RIOTING AT HAZLETON

Mob Forms Cordon to Prevent Collieries Starting.

STRIKERS ATTACK NON-UNION MEN.

Strikers Gathered From All Parts of the Region on the Roads Leading to the Mine to Frustrate the Plans of the Company for a Partial Resumption of Operation With a Non-union Force of 250 Hands.

Hazleton, Pa. (Special).-The most turbulent scene that has occurred during the anthracite strike in this vicinity took o'clock a. m. Rumors were current for to open the Cranberry and No. 40 collieries. Both are practically in the heart of the city.

About midnight strikers began to gather on the streets, and at 5 o'clock and at Nahant. a. ni. 5000 miners had formed a cordon about both the Cranberry and No. 40 colliery yards. This demonstration either forestalled the attempt to open or the rumors that operations would be commenced were false, for only a few nonunionists, about 40 in all, appeared at

These men were set upon by the strikers, were beaten with clubs and driven back. A number of them were kidnapped by strikers, and their present whereabouts are unknown. The most serious feature of the demonstration occurred when August Scheuch, a foreman, while attempting to rescue his son from the mob, was seized, stabbed, beaten to the ground and stamped upon by unknown parties. Scheuch was work. taken to the Hazleton Hospital, where he now lies in a serious condition. The physicians there discovered internal injuries which, they think, will cause the foreman's death.

The mob would have killed him had it not been for the timely interference of a party of citizens, who caught the wounded man up from the ground and ran with him to a place of safety. It is believed that several of the non-unionists who were kidnapped are also badly hurt. No shots were fired. The strikers used clubs and sticks as weapons.

AN AX TRUST IS PLANNED.

Grindstones, Too, Included in this New Projected Combine.

Louisville (Special)—The Times says: "Charles D. Gates, president and general manager of the Turner, Day & ber 22. Woolworth Handle Company, has just It is estimated that 5,000 policemen through a hose furnished with a nozzle returned from New York, where he con- are guarding the idle collieries in the similar to a garden hose. ferred with the capitalists who are pro- Pennsylvania anthracite region. tories in this country and Canada, the didate for Congress in that city ment

Plans for the formation of the trust crease in wages to its employees. the larger plants. Men of great wealth comment is caused. company. An offer of \$1,000,000 has fessed his crime. been made for the Turner, Day & Wool-

Socialist Town Burns.

Waycross, Ga. (Special).-The principal part of Ruskin, a little town seven miles west of Waycross, was burned.

. The town was formerly the home of of Socialists from Tennessee. It is now owned by J. G. Steffes and two other former members of the "common" order. The large building used as a hotel and officers' headquarters of the Company in London. Chairman New- sador at Madrid, succeeding M. Pate-Socialist colony, one store, the post bon said he hoped Milford would be-notre, office buildings and a residence were burned. There were no facilities for Canadian fast mail service. fighting the fire in the town, and no contents.

President to Lant Bears."

Asheville, N. C. (Special)-When September he will be given a bear hunt in the North Carolina mountains under the leadership of "Big Tom" Wilson, who lives in the shadow of Mount Mitchell, the highest peak east of the Rockies, and who found the body of the celebrated geologist, Professor Mitchell, who was killed and for whom the mountain was named. Wilson is said to be the champion bear hunter of the State, and is making extensive preparations for a chase with the President.

Firemen Injured in a Blaze.

New York (Special)-Two firemen a state of panic, and damage to the will shortly be named. amount of \$50,000 was done in a fire | The Pope is reported to be alarmed parachute refusing to open. Perfecta Packing Case Company, on to support any aggressive policy in op-Banks was severely burned about the the Law of Associations. ond floor, and rescued.

Molineux's Father Confident.

L. Molineux, whose son, Roland B. Molineux, is in the Tombs awaiting his

The hodies of two Englishmen and The "Angel" Was Only Hun second trial for the murder of Mrs. two guides were found near the summit Katharine J. Adams, says he has new of the mountains near Grindiswald, named Perkins, an alleged Divine healevidence, which will result in the young Switzerland. They had attempted to er and prophet, who has been posing sion at Mystic City, Ct. man's acquittal. General Molineux has ascend the Wetterhorn. played the part of a detective, and has worked up the evidence through which. United States Minister that all pending he says, he will establish the innocence claims would be settled, and begged the of his son beyond the shadow of a Minister to resume his friendly rela-

Sheriff's Wife Was Brave.

Des Moines, Iowa. (Special.)-A munity of convicts, following a series of at- gone. tempts to escape within the past week, two of which were successful, occurred Winkle of the market, has been awak- Works, owned by Senator W. A. Clark, for making moonshine whisky, was too in the county jail at Centreville. In the melee Sheriff Davis was seriously wounded, and it was only through the bravery of the Sheriff's wife and Deputy Bevington that the prisoners were ty Bevington that the prisoners were the successful, occurred to the county jail at Centreville. In the ened.

Was destroyed by fire. The fire originated at Furnace No. 1, and was caused by the rooof caving in. The loss will amount to \$30,000, on which there is insurance for one-half. The loss of the county jail at to be taken into the county j prevented from escaping. Mrs. Davis quarterly dividend of 1 3-4 per cent. on reverberatory will necessitate the clossoft the Robbery is the assigned cause. of Bevington, who was armed with a revolver, drove the convicts back to their declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1-4 and men will be thrown out of work for ed for the purpose of effecting the ascells and restored order.

SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS.

Domestic.

The Ohio legislature is in special Over 150,000 Persons Cheer Chief Exesession at Columbus to enact new charters for cities and towns because of the Supreme Court of the state declaring

old charters void. Two firemen were injured and a panic caused among employes of the Per-fecta Packing Case Company in New York by a fire that also caused a loss of \$50,000.

Mrs. Marie Antoinette Hopkins, widow of Edward A. Hopkins, former minister to Argentine Republic, was killed

by a street car in St. Louis. From an authoritative source it is learned that if General Miles goes to the Philippines it will be with the auplace between the hours of 5 and 7 thority and approval of the President. a week that an attempt would be made biennial convention of the Brotherhood At the City Hall an especially elaboof Locomotive Firemen at Chattanooga, Tenn., September 8.

President Roosevelt made a speech in Boston on the trust question. He was given a hearty welcome at Lynn

The First National Bank at Aberdeen, S. D., was robbed of \$3,800 by burglars. The retail price of hard coal in New

York is \$12.50 per ton. The Transmississippi Congress, in session in St. Paul, Minn., passed a resolution stating that the wealth of the entire country will be concentrated in the hands of a few people if formation of trusts is permit-

ted to continue. Charges of violating the Immigration Laws have been made against Senor Degatau, Porto Rican commissioner to the United States. He has been advertising for natives of Porto Rico to go to the United States to study and

One man was killed and a score or more persons were injured in a cable- cheering broke out afresh as the Presibecame unmanageable and ran down a brief, and at its conclusion he was es- of the men and failed, and that all the the bottom

Mayor Knight, of Buffalo, has issued a proclamation suggesting that memorial services be held in that city on Sunday. September 14: the first anniversary the death of President McKinley. In New York the directors of the Southern Railway passed the dividend on the preferred stock. Holders of that and of common stock want period

of voting trust extended. Rev. James K. Hazen, secretary of publication of the Southern Presby ing in the Ontario and Western car great naval war game was completed tions.

ome, Bon Air, Va. Burrell Thompson, for assaulting a woman, was sentenced to be hanged

plants to be operated under one manage. The Union and Consolidated Traction Company of Chicago offers an inhave been perfected and arrangements Gambling places in Richmond, Va., seize the nozzle for his use, and Cook Americans was complete, in that a su- to the ranks of the nobility by stating

Foreign.

Notwithstanding the failure of the Postoffice Department will establish an the author of several English books, of Salem harbor when he was located. independent service.

ed the magistrate in whose jurisdiction time in Paris. M. Jusserand has been the "Ruskin Commonwealth," a colony the English and Austrian missionaries prominently connected with the movewere recently killed at Chenchou, and ment for the development of athletic troops have been sent there to restore sports in France. It is said on good

come the terminal port of the Anglo-

The Cologne Gazette, a mouthpiece cates the intervention in Venezuela of train, south-bound, heavily laden with either the United States, Germany or

France. The Chinese commissioners of Shang-President Roosevelt visits Asheville in hai have accepted substitution of speentering China.

The Shah of Persia bade farewell to England and has gone to Paris, where he will spend to days incognito.

Sir Thomas Lipton narrowly escaped serious injury by his automobile running into an iron railing near London. The machine was wrecked and he was had a close call in an automobile

wreck The Vatican authorities have comwere injured, two women rescued, 30 pleted the collection of documents bearor 40 employes driven to the street in ing upon the friar lands for the use of of both legs. He may recover. Sartell's

which broke out in the plant of the over the refusal of the French bishops Fourteenth street. Fireman Joseph H. position to the rigid enforcement of

head and Thomas Leonard was cut by Admiral von Diedrichs, whose expefalling glass. Mrs. Barnes, wife of the rience with Admiral Dewey in Manila An examination of Kohlbasse's acpresident, was found sleeping in the Bay gained him world-wide notoriety. family's living apartments, on the sec- has resigned his post as chief of staff of the Germon Navy.

The bodies of two Englishmen and

tions.

Financial. Morgan is home, but Schwab has

Lehigh Navigation, the Rip Van

per cent., payable September 16.

THE PRESIDENT AT LYNN

cutive of Nation.

FACTORIES, SHOPS AND STORES CLOSE.

At the City Line the President Was Met by Mayor Shepherd and a Committee and Escorted to the City Hall By Two Companies of the Militia and One of the Naval Brigade-Streets of City Thronged.

Lynn, Mass. (Special).-Thousands came into Lynn from all the surrounding country to welcome President Roosevelt. Lynn has taken on gala at-President Roosevelt will attend the tire and all was in readiness by noon. made, and in front a stand tastefully cuss possibilities. trimmed was in place, from which the President was to speak,

Soon after 3 o'clock Mayor Shepherd. Alderman Eastham and William A. Willey, president of the Common Council, drove to the boundary line between Lynn and Nahant, where they met the President and his party as they came from Nahant. There was a rapid change of carriages, the Mayor entering that of the President in place of J. L. Wilson of the Nahant Select Men, who took Mayor Shepherd's seat, and the

march was taken up to the City Hall. Factories, shops and stores generally people lined the way, and the cheering seemed continuous.

the platform out over the throng. The the train for Boston.

COMPRESSED AIR KILLED HIM.

in a Strange Way.

Binghamton, N. Y. (Special)-John Reap is under arrest, charged with killing Elmer Cook, a fellow workman, by means of compressed air.

Reap is a New York machinist, workpowerful pump for compressing air. The men about the factory have been accus-The air is conveyed from the tank Sunday morning.

moting a \$25,000,000 trust to take in Rev. Dr. Morgan Wood, of Cleve- labor, took the nozzle to dust off his been figuring since noon Wednesday, Spanish prestige in Latin America. The all the ax, handle and grindstone fac- land, declines to be a Democratic can- clothes. The air was turned on slightly thus closed as every patriotic American King has instructed the representatives already have been made to take over are being raided so frequently that no objected. He is then said to have perior force was opposed to the enemy snatched the nozzle from Cook, and, are interested in the project, which is to be financed by a big New York trust at Emporia, Va., for murder. He con- on the full force of the compressed air.

His Wife An American.

His wife, who was Miss Richards, is an The Chinese government has remov- American, and has resided for a long authority that M. Cambon, now at At a meeting of the Milford Docks Washington, will be appointed Ambas-

Many Lives in Danger.

Fort Scott, Kan. - (Special) .- A San passengers, was derailed at Edwards Junction, near this city, while running at a speed of 30 miles an hour. Someone had driven a spike between the cific for ad valorem duties on imports switch rails and opened the switch half The engineer and fireman were way. injured, but none of the passengers was hurt. The engine was derailed and the baggage car was thrown across the The Boer generals have decided to tracks, but the coaches and Pullmans abolish the Transvaal legation in Brus- remained on the rails.

Aeronaut's Terrible Fall.

his balloon his parachute failed to open. ing." inches and there was compound fracture

Mint-Weigher a Suicide.

New Orleans, La. (Special).-Henry States Mint, committed suicide here weighs 430 pounds. counts resulted in a statement by Superintendent Southern that here was a shortage of \$775. The Government is Sir Robert Bond, the premier and co-lonial secretary of Newfoundland, sail-taking of stock has been going on at Catalina Island. protected by a bond for \$10,000. The fully used for commercial purposes to New York (Special)-Gen, Edward ed for the United States to reopen ne- the mint for some time, preliminary to

The "Angel" Was Only Human.

Texarkana, Ark. (Special).-A man to \$9 per ton. for the past 10 days as an angel of Christ, whom he declared would ap- tional given 30 minutes to leave town.

A Thousand Men Made Idle.

Butte, Mont. (Special)-The Rever- Day beratory building of the Butte Reduction ing of the smelter and theree mines American Railways directors have which supplied it with ore. One thous-I two months.

MITCHELL SEES NO RAY.

Hasn't Heard of Any Plan for Ending Strike-Arbitration Talk.

Wilkesbarre, Pa. (Special)-Accordng to President John Mitchell, who just returned here from Chicago, there is no foundation for reports that he is to see J. P. Morgan in an effort to have the coal strike settled by the intervention of the great financier, nor does he know of any effort to settled it either by arbitration or any other means of that

nature. He was asked: "Do you intend to go to see Mr. Morgan in New York or elsewhere?" 'No, I do not know that I shall go to see him," he replied in the manner of one qualifying his direct "No" by jured.
a thought that if Mr. Morgan sent for The rate display of bunting and flags was say this, however, and would not dishim he might reconsider it. He did not

> any under way for a committee to see "I know of none," he replied. "There has been much talk of arbi-

tration since you were away. Is there any plan for accomplishing it?" No plan of any sort regarding which am aware. When asked if he would go to see

Senator Quay or Penrose and discuss a right leg. plan of arbitration with them he said: posed to them or what they are doing. sumption of work."

with the soft coal operators to deduct death car accident in Kansas City. The car dent arose to speak. His address was the strike assessment from the wages clared this absurd in every particular. wreck, 'The miners," he said, firm now as the first day they went on Fellow-Workman Accused of Causing Death strike. I am just as confident as ever, too, that we are going to win.'

A GLORIOUS VICTORY.

the War Game.

Rockport, Mass. (Special).-The terian General Assembly, died at his shops at Norwich. In the shop is a by the capture of Commander John E. Pillsbury and the imaginary sinking of tomed to turning a small current of the his ships by Rear Admiral Francis J. in New Kent county, Va., on Septem- air on their clothes to dust them off. Higginson's squadron at 5.20 o'clock the daughter of some South American

The gigantic "search problem" of the United States Atlantic Squadron, on reconciling the republican element by Elmer Cook, on finishing his day's which naval experts of the world have taking a plebeian consort, and restoring and a small jet was blowing the dust desired. The enemy was first met and of the Spanish crown in South America and Cincinnati north. The latter vesfrom his clothing when Reap appeared. then captured. The end came like a to forward him full details of million-It is said ill feeling had existed between clap of thunder. The mimic battle was aires possessing eligible daughters. the men. Reap, it is alleged, tried to short and decisive. The triumph of the within the stipulated time of six hours. Order of the Annunciate, the oldest orplacing it against Cook's body, turned But Commander Pillsbury's quick dash der in Spain, and substituting for it the proach to the coast, slipping through the cordon of speedy cruisers and elud-Paris (By Cable).-M. Jusserand ing the line of racing torpedo boats that British government to conclude a par- French Minister at Copenhagen, who stood guard in defense, was in a meas-

THIS WOMAN HAD NERVE.

Burglar Qualled Before Her and Promised Always to Be Good.

into her bedroom. Instead of fainting vel and is a cousin of President Rooseand screaming, she went quietly to a velt. bureau drawer and secured a pistol. The firsurance on any of the buildings or of the German Foreign Office, advo- Francisco System Southern limited burglar had barely entered the house when he was confronted with the weapon in the hands of Mrs. Ford, who, save for the servants, had been alone and don't move, or you're a dead man!" implored the woman not to shoot, at the same time promising never to do another dishonest thing if released.

Door Too Small for Woman.

Owensborough, Ky. (Special).-An unusual request was telegraphed to Danville, Ill. (Special).-At the Washington by United States Commis-Homer Fair 12,000 people saw the aero- sioner Dudley Lindsey of this place. bruised. The Sultan of Morocco also naut L. W. Sartell, of Fairwell, Mich., Jane Woolsey, was arrested at Leitchfall 1,200 feet. When he cut loose from field, Grayson county, for "moonshinand was brought here. The wo-His feet were driven into the earth six man is so large that she could not be brought into the Federal Court-room. The officers were able to get her up one the apostolic delegate to Manila, who wife was killed two months ago by a flight of stairs, but were unable to pro- wireless system between Catalina Island fall from a balloon near Cairo, Ill., the ceed further. Accordingly Commis- and Whites Point, 36 miles, is reported hold court outside his office, and when sent as rapidly as over a wire. permission is received he will hear the case in the open air. The woman is Kohlbasse, chief weigher in the United only 5 feet 5 inches in height, but she

ODDS AND ENDS OF THE NEWS.

Wireless telegraphy is being success-A combination of all the axe fac-

tories, with a capital stock of \$25,000, cover. ooo, is proposed. In Chicago anthracite coal advanced

The Universal Peace Union is in ses-

The New York Coffee Exchange wil' be closed on Saturday before Labor

Jones Woolsey, arrested in Kentucky

CRASH ON A TROLLEY CAR

Three Persons Killed Outright and Many Injured Near Norfolk.

IDLE TALK CAUSES THE WRECK

The Negligence of a Motorman Cost Three Persons Their Lives and the Serious Injury of Forty-Cars Were Telescoped and Shattered-Panic Ensued When they Came

Norfolk, Va. (Special).-In a headon collision between two cars on the Bay Shore Terminal line three people were killed and many others badly in-

The accident occurred 400 yards be yond Futas siding, about 3 1-2 miles from Norfolk. One car was coming "Have arrangements been made or are from Ocean View and the other going to the View. The orders were that the shore-bound car should wait at the siding for the other. Motorman W. S Yandell, it is charged, failed to obey the orders and the crash came 400 yards beyond the siding. Yandell endeavored to jump, but was crushed between the telescoped cars and died hanging by his

Motorman C. B. Colden, of the other I do not see why I should do so. car, applied the air brakes as soon as I do not not know what has been pro- he saw the danger, the collision occurring on a curve, and then tried to jump, know of no plan for the settlement as did Linwood Fentress, the 10-yearthronged with people. Fully 150,000 of the strike, and there is nothing to old son of R. B. Fentress. Colden indicate that there will be an early re- and young Fentress were caught under the platform of the shore-bound car, He was shown the statement of Presi- which piled up on the other, and were speakers' stand caused a swelling wave dent Fowler, of the New York, Ontario killed outright. Colden's head was alof applause and cheers to extend from and Western Railroad, that he had gone most torn from his body and both legs West to see if he could not arrange were cut off. Fentress was crushed to

Both cars were full of Sunday excursionists and few escaped uninjured. steep hill, crashing into another car at corted to the railroad station to take strike fund collected from soft-coal Help was telephoned for and physicians workers was \$34,000. Mr. Mitchell de- and ambulances were hurried to the

ALFONSA WANTS RICH WIFE.

The Spanish King Calls for List of South American Eligibles.

Madrid (By Cable).-King Alfonso Unconditional Surrender of the Enemy Ends III concines to give the dignitaries and ant service. nobility of Spain palpitation of the heart by his eccentric and willful ac-

His Majesty has disregarded all the proposals of his counselors that he marry a European Princess. He has announced his intention of wedding capitalist, for the three-fold purpose of

The King has thrown a bombshell inhis intention of dissolving the Grand

Miss Sartoris Now a Bride.

Coburg, Ont. (Special).-The marcels post arrangement with the United has been selected for the Washington with the United has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander Pillsbury was within 20 miles of Salem has been selected for the Washington mander pi riage of Miss Vivian May Sartoris and the presence of a distinguished assemblage of guests, including representatives from nearly every state in the American Union. The Rev. Mr Spragge officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Nellie Gran Sartoris Trenton, N. J. (Special)-Mrs. John and the late Algernon Chartis Fred-G. Ford, of 446 East Hanover Street, erick Sartoris, of Warset, Hampshire, showed no outward sign of fear when late U. S. Grant. The groom is the son she discovered a man trying to break of Chevalier and Madame Edward Sco-

After the Potter Band. Middlesboro, Ky. (Special)-An organized posse left Freeling, Va., to purin the house. "Throw up your hands sue members of the Geo. Potter band of outlaws, who are said to have been guilty commanded Mrs. Ford. The burglar of several murders, robberies and numerdid more, he sank on his knees and ous other offenses. Their last crime was a criminal assault upon Miss Cora Wallis, a prominent young lady. George Potter, the alleged leader and principal in the affair, was pursued by a posse and riddled with bullets. His comrades escaped and fled to the Kentucky

Wireless Telegraphy for Business.

border.

Denver (Special).-A dispatch received at the headquarters of the Pacific Wireless Telegraph Company in this city announce that the office at Whites Point, Cal., will be opened for commercial business. The Pacific Company' sioner Lindsey wired for authority to to be working perfectly, messages being

Deed of a Jealous Man.

Waltham, Mass. (Special).-Arthur Eaves, a farm laborer, about 40 years of age, shot and badly wounded Abbie Breen, aged 20, a domestic employed at Weston, near here. Eaves then shot himself, dying almost instantly. ousy is said to have prompted the deed The girl is said to have refused to marry Eaves. She will probably re-

Paper in Hands of Receiver.

ta Chronicle was placed in the hands of The executive committee of the Na- a receiver at the instance of creditors Association of Newsdealers, E. B. Hook, president of the company, pear in a few days, was taken out of Booksellers and Stationers, adopted a was appointed receiver, and will contown by whitecappers and flogged. His resolution for the organization of a tinue the publication of the paper as hair was cut short and he was then newsdealers' co-operative news com- usual, pending a reorganization of the paper's affairs.

Horns Taken from Wild Man.

Syracuse, N. Y. (Special) .- Physicians at the Hospital of the Good Shepherd here removed from the scalp o Calvin Bird, a negro, of Pearson, Ga. a silver plate in which were two standards fitted for attaching two goat's horn: when he toured the country in side shows as the "Wild Man of Borneo." Bird says he met a doctor in Central America, who took him to a hospital It is reported that a Macedonian rev- at Pearson and had the plate inserted olutionary committee has been organiz- first giving him an anesthetic, and when he awoke he found the plate in his sassination of the Sultan of Turkey. | scalp, with two horns protruding

LIVE NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

Oldest Living Admiral.

The oldest living officer of the navy is the most sensitive of any in the ser-

rice about his age. He is Rear-Admiral Thomas O. Selridge, retired. No one except the Admiral, seemingly, knows exactly his age, and he will not tell. When he entered the navy it seems not to have been the practice to take the day, month and year a midshipman was born, and or that reason the records make no mention of these dates. The records show that the Admiral was born in Massachusetts and that he was appointed from that State January 1, 1818, many years before the establishment of the Naval Academy or the invention of rifled guns. Midshipmen of his day entered young, and, allowing the Admiral to have been 15 at that time, he is now 99 years old. If he lives until next January it is believed he will turn the century mark.

The Admiral dislikes to have anyone mention age to him, and, as far as the retiring age is concerned, he be lives it should be 72 rather than 62. Washington is his home, where he has ived since his retirement, more than 30 years ago. His eldest son is Rear-Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge, Jr., nov about 66 years of age. There is another son a commander in the navy.

A Launch With a History.

One of the finest steam launches in use on the Potomac is the Mercedes. of the fleet of the army quartermaster's department, and detailed for service as pleasure launch of the officials of War Department. She is berthed it the harbor police boat's wharf, and inder Captain Carpenter and Engineer Michael Dugan, is kept ready for service at all times. She has during the past summer carried many of the leadng officials of the Government on aleasure excursions, and all praise the

ittle boat The Mercedes has a history. Built n England for the Spanish Government, the was made a tender of the Spanish warship Reina Mercedes, and when that ressel was captured the launch fell into the hands of the War Department. She was used for a short time in Cuba and at the close of the war was brought to this city and fitted out for her pres-

The boat is of superior workmanship and she is about perfect in all her ap-pointments. While quite a small craft, being only 40 feet long, she is admirably adapted for her present use, being both a roomy and speedy boat.

Less Danger in Venezuela.

The State Department has received a cablegram from Minister Bowen, at

Upon receipt of the dispatch the Navy Department ordered the Topeka sel will stop at Cape Hatien, and if, in the opinion of the United States representative there, the presence of an American warship is desirable much onger, the Cincinnati will relieve the Machias. If the prospects are that the situation will soon warrant the withdrawal of the warship, the Cincinnati will proceed on her journey home. She will shortly be followed by the Machias,

The Marietta will remain in Vene uelan waters as long as Minister Bowen desires her, after which she probably will be ordered to Colon to insure the open transit of the Isthmus, which the United States guarantees by treaty. Commander John A. Rodgers, now in command of the Marietta, has been ordered detached from that vessel and assigned to the command of the Albany, where he will succeed Commander Joseph E. Craig, who is ordered home on waiting orders. Lieut.-Com. Samuel W. B. Diehl, now in command of the Eagle, has been ordered to succeed Commander Rodgers on the

Not An Invasion of Cuba.

A dispatch from Havana saying that nquiry has been made in the Cuban Congress as to the landing of United States soldiers at Santiago when shown to officials of the War Department elicited the fact that it was a detachnent of recruits sent from the Departnent of the East to take the place of nen whose terms of enlistment have expired. No new organizations have been sent to Cuba, but the department holds that having a right to retain roops in Cuba means that the United States has also the right to keep all he organizations to their full strength.

Count Mutsa Presented.

Count Hirokichi Mutsu, recently appointed first secretary of the Japanese Legation, has arrived in Washington He was presented to Acting Secretary of State Adee by the Japanese Minister. Mr. Takahira. The new secretary of legation is a son of Count Mutsu, who was Japanese Minister to the United States in 1888-1890 and afterward Minister of Foreign Affairs.

For New Naval liospital.

Surg.-Gen. P. M. Rixey is preparing plans for the erection of a new hospital on the site of the old observatory grounds and the opening of a school in the museum building on the same grounds, where newly commissioned officers may be given a special course of training before their being assigned to active duty.

Notes of Interest.

Secretary Shaw dismissed Lorenzo Augusta, Ga. (Special) .- The August G. Warfield, a clerk in his department. who issued a circular promising big profits to stockholders of an association organized to play the races.

The Census Office issued a preliminary report on illiteracy among men of voting age in city and county districts.

Work on warships will be hurried up preparatory to the maneuvers in the Caribbean Sea next winter. No special investigation will

made of the alleged irregularities and iraud in the unloading of United States transports at ports in the Philippines. A committee has been appointed to examine devices patented as substi-tute for twine used by the Postoffice

Department. Major George A. Armes, a retired army officer, was shot, but not seriously wounded, at his home, near Washington, by J. Roland Johnson.