## .. The .. WILL EQUALIZE TAXES PALMETTO Pay of College Professors

By President Charles F. Thwing, of Western Reserve University.

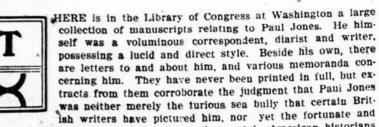


T the present time the salaries of most college teachers are as high as the salaries of most clergymen of the cities or towns in which these colleges are placed. There are, of course, exceptions upon each side. In Cleveland, for instance, salaries are paid to clergymen higher than are paid to any college officer. But in Cambridge and Boston, as high salaries are paid to college officers as are paid to any clergyman. The higher salaries paid in the University of Chicago are probably about equal to the higher salaries paid

to the clergymen of that city. Certain physicians, especially surgeons, earn

larger amounts than are the stipends paid to any college man. The same remark might be made respecting lawyers. But the salaries paid to editors are, on the whole, not so large as those paid to college professors. It would usually, also, I suppose, be acknowledged th: there are other elements in the work of an editor, some more agreeable, others less agreeable, than are many parts of college teaching. On the basis, th. retore, of Adam Smith's principles, it is hard to make an argument for larger pay for college professors. On the basis of temporary conditions and feelings, of individual needs and relationships, it would be easy to make an argument. But the principles are permanent, the feelings and conditions temporary. It should, however, be said that it would be advantageous to the community for professorship to command a larger salary, because the coilege would, through a term of years, be able to command a finer type of the man, of the scholar and of the gentleman. College places should never be so rich as to become objects of avariciousness but they should be made so full and noble as to become objects of worthy ambition for human service.-Harper's Weekly.

# The Real Paul Jones By Lynn Tew Sprague.



recklessly adventuresome ocean free lance that certain American historians have portrayed. He possessed not only a commanding mind and an undaunted resolution, but a cool temper and a magnanimous spirit. He was tried by every extreme of fortune, and his life was as checkered and as illustrious, and his end as pathetic as that of the brilliant but unhappy Clive. But Paul Jones is easily the most picturesque figure in American sea annals. "Had he lived to my time," said Bonaparte, ten years later, "France might have had one great admiral." What he would have done with the resources of France arrayed against a Nelson can only be conjectured. But his spirit and ability would have won distinction in any field. He was the intimate of philosophers, statesmen and scholars. After his great victories he was made a chevaller of France, which country was then at war with England, and was for a time a lion in fashionable circles--a veritable "uncrowned knight of the sea," as he was dubbed by a duchess of the blood royal. He never married. He was but thirty-two when he won his last great victory for his adopted land, and so lukewarm were his friends, so malevolent his enemies, that during the seven years of the Revolutionary war this most restless, vigilant, and efficient of our sea heroes was actually able to be at sea in full command of ships of less than six months all told.—Outing Magazine.

# "The Insolence of Office" By Eddy S. Brandt.

••••••• F Mr. Shakespea e could have had the pleasure of riding on the New York subway, and been gr with the ironical "Step lively, please;" if he could only have been met by the average young office boy, whose impudent stare suggests that you are intruding into his private domain; if he could have been ushered into the presence of the gauking third assistant in the next office, and from there turned over to the blunt and uninviting second and first assistants, when Mr. Shakespeare, I say, did at last

reach the sanctuary of the average business manager, having run the gauntlet of attendants and assistants, the wise old poet would have opened up with stronger language than those words, "the insolence of office!"

Of course, the average office assistant does not mean to be discourteous, but it does seem to be very hard for him to be genial. His boss, the head of the firm, is a man of few words. The assistant copies his manager's bluntness and forgets that he has not the brains or tact or occasion to support the attitude. It becomes discourtesy in the assistant, whereas it is a just form of command in the chief.

"The insolence of office!" And the degree of insolence seems to vary in inverse ratio to the height of the position. In not a few offices every stranger who enters is an opportunity for the assistant to liberate his importance, especially if the manager "is out." Sometimes this attitude is not expressed in actions, but discourtesy, it should be remembered, is simply a lack of courtesy-a negative quality. And when the right atmosphere is wanting an office, the stranger is the first to be impressed with that fact.

Kindness should first be a pleasure, and next a business rule. Commerce often waits on courtesy .- The Business World.

# Turning Our Deserts Into .. Date Orchards . .

- By Rene Bache. -

\*\*\*\*\*\*\* HAT to do with our deserts in the southwest nas long been a puzzling problem, which the department of agriculture is trying to solve by importing plants of economic usefulness that thrive in extremely dry regions of the Old World. Experiments in this line are being made with the pistachio nut, which, as has been found, when grafted upon wild stocks obtained from the Sahara, will endure heat and draught almost without limit. Choice varieties of date palms, also, have been fetched from the Persian Gulf and

from Saharan oases, and plantations of them are being started. We import six hundred thousand dollars' worth of dates annually, which might just as well be produced in this country, and there is no reason why we should not grow superior kinds, which are never seen on this side of the water, such as the famous Deglet Noor. Some of our deserts are far dryer than the Sahara. but are all the better for dates on that account-a remark especially applicable to the Colorado desert, in southwestern California, which, most of it being below the level of the sea and just about the hottest place on earth, is likely at no distant day to become, with the help of irrigation, one of the greet at date-growing regions on the globe,—Outing Magazine.

PERHAPS NOT HIS LAST. "There goes Muchwedd." "Is that his last wife he has with

"We'l, it's his latest."

NATURALLY. Grayce-Marry him? Gladys-Why not? Grayce-He's fect elod.

COULDN'T BE OUT. I'm looking for Miss Passay," said

the stranger to the man in the hairdresser's shop. "I understand she occupied the upper floors here."

'ed the man, "So she does," and she's in row to the bel "But I got n Are you sure "Positive

Comptroller General of South Carolina Taking Active Steps to Wipe Out Injustice of Present Tax Assessment System.

Columbia. Special. - Comptroller General Jones means business in the steps he has taken toward getting the tax assessment of property, real as well as personal, in this State on a market value basis, instead of on an uneven pretense of a 60 per cent. basis. The circular letter of instructions which he sent out last week to county auditors, assessing boards and cornty equalizing boards directing that the law be strictly observed with tl - beginning of the new year and that property be assessed at its true me ket value, will be followed this wech by a call for a convention of county auditors to meet with the comptroller general has taken has caused much talk throughout the State and has set property holders to thinking. Of course it is a sort of revolutionary measure, and while the justice and the sense of it has appealed to many good business mer and big property holders regardless of the fact much of this sort of property will be affected, still the thing has not been generally understood and there is a fear also that the purpose of the comptroller general to equalize the property throughout the State more nearly will not be successful under the departure he is making on account of the great proficiency and skill individuals and communities have acquired by long practice and experience in the matter of tax-dodging.

"The erroneous idea apears to have taken hold in various parts of the State." Mr. Jones said, "that this is a scheme to increase the taxes. Such is not the case. My object is to get property equalized in this State and stop this shameful tax dodging. There are some notorious exceptions, but generally speaking the cotton mills and other big property holders are being assessed on a genuine 60 per cent. basis, and small property is being assessed at from 9 to 100 per cent. Only so much money is needed to run the State and many county officials and the higher the assessment the greater the yield of money on a given levy. but the levy may be easily changed In other words, if the assessment is doubled throughout the State the levies for State, county and city purooses may be cut in half.

The inequality and injustice of the taxation of property in this State has been a shame and a disgrace for de-

### S. C. Baptists.

The South Carolina Baptist convention has been asked to endorse compulsory education and the establishment of a reformatory for youthful criminals in a memorial to the Legislature. The request comes in the form of a petition from Graniteville, one of oldest centers of common school education in the State, though it is one of the chief cotton mill centres, The petition was referred to a committee which will report before adjournment is had. This section of the State is also the chief hope of Representative Toole, of Aiken, of succeeding with his ten-hour labor bill, which he pushes patience and persistency that at least evinces the determination and faith

of the man. Another matter that attracted the attention and engaged the thought of the convention was the masterly handling of the delicate subject, "Do the Scriptures Teach a Divine Call to the Ministry?" by the Rev. C. C Brown, of Sumter. He argued with force and great logic that they do. He was opposed with an able presentation of the other side of the question by the Rev. Dr. A. C. Osborne.

The convention has elected these officers for the coming year: C. A. Smith, president: William H. Lyles and the Rev. J. T. Hiers, vice-presidents; the Rev. Dr. C. P. Irvin, secretary: the Rev. V. I. Masters, assistant secretary; the Rev. J. L. Vass, treas-

The report of the trustees of the Connie Maxwell orphanage showed 183 orphans being cared for in a splendid way, the financial report indicating that the institution has a strong hold on the affection of the Baptists of the State.

## \$16,000,000 Appropriation Bill.

Washington, Special .- A bill to provide appropriation of \$16,000,000 for the Panama Collaboration il Commission, to be immediately available for the purpose of liquidating the cost of the work of construction, has been prepared and will be introduced in the House, probably Monday, on the opening day of the fifty-ninth Congress. The bill stipulates that money shall be refunded through the sale of bonds provided by the Spooner act and these onds to be taxable at a rate of one half of one per cent., when deposited to secure the circulation on the same basis as government twos.

## No Decision Was Given.

Baltimore. Special .- Jack Johnson and Young Peter Jackson, both of whom are credited to California, met in a twelve round fight before the Eureka athlectic club. At its conclusion no decision was given. Johnson had undertaken to knock Jackson out within the twelve rounds or take the smaller end of the receipts. He failed to de so.

## Life-Saving Service Report.

Washington, Special-The report of Superintendent Kimbell of the Life Saving Service, for the last fiscal year shows that the life saving crews saved and assisted in saving 464 imperiled vessels and their cargoes, besides affording accidence of '9 or 1. im-

Occurrences of Interest From All Over South Carolina

## MANY ITEMS OF STATE NEWS

A Batch of Live Paragraphs Covering a Wide Range-What is Going On in Our State.

### Claims Agent Manied .1; .Governor Hayward

Goernor Heyward aunorneed that e had closed a contract with W. Boya Evans to represent the State of South Carolina as agent in preparing data on which to secure the payof claims due this State from the Spanish-American war.

These claims amount to about \$35-000 or \$40,000, it is said. The agent will get 15 per cent., but a part of this will be paid to Messrs. Calhoun & Sizer of Washington, D. C., who have already done a great deal of work on the preparation of these claims.

But a month remained before these claims would have been barred by statute of limitation, as the act of congress declares that the claims must filed before January 1st, 1906, or they will not be valid.

The agent whom Gov. Heyward has appointed has been engaged in this work since he was first appointed by Gov. Ellerbe, to whom he was private secretary. Gov. Heyward would make no contract except by special provision authorized by the legislature. The funds will be disbursed by the comptroller general's office.

#### The Class of Claims.

The claims due to the State of South Carolina is the raising of Spanish-American war troops are of the following nature:

(a) Extra pay due to soldiers who were accepted into the service from the date they voluntered at their nomes in different parts of the State until they were accepted and mustered into the United States army by the mustering officer.

(b) Pay due those soldiers who volunteered at their homes and came to he place of rendezvos and were examined by the mustering officer and turned down on account of physical disability.

(e) Compensation for all materal and expenses ocurred by the governor in raising these troops, such as supplies, etc., furnished by the the State on the order of the governor.

(d) Damage done to property of any individual by the soldiers while at their rendezvous before they left the State.

The bulk of the money is service pay for the men of the two regiments and the battery of heavy artillery from this State. Adj. Gen. Frost has declined to let the claims agent remove the 27 rolls of these organizations, but certified copies will be made from the records in the adjutant general's office. The adjutant general will assist in making the conies and will prove them.

## A Dairy for Charleston.

Charleston, Special .- C. F. Hottinger has begun the erection of one of the largest and most improved daries in Charleston, the plant being situated in the suburbs of the city. In a section drained and reclaimed by the Charleston drainage commission. Hottinger has purchased a tract of 80 acres on which the necssary buildings are now being erected. The place is to be a model plant in every way

## Lumber Kilns Eurned.

Georgetown , Special.-The kilns of the Gardner & Lacey Lumber company were partially destroyed by fire and a large amount of lumber con sumed. The flames spread from the kilns to the lumber piles on the yard, and at one time it seemed that the entire stock, together with the tramways and the planing mill, would certainly be burned. But little wind was blowing, and the firemen did fine work with the fire protection apparatus installed in the plant in confining the fierce flames to a limited area. The

## A Trestle Burned.

Sumter, Special .- For the second ime within a few months the trestle over the Southern railroad at Green Swamp, one mile from the city, was burned at 3 o'clock. This trestle is nearly 200 yards long and about 30 feet high. The origin of the fire is unknown. The construction train is here and is rebuilding it. Until it is completed the Southern trains will come in on the Atlantic Coast Line

#### May Develop Water Power. Spartanburg, Special.-A party of

Pittsburg capitalists have been in the city for several days for the purpose of inspecting several water powers in this region. The party accompanied by several local capitalists inspected a site on Broad River which is owned by persons here. It is the purpose of the Pittsburg men to build an electric power development if they obtain the desired site and transmit the current thus generated to sevral enterprises and manufacturing plants in the county.

Football is a hard and dangerous game at best. Even when played fairly and honorably the strain on the p'ayers is great, and the chance of injury considerable. But when tricky and dishonorable tactics are employed, when men are coached to put formidable rivals out of the game by deliberately injuring them-as is sometimes the case-and when roughness is cultivated as being in itself a desirable quality, it is time that some efforts were made to reform the game' or perhaps better, to reform the men no av it thinks, tile Indianapolis

## CONSTABLES TO REMAIN MUTINEERS FAILED BELONGS TO COL

They Will Stay in Spartanburg and Greenville.

After careful consideration Gov. Heyward decided not to remove constabulary from Greenville and Spartanburg counties. He also decided to return the constables to Darlington county to assist the officials there in the enforcement of prohibition: the conditions there being such that he felt this action on his part fully warranted.

Governor Heyward further stated that he had found it necessary from past experience, where elections were held voting out the dispensary to determine upon a fixed policy and not have the question arising in each case whether or not constables should be employed. The situation under these circumstances may appear not to have difficulties to those who are unfamiliar with all of his aspects but it certainly presents perplexing questions in each instance.

The governor referred to the statement, made by him some time ago, that he would give the counties an opportunity to enforce the law thro their legal officials, as several counties had voted the dispensary out with this understanding. He feels that it was only just to them that the constables should not immediately be returned but he would await further reports and would not hesitate to take uch action as he thought the situation demanded.

Governor Heyward feels that is is as necessary to employ constables in the enforcement of prohibition as under the dispensary law, and as the law places upon him this responsibility, he says he does not propose to shirk

#### · New Enterprises.

The North Carolina Land Company secured a commission from the Secretary of State. The company is capitalized at \$50,000 and the corporators are: D. C. Heyward, F. H. Hyatt, Edward Ehrlich, Augustus Koha and W. D. Melton. The company proposes developing the land recently purchased north of the city and a definite announcement as to its purposes will be made in a few days by the

There were a number of other comnisions and chartedrs. The Smoothing Iron Heater Company of Sumter was chartered. The company will have a capital of \$25,000. E. L. Witherspoon is the president, C. M. Best is vice-president and J. B. Witherspoon secretary and treasurer.

The St Matthews Telephone company was commissioned. The capital stock is \$2,500 and T. H. Dreher, G. A. Baxter and others are the petitio-

The Piedmont Grocery Company of Spartanburg was commissioned. The capital is \$50,000 and G. W Steplis, W. G. Leg and Brooks Rogers, all of Virginia, are the petitioners.

The Cold Point Granite Company f Laurens county, a quarry concern, was given a commission. This company will have a capital stock of \$30,000 and M. A. Carlisle, G. B. Bryant, S. B. Aull and others are the petitioners.

The Eddy Lake Cypress Company of Horry county increased its capital from \$20,000 to 300,000, a part of which goes for the construction of a local railroad for the carrying on of the lumber business.

### Coroner and Jury Disagree on the Finding.

Winnsboro, Special.-The coroner's ury found that the killing of W.Bose Durham, colored, by a train of the Southern railway, was acidental and that no blame should be attached to the railroad but to this verdict Magistrate P. M. Catheart, acting coroner, demurred, as the train, acording to the testimony, was running over six miles an hour, the speed limit prescribed by the ordinance of the town.

#### Bighty-Five Majority Against Dispensary

Kingstree, Special.-Full reports from the various polls are now obtainable and the total vote on the question of "dispensary" or "no disloss cannot be estimated but it is pensary" in Williamsburg county shows a majority of S5 votes in favor of "no dispensary."

## Spartanburg Dispensery.

Spartanburg. Special .- County Beer Dispenser Thackston's doors are losed, and his stock will be checked over by Dispensiary Inspector Mart Floyd. It is understood that very little stock is on hand. At the several other dispensaries, since the conviction of dispenser Riebling, purchasers of beer have to drink it out in the yard and not on the premises. The entrances to the adjoining quarters to the beer dispensaries are securely barred, and those who delight in partaking of the beverage seek the yards in the rear of the establishments.

## Darlington's Quota.

Darlington, Special.-Mr. E. Mo-Iver Williamston forwarded to Mr. F. H. Hyatt, the treasurer of the Southern Cotton association in this State, a check for \$600, which is Darlington's collection of the tax of 10 cents per bale on the cotton raised collected to pay the expenses of the association. Mr. Williamson made a thorough cavass of the county and the result shows that good work has been done here for the association.

A Farm House Burned.

Spartanburg, Special-The dwelling of Mr. Wallace Littljohn and almost all of its contents was consumed by fire last week. Mr. Littlejohn lived near Rich. About 11 o'clock flames were discovered in the upstairs of the building, and the family, consisting of the man, his sick wife and four children, had a ntrrow escape in get-ting out alive. C ly a ewing

Frightful Slaughter Wrought By Government Vessels

## CONQUEST OF THE INSURGENTS

Desperate Struggle Between Mutinous Sailors and the Loyal Troops at Russia's Black Sea Stronghold End in Victory to the Latter-Fire From Fleet of Ten Ships Was Opened on the Batteries and the Town and a Furious Exchange of Fire Continued For Two Hours and a Half.

St. Petersburg, By Cable-Sebastoool was the scene of a desperate battle between the mutinous sailors and

the troops in the forts on shore. During the battle the town and the forts were bombarded by the guns of the cruiser Otchakoff, which now lies a burning wreck off Admiralty Point its hull riddled with shells and its flaunting red ensign of revolution hauled down.

Many of the crew of the Otchakoff were killed or wounded. According to one report the barracks of the mutineers was carried by storm after the mutinous fleet, which is said to have numbered ten vessels, had surrendered, and the whole position is now in the hands of the troops under the command of General Neplueff. unable to guarantee the correctness of this report.

The commander of the Otehakoff. Lieutenant Schmid, immediately accepted the challenge, replying with both batteries, one trained on the town and the other on the Fort Alexander batteries, on the north shore.

Captain Zilotti, aide de came to Admiral Wirenius, chief of the naval general staff, informed the Associated Press that the latest dispatches received from Sebastopol showed that the Otchakoff was on fire and badly riddled, with its revolutionary colors hauled down, but he was unable to give more definite information.

According to a more detailed report from another source and purporting to come from the Admiralty, the battle began at 3 o'clock, when Lieutenant Schmid, not receiving a reply to the demands of the mutineers, opened fire from a fleet of ten ships, to which the northern batteries at Fort Alexander, artillery posted on the shore and several vessels which remained loyal replied.

During the naval battle the sailors on the shore, entrenched in the barracks, defended their position with machine guns and rifles against the attacking infantry. After an engagement lasting two and a half hours, with the Otchakoff riddled and on fire and the cruiser Dniper and another vessel sunk, Lieutenant Schmid who had been badly wounded, surrendered the entire squadron. The mutinous sailors on shore surrendered to the Brest and Bielistok Regi-

According to this report, the Panteleimon, formerly the Kniaz Potemine, was injured below the water line and a torpedo boat is ashore on the

rocks. No details of the casualities or of the damage suffered by the town are obtainable by the Admirality, but owing to the confined space in which the action was fought it is improbable that the town escaped without

heavy damage. The demands of the mutineers are said to have included, besides the 15 proposals dealing with service conditions, the convocation of a constituent Assembly and the complete realization of the liberties promised by the imeprial manifesto,

## Deranged by Hard Study.

Columbia, Tenn.-Special-A tragedy in which two close friends lost their lives occurred near Rally Hill, in Maury county. The dead are Fred Early and Henry Coleman. Early killed his friend and then himself. Both men were theological students. Early's mind is thought to have become deranged by hard study.

## Roosevelt's Thanksgiving.

Washington, Special.-The President and Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by two of their children, Archie and Ethel, left Washington for Plain Dealing, their country home in Virginia, where they spent Thanksgiving quietly. They returned to Washington Friday. Plain Dealing is about ten miles from Red Hill, which is 121 miles south of Washington, and was recently purchased by Mrs. Roosevelt. Two cooks from the White House accompanied the party to prepare the Thanksgiving dinner.

## Carolina Wins.

Norfolk, Va., Special.-In the presence of 15,000 people, at least haif of whom were supporters of the White and Blue, Carolina Thursday afternoon, defeated her old rival, Virginia, in a fast and furious game of football. The Carolina eleven piled up 17 points while her opponents were being beld in complete control and kept from crossing the goal line.

Two Killed by a Train.

Philadelphia, Special.-While walk ing the tracks of the Reading Railroad on their way to catch a trolley, which would take them to +'at Langhorne, Pennsylvas of three persons, promine horne society, were run d New York Express. Mis bler was instantly killed

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Status of the Isle of Pines in **Finally Determined** 

## HOPES OF SETTLERS BLIGHT

Secretary Root Writes in Warn Tone to the American Coloni Who Have Been Working Town Secession From Cuba and Incl sion in the United States as a Te ritorial Possession.

Washington, Special.-The admir stration dashed the hopes of the litle band of American colonists on the Isle of Pines, who have been working soward the separation of the island from Cuba and its inclusion in the. United States, when Secretary Root, after consultation with the Preside made public the text of a letter which he had addressed to Charles Raymard president of the American Club of the Isle of Pines, defining the attitude of he United States government to the proposed formation of a Territorial government in the island as a part of the United States. The Se retary was most pointed in the statements in his letter, which says:

"There is no procedure by wh you and your associates can lawfully establish a Territorial governme in that island. The island is lawfully subject to the control and gover ment of the republic of Cubs, as you and your associates are bound render obedience to the laws of that country so long as you remain in sisland. If you fail in that obedience you will be justly liable to pro tion in the Cuban courts and to s punishment as may be provided by the laws of Cuba for such offense you commit. You are not likely have any greater power in the future. The treaty now pending before it Senate, if approved by that body relinquish all claim of the Units States to the Isle of Pines In judgment the United States substantial claim to the Isle of P The treaty merely accords to Cu what is hers in accordance with ternational law and justice.

"At the time of the treaty of pea which ended the war between United States and Spain, the Isle of Pines was, and has been for several centuries, a part of Cuba. I have doubt whatever that it continues be a part of Cuba, and that it is and never has been territory of United States. You may be quite that Cuba will never consent to up the Isle of Pines, and that United States will never try to pel her to give it up against

## A Minister of War Resigns.

San Domingo, By Cable .- At a es net meeting the minister of war signed to become commander of army. Governor Carlos Ginebra appointed minister of war. change was the outcome of a crisis during which the minister war took charge of the fortress Great excitment followed and seve arrests were made. Quiet has I restored and the crisis is consi

## By Wire and Cable.

By a decision of the Supreme Court Mayor Tom L. Johnson, of Clerwins a victory in his fight for three cent fares. On one ground or another all the other franchise ordinangranted by the Cleveland eity co cil proposing three-cent fares been set aside by the courts in litigation inspired by the opposition com-

A special from New York city says: George Ackerman, 23 years old, and convicted of illegal voting at the recent city and county election, was sentenced to the Elmira reformatory for not less than 14 months.

The Presbyterian Synod of Texas adopted a resolution dismissing the Rev. Wm. Caldwell, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Fort

## Murderer Patrick's Move Pails.

Albany, N. Y., Special .of Appeals denied the moti behalf of Albert T. Patrick amendment of the remittitur ing the court's dismissal of his peal from conviction of murder the first degree. The matter is pare ly technical, but it was of great importance to aPtrick, because its intent was to have the court so amend the papers as to show that points involving the apellant's rights under the Federal constitution had been

## King Haakon Takes Oath.

Christiana, By Cable-King Haaker before the Norweigian parliment at noon, took oath to support the constitution. President Berner, approaching the King delivered a beet address. Then in a loud voice, the King pronounced the prescribed oath In a subsequent speech, his Majesty, said he would govern according to the constitution and the people's will

## Big Steamer Ashore.

Duluth, Minn., Special.-In one of the most terrific gales in the history of Wisconsin or the Great Laker even surpassing in fury the terrible storm of last September, in warmany men lost their lives in

nity of the Apostle Islands, ake steamers were driven