## MAY YET FORCE FRANCE TO WAR

Germany's Attitude is Causing Much Anxiety.

# THE UNITED STATES IS CAUTIOUS.

Conferences Between Secretary Root and French and German Ambassadors-Washington Government Not Interfering-Other Neutral Powers May Try to Bring France nearly \$40,000,000. and Germany Together.

Washington, D. C., (Special).-The news received here from Algeciras is by no means encouraging of a speedy and harmonious result. It is complained that the German representatives are not acting in absolute good faith and that the propositions which they bring forward from time to time are merely for effect, as it is known to the Germans themselves that they must prove obnoxious to the French delegates to the con-

The French delegates display, according to the advices received here, an almost equally unyielding spirit, and it would not be suprising to Washington if the conference adjourned before long, leaving the vexed Moroccan question in such a delicate position that hostilities between the continental powers might re-

The German Ambassador, Baron Sternburg, and the French Ambassador, M. Jusserand, called on Secretary Root at short intervals, but no information was given as to any news they might have received from Algeciras.

It is intimated here that the failure of the conference in expected by Germany, and indeed, not unsought, and that the German government is perfectly willing to make the Moroccan question the pretext for another war with France, believing that the conflict is inevitable and irrepressible, and that the German Army and conditions generally in the empire are now better adapted for the final struggle they ever will be again.

While other neutral powers will no doubt continue efforts to bring Germany and France together, the United States government will maintain its policy of noninterference in so delicate a contro-

#### Edward May See William.

London, (By Cable).-Reuter's Telegram Company is informed that King Edward will shortly meet Emperor William at sea or at some port. The announcement, however, is unofficial.

St. Petersburg, (By Cable). - The Moroccan conference continues to absorb the attention of the diplomats here. grip at his home in San Francisco. King Edward's approaching visit to the Continent is regarded as a hopeful sign of the possibility of an agreement being arrived at between Germany and France. Is roll of the possibility of an agreement being arrived at between Germany and France. arrived at between Germany and France, and it is the general expectation that the outside powers at the conference will seek to induce the disputants to submit the points on which they cannot agree to the decision of the full con-

In government circles, however, the crisis is not considered to be passed. The Svet, which has always been noted for its anglophobism, says it believes France was drawn into her present position by the belief that she would have Great Britain's support, but that she is doomed to disappointment.

"England, as usual," says the Svet, "will prefer to reap the fruits of the quarrels of others, which helps to foment Germany's inflexibility, which is explainable on no other hypothesis. England will not draw the sword and France cannot now withdraw. The world will wake up some fine morning and find the German troops at Nancy

It is learned from an indisputable source France feels assured of the support on the question of policing Morocco of a majority of the delegates to the conference in order to demonstrate falsity of Germany's contention that France reprsents only the minority view.

#### FAMINE IN NORTHERN JAPAN. Condition of Sufferers Said to Be Worse Than

Described. Seattle, Wash., (Special) .- The steamship Dakota brings advice from Nagasaki that the famine situation in the north-

ern provinces of Japan is steadily grow-A second appeal has been issued by

W. E. Lampe, chairman of the foreign committee of relief, in which he says: "When we issued our first appeal to the foreign communities in Japan in December we estimated that 680,000 persons out of a population of 2,821,000 personally visited 26 counties and as courts. many towns in the Provinces of Myagi and Fukushima and have distributed Moderate party, vice president-elect, an-0,000 yen. Our first figures estimating those affected by the famine are too

weak to describe the actual famine. "Able-bodied men, ragged and hungry, are facing the snow and icy winds to bring wood from the mountains in the hope of earning enough through its sale to keep the strarving families. Women are covering their babies with their own clothing to keep them warm, and such conditions as these can mean only death in the end. Families once proud and comfortable are now reduced to want."

The appeal tells of special instances of suffering and death.

## George Small Indicted.

Mount Holly, N. J., (Special).-The Burlington County Grand Jury found a true bill of indictment against George berlain has caused postponement of the Small, colored, for the murder of Miss debate in Parliament on the fiscal bill. Florence Allinson at Morestown on January 18. Rufus Johnson, also colored. who was arrested in Baltimore and confessed to murdering Miss Allinson, but expected, denies the rumors of his ill who subsequently charged Small with health, the murder is awaiting execution for participation in the murder.

Sir Alfred Harmsworth, chairman of he protection committee of the British policyholders of the New York Mutual Life Company, has urged Stuyvesant Fish not to resign, but to continue to upport genuine reforms.

Pittsburg Street railways and gas upply have practically passed from control of the Philadelphia company to the United Railways Investment Company of San Francisco, the deal involving

Attorney General Mayer denied the application of William R. Hearst, who wanted him to institute proceedings to annul the charter of the Interborough-Metropolitan Holding Company.

Secretary Taft discussed government aid of railways at the hearing of the House Committee on Territories on the Lovering bill for the government guarantee of Alaskan railway bonds. President Patrick Dolan, of the min-

ers of the Pittsburg district, is reported to have broken down from the severe strain to which he has been subjected. Dr. H. Preston Pratt, x-ray expert, said in Chicago that universal blindness is to be humanity's penalty for the ben-

The body of Johann Hoch, the Chicago Bluebeard, was taken from the potter's field and buried in Elmwood

The remains of ex-Speaker Henderson were buried with distinguished honors in Dubuque, Ia.

Gustav A. Closson, of Morrisville, Pa., was sentenced to be hanged for poisoning his son. The Southern Bank and Trust Com-

Plea of guilty was entered in the Norfolk and Western Railroad \$4,500,000 bond forgery case in New York. All the defendants except Charles T. C. T.

Colmey pleaded guilty, and were remanded for sentence. A deal by which the immense ore properties of James J. Hill, on the Mesaba Range, pass into control of the United | ished or badly damaged.

States Steel Corporation for 30 years is about to be consummated. Two daughters of George Storer, of Camden, Michigan., were fatally poisoned by canned salmon which had been left in the can sometime after it was opened.

The Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad met in Philadelphia, and made announcement of several appointments and promotions. Plans are afoot to construct a 10-mile

elevated road in Chicago to connect with rapid transit lines interlacing Illinois and Indiana. Testimony was given in the Greene-Gaynor case as to Capt. O. M. Carter's

deposits in five banking institutions. A second Chinese commission, headed by Prince Tsai Tsi, has arrived in San

John D. Spreckels is seriously ill with It is alleged that, in connection with the case of Berthe Claiche, the French eman, and that was planned by a po make the arrest at the time of the mur-

Kuhn, Lobe & Co., the New York the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and their night clothes. some other railroad corporations, and, while retaining interests in railroads, will devote more time to their banking in-

Robert Collier, editor of Collier's Weekly, states that he is willing to spend over \$100,000 to expose Colonel Mann, of Town Topics, and that he has been pursuing Mann since Town Topics at-

Mrs. Josef Hoffmann, wife of the pianist, is crossing the Atlantic to recover her six-year-old son, who she claims was brought to America from Italy by her divorced husband. George P. Eustis.

## FOREIGN

The new commercial treaties between Austria-Hungary and Germany, Italy, Russia and Belgium, and also the new Austro-Hungarian autonomous tariff, on which the treaties were based, have become effective.

Financiers have proposed to Premier Witte to take over the Russian government railroads for \$750,000,000 and operate them under foreign management.

A dispatch from Shanghai says French Catholics are blamed to a certain extent for the trouble leading up to the massacre at Nanchang.

A fight at Tammersfors, Finland, with bandits who robbed the Russian State Bank at Helsingfors, cost four lives. The Austrian government continues to

impose extreme measures upon Hungary, even to suppressing the press. The Japanese government has a scheme for nationalizing the Japanese railroads. Ambassador Meyer has advised Amer-

icans claiming damages during the recent were on the verge of starvation. Since internal disorders in Russia to press their then members of our committee have claims through the regular Russian Mendez Capote, leader of the Cuban

> nounces his desire to withdraw before vote of presidential electors is actually The British naval estimates for 1906-7 propose a net total expenditure of \$159,-

> 347,500, being \$12,500,000 less than the estimates for the present financial year. American, British and German gunboats are proceeding to the nearest port to Nanchang, where the French Jesuit missionaries were killed.

> Another setback to the reactionary policy of Russian Minister of Interior Durnovo is said to forecast his retire-

French troops charged a mob trying to prevent an inventory being taken of the Church of St. Sauver, at Mazamet. The illness of both Balfour and Cham-

robbery continue in full swing in Poland and the Caucasus. King Edword's physician, as was to be

Motions for reducing the period of service in the French army were defeated.

## LATEST NEWS IN SHORT ORDER 19 PEOPLE KILLED BY CYCLONE ON THE CRUST

Property Loss At Meridian Put At \$1,000,000-Many Persons Were Injured --- About 400 Small Houses Topple Under the Terrific Force of the Wind In a Few Minutes.

Meridian, Miss., (Special) .- Nineteen [tween Front and Railroad Streets. Sev persons are known to have been killed as eral houses on this avenue were partly wrecked. The storm lasted for only a over a section of this city shortly after the entire destruction was wrought in 6 P. M. Twenty-four persons were in- the brief space of five minutes. jured, and property with an estimated value of \$1,000,000 was demolished or

otherwise damaged. Many sensational reports were sent

A mass-meeting of citizens of Meridian was called and \$8,000 was immeand injured. The Mississippi Legisla- innumerable smaller buildings used by ture, in session at Jackson, appropriated workmen and negroes. \$5,000 for the relief fund. Governor unique spectacle of convicts aiding in property. the rescue work.

Hunter George, president of the Board | safe from harm. of Trade, was made chairman of the general relief committee, and J. W. Donovan was elected secretary.

The tornado which played such hovoc appeared in the southwest at 6.27 P. M. A low, funnel-shaped cloud was seemed to form near the city. A heavy downpany of Fort Smith, Ark., closed its pour of rain had been falling when suda roar that could be heard a great dis-

wrought great damage there. Many floor was crowded with clerks, but forhouses were demolished and others were partly damaged. The electric-light plant | None of the clerks was more than slightwas partly wrecked, and to add to the ly hurt, and no lives were lost. terror of the situation the city was A row of brick buildings along Twenthrown into total darkness. Lanterns, ty-sixth Avenue, from the freight depot candles and even coal-oil lamps were to Fifth Street, was demolished. The used by the people in seeking places of store occupied by Lyons & Co. was swept ments of the victims of her people. Safety. The tornado also did severe from its foundation and hurled across But there is no disposition to prevent

result of the tornado which swept brief period, many persons claiming that

Among the buildings destroyed or practically ruined were those of the Thomas Lyle Grocery Company, Elmira's restaurant, Meyer - Neville Hardware Company, Grand Avenue Hotel, Thornout from here of an appalling loss of life, ton's Transfer Company, Culpeper Ho due probably to the chaotic condition of tel, New Orleans and Northeastern affairs immediately following the visita- freight depot, Young Men's Christian tion of the storm. Association building, Meridan Chair Company, the city electric light plant, W. J. Woodside & Co., Pearce Compress diately subscribed to aid the destitute Company, Gulf Compress Company and

It is generally understood that there Vardaman at noon secured a special train was but little, if any, tornado insurance and dispatched it at once with convicts carried and the loss will, therefore, fall to Meridian. The city now enjoys the heavily upon the owners of the damaged

The residence portion of the city was

Meridain has always considered itself tornadoproof. Mount Barton and the Sand Mountain Hills were accepted as a sentinel against such disasters. The Sowashee Valley was crossed by the storm, and this was most unexpected.

Will Ethridge, a young man, was carried 100 yards through the air and set denly the humidity became intense. With down well balanced on his feet unhurt. The only damage done to the immens tance the storm approached from the shops of the New Orleans and Northsouthwest and descended upon the city. eastern Railroad, which were directly The greatest loss of life is reported from | in the path of the storm, was the unroof the east end, in what is known as the ing of the roundhouse; the roof was "cotton mill settlement." The cotton hurled about 100 feet. The freight demill there was partially wrecked and pot was destroyed. The records, papers probably 400 small huses were demol- and everything contained in the building were lost, the first floor being blown The tornado swept Front Street and away from under the second. The upper

tunately no one was on the first floor.

#### Fire at Wesleyan.

Middletown, Ct., (Special).-Wesleyan University sustained a severe loss by from Christiansburg, Va., says: "Profire when old North College, containing fessor Snead, of the Montgomery Female 150 rooms, was practically destroyed. Institute, committed suicide by saturating the mercy of the viceroys of the great The fire, which started in the attic, his clothing and bed with oil and then provinces of China. The greatest of burned so rapidly that little was saved. The loss is placed at \$80,000, covered a Southern trip, and after retiring to his because Li was loyal to the Empress by insurance. The burned building was erected in faculty and pupils, who rushed to the uprising proved futile. But Li Hung It was stated by a high official that if The burned building was continued the present and formed the nucleus of the present ent college group, and was of great hisent college group.

toric interest at Wesleyan. About all the woman shot her old lover to win that was saved from the fire were the a policeman who was present to help valuable college records of President Raymond and Professor Nicholson, the secretary of the faculty. All of the 150 students in the building made their esbankers, have resigned as directors of cape, and many left the dormitory in

## Roosevelt's Gift to a Church.

Washington, D. C. (Special).-President Roosevelt has joined with King Edward of Great Britain in a notable gift to the old Bruton Parish Church, at Williamsburg, Va. When Harry St. George Tucker, president of the Jamesa few months ago King Edward presented him with a handsome Bible for the church, which is the successor to the original church at Jamestown. Thursday Mr. Tucker called on the President, and while talking to him of exposition matters, told him of the gift of King Edward. The President immediately offered to provide a lectern on which the Bible might rest.

## Minister Sent to Jail.

Omaha, Neb. (Special)-Judge Munger, in the United States District Court, overruled the motion for a new trial in the case of Rev. George G. Wade, of are potroling the city armed with rifles.' Lead, S. D., president of the U. B. I. Cattle Company, recently convicted of conspiracy to defraud the government by means of illegal homestead entries. The judge then sentenced the prisoner to imprisonment for one year in the county jail, at this place, and to pay a fine of has been for many years pastor of the

## Raised \$84,000 in Fifteen Minutes.

Nashville, Tenn., (Special). - In 15 minutes the convention of the Student Volunteer Movement contributed \$84,000 toward prosecution of missionary work during the next four years. The meetings were crowded. Thursday night 6,000 persons joined in the chorus of the "The Son of God Goes Forth to followed by the Lord's Prayer, repeated in concert by thousands of voices. Bishop Thomas F. Gailor, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, was the last. Bishop Satterlee conducted the chief speaker.

## To Turn Down Castro.

Paris (By Cable) .- According to information which has reached official quarters here a revolutionary movement against Venezuela is on foot. The revolutionists are concentrating on the Island of Trinidad, where they are awaiting arms and supples, previous to landing on the Venezuelan coast.

## A Menace to Peace.

London (By Cable) .- In introducing the navy estimates in the House of Commons Financial Secretary of the Admirality Robertson commented on the fact Assassinations, bomb - throwing and that since The Hague Peace Conference ers had increased 50 per cent, reaching at the session. the enormous total of \$507,500,000. He regarded this inflated expenditure as a Baltimore & Ohio's gross earnings in-menace to the peace of the world, and creased \$5,480,000 and the net profits

#### Prof. Snead Burned to Death.

setting himself afire. He returned from these viceroys was Li Hung Chang, and room his screams of agony awakened the and suppressed the Boxers, in 1900, that hours. His mind is supposed to have roy in China is practically the king the long incurable illness of his wife."

## Plan to Honor Franklin.

Paris (By Cable).-Ambassador Mc-Cormick and Premier Rouvier are planning a notable Franco-American celebration on the occasion of the unveiling of the statue of Benjamin Franklin, April 20. Former Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith, of Philadelphia, will be the chief speaker, and it is probable that ex-President Grover Cleveland and ex-President Loubet will be asked, respectown Exposition Company, was abroad tively, to head the American and French ble. honorary committees.

## Conspiracy in Colombia.

Washington (Special). - The followng dispatch, dated at Bogota, Colombia, was received at the State Department: "Another group of prominent men, including Fernandez, ex-Secretary of War, and Chief of Police Ramirez, have been arrested for conspiracy. The former has been exiled to Curacoa and the latter has been tried by court martial. would-be assassins of the President have not yet been apprehended. The police

Ex-Governor Hogg Dead. Houston, (Special).-Former Governor James Stephen Hogg died Saturday at the residence of Frank C. Jones, his falling on the chapel dome, but the inside law partner. Mr. Hogg had been in was lit by hundreds of candles, showing \$1,000. An appeal will be taken. Wade failing health for a year or more. His the delicate costumes or uniforms of condition was not considered critical by about 500 persons belonging to the royal Episcopal Churches at Lead and Dead-wood, S. D. his physicians and he was planning a families of Germany or the principal no-bility, the cabinet ministers and a num-Hogg reached Houston Friday night and, ber of generals and admirals. Ambassafeeling ill, took to his bed.

## President Was Sponsor.

Washington (Special).-William Loeb 3d, the infant son of the Secretary to the President and Mrs. Loeb, was christened Saturday afternoon at the residence of Rt. Rev. Henry Y. Satterlee, tary John W. Garret. Bishop of Washington. The Fresident and Mrs. Roosevelt acted as sponsors for the child, who was born on December 26

## FINANCIAL

Rumors are again current that Union Pacific will distribute a big extra dividend.

Harriman's friends brand as untrue the assertion that he is trying to wreck the Illinois Central preparatory to buying it for the Union Pacific.

Northern Central directors were reelected at the annual meeting of shareholders. It had been expected that the committee appointed several years ago to see what could be done toward leasing the Northern Central and the Pennsylvania, also to recommend that the dividend rate be increased, would make the naval expenditure of the great pow- a report, but nothing was said about it

In seven months of this fiscal year ncrease came in January.

OF A VOLCANO

Eruption in China Likely at Any Moment.

WARSHIPS HASTENING TO CHINA.

Desite the Fact That the State Department Refers to the Outbreaks as Spasmodic, it is Believed All Foreigners in China Are in Danger-The Empress at Mercy of Viceroys.

further news had been received from Peking concerning the massacres of misionaries in China. In view of the fact that none of the victims of the massathe results of a concerted movement like Government is unable or unwilling to time every representative of this gov- its Empire. About 5,000 of these troops ernment in China has been notified by would be taken from the Philippines and ernment thoroughly posted and to make States. The question of transportation,

threaten them. In spite of the confidence expressed to China have been formulated. in Washington that there is no serious danger of a general uprising in China, that Americans residing in China, esrevolts and ghastly massacres in so many the plan has been worked out. portions of the Czar's empire. It is beher serious danger from the govern- to a place of safety in Shanghai. damage on Twenty-second Avenue, be- Twenty-fifth Avenue and Second Street. the feeling of hatred against foreigners. That the Chinese government is secretly encouraging the boycott of American goods there is no doubt, but it is equally Washington (Special). - A dispatch certain that the government at Peking would protect the foreigners if it dared. It must be remembered that the Em-

> become deranged through brooding over his own province, and his allegiance to the government at Peking is as earnest only as he chooses. Every viceroy has his own army which he pays himself, and as a rule the soldiers know only their viceroy, and the government at Peking is a shadowy conception that represents little or nothing to them. Peking. - American Consul General

Rodgers telegraphs from Shanghai that the 14 American missionaries who fled from Niuchwang all reached Kiukiang

The gunboat El Cano is proceeding from Nanking to the scene of the trou-

The battleship Ohio, flagship of the American fleet on the Asiatic Station, has sailed from Manila for Hongkong, where she will dock and rush repairs so as to be prepared for possible exigencies.

# PRINCE EITEL A HAPPY GROOM.

#### Wedding in the German Capital.

Berlin (By Cable) .- The Duchess Sophie Charlotte of Oldenburg, daughter of by his first marriage with Princess Eliz- first landing of the Pilgrims at Cape erick the second son of the Emperor and Empress, were married at 5 o'clock P. M., in the chapel of the palace by the court chaplain, Dr. Dryander. Rain was dor Tower and Mrs. Tower were present in the diplomatic circle, as were Lieuthe naval attache, Mrs. Howard and Miss Howard; Capt. Wm. S. Biddle, Jr., the ate Committee on Interoceanic Canals. military attache, and Mrs. Biddle; Third Secretary Nelson O'Shaughnessy and Mrs. O'Shaughnessy and Second Secre-

## Led 300 Against 3000.

Cincinnati, O., (Special).-Major Joseph M. Kennedy, aged 72 years, died at on General Fremont's staff in the Civil gress in Rio de Janeiro next spring. War, and distinguished himself by gal-Springfield, Mo. He suffered wounds in this charge that left him an invalid. In brokers, this charge 300 Union men charged 3,000 Confederates. Kennedy was promoted from leutenant to major that night for bravery.

## Flight of Chinese.

Shanghai (By Cable).-The Nanchang magistrate, the injury to whom was the reputed immediate cause of the attack by natives on Catholics and Protestant providing for the marking of Confedermissionaries a few days ago, is still alive, ate graves in the North. though his wounds are dangerous. The native population of Nanchang is fleeing, dreading the arrival of armed forces from European and American gunboats. There have been many arrests. The ofto come personally to Nanchang.

#### LIVE WASHINGTON AFFAIRS.

Plans For I.vasion.

The General Staff of the Army has ompleted its plan for the invasion of hina by an army of the United States, should the necessity for such an action arise. President Roosevelt called upon he War Department for a copy of its olan for military operations in China, which, it is understood, he has carefully ead and approved.

One of the most important functions of the General Staff is to prepare plans or possible campaigns against a foreign enemy. At the time when the boycott against American goods was instiuted in the southern provinces of China Washington, D. C. (Special).-At the the General Staff immediately began pre-State Department it was stated that no paring for trouble in the Chinese Empire, and the plan for military operations ust submitted to the President is the result of its work in that direction.

Of course the scheme outlined will be kept confidential by the authorities of ere were Americans no official action by the War Department. But sufficient has his government is called for. The leaked out to indicate that it contem-State Department repeated its assur- plates the throwing of an army of about ances that these outbreaks against for- 20,000 men into Southern China as soon igners were sporadic and were not as it becomes evident that the Chinese the Boxer uprising of 1900. At the same protect American interests and lives in the State Department to keep this gov- the remaining 15,000 from the United necessary arrangements to warn all subsistence and equipment has been Americans from the dangers that may worked out in detail and the final orders looking to preparations for an expedition

Everything, of course, with regard to an invasion of China by an army of the it is held in nonofficial quarters here United States hinges upon the word "if." Reports received by the State Departpecially in those portions of the empire ment indicate that a general uprising in removed from the large cities are in the China may be expected and that the gravest danger. China, it is believed, is lives and interests of American citizens. in a condition of ferment exactly similar as well as those of other foreign resito that which existed in Russia a year or dents of China, are in jeopardy. It is to two ago, and which led to the frightful prepare for such a conutingency that

A cable report received by the Navy leved that there is a distinct body of re- Department states that the United States olutionaries in China, who are constant-y stiring up the people, just as did the rived at KiuKiang, up the Yangtze River, agitators in Russia. In Russia the gov- near Nanchan, where the French and ernment has felt itself strong enough to British missionaries were recently massarepress these rebellions with an iron cred by an abortive uprising. It is unhand, but the Empress of China has derstood that the 14 American missionno Cossacks and no army on which she aries and their families who escaped can depend. The Empress undoubt- from Nanchen have arrived at KiuKiang, edly regrets these uprisings against for- and that they will there go aboard the eigners when they threaten to cause El Cano and Quiros and be transported

#### New Venezuelan Charge.

Senor Velez, the retiring Venezuelan harge d'affairs, called at the State Department and presented to Secretary of state Elihu Root his letters of recall. Senor Guzman-Garbiras, the incoming Venezuelan charge d'affairs, called at the State Department and presented his

An intimation has already been received by the State Department that Senor Guzman-Garbiras would request the United States to arbitrate the diffisuch a request was made by Venezuela

# Hermann Enters Demurrer.

Counsel for Representative Binger Hermann, of Oregon, who is under inictment in the District for destroying official records of the General Land Office, of which the was commissioner, filed a demurrer alleging defects in the

The indictment, which was returned March 5, 1905, charges Mr. Hermann with destroying 35 letter-press copies of official letters concerning the affairs of

# the Land Office.

For Many Monuments. The Senate Committee on the Library has made favorable reports on a number of monument and memorial bills, as fol-

For a statue of John Paul Jones in Washington, \$50,000; of Gen. James Miller at Petersboro, N. H., \$5,000; for a monument at Point Pleasant, W. Va., to commemorate the battle of the Revolution fought there on October 10, 1774 \$10,000; equestarian statue of Maj.-Gen John Stark at Manchester, N. H., \$40,-000; as a part contribution toward the erection of a monument at Provincethe reigning Grand Duke of Oldenburg town, Mass., in commemoration of the abeth of Prussia, and Prince Eitel Fred- Cod, \$40,000; to aid in erecting a momument on the battlefield of Princetown, N. J., \$30,000; for the preparation of a site and erection of a pedestal in Washington for a statue of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, \$4,000, and a joint resolution for the erection of a monument to Dorothea Lynde Dix at Hampden. Maine, \$10,000.

## Rails Cost More Here.

The selling price of steel rails abroad and for use in the United States was one of the subjects on which David W. Ross, tenant Commander William L. Howard, purchasing agent of the Isthmian Canal Commission was examined by the Sen-He showed that he had purchased from American mills rails for use on the Isthmus at from \$1.50 to \$2.50 a ton less than the prevailing price to railroads in this country.

President Roosevelt has asked Congress to appropriate \$100,000 to defray his home near Middletown, O. He was United States to the Pan-American Con-Secretary Shaw appeared before the lant conduct in the famous charge at House committee in advocacy of the law requiring the licensing of custom-house

The Army Appropriation Bill, car-rying more than \$69,000,000, was passed by the House, after five days of consid-

Major Gillette has given up his commission in the Army to become superintendant of the Philadelphia filteration

The House passed the Foraker bill

The House committee favorably reported the bill to abolish the grade of eutenant general. Secretary Thompson, of the Lafay-

ette Memorial Commission, reports that menace to the peace of the world, and the net profits ficials of Nanchang are urgently asking the Lafayette monument in Paris will thought that a league peace was desir- gained \$2,381,000. Nearly half the net the viceroy of the Province of Kiangsi be dedicated on the anniversary of the be dedicated on the anniversary of the surrender of Yorktown.