BY TELEGRAPH

Domestic

A Chicago judge has appointed Friday as "alimony day" in his court.

The trial of T. Jenkins Hains is not expected to last longer than 10

Shouting that he was "John the Baptist, come to save the world, an aged insane man held Edgewater, N. J., in terror for nearly an hour. He rushed down the main street waving a revolver and shouting, held up half a dozen citizens, robbed the tills of three business establishments, stole a team of horses and exchanged many shots with a hastily formed

Robert W. Fullerton, 27 years old, son of a millionaire and a Cornell student, who was indicted in April last, charged with the abduction of Gladys Hobart, of Hewley Terrace, Yonkers, a school teacher, surrendered himself to District Attorney Jerome, and was later held in \$2,000 bail for trial on a plea of not guilty.

Commander Armistead Rust, United States Navy, recently in command of the submarine tender Hist, was placed on trial before a courtmartial at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, charged with negligence in allowing the Hist to run aground in the Delaware.

As the result of stagnation in the the absence of seasonable conditions, Woonsocket Rubber Company that ger train had just passed when the its Millville, R. I., plant will be explosion occurred but it was not

Dr. G. E. Barnes, aged 45, a veterinary surgeon, was burned to death, Spaniards. Relief trains were sent and James Crane, an aged man, nar- to the scene of the disaster, and rowly escaped a similar fate when one which returned here several their houses at Woodville, east of hours later brought back the report Toledo, were destroyed by fire.

full time to two-thirds time by an York City.

E. Diaz Gupro, charged with violating the neutrality laws as leader the revolutionists against the Mexican government, was taken to San Antonio, Tex., for trial.

Laboring under the delusion that he had been marked as a victim of the Black Hand, Thomas Fitzpatrick, earth thrown up. aged 36, shot and killed himself at

at Chicago crashed into a flat car. Glen Pollock, aged 17, was sen-tenced to serve one year in the New York State Reformatory for break- Railroad cost one human life for ing into the postoffice at Martin, O.

the Hamburg-American Packet line, construction of the canal has not a week overdue at New York, put gone long without exacting its toll. into St. Johns, N. F., to replenish There have been a number of acher coal bunkers, badly battered by cidents in the last two years, chief severe storms.

ed and two others slightly injured in in June, 1907, which resulted in the East New York when a row of steel death of seven men and the injury uprights supporting the roof skele- of a number of others. ton of a lofty coal shed buckled and collapsed.

B. F. Yoakum, chairman of the terways should be developed.

steamer D. M. Clemson went down with all hands near White Fish covers have been washed ashore.

William H. Carney, a Union color sergeant, who said "The old flag neved touched the ground" in saving the flag at Fort Wagner, is dead.

Foreign

The natives of Guam are dissatishow to communicate with them The Province of Quebec is covered

by 14 inches of snow. launched at Kiel. Philippe Bunau-Varilla, formerly

Panama's Minister to the United States, is reported as saying the Panama Canal will cost at least \$280,000,000, double the estimate. Premier Asquith declared at a ban-

quet given him by the National Lib. eral Club in London that he would tion of the House of Lords. The Dutch warships continue to

patrol the Venezuelan coast, and it Lebuef is 25 years old and has a probable they will soon begin seizing Venezuelan merchant vessels. Rare tapestries and furniture belonging to Lord Amherst were sold at auction in London and brought \$200,000.

The Russian Douma authorized the external loan of \$225,000,000, sanctioned by the budget committee. A movement in favor of government ownership of submarine cables was started in London.

Jean Gernois Blanchet, judge of the Queen's bench, Quebec, commit-The German Reichstag adjourned

until January 12 for the Christmas holidays. President Castro arrived in Paris

thorities. Arrangements were made by prom-States Pacific fleet during its forthcoming visit.

Chancellor Von Buelow, referring in the Reichstag to the subject of the restriction of naval armaments said the German government doubted

the practical feasibility of the idea. Thursday of offering a bribe, was Steel Company's furnaces at Steelton Precautions of Canadian officials at the Niagara frontler have been increased to prevent the introduction to the Dominion of the hoof-and-

mouth disease.

PANAMA SHAKEN BY A BYNAMITE EXPLOSION BY LU

Ten Men Are Killed and Fifty Injured Excuse Given By Writer of Threatin the Canal Zone.

BIG BLAST GOES OFF PREMATURELY.

Accident at Bas Obispo While a Blast Was Being Prepared for Firing-Two Americans Among the Dead, Most of Whom Are Spanish Laborers - Passenger Train Had Just Passed.

Colon (Special). - A giant blast firing, was prematurely exploded in the missives as a joke. the workings at Bas Obispo.

Ten men were killed and 50 injured. It may be that others have been killed, for the debris is piled up in all directions. Bas Opispo cut is about 30 miles from Colon, and the shock of the explosion was distinctly felt here.

Numerous reports are current as to the cause of the accident, but the official version from Culebra, which gives an estimate of 10 killed and 50 wounded, states that in the loading of the last hole of the blast the dynamite in this cutting was discharged, and the remaining 22 tons were exploded by concussion. The holes had not been connected electrically, as the discharge of the blast was set for 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

The last hole was being loaded market for rubber shoes because of under the supervision of one of the most efficient powder men in the emthe announcement is made by the ploy of the commission. A passendamaged.

The majority of the victims are that 45 of the injured had been sent Five hundred employes in the Erie to Ancon Hospital. The officials on shops at Scranton were reduced from the train stated that 11 dead had been found, while many others in order issued from the headquarters the gang of 120 who were employof the mechanical department in New | ed at the cut were missing. It was also reported by the trainmen that the explosion was due to a passing steam shovel which hooked the wire leading to the immense charge of dynamite. Whether or not this was the cause of the accident, a steam I sent letters to Dr. Adolph Gehrshovel and crew, which happened to be on the scene, were practically buried under the mass of rocks and

Gangs were soon searching for the dead and assisting the wounded. One man was killed and three Electric lights were set up, and seriously injured when a steam shovels put to work removing Pennsylvania Railroad freight train tons upon tons of debris. Many of the men have been seriously injured, some of them probably fatally.

Tradition has it that the Panama is situated. every tie, what with accidents, in-The German steamer Karthage, of surrections and disease, and the long which was the Two sheetiron workers were kill- plosion of dynamite at Pedro Miguel

Two Americans Killed.

Washington (Special) .-- So far as Rock Island Railroad, declares the official advices show, two Americans railroads are inadequate to handle were killed in the explosion. These growing commerce, and that the wa- were John J. Reidy, a foreman, of Indianapolis, Ind., and James L There is little doubt that the Hummer, steam shovel craneman, of Dunnellen, N. J.

Minn. - Twenty-three hatch GEORGIA PREACHER SHOT DEAD.

Iron Wedge Hurled By Him Fatally Injures His Slaver,

Washington, Ga. (Special) .- Rev. G. Forrest Tuttle, aged 50 years, was shot and instantly killed near here by Warren Bailey, aged 21 years. Just as Bailey fired an iron wedge fled with the German friars sent to thrown by the preacher hit him and teach them and who do not know fractured his skull. He is expected to die.

A negro whom Rev. Mr. Tuttle had employed went to work for Bailey. The German battleship Posen was and as a result the two men quarreled.

Stolen Money Lost On Races,

Oakland, Cal. (Special).-Adien Lebuef, for three years cashier of Hale Bros,' dry goods store in this city, has been arrested on a charge of embezzlement. The police say he not dissolve Parliament at the dicta- \$20,000 of the firm's money in the confessed that he had used about last four months in gambling, chiefly in poolroom betting on horse races. wife and child.

Cartridges For Roosevelt.

New Haven, Conn. (Special) .--Ammunition to be used by President Rocsevelt on his African hunting trip has been prepared here and forwarded to Washington, together with the weapons which the President will use and which were sent here to be examined by experts. The ball cartridges are in varying weights being deemed of the right caliber to bring down an elephant.

"Pat" McBryde Dead. Bridgeport, Ohio (Special) -- "Pat" McBryde, first secretary of the and conferred with the French au- United Mine Workers of America, and secretary of the Ohio Opera- 000, or \$11,000,000 more than the tors' Association, died here of ment residents of Panama and the pneumonia. He was 60 years old total yield of wheat this year is 77,-Canal Zone for the entertainment of and one of the best known men in the officers and men of the United the mining business. The body was \$63,000,000. The corn yield is over shipped to Columbus, Ohio, for burial.

Renf Sentence Postponed. San Francisco (Special),-Sentencing Abraham Ruef, convicted last postponed until next Saturday. Judge Lawler declined to allow a mo tion for continuance to be entered until he read into the record the egal history of every one of the 106 In view of the disquieting rumors days consumed in the trial. Attorabroad, the Lancet, London, is au- ney T. B. Dozier, Ruef's counsel, was horized to state that the health of then permitted to interpose reasons King Edward gives no cause for anx- for delay and the order for continuance was officially made.

BY LURID FICTION

ening Letters.

Chicago (Special) .- The mystery of the "Knights of the White Death" letters, which were recently sent to various clergymen and prominent citizens in Chicago with the threat that unless they left large sums of money at designated spots they would be put to death, was cleared up, when William Pollard, 22 years old, driver of a grocer's wagon, was of dynamite, already prepared for arrested. He confessed that he sent

Pollard said he had been inspired by reading Sir Conan Doyle's stories. Fascinated by the novelist's lurid pictures of skulls, ghosts, graveyards and vigils of detectives. Pollard determined to see how they would work out in the hands of the Chicago po-So he organized the "Knights of the White Death," and with a Sherlock Holmes' fancy for the weird, wrote a bundle of letters, all

decorated with skulls and crossbones. The demands for money, he said, were simply added to enliven the mystery, as he never went to see whether the money was left as demanded.

A few days ago one of the letters. demanding \$10,000, reached Rev. W. O. Waters, of Grace Episcopal Church. It was accompanied by a small box, also sent through the mail, containing bones, apparently human,

and the rusty handle of a coffin. Simlar letters were sent to Rev. R. F. Roberts, of Quinn Chapel, and Rev. A. C. Dixon, of Moody Church, and to several other persons of prominence in Chicago.

Asked where he got the human bones and the coffin handles, Pollard

said: "When they dig a new grave in Calvary Cemetery the graves are so crowded together that the side of an old grave often caves in and portions of the decayed coffin fall into the new excavation and are thrown out with the sand. At night I went into the cemetery and gathered these things After I had sent that coffin handle to Rev. Waters I was afraid they would trace it to Calvary Cemetery because of the cross on it.

"Besides those to the clergymen, mann and to Assistant Chief of Police Schuettler, I told the latter to leave \$700 in the confessional box of St. Charlotte's Church. I was delighted when I read that Dr. Dixon. with detectives, stood waiting almost all night for the White Knights to appear for the money at the place designated in my letter to him.

Pollard was arrested in Evanston. a suburb in which Calvary Cemetery

SEDITION IN INDIA.

Long-Demanded Bill Provides Quick Executions.

remature ex- tial law will prevail all over India when the bill providing for the summary trial and execution of traitors and anarchists, introduced in the Indian Council, becomes a law,

The bill, which will undoubtedly pass, has long been demanded by the English residents of the empire as the only possible way to check the rising wave of sedition. It is considered the most radical step yet taken.

Investigation into the ammuniton magazine explosion at the military station of Dumdum, in which two score soldiers were killed and wounded, has shown conclusively that it was the work of anarchists.

An attempt was made to make it appear as accidental, but unmistakable evidence of a plot was discovered.

Gov. Deneen Going To School.

Urbana, Ill. (Special) .- Governor Deneen is to become a student of the Agricultural School at the University school during the short course which begin in January and will seek special instructions, it is said, in cattle and corn judging. The decision of the Chief Executive of the state to become a scientific farmer is the result of his attendance at the recent Illinois corn show in Springfield. Mr. Denech announced at that time that he would take a course in the state university if he could find time.

Drops Dead At Initiation. New Haven, Ct. (Special) .- Mrs. Alida Hewlett, state chancellor of the Order of the Golden Sceptre, dropped dead while initiating seven candidates at Hartford. Mrs. Hewlett was stout. She lived in West Haven, and because her train was late she was compelled to hurry to the lodgeroom. Just after she stepped upon the altar to begin the initiation she fell prostrate. Examaination showed that her death was caused by heart disease.

Kansas Is Prospering.

Topeka, Kan. (Special). - This year's farm product and live stock values in Kansas, as shown by the report of the State Board of Agriculture, are more than \$475,000,-State's red-letter year, 1907. 000,000 bushels and its value is over 150,000,000 bushels and its value is more than \$82,000,000.

IN THE WORLD OF FINANCE

Two of the four Pennsylvania are in blast.

Connelisville coke ovens in blast than are idle. For a long while over half of them were out of blast.

One of the chief men in the General Asphalt Company, which has had much trouble with President Castro, says: "We do not expect him ever to return to Venezuela.'

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IS FULL OF FIGHT

He Now Threaters Prosecution For Iswolsky Will Tell Douma An Alliance Criminal Libel

PANAMA CANAL DEAL WAS HONEST.

He Declares Unequivocally That All the Purchase Money Was Paid to the French Government and Tells How It Was Done-Declares the American Syndicate a Pure Fiction.

ROOSEVELT'S CHALLENGE.

One thing I have been proud of in connection with the building of the canal is that there has been no legitimate cause for the breath of scandal in connection with the building of the canal.

We have cause to be ashamed of only one set of Americans in connection with it and that of those who have been guilty of infamous falsehood concerning

If they can be reached for criminal libel, I shall try to reach

CROMWELL'S DENIALS.

The \$40,000,000 was paid by the United States through J. P. Morgan & Co, as their agents to the Bank of France at Paris on account of the Panama Canal Company,

denounce the statement that there was a syndicate formed by American citizens to purchase the Panama Canal and sell it to the United States as

absolutely false. I am also positive that not a man in public life in America ever had the least pecuniary interest in the Panama Canal

Washington, D. C. (Special) .-'If they can be reached for criminal libel, I shall try to have them reached," said President Reosevelt in the German Foreign Office. speaking about "those Americana who have been guilty of infamous falsehood concerning the acquisition Austria has called out additional reof the property and the construction of the (Panama) Canal itself." was to the Committee of One Hundred of the Lakes to the Gulf Deep Waterway Association, headed by Governor Deneen, of Illinois, who were received by the President in the East Room of the White House

that he made this declaration. Governor Deneen had presented a copy of resolutions adopted by the association and made a few remarks, to which the President replied as

follows: "I have felt, as the Governor has so well put it, that no more important service could be rendered to this country than the building of the Panama Canal between the At-Calcutta (Special) .- Practical mar- lantic and the Pacific; and one thing am proud of in connection building of that canal is that there has not been legitimate cause for the breath of scandal connected with any feature of the proceeding. We have cause to be ashamed of only one set of Americans in connection with the building of the canal, and that is of those Americans who have been guilty of infamous falsehood concerning the acquisition of the property and the construction of the canal itself. If they can be reached for criminal libel. I shall try to have them reached. If not, at any rate, all the facts we know or ever have known are at the disposal of each and every one of you here, and of anyone in Congress, or of all Con-

gress if they wish to see them. "Next only in importance from the physical standpoint to building the Panama Canal comes the question of developing the use of our own water-That must be done by the policy of irrigation at the head waters up in the arid regions; and where you come from, gentlemen, of Illinois. He will attend the state it is to be done by making our sea coast take a big loop in from the and we will see that that work is DO:NGS AT THE NATIONS CAPITAL services at the Poor Man's Mission done just as honestly, just as efficiently as the Panama Canal work has been done, and no work could have been done from beginning to end more honestly or more efficient- gust, intimating that he expected lw.

The Famous Cairo Burned

one of the widest known of the cafes of Abraham Lincoln, was stricken of the old Tenderloin district, destroyed by fire with a loss of \$10,- House. Several firemen had a narrow escape from injury when a metal ceiling over the restaurant on the main floor fell. The cafe was located on West Twenty-ninth Street and was the scene of the murder of a Long Island farmer a few years ago.

Falls On Knife And Dies. Gilead, Me. (Special) .- Frank R Marshall, of Portland, was accidentally killed while hunting near Hast-While cutting bark for a fire ings. he slipped and fell backward on his knife, and, unable to reach it, slowly bled to death, his body being found

on the mountain. A Judge Kills Himself.

Quebec (Special) .- Jean Gervais Protais Blanchet, judge of the Queen's bench here, blew his brains out while suffering from a fit of insanity superinduced by ill health. Judge Blanchet was 65 years old and a descendant of one of the old French families. He had held many positions of honor.

Germany Wants Islets.

London (Special) .- A news agency dispatch from Lisbon declares upon what it said to be reliable authority that the owner of the Berlenga Islands is about to sell them to the German government. It is also stated that Germany intends to fortify the islands and to establish naval and coaling stations. The rumor of the sale has caused considerable apprehension in Lisbon, and it is be lieved that the Portugese government will prohibit the sale.

RUSSIA IS AGAINST AUSTRIA'S GRAB

Is Favored.

St Petersburg (By Cable).-That Russia never consented to Austria's annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina will be one of the chief declarations in Foreign Minister Iswolsky's forthcoming address to the Douma on the Balkan situation, a forecast

of which was obtained here. The address says that Russia, England and France hold similar views regarding the Balkan conference propoals, chief among these being their should be compensated by Austria. Iswolsky asserts that Russia is striving to keep Servia and Montenegro quiet for fear that an outbreak by them might jeopardize their interthat Russia favors an alliance of the Balkan states, but denies the rumor that Russia will seek to dominate

such an alliance. The address as now prepared differs greatly from the original draft, as the Cabinet forced Iswolsky to change the original in many particulars. The whole tenor of the address is a denial of the charge that Iswolsky was in connivance with the Austrian foreign office in its annexa-

Constantinople (Special) .- Under what is believed to be pressure from Germany, Marquis Pallavincini, Austrian minister to Turkey, resumed negotiations with the Turkish Foreign Office for a settlement of the indemnity question.

These negotiations were broken off Wednesday, owing to the wide differ- Regret is expressed that the law comence between Austria's offer and Turkey's demand, and their early resumption is considered proof that outside pressure was brought to bear on Austria.

The action is in keeping with dispatches that Chancellor von Buelow. of Germany, had advised Foreign Minister Aerenthal, of Austria, to make a settlement as speedily as possible though this report is still denied at Simultaneous with this "peace

omen," however, it is learned that serves in several provinces and is arranging to transport 60,000 troops by steamers to Gattaro. Emperor Franz Josef is also

Petersburg (Special) .- Austria's reply to the Russian note regarding the Balkan conference is far more conciliatory than was expected, according to the consensus of

opinion of Russian diplomats. Instead of standing inexorably against any considertion of her annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. the note, it is stated, declares Auspreliminary exchange of views with European chancelleries to agree upon the scope of this phase of the con-

Constantinople (Special). minister of the interior, Hilmi Pasha, has a telegram from Monastir statng that a collision took place yesterday between Turks and Greeks, in which 30 were killed and 50 wound-

The Oregon Land Frauds. Justice Stafford imposed a sentence of two years' imprisonment and \$10,-000 fine on Frederick A. Hyde, the millionaire real estate operator of San Francisco, and one year and two months and \$1,000 fine on Joost H. Schneider, of Tucsson, Ariz., convicted of land frauds. Bonds were given by the defendants to carry the woman and five children. Holt did case to the Appellate Court. prosecution of Hyde and Schneider. together with John A. Benson and Henry P. Dymond, who were acquitted, following the investigation of alleged wholesale irregularities in have the custody of young children. public land deals in the West.

President-elect Taft refused to positively accept an invitation to the Trans-Mississippi Congress in Au-Congress to be in session at that

time. Gen. Henry G. Worthington, the New York (Special) .- The Cairo, only living pallbearer at the funeral with apoplexy on the floor of the

the nomination of George R. Wales, of Vermont, to be chief examiner

of the Civil Service Commission. Speaker Cannon caused a sensation by declaring himself opposed to a bond issue to carry on the proposed national inland waterway project. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson

Forestry Association. He will be succeeded by W. S. Harvey. The Senate ratified arbitration treaties with Peru and China and naturalization treaties with Brazil.

resigned as president of the American

Honduras and Uruguay. Contracts were awarded for the construction of six submarine boats The government will probably build two.

Advocates, of the establishment of an Appalachian and White Mountain National Forest Reserve, headed by governors from all sections of the United States, appeared before the House Committee on Agriculture.

The Interstate Commerce Commission announced an advance on all transcontinental east-bound traffic.

Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, announced his decision in the bleached flour controversy, holding that flour bleached with nitrogen peroxide is an adulterated product.

The Librarian of Congress, in his annual report made public, states that the number of volumes in the library at the close of the past fiscal year was 1,585,008, a net gain of

MR. CORTELYOU ON THE NATION'S FINANCES

Secretary of the Treasury Submi's His Annual Report,

REVIEWS THE MONETARY CRISIS.

Estimates for Year 1910 Call for an Appropriation of Nearly a Billion Dollars, Which Is One Hundred and Ferty-three Million in Excess of tle Estimated Revenues for That Year.

Washington, D. C. (Special).-The annual report of Hon. George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the treasury, contention that the Balkan states is a voluminous document, reviewing the state of the national finances for the fiscal year which ended June 30, and incidentally discussing numerous co-related subjects, notable ests in the conference. He admits of 1907 and the measures adopted by the federal government to mitigate its severity, the currency legislation at the last session of Congress and the revision of the tariff in its relation to the revenues of the government.

Among the suggestions offered is one for the regulation of the national budget by a joint congressional committee empowered to revise th€ appropriations with a view to distributing reductions and increases in an equitable manner, and to keep the expenditures of each year ap proximately with the revenue of the

The estimates for the fiscal year 1910, as submitted in the report, cal; for the appropriation of 968,287. 508.01, which is \$143,046,796.01 excess of the estimated revenues the government for that year pels their submission, for the reason that the proposed revision of the tariff to which the incoming administration is pledged, renders them for

the most part problematical. It is recommended that in the administration of the customs laws power be given to the secretary to remedy mistakes made by importers through ignorance, that customhouse brokers be licensed, that collectors and other chief customs officers be paid fixed salaries instead of fees and that a small fee be charged in protest cases before the general bord of appraisers, in order to prevent the filing of insincere protests.

strengthening Austria's Russian fron- POLICEMEN SHOT DOWN IN A RIOT

Armed Religious Fanatics Attack

Police Station. Kansas City, Mo. (Special)-In the shadow of the city hall a riot, in which religious fanatics and policeria's willingness to participate in a men were participants, and during which a hundred shots were fired, resulted in the death of Patrolman O. Dalbow and Lola Pratt. aged 13 years, probably fatal injuries to

three persons and slight injuries to two other persons Those probably fatally injured are John Sharp, known as Adam God, a street preacher; Michael Mullane, a patrolman; Patrick Clark, a police sergeant, Harry E. Stege, a policeman, and Geo. M. Holt, a probation officer, were also hurt. The trouble occurred while the streets were Washington, D. C. (Special) .- crowded with people. While the fight was in progress the participants

traversed an entire block Probation Officer Holt, of the Juvenile Court, went to Fifth and Main Streets to investigate a case of alleged abduction. Near that corner he met John Sharp, known as "Adam God." who was exherting a crowd. With Sharp were A. J. Selzer, The not like the manner in which the woman attempted to get money contributions from the crowd, and he declared that she and her male companions were not proper persons to

> The woman announced that she and "Adam God" would conduct at night, whereupon she and her companions started toward the mis-Officer Holt then inquired as sion. to the identity of the children. The woman immediately assumed an attitude of resentment and replied that the officer "had better attend to his

own business.' The officer persevered in his inquiries and "Adam God." who wears a long white beard and hair, threatened the officer with physical violence. Officer Holt was not armed. The President sent to the Senate but stood his ground until "Adam God" struck him a heavy blow behind the ear with a pistol, making Holt then started an ugly wound. for the police station for assistance. As Holt moved away the preached tried to shoot him, but the cartridge

failed to explode. Officer Holt rushed into the police station and announced that a band of religious fanatics, armed to the teeth, were at the threshold of the police station and he warned the officers to prepare for trouble. The police sergeant in charge ordered Patrolmen Charles Dalbow and Harry E. Stoge to arrest Sharp and

his followers. Galloped Off With \$6,000.

Wichia, Kan. (Special). - The State Bank of Maize, Kan., was entered by burglars, who dynamited the safe, took \$6,000 and galloped out of town as awakened citizens hurried out of doors too late to capture the robbers.

Hangs Himself In Cell.

New York (Special) .- Irvine Linehan ended an unhappy life of 22 years by hanging himself in his cell at the Harlem prison. He had been arrested charged with burglary. The story Linehan told after his commitment was so pathetic as to arouse much sympathy and quite general pelief in his statement that he had exhausted every resource to secure honest work and had turned to burglary when the alternative was to beg. "I'd rather die than do that,"