THE NEWS.

Rev. Dr. Simon J. McPherson, of Chicago, Ill., was elected to the board of trustees of Princeton University.

Judge Smith has called a grand jury at Helena, Mont., and charged them to investigate thoroughly rumors and charges of bribery growing out of the recent session of the legislature.

The steamer Vancouver, from Liverpool, arrived at Halifax, N. S., four days behind time. She met with terrible head gales and high seas on the passage, had two life-boats smashed and received other slight damage.

The three eldest children of Frederick Buxen, of Bowmansville, Ont., were drowned just outside their garden gate in a pond that formed part of a mill race. The youngest child slipped into the pond, and, in their efforts to save it, the other two were also drowned.

The Populist measures providing for initiative and reserendum legislation was defeated in the lower house of the Kansas State Legislature, after having passed the senate. The resolution was defeated by a vote of 76 ayes to 47 nays, a two-thirds majority being required.

Governor Bud has vetoed Bill 273, relating to the transfer of civil suits, the passage of which by the California Legislature has caused much scandal. The Examiner charged that bribery was resorted to to pass the bill, and the managing editor and one reporter of the Examiner have been ordered imprisoned by the senate for contempt.

The shops of the Sprague Electric Elevator Company, at Watsessing, N. J., were damaged by fire to the extent of \$30,000.

Orlando Howe, of Little Rock, Ark., quarreied with his wife and they decided to separate. Being without money, Howe took his twin sons, aged 10 years, and started to walk to stillwell, Mo. A train struck the father and two sons on a trestle near Oliphant, instantly killing Howe and one son and fatally injuring the other boy.

United States Minister Terrell in a communication to the State Department from Constantinople incloses a note verbal from the ministry of foreign affairs calling attention to the necessity for Americans traveling in Turkey to provide themselves with passports.

Eighteen indictments for forgery have been returned by the grand jury against W. J. Dunn, a well-known Pittsburg, Pa., contractor. The forgeries were on negotiable assignments from the city and aggregate \$48,000.

Hon, Aaron B. Shafer committed suicide at Findlay, O., by hanging himself. He was 73 years of age, was once prosecuting attorney of Hancock county, and served two terms in the legislature. Ill-health was the

A. E. Barton, now under arrest in Toronto for fraud, is wanted by the Sandusky, O. police on the sharge of embezzlement. He will be held until more particulars are sent.

After a night of dissipation. Gus A. Norting, of Kansas City, a stereotyper, aged 35 years, shot and fatally wounded his wife and killed himself. Norting gave the woman two minutes to leave the house, pointing a revolver at her. Mrs. Norting defied him to shoot, baring her breast, and a moment later fell fatally wounded.

Orlando N. Dana, shot and killed himself at his home, in Macon, Ga., for reasons unknown. He came to Georgia 40 years ago from Connecticut, and had been connected with the J. W. Burke Printing House since that time. Mr. Dana was a member of the same family which includes Richard Henry Dana, Charles A. Dana and other distinguished men.

At Greenwich, Conn., it is announced that Andrew Carnegie is not yet able to leave his bed, and may not be for a long time to come. He is improving slowly. It is expected that he will remain in Greenwich a month longer.

A mru who registered at the Astor House

as George Anderson shot himself fatally just as two deputy United States marshals were about to arrest him. The dead man is supposed to be a fugitive embezzier from Sweden.

By the explosion of an oil well boiler on the Hartman farm, near Callery Junction, Pa., John Duniap, engineer, was killed, and William McKeever, tool-dresser, fatally injured. The rig caught fire and other wells were threatened, but the flames were quickly extinguished.

ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

President Alvah Howy, of the Newton (Mass.) Theological Seminary, has started on an extended trip through Egypt and the Holy Land.

It is said that Dr. Atwood, a missionary in Shansi, China, has not seen a European face, except those of his fellow missionaries, for 15 years.

The 93d birthday of Neal Dow will occur on March 18, and the day will be marked in Boston by a banquet, at which a number of prominent people will be present.

Lyman J. Gage's son, Eli Gage, and his pretty wife are popular in Chicago society, and young Mrs. Gage is an especial favorite with her father-in-law. She is a young and vivacious brunette, and a musician of considerable ability.

Prince Henry of Orleans, who has started on his exploring expedition in Abysinia, took with him a hand organ and a phonograph, which he expects to be a great aid to him in winning the good graces of the savages whom he intends to visit.

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Prof. Simon Newcomb, who has had charge of the Nautical Almanac for more than twenty years, will be 62 years of age on March 12, and will be retired then according to law. unless Congress by a special act should extend his translation.

tend his term, which it probably will do.

It is announced that President Felix Faure will visit Algeria. He will be the guest of M. Cambon, governor-general, during his stay at Tunis. This will be the first visit of a French President to Algeria. The last visit of a sovereign was that of Napoleon

WRECK OF A TRAIN.

An Opera Troupe Badly Shaken Up and a Boy Killed.

A special train bearing a French opera troupe of 150 people, bound for San Francisco, was wrecked about midnight near Casa Grand, Ariz. The train consisted of three Pulimans, two tourist sleepers and three baggage cars.

The accident was caused by a bolt breaking in front of the tender, allowing the fixtures of the truck to drop down and spread the rails. The following car remained upright, but the wheels were buried in the ground, cutting entirely through the ties. The second baggage car was thrown on its

The Shird baggage remained upright. Under the second baggage car a boy about 15 years old was found dead with one of his hands protruding from under the wreck. There were about ten tramps on the train and several were badly injured. One of the opera troupe was slightly injured. A truck was built around the wreck.

LIFE CRUSHED OUT.

A Woman Steps in Front of a Railroad Train.

Terrible Death of a Chicago School Teacher Who Was Visiting Her Sister in Reading—The Locomotive and Five Cars Pass Over Her Body—Had Been Suffering From Nervous Prostration.

A despatch from Reading, Pa., says: Miss Isabella Fulton, a Chicago school teacher, who came to this city a few days ago to visit her sister, committed suicide by throwing herself in front of a train on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Miss Fulton was thirtyeight years of age. Her sister is Miss Minta Fulton, a teacher in the Reading Girls' High School. An engine and four cars passed over the woman's body before the train could be brought to a stand-still. She was frightfully mangled, her left hand being cut off at the wrist and her lungs torn out.

Miss Fulton had been suffering from nervous prostration for some time and came to this city to recuperate. She was a blonde of striking appearance, and was invariably well dressed. She wore a brown Fedora hat, a brown clothe dress, a black coat and veil and carried a muff. In the early school hours she paid a visit to the high school, after which she started out for a walk.

Nothing further was heard of her until a policeman saw her near the Pennsylvania Railroad Station. He did not know who she was, but was impressed by her distinguished bearing, and when he saw her walk along the tracks near the canal he became suspicious and followed her. She seemed to be looking at the water below. When still some distance from him she turned and noticed him. Soon afterwards he lost sight of her.

The next seen of her was just before she met her death. The coal train that killed her was coming in the northern limits of the city. This was about ten o'clock. The engineer's hand was on the throttle, and the train was moving at the rate of about five miles * an hour. The track was clear, and there was no evidence that the woman purposed stepping in front of the engine. Just before it reached her, the woman moved on the tracks directly in front of the drain. When the body was finally extricated from beneath the wheels no one was able to identify her. Probably the woman did not meat. to end her life, but while walking along the railroad she had a sudden nervous attack and stepped in front of the train.

CURRENT EVENTS.

A new industry in the South is the distilling of sweet potatoes for alcohol and

There is a school district in Western Kansas where the actual population is composed of a man, his wife and their two grown

The longest known telegraph circuit made on this continent for actual business was the report from Sau Diego direct to Boston recently. The line was cut out the full 3400 miles.

It is reported that the City Council of La Belle, Mo., where diphtheria has been prevalent for several months, has passed an ordinance prohibiting rabbits from being brought to that town at all.

All of the iron bridges in Jasper County, Mo., for the number and excellence of which the county is famed, are paid for out of the interest received from the bank in which the county money is deposited, which averages \$1800 a year.

The Supreme Court of Wisconsin has decided that the State Board of Health has no right to vaccinate against his or her will any person who claims exemption on the ground that he or she regards the operation as "morally wrong and in violation of the laws of God."

Just before the curtain rose at the oratorical contest in the opera house at Pittsburg, Kas., Professor Black appeared at the front of the stage and requested the ladies to remove their hats. A burst of applause followed, which continued until the last woman in the audience had placed her headgear in her lap and fanned away the red in her face.

The rights of strikers have been defined in Michigan. Judge McMahon, answering a petition for injunction against the Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad strikers to prevent them from going on railroad property to persuade workmen to quit, has decided that the strikers have "a right to use 'persuasion' by legitimate means." The only injunction issued by the court is to restrain the strikers from destroying property. The decision is hailed as a triumph for the strikers, and it is one that is likely to be referred to in future litigation over similar contests.

BURIED IN A MINE. Details of a Terrible Disaster in an Arkansas Coal Pit.

A despatch from Huntington, Ark., says: Mine 44, of the Kansas and Texas Coal Company, of this place, exploded, burning 35 men, all of them seriously and some fatally. Mine 44 is situated about a quarter of a

Mine 44 is situated about a quarter of a mile north of the main part of the town. It was a shaft sunk six years ago, but abandoned for about two years. This summer a slope was driven into the old working, and it again commenced to produce coal. Over 100 men, half of them negroes, were employed in the mine. About 4.30 o'clock a muffled roar startled the people, and they turned their eyes toward the mine. A column of smoke and debris shot up high from the airshaft at the mine.

Over the open ground and network of railroad tracks rushed men and women. Many of the latter had husbands and other members of their families in the mine. In a few minutes after the explosion the men commenced to appear. Some were not burned at all, while others appeared with their skins hanging upon their faces and hands or hanging in ribbons. The work of looking for those unable to walk up the slope was at once begun. Superintendent Vail, of the Kansas and Texas mine, directing the work. One by one the injured were brought out and taken to their homes. How many of them are burned internally the doctors cannot say, as their efforts were employ-

ed solely in dressing wounds.

Different theories are advanced as to the cause. Superintendent Vail says he believes that a keg of powder was exploded by carelessness, but the general opinion among the miners appears to be that it was caused by a windy shot firing the gas and powder smoke. They say that the mine was very dry and dusty, and that the furnace was not sufficiently strong to create sufficient draft to carry the dust out of the rooms and en-

WORK AND WORKERS.

Five hundred laborers have arrived at Colon from Jamaica to work on the canal.

The Richmond, Virginia, Locomotive and Machine Works have resumed operations with a large force.

The blacksmiths and helps at the Globe Ship Yard at Cleveland have joined the strikers, and 1000 men are now idle.

An Ishpeming, Michigan despatch says that 200 families of the striking miners at Norway are on the verge of starvation. Five hundred employes of the Globe Ship-

building Company, at Cleveland, Ohio, struck against the employment of non-mion labor.

Eight hundred men are now on strike at the yard of the Globe Shipbuilding Com-

pany, at Cleveland, and there are no signs of a settlement.

E. N. Welch Manufacturing Company, of Bristol, Conn., will start up the manufacture of clocks again about April 1. The factory

has been idle about two years.

Negotiations at Cieveland for the settlement of the Globe Shipyard strike have failed. The company agreed to grant the increase in wages, but refused to recognize

All the bricklayers and stone masons of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to the number of about 1500, quit work to enforce a de.nand for a 40-cent an hour wage scale and eight hours per day.

The Peninsular Car Department of the Michigan Peninsular Car Company at Detroit, which opened two weeks ago with a force of about 509 hands, has closed down again, throwing the employes out of work.

An Amesbury, Massachusetts, despatch says that notices have been posted in all the mills of the Hamilton corporation that the mills will shut down all this week, but will resume the week following. This is in accordance with the plan for curtailment at Fall River. The shut-down will cause about 900 employes to be idle.

The Chicago Building Trades' Council decided that the 4000 union had carriers of that city should be ordered to strike against the reduction in wages ordered by the Plastering Contractors' Association. With the field carriers the 25,000 members of the Building Trades' Council will go out and building operations will practically cease. As the building trades are well organized the contest may prove long and bitter.

CABLE SPARKS.

President McKinley's utterances on foreign affairs in his inaugural address are well received in Russia.

The International Plague Conference at Venice decided to recommend that a force of sanitary police be stationed in the Persian Guif

The Russian bark Constantin, bound from Appalachicola, Fla., for Giuckstadt, Prussia has put in at Fayal, her cabin having been stove in by heavy seas. A meeting in Hyde Park, London, to ex-

press sympathy for Greece and Crete was attended by fifteen thousand people. The weather was unfavorable. Julio Sanguilly, who is in New York, says he has made no arrangements for the future.

but other Cubans believe he will return to Cuba and take the field against the Spaniards.

The annual financial report of the Hawalian government shows that the receipts

for the year 1896 were \$1,975,321, a substantial increase, while the expenditures amounted to \$1,904,190.

Socialists caused a disturbance while an election was in progress at Skole, Austria. The crowd attempted to storm a politing

place, and soldiers opened fire on them. One soldier and one gendarme were wounded. Emperor William's declaration that socialism, which he described as "that pest which infects our whole nation," must be uprooted, has caused a sensation throughout Germany

and elicited defiant utterances from the socialist press.

The answer of Greece to the identical notes of the powers was discussed at a meeting of the cabinet at Athens and approved by the King. It is reported that the reply is a refusal to withdraw the Greek fleet and troops from Crete on the ground that their recall would be a signal for pillage, incendiarism

WHOLESALE POISONING.

and murder.

Alleged Marders Committed to Collect Insurance.

A remarkable scheme of alleged wholesale coisoning has been unearthed in Kemper county, Miss.

In the latter part of last December a farmer named Davis, living near Scioba, died under such circumstances that an investigation was ordered and it was found that Davis' life was insured in three life insurance companies for \$15,000.

Before the authorities had finished investigating the death of Davis the community was shocked by the death of U. T. Stuart, another farmer, and also under peculiar circumstances.

cumstances.

The authorities went to work on this case, and discovered that Stuart had died from the effects of strychains. The companies who had issued the policies on Stuart's life, aggregating over \$20,000 in favor of Guy Jank, a prominent merchant of Scioba, refused payment and employed a detective agency of New York to make a private investigation.

The Grand Jury' returned indictments against Dr. W. H. Lipscomb and Gny Jack. From facts unearthed by the authorities there is but little doubt, incredible as it may appear, that there is an organized gang in Kemper county, composed of prominent and wealthy people, who have been trafficking in human life. Positive evidence has been discovered, showing that the lives of more than a dozen farmers, mostly poor people, who have been insured without their knowledge for large sums in favor of others have been taken.

ALABAMA' COAL AND COKE OUTPU'T.

Increased Production in 1896 Owing to

Growth of Foreign Trade. State Mine Inspector, J. D. Hillhouse completed the compilation of his annual report, which shows last year's output in Alabama to have been 5,731,731 tons, an increase of 26,025 tons over the year previous, and the coke production, 2,539,749, an increase of 800,000 tons. These figures, together with those on pig iron production heretofore issued, show that last year Alabama broke all previous records in coal, coke and iron production. This result is a surprise because of the widespread trade depression prevailing throughout the country last year, but it is accounted for by the widening of Alabama's market, a good foreign trade in coal and iron having been built up within the past twelve months.

ROADBED GAVE AWAY.

Fearful Wreck on an Indiana Railroad.

Seven Killed Outright-Train Ran Into a Washout and Rolled Over-Some of the Cars Were Washed Away-A List of the Killed and Injured-All Traffic Suspended.

One of the worst railroad wrecks that have occurred in this vicinity for many years happened at three o'clock in the morning to the Chicago and Nashville Limited, southbound, over the Evansville and Terre Haute Railroad, one mile north of Hazleton, Ind. The train was made up of engine No. 94, in charge of Engineer John K. McCutchan and Joseph Bowman, fireman; a combination baggage and freight car, smoker, ladies' coach and one sleeper. The engine went over the embankment; falling afdistance of fifteen feet into six feet of water. The smoker was telescoped by the baggage car, and the ladies' coach and sleeper remained on the track. Engineer McCutchan says he was running 25 miles an hour and when he approached the washout saw nothing but a very small hole. The engine passed over it and went down the empankment.

The Killed.

George A. Searf, of Terre Haute, conductor, in smoker,

Joseph Bowman, fireman, Evansville, buried under the locomotive. Herbert Allen, doorkeeper of the legislature, Evansville, Four unknown passengers,

The Injured.

Engineer John McCutcheon, of Evansrille, scalded about the legs and arms and

John B. Hauesein, brakeman, Evansville, foot badly crushed.

The seven above named as killed are known to be lost.

Conductor Sears was seen in the smoker before it was washed away by the flood. No one in the smoker escaped. How many were in the smoker other than those mentioned, no one can tell. Not one of the dead bodies has been recovered. From a gripsack found it is believed one of the dead bodies.

it is believed one of the lost was a traveling man for W. B. Phillips, of Fort Wayre. The flood swept away the ladies' coach.

leaving only the sleeper on the track.

All the passengers in the smoker are supposed to have been killed. Four persons, besides Conductor Seers, were seen in the smoker as it broke loose, rolled down the embankment and floated off with the current. Harry J. Hill, the baggageman, was the only member of the train crew who es-

caped unhurt.

About 8 o'clock a large section of the levee broke, sending the baggage cars and the smoker down into the water, and both subsequently floated away. The ladies' conch, which had been lying crosswise on the tracks. floated off toward the river.

It looks now as though several days will clause before trains can be run over the washout, as there is no way of getting around it. The cars and engine cannot be taken out before the water goes down. Then the bodies of the unknown dead may be found, but the probability is that they will have been

washed away.

The only passenger who went down in the wreck whose identity can be traced was a traveling man representing W. B. Phillips, of Fort Wayne, selling ladies' shirt waists.

CASUALTIES.

Four members of the Paimer family, of Toluca, Ill., have died of measies within the past ten days.

Two miners were killed and thirty injured by an explosion in Mine No. 4 of the Kansas and Texas Coal Company at Huntingdon, Arkansas. A Great Northern passenger train was

wrecked by a snowbank at Mallory, North Dakota. Fireman William Lamb was killed and Engineer Gowenlock fatally injured. An Indianapolis despatch says that see a result of last week's rain in Central Onio and

Southern Indiana 113 bridges and trestles

over rivers and creeks were washed away.

A nitro-glycerine explosion occurred on Albert Pikes's farm, at Orchard Park, hear Buffalo, N. Y. Pike and a laborer from Bradford, Pa., name unknown, were killed.

Two Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern freight trains collided at a point two miles cast of Seymour, Ind. A tramp, name unknown, was killed and Engineer Meil Boone

was severely hurt.

A wagon containing Lawrence L. Lavancher, his wife and 15-year-old son, of Fassets, Pa., was struck at Fenton's Crossing, near Elmira, N. Y. by a Northern Central train. Levancher was instantly killed and his wife and son fatally injured.

An extra freight ran into a west-bound express train which had been stopped by a washout on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railroad, near Hills Station, Ohlo. Three or four passengers in the rear sleeper were seriously injured.

While workmen were raising the two-story frame house of Christopher Mohan, at New Haven, Conn., the building tipped over. William Thomas, a mason, was instantly killed, and Mr. Mohan's wife and her mother were fatally burned. They were in the kitchen and the store fell on them.

The fast newspaper train on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern, from Cincinnati for St. Louis, was wrecked four miles west of Cookran, Indiana. The engine and tender were hurled into a flooded creek. Six hundred feet of the track gave away beneath the moving train. The trainmen all escaped.

CRUSHED 180 MEN.

Terrible Loss of Life by the Falling of

Wall in Fez, Morocco.

By the falling of a section of the old wall of the town of Fez, 180 workmen have been killed.

Fez was a fine city when it was the capital of the Mahammedan States of Northwest Mrica, and it is still an important town, the greatest trading ory of the Barbary States. Thither caravans come from far and neareven from the Soudan across the Sahra to the southward.

It is beautifully situated on the slopes of a pear-shaped valley, through which flow the Wad-el-Jubar, or river of Pearls. This divides the town into two quarters, on one side the new town, Fasel-djedid, on the other the old town, Fas-el-ball, where the terrible accident has occurred.

An old battlemented wall, long partly in ruins, though still flanked with towers, surrounds the old town, and in completing the lemolition of this the 180 workmen were crushed.

The population of the town, once estimated at a million, is now about \$0,000.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

Henry Parsons was crushed under a fall of coal at the Henry Colliery, and died soon after being extricated.

The residence and drug store of Dr. W. F. Lathrop, of Miners' Mills was burned out. The loss is \$6,000, covered by insurance.

Albert Raffey, a miner in the employ of the Glen White Ccal and Lumber Company, while at work in the mine was instantly killed by a fall of coal. Raffey was 28 years old

and single.

The office of the Union News Company, at the outer Philadelphia & Reading Station, was broken into and the money drawer robbed of \$60 in cash. The thieves forced the staple by means of a large boit.

William Kelly, a traveling cigarmaker was killed by a trolley car near Paxtang. He saw the car coming and deliberately stepped on the track. He was ground to pieces. Kelly was about 45 years old. His residence is unknown.

The carpet store of S. G. Kerr, Son & Co..

the oldest in Scranton, was closed by the sheriff on judgments aggregating \$13,470.05. Stringency of money and the close competition in the business are given as causes of he failure. Settlement may be effected.

A fire broke out in the large apartment store of J. R. Smith Company, Milton, de-

stroying and damaging the furniture, car-

pets, planos and other musical instruments

together with gutting the interior of the building to the value of about \$10,000, covered by insurance. Furniture owned by Mrs. R. F. Wilson stored therein and amounting to \$2,000, covered by insurance, was also destroyed.

The residence of John N. Wilson, president of the Arasapha Manufacturing Company, Chester, was entered by burglars and the sleeping rooms of Mr. Wilson ransacked. The thieves stole from his trousers pocket a

pocketbook containing \$12.60 in cash and

checks and notes. The latter were left scattered on the table. A \$250 gold watch was secured and afterwards the burglars went into the cellar and had a good meal. There is no clue.

Walter Brown and Hugh Larke, two boys, aged 14 and 15 years respectively, were arrested by the police at Wilkes-Barre, charged with vagrancy. At the hearing they stated that their homes are in Newark, N. J., and

West. The Humane Society will send them home.

The artesian well being bored at Mahony City to supply Primrose coiliery with water, has reached a depth of 550 feet, but as yet the water has only reached the top of the hole. The contractor in charge claims that to make the flow permanent and sufficient it

that they had run away and were going

will be necessary to go 250 feet deeper.

Jacob G. Swenk, rear brakeman on the
East Penn local freight, was stricken with
paralysis while on duty at Fleetwood, and
he rolled into a ditch along the track. His
entire left side is affected.

Mrs. Sophia Schultz committed suicide at her home in Allegheny, by hanging. She was the mother of six children. Her mind was evidently unbalanced. Her husband is said to have left her about three months ago.

A large barn on the property of John

Good, near Downingtown, was destroyed by fire of an incendiary origin. The stock was rescued, but all the machinery, grain, etc., was consumed. The building was insured. While returning from Smithfield Township Joseph Rigous, a well-known manufacturer, and Edward Smith, both of East

Stroudsburg, were thrown from their carriage and the latter seriously injured.

Thieves broke into St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church, Reading, by breaking a window. So far as can be learned little was stolen. This is the second attempt to rob the church

in two weeks.

Burglars affected an entrance into the clothing store of Isaac Refourch, at Mahanoy City, and secured \$500 worth of clothing and a quantity of jewelry.

Orders have been received to take out all machinery and strip the Springdale colliery, at one time one of the most profitable and largest producing mines in the anthracite regions.

The Central Bimetallic League of Beading,

port a law placing the legal rate of interest at 4 per cent, per annum.

A charter was issued to the St. Charles Hotel Company, of Pittsburg, with a capital of \$4000

In order to relieve the distress existing

have adopted resolutions agreeing to sup-

among the miners of the South Side, Hazleton, a committee has been appointed in the Audenried Presbyterian Church to furnish groceries, provisions, etc., to the poor of the region.

Joseph Dunn, a laborer employed at the water works, Norristown, was struck by an

east-bound passenger train on the Philadelphia & Reading Railway while watching a train moving in the opposite direction. He was taken to Charity Hospital.

A carload of oil and three carloads of merchandise on the oil platform at the Lehigh Valley freight station, Easton, were

that the tracks elevated above the platform will have to be rebuilt.

Preston No. 3 and Packer No. 5 colleries will probably resume the latter part of next week, thus giving employment to 480 men and boys at the former collery and almost 800 at the latter, who are nearly all residents of Girardville, and many of whom have not worked since the colleries closed down, some

destroyed by fire, Loss, \$15,000. It is feared

six months ago.

By drinking a solution of Paris green and then banging herself. Mrs. John Schultz, aged 45 years, committed suicide at 143 Third

Street, Allegheny.

Domestic troubles and ill-health are supposed to have weakened her mind. Upon the advice of the physician, the eldest daughter, Minnie Schultz, kept a close watch upon her mother, but while she was washing the dinner dishes. Mrs. Schultz escaped her vigilance. Mrs. Schultz ieft her property to her seven children, cutting off ber husband,

with whom she refused to live.

The bollers at W. J. Rainey's Mount Braddock Coke Works. Dunbar, exploded, completely wrecking the plant. Robert Haxenbaugh, engineer, was instantly killed and

Pireman Robert Mende fatally injured.

Harry Bodey, 23 years, residing in West Conshohocken, is alleged to have held the muzzle of a gun to his mouth and killed himself. He had been out of employment for some time, and was despondent. He has also suffered for several years from a nervous

NEARLY BURIED ALIVE.

A South Carolina Farmer Comes to Life in His Coffin.

Edward Goddings, farmer, was nearly buried alive in Sumter, S. C., After a long illness he was pronounced dead, prepared for burial and put in a coffin. He was heard to speak, and when the coffin

was opened sat up.

He is said to be recovering and there is great excitement in the community.

TO BLOCKADE CRETE.

Powers Have Agreed to Enforce Their Demand.

King George Says Greece is Now an Element of Power in European Affairs—Military Preparations Going on at Salonies —Mussulman Refugees Beg to Be Allowed to Leave Crete.

A despatch to the London times from Vienna says that the powers have practically agreed to blockade Crete in order to compel the retirement of the Greek troops from the island. No military operations will be undertaken, yet it is expected that the powers will send troops enough to relieve the foreign marines now in Crete, who will be needed on board the warships before the blockade begins.

The Athens correspondent of the London Times learns that when the Beys at Canca

Mussulmans at Candamo Colonel Vassos demanded a written understanding that the Mohammedans should desist from outrages on Christian property, that all Mohammedans at Candamo should be taken to Greece in Greek warships, and that the foreign admirals should pledge themselves not to hinder such a transfer.

Athens.—M. Skouzes, the Greek minister of foreign affairs, has cabled the thanks of

appealed to the Greek consulate to save the

the Greek government to the United States Senate for the resolution of sympathy recently adopted by that body. The Greek press recommends that foreign volunteers should await the formation of a

foreign legion before starting for Greece.

There is no cessation of military preparations at Salonica. Troops continue to arrive en route for Veria and Monastir. The authorities at Salonica and in the interior of Macedonia are making requisitions for large numbers of horses and mules, and they are compelling both Massulmans and Christians

to pay next year's taxes in advance.

CANEA, ISLAND OF CRETE.—The English consul, Sir Alfred Billiotti, who has returned to Suda Bay, reports that the conduct of the Cretan chiefs at Candamo was unexceptionable. They did their utmost, even risking their lives, in the attempt to restrain their men, but were unable to prevent some firing upon the refugees as these were embarking. A soldier and a civilian were wounded. The foreign warships returned the fire, killing four and wounding, sixteen insurgents.

Aithough assured of the promise given by the powers not to allow Mussulman Cretans anywhere on the island to attack Christians, the Mussulman refugees are begging to be allowed to emigrate on the ground that it is u safe for them to remain in Crete.

SENATORS APPOINTED.

Colonel John A. Renderson, of Floridz, and W. H. Corbett, of Oregon.

Governor Bloxham, of Florida, appointed Col. John A. Henderson, of Tailahassee, United States Senator to fill the vacancy pending an election by the Legislature, which will meet in April. Colonel Henderson is about fifty years old and for many years has been active and influential in Florida posities. He is a native of Georgia, but since he was the reconstruction period be was a recognized democratic leader in the State Senate He was defeated for Congress by his republican opponent in 1874. In 1877 he was appointed State's attorney and in 1881 was reappointed. For many years he has been vicepresident and general counsel of the Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad. He suceeeds Wilkinson Call as Senator.

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Salem, Ore.—Governor Lord has appointed H. W. Corbett United States Senator to fill the vacancy caused by the failure of the Legislature to elect at its recent session. Mr. Corbett represented Oregon in the United States Senate from 1866 to 1872. He is vice-president of the First National Bank of Portland, is a pronounced gold-standard advocate, is about sixty-six years old and has been a resident of Oregon more than thirty-five years. In the Senate he succeeds John

H. Mitchell. Washington, D. C .- It is considered probable that the decided opposition with which all efforts to seat the Senators appointed by the Governors of Kentucky and Oregon will be met may have the effect of arousing opposition also to the seating of Mr. Henderson, appointed by the Governor of Florida. Mr. Henderson's case is not at all simflar to the others. He is appointed because the Legislature of the State will not meet to elect a specessor to Senator Cell until April, while in the Kentucky and Oregon cases the Legislatures, after being in session failed to cleat. The republicans are considering the advisability of closing the doors to Mr. Henderson, but, as he will have only a few weeks to serve before the Legislature will elect, it is not likely the contention over the case will be either bitter or prolonged.

A PLUCKY WOMAN.

She Kills a Robber, Who Attacks Her

News from Apalachicoia, Fia., tells of tragedy in that town in which a lady bravely defended her husband.

William Hinzey is the tax collector of the city, and was kept out after dark in the performance of his duties. While returning ome a burly form was following closely upon his footsteps. Just as Mr. Hinzey reached his doorstep his pursuer sprang upon him. A lively struggle followed, but as Mr. Hinzey has only one leg and one of his hands is cut off at the wrist, the fight could not have lasted long but for the unexpected appearance of Mrs. Hinzey, who was attracted by the noise of the struggle and who, with rare presence of mind, seized a stout hickory stick and inflicted a blow across the head of her husband's assailant. which brought him to his knees, and left him

Officers came and took the prisoner to the guard house, where in a few hours afterward he was found lying stone-dead on the floor from the effect of the blow.

MRS. BEECHER PASSES AWAY.

Widow of the C-lebrated Divine Dies af Stamford, Conn.

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher died Monday, the tenth anniversary of the death of her famous husband. She was 85 years of age, Mrs. Beecher had been sinking steadily since Saturday noon, and, during the twenty-four hours preceding her demise, had been unconscious.

At the death bed were gathered the family of Rev. Samuel Scoville, including the clergyman, his wife, who is the daughter of Mrs. Beecher, and Mrs. Scoville's two children, and Mrs. Bullard, of Massachusetts, a niece of Mrs. Beecher.