In Paris, France, the disorderly and lawless element is on the increase, and never loses a chance to make both street and indoor demonstrations.

A prize worth winning has been offered by the East Indian Government. The prize is \$25,000 for a practical ma chine for decorticating ramie.

H. E. Van Deman, Pomologist to the United States Agricultural Department, declares that there are in the southern part of California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas millions of acres which can be made to produce as good dates as those grown in Arabia and Persia.

The Atlanta Constitution notes that "Uncle Sam is taking steps to prevent the illegal carrying of mail by the railroads. Under the law, baggage agents and conductors of the different roads are permitted to carry mail pertaining to the business of the company to points along its line, but it cannot be transferred to any other road. The punishment for a violation of the law is a \$50 fine for the employe and \$100 fine for the railroad company for each offense.

"To a large majority even of our readers," says Public Opinion, "it will probably be a surprise to know that at the close of the sixteenth century there were in Japan 60,000 nominal Christians, not a few of them influential and holding official positions. Then commenced an era of persecution, and in 1637 the 60,000 then surviving rose in revolt, but were, after a brave and heroic struggle, defeated, and the native Christian church practically exterminated from the empire."

A French statistician alleges that within the French capital twice as many crimes are committed by persons between the ages of fifteen and twenty as between the ages of twenty and forty. In a single year the crimes committed by minors included thirty cases of murder, thirtynine of manslaughter, three of parricide, two of poisoning, forty-four of infanticide, 4212 of blows and other physical injuries, twenty-five of incendiarism, 153 of theft, eighty of immorality, 458 of attempted theft, and 11,867 of other misdoings.

In the letter of a sportsman to his

favorite journal appears the following sentence, written apparently in all soberpess: "Not all the farmers in this valley annoy the hunters by posting trespass notices." How very kind and considerate, exclaims Farm and Fireside. How thoughtful of the tender feeling of the city sportsmen who annually invade the "rooral deestricts" during the hunting How hard-hearted, sordid and selfish those other farmers are who "annoy" the hunters by posting trespass notices. "Annoy the hunters" is good. Certainly the farmer does not realize what a grievous annoyance it is to the mighty hunter from the city to arrive with his dogs and his friends at his chosen hunting grounds and find them posted with trespass notices. It is too late now to help it. The season is over, and the sportsmen have returned to their homes, and are now studying what amendments to the game laws they shall have the Legislature make so as to give them a better chance next season.

The Atlanta Constitution deems that the Duke of Bedford, who died in England the other day, deserves more than a passing notice. That he was an able statesman few will deny. He sat in the House of Commons twenty-five years, and never made a speech. Then he went to the House of Lords, where he remained eighteen years, without saying a word. A parliamentary career of forty-three years passed in profound silence. But he was an able statesmanable, useful and honored. What kind of ability did he possess? The most potential-his estate covered 118 acres in the city of London. He owned about 2000 residences and business houses. It has been said that a very little wit goes a long way with an Emperor, and it is equally true that a very little thought, speech and work will go a long way with a millionaire. The Duke was a power in himself. Why should he speak, wher his frown, his nod, his smile, his look did more to shape legislation and move society than the eloquence of a Sheridan! Statesmen and common mortals watched this plutocrat for the slightest sign, and were eager to do his bidding. Brains were enlisted in his service, and the results showed ability somewhere, and the fountain head, after all, was the Duke. He could scowl down a bill, or nod it through by a good majority. Was not this ability of a very rare order? When the Duke died he left orders for his body to be cremated. Perhaps the thought had struck him that as a public man he had alwas been too cold. Finding that he had no fire in him -- not a spark -- he wisely declared that, if he could not throw any heat into his carcass, he would throw himself into the fire. Able to the very last!

The cigarette is an illegal luxury for youth in twenty-nine States.

A census of the Province of Quebec, Canada, compared with the returns of 1881, shows a great exodus of the popu-

The University of Geno, Italy, has established an academy for scientific travelers. It proposes to teach students how to observe and investigate all phe-

The New York World estimates that in Western Nebraska from 8000 to 10,-000 people are on the verge of starvation, and in New York City about 20,-000 families are evicted every year for non-payment of rent. But more corn is produced in this country than 80,000,-000 people could consume and the landlords of New York pocket over \$70,000,-000 rent per annum."

A spark from a locomotive on the Southern Pacific Railroad in California caused the burning of a wheat crop. The company being sued for damages showed that the fire was caused by a lccomotive of the Santa Fe Company, lessee of the road, and the United States Court sustained the position that the lessor was not liable for the acts of the lesse, which the New York Commercial Advertiser hails as an important principle, of wide

Many women are finding congenial employment in the various libraries which have been established in nearly all the cities and towns throughout the country. The work is eminently suited for them, declares the New York World, and they have been found suited for the work. Mrs. Caroline Le Conte has been appointed State Librarian of South Carolina. She is an accomplished student, a resident of Columbia, and is the first woman to hold such a position in the

If there is no law upon the statute books to prevent a same person from being dragged from home, declared insane on the authority of two physicians, and left to the chance of meeting an upright judge to save him from incarceration in a lunatic asylum, it is time, in sists the New York News, that one should be passed. How easily a man may be got out of the way in New York has recently been shown in the case of a wellto-do citizen, and the fact is not creditable. The existing statute on the subject evidently requires overhauling.

The United States has now become the greatest iron producing nation of the world, having produced 9,202,703 gross tons of pig iron in 1890, against about 8,000,000 gross tons produced in Great Britain, an excess of about 1,200,000 tons, or fifteen per cent. It has been attained by the most astoundingly rapid development of a vast industry which the world has ever seen, our pig iron product having increased from 4.04 millions in 1885 to 9.20 millions in 1890, an increase of 5.16 millions or 128 per cent., during which period the British product pereased only from 7.42 to 8.00 million tons, or about 7.8 per cent.

Says the St. Louis Republic: We think we have some big churches here in America, but few of them have a seating capacity of over 1500 persons, Compared with some of the big churches of Europe ours are but as mole-hills to

| | St. Peter's Church, Rome | 54,000 |
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| | Milan Cathedral | |
| | St. Paul's, Rome | 32,000 |
| | St. Paul's, London | |
| | St. Petrionio, Bologna | |
| Ì | Florence Cathedral | |
| | Antwerp Cathedral | 24,000 |
| ļ | St. Sophia's, Constantinople | |
| | St. John's, Lateran | |
| l | Norte Dame, Paris | |
| l | Pisa Chathedral | STATE OF THE PARTY |
| ļ | St. Stephens', Vienna | |
| 1 | St. Dominie's, Bologna | |
| 1 | St. Peter's, Bologna | |
| l | Cathedral of Vienna | |
| 1 | St. Mark's, Venice | 7,000 |
| | Spurgeon's Tabernacle, London | 7,000 |
| l | Dr. Hall's, the great church at Fifth | |
| 1 | avenue, New York, but | 2,000 |
| l | | |

That the Chilians, who have been dubbed the Yankees of South America because of their business enterprise and stability of character, should have a revolution on their hands has disappointed and even shocked their wellwishers in this country, admits the New. York Tribune. But the trouble seems to have sprung not from the lawlessness or unrest of the people, but from the unpatriotic course of a few politicians, especially Senor Balmaceda. The Chilians have advanced too far in the path of civilization to make it either possible or probable that they will revert to the state of chronic insurrection which has characterized so many countries of Latin America. After they have taught some politicians a salutary lesson order will doubtless be restored, and the people will again resume the industrial and commercial pursuits in which they have so signally distinguished themselves in the

PRECIOUS METALS.

Statistics Compiled by the Director of the Mint.

Largest Amount of Coinage in the Government's History.

Edward O. Leech, the Director of the United States Mint, has submitted to Congress a report on the production of the precious metals for the calendar year 1890. The gold product of the United States was 1,-588,880 fine ounces (troy), of the value of \$32,845,000, an increase of \$45,000 over the \$32,845,000, an increase of \$45,000 over the product of the preceding year. The silver product of American mines approximated 54,500,000 ounces, corresponping at the average price of silver during the year to \$57,225,000, and at the coinage value of silver to \$70,464,645, against a product of 50,-000,000 fine ounces of the commercial value of \$46,750,000, and coining value of \$64,464, 464 in the preceding year, an increase of 4,500,000 fine ounces in the silver product of the United States last year. The silver product of smelters and refineries was 64,920,927

The total value of the gold deposited at the mints during the calendar year was \$56,217, 105, of which \$31,234,342 was domestic bul lion, \$4,332,422 foreign gold bullion, \$8,857.
447 foreign gold coin, \$558,386 light weight
domestic gold coins, \$3,765,364 old jewelry,
plate, etc., and \$7,449,141 redeposits.

The total amount of silver offered for sale
to the Government during the year was 68,120,457, fine courses and the amount pur-

130,457 fine ounces, and the amount pur-chased 37,594,373.75 fine ounces, costing \$39,-991,840, the average cost being \$1.06 a fine

The coinage executed during the last calendar year was the largest in the history of the mint service, aggregating 124,025,363 pieces of the value of \$61,054,882.84, as follows: Gold, \$20,467,182; silver dollars, \$38,043,004; subsidiary silver coins, coins, \$1,384,-to the coinage, \$1,159,904; minor co addition to gold and silver bars were manufactured to the value of \$38,593,198, of which \$29,498,696 was gold and \$9,064,592 silver. Gold bars were exchanged for gold coin, principally at the Assay Office in New York, of the value of \$23,636,865. There was a marked improvement in the price of silver during the calendar year, the price reaching the highest point in twelve years. The fluctuations covered a range of 25 per cent. At the beginning of the year silver was quoted at 98 cents a fine ounce. It reached \$1.21 on August 19, and closed on December 31 at \$1.04 1-2. The average price during the year was: In London, \$1.04 3-5; in New York, \$1.05. At the lowest price reached during the year the value of the silver contained in the silver dollar was 74.08 cents; at the hydrogen silver the average. the highest price, 92.06 cents; the average price being 80.9 cents.

The total gold imports were \$20,379,456; exports, \$24,795,165, a net loss of \$3,715,712. The total silver imports aggregated \$30,782,-531; exports, \$26,614,003 a gain of silver of

The amount of precious metals used in the arts in the United States during the calendar year was: Gold, \$18,105,901; silver, \$9,231,178. The metallic stock on the United States was, approximately, on January 1, 1891: Gold, \$704,507,128; silver, \$486,545,076; total, \$1,-101,142,004

Owing to the brief time since the close of the last calendar year the statistics of the product of gold and silver in the world for 1890 are not complete. Complete returns, however, have been received from Russia, Australia. South Africa, British India, Venezuela and a British India, Venezuela and a few other countries, based upon which the Director estimates, as a mere approximation, that the gold product of the world for the year 1890 was \$118,490,090, a falling off of \$3,007,000 from 1889; and that the silver product of the world was 130,650,000 fine ounces, an increase of 7,859,375 fine ounces over 1889.

ALIVE AFTER 19 DAYS.

Phenomenal Rescue of Four Jeansville (Penn.) Miners.

After being nineteen days buried in the Jeansville mine, four of the victims of the recent disaster were found alive. Their names are John Tomaskusky, Joe Mastuskowich,

John Rerno and Bosco Frinko. About 8 o'clock P. M. the searchers, who had been working day and night to recover the bodies of the miners, all of whom were supposed to be dead, heard a tapping on a wall in an unused portion of the mine. They redcubled their efforts and were soon rewarded by hearing a voice which they at once recognized as that of a Hungarian

known as "Big Joe."

Superintendent McFarlane and Caleb Williams pushed ahead and found in a breast of the east gangway of the north pitch the bodies of four men. They were lying in various positions, all huddied together in their efforts to keep warm. gether in their efforts to keep warm. Ex-amination showed that all were alive, weakened of course by the awful torture of hun-ger and thirst, but still alive. They were so weak that, with one exception, they could not at once be moved. John Tomaskusky's great physique had left him in better shape than any of the rest, and he was moved to the bottom of the slope of the first lift into

the engine house. Mastuskowich, in an interview, said: "I hever gave up hope but that we would all be rescued alive, although my companions did. They recalled similar disasters in which men rished. I said let us pray to God, He will lp us out. So He did.

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"For the first eight days we lived on the contents of our dinner puls. We had them pretty well filled with pork, bread and cheese. The first day I said, 'Now as there is hope of being rescued we will ration our food. It was agreed and we got together in the corner of the breast.

"The cold was intense. We had to keep

crowded and hug each other to keep warm. At first we could not drink the sulphur water, but necessity compelled us, and in the course of time we liked it. On the ninth day our last food was gone. We were surrounded by water and debris. I thought I would go

on a little exploring expedition.
"I was mighty lucky. I found a dinner pail. There was not much in it, but what there was walived on for two days. Then I was almost too weak to go on foraging ex-

"As a last resort we had to kill the rats, "As a last resort we had to kill the rats, and they, like ourselves, were half starved and desperate. They would attack us boldly, and we had to fight them off. I villed three or four a day. We had no hesitancy in eating their legs. It was good food. We would certainly have starved had we not had the rats to eat. We resolved to die together rather than eat each other."

CANADIAN TRADE.

The Balance in Favor of the United

States for Last Year. The trade and navigation returns of Canada for 1890 have been issued. The exports were \$97,749,149, and the imports \$128,858,241. The imports increased last year by \$7,500,000, and the exports increased about the same. The balance of trade against Canada' was \$31,109,092. Canada's exports to the United States were \$40,000,000, and imports \$52,000,000.

A census bulletin, just issued, gives the number of persons serving terms of imprisonment of one year and more in the State prisons and penetentaries on June 1, 1890, as 45,233, a ratio of 722 to 1,000,009 of population, and an increase of thirteen te

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Eastern and Middle States.

Four of the miners who were caught by the rush of water and imprisoned in the Jeanesville (Penn.) mine were found alive after being buried for nineteen days. CHIEF ENGINEER GEORGE H. WHITE, Uni

ted States Navy, died in Philadelphia a few days ago. He was a native of Pennsylvania and about fifty-eight years old, and during period of over thirty years was in almost ntinuous active servi-

GENERAL ROBERT MCALLISTER, com-mander of the Eleventh New Jersey Regiment, died recently at his home in Belvi

dere, N. J.

FRANK GABEL, who was recently reelected Tax Collector of Texas (Penn.) township, has disappeared, leaving a balance of
epo 000 owing to the county. He left a let \$22,000 owing to the county. He left a let ter saying he intended to go away, and, like his father before him, put an end to his life GOVERNOR PATTISON, of Pennsylvania, has approved the concurrent resolution author izing the appointment of a commission to revise the mining laws of the bituminous

and semi-bituminous coal regions

HARRY MARSH, convicted of the murder of Clara Jones, whom he killed with a coupling-pin, afterwards cutting her throat from ear to ear, was langed a few days ago at Ebensburg, Penn. He killed the girl be cause she refused to marry him.

TRAVEL was greatly delayed on the rati-roads of New York by overflows caused by ice-gorges in the Hudson and Mohawk

THE trial trip of the United States ship sennington, off New London, Conn., was a

ANNA DICKINSON, of Wilkesbarre, Penn the once favorite lecturer and female tionist, is now an inmate of the Danville Asylum. She was taken to that institution Asylum. She was taken to that institution by Dr. Hileman, her family physician. For six months it has been plain to Miss Dickin son's friends that she was losing her mind.

THE inhabitants of Johnsonburg, Penn., are fleeing from the town, four deaths from smallpox having occurred.

THE ice jam in the Hudson River seriously obstructed travel on the New York Central

An explosion of gas took place at the Pottstown (Penn.) Iron Company's steel works. Several tons of hot metal floated from the converter in which it is kept before it is turned into the moulds and fell in a shower over the men, painfully burning some fifteen of them. George Townlier and Charles Rutter were fatally burned.

South and West.

A. M. OSBORNE, of the Sunday World, was shot dead at Columbus, Ohio, and Mr. Hughes, late steward of the Imbecile Asylum was also instantly killed in a street affray.

Much damage has been done by the floods in Illinois and Ohio and on the Pacific

A FIRE in Armourdale, Mo., destroyed the cooperage establishment of J. R. Keliy & Bro., the Armourdale elevator, owned by J. P. Campbell & Co.; forty freight cars and ut 100,000 bushels of grain, entailing a total loss of \$150,000.

A TORNADO passed over Jeffersonville and Utica, in Indiana, destroying scores of

GENERAL ASA STONE died at Winchester. Ind., aged seventy-three. He was very preminent in the military annals of Indiana, and for five years during the Civil War was Quartermaster-General of the State.

THE five story block in Minneapolis, Minn owned by So! Smith Russell, the actor, and owned by Sol Smith Russell, the actor, and occupied by the Clare Speaker Company paints and oils, and J. M. Roberts's four story block, occupied by H. B. Gardener, hardware, were burned. Mr. Russell's loss is ware, were burned. Mr. \$87,000. Total loss \$200,000.

THREE assassinations in six weeks is record at Leon Junction, Texas. WHILE three men were returning from work on a hand-car at Santa Cruz, Cal., the car jumped the track and passed over their bodies, killing them instantly.

NEARLY every building in Yume, Arizons, GEORGE BACHMANN, a wealthy German,

hanged himself in Chicago, Ill., because his bride of three days, a beautiful Polish girl, had deserted him.

Washington.

The triennial council of women was pened in Washington, and various reforms

THE United States Senate in secret session confirmed the nomination of Charles Foster, of Ohio, to be Secretary of the Treasury, by

ASSISTANT SECRETARY SPAULDING has made a ruling that a parcel containing Pro-fessor Koch's lymph is properly subject to duty at the rate of twenty-five per cent. ad

TEMPERANCE was discussed at the Woman's Triennial Council at Washington.

Woman suffrage was discussed at the Women's Triennial Council in Washington, after which the assemblage adjourned.

THE President has approved the act fixing the salaries of Judges of United States Dis-trict Courts at \$5000 per annum. THERE is to be another Arctic expedition

It will be led by an officer of the Navy, al though not under the patronage of the Government. Civil Engineer R. E. Peary will undertake the task of going as far north as possible. He has selected a few men who are to accompany him on the expedition.

THE President made the following nomina-ions: John A. Anderson, of Kansas, to be United States Agent and Consul-General at Cairo, Egypt; Truxton Beale, of California, Resident and Consul-General t

THE Woman's National Suffrage Associa

tion met in Washington. THE President vetoed the bill providing

that the record and pension division of the War Department shall bereafter be known as the Record and Pension Office of the War Department, and that the President shall be authorized to appoint the officer now in charge of the division a Colonel in the Army and chief of the office.

FUNERAL services over the remains of the late Senator E. H. Wilson, of Maryland, were held at the Hamilton House, Washing-ton, and were attended by the immediate Senate, the Senator's late associates in the Senate, the Congressional committees and a few intimate friends. The remains were then taken to Baltimore for interment.

THE President tranmitted to the Senate copies of papers relating to reciprocity ar-rangements between the United States and

THE President sent to the Senate the nomination of Senator Henry W. Blair, of New Hampshire, to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to China.

SECRETARY FOSTER attended his first Cabinet meeting. At the request of the President he decided to remain in the city until after the adjournment of Congress. He said that he anticipated making very few changes in the Treasury Department.

Foreign.

JAUREQUI, the notorious Mexican bandle chief, and his band of six men, who for months terrorized the State of Jalissa, were surrounded and slain by soldiers after a

THE Brazilian Assembly has adopted the proposed Constitution.

The election for members of the Argentin Chamber of Deputies passed off quietly, and the result shows that the Government has gained several seats. Four Opposition news papers have been suppressed.

A BODY of Italian friendlies under Captain Pinelli, in revenge for a raid on the Italian frontier, surprised and attacked 600 Soudanese natives near Buri, and routed

them in two battles, killing 200, including the leading Chiefs.

MRS. ROSE WALKER, 105 years old, was burned to death at St. John, New Brunswick, by her bedelothes catching fire while she

was smoking. Two clergymen were devoured by wolves while sleighing near Tmesvar, Russia, and two night watchmen of that town were also

eaten by wolves. PRIER, WOLLIN & Co., lumber merchants

of London, England, have failed with liabilities of \$2,000,000.

THE British forces, under the command of Major Smyth, have captured the stockades of the Tsawbwa of Wuntho, in Upper Bur-mah, killing twenty-seven of the defenders. The Tsawbwa's palace was set on fire, looted an i finally destroyed. The British loss was thirteen killed or wounded. The Isawowa escaped.

GENERAL DA FONSECA, who was chosen Provisional President of Brazil at the tir of the overthrow of the empire, has been for-mally elected President of the Republic.

THE King has accepted the resignation of the Norwegian Cabinet, and has asked Mr. Berners, the mover of the resolution which overthrew the Ministry, to form a cabinet.

THE French artists will not be represented at the Berlin Exhibition; the Cologne Gazette demands satisfaction from France for its treatment of Empress Frederick. QUEEN VICTORIA christened two war ves-

sels, the Royal Arthur and the Royal Sovereign, which were launched at Ports-mouth, Eugland. GENERAL DA FONSECA took the oath of office as President of the United States of

THE Portuguese Government has signed a provisional contract with a syndicate of bankers for a loan of \$50,000,000, guaranteed by a tobacco monopoly for thirty-five years, for the consolidation of the floating debt.

EMPRESS FREDERICK, of Germany, reached London from Paris; precautions had been taken to prevent trouble at her departure from Paris, but no hostile demonstration was

THE Roumanian Ministry has resigned. THERE is a deadlock in Hawaii between Queen Lilliuakalani and her Cabinet, who have refused to resign at her request. pasequence she has not yet named her suc-

THE Peiravaca pine forest, near Mentone, France, is on fire. An Alpine battalion made unsuccessful attempts to extinguish the flames. A sergeant and two privates belonging to the battalion were suffocated.

THE LABOR WORLD.

Our mines employ 300,000. A Scorce strike cost \$3,000,000. COLORED miners are increasing. GERMANY had 1131 strikes in 1899. EAN FRANCISCO has a girl bootblack,

NEW YORK marble cutters now work eight hours. St. Paul (Minn.) cierks have called a mass

THE labor struggles are entering another THE floods threw 30,000 out of work at

Pittsburg, Penn NORTH CAROLINA will have a State Female THE Connelisviile coke strikers lost \$227,

500 in wages in ten days. Onto retailers want a law allowing ten MAY I will be marked by eight-hour de

nonstrations throughout Europe FRESH strikes have broken out in Belgian oal mines in the province of Hainant,

THERE is a great scarcity of stenographers Savannah, Ga., and a constant demand for them. Tex mills have shut down in Blackburn

England, stopping 10,000 looms and throwing 3000 weavers out of work. Twe Railroad Coal Operators' Association Pittsburg, Penn., demanded a reduction

of ten per cent, in miners' wages. Miner want ten per cent. advance. THE labor organizations of Toronto are have been discovered to have distributed

light-weight bread to the recipients of pub lic charity. ONE million and a half men work in th coal mines of the world. Of these England has 585,000; United States, 300,000; Germany, 285,000; Belgium, 100,000; France, 90,000; Austria, 100,000; Russia, 44,000. The world's miners of metal number 4 000,000.

A UKASE has just been issued by the Czar C. Russia forbidding the employment of Austrian workmen in Russia aither in agricultural districts or in factories. Laborers of Austrian nationality are conducted to the

Austrian frontier every day in hundreds. THE Japanese cannot do so much work as the Chinese, but they are more easily man aged, and they do not have the same desire to enter into business and thus come into competition with the natives of the foreign country. In Hawaii they have been found better laborers than Portuguese or Chinese

ALTHOUGH the average quantity of coamined by the individual miner of Maryland at 785 tons per year is larger than the quantity mined by the man in Alabama 500 tons the Maryland man's pay is smaller than that of his brother in Alabama, the wages in the latter State being ninety-four cents per tor assign fifty nine cents in Maryland. against fifty-nine cents in Maryland.

OF the \$65,718,165 representing the output miners, foremen, superintendents and en gineers received as their wages \$39,152,194 making the average for the miners about \$1 per day. The coal barons pocketed only \$26,466,041. These are the figures given out by Commissioner Porter, the census man.

THE SACK OF IQUIQUE.

Two Hundred Wemen and Children Perish in the Ruins.

Additional advices received from Chili say that the bombardment of Iquique by the insurgents was productive of great loss of life and heavy damage to property. When the rebels entered the city they attacked the stores and houses in six of the prinsipal squares, and completely wrecked them. The buildings had afforded shelter to a large number of women and children; but the insurgenta, heedless of the rules gov-rning civilized warfare, pursued their work of destruction, regardless of the frantic en-leavors of the helpless occupants to seek a leavors of the helpless occupants to seek a place of safety. It is known that 200 women

and children perished in the ruins of the sacked buildings.

The insurgents seized the custom house, and then pillaged all the principal houses in the city. After General Soto, the commander of the Government forces, had surcendered the city, the rebel leaders landed more troops from their vessels for the more troops from their vessels for the purpose of holding the place, and dispatched a force into the country, with the object of meeting and engaging the Government

A UNIQUE ACCIDENT.

A Girl Fatally Injured by the Explosion of a Barrel of Sauerkraut, A fatal accident occurred near Crawford,

N. J., a few days ago, which is probably un-

A twelve-year-old girl, named Mary Hen-A twelve-year-old girl, named Mary Bennecker, was sent to the cellar by her parents to get a dish of sauerkraut for dinner, and when she attempted to raise the lid of the barrel the sauerkraut exploded with great violence. A barrel stave struck the girl in the eye and temple, inflicting injuries from which she cannot recover. It is supposed that the gases accumulated in the barrel until they gathered sufficient force to burst basic boards.

FRIGHTFUL DISASTER.

Over One Hundred Miners Perish in a Nova Scotia Colliery.

A Mysterious Explosion Causes an Appalling Catastrophe.

The first great disaster in the history of the Cumberland coal fields of Nova Scotia occurred on a recent afternoon, when an explosion took place in the east slope of the Spring Hill mines, resulting in large loss of life. Twenty-six bodies were recovered immediately and ten men were brought up alive, but terribly mutilated. They are not

likely to recover.

The loss of life exceeds any mining disaster in Canada. It is placed at 117 mcn and

The explosion was confined to "Nos. 6 and balances," where it did its most deadly The explosion was condition for the state of The lances," where it did its most deadly work. The balances are in the west side of No. 1 slope, extending from the 1300 foot slope to the 1900 foot level in No. 2 slope. The pits are connected for purposes of ventilation and it is owing to this that so many were killed in No. 2. The hodies taken out of that pit were not mutodies taken out of that pit were not mutodies.

bodies taken out of that pit were not mutilated in any way and bear evidence of having been suffocated by after damp. Death from this cause is painless.

At No. 1 slope there were some ghastly sights. The first exploring party found two bodies so badly mutilated that they could only be taken to the surface in bags. One body was cut in two across the abdomen, one arm was missing the face was a mass of arm was missing, the face was a mass of blackened, burnt flesh, and the only thing to denote that it was a human body was a tuft of hair on the back of the head.

Volunteers courageously took off their coats and bravely undertook the dangerous work of reacue. Malcolm Blue did splendid work in bringing out the injured. The Rev. D. Wright, paster of the Presbyterian Church, went down to succor the relieving party and refreshed them with hot coffee the searching party were brought out unconscious from the effects of the after damp. They were Thomas Brown, Thomas Porteer and James Harvey. Assistant McInness ventured too far and had to be assisted out. When it was found, about six o'clock, that would endanger more lives to proceed

work of rescue abandoned.

When the searching party entered the pit immediately after the explosion their progress was greatly retarded by the fall of the roof and other obstructions on the levels.

Two houses pinned in by timber were billed. Two horses pinned in by timber were killed to put an end to their misery. About six horses were killed outright. A mule was found on one of the slants with both hind legs blown off. A gang of men saved twelve of the horses in the pit.

The most terrible scenes were witnessed at

the pit's mouth as the bodies were brought p. The air was rent with the heart-break-ig shrieks of the wives and mothers of the

The cause of the disaster is still a mystery. A large carpenter shop is used as a morgue. The corpses are taken there, cleaned, and then laid out for identification by relatives and friends. In several instances the charred remains have been almost unrecognizable, and the only clew to identification has been a vestige of clothing or some marks on the

The Spring Hill mine is owned by English and Montreal capitalists. It employed one thousand men and had an output of half

One hundred and twelve bodies have so far been recovered. The sights met with by the rescuers are something appalling. Men were found with hands clasped or intertwined in each other's Some corpses were found arms stand ing erect, the men having apparently grasped any object which was within reach when the terrible after damp overtook them. The only ones who could tell how the explosion occurred are dead.

SENATOR WILSON DEAD.

The Distinguished Marylander Ex pires Suddenly in Washington.

Senator Ephriam King Wilson, of Maryand, died suddenly at his apartments at the Hamilton House, in Washington City, at teno'clock on a recent evening. His malady was heart failure, superinduced by an attack of cholera morbus. His condition was not regarded as critical until a late hour in the afternoon, when he began sinking, despits the efforts of his three physicians to resuscitate him. Senator Wilson was a modest, unobtrusive gentleman of the old school. He was highly number of whom, as well as the members of his family, were present at the time of his death. A few months ago the Legislature of Maryland re-elected him for another term

Ephraim K. Wilson was born in Snow Hill, Worcester County, Md., December 22, 1821. His father, whose full name he bore, was one of the most accomplished gentlemen and lawyers of his day. When Judge Wilson was but a lad his father died. He attended the school at the academy of Snow Hill until he was fifteen years old, when he entered a store in Philadelphia as a clerk.

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Young Wilson chen went to Washington Academy, in Somerset County, and thence to Jefferson College, Cannonsburg, Penn., where he graduated in 1849. He taught school for about six years afterward, first in Washington Academy, and then in Snow Hill Academy, studying law in the meantime. In 1847 he was elected a member of the House of Delegates from Worcester. The spring of 1848 he opened a law office in Snow Hill. He readtly obtained clients and for twenty years practised sucln 1852 he was an Elector on the Pierce

and King ticket, and distinguished himse by his speeches in the canvass.

In 1872 he was elected to Congress, and in the hall of the House of Representative earned a reputation which few men gain in a single term. He decided renomination and a single term. He decined renomination and again retired to private life. When Judge Franklin died, in 1878, the Governor appointed him to the vacancy in the First circuit. He was elected to the same position November 4, 1879, without opposition. In 1853 he married Mary Dickerson, daugiter of Peter Dickerson, of Worcester County, who died, leaving him with two children. In 1889 he reads married this time Julia A Know again married, this time Julia A. Knex, laughter of James Knox, of know Hill. He was elected to the United States Senate as a Democrat in 1884, taking his seat on March 4, 1885, for the term ending March 3, 1891.

HER LOVER KILLS HIMSELF.

Then Her Father Followed His Example When He Saw the Girl's Grief. A singular tragedy is reported from Roga-

sen, in the province of Posen, Germany. A young man named Rosenblatt, of Hebrew origin, desired to marry the daughter of a origin, desired to marry the daughter of a Lutheran named Enzenberg. The father ob-jected, although Rosenblatt offered to join the Christian faith, and the daughter was will-ing to marry him. Rosenblatt, in despair, killed himself with poison, and Enzenberg, upon hearing of the suicide and seeing his daughter's grief, was stricken with remorse, and also took his own life, leaving the girl without father or lover.

The body of a person found in the river at Lockport, Penn., proved to be a woman. An examination of the remains by the physicians revealed the fact that it was completely petrified, having been turned to stone by the action of the water. It was properly cared for, coffined and sent to Johnstown, as she was doubtless one of the victims of the big fleed of 299.