BOSTON'S BIG LOSS.

Blizzard in That City More Destructive Than Fire.

MANY WERE DROWNED.

Wrecks Dot the Coast From Cape Ann to Cape Cod-The Loss to Property on Land by the Storm Was Tremendous-Horses Electrocuted in the Streets by Falling Trolley Wires.

A despatch from Boston, says:-At least twenty-one persons were drowned and \$2,000,000 loss was inflicted by the blizzard that swept over New England Monday night and Tuesday.

Four unidentified bodies lie in the coroner's office at Gloucester. Five more are in Lynn, brought over from Little Nahant, where the schooner Charles H. Briggs was wrecked. Twelve unidentified bodies are at Baker's Island, in Salem harbor. They, too, while in life, must have manned some of the schooners that were lost in Gloucester harbor. That there are others in the waters of the bay seems almost certain.

Wreckage is strewn up and down the coast from Cape Ann to Cape Cod. Thirty schooners were wrecked in Massachusetts bay.

On land the loss to property by the storm was tremendous. While many horses were killed in the streets of Boston, electrocuted by falling trolley wires, no human being was struck.

Twenty-four hours elapsed before direct telegraphic communication was restored between Boston and the remainder of the world.

The cost of the storm in Boston is estimated as follows:

Boston Elevated Railway Co., \$224,000; City of Boston, \$80,000; Western Union Telegraph Co., \$20,000; Postal Telegraph Co. \$10,000; Long Distance Telephone Co. \$5,000; New England Telephone Co., \$10, 000; Electric light companies, \$4.000; Fire losses, due to disabled equipment and defective wires, \$100,000; Steam railroads, damage to property and loss of income \$125,000; Loss to shipping interests about \$250,000; Loss to Boston's business interest. about \$600,000; total, about \$1,500,000.

Swept by a Huge Wave. The pilot-boat Varuna has arrived, after an awful experience in the storm, in which Capt. William H. Fairfield was severely injured. At 10 o'clock Monday night the Varuna put Pilot McMillan aboard the Cunard steamer Catalonia and then headed out into the bay. The southeasterly hurricane soon afterward swept over the bay and the pilot boat was tossed fearfully.

Captain Fairfield was the only pilot lef on the boat and he was standing in the cockpit aft. Suddenly and without warning a great wave swept over the Varuna's stern, throwing Captain Fairfield over the binnacle. He was nearly unconscious when picked up. Three of his ribs were broken and he was also hurt on the shoulder.

These Vessels Escaped. Among the other arrivals was the steamer Saturn, Captain Wiley, from Newport News, with the barge Lone Star in tow. After passing Highland Light Monday the vessel was sheltered under Race Point, where she remained during the blizzard and was uninared. Both the steamer and barge were heavily iceclad.

Gale and Snow at Vineyard Haven. The first information from Vineyard Haven since the storm was received Wednesday. It states that a violent easterly gale, with a relocity of 55 miles an hour, swept over that section Monday night and caused extremely aigh tide. Telegraph and telephone lines were prostrated and considerable damage was done along the water front. A fleet of ressels harbored at the Vineyard lay safely at their anchorage. The tug Ice King, with a wrecking scow and apparatus, was obliged to abandon the scow, which was left with iwo men on board. The fate of the men is anknown.

BOTH TRIED SUICIDE.

Double Attempt to End Life at Washington.

A dispatch from Washington, D. C., says: -The su'cidal mania attacked Walter Tayor, a Treasury clerk, and his 20-year-old daughter Lucy.

Miss Taylor has been in ill-health for some time past, and her illness assumed a suiciial form. About 1 o'clock in the morning she plunged through a window and fell into a snow-bank. She then ran terribly cut and pruised through the streets, and, after a baif-hour search, was found by a policeman. She was taken home, and it was then

found that during her absence her father and hanged himself by a rope attached to a boiler of a stove. Neither father nor daughter will die.

BURIED IN THE RUINS.

Explosion of a Digester Wrecks a Paper The three-story brick building of the

Park Paper Mills, at Marinette, Wis., was completely wrecked by the explosion of a ligester. One man, Peter Borst, was instantly killed.

Samuel Steffen was buried in the ruins and is probably dead. Louis Lefebre was fatally injured by falling debris. The explosion and collapse of the plant shook the city. Fumes of sulphur used in the manufacture

of paper made the work of rescue extremely bazardous and there is little doubt that Steffen has been smothered. The loss to the Marinette and Menominee Paper Company s about \$50,000.

QUICK TRAVEL TO KLONDIKE.

Completion of Aerial Railway Over the Chilkoot Pass.

Hugh C. Wallace, president of the Chilkoot Railroad and Transportation Company, at Tacoma, Wash., bas advices of the completion of the company's aerial railway over the Chilkoot Pass to Lake Linderman. This marks a new area from Klondike traval, as the time between tide water and the neadwaters of the Yukon River is shortened from a month to one day, besides removing the peril and hardships. The company made a contract with the Canadian government a afteen cents per pound for transportation of all its freight.

EARTHQUAKE-SHAKEN.

Great Distress Caused In Turkey-Many Fatalities Have Resulted. Violent earthquake shocks have been felt at Balikeer and around Brusa, in Asia

Numerous fatalities bays resulted, and great damage has been done.

The Suitan has subscribed £500 for the relief of the sufferers. He has dispatched a relief committee to the scenes of the diaster, and has ordered the Minister of Fito take steps to succor the injured.

THE NEWS.

The First Presbyterian Church in New Al bany, Ind., has been totally destroyed by

fire. Loss, \$50,000. Two laborers were fatally injured by the caving in of the walls of a sewer trench in

which they were, at Newark, N. J. United States District Judge De Haven has rendered an opinion which will have the effect of erecting another strong barrier against Chinese laborers and criminals. The opinion is to the effect that the action of the Collector of the Port is not even prima facie evidence of the right of a Chinese to land.

As a result of the trust recently formed prices of wires and nails are advancing. The McIntyre block in Winnipeg was destroyed by fire. The building was four stories, and contained some of the leading stores in the city. The total losses will be

in the neighborhood of \$500,000. A big three-story sulphite mill at Menominee, Mich., was blown to pieces by the explosion of one of the dijectors. Peter Borrst, engineer, was killed outright; Sam Steffen was fatally injured, and Louis Lefre had his skull fractured.

Ex-collector of Internal Revenue at San Francisco O. M. Welburn was indicted by the United States Grand Jury. Welburn is at large, and the indictment was placed upon the secret file so its contents cannot be made public.

Frank S. Wright shot and killed himself in Chicago when imprisonment for confessed embezziement stared him in the face. He had been married less than three weeks and bore a good reputation. Wright was collector for the F. H. Collier Publishing Com-

C. G. Hoyt, of the Fort Hall Indian Commission, has practically concluded a treaty for latest advices have it that twenty-two with the Bannock and Shoshone Indians for the sale of the Fort Hall reservation for \$525,000. Warrants have been issued from the Po

cisco druggists, charged with selling pills to be bogus. The complainant is a pill manufacturing company of New York.

The six-year-old daughter of A. Olivera, of Santa Monica, Cal., was bitten by a vicous dog over three weeks ago and died Tuesday, having shown every symptom of drowned, the chief engineer, three stokers hydrophobia.

Charles Zanoli, the New York barber who was suspected of having murdered his four wives and an employe, was indicted on charges of forgery and grand larceny. The even their clothing. Grand Jury did not investigate the charge of murder which was made against Zanoli in the Police Court.

Fire destroyed the factory of the Judd & Dunning Hat Company, at Bethel, Conn. W. H. Bird, about seventy years of age, former cashier of the Framingham Savings Bank of Massachusetts, was held for the grand jury on the charge of misappropriatng \$9,000 of the bank's funds.

The trouble between the union and nonunion mill operatives in New Bedford may cause the latter to break from the strikers and go to work.

The National Biscuit Company, a combi-

nation of all the biscuit and cracker companies, is now in operation. The railroad companies at Cincinnati have been swindled out of thousands of doi-

lars by bogus orders for pauper passes. Cowboy Doc Tanner was lynched by a party of Klondike miners for killing two of his companions. Residents of Elizabeth, N. J., have started

a movement to erect a monument to the nory of Gen. Winfield Scott, whose home was in Elizabeth from 1828 until bis death. Peter Busch, son of Adolphus Busch, the wealthy brewer of St. Louis, has gone to seek his fortune in Alaska. He is accom-

panied by C. E. Hodde, a coffee broker of Mrs. Margaret Wickliffe Preston, aged seventy-seven years, widow of Gen. William Preston, who was minister to Spain under President Buchapan, and a distinguished soldier in two wars, died in Lexington, Ky. Mrs. William F. Draper, wife of the United

Attorney General Griggs sent in his resignation as governor to the New Jersey legislature, and President Voorhees, of the Senate, will take the oath as his successor.

States ambassador to Italy, is her daugh-

The International Paper Company, a combination of nearly all the big firms in the country, was incorporated at Albany, N. Y. with a capital of \$45,000,000. A suit in which prominent silver men are

interested was begun in the court at Pontiac, Mich., to test the constitutionality of the Bland-Allison silver act.

Five thousand operatives of the Atlantic and Pacific Cotton Mills, at Lawrence, steam vessels. Mass., accepted the ten per cent. reduction in wages.

R. S. Ogden, a merchant of Sandis, W. Va., and his son, George, were arrested on a charge of forgery.

The locomotive of a freight train exploded near Helena, W. Va., killing the engineer and fireman. General Harris M. Plaisted, ex-governor

of Maine, died at Bangor. Some idea of the attention that the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad is now paying to its passenger traffic may be gained from the fact that during the past 18 months nearly 800 passenger cars received thorough and ordinary repairs, 669 being repainted. Nearly all of the equipment is now Royal Blue, and most of it is equipped with Pintsch gas, the Pintsch light being used on

local as well as through trains. NEW INVENTIONS.

In a new scrubbing brush the handle is made hollow to hold water which can be discharged in small quantities through a soap compartment to the floor by turning It provides an appropriation of \$45,000 for with the opening leading to the soap chamber, the latter being perforated on the under side to discharge the fluid to the bristles.

Needle baths can be taken in ordinary bathtubs by using a newly-designed discharge pipe, which is of spiral shape and has perforations on the front side, the device being mounted on the wall of the bathroom and connected to the water pipe by a rubber hose to throw jets of water into the

To preserve perishable articles in bottles a newly patented apparatus has a nozzle through which air is exhausted from the absence. bottle, with a tube loosely fixed in the suction pipe. A plunger inside has sealing ma- General of the Army was placed on the reterial at the end, which drops as soon as the tired list by operation of law on account of exhaustion of air is completed and seals the

Flies are killed by a new trap, which has a flat board, on which sugar or molasses is placed, a spring board being suspended above it and released automatically by a clock mechanism to fall on the bottom board and catch the insects, after which the clock raises the board again and holds it long enough to allow more flies to gather on the board.

Found Frozen to Death. J. J. Korns, aged thirty, a prominent druggist, was found dead at South Portsmouth, O., having frozen to death.

TWENTY-TWOGODOWN

Loss of the Steamer Channel Queen Off Guernsey.

DIE IN THEIR BERTHS.

Rocks Were Sighted Too Late to Save the Vessel-Survivors Were Taken Off with Ropes-Escape of the Crew-The Captain the Last to Leave-Fishermen

Make Gallant Rescues. A cablegram from Plymouth, Eng., says:

one of the worst shipwrecks known in this vicinity in many years occurred Tuesday morning.

It is known that at least twenty-two lives vere lost. The mail steamer Channel Queen, plying

between this port and the Island of Jersey, was the vessel lost. The captain was saved. The Channel Queen struck on the rocks

during a fog and sank. The disaster occurred off the Island of

iuernsey. At first it was reported that therty lives had been lost. Later in the day the owners of the Channel Queen announced that out of sixty-five

persons on board of her when she struck only two are known to have drowned. Still later, however, the news of the very slight loss of life turned out to be incorrect,

lives were lost.

The Channel Queen's engines were reersed, when the rocks were seen, but it was then too late. The first boatload lice Courts for the arrest of forty San Fran- reached land and sought help of the fishernen, who made gallant recues, although under counterfeit labels, which they knew the heavy sea prevented their boat from approaching the wreck. The survivors had to be dragged by ropes through the sea to the rescuing boats. The captain was the last to leave the wreck.

The latest report is that twenty-two were and eighteen passengers, including fourteen onion sellers, who were drowned in their cabins when the seas swamped the vessel. The rescued passengers lost everything,

SLAUGHTERED HIS FAMILY.

Arkansas Farmer Kills Parents and Son and Wounds Wife and Others.

One of the most horrible crimes ever perpetrated in Arkansas took place in Franklin county. Soi. F. Autrey, a farmer, accompanied by his family, went early Thursday morning to visit his aged father and mother, living near Mulberry.

Shortly after his arrival Autrey became enraged in a religious argument with the old folks. Suddenly he grasped an iron bar, killed his aged father, mother and ten-yearold son, and seriously wounding his wife and three remaining children, two of whom are not expected to live. His wife and eldest daughter, although badly hurt, managed to notify the neighbors. When they reached the house they found Autrey a raving maniac with his clothing on fire. He was overpowered after a hard struggle.

The sight that met the neighbors' gaze was appailing. The three dead the crary man lay on the floor being burned and mangled almost beyond recognition.

Death of a Spanish Chancellor.

Manuel De Tornos, chancellor of the Spanish consulate general in New York, died in Bloomfield, N. J., after an ilineas of two weeks, aged thirty-six years. Recently he wrote a book on Spanish tariffs and custom house regulations, which proved of great value to the Spanish and American merchants.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

The House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries favorably reported the Senate bill authorizing the licensing of

mates on river and ocean steamers. Secretary Long has sent to the House for inclusion in the naval appropriation bill an estimate of \$6,500 for a hospital for contagious diseases at the naval station at Newport.

Senator Frye was authorized by the Senate Committee on Commerce to make a favorable report on the bill providing for lieensing second and third mates on sea-going

Secretary Bilss sent to Congress a report of the Dawes Commission, holding that the Mississippi Chocatows, under their treaties are not entitled to all the Choctaw citizenship rights except an interest in the Choctaw annuities.

Secretary Bliss has sent to the Public Lands Committees of the Senate and the House a bill prepared by Col. Young, the acting superintendent of the Yellowstone National Park for an extension of the limits of that reservation by about 3,000 square

The Secretary of the Navy has sent to Congress additional deficiency estimates for an appropriation of \$18,400 for the removal of construction and repair tools, &c. from building No. 14, in the Brooklyn Navy Yard, which is reported in a dangerous condi

Senator Allen's proposed amendment to the Indian appropriation bill, providing for a Congress of Indian tribes next fall at the Omaha exposition, was favorably reported the service.

The Senate Committee on Commerce authorized the reporting of a bill, in accordance with the recommendation of the Treasury Department, establishing a steamboat inspectors' district for Alaska. The purpose of the measure is to insure the inspection of vessels on the Yukon River.

The Ericsson has sailed from Mobile for Key West, The Aiert has arrived at San Juan del Sur. Lieut, L. L. Reamey and Lieut. G. T. Lo-

gan have been granted two months' leave of Gep. George H. Weeks, Quartermaster

Senator Carter, who is a member of the sub-committee on Alaska for three different committees of the Senate, has prepared and introduced a bill to amend an act providing a civil government for Alaska.

The minority report of elections committee No. 1 on the contested election case of William F. Aldrich vs. Thomas S. Plowman. in the Fourth Alabama District, was made to the House Thursday. The majority un-seated Plowman. It claims that Plowman was elected by over 2,000 votes. The minority report is signed by Messrs. Bartlett, Fox and Settle.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Turkish troops tried to enforce the payment of taxes at Lazarina, but the peasants resisted with firearms, and a regular battle followed.

In an engagement between Spanish forces, commanded by Gen. Luque, and the insurgents in the Mejla district of Cuba two Spanish officers, including a son of the general, were wounded.

The British forces had an encounter with the tribesmen near Shinksmer, Indiana, and suffered serious losses, including the killing of several officers.

Chinese officials say that Russia warned China that if Kiao Chou were granted to Germany, Russia would demand Ta Lien Wan or Port Arthur.

Consul General Lee gave a banquet at the Havana Yacht Club-house to the officers of the warship Maine.

Ma. Gladstone has again been suffering with neuralgia. Jules Emile Pean, the French surgeon, is

Rev. George H. Hepworth, in a letter from Asiatic Turkey, gives an interesitng interview with an Armenian on the troubles of his race.

The Spanish authorities say that the diary of Arenguren, the young insurgent leader who was killed, shows that he ordered the execution of Colonel Ruiz, of General Blanco's staff, who went to him with terms for

The minister of marine at Ottawa is taking steps to form a force of Canadian naval militia for service on the Great Lakes.

Canadian bicycle manufacturers have asked the government at Ottawa to impose a duty of \$9 on each bicycle imported from the United States. The birthday of Emperor William was

more generally celebrated than usual in Germany. A majority of the striking British en-

gineers have voted to accept the terms of the employers. M. Paul Felix Taillade, the well-known and veteran French actor, is dead.

Storms and heavy snows have caused many wrecks in the Black sea. A revolution is threatented in Salvador owing to financial troubles and misrule. Four banks in San Salvador have failed. A Madrid newspaper says United States Minister Woodford's house will be kept un-

der surveillance. It is reported that an attempt will be made to repeal the contract labor law in Hawaii. All the American planters are said to favor repeal.

A German and a Brttish warship arrived at Havana. The Spanish government has decided to send the battleship Vizcaya, a larger vessel than the Maine, to visit United

States ports. The British gunboat Lapwing has seized a cargo of arms off the Arabian coast, which are supposed to have been intended for the ivaurgents of Baluchistan.

GREAT BOND SALES.

More Than \$90,000,000 Worth Bought in One City.

A despatch from New York says: More than \$90,000,000 of Government, State and railroad bonds have been sold during this month, compared with \$38,138,000 for the same month last year. This is the highest

monthly record ever known here. There was much investment in the of the reorganized railroads, such as Union Pacific, Atchison, Northern Pacific, St. Louis and San Francisco, Kansas Pacific

consols and Erie. Bankers on being asked why bonds are so active and money at the banks so cheap, reply that money is pouring into New York from all parts of the country so freely there will be no better money rate. It is expected that bonds for investment will continue active.

CALIFORNIA'S JUBILEE.

An Electric Flash Across the Continent

Opens a Fair in San Francisco. A State mining fair, which was opened at Mechanics' Pavilion, is one of the most interesting expositions ever seen in this State. It is held in celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the discovery of gold in Cali-

Among the exhibits is a perfect miniature of the North Bloomfield mine, the largest hydraulic mine in the world. Another equally interesting exhibit is a tunnel with a representation of underground quartz and drift mining.

Visitors can also see a quicksilver lake, in which different metals are floating. Nearly all mining machinery is represented, and the different counties of the State have remarkable exhibits of ores.

AMMUNITION FOUND WORTHLESS

Filmsy Shrapnel Said to Have Been Furnished by a Washington Company. Tests of shrapnel shots furnished to the United States Army have been made by Lieut. E. B. Babbitt, of Benecia arsenal. California. Twenty-six shells were fired, and 50 per cent, of the ammunition was found to be wholly worthless. The flimsy shrapnel was furnished by an ordnance company of Washington. All shells fused by electricity were excluded from the twenty-

six rounds selected by Lieut. Babbit. BLOCKADES IN THE WEST.

Furious Storms in Michigan, Wisconsin

and Indiana. Reports from various towns in Michigan, Northwestern Wisconsin and Northern Indiana tell of a severe blizzard which raged in that section of the country. The wind olew a gale, and buge snow drifts piled in the highways. All trains were more or less delayed, and in some towns street railway traffic has been entirely suspended. The report from Marquette, Mich., states that the storm on the lake was fearful.

Prior to the sailing of the first-class armored crusier Vizcaya from Carthagena for the United States the admiral made a speech to the crew, during which he said: "You are charged with a mission of

This announcement was greeted with cheering, and the other ships in the harbor and the crowds of people on the quays also heered for Spain.

Divided as to Sunday Mail. There is a lively contest on at the peace ful town of New Market, Tenn., whose postmaster has been opening the office on Sunday. Some of the preachers object and have delivered sermons dwelling upon the

Preferred Death to Disgrace. Frank S. Wright shot and killed himself at Chicago when imprisonment for confessed embezzlement stared him in the face. He had been married less than three weeks and had borne a good reputation.

SPAIN'S BIG BURDEN. THE KEYSTONE STATE.

Two Years of War in Cuba Cost Her \$240,000,000.

MAIL TAMPERED WITH.

Letters From the United States Habitually Opened and Newspapers are Frequently Undelivered-The Autonomic Government Accused of Using the Election Machinery for Its Own Purposes.

The cost of the Cuban war from Febru-

ary, 1895, to the end of 1897 is officially estimated in Madrid at \$240,000,003, besides the arrears due from the Cuban treasury, amounting to \$40,000,000. The Imparcial complains that the commercial negotiations between Spain, Cuba, and the United States are being intrusted

to Senor de Lome, the Spanish Minister at

Washington, and urges the government to appoint experts to examine the terms of the treaty on Spain's behalf. Mail matter in the Havana postoffice continues to be tampered with. There are eighteen extra men on duty opening letters and reading newspapers before delivery. While European mail matter gets through all right, correspondence from the United States, especially from Tampa and Key West, is most carefully examined. Letters from Madrid to members of the opposition party are opened. The delivery of the mail

is habitually delayed several days. Newspapers are held much longer, and are often not delivered at all. In many cases, letters and valuable packages fail to reach their destination, the failure causing severe loss. It is reported that this system of inspection was prompted by Dr. Jose Congosto, the Secretary of the government.

Discontent Among the Cubans. Great discontent exists among the Cubans, as most of them want to be in the government employ, and there are not situations enough for all. The number of malcontents is steadily increasing. La Discusion, in its leading editorial charges the Cubans with preferring government office to agriculture or commerce; and it points out that the ountries which are foremost in civilization are "those which prefer industrial, commercial, and agricultural enterprises to the corrupt situations of government employes."

Conservatives are more and more disgusted with the political doings of a government which is cutting them out of public office and which in other ways is so utilizing the election machinery as to keep them from winning the next elections. They persist, therefore, in keeping away from election booths. Moreover they feel confident that the present autonomic legislation will soon fail completely, owing to the inability of the present autonomic leaders properly to insure the stability of public in-

La Lucha in a leading editorial which appeared last Saturday and has since been reproduced ingeniously, criticises Capt. Gen. Blanco's declaration at Manzanillo that peace would be reestablished in Cuba very shortly. The authorities have prohibited the further reproduction of the editorial. Gen. Blanco's Expected Return.

Capt. Gen. Blanco's expected early turn is diversely commented upon. While some believe he will return with his steamer Mortera loaded with rebels who have surrendered and rebel arms that have been delivered up, others are sure that he will return alone, utterly downcast at his failure to bribe Gen. Calixto Garcia, Gen. Jesus

Rabi, and the other insurgent leaders in the east.

La Discusion prints the following: "The scenes witnessed at the residence of Dr. Castro Jesus del Monte, previous to the distribution of food to the reconcentrados, are too pathetic to be fully described. As soon as the doors were opened a mass of beggary, living skeletons of all races, all ages, and both sexes, invaded the places where food was to be distributed, with outstretched hands almost fleshless, imploring alms, a frightful animation filling their spectral faces at the sight of food. Many were not strong enough even to endure the food, and fell in the streets as they turned away; a few others, more fortunate, perhaps, seemed to regain some vitality. This painful scene is daily witnessed wherever food is distributed to the reconcentrades.

stroyed a pontoon railroad line near San Felipe, province of Havana.

The insurgents have dynamited and de-

ABOUT NOTED PROPLE. The recent appearance of Speaker Reed in the House lobby smoking a Wheeling "stogie" illustrates the extent to which that plebeian production of the American tobacco manufacturer has made its way into "polite

One hundred and seven witnesses were summoned to appear in the Court of Common Pleas at Ravenna, O., in the case wherein Mary Ellen Rogers sued Volney Rogers for a divorce on the grounds that having lived with her 40 years, he never took her anywhere, not even to church.

Rev. W. H. Morrison, pastor of a Universalist church in Manchester, N. H., has voluntarily relinquished \$500 of his \$2,000 annual salary, because of the cut-down of 10 per cent, in the wages paid at the mills and the consequent hard times in the parish and the town. The church gratefully accepted the offer.

Mme, Verdi's will has just been proved at Rome. The deceased lady saved a modest fortune before her marriage to Verdi, and while she was still a popular operatic prima donna. Of this about \$7,500 now goes to build a hospital at Villanova, and the balance in smaller sums is devoted to various charities

Rev. A. T. Porter, D. D., has resigned the rectorship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Charleston, S. C., which he has beld for forty-four years. It is related that he preached his first sermon to a few on January 8, 1854, in a long, narrow room, with a few bare benches, without carpet, not a sash in the windows, and without a stove, George Byron and "Bud" Tennyson live near the thriving settlement of High Gap, Ga. Strangely enough they got into an argument on a literary subject the other day,

after 17 hotly-contested rounds, Byron knocked Tennyson out. Truman H. Handy, the banker of Cleveland, who has just celebrated his 91st birthday, loaned \$2,500 to John D. Rockefeller

and it was decided they should fight it out. Both men put up a good fight, but finally,

when the latter started in business. Mrs. Susan E. Wattles, who has just died in Kansas, was the widow of Augustus Wattles, the close friend and coworker of John Brown in the "underground railway." There is a movement on foot in Hartford. Conn., to erect a suitable monument to the memory of Henry Clay Work, the author of "Marching Through Georgia,"

Latest News Gleaned from Various Parts of the State.

LARGE COAL SALES.

Great Rush for Unsold Land in Fayette County-Boys of Tender Years Confess to Robbery in Altoona-Clinton Concern Organizes With \$125,000 Capital-Other Live News.

Some large coal sales are reported in the Monongahela River region. The latest purchases were made by the Tide Coal Company from Harvey J. Steele and Joseph S. Elliott, each selling about 160 acres at \$135. Henry Floersheim, the Pittsburg coal operator recently purchased 550 acres in the same field. There is a rush on for the unsold coal of Fayette county, and it is estimated that two or three million dollars worth will be sold this year. Within the last year much of the coal along the Monongahela River, between Brownsville and Point Marion, has

been bought up. George Wilkins, aged 9, William Wilkins, aged 10, and Louis Levi, aged 11 years, were arrested in Altoona charged with a number of robberies. Saturday night the boys robbed the Union News Company's office and Sunday night they broke open the money drawer in the long distance telephone at the Logan House, and extracted

the money. At a hearing the boys confessed their guilt and were sent to jail. The Clinton County Fire Brick Company has been organized at Lock Haven with \$125,000 capital, to erect extensive fire brick works at Millhall, which will give employment to a large number of hands. The company owns 1,240 acres of land at Monument, 16 miles from Millhall, where the clay will be obtained. At the head of the enterprise are Moore Fredericks, R. W. Fredericks, A. Monro, of Lock Haven and J. G.

Calvert, of Jersey Shore. Messrs, Muir & Co., of Reading, have located a large nickel-plating establishment in Lebanon. Machinery and equipment was placed in position and operations will commence as soon as possible. A number of ex-

pert men will be employed. As the result of an incendiary fire a child of Mrs. Susan Moody, of Pittsburg, is likely to die. The fire broke out early in the morning, and all of the family of seven escaped injury except one. The child had been left asleep on the second floor. A brother of Mrs. Moody ran back to rescue the child, and found the bed on which it was lying burning flercely. In some manner the door of the room was closed and the rescuer was forced to wrench off the lock before he could escape. He managed to reach the street with the child, and then fel! on the sidewalk. The child was so badly burned that it will not survive. John Fietcher, the man suspected of having set

fire to the Moody house, was arrested. Deputy Coroner Lewis Brown, of Cressona, is investigating the mysterious death of John Begley, a shoemaker, of that place. Last week Begley and his wife had a quarrel, during which, it is alleged, Mrs. Begley seized a poker and dealt her husband a vicon the head, inflicting a terrible gash. A physician was summoned and the injury was dressed. The doctor, not thinking the wound serious did not visit his patient regularly. When he did call, to his surprise and horror, he found Begley's dead body behind the stove and the woman sitting beside it. The doctor says that the man had been dead at least forty-eight hours. Begley was about sixty-five years of age, and at one time held the position of

shoemaker at the almshouse. The Westinghouse Company, Pittsburg. shipped to Alaska electrical machinery and other supplies to be used in the construction of a wire tramway through Chilkoot Pass. It will take several weeks for the machinery to reach its destination, and it is expected by that time that the builders of the tram-

way will be able to begin the work. Associate Judge C. G. Murphy, of Centralia, was thrown violently from his sleigh and so badly injured that he died an hour after being conveyed to his home. Judge Murphy and his daughter, Miss Mary, started from their home about 3 o'clock in the afternoon for a sleigh ride to Mt. Carmel. While driving along the road a snow sweeper on the traction line frightened the horse and it ran away. During the animal's mad flight. the sleigh was overturned and the occupants thrown violently out. The Judge's head struck against a stone, fracturing his skull. Miss Murphy was painfully bruised, but not seriously injured. Judge Murphy was a prominent Columbia County citizen, having been Associate Judge of that county the past

ten years. Enterprising French Village.

In the commune of Monceau-sur-Oise. not far from Paris, a little village of only 250 inhabitants, the streets are lighted by electricity, electric lights are found in the church, in all the bouses and even in the stables, and the farm buildings in the neighborhod of the village are illuminated in the same manner. More than this, the commune possesses a large thrashing machine driven by electric power and capable of thrashing 900 sheaves of grain per hour, besides turnip cutters, crushers, sorters, pumps and other agricultural machinery, all set in motion by electricity. The power is derived from a waterfall and by combining their interests the inhabitants of the commune have made science illuminate their streets and houses at night and drive their machines by day more cheaply than these things could be done by the old methods.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Spitzbergen Hotel. The hotel recently erected in Spitzbergen is thus described: Built in Norwegian style, it has a large hall, and a quantity of smaller rooms, with thirty beds. It is also provided with a book for visitors' names, among which may now be seen those of Sverdrup, Fulda, Prince Hohenlohe-Schillingsfuerst, E. Vely, and others. The climate of Spitzbergen is said to have the most favorable influence on persons suffer-

ing from chest diseases. Two Grand Divisions. Teacher-How many divisions of mankind are there?

Bobby-My paw says it is divided into the people who earn a living without getting it, and those who get a living without earning it.-Cincinnati