THE NEWS.

The jury in the Mead murder case, at Waupaca, Wisconsin, after a brief charge by Judge Bardeen, and in twenty-four minutes returned a verdict of not guilty as to all of the defendants, Sam Stout, Charles A. Prior and Edwin C. Bronson .---- The Aspen, Col., miners have appealed to Grand MasterWorkman Powderly to unite the laboring classes in their interest and incidentally of the free-silver people.----Agents Thompson and Calder, of the Canadian Pacific Railway, appearad in court at Tacoma, Wash., to answer to the indictment by the United States grand jury for cutting rates contrary to the inter-state commerce law. Both entered pleas of "not guilty," and their trial was set for November .----In the United States Court at Atlanta, Ga., the attorney for the Central Trust Company filed a bill to foreclose a fourteen million five hundred thousand dollar mortgage on the Georgia Pacific Railroad. This is part of a reorganization scheme, -----Wm. La Forge, of his young wife .--- Henry A. Hoffman, of principal crowds of the day. Pittsburg, Pa., a successful inventor, committed suicide while troubled with melancholia,----Wm. Dixon, an evangelist, was arrested in New Brunswick, N.J., on a charge of assualt .---- Three young men, sons of Frank Lundgren, of Genesee, Ill., aged, respectively, fifteen, twenty and twenty-two, were drowned in Green river by the capsiz-

ing of a boat. Senator Edward B. Osborne, of the Fifteenth New York district, died in Albany .----In a battle between strikers and non-union miners at Weir City, Kan., a number on both sides were injured. ----By the explosion of a can of nap ha in J. D. Campbell's factory in Brooklyn, four persons were killed .----Patrick Gallager confessed to Warden Wright, of the Western Pennsylvania Penitentiary, that the statement he made Wednesday to the district attorney was false, and that he, Dempsey, Beatty and Davidson were guilty as indicted. ---- The closing down of the various cotton mills in New England is a precautionary measure to prevent the accumulation of goods during the autumn. -Large consignments of Sumatra tobacco, which was undervalued, was seized at Philadelphia. ---- Rodney Gray, a nortorious negro tough and gambler at Paducah, Ky., snatched a sum of money from one of five men and attempted to run away. He was overtaken and literally beaten or butchered to death in a ravine near the city limits .---- Maggie and Emma Pixler was killed in Pittsburg by a trolley car .--- At Pittsburg Mrs. Tim Laughny tried to start her kitchen fire, using oil as kindling. A terrific explosion followed. The roof of the kitchen was blown off, and Mrs. Laughny was covered with burning oil. Her husband succeeded in extinguishing the fire, but not until his wife had been fatally burned.

Negroes near Neelyville, Mo., having been warned to leave the country by whites, will stay to defend their rights, and are arming. ----- Isaac Jenkins, colored, was left for dead en a tree by a lynching party near Beamon's Station, Va., but despite his wounds was able to cut himself down and crawl to Norfolk .---- The body of a twelve-year-old. Charles Langford, of St. Paul, who mysteriously disappeared a year ago, was found in a one hundred and fifty foot tunnel which the boy had burrowed near his father's home.

FEW PEOPLE AT THE FAIR. The Last Sunday It Is to Be Open, Not a Drawing Card.

The Injunction to Keep the Gates Open Not Vacated.

The last open Sunday of the Exposition did not show any improvement upon other Sundays in point of attendance, but as nearly all pass holders paid the entrance fee of 50 cents the fund for the benefit of the sufferers from the Cold Storage fire was considerable in a substantial way.

The morning was uncomfortably warm and the sultry air in the vast Park made walking and sight-seeing a laborious task. A shower at noon, however, cooled the atmosphere a few degrees and during the afternoon the turnstiles at the pay gates recorded Kingston, N. Y., is charged with murdering the advent of many visitors who formed the

The pass gates were almost entirely ignored, the holders of the photographic privileges in nearly every instance buying a piece of pasteboard bearing the words, "Admit one, benefit sufferers from the Cold Storage fire," or using their passes and depositing a silver half-dollar in the receptable which met the eye just inside the gates. The crowd which the evening was expected

to bring out did not materialize and the idle epers did not have one kind word to gateke say in favor of Chicago and her guests for their lack of appreciation of the gailant work of the firemen who were burned to death a week ago.

MANY EXHIBITS CLOSED.

The outward appearance of the Fair did not suffer in any respect from that of last Sunday, save for the emblems of mourning on the engine house and the flags at half mast. Nearly all of the displays made by foreign exhibitors in Manufactures Building were draped, while many American exhicits were closed.

The building was visited by many people during the day, however, but most of them spent their time sitting upon chairs in the long avenues running through the building and viewing the white canvasses which shut out the coveted sights within.

Other buildings had their usual Sunday crowds, the greatest number of visitors thronging the Art Palace, the Krupp Gun exbibit and the Convent. The Plaisance, which always holds the Sunday crowds, was a busy place all day and impressed upon the con-cessionaires more firmly than ever the idea that their part of the fair should be kept

Music was furnished during the afternoon and evening by the Chicago, Cincinnati and Iowa State bands, the feature of "Heroes" Day" being much enjoyed and appreciated by moderately-sized crowds.

THE SUNDAY CLOSING QUESTION.

In regard to Sunday closing, it is said a temporary injunction, obtained several weeks ago by Charles W. Clingman, one of the stockholders in the Exposition company, and a taxpayer of Chicago, compelling the gates to be kept open, still stands in the way. Judge Stein, of the Superior Court of Cook

County, who granted the degree, said : "The injunction is still in force ; there is

no doubt about that. If the Court's attention is officially called to any violation of the or der, it will, after due consideration, take such action as may appear proper." William E. Mason, solicitor for the peti-

tioner, said : "The gates will not be closed next Sunday unless my client desires to back

Edward Walker, who has been the chief legal spirit in conducting all the litigation on the side of the Exposition company, said : "The gates will be closed. Unless Mr. Cling man consents to an amicable adjustment the matter relative to the injunction, we will simply go into court and have it set aside This, I am satisfied, on a full representation of the case, which has never been made, can easily be done." Mr. Clingman could not be found to ascertain what course he proposes to pursue. Mr. Mason, declared, however, that it would be an easy matter for the Exposition company to override an order of the Court, so long as anybody sees fit to insist upon that order being enforced. That is why he so freely de-clared that the Exposition. in his opinion. would not be closed next Sunday.

CABLE SPARKS.

AMBASSADOR and Mrs. Bayard will attend the coimng State tall in London.

A British war-ship has been ordered to Apia in anticipation of war in Samoa. DISASTROUS floods have occurred in the Austrian Tyrol, attended with loss of life.

EMPEROR WILLIAM has founded a prize for the Imperial Yacht Club's annual regattas. THERE are 120 members of the Italian Senate out of a total of s20 concerned in the bank

scandals. LORD SALISBURY has written an article howing the danger of home rule from an inter-colonial standpoint.

M. LEFINE, prefect of the Seine-et-Oise, has been appointed to succeed M. Loze in the prefecture or police in Paris.

THE New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., limited, of London, has lailed. Its capital amounted to £4,500,000.

THE official report as to the sanitation of Hamburg show that the health conditions are good, though the heat is intense.

MRS. BANCROFT, the well-known actress, was thrown from a cab in London and run over. She received severe injuries.

THE entrance to the harbor of Rio Grande do Sul is in the possession of revolutionists while the state troops hold the city.

EIGHTY-FIVE cases of cholera are reported in the hospital at Alexandria, Egypt. Forty deaths from the disease have occurred.

It is thought in Singapore that French agression upon Siam will result in the estab lishment of a British protectorate over the country.

MR GLADSTONE denies the published state ment that he would not stand for re-election a Midlothian district, but would seek a Welsh constituency.

THE Berlin National Zeitung suggests the advisability of the creation of a upper house of the German Reichstag, the members of which should be nominated by the federated

In the House of Commons Mr. Redmond moved to increase the Irish representation in the House from 80, as proposed in the home-rule hill, to 103,the present representa-tion, but it was voted down-266 to 2:0.

CRUSHED ON A HORSE CAR.

Four Persons Killed and Eight Hurt by a Locomotive in Chicago.

Forty-ninth street at the crossing of the

Grand Trunk Railroad was the scene of another accident whereby four lives were lost and many people injured. A Halstead street horse car was run into and hurled 30 feet to one side. Forty-six men and women were on board

The south-bound Halstead street car of the open pattern, was crowded and men were standing on the footboards. It was in charge of Conductor Frank Barnett and Driver Charles Stainecker.

At Forty-ninth street is a network of tracks and the crossing has always been regarded as a dangerous one. A long freight train go-ing west had just passed and the tower man, rge Barnett, had raised the gates

This was taken as a signal that the way was clear, and Stainecker whipped up the horses as he started to drive across the tracks. Proviously, however, Conductor Barnett had gone ahead, and, not seeing the approaching passenger train because of the freight, he motioned his driver to go ahead.

Barnett, in the watch tower, saw the pas senger train, and realized that a collision was imminent, yet as he says he othing. He al once lowered the gates. But he was too late, for the street car was ready on the tracks and the passenger train was only a few feet distant. It was running at a lively rate of speed, it is said, and crashed into the side of the car. The horse ar was turned around and thrown 30 feet

through the air. the accident. Those on the foot-board near est the passenger train saw it coming jumped in time to save themselves. But the majority of those on board were carried with the demolished car and they fell to the ground together.

PEOPLE AND EVENT.

Accomping to Canon Farrar, about four thousand ciergymen of the Church of Eng-land are out of employment. Another writer declares that an equal number are miserably

underpaid. The promotion of men from the ranks to be commissioned officers has not had the most promising sequel in our army. For the fourth time this year the War Department has had cause to pronounce an officer thus promoted a deserter.

ALMA TADEMA says in the Studio that "the camera has had a most healthul and useful influence on art and is of the greatest use to painters." This high opinion will be of unusual interest to those persons who have con-tended that photography has done irreparable damage to real art.

The chief engineer of the Austrain state railways, Henry Graf, is in Washington. He has come to America to make a special study of American Railwa systems. He is a young man still in his twentics. He has official letters to many high officials on American rail-ways. herr Graf considers American lines more solidly built than those of Europe, and the time made much fast r; while the Eu-ropeans excel in the matter of precautions against accidents.

DR. REUBEN ALDRIDGE GUILD, who has just resigned as librarian of Brown University, has served his alma mater in that place for lorty-six years. His term of contin service is longer than that of any other offi-cer Brown has ever had, excepting only the tate Professor Lincoln. To flii the vacancy caused by Dr. Guild's retirement the advisory committee recommended the election of Henry L. Koopman, who has served in Astor, the Corneli University, the Columbian college and Rutgers College libraries.

His Highness the Maharajah of Kapurthala who is now in Japan headed for the World's Fair, is a petty Hindoo potentate (maharajah is Sancrit for "great king" but a very gorgeous one, for he is wealthy in the Orient's barbaric pearl and gold, and wears one or more rings on every finger and on his thumbs as a slight indication his fondness for jeweiry. He is rather old and, unlike most Eastern princes, not very well educated. He is accompanied by num-

erous r tinue, but curiously enough he is under the direction of an excursion agency. D. C. GILMAN, president of the John Hop-kins University, Baltimore, has presented, in behalf of the trustees o the University, to the American Bible Society, a facsimile of the Chaldean flood tablet, recently recon-structed by Professor Haupt. The tablet is a plaster cast from a modern reproduction in c ay of the so-called Izdubar or Gilgamesh legends, commonly known under the name of the Babylonian Nimrod epic. It contains the cuneiform text of the Chaldean account of the deluge, as restored by Prolessor Paul Haupt. The text is based on thirteen fragments, which were found during the British excavations in the valley of the Euphrates and Tigris and are now preserved in the de-partment of oriental antiquities at the British museum, London. The casts have been finished in colored plaster, so as to give the appearance of a real cuneiform clay tabiet. The tablet contains, in six columns, \$31 lines of cuneiform writing.

DISASTERS AND CASUALTIES

EDWARD B. FOOTE, a clerk in Bellevue Hospital, New York, died of typhus fever.

Two men were killed, two fatally injured and two badly hurt by an explosion of gas ir the Pettetone Colliery at Wyoming, Pa. The bail storm which visited the country

around Texas Falls, Minnesota, did damage estimated at more than \$100,000. Over 100 persons at Mansfield, Ohio, were

poisoned by eating cheese several days ago, nd 12 of the victime are in a critical condition.

AT West Richmond, Indiana, a buggy con-taining Mrs. John Ganz and her two children was struck by a train, and all three were in-stantly killed

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

Epitome of News Gleaned from Various Parts of the State.

SEVEN inmates of Markey's boarding house at Pittsburg suffered symptoms of poisoning after eating supper. Doctors were undecided whether to attribute it to tomatoes or coffee. PATRICK J. GALLAGHER, the Homestead poisoner, retracted his alleged confession exculpating Dempsey, declaring he had been 'pulled" into making it.

THE Bethlehem Iron Company and the Midvale Steel Company receive b'g Government contracts for ordinance and forgings. amounting to nearly \$100,000.

By a fall of top siate in a Pittston colliery two men were killed and a third fatally inured.

THE Allegmeiner Saengerbund held its annual convention at Wilkesbarre, William Lenger, of Reading, and Louis Tisch, of Wilkesbarre, were elected delegates to the Northeastern Saengerfest in New York. The prize concert took place in the afternoon. As the iron and steel manufacturers and

workmen have not agreed on a scale at Pittsburg, thousands of workmen are still idle and the situation is serious.

THOMAS A. SEATON died from a copperhead snake bite at Greensburg. Annie Brant, of Ridgeview Park, was bitten by a snake of the same kind.

THE United States Pipe Line Company started its station at Parson's, pumping oil from Athens, sixty-six miles away.

A STATE League of Keeleyites was organized at Pittsturg.

LUTHERAN ministers met at York and revised the Provisional Catechism.

The ninth annual session of the Cumberland Valley Sabbath School Assembly began at Williams' Grove.

FRANCIS LEON CHRISMAN, her husband and former manager, is defendant in a suit by Mrs. Marie Decca, the lyric attist, to recover property in Harrisburg which she alleges was bought by Chrisman in his own name with her funds.

THE Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania Democratic Society fixed September 25th as the date of the General Assembly at Allentown.

JUDGE ACHESON, in the United States Circuit Court at Erie, decided the celebrated case of the Stonemetz Printing Machinery Company vs. the Brown Folding Machinery Company in favor of the former.

MR. AND MRS. FRANKLIN S. KLINE, Of THden township, were seriously injured in a runaway accident. Two small children escaped injury.

FEDILO Sovio, an Italian laborer, employed on the Reading Railroad, was drowned in a reservoir while bathing at Monocacy.

THE Union Coal Company have issued orders to resume operations at the Hickory Swamp Colliery. Five hundred men and boys find employment there. It resumes because of the enforced idieness at Pennsylvania Colliery owing to the fire. All work at Scott shaft is stopped.

TAYLOR BRADLEY, & young man from Oxford, was lodged in jail at West Chester on the charge of throwing stones at passenger

GEORGE ERNST, aged four years, was drowned in a well at his home in Ashland. mother saw her boy's feet above the top of the well and quickly drew him out, but life was extinct. JOHN ROEINSON, an ash pitman of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Gallagherville, was struck by the St. Louis express and burled a cealed the smallest scrap of paper. My dozen yards, receiving injuries from which passport was then copied out, and I was he died.

THE SPY IN TIME OF PEACE.

How a German Officer Risks His Life in Russia.

My friend Captain Zinnowitz came to dinner with me one night in Berlin. He was invited particularly to meet Remington, and we spent a long evening together talking about his work as an officer of the Prussian army. I knew that he had been into Russian Poland several times for the benefit of his government, and therefore drew the conversation on to the best means of succeeding at this delicate work.

"When I go into Poland," said he, "I am not an army officer any longer; I dress my hair differently, and become simply plain Mr. —, who is seeking employment as a hydraulic engineer. I have, of course, an address in a small provincial German town, from which all my letters come, and where I have a trusted friend ready to answer all questions in regard to my occupation and identity should the Russian secret police make inquiries in regard to me. Last year I was instructed to report upon a line of railway projected at a certain point in Poland, and for that reason hired a Jew to pilot me. We went together for some distance, when the Jew told me that there were two policemen on the train evidently on our tracks, and that he would go no further. I went on alone, and at the next station jumped off on the side farthest from the railway station, and made for the woods. I had not gone far, however, when the two policemen over-took me, and demanded to know what my business was. Of course I had to make up a plausible story, and therefore remarked that I was buying wood, and had to inspect the forests of the neighborhood. Upon this, one of them said that there were no forests in the direction in which I was going, and that I must accompany them to the police station. To this I objected, protesting that I had been informed of a vast amount of timber cut and stored near here. Now this timber had all been cut for the purposes of the railway I had to report upon. The Russian policemen admitted that such was the case, much to my satisfaction, but said that they must take me to headquarters under any circumstances, where would be examined as a matter of form. So off we went together, the policemen leading me into the very fort that I did not dream of getting into, because it was a new one, guarded with particoiar jealousy, and one about which my government was very anxious to gain accurate information.

"As we marched along, however, the question of how to get rid of my secret notes embarrassed me, for had anything of this kind been found upon me, of course I should have been taken out and hanged. To accomplish my object I pulled out cigars, which I offered to my guardians; they accepted them with an ill grace, but did not smoke them. As I proceeded to light mine, I held with the cigar a bit of tissue paper on which I had made memorandum, and as my match burned it lit not only my cigar. but consumed the tissue paper I held in the hollow of my hand. I had to allow my cigar to go out several times in order to get rid of the notes I had made, and heaved a great sigh of relief when the piece was destroyed. When last reached the fortress I was taken to the commandant, and inspected carefully; that is to say, every part of my person was investigated to see if I had not conallowed to go. They ordered me back the same way, but. by dint of very energetic to the Miners' Hospital in order to have both language. I succeeded in pursuading them to let me pass on to the next town, by which means I was enabled to go completely through the works of the fort, and report exactly upon their extent. "On arrival home, after several more episodes of the same kind, my government suggested to me the desirability of knowing more of the interior construction of this work, and when I see you next year I will tell you some more." Neither Remington nor I ever saw him again. He spoke of his adventures as lightly as though he were recounting some steeple-chase espisode, and regarded quite as naturally that he should run the risk of being hanged from day to day as that he should wear his uniform and go to par. de. - [Poultney Bigelow, in Harper's Monthly.

-The unidentified bodies of a boy and a middle-aged man were found near Wharton, I. T., near the railroad, riddled with bullets, probably put in them on Sunday. Their team grazed near by .--- Conrad Estaer, Jr., furniture dealer at Lima, O., has failed. The assets will probably exceed the liabilities -----The McNamara Dry Goods Company, of Denver, one of the largest houses in the West, was closed on attachment .---- The steamer Emily was wrecked in Coos Bay. Ohio, and, while drifting into the breakers, had her passengers and crew rescued, with one exception, by the life-saving crew. Charles Rohinson was washed overboard.

A body supposed to be that of I. L. B. Olds. state senator in Montana, was found in Boulder river .---- Tom King, the escaped horse thief who was captured at Guthrie, O. T., has proven to be a woman .---- Switchmen in the Rio Grande yards at Pueblo went out on strike, demanding the discharge of Yardmaster Crocker, who, they say, is tyrannical and unreasonable. The men declare the switchmen on the entire line will go out, unless their demands are complied with .---Thomas E. Walsh, president of the University of Notre Dame, in South Bend, Ind., died .---- The People's Savings, the Rocky Mountain Dime and Dollar and the Colorado Savings Banks, of Denver, closed their doors. -----The Missouri National and the Grand Avenue Banks, of Kansas City, suspended. ---- Michael Lanzoni stabbed Antonio Roabeck three times in South Mount Vernon, N. Y., inflicting probably fatal wounds. Carlos Roabeek in trying to save his brother, was seriously cut about the hands and arms. Lanzoni has been arrested

At Manchester, N. H., the Namaske bag mills closed ----- Some girls in Edison's lamp works, at Newark, N. J., struck for higher wages .---- The bark Alice Reed arrived at the Delaware Breakwater with yellow fever aboard .---- Joseph De Peyster, a noted gambler, was killed in Ohio county, Ky., by an unknown miner.---- The body of Mrs. Henry Bailey, one of the Sutherland Sisters, was buried at Lockport, N. Y .---- At Indianapolis, Lopez Munaugh, a worthless and dissolute cigarmaker, shot his divorced wife's sister, Miss Mary Winsch, and then killed himself .---- At Lawrence, Mass., Gates Hall fatally shot Abram Mills .---- The remains of Anthony J. Drexel were buried in Woodlands Cemetery, near Philadelphia .---- The residence of John Ulrich, of North Fairmount, Ohio, was burned by the explosion of a gasoline stove, and Mr. Ulrich was fatally burned while his wife and five-year-old child were seriously injured.

KILLED IN A FACTORY.

Four Lives Lost by the Explosion of a Can of Naphtha-

A can of naphtha exploded in the sweatband factory of J. D. Campbell, 211 Walworth street, Brooklyn, N. Y., killing four persons and injuring another.

The building was completely wrecked. It was a two-story frame structure. There were twelve persons employed in the factory but all excepting the five named were in the basement and escaped without injury. The noise of the explosion was heard several blocks away, and caused consternation in the neighborhood.

A BUILDING IN SOUVENIE COINS.

A space about twenty feet square in the rotunda of the Administration Building, directly under the great dome, was inclosed by a strong iron fence. Monday work was begun on a model of the United States Treasury at Washington, to be made of Column coins and erected within the inclosure. The work will consume several days, and when comple, a strong force of guards will guard the precious edifice night and day.

WORK AND WORKERS.

THE 150 striking boiler makers at the Bige low Works in New Haven, resumed work, their demand for a nine-hour day having been granted THE Charles Parker Company, of Meriden,

Connecticut, has shut down its works indefin-itely, thus throwing about 1,000 employes ou of work.

THE Fuller & Warren Company's stove plant, at Troy, N. Y., has suspended opera-tions owing to dull trade. Five hundred men are thrown out of work. It is believed that the strike of coal miner

in Kansas will speedily be settled. Th strikers ask 55 cents for mine run coal th The year round. The operators offer 54 cents, and, it is thought, this will be accepted.

SUPERINTENDENT STUMP has ruled that persons coming to the United States in viola-tion of the alien contract labor laws, who have paid for their own tickets and have not been assisted by others, can be deported as well as those who have been assisted.

REPRESENTATIVES from the Knights of Labor from Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts met at Boston, and after organizing the New England Knights of Labor Alliance, adopted resolutions thanking Gov. Altgeld, of Illinois, for pardoning the "socalled anarchists.

THE Mayor of Ishpeming, Michigan, has recommended that the Council stop all muni-cipal work, other than absolutely necessary, as all the money the city can raise will be needed to support idle miners and their fami-lies during the winter. The Winthorp Mine closed and over 1,000 miners are now idle in Ishpeming alone, and 8,000 in the district.

A CLEVELAND despatch says that the Finance Committee of the Lake Carriers' Association has scaled down the wages of the rews on all boats in the organization because of the duliness of business. The reduction amounts to about 20 per cent. "It will prob-ably re accepted without demur, as the bad condition of lake business is apparent to

every one. THE striking miners at Pittsburg, Kansas rejected a proposition made by the mine owners. Fifty more miners went back to work in the mines of the Kansas and Texas Coal Company at Litchfield, the largest in the district. The company is preparing to fill the strikers' places with new men and have ordeged the strikers to vacate their houses. The company has sent armed guards to their mines to protect their men and pro-perty. It is believed trouble will follow if the company results in evicting the perty. It is believed trouble stating the

Ir is officially denied in London that the saptains of the British Mediterranean fleet captains of the British Mediterranean fleet are to be court-martialed for not abeying Admiral Tryon's order.

Two of the men were frightfully injured. A piece of timber was forced down one of the men's throat, breaking his jaw. The dead were at once taken to the county morgue and the injured were placed in carriages and driven away.

The passenger train was in charge of Con-ductor John Kern, Engineer E.W. Jones and Fireman James Campbell. Engineer Jones said that he did not see the street car until the horses were in front of the train, and that he could not possibly have stopped in time

to avoid the accident. Police Captain Ward arrested Engineer ones, Fireman Campbell, and a man named Henry Hughes, who was riding in the cab of the engine

THE COLD STORAGE FIRE.

A Coroner's Jury Holds Four Men Responsible for the Disaster.

After its prolonged investigation the coroner's jury investigating the World's Fair co'd storage calamity, reached a verdict. The jury held for the grand jury the following persons :

D. H. Burnham, director of works at the World's Fair ; Fire Marshal Edward Murphy, of the World's Fair fire department ; J. B. Shinner, president of the Hercules Iron Company, and Charles A. McDonald, secretary and treasurer of the Hercules Iron Company. The hearing of the evidence was concluded

at 3 :25 p. m., when Coroner McHale gave the cases to the jury. The jury reached its conclusion much more quickly than the time they were out would indicate, as there were sixteen douths, the causes of which they were called to consider and each represented a separate case. The verdict was the same in all the cases and read as follows :

We, the jury, find that the deceased came to their deaths from injuries and burns received at a fire of the cold storage building at the World's Fair grounds on July 10, 1893, and we, the jury, find from the evidence presented that Charles A. McDonald, John R. Shinner, D. H. Burnham and Edward W. Murphy be held to the grand jury for criminal negligence, and there held until dissharged by the course of law.

AN EXPRESS ROBBERY.

One Thousand Dollars Stolen and Paper and Cotton Substituted for It.

W. H. Guick, superintendent of the United States Express Company, and K. D. Gross, of the Pacific, are in Keokuk, Ia , investigating a mysterious express robbery. A package alleged to contain \$1000 left Chicago via the United States and was transferred to the Pacific at Keekuk and taken out to Promise

City, Ia., its destination. The consignee, Banker N. A. Robertson, was expecting the package and was at the depot when it arrived. At once he detected that something was wrong and the package was opened and found to contain nothing but brown wrapping paper and cotton. The seal had been raised and the money abstracted -by whom is the problem the officials are

trying to solve.

A PLATFORM at the station of railway at West Brighton Beach, Coney collapsed. About ten persons were Island. injured, one severely.

The village of Fairville, a suburb of St. John, New Brunswick, was almost entirely destroyed by fire Eighty families are home-less. It was burned twice before.

MRS. KATE FECHT, a victim of the tornado at Pomeroy, Iowa, died. There are six of seven other victims likely to die. There is a There is a crying need for food, the supply being ex-hausted, with the exception of a few uncooked hams.

A CHESAPEAKE and Ohio Railroad excursion train r n into an open switch and col-lided with a freight train at Newport, Kenucky. Albert Lang was killed and seven persons dangerously injured. It is beother leved that some person purposely opened the switch

ABOUT 8,000 pounds of dynamite in a storage house in South Denver, Colorado, ded. There was a general destruction exploded. There was a general destruction of window panes, and many doors were blown from their hinges. Two men are sup-posed to have been blown to pieces. The cause of the accident is not known, but it is supposed to have been the work of tramps. explo

A NEW AIRSHIP.

John Evans, of Shamokin, Says He Will Sail to Chicago and to Europe.

John Evans, a mechanic of Shamokin, Pa. has almost completed the construction of an air-ship which he claims will revolutionize aerial navigation. He proposes to give his first exhibition at the fair of the Shamokin Agricultural Association next month and says that his point of landing will be Chicago: Then he will sail to Europe.

Mr. Evans has been at work on his invention for more than five years. He maintains that his model worked excellently several months ago when he made a trial ascension. The balloon will consist of a cigarshaped gas chamber twenty feet in length and measuring twelve feet in thickness at the largest point. Suspended from this will be a car, shaped like a row-boat, composed principally of wire. It will also be twenty feet long and will be from ten inches to five feet in depth.

In the rear of the boat will be constructed a propellor, which will be worked by a powerful storage battery. The inventor claims that he will have complete control of the ship and will ascend or land at pleasure. Peter Bruskie, one of his friends, will accompany him to the Fair.

TORNADO IN ITALY.

Many Houses Gverthrown and the People Killed-Dead Bodies Recovered. A tornado swept down suddenly on Voghera and Casteggio, in Piedmont. Hundreds of buildings were wrecked. In one section of Voghera hardly a house was left standing. Not a structure in either town was left intact. Hundreds of persons were injured. The number of dead is not known, as the

bodies are buried in the ruins. Only seven bodies have been recovered.

The military have been called out to help in the work of rescue and ambulance corps have been sent from nearby cities.

Voghera is a manufacturing city with some 10,000 inhabitants. Casteggi, which is 270 miles from it, has about 4,000 inhabitants.

ALBERT MACE, of Shamokin, was removed hands and both feet amputated. Mack was thrown from a sleigh while crossing a mountain last winter and was badly frozen. All of his fingers and toes were amputated at the time, but it was found necessary to perform further amputations, as the frozen hands and feet cannot be healed up.

A PECULIAR case and the fir-t of the kind in Allegheny county has just been decided by Judge Ewing. W. J. Kerr, a farmer of Plum Township, this spring had some valuable sheep killed by the dogs of a neighbor. He presented his bill to the township for the value of the sheep, but the amount was rerused. The court decides that the money should be paid out of the dog and sheep tax and orders a peremptory mandamus to issue to the Treasurer of Plum Township.

THE veterans in Camp Butherford B. Hayes, of the Pennsylvania G. A. R., at Gettysburg. spent a quiet Sunday. Religious services were conducted at the rostrum in the Soldiers' National Cometary by Department Chaplain Sayres.

Ar the new big stripping at Hazleton, electric cars will be used for the first time to] transport coal.

MANY Delaware County industrial estab. lishments have been closed temporarily awaiting better trade.

THE Cononer's jury investigating the exslope at Nanticoke in which five men were below,"

killed, centured the colliery officials. WHEN the family went to get Mrs. John Kern, of Erie, ready for her husband's juneral they found she had died of grief.

20,000 MEN IDLE.

Colorado Merchants Countermand \$12,-000.000 of Orders.

The closing down of many silver mines, smelters and the reduction in working forces the State because of the reduction in the price of sliver has caused a deplorable condition of affairs among the laboring classes.

It is estimated there are 10,030 men in Denver unable to secure employment. There are 20,000 men in outside cities in the same condition, one thousand of whom are making way to Denver, where they will become a public charge if conditions do not speedily change. A conservative estimate of the men discharged by railways, mines business houses, and factories since the silver panie 15,000.

It is also estimated that Colorado, Utah, Montana and New Mexico merchants have countermanded orders on New York wholesale houses for goods during this time amounting to over \$12,000,000.

The Italian government will institute pro-medings against editors concerned in the oodings agains ank scandals.

Died Like a Hero.

A navvy, working at the top of one of a series of numerous shafts in a tunnel on a line of railway, recently met his death in a manner which showed a spirit of heroic presence of mind that deserves to go on record.

His duties were simply to warn his fellow workmen in the "drives" 200 feet below of any falling masses of rock or earth from the truck sent up to be plosion at the Susquebanna Coal Company's emptied by a shout of "Look out

One unhappy day "Bill the banker," the only name by which he was known, incautiously stepped too close to the edge, his foot slipped, and he knew that he must be dashed from side to side of the narrow shaft and be crushed to death at the bottom. But his mates? If he screamed, the unusual noise would cause them to rush out to the foot of the opening.

Bill never lost his nerve. The signal "Look out below" had barely reached them before his mangled remains were of coal mines, railways and manufactories in lying at the feet of the men whose lives would have been imperilled had any involuntary call escaped from the falling man .- New York Mercury.

A Big Alligator.

One of the largest of the Southern visitors to the Columbian Exposition arrived the other evening, and is now the guest of a South Water street firm. This visitor is not only the largest, but is one of the oldest natives of Louisians. started, place the number at from 12,000 to He was, in fact, a subject of Napoleon even before his present State ceased to be a French possession. As the Louisi-anian lay in the rude box which had been provided for his accommodation he measured just seventeen feet in length. The mouth of his alligatorship was large in proportion and was ample to take in a whole bunch of bananas at a single bite. -[Chicago Herald.

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