Chauncey M. Depew, President of the Railroad, says that there are 750,000 voters in the service of the railroads of the United States.

to this country at the present time is should be allowed to permit their dogs to said to be owing to the brutal manner in roam about their grounds and bark at which they are treated by the nobility in the moon all night long, has never been their native country.

A singular cause of bankruptcy was recently alleged by an Australian firm of graziers-a scourge of grasshoppers The insects had so completely devastated the land that the owners became insolvent.

A Mormon elder says the religious Mormons are steadily drifting out of Utah toward Mexico, where they can live up to the full requirements of their faith, and that altogether fully 10,000 will eventually leave the Territory.

Switzerland wants a naval flag. As the country has no seaboard such an ensign would at first sight seem rather useless, but it is needed to protect Swiss property abroad. The Federal Council are now considering the subject.

W. K. Vanderbilt's steam vacht Alva. which is easily the handsomest and most perfectly appointed pleasure boat in the world, cost \$600,000, and the expense of running her is said to be about \$150,-000 a year. The royal yachts of Europe are mere dugouts in comparison with the

sense than any great man's son now liv- made directly by employers to the Governing. He has written a novel, but has ment and deducted from the wages due. decided not to publish it because it may suffer by comparison with the works of his father. When a man displays such judgment he has some of the elements of

annual review of the progress of the entislands by the commander of her Ma-South makes a most encouraging exhibit jesty's ship Egeria. The fact that the for the year ended August 31, 1889. There has been, it is shown, a steady ad- of the annexed islands made no difference vance everywhere and in every line of to the Britishers, but in the opinion of the business. There has been no boom, except in a few isolated spots, but there has been no set-back, no financial dis- sisting between the two countries if any tress, no business depression to stay the serious attempt at occupation is made. The march of improvement.

The total cost of supplying the British man-of-war Hero with ammunition for a commission is estimated by a correspondent of the London Daily News at between \$175,000 and \$200,000. It costs guano deposits, which are worked by about \$41 to fire a single shot from one | Solomon island natives for Englishmen." of her twelve-inch guns. The next great naval war, if the world ever is to see gram, will be so enormous that the exhaustion of one or the other party must bring it to a speedy close. Years of continuous warfare, such as England has known, would bankrupt a nation or tax her resources so that the victor would be crippled as well as the vanquished. Warfare is becoming, among the more highly civilized nations, more and more a matter of money rather than of men, and those who hold the money bags dictate peace

What did Mr. Gladstone mean when this utterance he appears even more Delphic than usual. If Mr. Gladstone intended to say that the English language is spoken in higher perfection in America than in England he has a long reckoning to settle with his fellow Englishmen when he returns home; for no opinion is more hateful to Englishmen than that the American "patois" is a superior article to the English of England. Perhaps Mr. Gladstone meant simply to grace a pleasant occasion with a pleasant, but not too significant or lucid a speech. If so, it would not be the first time in his career that he has displayed this amiable desire.

The courts have again dealt a blow at place a prohibitory tariff on dressed meat under the claim of required sanitary inspection within the State's borders. Judge Blodgett, of Illinois, has decided that Swift & Co., the Chicago dressed beef concern, is entitled to heavy damages for the refusal of its agent in Duluth, Minn., to perform his contract in marketing the Chicago beef. The Minnesota agent alleged the State law against the selling of | lar spectacle-one evidently not contembeef not inspected before death in the plated by the framers of the federal char-State where it was sold; but the court | ter. And it may be taken for granted pronounced the law unconstitutional, and | that Nevada would never consent to give awarded the plaintiff \$7500 damages. In previous decisions under the new laws the same decision has been arrived at in sisterhood of States. The solution of a different form; suit being brought by the State against the butcher selling the Chicago beef. The Commercial Advertiser considers that the case decided by Judge Blodgett is likely to be the first to come up on an appeal before the United States Supreme Court.

Some practical means of suppressing New York Central and Hudson River dogs in rural neighborhoods would be welcomed by thousands of suburban residents of the big towns. Undoubtedly, a dog is of more or less value in scaring tramps and sneak thieves away from a The large immigration of Hungarians country house; but exactly why people adequately explained. The affection of the human race for a dog is deep seated and general. Every town and village have their quota of mongrel curs and whelps who attack thoroughbred dogs whenever an opportunity offers, and keep things whooping generally all night long. Poisoning them is out of the question; for, when poisoned meat is strewn around, it is the thoroughbred and valuable dogs who get it, while curs go scot free.

The national insurance plan which has been completed by the German Reichstag is said to be one of the broadest reforms ever undertaken by any Government. By it insurance against the most serious evils of the working classes is provided. By the payment of one and a half to two per cent. of his wages the workman is supplied in sickness with medical attendance, and whatever supplies are necessary, and he receives half his usual pay. For complete disablement two-thirds of his usual wages are allowed, and in case of death the widow receives twenty per cent. of the wages of her husband and each child fifteen per cent. in addition, up to sixty per cent. Over 11,000,000 persons will at once come under the operations of the new The younger Charles Dickens has more law, and all payments provided will be

The Sydney papers contain an account of the annexation by the British of the Union and Phoenix groups of islands in the South Pacific. The act was performed with all possible ceremony, the The New Orleans Times-Democrat's British flag being hoisted on eight differ-American flag was found flying on several San Francisco Chronicle, "it may slightly affect the pleasant relations hitherto sub-Union and Phoenix groups are almost in line with the other islands north of the equator annexed by Great Britain last year. The Union group is fertile and populous. The Phoenix islands are of coral formation. They contain extensive

The Cuban sugar planters are placing imanother, declares the New York Tele- proved machinery upon their estates, and will endeavor to revive the prosperity of an industry once so flourishing on that island. The Courier-Journal observes that sugar making in Cuba has received some hard blows of late. The machinery is very costly, and it requires a large capital to conduct a plantation. Good labor is scarce, and the oppressions of the Spanish Government are very discouraging. The mountains are filled with bandits who sometimes carry off the planters and burn the ripened cane fields, which ignite like dry grass. More formidable to the Cuban sugar planter than all local he said at Paris that America had a right disadvantages is the growth of the beet to be considered "to some extent, at root sugar industry. Formerly Cuba enleast, the great organ of the powerful joyed a monopoly which her inhabitants English tongue?" Inquires the Chicago thought could not be broken, but they Herald. Mr. Gladstone says many things were as bady deceived as the Brazilians, whereof the meaning is not clear, but in who imagined that they controled the coffee markets of the world.

The Washington Star considers that 'the revival of the talk about compelling Nevada to retire from the Union on account of her decadence in population may be very promptly met by a citation from the first article of the Federal Constitution. It is true that the Constitution says: 'The number of representatives shall not exceed one for every thirty thousand,' but it immediately adds: ·But each State shall have at least one representative.' This provision, as can be shown by reference to contemporary literature from the pens of leading expounders of the instrument, was adopted the effort of certain State legislatures to for the purpose of preventing the exercise of any tyranny by the more populous upon the less populous States. And, even if there were no proofs on this point, there is distinct provision in the fifth article, that no State shall be deprived, without its consent, of its equal suffrage in the Senate. A State, under our system, represented in one house and not in the other, would present a singuup one of the privileges she has enjoyed for a quarter of a century as one of the Nevada's problem will be found in the addition to the State of parts of the adjacent Territories until a respectable population is secured. Mormonism in the land to be annexed stands in the way of the immediate application of this method

## FEARFUL EXPLOSIONS

Many Men Killed and Injured in a Powder Mill.

Molten Metal Pours Over Workmen at a Foundry.

A terrible explosion has taken place at Laffin & Rand's powder works at Becksville, Penn., resulting in the instant and horrible death of three men and the injuring of six

The concussion of the explosion was felt five miles away. Four buildings were ut-terly demolished and nearly all the glass in the village was smashed.

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The men who were killed were all literally blown to atome, and their remains had to be gathered up in bags and baskets. Portions of the limbs were hurled a hundred yards away from the factory.

The glazing mill, corning mill, powder house and another building belonging to the factory were blown to atoms and portions of the building were hurled 150 feet into the air, and parts of the quivering remains of the unfortunates came down in the shower of the fragments that fell over an area of several squares about the wreck and ruins.

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The explosion is believed to have been caused by a tack lying on the floor, which communicated a spark to the powder. An explosion occurred at Carnegie's Edgar Thomson Steel Works, at Braddock, Penn. Captain W. R. Jones, general manager of the immense steel works, and a number of workmen were seriously and some fatally burned. Furnace C, one of the largest of burned. Furnace C, one of the largest of the blast furnaces, gave way at the bottom, and in an instant flames shot forth, and the hot metal exploded and fell like sheets of water. Tons of the molten metal poured out of the furnace, and that any person near the furnace escaped instant death seems remarkable. Some of the men were so severely burned that their flesh peeled off with their elections.

Captain Jones is well known throughout the United States and Europe wherever iron and steel are manufactured. It was he who took 300 men to Johnstown at his own expense, two days after the flood, and remained there for a couple of weeks directing the work of rescue. He is sixty years of age.

### AN INFANT FIREBUG.

His Peculiar Weakness is to Burn Children to Death.

A peculiar death has occurred at Indianapolis, Ind. Mrs. Siler has four children, whom she would leave at home when at her work. Among her children is a three-yearold boy who, the Coroner says, is a verita-ble Jesse Pomeroy. He has a mania for using matches and setting fire to everything that can be ignited. He set fire to his baby sister's clothing, and held a blazing paper to the infant's face, burning it so horribly that it died. When the crowd had gathered in the house the youngster tried to get fire to the clothing of a neighbor's little girl, and was only prevented by force.

"If something is not done with that child," remarked the Coroner, "when he gets older he will be dancerous to he at large."

# HUMANITY TO ANIMALS.

Dehorning Cattle, Doctoring Tails and Shooting Pigeons Denounced. The American Humane Association at its

annual Convention, just held in Louisville, adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved. That this association considers dehorning cattle a great and unnecessary cruelty, and therefore recommends to all societies to prosecute any cases coming under

'Resolved, That this association requests every State or local society in the Union to endeavor to obtain from its Legislature & law making it a penal offence to deborn cattle, to dock the tails of horses and to shoot pigeons and other live birds from traps.

### PROMINENT PEOPLE.

JOAQUIN MILLER named the Territory of

WILKIE COLLINS leaves a fortune of about CARDINAL MANNING'S dinner consists of

a potato and one egg. THE only stimulant now indulged in by

Prince Bismarck is tea. SIR HENRY ISAACS will be the third Jew-

ish Lord Mayor of London. GENERAL BOULANGER is now the fond grandfather of a little boy.

GENERAL LEW WALLACE has received \$45,000 for his story, "Ben Hur." GEORGE BANCROFT, the historian, spends

all his spare time in tending to his roses SENATOR HOAR'S library is one of the finest private collections at the National

GENERAL BUTLER has concluded the arrangements for the publication of his

THE wife of ex-Senator Thomas Platt is one of the best amateur photographers in New York State. PRESIDENT HARRISON keeps a scrap-book

in which he has a copy of all the speeches he has ever made. GENERAL DANIEL HARVEY HILL,

well-known ex-Confederate General, died a few days since at Charlotte, N. C.

LORD SALISBURY has such an extreme aversion to tobacco that even his own sons do not venture to smoke in his presence.

HENRY VILLARD, the railroad magnate, is passionately fond of music of all kinds, and is himself a good performer on the violin-

THE Duke of Connaught, now in command of the English troops at Bombay, will visit the United States next spring on his way to

George W. Childs is a plump, prosper-ous looking, interesting, good-hearted man, with closely cropped whiskers and the suav-

H. M. FLAGLER, the Standard Oil magnate who owns the finest private car on wheels has just given orders for the most magnificen steam yacht that can be built.

POPE LEO is very sparing of his diet, but his breakfast is particularly frugal. It rarely consists of anything more than a single cup of tea or coffee or a glass of milk. HENRY WATTERSON is totally blind in on

eye, and is able to see only dimly with the other. When he writes he holds his head so low that his nose almost touches the paper. THE Polish National Alliance has made George Kennan, the American writer, an honorary member of their body, for show-ing to the world the horrors of the Russian

SENATOR SHERMAN had a peculiar ex-perience in Paris. He was taken by a crowd for Jules Ferry, the French statesman, and had to retire to his botel to escape the jeer aich followed him.

PRESIDENT CARNOT, of France, is said to be very fond of Americans and greatly in terested in America. He takes every occasion that presents itself to learn something about the thriving Republic of the West.

A CORRESPONDENT who has just visited Samuel J. Randall, at his home, says that the ex-Speaker is suffering now from gout it addition to his old stomach trouble. Ho is improving, however, and expects to be in his seat when Congress meets.

TENNYSON has a horror of the biographer. He keeps no diary and has destroyed his correspondence and all records of it. He is reported to have said to a friend recently "When I am dead I will take good care they shall not rip me up like a pig."

### THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Eastern and Middle States. MAXWELL STRAUE, who was arrested at Elmira for intoxication, has died in jail. The Coroner's examination reveals traces of poison, and it is believed that he was drugged and robbed.

A LOCOMOTIVE was thrown from the track near Ithaca, and Engineer Orlando Seeley was instantly killed.

JACOB FITZGERALD, of Cayuga, dropped dead in Watkins. He was a delegate to the Republican State Convention and went to Watkins to take a train for Saratoga. EX-MAYOR P. D. WALTER, of Lockport, has died from the effects of a fall.

DELEGATES to the Republican State Con-rention and the meeting of the Republican State League gathered at Saratoga.

By the upsetting of a boat in Boston Har-or E. G. Hartwell of Waltham and Arthur Taft of Dedham, Mass., were drowned. THERE have been heavy frosts in Vermont and Northern New York; heavy snow fell

on Mount Washington. THE Boston Board of Aldermen have voted to erect statues to Generals Grant and Sheridan and Admiral Farragut.

SHERIFF NICHOLAS C. DEMAREST, of Bergen County, N. J., was run over by an ex-press train at Rutherford and instantly killed.

THE New York Daily Graphic, an illustrated paper, has ceased publication.

An extraordinary plague of pleuro-pneu-monia has broken out among the cattle of Chester County of the adjoining counties of Montgomery and Berks, Penn. In the case of Henry S. Ives, the young Napoleon of Finance" charged with an ver-issue of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Day-

on Railroad stock, the jury at New York disagreed, ten standing for conviction and two for acquittal. DEPOSITS of gold said to be in paying uantities have just been discovered near

Hanover, Penna. THE Republican State Convention of Massachusetts has nominated J. Q. A. Brackett for Governor, and other officers.

A "WILDCAT" engine dashed into a train filled with workmen near Wilmington, Del. Twelve laborers were severely injured. THE New York Grand Jury have indicted

Sheriff Flack, his son, and three other per-sons for conspiracy and perjury in connec-tion with divorce proceedings against Mrs.

The wedding of Miss Anita McCormick and Emmons Blaine, son of the Secretary of State, was celebrated at the Presbyterian Church, Richfield Springs, N. Y. The bride has a fortune of \$3,000,000.

ALICE WETZEL, a handsome young woman of Herndon, Penn., has been found dead in the cabin of an old hag named Gottshall, in Purdytown.

ROBBERS rifled the railroad station at Brighton, Penn., and bound and gagged Mrs. M. C. Salton, the ticket agent, seriously injuring ber.

### South and West.

An explosion of gas in a coal mine near Dayton, Tenn., has badly injured nine men, two fatally.

LIGHTNING struck the house of Mr. Spaulding, at Winona, Minn., killing his six-year daughter, and fatally injuring his wife.

ONE passenger was killed and several in-jured in a collision on the Northwestern Railroad at Blackberry, Ill. At a cake walk at Culpeper, Va., James Fitzgerald shot and killed his wife for permitting a handsomer man to kiss ber.

THE President and ex-Senator Henry G. Davis made a trip into West Virginia from Deer Park, Md. THE Corn Palace Exhibition at Sioux City,

THE public schools have been closed at Marion, Ind., owing to the prevalence of

THE firm of Belford, Clarke & Co., prominent Chicago book publishers, with branches at New York and San Francisco, has suspended, and a receiver has been appointed. WALTER BALL, of West Point, Va., and

us son have been been indicted by the Grand Jury for compelling B. T. Barham, at the point of a pistol, to marry Mr. Ball's daugh-ter. PRESIDENT HARRISON and Senator Davis

were present at the Centennial celebration at Cumberland, Md. THE town of Fort Gay, W. Va., is terrorized by a gang of roughs. A beating they gave to the Mayor and his marshals caused these

officials to resign. THE Republican State Convention of Mississippi has nominated General James R. Chalmers for Governor and W. C. Mathison (colored) for Secretary of State.

THE annual convention of the American Bankers' Association opened in Kansas City, fully 1000 delegates being present.

Two hundred men entered the jail at Winona, Miss., captured Sol Purnell, a colored man, and hanged him to a railroad trestle. GENERAL SHERMAN presided at the meet ing of the Army of the Tennessee, in Cin-cinnati, Ohio. Chicago was selected as the next meeting place.

B. F. Curris, a merchant, and John Wallace, a mail carrier, both of Cairo, Ill., quarreled over the removal of Commissioner Tanner, and Wallace was struck over the head with a molasses jug, receiving an in-jury from which he died an hour later.

THE works of the Emery Candle Company, in the suburbs of Cincinnati, Ohio, have been destroyed by fire; loss \$100,000.

## Washington.

THE Superintendent of the Census has appointed Richard P. Rothwell, of New York, chief special agent to take charge of the collection of statistics of gold and silver for the

SEVERAL of the South American delegator to the International Congress have arrived in this country.

COLONEL SWITZLER, Chief of the Bureau of Satistics, at the request of Secretary Win-dom, has tendered his resignation.

THE Secretary of the Treasury has accepted the resignation of Dr. James P. Kimball, of Pennsylvania, as Director of the Mint. TANI Kwo Yino, the new Chinese Minister, with his retinue of twenty-five, arrived at Washington.

THE commission appointed to select a site for a navy yard on the Pacific coast north of the forty-second parallel has recommended the selection of a point on Puget Sound. SECRETARY TRACY will ask Congress to build ten new steel men-of-war and to leave their size, horse power and general design to the Navy Department.

THE Acting Secretary of State has sent letters to our diplomatic and consular officers abroad requesting their co-operation in the effort to make the Boston International Maritime Exposition a success.

MRS. EMMA A. WOOD, wife of a geological surveyor in Washington, has been burned to death. Her clothing caught fire while she

THE trials of the United States gunboat Yorktown are reported by her officers as having been in all respects satisfactory.

### Foreign.

ANOTHER Sirike occurred of the stevedores imployed in the East India docks, London. WILKIE COLLINS, the famous novelist, has died of paralysis of the heart.

THE United States warship Enterprise arrived at Inversey, Scotland, and the Duke of Arryle entertained the officers of the vescol at his castle.

ELIZA COOK, the noted English poetess, is fead in her seventy-second year. A PARTY of six tourists and their guide while ascending the Bavarian-Austrian Alp were procipitated into a ravine and all we fatally injured.

personally successful in getting elected to the Freuch Assembly, his followers have been overwhelmingly defeated. The Republicans will have a majority of almost 150 members in the new Assembly. Boulanger having been declared ineligible by the High Court of Justice, his election is useless unless validated by the future Chamber. ALTHOUGH General Boulanger has been

A CHEST of dynamite exploded at the sta-stion in St. Petersburg just before the Czar of Russia departed for Copenhagen.

A TEACHER of Odessa, Russia, named Sause committed suicide. His wife was so much affected that she lost her reason. She killed her five children, carried their bodies to 6 third story window, and threw them to the ground. She then threw herself out, receiv-ing fatal injuries.

JOE KEMP, who was taken out from the Quebec ruins alive after one hundred hours' mprisonment, has died.

By the collapse of an unfinished house in Milan, Italy, five Italy, five persons were killed and

Mussulman outrages upon Christians in Crete have taken place. Numbers of Chris-tians are fleeing to the mountains.

FIVE hundred navvies employed on the Bais des Chaleurs Railway in Quebec have struck for back pay amounting to \$40,000. WILLIAM WALTER PHELPS, the new American Minister to Germany, has presented his credentials to Emperor William. An extensive strike of dock laborers has taken place at Rotterdam, Holland.

### A LARGE PENSION.

And an Unusual Tragedy of the War Which It Recalls.

Mrs. Mary Pierson, of Kanawha County, W. Va., has just received a large pension, which recalls an unusual tragedy not noted at the time and almost forgotten since. At the breaking out of the war her husband was an ardent Southerner. She favored the Union, as did her children. Finally the oldest son, Harvey, joined the Union army. His angry father swore he would kill the first

Yankee soldier he saw.

In 1861 a squad of eighteen Union soldiers stopped in front of his house. The Lieutenant, not thinking of danger, climbed upon the fence and sat down. Pierson shot him dead. In revenge the soldiers killed Pierson and three of his children. The son Harvey was killed in battle. The mother, with several children, has lived in poverty until now. She is seventy-five years old. ankee soldier he saw

### A DISASTER AVERTED.

Miraculous Escape From a Terrible Landslide at Milwankee.

The startling information is made public that a great catastrophe during the recent National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at Milwaukee was averted by a mere chance. The sloping hillside at Juneau Park, where 100,000 people were seated on the night of the sham naval battle. was moved six inches. Had it not been for the stone road-bed of the railway at the foot of the hill, the whole side of the bluff would of the hill, the whole side of the bluff would have slipped off into the lake, carrying the people with it. The ground at the bottom of the hill is bulged, and at the top there is a deep fissure where the sod and earth have been torn apart. Before the seats were erected many civil engineers had doubts about the safety of the bank, as much of it consisted of made ground.

### A SAWMILL FATALITY.

The Boiler Explodes and Five Young Men Instantly Killed.

One of the saddest accidents in the history of Somerset County, Penn., has occurred here at Berlin. The boiler at the sawmill of Pr.tz Brothers exploded. John Pritz, Edward Pritz, Oliver Ross, David Ross and David Baker, all well-known young men of this vicinity, were instantly killed. Two brothers named Brant, who were near the sawmill, were badly injured. The force of completely wrecked.

## THE NATIONAL GAME.

New York won the series from every club BASEBALL is fast becoming the popular

sport in Australia. CLEVELAND won the series from Philadelphia, taking ten games to the latter's nine, Almost every baseball club in the American Association is at daggers drawn with some or all of the other clubs.

UMPIRE HENGLE had to be escorted from Brooklyn's baseball grounds recently, because he called the game when the Brooklyn's were ehind, by four policemen.

A Boston daily paper announces that it would present \$1000 to be divided among the members of the Boston Baseball Club if they won the pennant this year. Ewing, of New York, has caught in me

games than any other League player, but he is closely followed by Bennett, of Boston, Zimmer, of Cleveland and Farrell of Chic-Nine well-known society girls in Baltimore have formed a base ball club. Twice a week

they go out into the country to play, and it is said that they are becoming very pro-ficient at the game. Their ages vary from sixteen to twenty.

According to information given out in Chicago the professional base ball players, aided by well-known capitalists, are to take the management of the National game into their own hands. Clubs are to be formed in eight leading cities. ANOTHER ball player has joined the the-atrical profession. W. H. Stewart, who is enacting the roll of the surgeon in "Held by the Enemy," is an old time Western twirler. He was one of the organizers of the first club in Indiana, in 1864.

Sixty-two games were prevented by rain this season in the League. There were thir-ty-one of those double event nuisances played, Pittsburgh playing the most—cleven. Seven Pittsburgh playing the most—cleven. Seven were played at Boston, six at Philadelphia, four at Chicago, three at Indianapolis, three at Washington, and two at Cleveland.

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At a meeting of the American Association the recent trouble between St. Louis and Brooklyn was discussed. The game which Umpire Goldsmith gave to Brooklyn by 9 to 0, because the St. Louis club refused to play longer when they were in the lead, claiming it was too dark, was given to St. Louis. The latter club was fined \$1500 for refusing to play in Brooklyn on the next day, and the game was given to the Brooklyns by 9 to 0 while Goldsmith's dismissal was recommended.

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## A TERRIBLE COLLISION.

Frightful Accident on the New York Central Railroad.

One Section of an Express Train Plunges Into the Other.

A terrible accident occurred on the New York Central road at 11:40 o'clock, a few nights ago, two miles east of Palatine Bridge, N. Y. The first section of the St. Louis express, which left New York at 6 o'clock P. M., had broken down, an accident having happened to the steam chest, when the second section, which was composed of eight vestibule sleeping coaches, drawn by sixty-ton engine No. 683, in charge of William Horth, and running at the rate of thirty miles an hour, ning at the radashed into it.

The first section was made up of Engine 714 (Engineer Weeks and Conductor Abel), a baggage, mail, and express car, three passenger coaches, which were packed with people, one Wagner sleeper, and two private

The rear private coach, the Kankakee, telescoped the Wagner car of the first section, which was just ahead of it, to half its distance. The only damage caused to the ordinary passenger cars, which were between the sleepers and the locomotive, was in the smashing of windows and lamps.

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After the crash the second section with-drew from the first section, but left a hole in the rear portion of the Kankakee big enough to piace a boiler in. The first, third, and fourth tracks were littered with wreckage. Conductor Abel said his rear brakeman was sent back, but Conductor Horth, who was very badly hurt, said that he did not see him, and the first he saw were the lights on

When the crash came the New York Times's correspondent was asleep in the coach next ahead of the sleeper of the first section. Every seat in the car was taken. One-half of the passengers were women. They made a the passengers were women. They made a wild break for the door, but were deterred from jumping out in the darkness by the cooler-headed passengers.

The wreck could not have occurred in a more unfavorable place. On the left, in the pitchy darkness, and fifty feet below, was the roaring Mohawk.

Not a light could be seen except those in the coaches. The lights in the sleepers had all been extinguished. One-half of the pas-sengers were awakened from a sound sleep to

find themselves wrapped in gloom. For a while the people were too duzed to do anything. The train men were mute and reserved as usual under such circumstances. The first thing that the correspondent did was to walk back to see if the rear lights of the first section were all right and the rear brakeman was in his place. Ten feet of the rear car had been cut away by the towering engine, which was hissing in the darkness fifty feet distant. Two of the pas-sengers had got a light, and were searching about in the rain for the cause of the disas-

The engine, No. 683, of the second section one of the latest and heaviest engines on the road was wrecked beyond redemption. The road was wrecked beyond relembed.

road of the express car immediately behind it had sprung through the
cab and thrown the engineer to the
ground. The fireman, Henry Anderson, had imped and escaped uninjured. Beyond this second section was not damaged at all the heavy vestibule sleepers protecting it

from telescoping.
It was the three rear heavy Wagner sleeping and private coaches of the first section that had sustained the shock and saved those three passenger coaches filled with men, women and children from destruction.

There was not a surgeon or a doctor on the train, and it was with the greatest difficulty that stimulants were procured for the wounded. It was not till a large bonfire was nilt on the north side of the track that a realizing sense of the disaster was obtained. Al-ready six wounded passengers, including one lady, had been taken from the Wagner sleeping car.

It was a pitiable signt to achieve faces, grop-dazed, with fear stamped in their faces, grop-dazed, with fear stamped in their faces, grop-dazed, with fear stamped in their faces, groping their way from the sleeping car. Ghands were ready to lead them aright. after the first terror of the shock had passed away the women in the coaches fell to and worked as only women in an emergency can.
It was just a miracle that the disaster was not rendered tenfold more terrible.

not rendered tenfold more terrible. Within five minutes after the crash the meat express came tearing along on the fourth track at the rate of thirty miles an hour. It was stopped just in time, else it would have dashed into the debris of the wreck. Axes and saws were procured and willing hands set to work to cut away the sides of the cars that were telescoped. Among the first bodies recovered from the ruins, which caught fire and burned rapidly, were those of

Later Details. That the collision was not attended by a much greater loss of life is surprising to any one visiting the scene of the accident. That it was not more disastrous is due altogether to the massive and solidly-built car of Presito the massive and solidly-built car of President Ledyard, of the Michigan Central Road, which was at the rear end of the first section and received the full force of

The second section escaped with very little injury. Not one of the vestibule sleepers was damaged a dollar's worth, and not a passenger in them was injured. But the engine was smashed beyond repair. The smoke-stack lay by the track, the headlight was cone, the steamchests and cylinders were forn apart, the pilot was knocked into kindgone, the steamchests and cylinders were torn apart, the pilot was knocked into kindling wood, the framework around the boiler was ripped open, the cab was demolished, and the driving rods were broken. The tender had gone clean through a Boston and Albany baggage car whose roof and sides were broken. The baggagemaster, Egbert Willcox, of Syracuse, had a miraculous escape. "I was sound asseep when the collision occurred," he said, "and when I awoke I found myself sitting on top of the tender with my head touching the roof of my own car. The Lord only knows how I got there."

Willcox was cut about the body, and the top of his head was gashed open. He finally crawled down and out through the door. He then saw the fireman, John Slater, on the roof of the baggage car over the tender, and helped him down. Slater was unable to tell how it was he got up there, but it seems to prove that he remained at his post. He himself says he was firing, when he heard an exclamation from his engipeer, who at the moment shut off steam, reversed his merine, and

clamation from his engineer, who at the mo-ment shut off steam, reversed his engine, and applied the air brakes. The next thing Slater-knew he was being helped to the ground by

Willcox.

Horth, the engineer, was found alongside of the track. Both of his legs were broken. Slater thinks Horth jumped from the cab, but the engineer adhered to the statement that he was forced through the cab window by the concussion. He was taken to his home in Albany, in the first Atlantic express, which came along within half an hour after the disaster occurred.

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aster occurred.

One of the ladies in the car had been tendered a lower berth by the Rev. Mr. DeVeuve, of Dayton, Ohio, in exchange for an upper one which she disliked, but rather than put e gentleman to any inconvenience she de-ined his offer. Mr. De Veuve was killed istantly and she escaped with nothing more

The list of casualities by the accident figures up four dead and eleven severely injured. THE new Catholic University near Washington, D. C., will be formally dedicated and opened on November 13th. Cardinal Gibbons will conduct the dedicatory ceremonies.

THE Great Conneil of the Improved Order of Redmen met at Baltimore recently. The membership now numbers 83,174, over 10,000 having been added during the last year.

THE board of fortification estimate that 28,000,000 will be required to put the harbor of San Francisco in a fair state of defence.