to Defend Pharsalos and Volo. London, May 4 .- According to dispatches from Athens Colonel Tosamedos, minister of war, and M. Theotokis, minister of the interior, are said to be favorably impressed with the situation at Pharsalos, both as respects the positions of the troops and the plan of

Humors conflict materially as to the diplomatic attitude of Turkey, According to one report Edhem Pasha, the Turkish commander in Thessaly, has asked an armistice of five days; according to another, an armistice already exists by the tacit acquiesence of both commanders, while a third story describes Edhem Pasha as only awaiting reinforcements for an attack upon Pharsalos, to be followed by an attack upon Volo. It is also said to be probable that Admiral Tamatello is preparing to prevent a possible attempt of the Turks to seize Volo by the

const roads. Arta is now deserted, and its wretched inhabitants are living in the fields behind the town, many of them on the verge of starvation. Nothing is procurable in the way of food except a scanty and uncertain supply of bread. Women and children are suffering pitinbly with cold and hunger, and to those tortures is added the dread of a Turkish attack at any moment.

A special disputch from Janina, Epirus, says: "After traveling 200 miles across the country I found the greatest loyalty to the sultan and hatred of the Greeks everywhere. The Greek prisoners are bitter at the conduct of their officers. They are all well treated by the Turks. Sixty wounded Turks and 22 Greeks are in the hospitals here. The sanitation of the army is excellent. There are only 411 mick men."

The Times prints the following dispatch from its. Vois correspondent, dated 2 p. m. yesterday;

When I arrived at Velastino Sunday afternoon I had just seen the Turkish infantry advancing in two columns, intending to cut the railway. The Greeks, 12.000 strong, under General Smolenski, by whose side I watched the encounter in the rear of the Eighth regiment, gradually advanced one battalion to hold the railway, the other to support the artillery, which had mountain guns on the right center. General Smolenski had ordered the

shelling to begin when the enemy were well within range, and consequently the guns did not open fire before 5:30 p. m. The Turks were evidently about 14,000 strong. Their cavairy reconnontered the wood, where the Greeks were concealed, but the batteries remained silent until 6, and at that time the fire fell short of being effective, though the Greek practice was the best I have yet noticed. The Turks ran away from the shells, but continued to advance in good order. Our right was really never engaged, and the rallway station was defended by only a small force, with two Krupp guns. Toward the end the large Turksh center was seen to advance in the distance, but sunset, at 6:45, caused a temporary cessation.

"Trains are running to Pharsalos now, and I managed to get through. Returning on horseback in the darkness to Volo, I was captured by the Greek outposts, thanks to the fault of headquarters to issue regular passes. I was treated with much civility, but was detained until a late hour.

"Having met reinforcements on the way to Velestino, I went out again Monday, when the Greeks brought up nearly the whole Pharsalos force. Save in the sharp struggles during the night the Greeks have been successful, holding their ground. The Turks mounted a battery on a hill facing the Greek left, approached the end of the wood and burned a small village. Nearly all the fighting has been on the extreme right, in the direction of Lake Karla and the eastern Volo road. Whoever gains this road commands Volo, and could cut off retreat here." The Athens correspondent of The Daily Telegraph says:

"I had an interview yesterday with M. Raill, who told me that the report sent by the ministers of war and the interior from Pharsalos was in most respects highly satisfactory. He said they had wired him from Pharsalos that the front line of the army was in battle array, and the Turkish attack imminent. All the preparations possible had been made for heroic defense, and the spirit of the army was much better than before, owing to the change in the supreme command. "M. Ralli declared that the victory

at Velestino was the most splendid achievement of the war, the Greeks capturing an enormous quantity of arms, ammunition and horses. The Turks, after this crushing defeat, M. Rull believes, are not likely to reengage in hostilities in that quarter." The chief points of interest in the war situation today are: First, that the decision of the minis-

ters who have returned from the Greek frontier seems to be in favor of a con-*inuance of the war; and, second, that fighting continued almost incessantly at Velestino from last Tuesday until Sunday, with the result that General Smolenski has been prevented from actually assuming his new duties as chief of staff. As a further result, the Greeks at Velestino have managed to retain their positions, but they are too much fatigued to follow up their success. Altogether 14 officers have been recalled from Crete to be sent on to

Thessaly, and this also is a proof of the intention of the new cabinet to continue the war. The movement is actuated by necessity. All the best officers are being sent to the front, nor is there any intention yet displayed to The Turkish army is advancing in

three columns on Pharsalos, while an additional column is operating in the direction of Volo. As the Volo column could easily take Velestino in the rear, the Greek position is very precarious. This probably explains the retention of General Smolenski there, as it was natural to expect him to go to Pharsalos to assume the supreme command.

Kruger Wants to Honor Victoria. Pretoria, May 4.-On the reassembling of the raad yesterday President Kruger, in a speech, prepared evidently with great care, asked the raad, as a token of sympathy with Queen Victoria and appreciation of her long and glorious reign, to declare June 22 an official holiday in the Transvaal. He said that in spite of unfavorable influences the South African republic continued to enjoy friendly relations with all foreign powers. He also asked that provision be made for the election of his successor next year.

Not Suleide, but Murder.

Shamokin, Pa., May 4.-Coroner Laughlin, of Columbia county, believes that Frank Balauofskl, whose body was found hanging in a traveling way of Bellmore mine Sunday, must have seen poisoned and then hung there by his murderers to avert suspicion, as it was evident that his death was not caused by strangulation or hanging, Chief of Police King is working

The Pittsburg Fire Was Fatal. Pittsburg, May 4.- The fire which broke out in this city early yesterday morning did greater damage than first reports indicated. The property loss is now estimated at \$3,000,000. In addition, Fireman George Atkinson was crushed to death beneath falling walls and four other firemen were seriously The second second second EX-MINISTER PORTER DEAD.

The Venerable Indiana Leader a Victim of Paresis. Indianapolis, May 4.-Albert G. Perter, ex-governor of Indiana, ex-minister to Italy under President Harri-son's administration, died at his home in this city yesterday, aged 74 years. Governor Porter had been confined to his room almost constantly for two years. The immediate cause of his death was paresis.

Hon. Albert Gallatin Porter was born at Lawrenceburg, Ind., on April 20, 1824.



THE LATE A. G. PORTER. river opposite Lawrenceburg. When he had reached the age of 15 he had saved enough money at this work to carry him through a college course. He graduated at Asbury university in 1843, and began the practice of law at Indianapolis.

After serving as a councilman in Indianapolis and recorder in Indiana's supreme court Mr. Porter was, in 1858, elected to congress. He was comptrolier of the treasury in the Hayes administration, and was elected governor of Indiana in 1880. In 1889 he was appointed minister to Italy.

To Test a South Carolina Law. Charleston, May 4.-A suit was begun here in the United States court yesterday which may seriously affect the dispensary law of South Carolina. The suit is brought by W. A. Vandercook & Co., of California, against Dispensary Commissioner Vance and all constables or state officials acting under the dispensary law, and a perpetual injunction is asked by the company prohibiting them from interfering with the business of the company which may be transacted with its South Carolina patrons. The suit is the result of the recent seizure of a carload of wine shipped by Vandercook & Co, for a number of private citizens.

Earthquake in Virginia. Richmond, Va., May 4.-Salem, Radford, Pulaski, Blacksburg, Christiansburg, Roanoke, Wytheville, Fincastle and other points in southeastern Virginla report having experienced earthquake shocks yesterday. At most places there were two shocks, one shortly after noon and the other at about 4 p. m. Radford appears to have been the point of the most pronounced disturbance. Bricks were thrown from the chimneys and plastering was knocked down. At several points in the southwest there was snow Sunday night. No seismic disturbance seems to have been felt in the Shenandoah valley.

Alleged Dynamiters Released. Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 4.-James Mil ler, John Bird and George Jordan three of a party of seven colored peo ple who were charged with blowing up a Hungarian shanty on the Lehigh Valley railroad, by which six lives were lost, were brought into court yesterday on a nolle prosse and discharged. Nelse Miller, the lender of the party, was convicted of murder in the first degree, but he died in prison before the sentence could be carried out. Frank Shaffer, another of the party, was also convicted of murder in the first degree, but the board of pardons changed the death sentence to life imprisonment.

Double Murderer Fatally Shot. Kansas City, Mo., May 4,-"Bill" Adler, one of the most notorious characters of the city, on Sunday night committed his second murder within three years, and was himself shot and perhaps fatally wounded. Adler "mixed" with the negro keepers in a crap game at Sixth street and Broadway, and when the smoke cleared away it was found that Adler had shot and killed William Johnson, a negro, and that Adler had been shot in the side by James Gordon, colored. In 1894, during the street masquerade which concluded the fall carnival. Adier killed Postoffice Inspector Jesse McClure. He was convicted of manstaughter and served ten months in jail.

Killed by His Drunken Son. Independence, Kan., May 4 - The murder of an old man by one of his sons is reported from Howata, I. T., the victim being John Riley, 60 years of age, whose place, two miles east of Nowath, is widely known as "the old Riley farm." Jim and Lewis Riley, his sons, axed 20 and 26, came home drunk, and were soon engaged in a desperate fight. When the father attempted to separate them Lewis drew a gun and fired two bullets into the old man's body, killing him instantly. Young Riley fled.

Will Protect Mormons From Assault. Montgomery, Ala., May 4.-One night last week some religious partisans of Jackson county carried into the woods, stripped and severely whipped two Mormon elders. The elders subsequently appealed to Governor Johnson for protection, representing that they had een threatened with death if they remained in the state. The governor has promised to protect them, and has instructed the sheriff of the county to make them his special charge. The governor says the constitution of the state guarantees religious liberty, and that the Mormons are entitled to it,

Ousted by Mayor Harrison. Chicago, May 4.- Mayor Harrison yesterday removed John M. Clark and Christopher Hotz, Republican members of the civil service commission, on a charge of incompetency and neglect of duty. Adolph Kraus, Democrat, was appointed to succeed Mr. Clark and ex-Mayor Hempstead Washburne, Republican, to succeed Mr. Hotz. Mayor Harrison endeavored to secure the resignations of the two commissioners, but they refused to resign, and the mayor then directed their removal.

Killed by a Slight Fall. Stroudsburg, Pa., May 4.-Ex-Representative William Kister, while attempting to get into a wagon, fell to the ground, sustaining severe injuries, from which he died at the home of his son-in-law. He was a prominent Democrat, and represented this county in the house of representatives from 1874 to 1876. He was largely interested in the turning business.

Bricks From Grant's Tomb. New York, May 4.-The bricks of which General Grant's temporary tomb was constructed are the property of the city and after the property of X-ray the city, and after the demolition of that tomb were stored in the city hall. Many G. A. R. posts have asked for some of the bricks, and Mayor Strong has recommended to the board of estimates and apportionment that the bricks be distributed among the posts.

Twelve Years for Murder. Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 4.-John Cononath, the young Lithuanian, aged 19, Dr. Zertuena, the aneged been the Cuban General Maceo, has been Gilletta, a countryman, to death. Judge
Bennett sentenced the prisoner to 12
years in the penitentiary.

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EXCUSE FOR LEVYING TRIBUTE.

A Traveler Who Has Visited the Island Declares That the Conflict WIII Last Twenty Years Unless Spain Is Compelled to Withdraw Her Troops. Washington, May 4.-A traveler who has just returned from a several

months' stay in Cuba, where his opportunities for judging the conflict have been exceedingly good, gives the following account of the situation: "The Cuban war will last until Spain's resources give out, or until the United States or some other country interferes. Neither side can win in a straightout contest such as has now been going on for three years Weyler has not pacified Pinar del Rio in any true sense, although that prov-

ince is loaded with his troops. Every

railroad car is accompanied by a de-

tachment of soldiers, every railroad

station is a guardhouse, every curve

in the track is covered by Spanish soldiery, and the poor natives from the country districts have been driven within the fortified towns. "The result is that there is no general insurrection in the lowlands of the province, but the Cubans still hold the mountainous portions, from which they sally forth to plunder and destroy as opportunity affords. Weyler is doing nothing to abolish this kind of warfare, and the Cubans do not care to fight in any other way. They have no men to loose, their ammunition and equipment are slender, they hold a good part of the food producing sec-

tion of the island, and are living very

comfortably in the present state of the

conflict. "The Spanish generals and captains are in no great haste to put down the insurrection, even if they could. They have adopted a Tammany system of levying tribute upon all the planta tions and transportation companies owned by foreigners, and, in a word every single interest which can afford to pay tribute for protection is compelled to do so. This makes the contin uance of the rebellion a source of great profit to the Spanish leaders, and they are really in no haste to make an end of it.

"Whether the Spanish soldiery could entirely subdue the island if they were led by incorruptible and capable generals is another question. They could undoubtedly give the rebels a good deal of trouble, but the natural fastnesse. of the mountains, the lack of roads and the heavy undergrowth give the natives

a decided advantage. "The people who really deserve our pity, and in whose behalf the United States might, perhaps, do something, are the poor peasants who have been driven into the fortified towns by Weyler, and there compelled to starve. If they were over with the rebels they would at least get a living, but crowded together in the cities, with no chance to cultivate the soil, their lot is a hard one.

"The great thing that impresses an American who goes over the island is the difference between the Cubans and our own people. For the most part the men carrying on the present rebellion are incapable of self government, and it is very doubtful if, in case the Spanjards were driven from the island things would be in much better shape than they were of old. I predict a 2 years' war on the island, unless Spain's resources are so badly sapped that she is obliged to withdraw her troops."

FOR MATRIMONIAL REFORM.

Interesting Measure Introduced in th Pennsylvania Legislature. Harrisburg, May 4.-A bill was intro duced in the house last evening by Mr. McGough, of Venango, to prevent the marriage of a person who from natural, as distinguished from accidental causes, shall have been insane in the past or of a person who shall hereafter have been twice convicted of a felony, or of an insane or feebleminded person. The measure also provides that any person who shall knowingly assist in procuring or abetting such marriage, includ ing the parties to the marriage, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and subject to six months' imprisonment and \$500 fine, both or either.

Mr. Lawrence, of Beaver, presented bill to authorize the attachment of wages and salary in cases where foor has been furnished by a retail grocer and limiting the right of defendant and garnishee to claim the benefit of laws exempting property from levy and sale under execution. Speaker Boyer appointed Messrs

Wilson of Lancaster, Scott of Philadelphia, Kunkel of Dauphin, Simon of Allegheny and Singer of Philadelphia a committee to investigate th insurance scandal. Messrs. Seyfert of Lancaster Coryell of Lycoming, Bolles of Phila delphia, Farr of Lackawanna and Rhode of Berks were appointed a committee to investigate the management of the Eastern and Western penitentiaries.

In the senate the act to protect policy holders from fraudulent estimates and in the rightful disposition of the surplus of tontine form of insurance companies was killed, as was the house bill to prevent fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of cheese.

His Resignation Requested. Washington, May 4.—The request yesterday for the resignation of the supervising architect of the treasury, Mr. Aiken, has been anticipated for a week or more. Although no official statement in regard to the matter has yet been made by the secretary of the treasury, it has been known that Mr. Aiken's work has not been altogether satisfactory to Mr. Gage. Mr. Aiken is comparatively a young man, and it is alleged has not had sufficient experience in his profession to justify his retention

Jumped From a Window to Death. New York, May 4.-Henry A. Lewis, unior member of the firm of Charles Lewis & Bro., jobbers in woolens, committed suicide yesterday by jumping from a third story window of his residence in this city. Mr. Lewis was 35 years of age. Lewis lived in the house with his sister, Mrs. M. Harris, No. one saw him take the fatal leap, but he was found on the sidewalk dead. His relatives scout the idea of suicide.

The Delaware Investigation. Dover, Del., May 4.- The senate yesterday decided to co-operate with the house in investigating the unpleasant reports in circulation. The speaker appointed Messrs. Meredith, Alrichs and Moore as the committee. The house adopted a resolution empowering the house committee to issue subpoenas for any person or persons within the state to appear before the committee.

NUGGETS OF NEWS.

New Jersey postmasters: John L. Derby at Cranford; William H. Larison at Madison. A whistle in a 3-year-old boy's throat at Paterson, N. J., was cut out by sur-

Actor James B. Gentry was removed to the Eastern penitentiary, in Philadelphia, to serve his life sentence for the murder of Actress Madge Yorke. Serious rioting has occurred in the San Luis province of Argentina, caused by the great destitution and suffering

there and the delay of congress in sending aid.

THIEVING BANKER'S WOES.

Served One Term, Now Being Tried on Another Charge. Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 4.—The case of ex-Banker F. V. Rockafellow was called in court yesterday afternoon. The prosecutrix is Mrs. Annie Mier. One morning in February, 1893, his bank failed to open. An examination of the books showed that there was very little money on hand. There were nearly 800 depositors, and their books called for nearly \$500,000. When a distribution was made the depositors received about six cents on the dollar. Rockafellow was sentenced to two years and six months in the Eastern penitentiary. After serving his time he was arrested again. The ex-banker is now 72 years old, but stands the ordeal well. He claims he has no money. Mrs. Mier alleges that she gave Rockafellow \$1,000 on the day before the bank closed. It was after banking hours, but Rockafellow reopened his bank and accepted the deposit.

Ambassador Hay and Victoria. London, May 4.-Colonel John Hay, the newly appointed United States ambassador to the court of St. James. received unusual distinction yesterday while presenting his credentials to Queen Victoria at Windsor Castle. The royal carriage drove up to Colonel Hay's residence with a coachman and two footmen, in the royal scarlet livery to convey Colonel and Mrs. Hay to Paddington station. At the station they were met by the Marquis of Salisbury and the master of ceremonies Hon. Sir William James Colville, who accompanied them to Windsor. At the Windsor station Colonel and Mrs. Hay found a royal carriage in waiting to convey them to the palace, where luncheon was served. Colonel Hay first had an audience with the Marquis of Salisbury, and then presented his credentials to her majesty. Mrs. Hay was then received in audience by the queen.

Collided With an Iceberg. St. John's, N. F., May 4.-The steamer Sheerness, 15 days out from Cadiz, arrived here yesterday with a cargo of salt. On Saturday, while about 150 miles off the coast, she struck an iceberg, which stove in her bows, smashed several of her plates and wrecked the forecastle. But for the fact that the sailors were on deck at the time sev eral would have been seriously injured because all their berths were demolish ed. The captain ordered the crew to get the lifeboats ready for launching. after which collision sheets were fixed

over the bows and the inrush of the

water checked. Pumps were then set

going and the vessel managed to reach here without further damage. Two Important Foreign Missions. Washington, May 4.- The president now has under consideration the claims of aspirants for two of the most important European missions, Russia and Spain, and it is believed has arrived at a point where he will be able soon to send in the nominations for these places. While it is not known definitely who the nominees will be there is reason to believe that the Russian mission may go to General J. H. Wilson, of Delaware. As a suc cessor to Hannis Taylor at Madrid the

name that so far stands at the head

of the list is believed to be that of

ex-Speaker Bryant, of the Illinois leg-

Dr. Talmage's Tour for Charlty. Chicago, May 4.—The two weeks tour of Rev. T. Dewitt Talmage, it behalf of the starving millions in India, was concluded here last evening with two great meetings, held in the Auditorium and in Central Music Hall half a mile apart. Many thousands listened to the earnest plea put forth by the eloquent divine. Contributions were prompt and generous, and a goodly sum was added to the Indian relief fund. Over \$100,000 in cash and enough corn to fill five ships have been contributed.

Paymaster Corwine Pleads Guilty. Newport, R. I., May 4.-The court martial in the case of Paymaster John Corwine was convened in the war college building yesterday. The charges against the paymaster allege deser tion, embezzlement of \$15,000 and conduct unbecoming an officer and detrimental to the service. Corwine plead ed guilty, but asked for a continuance until Tuesday, when he stated he would have a statement of his case ready for presentation. An adjournment was made as requested.

STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS

Slight Increase in the Volume Trading on Wall Street. New York, May 3.-There was a greatly mproved tone to the dealings in stocks today, and values held appreciably firmer. The volume of trading also increase somewhat, but it is extraordinarily small This reflects the increased confidence of the stock market concerning the ship ments of gold to Europe. Fears on this score have partly abated. The fact that new engagements for export were mas today with actual business being don in demand sterling for \$4.87% to the movement is not the result of a natural settlement of trade balances, but of a special demand for gold, involving the payment of a premium for it. The close estimate that can be made shows th profit on gold shipments to cease when

demand sterling falls to \$1.88. Closing Balto, & Ohio... 114 Lehigh Valley.. 235 Chesa, & Ohio... 16¼ N. J. Central., 779 Del. & Hudson... 164½ N. Y. Central., 99 D., L. & W......147% Pennsylvania .. 51% Reading *All asst's paid. General Markets.

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Live Stock Markets. New York, May 3.—Beeves active and firm; native steers, \$4.25@5.07%; stags and oxen, \$2.5064.55; bulls, \$2.262.60; dry cows \$1.7563.50. Calves active; veals, \$265. Sheep firm, spring lambs dull; unshorn sheep, \$4.2565.25; clipped do., \$3.5064.60; unshorn lambs, \$5.356.25; clipped do., \$4.7565.45; spring lambs, \$365 each. Hogs firmer at \$5,24615.50, East Liberty, Pa., May 3.—Cattle ac-tive; prime, \$5.1065.25; bulls, stags and cows, \$293.75; common to good oxen, \$294.10. Hogs slow; prime assorted, \$4.15; 64.20; best Yorkers, \$4.15; common to fair

Yorkers, \$4.05@4.10; heavy hogs, \$4.10@



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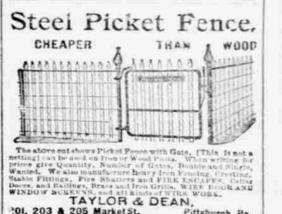
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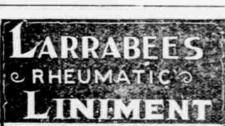
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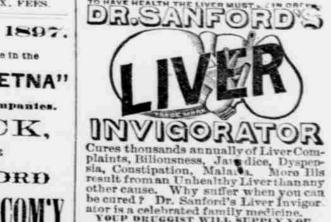
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