CENTRE HALL PA.

THE CAT.

From the standpoint of utility, except in so far as decorativeness is utility, not much can be said for the average cat these days. The cat enjoys its privileges without greatly concerning itself with the responsibilities. And in point of fact, its services in most houses would be superfluous. The mousetrap now does for most households what the cat formerly did. Nor is the cat particularly distinguished by the affection for its master which is so conspicuous in the dog, its sole domestic rival for the warm spot under the kitchen stove. If you will note the cat carefully, you will observe that it usually wants something of you when it comes around. None of its calls are courtesy The arched back and the "mew-mew" are eloquent of its desires. If it does not receive these marks of attention and fails to find anything else that interests it, say, a nice warm spot in your lap to take a doze on, the cat moves majestically and indifferently away. Your personality has no particular charm for it. It admires the radiator more than it does you. These characteristic symptoms of self-centeredness and grave detachment are reinforced by the eyes of the cat. A cat's eyes look at you. but they seem to be looking beyond you. They are like the eyes of the caged lion, which always seem to be seeing the distant desert that it loves and that is calling to it by night and

From year to year there have come reports of the increase of deer in Connecticut which western people have found it difficult to believe. Last year there were complaints that the protected animals were destroying farmers' crops. This year comes the story that the Connecticut game wardens have given warning that motormen on interurban electric cars must exercise the utmost care not to run down deer which happen to get upon the track, or they will be made to incur the full penalty of the law for killing deer out of season. It is said that a considerable number of deer have been killed in this way, especially at night, when they were at the surface. tracted by the headlights. Deer stalking with an electric car is cer and a lieutenant who were on board tainly a modern method of acquiring venison; but they were always an ingenious felk in the state of the wooden nutmeg.

A bonfire was held by the Postoffice Department of over 170,000 Christmas postal cards, barred because of their tinsel decoration, notification having Army Has An Innovation For Realbeen made that these cards are unmailable on account of danger to the clerks in handling. The number sent in spite of the warning shows that men and women are but children of a men use diseased beef for targets in larger growth, who keep on doing bayonet practice has come the innothings apparently because they have been told not to do them.

Census returns of the foreign-born inhabitants of Greater New York show that there are more natives of days of combat between knights. The Italy residing in the Empire City than there are in Palermo. In a similar netting and a special glove to protect way the Russian-born population of the hand. For the horses a hood was New York far exceeds the entire num- designed affording protection to their ber of inhabitants of so characteris heads. tically a Russian city as Kiev. The Russian-born New Yorkers number al most half a million and the Italianborn New Yorkers exceed 340,000.

The patient Griselda's famous rec-

campaign against the be roved stu- reports. The delay will permit the President Pino Suarez against the smoke are not those standing highest in their classes. This journal is behind the times, holding the antiquated idea that college students in these strenuous days go there to Carries \$152,000,000 and Abolishes

Sixteen babies in a courtroom in the latter was driven to ignominious pension agencies in 17 cities goes up the Clear Lake Methodist Conference, total of \$350,000. surrender in an adjournment. Which proves that the infant of the species is more vociferous than judicial prece-

"When I read I don't like to think." is a remark credited to Thomas A. Edison. A good many others feel the same way, which is a possible explanation for the abundant output of

The pure food board has issued a definition of mincemeat. But it has

# The Centre Reporter FOURTEEN DIE IN A SUBMARINE

An English Gunboat Runs Down a Little Plunger.

#### FOUR OFFICERS ARE VICTIMS

Gunboat Moving Swiftly Strikes the Submarine and Tears a Great Rent In Her Side-No Chance For ! Anyone On Board To Escape.

Portsmouth, Eng.-The total loss of the British submarine A-3, with the whole of her crew of 14 men, after collision with the gunboat Hazard, adds another to the long list of similar accidents which have in recent years thrown the British Navy and nation into mourning.

The crew on board the vessel, which is one of the older class, was composed of volunteers from the men of the fleet, as is the case with the complements of all submarines. The men, in spite of the hazardous nature of the service, like the work and volunteer in large numbers to be detailed to the submarine flotillas.

Many submarines are stationed at Portsmouth, from which port they constantly go out for diving and torpedo practice in the Roads, and a number of fatal accidents have occurred in the vicinity.

Torpedo practice has been in progress for some time, and the submarine A-3 was partially submerged when she came in collision with the gunboat Hazard. The gunboat was steaming at a fairly high rate of speed, and when she struck the submarine her bows cut a big rent in the little vessel's side. As the A-3 settled down, which she did in a few moments, and then disappeared, air and gas bubbles appearing on the surface told the crew of the Hazard that she was fill-

ing with water. It was practically certain that the fate of the two officers and nine men of which her crew was composed was out life buoys and launched boats, in Arabs, whose position and strength trade. case any of the men should succeed in were not known to the Italian com- In the period covered by the tele-

Beside the regular crew of 10 men the A-3, the Admiralty states that three other lieutenants were on the vessel, going through a course of inof 14 deaths.

#### DUELS WITH WAX BULLETS.

istic Revolver Practice. Washington. - Realism is again

asserting itself in the Army. Following upon the suggestion that cavalry. Mexican Rebels At Chihuahua Provation of revolver duels in which wax bullets are to be fired. The outfits devised for the protection of horses and men engaged in these duels remen are to wear hand shields of wire

#### THE DYNAMITE PLOT.

Be Returned.

ord for meekness and endurance has tinued by District Attorney Charles tween the revolt of the Juarez garribeen beaten by a woman in Chicago. W. Miller in completing the forms of son and the Zapata movement in the deaths from all causes registered house of the legislature by a vote of For twelve years she supported her the 30 or more indictments which, it Southern Mexico. It is addressed to in 1910 in the United States. husband with patient resignation, but is reported, the Federal grand jury the "valiant sons of Chihuahua" and finally decided that having to take will vote on at the conclusion of the recites how they were among the first beatings as well as give earnings was government's investigation into the to aid the Madero revolution of Noa little too much, even for a modern dynamite conspiracy. It is said if any tyranny which for more than 30 years ranged that they take place simultane-A medical journal has started a busly three or four days after the jury sending of papers to the Federal dis- will of the whole republic." tricts in which any accused men are known to be.

> HOUSE PASSES PENSION BILL. Seventeen Agencies.

Washington.-With the passage of to the Senate. The bill carries about attempted suicide here. His injuries \$152,000,000. Provision for abelishing the pension agencies has been included in the annual bill several times, but always has been stricken out before final passage.

#### Iowa's Prize Bread Baker.

Washington.-Miss Lois Edmonds, aged 11, the prize bread-baker, of J Lewis, of Maryland, came forward years old, Iowa's champion breadmak coal operators in Indiana, Illinois and

### THE YELLOW PERIL



# THIS AEROPLANE HIT BY BULLETS

Wounded.

Captain Monte Discovers From His Big Four Sold 25,000,000 Pounds of Flying Machine An Arab Encampment in the Tripoli Desert.

Tripoli. - While throwing bombs from an aeroplane into an Arab en-Captain Monte, an Italian military airman, was severely wounded.

The outposts of the Italian force at Tobruk, which was occupied by the Italian expeditionary army in October, trial in support of the government's have been subjected recently to a contention that the defendants opersealed. The Hazard, however, threw number of harassing attacks by the ated a combination in restraint of covered the Arab encampment. He threw several bombs among the enemy, who responded with rifle fire.

struction, and were drowned when by the Arab bullets, one of which hit Captain Monte, wounded him severely. He was, however, able to return to camp with the assistance of his companion, and both landed safely, bringing valuable information.

#### NAME GOMEZ AS PRESIDENT

claim New Republic-President Francisco Madero Bitterly Condemned.

El Paso, Texas.—Emilio Vasquez Gomez was named for provisional president of the Mexican Republic and President Francisco I. Manero was condemned in bitter terms in a proclamation circulated among the revolting Juarez garrison and members of the new revolutionary junta in El Paso.

The proclamation is dated "Revoluas "Chiefs of the forces of the north."

vember, 1910, to "overthrow the Completes \$500,000 For New Building joked with our rights."

President Madero is criticised especially for "installing in office Vice-According to the proclamation the

new revolutionary junta will consist of David de la Fuente, P. Martinez, Dr. Policarpe Rueda, Francisco I. Guezman and R. Gomez Robelo.

#### Preacher Slashes Throat.

will probably prove fatal. Dr. Fairall slashed his throat with a razor. Three weeks ago the minister was attacked

#### Lewis Would Protect Farmers.

Washington.-Representative David use as a farmers' produce market. ton by the Iowa Congressmen.

# TELEGRAMS THAT ARE TELLTALES

Selling Prices.

ARABS REACH HIM ARE USED IN PACKERS' TRIAL

Beef in New York With Less Than Half Cent Difference In Average Price.

Chicago.—Seven telegrams giving daily tonnage, margins and selling campment near Tobruk, in Cyrenaica, prices of dressed beef sold in New York by Armour and Company, Morris and Company, Swift and Company and the National Packing Company, in one week in July, 1906, were

mander, Captain Monte made a flight grams, the companies described as with another military man, who acted the Big Four, sold 25,000,000 pounds as observer, into the desert and dis- of beef in New York city with less than one-half a cent difference in the

average price obtained George D. Roberts, who was assistant manager for the National Packing Company in New York in the summer of 1906, identified the messages as of the form sent daily over the private wire to the Chicago office. When the manager was absent from the city the witness said he gathered the information by telephone from the representatives of Armour, Swift and Morris, and wired it to Chicago.

Roberts corroborated the testimony of Everett B. Dill, former manager of the National Packing Company in New York, regarding the exchange of this information between representatives of the Big Four.

#### WHITE PLAGUE UNABATED.

Census Figures Show Over Tenth Of Deaths Due To It.

Washington.-No inroads have been made on the ravages of the "white plague" in the larger cities of the country, according to figures given out breaking export movement for Febat the Census Office. In Greater New ruary. York alone more than 10,000 persons tionary Camp in Chihuahua, February died from tuberculosis during 1910. 1, 1912," and bears the signatures of There were 76,787 deaths from all Thirty Or More Indictments Likely To Louis Fernandez and Col. L. Salabar causes in Greater New York in 1910. For every 100,000 population in New It is taken here as another indica- York city 211 died during the year Indianapolis, Ind.—Work was contion of the possible connection be 1910 from consumption. Tuberculosis

#### MORGAN HELPS Y. M. C. A. In London.

London.-The Young Men's Christian Association here has received a cablegram from Lord Kinnaird at Cairo, stating that J. Pierpont Morgan has promised to give the last \$50.-000 necessary to complete the total of \$500,000 which it was expected to collect during the 12 days' campaign

Not Fortifying Fanning Island. Pacific Ocean, is untrue.

#### 11-Year-Old Baker For Taft.

Chicago.-Miss Lois Edmonds, 11

## PROFIT BY THEIR OVERCHARGES

Proposed Prosecution of Express Companies.

#### MANY "OVER-PREPAYMENTS"

Evidence Given Before Interstate Commission That \$67,000 In Overcharges Had Been Turned Into Company's Treasury.

Washington. - Prosecution of express companies for overcharging shippers on the transportation of their goods was indicated by Commissioner Lane at the express rate hearing here, to be the intention of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

W. A. Ryan, one of the investigators for the commission, presented in tabulated form the examination of one month's business of the Adams Express Company, showing that \$67,000 in overcharges had been turned into the company's treasury.

T. B. Harrison, counsel for the company, explained what are known as 'over-prepayments" and asserted that Italian Aerial Bomb Dropper Give Tonnage, Margins and more than 20 per cent. of the \$67,000 actually remained in the company's treasury. He added that positive instructions were given by the company to all its representatives to make refunds on all discoverable overcharges.

"Well," said Commissioner Lane, "it is conclusively established that the agents of the companies themselves do not understand the tariffs and regulations of the companies. By an examination of the business of the companies for one day we find more than 3,000 overcharges. Now, then, we propose to prosecute the companies for making these overcharges. They are clearly violations of the law."

Mr. Ryan presented comparative tables of the operations of express companies in Great Britain, France and Germany and those of the United States. They showed, generally, that for similar service, weights and distances the foreign rates were considerably lower than the domestic rates.

Representatives of the companies pointed out that the express business of the United States was carried either on fast passenger trains or on special express trains, the matter of speed and expedition being given greater consideration in America than in Europe. The testimony and figures thus far presented by the commission's investigators tend to indicate a belief on their part that the companies should adopt a flat rate, applicable to various zones to be established either | mill and the twenty-eight-inch strucvoluntarily by the companies or by order of the Interstate Commerce Company have closed down indefi-Commission.

#### COTTON FUTURES JUMP.

Record-Breaking Export Movement Predicted For February.

New Orleans .- A good and widespread spot demand put the price of cotton future up nearly a dollar a bale in New Orleans Thursday. Southern spot markets generally reported heavy buying of the actual staple, with the result that bullish sentiment was stimulated and the heaviest buying of contracts in several months' resulted. Freight brokers said bookings of ocean room for cotton forecasted a record-

#### AN ANTI-TIPPING BILL.

Lower House Of the Kentucky Legislature Passes It.

Frankfort, Ky.-Kentucky's propos-59 to 7, with an emergency clause attached, which reads:

"Whereas, Members of the legislature are now paying out sums of money in the way of tips, an emergency is, therefore, declared to exist, and this bill will become a law as soon as signed by the Governor." The bill provides a fine for tipping

waiters and porters.

#### Keeping the Money Here.

Washington.-International moneyorder business in New York city since last month. When the lists closed the establishment there of postal sav-January 23 it was announced that the ings banks showed a decrease of \$6,amount collected by Charles S. Ward, 524,479, as compared with the correof New York, and his assistants had sponding period of last year. Post-New York upset the court's dignity the Pension Appropriation bill by the all, editor of the Iowa Methodist, a then small sums have been added and figures to indicate that foreign-born and yelled their contempt of court till House, the question of abolishing the monthly publication, and founder of the contributions have now reached a residents now are depositing their surplus money in postal banks instead of sending it abroad. New York city does 90 per cent. of the international London.-The British Foreign Office money-order business of the country, declares the report that Great Britain and during the month of December by an affliction of the eyes, threaten is fortifying Fanning Island, in the last the business decreased nearly \$3,000,000.

#### Want a Trade Commission.

light literature that calls for no lows, and ten boys, this year's cham- for the protection of farmers from his er, left Chicago for Washington, where Pennsylvania urged the Senate Interthought in the process of its perusal. pion corn-growers, from the same district, who attend the markets of she will bake a loaf of bread for Presi- state Commerce Committee to create ioned revolver. state, were presented by Secretary of Washington and have no shelter in dent Taft. Despite her youth Miss an interstate trade commission, with Agriculture Wilson with diplomas in the extreme cold weather. With this Edmonds wrested this honor from such control over coal mining as the to bobsleds, took fright at a portable recognition of their work. Their trip object in view he introduced a bill 1,400 other contestants. With her are Interstate Commerce Commission has offered no bets that it can define the to Washington was part of the reward they received for baking the best for the erection of shelter sheds on B corn raiser in his own county. The Indiana Coal Operators' Association; ers, twenty-nine years old, of Worthington, was killed and John C. Rodgbread and raising the most corn to street, near the Center Market, for children are being sent to Washing. Glen W. Traer, of the Illinois Association, addressed the committee.

### **PENNSYLVANIA** STATE NEWS

Newsy Items Gathered From All Parts of the State

Emaus.-There are still several cases of diphtheria in the borough. South Bethlehem.-The timely arrival of firemen saved the Hungarian band hall from being destroyed by

Hokendauqua.-Just as she was pre-

paring to move to her new home, Mrs. Catharine Smith was fatally stricken with apoplexy. Lansford.-John Gottschall, fifteen

years old, who was employed at No. 11 breaker, was crushed to death between two cars South Bethlehem. - The public

school teachers of South Bethlehem have organized a local branch of the State Teachers' League.

Tamaqua.-While on her knees, clasping her Bible, Mrs. Sarah Lavenburg, seventy years old, died suddenly from heart foilure.

Harrisburg .-- The Middletown Car Works, which has been filling several foreign orders for the Standard Car Company, has received an order for 200 cars for the Argentine Republic. Carlisle.-Stricken with paralysis

while at home playing with her threeyear-old granddaughter, Mrs. Almira M. Shipley, sixty-one years old, died a few hours later. Hazleton.-The union machinists at

the Jeanesville Iron Works, who were on strike the last eight months, came to terms with the management and will resume their places. Mahanoy City.-Caught in a rush of

culm at Hammond Colliery, Joseph Flaherty, of Connorton, had his back broken. He was rescued alive, but died soon after. South Bethlehem .- For stealing four loads of hay, valued at one hundred

dollars, from Reuben Muse, Preston Seifert, of Springtown, was held in heavy bail. South Bethlehem.—Charged with chasing his wife around the house and threatening her life with a revolver,

Hugh McGarvey was held in heavy Glen Onoko. Two boys who ran away from Hazleton were captured on a Lehigh Valley train near here by Patrolman Charles Kannapel, of East Mauch Chunk, who sent them to their

Mauch Chunk.—Arrangements have been made by the Men and Religion Forward Movement, which is now con ducting a three weeks' campaign in the Mauch Chunks for holding shop meetings.

South Bethlehem.-Because of the dullness in the steel trade the rail tural iron mill at the Bethlehem Steel nitely.

Lock Haven .- Miller Hale McLain, thirteen years old, of Minneapolis, Minn., a nephew of R. P. M. Davis, with whom he made his home, was fatally shot while handling a revolver and died almost instantly.

Chambersburg.-Because dogs have been killing deer in the mountains near Caledonia, four members of the Locker Antlers Deer Club, of this place, are taking to the warpath and exterminating vicious dogs.

Williamsport.-Thieves gained entrance to the postoffice at Laurelton, a few miles west of here, by forcing their way up through the cellar. They succeeded in getting away with \$150 and about \$100 worth of stamps.

Carlisle.-Injuries suffered while being whirled in the shafting in the saw mill of his father at Lee's Cross Roads, resulted in the death of Chas-B. Baker, thirty-five years old, son of 'Squire Charles B. Baker. Lancaster.-Dr. Levan's drug store

and Lewis Cohen's clothing store, at Gap, were burned. The loss, \$10,000. is covered by insurance. It started from an overheated flue in the drug Norristown.-Harold Glisson, five years old, was drowned in Stritzinger's mill race here. The boy bor-

rowed a sled and while coasting lost control. The sled plunged into the race and the swift current carried the boy under the ice. Lansford .- At a joint meeting of the Board of Trustees and the new com-

missioners of the Panther Creek Hospital, at Coaldale, the institution was transferred to the commissioners and will in the future be completely under the jurisdiction of the State. York.-The police say the mystery surrounding the one thousand dollar

jewelry robbery at the residence of P. G. Gilbere is solved. Chief Binder and Detective Cookes, who were engaged on the case, learned that Michael Jordan, in prison at Birmingnam, Ala., is said to have boasted to a fellowprisoner that he and a "pal" did the job and disposed of the jewelry in Savannah, Ga.

South Bethlehem. - Consaglio Braucce, three years old, was fatally shot in her parents' home here while playing with her five-year-old brother Louis. The children in some manner secured hold of the father's old-fash-

engine near Chicora and dashed over ers, his brother, was perhaps fatally-