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BROOKLYN STRIKE.

Confidence Expressed That All the Trouble Will Be Over Very Shortly.

Wires Cut.

BROOKLYN, N.Y., Jan. 25 .- At 2 o'clock this morning roundsman Bunce and officer McGrath arrested Biswell Willis, a motorman, and A. E Lewis, who had attempted to cut the trolley wire near the corner of Bedford avenue and North Fourteenth iff Deht was notified this morning that the World's Fair. Mr. Ball highly complistreet. Four others with them escaped in strikers at Maspeth late last night had wayshots at them, and at headquarters of the police McGrath reported that he believes he shot one of them. The police were kept round his neck and suspended him from a strikors are endeavoring to cripple the lines of the Brooklyn trolley system by this means. In one instance the police fired on a crowd af six of those men and succeeded

in arresting two.

It was learned that the men had been driving around the city cutting the wires at different points. These wire cutting tactics are now the main obstacle to the working of reports of the many massacres at Port Arported at either offices, power houses or

He declared that the immediate withdrawal of his command was not even contemplated as yet. The commanding officers of the militia have in no wise relaxed the stringent measures established by them when they railway companies' depots, stables, etc., are Americans if asked to name the worst jour-as closely guarded this morning as at any nal in the United States would reply

the resolution adopted by the legislature in the East may be everything that a corand will at once take hold of the strike situation. At Driggs and Manhattan avenues mere fact of his association with At Bedford avenue they demolished six the purpose of reporting its operations.

more cars and cut the wires for four blocks. "Whatever may have been the measure nore cars and cut the wires for four blocks. The Brooklyn Heights Co. issued a notice to- of needless slaughter, speaking from a humday that the company is ready and willing to take into its employ such of its former employes as motormen and conductors as are tain that no nation ever before was reneeded to fill existing vacancies, paying them the market rate of wages for their services, provided such employes will accept purge war of horror. The thing itself is the regulations of this company as to the horrible. Moreover, it arouses in those frequency with which a car shall be run and carrying it on passions that inevitably drive dent tone to day, when he repeated that fighting machine, but their effect is grate, died to day. She was standing near faith are in a majority in that country and he would have every car of the Atlantic demoralizing in that they dull no the fireplace after getting up in the morning besides they have friends close at hand who

several places on Fulton street but no ordinary mob, he will perform deeds from latest scheme being talked of in town. Several local capitalists are interested in themselves with dispersing the mob. The lively recoil. In the last European war yesterday by ash barrels and ashes, but the strongly denounced. Property was stolen, railroad company seem to suffer greatly wemen were outraged, peaceable families from lack of men with sufficient experience were murdered, and villages were burned to repair the broken wires, and coase quently the line promises to be blocked until to-morrow. Superintendent Hall, of the Halsey street line, denies emphatically that any man is detained at that station against

At 3 30 this afternoon a car from Newtown containing 40 non-union men was held higher standards." induced to join the strikers. The strikers claim that 30 men deserted, joined them and were sent to their homes in other cities. At the corner of Gates and Evergreen avenues at 6 o'clock this evening a motor-man of the Green and Gates avenue line was struck with a stone thrown from the crowd on the corner of Evergreen avenue and knecked down. He recovered shortly and ook his car with several windows broken to the end of the journey.

morning that the strikers are now resorting to incendiarism to cripple the trolley companies. Early this morning the depot of tion of wires was more extensive than yesterday. Hardly a line escaped a raid of these wire cutting bands. Among the five wire wire with these wires suffered most, were the Crosstown line, Green Point line, Ralph avenue line, Bushwick avenue line, Bushwick avenue line, Bushwick avenue line, Green Point line, Flushing avenue line, Bushwick avenue line, Greand actreet line, Lorner street and Fulton street line. Lorner street and Fulton street line. Cross and fulton street line. The lines were mutilated to suob an extent.

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The officers were compelled to draw revolvers to compel the men to sub mit to arrest. Many succeeded in making their escape. The men were taken to the nearest police station. A storm last night and this morning added materially to the difficulties which the trolley companies had to overcome in operating their lines. Fewer cars ran during the earlier hours than yesterday. Street car sweepers were sent out as soon as the wires were repaired to clear the tracks of accumulated snow slush. The sweepers were all guarded by half a dozen policemen. The strikers congregated in the vicinity of the

borhood, but these were dislodged by the police, who frequently used their clubs and many sore heads resulted. The police also In reply to the teast of his health, he said : Ottawa, of course, is the official residence raided the strikers' headquarters. In some Ottawa, of course, is the official residence cases the strikers resisted the onslaught of of the Governor-General, but in the wide cases the strikers resisted the onelaught of cases the strikers resisted the onelaught of police and the latter were compelled to dispersed. No cassualities are reported. No cassualities are reported. The total number of cars in operation on all lines up to ten o'clock this morning was 253 against 437 yesterday. Martin J. Connolly, the strikers' leader, is still of the opinion that the men will win. He strikers' leader, is still of the greent year. Their stay in he indulged in his usual tirade of abuse of Montreal had been most pleasant.

American government than betreaving at the constance of the private communications at New York, \$6,700,000 was in gold coin and \$1,500,000 was in gold bars. The gold withdrawals reduce any opinion that the men will win. He target the conserved the crosses with a summer than betreaving at the try years ago a walled come, but nothing, it continues, can avail the dearward the constraction of the currency.

BERLIN, Jan. 25.—The St. Petersburg without a contraction of the currency.

BERLIN, Jan. 25.—The St. Petersburg of the sprivate communications at New York, \$6,700,000 withdraws at New York, \$6,700,000 withdraw at New York, \$6,700,000 withdraws at New York, \$6,700,000 withdraw at New York, \$6,700,000 with an opinion that the Bank of English the New York, \$6,700,000 withdraw at New York, \$6,

the president of the roads and corporations in general. He declared that there are no desertions from the ranks of the strikers that they can hold out for weeks, and that they will surely win in the end. He said acts of violence should not be charged to his men, but to others who sympathized with

of cars running. Judge Gaynor, of the Supreme court in King county, to-day handed down a writ of alternative mandamus in the case of Josh Loader against the Brooklyn Heights Railroad Company. This decision is construed as being favorable to the company. Mr.

the leaders to refrain from violence. He

Loader's application was for writ to compel the company to operate its cars.

Long Island City, L.I., Jan. 26.—Shera wagon. The police officers fired several laid a non union man on his way home knocked him down and gagged him, and then carried him to a vacant barn at a place busy chasing the wire-cutting gang of beam. Fortunately he was rescued before he was strangled to death, and was constrikers during the early morning hours in veyed in an unconscious condition to the stables at Ridgewood, where he now lies in an unconscious condition. His recovery is doubtful.

#### PORT ARTHUR MASSACRES.

Tokio, Dec. 28.—(Special correspondence many of the lines. No disturbances are restables of any of the companies this morn. egram sent to the New York World, the ing. A number of slight altercations be- Japanese Consul General at New York havtween the police and the strikers have been ing considered it his duty to have it tele-reported, but nothing of a serious nature has graphed back to Japan. It has astounded thus far occurred. Most of the roads re- ue here. A more mendacious sensational port wires cut during the night, but with slander it would be hard to imagine. When the aid of a few old linemen, who refused to the "horrible details," as worked out and go out, and a number of new men, the word-painted by this sensational reporter, wires were put in working order, and by 8 come to light, I have no doubt they will be o'clock this morning cars were started on exceptionally sensational and atrocious, half the roads.

The report that the Seventh regiment is to be withdrawn is positively denied this journa." Niphon says: "In our opinion norning by Col. Appleton of that regiment. every correspondent capable of dispatching such talse and malicious intelligence should

be excluded from following the army.' Commenting on the foregoing, the Japan Daily Mail of Yokohama, under date of December 27, says: "Ninety-nine out of first arrived. All the approaches to the every hundred educated and thoughtful Americans if asked to name the worst jourtime since the strike began, and loiterers are without hesitation, the New York World not allowed to congregate in the vicinity.

The board of arbitration and mediation and aims solely at pandering to the morbid has returned from Albany in response to appetite of its readers. Its correspondent this evening a mob of 2,000 persons attacked such a journal as the World would, we several stalled cars of the Flushing and think, justify any commanding officer in re-Graham avenue line and wrecked them. fusing to allow him to follow the army, for

> things were dene that could not be too But the correspondents with the armies, re-ognizing such incidents to be the invitable non-comitants of war, did not notice them. With the progress of civilization, however all standards are becoming higher. It well that such should be the case, but let us

## SUNDAY CLOSING.

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NEW YORK, Jan. 26.-The Methodist

ministers, a committee of the Chickering

hall mass meeting, and one from the Women's Christian Temperance Union, called on Mayor Strong last evening. They preached to him, pleaded with him, and demanded for more than an hour that the the mayor, as so many others have done, that they had elected him with their work and their prayers, and had a right to make I want the legislature to see if something cannot be done, and I can stand all the abuse you can give me." The mayor told the committee in conclusion that, to enforce the law, he would nil all the station-houses, jails, and all the houses the city could rent. He could not be won over from his original purpose, and was going on in the way he had started to see if he could not get a law

that could be enforced and lessen crime in the city.

DISAPPOINTING LAURIER. MONTREAL, Jan. 25 - (Special) - Lecroix, the clerical sheet, expresses regret that Hon. Mr. Laurier did not refer to the \$25,000. Manitoba school question in his speech this week, for, it says, in view of the attitude of Ridgewood street stables and became so obstreperous during the early morning that the police charged and dispersed them.

Many took refuge in saloons in the neighborhood but the police charged and dispersed them.

The Governor General was dined by the members of the St. James' club last night.

### NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Wooden Ships - Vancouver Corporation Tenders. them and who will not observe the advice of

minal City's Poultry Show and Its Success.

> (Special to the COLONIST.) VANCOUVER,

VANCOUVER, Jan. 26.-Mr. Ball, the judge at the Vancouver poultry show, was one of the three judges in poultry at the mented Vancouver's poultry fanciers on heir efforts. The attendance at the exhibition fell off a little on Friday, but it was all that could be desired to-day. The Westminster and Nanaimo carrier pigeons flew home of their own accord, saving Messrs. Stonehouse and King the bother of shipping

The following tenders have been accepted for the city by the finance committee: Milk, Bridge & Hunter; burials, Lockhart; coal, Crowder & Penzer; advertising, News-Advertiser and World; hay, oats and chop, Crowder & Penzer; fire, Nelson; wood Jones; lumber, Cassidy; stationeries, Clark & Stuart; groceries, Fillien; green groceries, Philip; fish, Tyson; printing and binding, News Advertiser.

Mr. McLean, Mt. Pleasant, has reported to the police that some hungry hounds stole his hens during the night. Vagrants are levying a tribute on fowl fanciers in Vestminster and Vancouver. The chickens are evidently taken for food as the poultry show is over and no discrimination is made between common chickens and pet stock. The South Vancouver council have ap-

pointed Frank L. Vosper, constable, for the northern division of the municipality. The Calhoun Opera Company met with

The Terminal City Building Society have elected the following directors for the ensuing year: G. W. Phipps, Wm. Ralph, Sam Macey, J. Stewart, R. Stark, J. O. Le-Cappelain and J. H. Collins. The anniversary of the birthday of Robert Burns was celebrated by local Scotchmen

#### WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 26.-W. J. Whiteside and Richard McBride, barristers, have become partners.

At a Board of Trade meeting the proposed government bonus of \$5 to \$6 a ton on all ships over 400 tons built in the province was discussed. It was pointed out that the Puget Sound business was all done by American made wooden boats; that lumber could be carried cheaper per ton than in foreign iron built boats. It was less costly to build the wooden boats and they held more per ton. The suggestion is meeting with great favor on the Mainland.

#### NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, Jan. 26.-Little kins, who was yesterday seriously burned President Norton spoke in his usual configuration and discipline are admirable in a avenue system on the tracks within 48 sense of individual responsibility.

A soldier is merely a unit of an blaze flashed out and caught her dress.

During the afternoon wires were cut at organized mob, and like the units of an A marine railway for large vessels is the

## CAPITAL NOTES.

Culmination of Ottawa's Grand Carnival-Immense Crowds of Visitors-Ice Castle Stormed.

Col. Darcy Boulton Retires After Fifty-seven Years Militia Service-The Premier.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—Bright crisp weather

prevailed again to-day for the carnival. During the day the curling matches were continued, and there were championship snowshoe races. The great social attraction of the carnival was the ball held in the Rus last Friday to the question "one man one BROOKLYN, Jan. 26.—It was reported this all his influence to prevent the passing of a law to legalize Sunday opening. They told Ottawa.

an officer of the Canadian militia, The cabinet met to-day, but no ann ment has been made respecting the date of the meeting of parliament.

from the military school at Victoria has been approved, and six second lieutenants, two sergeants, three corporals, nine bombardiers and twenty-one gunners of the B.C. artillery have been granted certificates of

reficiency.
The appointment of Jonathan Miller as postmaster at Vancouver was gazet-ted to-day. The Thompson memorial fund now reaches

The worst snowstorm of the season came as a grand finale to the carnival. George Gould and party say that the attack on the ice castle last night was the finest they ever

## OUTRAGE ON ABMENIANS.

London, Jan. 25. - The Daily News correspondent in Constantinople sends this despatch : "The Armenians of Tarsus pur-

#### CABLE LETTER.

Proposed Government Bonus for The Eastern Question-Is Turkey to Be Divided Among the Powers?

Slight Encounters Between the Police and the Strikers—

said the presidents do not adhere to the truth in their statements as to the number minal City's Poultry Show

States Loan in Great Britain.

> London, Jan. 26.-If certain Liberal newspapers which profess to be inspired are expressing the genuine designs of the gov ernment the Eastern question is about to be revived in its most acute form. The true meaning of the recent persistent Armenian agitation is now becoming disclosed in the bold assertions of these journals that the time is ripe for the eviction of the Turks from the European fold. Viewing the situation in this light, the present anti-Turkish crusade very clearly possesses a greater the object of discussing the situation. practical significance than was attached to the Bulgarian atrocieties which yielded s much capital to Mr. Gladstone nearly twenty years ago. The excitement of that period was fomented by the Liberals mainly with the object of embarrassing the government of the Earl of Beaconsfield, and the coming movement is undoubtedly associated

#### with a policy contemplating an ANGLO-RUSSO ENTENTE.

At any rate it appears to be directed toward preparing the public mind for some traffic was almost entirely suspended until decided, if not grand, reversal of the Eng-well on towards noon, while all the incomlish policy in the East. The key to the Eastern position is not Armenia, but latis in Macedonia, that the mines are laid for in Algoma, says the government has a orable means of settling the boundary disan insurrection which it is intended shall stronger hold in the constituency than at pute between themselves, or failing in that of Turkey-in-Europe, finally leading the Kingston it says the candidates are evenly great powers to intervene. According to an matched. article in the Speaker, which is supposed to great success here, having had crowded houses at each performance.

Word has been received from Washington by the local Grand Army officers that the houses at each performance. will finally dispose of the rule of Islam in can civil war has been repealed. Europe. How much of Islam's domination is to remain in the Asiatic territory of the commander of the faithful toward Armenia. The correspondent of the same paper writes upon what he asserts as unquestionable authority, that the Sultan is aware of the praying for a commanding he at once the incommend. fact that European statesmen are discussing the question as to the manner in which the territory of the Porte in Europe, including Constantinople, is to be

PARTITIONED AMONG THE POWERS. together with the oft repeated question, whether Austria shall be allowed to come to Salonica. He is also aware, according to this authority, that there is a revival of the question as to how much of Macedonia and Thrace shall be given to Bulgaria, what proportion of Albania is to go to Servia, and what part shall fall into the possession of Greece. These are old questions, and doubtless the Sultan so regards them, but all the same he is compelled to be alert even when a "chestnut" is sprung upon him, for he can never tell whether or not it is loaded. According to the programme the sign of an explosion is to be given in Macedonia by an uprising of the

Christians there. The inhabitants of this gency. It is assumed by the writer in the Speaker that the powers will not use force to prevent Bulgaria, Greece and Servia from taking part in a revolution in Macedonia, and these propositions put into the form of threats may be partly aimed at the Sultan, in order to coerce him to assent to an Anglo Russian policy in Armenia. Whether there is any good ground for this definitely learned. The reports from that region are still as conflicting as ever and the means of obtaining information that can be relied upon is quite as difficult as at the outset. Nevertheless there is every indication that a crisis of the greatest interna tional importance is imminent, growing out of the present aspect of things in the East.

THE QUEEN'S SPEECH to be delivered at the opening of the coming session of parliament will be submitted to another cabinet council discussion before it document will contain no surprises. The newspapers generally mistook the reference of Lord Rosebery in his speech at Cardiff Four leading colonization companies in the Territories are anxious to wind up and lines of the Premier's Cardiff speech, which

the meeting of parliament.

The Premier went to Belleville this afterthe division on the address in reply to the Orrawa, Jan. 26.—The report received will be absent on account of illness. These

THE UNITED STATES LOAN.

Definite and reliable news in financial United and reliable news in mandal circles is to the effect that agents from Washington are sounding the leading London bankers in regard to the new American loan. The Statist says that negotiations

# MEXICAN MUSTANC LINIMENT for Man and Beast!

Cracks between the Toes, Scalds, Ulcers, Stiff Joints. Old Sores Inflammation of all kinds, Lame Back, Pustules Rheumatism. **Caked Breasts, Eruptions** Diseased Tendons, Contracted Muscles. And all Lameness and

It quickly cure

Langley & Co., Wholesale Agents for British Columbia,

men will be present at a general meeting of bank representatives to be held shortly with

TORONTO TOPICS. TORONTO, Jan. 26.—(Special)—A howling gale, the worst of the season, accompanied by snow, struck this province from the northeast last night about ten o'clock and continued without abatement until ten o'clock this morning. In this city about a foot of snow fell on the level, and it being of a heavy wet character the street railway

Macedonia as the plan is understood that it The Mail, discussing Monday's elections involve Bulgaria, Servia and Greece in an the last election, and appears to hold the active dispute for a division of the territory opinion that Mr. Conmee will win. Ic

ing railway trains were three to four hours

Word has been received from Washington soon become a burning one, and its solution drawing pensions for services in the Ameri-Sultan will depend upon the action of the difficulty between it and the authorities of once. Col. R. C. Pate, the American horsethe University the holding of an investigation into the entire management of that inpraying for a commission be at once pre-

ented to the Ontario government. Proceedings have been taken to contest the seat of Mayor Kennedy. Notice to that to a high pitch. Reports from interior effect has been served by W. H. Walbridge on behalf of William F. Sexton, jr.
Mr. Robert Birmingham, the Conservative organizer for Ontario, is in such poor health that it is doubtful if he can take part | the effects of the patriotic storm are easily in the coming campaign.

#### WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 26.—(Special)—Bell's brewery at Portage la Prairie was totally destroyed by fire this morning. It was an isolated building distant from a fire tank. The owner, James Bell, estimates his loss at \$15,000; insurance, \$6,300; \$2,000 of which was in the Eastern and \$2,000 in the National of Ireland. The St. Boniface hotel was ransacked by

burglars last night.
J. B. McLaren is mentioned as the propable Liberal candidate for the Commons in into unwilling service. Guatemala is using

Lisgar.

J. K. Strachan, late secretary of the ism among people. Nearly every horse within 100 miles of the border has been within 100 miles of the border has been Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, has been appointed manager of the Northwest Territories' Exhibition at Regins.

## JAPAN'S DETERMINATION.

action on the assumption that there has been a wanton and wholesale slaughter of Christians in that province, cannot be as yet Full Powers.

> Defeat of Chinese at Hayping-Hasty Retreat of the Beaten Party.

LONDON, Jan. 25 .- The St. James Gazette publishes a dispatch from Shanghai which save that the Japanese government is finally drafted. It is understood that the will not receive Chinese peace envoys until they are clothed with full power to con-

clude peace. A dispatch from Yuen Cheng, dated 23rd, payment of a salary to members of the House fleet of transports arrived at daybreak on January 23, and the troops they conveyed await further orders. were successfully landed. Most of the civil

## AUSTRALIAN MATTERS.

LONDON, Jan. 25 .- The Standard has this don bankers in regard to use and don bankers in regard to use an above not yet actually begun; but it is regarded as probable that President Cleveland will find that his government will be required to pay more than three per cent., and that as the prospect of continuous borreduction of the salary from £10,000 to £5,000, to which it is understood Great Britain agrees. The assembly's decision was ernment presents itself some arrangement tain agrees. The assembly's decision was must be made to prevent the bonds from being sold to American bankers almost im. It is asserted that it is doubtful whether mediately. A European loan, says the Lord Brassey will accept £5,000. The Statist, is certainly of greater benefit to the Premier will move the reversal of the vote American government than borrowing at with a view to making the salary £7,000."

#### WAR IMMINENT.

Guatemala's Reply Unanswerable Except by Hostilities-Strongly Hostile Feeling.

Secretary Gresham Expresses the Hopes of President Cleveland for an Amicable Settlement.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 25.-A telegram has been received at the United States legation here from Secretary Gresham, expressing President Cleveland's hope that Mexico and Guatemala would agree upon some favwould agree upon a reference of the controversy to friendly arbitration. This message has been transmitted to President Diaz.

Guatemala's answer to Mexico was received last evening. Guatemala's answer is to the effect that the territory in dispute beongs to her and if any indemnity is to be The 'Varsity will be issued to day, It will paid Mexico owes it to Guatemala. The suggest as the best means of clearing up the prospects are that war will be declared at man, has tendered his services to the President, and in case of war will be appointed

With the immense demonstrations of the students in this capital the war feeling throughout the republic has been wrought points show a rising spirit of patriotism among the people, and it is probable that other great popular uprisings will occur in many cities. This city is quiet, although discernible. The volunteer movement is rapidly spreading, and it would evidently be possible to raise 25,000 volunteers in this city alone within a day or two. A telegram from Guatemala says the Spanish minister in Madrid will not interfere in any way. Indications are that Barrios, president Guatemala, expects aid from Spain on ac-

count of his bold stand. COMITAN, State of Chiapas, Mexico, Jan. 25 —The government has pushed fresh forces to the Guatemalan frontier almost daily, and camp quarters for a large body of men have been arranged for near this place. Some Gautemalans living in this vicinity have fled to Mexico rather than be presse every effort to work up a feeling of patriotsecured by one means or another. The un-communicative policy of the Gautemalan government is having a disastrous effect upon the public order. Residents near the frontier fear an invasion of mounted Mexican rurales. It is generally felt, should war ensue, the frontier will be so overrun by troops and pillaging renegades that life would be a hurden

TAPACHULA, State of Chiapas, Mexico, Jan. 25.—Fugitives from Guatemala soil are arriving here almost daily. They include many revolters from the Guatemalan interior, but are for the most part native born Mexicans, who have taken up residence in Guatemala. Large parties are on the way from Quetzultenango, Northern Guatemala, either afraid to remain at home or coming with the purpose of enlisting against the government they leave behind.

ACAPULCO, State of Guerrero, Mexico, Jan. 25.—The report that the armed Mexican corvette Saragoza had invaded Gautemalan waters and was lying off the harbor of San Jose, is not true. The school-ship was loaded with munitions and provisions of war for Mazatlan for the supply of Mexican having discharged its commission it is now on the return to Mazatlan, where it will

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 25.-The arrival The ministry and their adherents are displaying a rapidly increasing anxiety in regard to the government's majority in the next session of the House of Commons. The Redmondites have definitely declared that they will vote against the government in the division on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, and six Liberals will be absent on account of illness. These latter are not paired, and at the present ta, moment the government whips are not moment the government is buying horses and is working its small arms factory night and moment are government is buying horses and is working its small arms factory night and moment are government in buying horses and is working its small arms factory night and northward and the other taking a westerly direction."

The government is buying horses and is working its small arms factory night and day with double the usual number of men. The manufacture of ammunition is pressed forward with equal haste. The governor of this federal district has offered President Diaz two battalions to go to the front the moment war shall be declared. It is understood, however, that the government does not intend to begin the war on land. The first hostile step, if Guatemala still refuses to yield, will be to blockade her ports. Foreigners here express some doubt as to the effectiveness of such a blockade since the Mexican navy has but half a dozen small craft, manned by hardly 500 seamen and

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25,—The Treasury department lost by gold withdrawals to-day as follows: At New York, \$6,700,000;