THIRTY PEOPLE HURT

Accident at the Metropolitan Opera House.

MUSIC WAS DROWNED BY SHRIEKS.

Panic in the Vast Audience Prevented by Presence of Mind of the Chorus and the Earnes: Persuas o 1 of Heinrich Conricd -Bridge Used in the First Act of "Carmen" Collapses.

New York (Special) .- By the breakbody was thrown into the ditch. ing of a bridge over the stage in the Metropolitan Opera House, at Fortieth in the Colorado legislature gained a point by the passage of a resolution crestreet and Broadway, during a performating a commission of 15\ members to ance of "Carmen," nine persons who canvass the state's vote. were beneath it were injured, a few of tween the Chicago Railway Company them seriously.

Nothwithstanding the fact that the and its employes by which they agree accident occurred in full view of an settle differences. audience that filled every seat in the vast auditorium, there was not the slightest semblance of a panic, and after a the bribery evil and says that the time few minutes' delay the performance was has come for its suppression. continued minus the bridge and the injured people.

Ambulances responded to hurry calls the penitentiary for embezzlement. from the New York, Bellevue and Roosevelt hospitals and the injured were Pittsburg Division of the Baltimore and taken to those institutions for treatment. Ohio Railroad, four unknown tramps

Frank Palmer, the stage carpenter, were killed. was arrested, charged with negligence, but at the request of the management dress before the Jackson Club of Memof the opera house he was permitted to phis, Tenn., his subject being "Watchreturn to the theater until the conclu- men of the Night." sion of the performance.

The accident occurred ten minutes Conservatory, at San Jose, Cal., has after the curtain had been rung up on discovered the sixth satellite of Jupiter. the opening act. The act was at that time well filled with chorus girls and State Supreme Court, denied the appliseveral of the principals. Everything cation of Nan Patterson for bail. was proceeding along smoothly, when suddenly a creaking noise was heard, New York Consolidated Stock Exchange, has been expelled.

The bridge upon which were standing seven men, participants in the scene, at Folsom, Cal., for the murder of anhad broken in the middle and the disjointed ends smashed into the chorus other Chinaman. on the stage below, piling in a heap those on each side of them.

curtain was hurriedly rung down, shut- Court. ting everything from the view of the audience. Herr Conried, the director of plant, at Brockville, Ont., was destroythe Opera House, was in his box wited by fire, causing a loss of approximatenessing the performance. He jumped ly \$300,000. The insurance is \$225,000. on the stage in front of the fireproof curtain, and moving over to the center, has been appointed chairman of the eduraised his hand in warning and shouted : cational committee of the General Fed-

'My friends, we have had an accident eration of Woman's Clubs. here, but it is not serious. A few have been injured, but none very badly. Perhaps some of them are more scared than a Lake Shore special collided near Anhurt. The performance will be resumed gola in the snowstorm. Eight passengers were slightly injured. in a few minutes."

Mr. Conried's reassuring words were hardly necessary, for, with the exception governor of Massachusetts. of a few nervous women, the audience In a scuffle following a quarrel about remained perfectly calm. 10 cents Thomas Mooney shot and kill-

In fact, it appeared as though many ed James Dunn in Waterbury, Ct. of those who were present considered the breaking of the bridge as an innova- inaugurated governor of Maine. tion included in the presentation of the A few minutes later the major

NEWS IN SHORT ORDER. "BEEF TRUST" CASE BEGUN The Latest Happenings Condensed for Rapid

Reading.

Domestic,

is being prepared. It is based mainly

on charges set forth in the first docu-

The body of an unidentified woman

was found in a ditch at Dupning, near

Chicago. It is supposed that the wom-

an died after an operation and that her

The followers of Governor Peabody

An agreement has been signed be-

In his message to the legislature Gov-

William J. Bryan delivered an ad-

Prof. Fred H. Perrine, of the Lick

Justice Greenbaum, of the New York

Sing Yen, a Chinaman, was hanged

Miss Mary Abbott, of Watertown, Ct,-

ment.

Supreme Court Hears Argument of the Packers.

A new presentment against Bishop Talbot, of the Central Pennsylvania Dio-**COMMERCE IS NOT INTERSTATE?** cese of the Protestant Episcopal Church

> Mr. Miller Attacked the Bill of the Government as Insufficent in Its Failure to Allege Facts Necessary to Constitute a Cause of Action, and Said That the Charges Made Are Not Facts, But Conclusions of Law.

Washington, D. C. (Special) .- Argument in the case of Swift & Co. against guarded. the United States, known as the "Beef Trust conspiracy case," was begun before the Supreme Court of the United States by Attorney John S. Miller, of Chicago, in behalf of the packers.

Mr. Miller attacked the bill of the to resort to and abide by arbitration to Government as insufficient in its failure to allege facts necessary to constitute a cause of action, and said that the ernor Durbin, of Indiana, dwells upon charges made are not facts but concluions of law; that the commerce charged H. O. Barber, former vice president s not interstate or foreign commerce, of the wrecked Commercial Bank, at and that even if it be interstate com-Cambridge, O., has been sentenced to merce the facts given constitute no violation of law. In a freight wreck at Glencoe, on the

He said that an injunction had been prayed for and secured from the United ed for periods of four months. Each States Circuit Court for the Northern District of Illinois under the Sherman Anti-Trust act, and, quoting the decree of the court making permanent the injunction, Mr. Miller, said it merely adds the prohibition of the court to that of Congress, leaving the packers to ascertain whether individual acts will be in contempt of the court's order. He Alfred M. Lamar, a member of the contended that the case presents an interference in business such as never before has been undertaken. The charges, he said, are of the most general character and do not specify time and place. Elwin C. Foster, of New Orleans, has He did not believe, therefore, that the been appointed receiver for the New charges could stand at all, and he quot-All was confusion on the stage; but Orleans Railways Company by Judge ed the indictments in the whisky cases only for a moment. The great asbestos Lanning, in the United States Circuit to show that charges much more specific than are here made were consid-The Canadian Carriage Company's ered insufficient.

"It is alleged," interrupted Justice White, "that your clients' agents combined to refrain from bidding in order to put prices down, and again agreed to put them up. Do you think there should have been a specification of hour thereof. and place?'

Yes, your Honor," responded Mr. The Twentieth Century Limited and Miller. "If the Government had these facts, why should it not have given the dominant factors in producing the them?'

"Did you ask for a bill of particu-William I., Douglas was inaugurated lars?" inquired Justice Harlan, and Mr. Miller replied in the negative, saying that the defendants had filed a demurrer in the case.

Mr. Miller said that if the packing industry could be interfered with, as out in what sections of the country William T. Cobb, of Rockland, was proposed in this case, the manufacturing industries could be similarly regu-Neil S. Phelps, a capalist, of Battle ted, "and thus you will find," he add-

LIVE WASHINGTON AFFAIRS.

A Minister for Morocco.

Admiral Rojestvensky's Charts Are Secretary Hay, through the Secretary f the Treasury, has asked Congress to ppropriate \$7,500 annually to provide for an envoy extraordinary and minister DANGERS OF THE INDIAN OCEAN. plenipotentiary to Morocco. He urges that the establishment of such a mission hould not be delayed. Our relations with that country are growing, he says, and there are possibilities for a large volume of trade. Forcasting important changes in Morocco, Secretary Hay ays that potential commercial interests of the United States should be safe-

The representative of the United States in Morocco is a consular officer, while nine European powers have minsters who are permitted to see the Sultan and impress him with a sense of he significance and power of the govruments they represent. The Secretary ays the consequence is "those who enoy American protection in Morocco are not treated with that degreee of courtesy nd justice that is accorded to those who are under the aegis of any of the nine European nations which have dipomatic representatives in that country.

School for Army Bakers.

The Secretary of War has directed he establishment of a training school for bakers at Fort Riley, Kansas, at which successive classes will be instructfrom the artillery and to from the in- ebration at the imperial palace. fantry. On completing the prescribed course of instruction the men will be ubsistance.

Six-year Term for President.

Senator Bailey submitted to the Senate a proposed amendment to the Constitution fixing the term of the president at six years, and making him ineligible for re-election. The text of the mendment follows:

The executive power shall be vested in president of the United States, who shall hold his office during a term of six years, and, together with the vice president, chosen for the same term, Ocean, electded as provided in article 12 of the amendments to the Constitution. The president shall forever be ineligible to a reelection to the presidency who

has served as president under any successsion provided for in the Constitution or the laws made ni pursuance

Sugar Beet Industry.

That temperature and sunshine are best quality of sugar beets is announced as the result of five years' experiments which have just been concluded by the

Chemistry Division of the Department of Agriculture. The data obtained is expected by agricultural officils to save immense amounts to capital by pointing beet sugar growing industries should be

instituted. The tests were made in

RUSSIAN SHIPS IN PERIL

Defective.

Warships Likely to Strike a Reet or Rock at Any Time-The Czar Leaves It Optional With Officers at Port Arthur to Accept Parole Under Obligation or Share the Destinles of Their Men.

The ships of the Russian second Paific squadron are reported to be in constant danger, not from any encounter with the Japanese, but of striking hidden reefs and rocks. Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's charts of the waters in Port Arthur. The Japanese are strenwhich his squadron is now cruising are defective and practically worthless. Japanese naval officers at Tokio regret the recall of the Russian squadron, as they had expected "a splendid fight."

of the Fourth East Siberian Division and of the Russian left wing at Port Arthur, is dead.

The Japanese have raised the block- cers. ade of the Liaotung Peninsula, but for The weight of opinion in Japanese the present no ships except those in the Japanese government service will be allowed to enter Port Arthur harbor.

The Russian Christmas brought sorrow and mourning to thousands of will materially affect the situation. One of these classes will be composed of 18 homes, instead of the usual joy and recruits, four from the cavalry, four good cheer. There was no elaborate cel-

The Czar has sent a dispatch to General Stoessel, leaving it optional with assigned to various regiments. This the Russian officers at Port Arthur with continues to be purely military. The action was taken at the instance of them to accept parole under obligation present problem is created by General Seneral Weston, commissary general of not to return to service during the war, Kuropatkin's army and by the Russian or to share the fate of their men. About second Pacific squadron. We are de-150 so far have been paroled.

Charts Are Defective. ceived in official quarters here shows back and that they will strive to gain that Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's charts supremacy at sea. We are preparing of the waters in which the Russian sec- to defeat both these objects. ond Pacific squadron is now cruising are defective and practically worthless."

This arouses apprehension of a possible future catastrophe, as it is known Port Arthur, reviews the price paid in that the charts do not show the recent lives and says: hydrographic dangers of the Indian

sian second Pacific squadron is not re- in the Far East, and it is our duty to garded as a sign that Russia does not keep the city in our hands. hope for final success on the seas. It Commander Pelem and a lieutenant is considered that the authorities at St. of the Russian torpedo-boat destroyer Petersburg have realized the improbabil- Rastoronpy, who were captured on board ity of the second Pacific squadron alone the British steamer Nigretia and taken defeating Vice Admiral Togo, and has on board of her to Sasebo, have conrecalled it to await reinforcements and fessed their identity before the naval to further train its officers and men pre- court there. Heretofore they posed as paratory to a supreme effort for the German super-cargoes, but when conmastery.

fidently awaited the arrival of the sec- ment was impossible. They have been ond Pacific squadron of the Russian designated as prisoners of war. Navy, in the Far East. It would have No contraband of war has yet been been a splendid fight. Now we must discovered on the Nigretia. Her cargo prepare for the future, of which we are consists of kerosene and the prize court or afraid.

Admirals at Cheloo in Disguise.

St. Petersburg (By Cable) .-- A dis

CITY OF DEAD AND WOUNDED.

Nogi Reports That 29,000 Out of 35,000 Are Disabled.

Tokio (By Cable) .- The following report was received from General Nogi: "Order is maintained at Port Arthur by the officers. The people are quiet.

"Our minute investigation was not finished until Tuesday night.

"The total number of inhabitants is about 35,000, of whom 25,000 are soldiers or sailors. The total number of sick or wounded is 20,000.

"Common provisions and bread are plentiful, but there is a scarcity of meat and vegetables.

"There are no medical supplies at uously succoring the people.

"The capitulation committees are pushing their respective works."

The Czar has cabled to General Lieutenant General Fock, commander Stoessel saying that the giving of their parole or the alternative of imprisonment is optional with the Russian offi-

> official circles is against a belief in the early conclusion of peace, and doubt is expressed that the fall of Port Arthur of several high officials, who discussed the question, voiced the sentiment of the majority when he said:

"We are confronting a situation which voting all attention to them.

"We anticipate that the Russians will renew more determinedly than ever their Paris (By Cable) .- Information re- effort to drive Field Marshal Oyama

"The situation makes talk of peace futile.

The Jiji, discussing the capture of

"We ought to keep Port Arthur in our hands so long as our Empire ex-In naval circles the recall of the Rus- ists. Port Arthur is the key to peace

fronted with the results of the Japan-A naval officer said: "Japan has con- ese investigations at Shanghai, conceal-

is still undecided upon what action to take in her case. It is probable if the ship is condemned it will be solely owing to connivance in the escape of the patch from Chefoo says it is reported Russian officers. BOOTY OF THE CONQUERORS.

part of the male portion of the ar lience was gathered in the lobby discussing the mitted suicide. accident over cigars and cigarettes, while of candy with each other as to the length L. I. of time that it would take to clear the

After a delay of about half an hour, was torn down and the injured carried performance proceeded.

accident was that the seven men on the ical reactions. bridge when it collapsed were absolutely Herr Conreid said :

there was a flaw in the iron bar that was a street crossing in Johnstown, Pa. the bar gave way the scantling was not Bessie Bouton, of Syracuse, N. Y. thoroughly tested shortly before the per- civil-service examinations. formance. This test consisted of several men jumping on it. It was all right when the curtain went up and a flaw in

can assign for it collapsing.

ON THE VERGE OF WAR.

Broke.

Liberal leader, Dr. Paasche, addressing her own end. his constituents at Creuznach, made the man troops and the Hereros in Southastonishing statement that Germany and west Africa the natives lost heavily, last week, referring evidently to the charge. representations which the German Foreign Office made to Great Britain re- Cossacks at Balakhany, Trans-Caucasia, garding a bellicose threat against Ger- six strikers and one Cossack were killed many in the Army and Navy Gazette. and many persons were wounded. Dr. Paasche's words were:

'I know with absolute certainty that were much nearer warlike complications macy succeeded in averting the danger, guests of the Lord Mayor. though with difficulty.

mentioned the matter to Chancellor von thrown from his horse and killed. Buelow, who had promised to do everything in his power to prevent it. Nevertheless, he added, the Americans were incensed against Germany because of at Coburg, Germany, collapsed under portation of American goods into Ger- men, five of whom were killed and four brary building, which is now rapidly bank failed the jewelry was taken posmany.

Fatal Hunting Accident.

Concord, Mass. (Special).-Clarence E. Jones, son of B. H. Jones, of the Bos-A conference of the Zionis of Samuel Hoar, son of the late Samuel | Vienna, Hoar. He died a few moments later: The discharge of the firing-piece was accidental. The boys, who were close attacked by insurgents friends, and each 17 years of age, were hunting muskrats on the Concord River when the accident occurred. Jones re-ceived a hall from a .32-caliber rifle in Jiu-Jitsu and the left temple.

Creek, Mich., who lost his fortune, com-

Brigadier General Nathaniel Collins the feminine portion was betting boxes McLean died at his home, in Bellport,

Henry V Poor, the railroad expert, died at his home, in Brookline, Mass. John McLane, of Milford, was inauduring which period the broken bridge gurated governor of New Hampshire. Prof. Albert P. Mathews, of the Uniaway, the curtain went up again and the versity of Chicago, declares that the present creation of life has been proved One of the peculiar features of the the result of purely physiological-chem-

The United States Steel Corporation unhurt, although somewhat shaken up. repeated its offer to its employes to al-When seen shortly after the accident low them to subscribe on the same plan

as last year to the preferred stock. I have made a hasty examination of A Baltimore and Ohio train crashed the bridge, and, while my conclusions are into a trolley car carrying 100 worknot definite. I am of the opinion that men of the Cambria Steel Company at placed on the halloon of the bridge to The body of the woman who was strengthen it. In addition to the iron found dead on Mount Cutler, in Colohar there was thick scantling, but when rado, was identified as that of Mrs. strong enough, apparently, to sustain the The Massachusetts legislature unweight of the bridge and those upon it, seated a member who is now in jail The bridge was practically new and for fraud in connection with federal all the separate parts of the bill are in- establishment in the District of Colum-

Foreign.

The executive committee of the Zion- asking for discovery of the books of the or his deputy, in the presence of the the supporting bar is the only reason I ist organization concluded a conference packers. at Vienna after making arrangements for the next annual Zionist conference in Switzerland, next July.

Count Tolstoi's son, in an article de-Great Britain and Germany Nearly claring that Great Britain's constant desire is to embarrass Russia, says that Berlin (By Cable) .- The National if the former forces war she will hasten

In an engagement between the Ger- ville, made announcement of the receipt Great Britain were on the verge of war many being slaughtered in a bayonet

In an encounter between strikers and ley College on condition that an equal

Ambassador McCormick returned to St. Petersburg from his visit to the building. The announcement was made Germany and Great Britain last week United States and resumed his duties. at a meeting of ministers and lay de-John P. Sousa and the members of legates of the Eastern Presbyterian Conthan many people dream. Our diplo- his band arrived at Liverpool and were ference of United Brethren Church held at Charleston, S. C.

Referring to the American duty on ing in a novel stage production of the the crisis caused by the burning of the German wines, Dr. Paasche said he had Derby in a London music hall, was main dormitory on Christmas Eve. The France and Morocco have settled their The amount of the insurance is approxi-

recent misunderstanding. The refrigerating plant of a brewery trustees a total of \$145,000

injured. The members of the Danish Cabinet have resigned owing to disagreement

A conference of the Zionist Committee ton banking firm of Blake Bros., was on the proposed Jewish settlement in murder of his twin sister, Elizabeth, was kee, president of the Interstate. Com fatally shot from a weapon in the hands British East Africa is being held in entenced by Judge Nicholas Cornet to merce Convention, that members of Con

The British consul's residence, outside the city of Tangier, Morocco, was a new trial was overruled, but it was Machen and others involved with him Foreign Minister Tittoni of Italy,

Jiu-Jitsu and the American style were

compared by Japanese experts .

ed, "the Federal courts is regulating a North Carolina and entirely across the that Rear Admiral Prince Ouktomsky considerable part of the commerce of Continent. the country.

He continued that there is no interstate commerce involved because the business of the packers, including the National Republican Committee, and purchase of cattle and the sale of meat, Mrs. Cartelyou left here for a sevenconfined entirely to Chicago. The week trip to Southern Europe. shipment, he said, is no part of the pur- Cortelyou, who is feeling the effect of chase or sale.

Explaining the economic situation, meat is fairly uniform and that owing the inauguration of President Roosevelt, o the necessity for maintaining a prop- and will enter upon his duties as poster supply of an acceptable article there should be some understanding among the packers. This is, he said, perfectly legitimate, and the Government itself might properly assume this supervision. The cattle supply is not so regular as the demand, and to this fact he attrib- be struck and presented to officers and uted the fluctuation in prices.

General Moody began. It was idle, he and Philipine insurrections. said to discuss the contention that the charges of the bills connected one with another. Be that, he added, as it may,

MR. CARNEGIE'S LATEST.

A Gift of \$50,000 to the Lebanon Valley College. Lebanon, Pa., (Special) .-- Kervin U. Roop, of Lebanon Valley College, Annof a letter from Andrew Carnegie in which the latter promises to give \$50,000 toward erecting a greater Lebanon Valsum is raised by the college, exclusive of the insurance recovered on the fire which destroyed the administration in United Brethren Church at Annville. An English jockey named Dent, rid- The purpose of the meeting was to meet meeting resulted in pledging the \$50,000.

mately \$45,000, which will give the Mr. Carnegie last spring gave the Le-

nearing completion.

To Life Imprisonment.

Rising Sun, Ind. (Special) .-- James Gillespie, convicted by a jury for the attributed to E. P. Bacon, of Milwausentenced by Judge Nicholas Cornet to merce Convention, that members of Conthe penitentiary for life. A motion for gress are influenced by railroads. agreed that it might be taken up at a latter date, if necessary. Gillespie then while on a shooting trip, was stricken prayed an appeal to the Supreme Court, which was granted, and to days were given in which to file his bill of excep-1 tion.

localities ranging from New York to

The Cortelyous Go Abroad.

George B. Cortelyou, chairman of the Mr. his arduous work during the recent campaign, is in need of a rest. He expects Mr. Miller said the demand for fresh to return to Washington in time for hoft, and after the latter was killed durmaster general immediately thereafter.

Proposed Honor Medals.

Secretary Taft has forwarded to his House the draft of a resolution author izing the President to cause medals to oldiers and others who served in the When Mr. Miller concluded Attorney Spanish war, China relief expedition

Whipping-Post in Washington.

Representative Adams, of Pennsylthe purpose of the suit is single and vania, introduced a bill providing for the dependent for the accomplishment of bia of a whipping-post for wifebeaters. that end. He also maintained the con- It prescribes that the whipping shall stitutionality of the provision of the bill be done privately by thechief of police

jail physician only.

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Notes of the Departments.

President Roosevelt and Ambassador Jusserand delivered addresses before the Forestry Congress. The House laid on the table the resplution aimed at the statistical department of the Department of Agriculture and vindicated the cotton reports. United States Senate, has been appointed internal revenue collector for

the fourth crdistt of Michigan. A favorable report on the extradition treaty between the United States

he office of District Auditor Petty. The Comptroller of the Currency has

in his possession an emerald ring and a diamond sunburst brooch that are said Chadwick. They were deposited with

session of by the receiver. At the meeting of the House Committee on Interstate Commerce members of

the committee denied the statements

Conrad H. Syme, attorney for A. W. in the alleged postoffice conspiracy, filed application for a writ of certiorari in the United States Supreme Court.

Involuntary bankruptcy proceedings were instituted against John Ridout, the real estate dealer.

and Rear Admiral Dochinsky have arrived there disguised on board a launch

Prince Ouktomsky assumed cominand Coal and Rice Said to Be the Only Prizes at of the Port Arthur squadron after Admiral Makaroff was drowned as a result of the sinking of his flagship, the battleship Petropavlovsk, at the entrance Port Arthur April 13. Later the of the Japanese at Port Arthur amount-Prince was replaced in command of the ed only to 80,000 tons of coal and some squadron by the late Rear Admiral Wit- rations of rice. ing naval battle of August 10, Prince at Port Arthur at the beginning of the

orders, returned to Port Arthur, for forts, which, it was alleged, he was to be tried by court-martial.

This, however, was denied, but the of the Russian ships.

The name of Rear Admiral Dochin- since. sky has not figured in the cable dispatches from the Far East.

EX-GOVERNOR LOWNDES PASSES AWAY.

His Death From Heart Failure While in Ap. parently Good Health.

Cumberland, Md. (Special) .-- Hon, Lloyd Lowndes, former Governor of Maryland, died suddenly Sunday morning at 0.30 o'clock at his home on Washington street. Cumberland, from organic heart trouble, in the sixtieth year of his age. There was no premonition of the approach of death. Mr. Lowndes had just taken his morning bath in water about the temperature of the body. Japanese lost 80,000. Henry M. Rose, reading clerk of the Brown, his faithful colored valet, was rubbing him down when he fell forward on his face and expired instantaneously

bath tub, making a slight scar on the affairs there. side of the cheekbone and on the foreand Panama was authorized by the head. Members of the household heard agents who have been recruiting for Senate Committee on Foreign Rela- the noise of the fall and Mrs. Lowndes months, to put a horde of Chinese coolies was the first to reach ber husband's side. The Senate committee authorized a Then all sign of life had disappeared, favorable report on the nomination of but she thought he was unconscious, as are disposed of. Vast quantities of D. Crum as collector of the port did the son, Mr. Richard T. Lowndes, who had just arrived from Clarksburg. James A Watson, was convicted on W. Va., to visit his wife and child, who plates are ready in Japan for transthe charge of embazzlement while in have been at the home of Governor portation to the fortress.

Lowndes since the holidays. Dr. James T. Johnson, the family physician, arrived 15 minutes after the Governor had fallen. He simply pronounced tions death was instantaneous. Dr. Ar- if such a thing ever occurs at all. the failed Citizens' National Bank of thur H. Hawkins, who was also called. difficulties thrown in the way of the im- the weight of snow, burying nine work- banon Valley College \$20,000 for a li- Oberlin, O., as collateral. When the corroborated Dr. Johnson in his diagnosis that death came from an affection Port Arthur, Japan being heedful of the of the heart.

A Girl's Mistake.

Rome, N. Y. (Special) .- Maud Letlentown, Pa., wrote "You've married our

uncle David." Justice Scripture granted a decree of annulment.

Port Arthur.

Chefu, China (By Cable) .- It is said that the booty which fell into the hands

Of 270 officers of the Russian navy Ouktomsky again assumed command of war 180 have been killed or wounded, the squadron, and, it is said, contrary to many of them while doing duty in the

The protected cruiser Akitsushima, four torpedo-boat destroyers and two torpedo boats constitute Japanese guard Prince was succeeded in command of off this port. The destroyers which the naval forces by Rear Admiral Wiren. guarded the Russian flotilla went out Recently, it is understood, Prince Ouk- at the expiration of 24 hours, returning tomsky has not been attached to any with others. They have been in and out of the harbor intermittently ever

RUSSIANS SAY JAPS LOST 80,000.

Ridicule the Statement That Losses at Port Arthur Were 50,000.

Chefoo, (By Cable) .- The statement of the censored dispatches from correspondents with General Nogi's army that the Japanese lost only 50,000 men in taking the fortress is declared to be absured by Russian naval officres here. Their lowest estimate, they say, based both on personal observation and on stories told by prisioners, is that the

Advices from Japanese sources say that the condition of Port Arthur is chaotic, but that General Nogi and Gen-The left side of his head struck the cral Stoessel are rapidly systematizing

General Nogi is prepared, through at work in the fortifying of Port Arthur immediately that the, Russians cement and timber are ready on the Yalu River for this purpose, while steel

The Japanese are confident that the efortification of Port Arthur will place he fortress in a better condition than ever, with the Russian defects climito have at one time belonged to Mrs. life extinct, saying that from all indica- nated, long before Russia can besiege it,

Ammunition, food and medical supplies to last for years will be sent to mistakes made by the Russians .

FINANCIAL.

There is now only \$103,000,000 of United States funds in national banks. Thirty-two railroads in November carned gross \$41,680,000, an increase of o per cent.

Active railroad shares have now regained 5 of the 6 points they lost on the verage of Lawson's raid.

Kuhn, Loeb & Co. are quoted as saying that no new stock or bonds of the Pennsylvania will be issued for at least six months.

son, aged 19 years, testified before Justice Scripture that in 1902 she married innocently her dead father's brother. The girl was placed in an orphan asylum at the age of two years and her relatives lost track of her until last September. when her sister, Mrs. Vernevale, of Al-