capacity of 300 locomotives most dangerous grade-crossings. Of The company has disposed of its greater number are on unimportant country crossings, where the travel is inconsiderable.

had to cross the tracks at grade.

With the small amount of business cess of the almost inconceivable sum in sight for the coming years, steel the position of the man who advances public on the one side, and the dewill strike a blow at the indescribable terial reduction in the price of the ployment; he, too, is entitled to re- or a shrinkage in the number of em-

In order to bring about a better

In this departure now through fast

Thus by the method peculiar to falo, and it will come off next Sunday. advance. railway management and financing, an This is the most expensive train to created, there is no other way to ent other roads do not under these secure this correction than by abso-circumstances derive any benefit from the ruling.

The Lehigh Valley has been cutting western in respect to some of its will continue this policy to whatever operating expenses to the bone, and switching charges called out this extent is possible without impairing and the best means, therefore, to proefficiency and consistent with the needs mote temperance is to limit the numof the traveling public. While, of ber of saloons by high license. I for the Northwestern suddenly jump- course, it must in no small measure be would be in favor of inflicting severe ing its charges from \$1 per car to humiliating to the passenger depart-\$25 50, and then adding a per diem ment to lose the advertising advancharge of \$2 80 for a car which the tages of operating the Black Diamond, company itself owns and to impose conditions have convinced the managethis unheard of charge for hauling a ment that it must be included in the car one mile? Such reckless and savinfi that is being sought, to the extyrannical conduct cannot be justified tent of a reduction of 10 per cent in gest local option as an excellent

Misleading reports are being circusuch a reckless condition of business lated from Pittsburg concerning action taken by the maintenance of way com-The answer of the railroads was mittee of the New York Central lines 12 cents per ton for greater distances. planation by Dr. P. H. Dudley, con- ALL PAIN, CURES WIND COLIC, ar to designate switching districts, and was of the opinion that the results did what rates shall apply therein. Its decision in this instance will establish time and will make a recommendation a precedent for other commercial and industrial centers, for Chicago is not accordingly. Under these circumthe only place that has complained stances no change in the present type

The committee also had under con ideration a proposed standardizing of the color of paint, employed for equip- Chicago Car Service Association last ment, stations, etc., and adopted rec- month was 159,789, as against 222,186 vital consequence until they have been the year. Compared with 1906 there inally passed upon by higher author- was a decrease of 32,647 in December

The Western Passenger Association as appointed a committee to confer vith eastern lines and arrive at an understanding with reference to sumner tourist rates for the coming sea-

such rates. One strong faction is in of all the coal-carrying roads operatfavor of refusing to make a lower rate ing between that city and the lakes to for summer tours. A second faction agree upon rules for demurrage and favors charging the same fares as last car service for the ensuing year, it was year, which would be \$30 from Chicago declared that practically the same as to Colorado points, about 1½ cents a last year will apply, including the re-

likely that the rates of last year will

The number of cars reported to the mmendations, but these are not of in October, and a total of 2,281,191 for with an increase of 16,461 in October and 30,428 for the year.

> The panic that broke loose the end of October did not reach the railroad with full force until the second half of November, so far as traffic was concerned, January's showing will be no better than that of December.

reach an agreement with respect to At a meeting in Pittsburg of officials mile. A third has proposed a rate of tention of seven days' free time.

### RIGHTS OF LABOR AND CAPITAL **DEFINED IN GRAND TRUNK DISPUTE**

tors in the Telegraphers'

Wages Case.

see their way to the recommendation the community, from farmer to manof any higher rate than that finally ufacturer, and if the employe has to agreed upon between the parties, and obtain more money to meet his in-

There are many considerations enter- ditions, and having in view all ing into the question. In our view, the surrounding circumstances, we Adding these figures to the 568 There is the right of the men to re-thought that the offer of increase railroad commission, that body has ings eliminated during this period was be ignored, is that capital and labor egraphers ought to receive under other T AT 6 O'CLOCK given a hearing at which an attorney 727, a fact which, it is believed, has are both necessary in order to produce circumstances. of the Illinois Manufacturers' Asso- added enormously to the safety of its a profit, whether it is in the operation "The deterring of the investment of ciation and the Chicago Association of trains and even more greatly to the of railways, in manufacturing, or in capital in railway undertakings would

fair share of this profit.

the fact that the Lake Shore control-tion is due to light passenger traffic diture upon the part of the company can alter this fact, any more than it cast," and a new weekly, "Futures," led or owned the Junction before, and is consistent with recent declara- for facilities, and second, a continual can alter the fact that two and two was asked yesterday to calculate a

Interesting Report of Arbitra- tariffs which furnish the moneys ne essary to provide these facilities and ccommodations

"The growth of earnings is not keeping pace proportionately with the growth of expenses. If the operating expenses and the wages to employes The following, which appeared in must be increased from time to time, the February Labor Gazette, is from and the public so demand very serious consideration must be given to pro-Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, West well as to secure better attention to the report of the board of investigation posals for the reduction of freight and Virginia and Kentucky will be the messages of importance. New forms of under the Lemieux act, composed of passenger rates, inasmuch as every envelopes have been printed for spe- Prof. A. Shortt, J. G. O'Donoghue, and reduction directly affects the ability ment to the operators who hoped for cial delivery messages, to be forwarded W. Mesbitt, K. C., which recently ad- of the railways to pay the wages asked by train mail service, and, whenever justed the dispute between the Grand by their employes. There is no doubt Trunk Railway and its telegraph oper- that the cost of living has greatly increased, and the employes of a railway "The board were much impressed company are entitled to be better issued, a reduction of about 2,000 mes- by the suggestions that the same compensated to meet such increased board had recommended a higher rate cost, but surely they are not entitled of pay to the telegraphers in the ser- to be compensated at the sole expense vice of the Canadian Pacific than they of people who have invested their were prepared to recommend in the money, and who would in turn be depresent instance. We are glad to be prived of their means of livelihood. The able to report that the parties appreci- public should bear their share. The ated the reasons why the members of railway employe spends his money for the board could not in this instance the benefit of every other member of

we desire to put upon record some of creased cost of living, other classes the reasons why we came to this con- of the community who receive the benefit of the money he spends should "We thought, under the present contribute their share towards enconditions, that the offer of the com- abling him to get the money he has those which still remain, by far the pany in the matter of decrease of to spend, and it is for the foregoing wages was all that could be justified. reasons that, under the present congrade-crossings removed on the lines ceive a living wage, and that right is made by the officials of the Grand cago, in some cases from \$2 to \$32 east during the past six years shows paramount. The workman is entitled Trunk Railway Company had gone as on a single car, having been made the that on the Pennsylvania system as a to get a fair day's wage for a fair far as could be justified, though not subject of a complaint to the state whole the total number of grade-cross- day's work. What, however, seems to necessarily to the limit which the tel-

safety of those who have heretofore any other branch of trade. The aim certainly not be a benefit to the com- . INCLUDED. of the worker should be to secure a munity at large, and if the property of lenders is to be practically confis-"But there is also to be considered cated between the demand of the of \$2,000,000,000 are waiting for this manufacturers and car builders, will, it commission to render a decision which is thought be inclined to make the money to enable the undertaking mand of the employes on the other, commission to render a decision which is thought, be inclined to make a ma- to be carried on, which gives em- it must lead to a reduction in wages, greed of the railroads doing business steel car, and there will be an opporin the city of Chicago and in the state tunity for the railroads to buy them at his risk. A hundred millions of the loss to labor. It has been suggested figures which will secure orders for capital stock of the Grand Trunk that this state of affairs be met by The dealings of the railroads with them on lines which have heretofore Railway receives no dividend what the state becoming sole owner of the the shippers in this state have been ordered wooden cars on account of ever. If such dividends on the pre-railways. To accomplish this, the ferred stock as are now being paid are capital necessary to make railways and Revolt and Sedition Promised Ready To Back Czar To teh figurent, by shocking greed and have operation of slow freight trains on its been utterly reckless, inexcusable and dishonest. The railroads have forgot
Collingwood, Ohio, the Lake Shore has the duty the law imposes upon transferred E. V. Brogan trainmaster.

Still further reduced by the wages on being increased, what must necessarinly follow? The company cannot obtain further money for expansion, for the skies, like the manna to the Isstill further reduced by the wages bill work them would still have to be ten the duty the law imposes upon transferred E. V. Brogan, trainmaster, it can be more remuneratively em-Erie, Pa. Years ago the last-named city ployed in other undertakings. This the state, interest must be paid for it. The action of the New York Central was the dividing point for change of certainly would be a disadvantage to and probably at a higher rate than the the vast number who find employ- state now has to pay, for two reasons: especially those who fortell the hapment on railways. There is the con-First, because of being larger borstant demand of the public for the rowers; second, because of the risk the shippers instead of one, was cited freight will be handled by a freight betterment of the service and equip-incident to industrial undertakings. If ment for increase of facilities, the bet- raised by taxation, this would be noth- they must have none but the gloomtering of the roadbed and general im- ing more than getting it from the col- lest of outlooks for the year 1908, and reply on the Turko-Persian frontier, dis- sent in a demand for permission to provement in this accommodation. This lective resources of the country. The must, indeed, be miserable men. The Lehigh Valley will discontinue can only be obtained where the par- wages other than the living wage beswitching charge, from \$3 to \$9 50, was the running of the Black Diamond ties asked to advance the money can fore referred to, which are paid by the running of the running of the black Diamond ties asked to advance the money can fore referred to, which are paid by price of money, wars and rumors of thus characterized:

| Diamond ties asked to advance the money can fore referred to, which are paid by price of money, wars and rumors of thus characterized: must, therefore, disguise it as we ups and downs, earthquakes, interna-"Our experience on a number of may, depend upon what a company tional troubles, disease, and other industry located for many years on operate that the Lehigh Valley has. Its these boards has led us to the conclu- carns after the interest on the capi- troubles, are all predicted for the comthe Junction road, and which has been time was lengthened after E. B. sion that there seems to be an over-tal employed is paid. This may ing year. The price of wheat will be sight on the part of the public of two equally be said of all industrial and high, says an astrologer, and there car for switching, is made to pay \$650 road, but later it was put back on the things: First, that there is a contin- commercial undertakings, and no will be a failure of root crops. ual demand for an increase of expen- amount of vague, philanthropic talk

### SAYS PROHIBITION FAILS

Licenses and Few of Them.

New Orleans, Feb. 8.—Cardinal Gibinterview on prohibition published to- second of his course of eight lectures the sign of Capricorn. This falls willing to part with their "last shirt" to day said: "I am persuaded that it is practically impossible to put prohibipunishment on the proprietors of saloons who violate the law in the first instance, and in the second instance of violation I would withdraw the license altogether.

"In the country places I would sugmeans for the repression of intemperance if in the judgment of the matority of the voters, the sale of liquor should be entirely eliminated. "Laws like prohibition that are certain to be violated had best not be

Sixteen millions of mackerel have been landed this season at Newlyn,

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. culty is a switching charge of 10 cents per ton on a minimum of 20 tons for transportation of three miles, or less and future orders for them. The comwithin the switching district, and of mittee was favored with a lucid ex-

### NO SECRET TREATY

Against Germany, Says Tardieu.

Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 8.-Mr. Anon "France and Her Alliances" before the English Alliance."

He said that the necessity existed peninsula. for this agreement as for the Franco-Russian alliance. He traced the history of the alliance as brought about tune in Cancer during the next two by King Edward VII. and M. Del- years, the result being that New Zea-

reaty had been made between France of sedition and revolt. and England in 1906, M. Tardieu stated "The position of the Government positively that no such treaty ever had will be tremendously assailed and efbeen made.

conditions in Europe and of certain fect some signal successes in July, and verbal statements made between Eng- given a continuance of the present lish and French statesmen it seemed improvement in his health, I judge certain that if France should be at-that he will be a most prominent figure tacked by Germany England would in- in the administration of affairs. terfere in her favor.

been some difficulties between France ment." and England in Egypt the fault was in the imperfect manner in which the

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Smallman's Ingram, 149 to 153

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MacLean, who has been held in bond-

age for the seven months past by the

bandit Raisuli, has been officially

turned over to the British charge

Tangier, Feb. 8.-Sir Caid Harry

By the Astrologers During

This Year. London, Feb. 9. - If astrologers. penings of a year before its birth,

Decrease in trade, increase in the

"Sepharial," editor of the "Forespecial horoscope for the year, and some of the more interesting of the predictions are given below.

"The year 1908 is likely to prove one of the most fateful in the history churia in vain, owing to the initial backof England. Three major planets, Neptune, Uranus and Saturn, will hold cardinal signs, and be responsible for the development of great political crises. On the 3rd of January there party, in a speech, said that the majority bons, who is visiting this city, in an dre Tardieu yesterday delivered the will be a total eclipse of the sun in in the Duma were Russian patriots, and close to the position of Mars in the defend the fatherland. The committee, in the Circle Francais of Harvard Uni- Royal horoscope, and as Capricorn a high pitch of patriotism, passed the apversity. His subject was "France and rules India, we may look for an outbreak of sedition and revolt in the

"Uranus continues in the sign of Capricorn and in opposition to Nep- navy, is at the mercy of Germany. land and British South Africa, Ingla Referring to the report that a secret and Egypt will perhaps be the scenes

fectually undermined in the spring He said that in view of the present of 1908. Joheph Chamberlain will ef-Saturn will then be stationary in the The lecturer said that if there had horoscope of the present Govern-

> That there is a vigorous and magardens of the Royal Botanic Society, Regents Park. The plants have been reared by the society from the seed of the best known commercial sorts of the "weed," obtained for this experiment from all parts of the world where tobacco is a recognized product. This London crop shows Turkish, Havana, Connecticut, Virginia, German, Dutch and other seeds grow-

## DUMA WOULD SELL "ITS LAST SHIRT"

Limit if It Comes To a War With Turkey,

St. Petersburg, Feb. 8.-The Russo- himself and family. MacLean is in Turkish relations have entered upon a good health, but he seems to be weakmenacing phase. Alarmed at the un- He says he will rejoin Abd-El-Aziz at checked Turkish penetration of Persia, Tabat. a formidable military demonstration in walls of Tangier with MacLean he patching there a compact expedition of enter the city accompanied by 500 of 50,000 select troops from Central Russia, his soldiers. with full war equipment, and it is acting | Sir Mohammed Gabhas, the Morocwith uncommon rapidity, with a view to can Foreign Minister, finally refused overawing the Turks by a decisive exhibi- eo allow him to do so, and Raisuli,

riedly for legislative enactment to the Duma on Friday. The committee on turned over to the British authorities national defense assembled in a virtually Gabhas released the imprisoned Raisclosed session. A r presentative of the ulites and Raisuli then departed unwar office briefly and imcressively out- disturbed and almost unnoticed. lined the Turkish preparations, of which Russia is fully informed, and asked for an open credit for the maintenance of an army of 60,000. He met the possible arguments of economy by saying that Russia had expended blood and treasure in Manwardness in armament. The empire's prestige in the middle east, he said, is

be prepared to defend it. M. Guchkoff, leader of the Octobrist propriation unanimously. At the same session the war office obtained sanction for a further item of \$10,000,000, to create floating batteries along the Baltic coast, which, owing to the weakness of the

At a dinner given in New York recently to Rear Admiral Joseph B. Coghlan by the Spanish war veterans. he was hailed as "the man who made the Kaiser famous."

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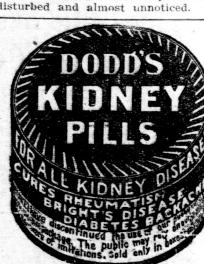
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as the result of inducements by the The war office has drawn up plans of the expedition, and submitted them hur-When MacLean had been officially



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