FORTY-FIFTH YEAR.

PROTECT THE CANAL.

By All Means, Says Government Engineer Merrill.

NO GREAT SUM IS NEEDED

To Put the Chesapeake and Ohio in Operation Once More.

THE TRANS-ALLEGHENY SCHEME.

Wanamaker May Appoint a McKeesport Postmaster Himself.

CHICAGO IS STILL AFTER THAT FAIR

Colonel Merrill once surveyed a route the Alleghenies. There are some engineerrailroads.

IFROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.1 WASHINGTON, March 7 .- Colonel W. E. Merrill, of the United States Army, the engineer officer in charge of the Ohio river and its tributaries, arrived in this city this evening, and to the correspondent of THE DIS-reason and object of my visit, and he said PATCH talked in an interesting way in re-that it was true that he had suggested to ing, and to the correspondent of THE DISgard to the renewal by THE DISPATCH of | Congressman Ray the substitution of some the project for a trans-Allegheny canal to the said that he felt sorry for that gentle-unite the waters of the Ohio and Potomac man, and was grieved that the contest over

via the Ohio and Chesapeake canals. "Fifteen years ago," said the Colonel, "I made a survey of a route between the waters of the Monongahela and the Cumberland. It was by way of the Youghiogheny river and Castleman and Flockety creeks, on the western slope and Wills creek on the eastern. Of course I cannot at this distance give the details of the survey, but they are announce positively that Mr. Thompson should not receive the appointment. His clear enough in my mind to enable me to clear enough in my mind to enable me to reply to this was such as to leave me no say that the project is not feasible upon the doubt that he was very firm in his support basis of a system of locks and dams. It is possible only by the employment in conThis being the state of affairs I am going bection with locks and dams of either in- home to-night, as there is nothing that I clined planes or elevators.

PERFECTLY PRACTICABLE "At the time I made the survey the prospect seemed to be good for the success of inclined planes as a means of raising and lowclined planes as a means of raising and low-ering, on trucks, vessels floating in caissons and if he does not do so, and he declares he filled with water similar to one you have will not, the Postmaster General will take doubtless seen constructed for the trans er bonts between river and canal a short distance above this city. But the inclined plane system has grown in favor. I have seen the operation of these elevators, one a short distance south of Calais in France, two in Belgium and one near Liverpool in England. They are delicate and expensive but they are being developed and are in high They lift and lower boats a distance oi 50 feet in some instances. In Belgium a

third elevator is now being constructed. machinery and the feasibility of operating a trans-Allegheny canal with it, there are great obstacles in the way of building the canal over the route surveyed, which is the only one I know anything about. For instance, the entire distance of Wills' creek is so thoroughly occupied by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad that it seems almost useless to talk of running a canal along that tea at a daintily spread table. Mrs. Wana-walley.

A DIFFICULT POINT. **At Southampton Mills the canal would have to cross the creek and the railroad at one leap, under difficulties that could be only overcome by an inclined plane or an eleva-tor. Other places have difficulties almost as great. The Youghtoghenv at Ohio Pyle Falls presents an obstacle to be surmounted only by plane or elevator. My estimate for the work from Cumberland to McKeesport was \$25,000,000. I know nothing of the Morgantown route, and never heard it mentioned. We are constantly pushing improvements up the Monongahela, in Western Virginia, but beyond the knowledge necessary for this I can tell you nothing.

"But let me say to THE PITTSBURG DIS-PATCH," continued Colonel Merrill, very earnestly, "that its first work should be to save the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. That abandoned it would be utterly useless to talk of the trans-Allegheny project. I have been along the entire route of that canal and observed it carefully. It would be rather difficult or expensive to repair it.

A GREAT MISTAKE. "While the tendency in this and other countries is to extend systems of canals it is agined he had swindled a good many people a great mistake to let one be thrown away which is already in existence. The proper thing to do would be for the State of Marvland to cede the canal to the United States Canals and rivers should be the property of the whole people and should be operated not for profit but for the cost of operating. In Great Britain and in European countries the canal systems are constantly being improved and extended. In France and Belgium the canals are the property of the State and free from tolls, and are under the supervision of the most competent engineers of the world, whose sole study is to make them as perfect as possible in their opera-

tion. "They have great influence in keeping down railroad tariffs and are altogether boon to the people at large whose value cannot be estimated. But it is because they are the property of the State, and operated for the berefit of the people and not for profit that they are so valuable. I do not know what influences are attempting to do away with the Chesapeake and Obio canal, but I sincerely hope they will not succeed.

A GUARANTEE GIVEN.

Wentthy Chicago Citizens Promise to See That the Fair Goes Through-A Delegation Before the House

Committee. WASHINGTON, March 7 .- The Chicago Committee which is in Washington to consuit with the House Committee on the World's Fair were promptly on hand at an early hour this morning and discussed with the sub-committee for two hours the details of the bill and when the hour of adjournment was reached had gone over about four sections of it. The committee has since been in informal consultation over the remaining sections arranging the necessary changes in the bill. The Chicago committee pledged the bill. The Chicago committee pledged the members of the Fair Committee that Chicago would raise \$10,000,000 with which

Government to make the necessary appro-priation to erect its own buildings and take care of its own exhibit. The two committees will meet again in the morning and work two hours on the bill. They hope to finish it

by Monday.

The following telegram from Chicago was

Mr. Lyman J. received this evening by Mr. Lyman J. Gage, the Chairman of the Chicago committee. It will be presented to the World's Fair Committee in the morning. The signatures represent an aggregate capital of between \$50,000,000 and \$75,000,000.

We wish you continued success in Washington. We will stand by you and the committee in every way. Chicago will now, as in the past, prove equal to any emergency. You can count on our hearty support. Then follows the signatures of 30 of the wealthiest residents of the Western city.

THOMPSON NOT IN IT.

Inless Ray Names a New Man Wanamaker Will Do It Himself-Stone's Friends Are Not Much Eucouraged By the Outlook.

IFROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. J WASHINGTON, March 7 .- Mr. Sam Carrothers, of McK eesport, who has been here looking after the interests of Mr. Stone in his candidacy for the postmastership at that from the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal across place, left for home to-night. It is not thought that he received very much encouragement for his candidacy, even in the event ing c.fficulties to the plan, but they can be of Captain Thompson's name being withovercome. The great point just now, how- drawn. This opinion is based not only upon ever, is to save the present ditch from the his manner of talking of his interview with the Postmaster General, but also upon the fact that Mr. Stone was expecting to start for Washington last night and Mr. Carrothers telegraphed him that it was useless

> Mr. Carrothers to-day had a short interview with Mr. Wanamaker, in describing which to THE DISPATCH correspondent, he said: "I told the Postmaster General the the postoffice at McKeesport had developed into such a bitter personal fight. He also said that the McKeesport people had protested against the appointment of Captain Thompson. With regard to Mr. Stone Mr. Wanamaker gave me no satis'action, but referred me to Congressman Ray. I went to Mr. Ray, and he told me that he should not withdraw Mr. Thompson's name. I then asked him if he would name any other candidate if the Postmaster General were to

can do here."

It can be stated with reasonable certainty to-night that Captain Thompson will not be the postmaster at McKeesport under this administration. Congressman Ray will be given a certain length of time in which to the case into his own hands and will withdraw Captain Thompson's nomination. It is understood that President Harrison has stated that he will abide by the decision of Mr. Wanamaker in this matter.

MRS. HARRISON WILL RECREATE At Old Point Comfort, and the President May

Slip Away, Too.

WASHINGTON, March 7 .- Mrs. Wanamaker held the first of her series of infor-"But, even admitting the success of this | mal receptions in March this afternoon. A large number of prominent persons, from that Todd was open, but he made raids only official and diplomatic circles, thronged when he was ordered to do so. King Todd the handsome suit of apartments. The beautiful salon, which was tastefully decked with palms and fragrant Easter lilies, added greatly to the pleasure of all lovers of fine paintings, of which many rare and valuable pictures by celebrated artists adorn the walls. Miss Wanamaker poured of the members of the cabinet, who have set apart a day of each week for the reception of their friends during the spring months. Mrs. Harrison's reception this afternoon Mrs. Harrison's reception that was attended by so large a throng of perwas attended by so large a throng of per-sons prominent in official and social life that the rooms adjoining the Red Parlor, where, assisted by Mrs. McKee and Miss Davis, she welcomed her visitors, presented more the crowded appearance of a public reception than usual informal Friday a ternoons at home, with which the Lenten sea-son opened. Mrs. Harrison intends to go early in the week for a brief respite from the responsibilities of her position, to some quiet retreat. Her destination has not yet been decided upon, though probably Old Point Comfort will prove the objective point of the trip. The President may waive to the Pall Mall Gazette. It appears that official cares for a few days to accompany

MYSTERIOUSLY MISSING.

Searching for a Wealthy Man Who Imagines That He Robbed a Bank.

ORPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW YORK, March 7 .- Frank Emmons a wealthy real estate agent of Jersey City, disappeared on December 10. He became insane the latter part of November and imand that he had robbed the Bee Hive Sayings Bank of \$100,000. He went to police headquarters and insisted on being locked up. His friends took charge of him. When he disappeared photographs were sent to the police of all large cities in the country Nothing was heard of him, and his friends thought that possibly he might have taken a trip to Europe. Descriptions were cabled to Europe. Emmons took with him a valuable gold watch. Detective Smith found that it had been pawned on January 10, one month

after Emmons disappeared.

Another detective found a man answering the pawnbroker's description. This man denied that he had pawned the watch, or that he knew anything about it. The pawn-broker with whom the watch had been pawned couldn't positively identify him. Here the police are stopped. Emmons did not pawn the watch himself. The Jersey City police are working on three theories; one is that Emmons has committed suicide. another that he was murdered and a third that he is confined in some private insane asylum.

A BANKING FIRM ASSIGNS.

Branch of a Paris House Suspends Owing to Failure of Remittances.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7 .- The private banking firm of Belioc Freres made an assignment to the sheriff to-day and closed its doors. The sheriff states that the liabilities,

Freres, of Paris.

The local manager issued a notice that the firm was forced to suspend owing to the Paris. failure to receive remittances from the Paris house. He stated that remittances ex-pected soon will enable the firm to pay all the demands at an early date.

Revising the Westminster Confession MADISON, IND., March 7.-The commit HIS NOSE PULLED.

Dakota's Attorney General is Assaulted Because He Opposes the Passage of the Louisiann Lottery Bill-A

Legislater's Grievance. BISMARCE, March 7. - In the North Dakota Legislature yesterday Representative Stevens read a private letter of Attorney General Goodwin, who is opposed to granting a lottery franchise. The letter scored a number of persons for their connection with the matter, and among others charged George Walsh with attempting to purchase Legislative votes in favor of the passage of

the lettery bill.

The letter created a great deal of excite ment which was aggravated by a personal encounter in which Attorney General Goodwin was a passive party and Representative George Walsh the assailant, and it resulted in the pulling of the Attorney General's nose by the General from Grand Forks. To-day while Goodwin was talking with other gentlemen in the corridor of the Capitol, Walsh approached and asked by what authority his name had been used. His manner was not threatening, but after a few words had passed between the two, he suddenly seized Goodwin by the nose. The latter, freeing himself from his assailant, turned and walked away. Mr. Goodwin weighs 125 pounds, while

Walsh is more than twice as large as that. The Attorney General was urged by some of his friends to take legal action against Mr. Walsh, but he re used, saying: "It he has any pride in his action, or can get any satisfaction out of it, he is welcome to it."

A WILDCAT SCHEME.

sition to a Charter for a Railroad to Labrador.

OTTAWA, ONT., March 7-The policy of chartering a company to construct a railway through an absolutely unknown country to an indefinite point on what was described as an icebound coast for a good many months of the year, occupied the at-tention of the Railway Committee to-day. The bill was to incorporate a company to construct a railway from a point on the Sault Ste. Marie river to a point on the extreme eastern boundary of Quebec, to con-nect this with a railway to be built across Labrador to a harbor on the coast, a distance of 1,200 miles.

Sir Donald A. Smith and others strongly denounced the road as a wildcat sheme. Sir Donald said that if a charter were granted it would have a diswere granted it would have a dis-astrous effect upon the credit of Canada in the European money market. Others again thought that it should be as-sumed that the promoters were honest in their intentions and the scheme genuine in the absence of evidence to the contrary. The charter ought to be granted, they thought, and the promoters given a chance to raise the money necessary if they could. Finally, by a vote of 26 to 17, it was depostpone consideration of the bill

mation on the subject. TO SHUT UP THE EXCHANGE.

until the next session in order to give the

promoters a chance of furnishing more infor-

New York Bucket Shop Proprietor Will

Turn Upon His Persecutors. PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW YORK, March 7 .- King Todd, now of exalted bucket-shop fame, did not go to Wall street to-day, but from one of his uptown hotels he directed his cashier and Burger off to the Tombs twice the week, but Burger obeyed Todd's mandate and Captain McLaughlin didn't mind it. He said he knew sent down word to his friends that his plac was an incorporated institution and that he had brokers on his floor doing business in as the brokers of the New York Stock Exchange do hosiness

"If the New York Stock Exchange doesn't stop persecuting me," he adder "I'll take steps to have it shut up." H gives this as his explanation of the raids: "My persecutors find patrons in my establishment whereas it would take a good glass to search out the customers in the offices of the members of the New York Stock Exchange." All the other bucket shops were

KEPT OUT OF A BISHOPRIC. The Fate of a Clergyman Who Hannened to

Offend Victoria. [BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] LONDON, March 7 .- The reason why Canon Liddon, of St. Paul's Cathedral, one years ago he was preaching at St. George's Windsor, by command of the In the middle of his sermon, Queen. In the middle of his sermon, "sinking the courtier in the priest, and thus unconsciously imitating the old French court chaplains, he turned suddenly toward the Royal pew, then paused for a moment and presently breaking the silence he startled everyone by addressing the Queen in solemn tones, "as for you, Madam." The Queen was furious. She sent for the offending canon at the conclusion of the service, and reprimanded him severely for

his conduct. Then in a white heat passion she issued the order, "Never let that man preach here again." Canon Lid-don has never preached and never will again before Her Majesty.

DROWNED IN A HORSE TROUGH. Peculiar Method of Merder Adopted by a Drunken Rowdy.

SACRAMENTO, March 7 .- Charles Free man, who lives at Roseville, and is recarded as a fighter and a worthless character, committed murder at the Twelve Mile House this morning.

He was roaming around the house in a drunken frenzy, when he found a man lying in bed, whom he seized and dragged out in front of the house, where there is a trough for watering borses. Into this Freeman ducked the head of his victim, and held him there until he was dead. The murderer went to Roseville where he was arrested. The dead man was a cook employed on a neighboring ranch.

READY FOR RECIPROCITY

The Quebec Legislature Strongly Oppos

to Imperial Federation. QUEBEC, March 7 .- Resolutions con demning imperial federation proposed by Mr. David, member for Montreal, Center, seconded by Premier Mercier, were passed so tar as known now, will amount to half a million dollars. The establishment is a branch of the banking house of Belloc to imperial federation, which would not be to imperial federation. to imperial federation, which would prevent Canada from having with other nations on the American continent relations most prosperity and social and political develop-

West Will Go East.

DENVER, March 7 .- Deputy Sheriff O'Neill, of New York, arrived here to-day Chiesgo would raise \$10,000,000 with which to erect all the necessary buildings and pay the expenses of the Fair, and will only ask the United States of the States of the Coper honored the presbytery of New Albany met here to-day and unanimously favor revision without impairing the catechism system.

Sequestion for C. S. West, now in the Colorado penitentiary. Governor Copper honored the requisition. West will be released next week, and will immediately impairing the catechism system. with a requisition for C. S. West, now in

TWO COLLEGE ROWS.

Pittsburg

PITTSBURG, SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 1890---TWELVE

Great Danger of a Riot in a Southern Institution Because a

PROFESSOR HIT THE CHAPLAIN Over the Head With a Hickory Club Until

A REVIVAL CAUSED ALL THE TROUBLE.

Princeton Students Have a Snewball Fight in Which Many Are Injured.

He Became Weary.

Claffin University, a colored institution of South Carolina, is in a state of great commotion. A white professor and the colored chaplain had a dispute about revivals. which was settled with a club. The institution may be broken up in consequence.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) CHARLESTON, S. C., March 7 .- There is danger of a riot among the students of Claffin University, where the colored chaplain of the college was caned by one of the white professors. The college has 800 students, all colored, and these have notified the President, Rev. L. M. Dunton, that they will not attend recitations in Prof. Detreville's classroom. Detreville is the white professor who assaulted Cardoza, the chaplain.

President Dunton is in correspondence with the Governor and trustees, and the college is in a state of open rebellion. Rev. I. N. Cardoza is a prominent colored preacher well-known in the North. He was very severely beaten and through a friend publishes to-day his statement of the affray. He says:

OPPOSED TO REVIVALS.

At the faculty meeting on Monday morning Prof. Detreville saw fit to remark that he was opposed to all revivals of religion in the institution. I at once remarked that his statement confirmed that which came to my ears by numberless Christian students and candidates for the ministry. I said these charges had been coming to me as pastor of the college church coming to me as pastor of the college church for the past three or four years. I might here state that one of the greatest revivals the institution has ever enjoyed had just closed with the happy results of 63 conversions and 169 accessious to the college church. All this spiritual prosperity seemed to have nettled the Professor very much, and he made efforts from time to time to nullify its effects as much as possible.

possible.

On Tuesday morning, as I began to descend the lower steps of the main college building. Prof. Detreville hastened down to me (having, as I afterward learned, been on a fruitless search for me the night before) and without the slightest warning, while still standing on the steps above me, dealt about three very severe blows upon my head with a large, knotted hickery stick. This stick at its large end was fully the size of a policeman's club, and catching hold of the smaller end with both hands he struck with all his force, shattering the bark struck with all his force, shattering the bark from the stick in all directions. We fell to the ground together, and then he arose, get hold of the stick and in rapid succession he first felled me half way to the ground then completely and finally while prostrate, he dealt about three more murderous blows upon my bare skull and quickly hastened off the grounds. A GREAT SENSATION.

The affair has created a great sensation, and will probably lead either to the breaking up of the institution or the discharge of Prime Minister Charles R. Burger to throw of the colored or all the white professors, open the doors of the Open Board of The races do not seem to mix well. The Brokers, Captain McLaughlin had lugged Governor and the trustees, all white, have Claffin University is the largest one in the South outside that at Hampton, Va. Its attendance has reached 1,000 colored pupils at times. It is supported by the State out of the agricultural land scrip fund.

STUDENTS HAVE A SCRIMMAGE.

Snow Balls at Princeton Do Damage to a Good Many Hends.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] PRINCETON, N. J., March 7.-The greatest battle ever fought at Princeton by two classes, occurred this evening on the campus between the sophomore and freshman classes. As soon as the students came out of the Whig and Clio halls at 5.30, the sophomores lined up in battle array and opened fire on the freshmen with a volley of hard, frozen snow. The freshmen ran from place to place, but subsequently took courage and charged on the sophomores but were repulsed. The sophomores then loaded themselves with hard balls, and with a cheer ran upon the freshmen, driving them back some distance. With the sid juniors, the freshmen rallied, and for half an hour made it hot for the sophomores. By 6 o'clock the scores of eyes were actually closed, while blood trickled down the

cheeks of half the students. At last the sophomores collected in a crowd and laden with a burden of frozen balls again charged on the freshmen, driving them off the campus by the north-western gate. The freshmen then rushed down Nassau street and entered by a lower gate, but M. Goldie, the proctor, and some upper class men interfered on account of the darkness and stopped the fight. The two classes were loath to cease the battle, which was the fiercest of its kind, lever seen on Princeton campus. Over 20 hats were lost and twice as many went away bearing the scars of war. Dr. Bergen's office is crowded with the wounded men waiting to

UNCLE SAM'S NAVY Soon to be Strengthened by Three Powerful

Vessels. PHILADELPHIA, March 7 .- Withia month three war vessels for the United States navy will be launched from the shipyards on the Delaware river, and after that for the first time in number of years there will be no Government vesset on spocks in

these yards. The first of these new boats to take water will be the gunboat Concord, which will be aunched at Chester to-morrow. 19th the cruiser Newark will rec baptism at Cramp's yard, in this city, and soon after the gunboat Bennington will be unched at Roach's yard. In addition to these interesting events, the official trials of the Philadelphia and of the Vouvius' dynamite guns will take place soon.

OVER AN EMBANKMENT. A Whole Milk Train Gets a Thoron

ing Over. MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., March Ontario and Western milk train Weehawken at 11 o'clock to-night, was derailed at Cook's Falls at 1:30 this The front truck of the first car brok throwing the whole train down an emb Little has been learned of the acc the wires are down. Passenger delayed at the scene of the wreck,

A TRAIN CRUSHED a Spowshed and a

Cattle Killed. SACRAMENTO, CAL., March 7. - A car on west-bound freight train derailed near Cisco this morning, and when the station was reached it struck the heavy supports of the snowshed and collapsed 70 feet of the structure. The car was completely crushed.

A PASTOR'S TROUBLE. FIRE IN A TENEMENT.

PAGES.

The Panic-Stricken Tenants Crowd the Fire Escapes and Silde Down Ropes in

Family Nearly Smothered. NEW YORK, March 7 .- A fire was dis covered at 4:30 this morning in the fivestory tenement house, No. 5 Ludlow street, which contains 17 families, among whom are a large number of children. The flames were first seen in a barber's shop in the basement by Policeman Owen Gallagher, who aroused the inmates and then hastened to the nearest fire alarm box. This alarm would not work and neither would the next two. The fourth alarm box tried was in working order. In the meantime "still alarms" had been given at neighboring en-

Their Night Clothes-A Whole

gine houses by another policeman and by When the firemen arrived the frightened tenants, finding the hallways of the tene-ment house filled with smoke and the stairs burning, had crowded in their night clothing upon the fire escapes, getting in one au-other's way and blocking the exits by dragging with them their mattresses, feather eds, and various other articles of furniture ome of the people forsook the fire escapes, and going to the roof, fled to adjoining buildings. The firemen and police raised ladders and cleared the fire escapes, and through the windows of the adjoining tenement they helped men, women and children to safety. Painters who had been at work on the front of No. 5 had left their swinging scaffold at the second story. Some of the half-naked men got upon this and slid down the ropes which were held by the crowd below. Max Rottenherg and his wife were among the last to be taken down from the second story fire escape with their baby. The child was numbed by cold and fright and was taken to a hospital. It is not expected to live.

The total damage is \$6,500. Nothing is known of the origin of the fire. No one was in the barber shop when it broke out. In the rooms back of the adjoining crockery shop of Morris Rosenthal, the pro-prietor, his wife and their servants were all but smothered, and were rescued by the police with difficulty.

A MEDIUM IN TROUBLE.

He is Accused of Swindling a Wealthy Believer Out of \$2,000.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH SPRINGFIELD, MASS., March 7 .- Frank A. Algerton, the Spiritualist medium, was arraigned in the police court here this morning on the charge of swindling Amaziah Mayo out of \$2,000. Algerton, who is a medium and lecturer, secured an influence over Mr. Mayo, who is one of Springfield's wealthy citizens, and somewhat tinged with spiritualism. By the aid of a confederate Algerton put up a job on Mayo at one of the leading hotels by charging him with criminality while he (Algerton) was giving him massage treatment. To save his good name from scandal, Mayo, though innocent, paid \$1,000 blackmail, and later another \$1,000, and would have been bled still more had his friends not stepped in and opened his eyes to the fact that he was being victimized.

Algerton was very cool in court to-day, and through Boardman Hall, his Boston counsel, waived examination and was held in \$6,000 for the grand jury next May. Algerton has tried to settle the matter out of court, but his advances have been rejected, as Mayo is determined to nush the matter to the full extent of the

WARNER MILLER'S DISCOVERY.

He Finds That Wood Pulp Has Been Undervalued at the Castom House. PERFECUAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR O

NEW YORK, March 7 .- Warner Miller has been at the Custom House a good many times lately. On one of his visits he pulled out a messenger and got his man appointed, and this week he got a job for a laborer. All the other visits were unexplained until to-day when it was announced that Mr. Miller as a manufacturer of wood pulp, has suffered undervaluations of foreign wood pulp. An investigation followed and Mr. Miller's complaints were ascertained to be well founded. The fact that foreign woodpulp was sold in the market at from one-eighth to one-fourth of a cent a pound below Mr. Miller's product General Appraiser Donald McLean and Merchant Appraiser George F. Perkins ex-amined the invoices of A. Wertheim. The

were advanced \$4,000, to which proceedings he vigorously objected. A CAVE-IN AT PLYMOUTH

invoices for Mr. Wertheim's importations

Wrecks Severni Houses and Badly Scares the Occupants. WILKESBARRE, March 7 .- The suburb

of Plymouth known as Curry's Hill was terribly shaken by a cave-in early this morning. The cave was caused by the falling in of some abandoned workings of the Washington Colliery, 450 feet below the surface. The shock was very violent, the surface settling in some places ten feet. The house of William Kelly was completely wrecked and four or five others were badly damaged. The cave-in created the greatest excite nent, and the people ran out into the cold in their night clothes. No one was seriously hurt, though several were bruised by failing furniture. In several instances fire broke out in the dismantled houses caused by stoves being upset, but the flames were put

A BLOW AT TRADES UNIONS

Is Promptly Rescuted by a Canadian Labor Organization.

TORONTO, March 7 .- At a meeting of the Trades and Labor Council to-night a circular was presented calling on labor unions to resist the bill prepared at the instance of Hon. Joseph Chapleau, Dominion Secretary of State, but not yet made public. The principal provisions of the bill make t a misdemeanor, punishable by fine and mprisonment, for workmen to make it conitional that new employes become members of their trade unious, or for employers that their men refrain from joining such unions.

DROVE THROUGH THE ICE.

lone Drowned in Spirit Lake. MASON CITY, IA., March 7 .- James Mc. Intosh, o Spirit Lake, accompanied by the two daughters of James Evans, while driv-

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) NEW YORK, March 7 .- By a deal com pleted to-day in the office of Drexel, Morgan & Co., the Philadelphia Street Car Syndicate, included in which are P. A. B. Widener and W. L. Elkins, of that city, and William C. Whitney, Daniel S. La-mont, Oliver H. Payne and H. J. Dimmick, obtained possession of a controlling interest in the Twenty-third Street Cross-

A Premature Blast Kills Two Men NEWARK, March 7 .- Patrick Mitchell and Patrick Fitzgerald, employed as labor-It was loaded with 21 beef cattle, and 20 of these were killed. A car filled with plows was also wrecked.

ers at Thomas Nevin's Eagle Rock Quarry, Orange, were instantly killed by a premature blast to-day.

Brought Out at the Inquest on Ben-His Friends Assert That He is a Vicwell's Body-Seen Near the tim of Kleptomania. Scene of the Murder.

A LARGE SUPPLY OF HARDWARE, For Which He Had No Need, Appropriated

The first witness was George Hay, a at Various Times. brakeman. His evidence was substantially that given by him at Niagara Falls yester HE WAS FINALLY CAUGHT IN A TRAP. day. He positively identified Somerset or Burcheil as having got on a train at East-wood at 3:45 on Monday, February 17.

Broke Down, Made a Confession, and Was Then Placed Conductor Pooles swore that two young men got off his train at Eastwood at 11:14 Under Arrest. o'clock on Monday, February 17. One was dark complexioned and wore a mustache. They got on his train at Hamilton. He was certain they were not on the train between Rev. M. L. Fritch, of Reading, was arrested yesterday on a charge of larceny. His friends say that he is a victim of klepto-

mania. He made a confession, making out gun case, was taken from train at Eastwood that morning. He did not know whether the piece of baggage belonged to the men who got off at Eastwood.

Alice Smith, of Eastwood, swore that at about 3 colorly on the offernment of February and February and February of February and February and February of February and Feb a list of the articles he had appropriated. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. READING, March 7 .- The Rev. M. L. Fritch, who is at the head of four flourishish congregations of the Reformed Church in this county, was arrested to-day on a

charge of larceny. He is about 45 years old and is fairly well off, and has a wife and family. Mr. Fritch's friends say he is a victim of kleptomania.

He has been in the habit of visiting the large hardware store of Bard. Reber & Co. whenever he came to Reading. After his visit various articles were missed, but owing to his standing as a clergyman the firm long refused to believe that he was responsible.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT. On Wednesday last Mr. Fritch drove to the store about noon and asked to see James G. Reber, the senior member of the firm. Mr. Reber was not in. Later in the day Mr. Fritch called again. He went upstairs to the second floor, not seeing a clerk who was in a position to note what might take

The allegation is that the minister walked through the second floor, took a package lying on one of the counters, and then went down stairs and out. Mr. Reber was promptly notified and he followed the minister and ought him back to the private office of the firm where he was accused of the theft and

indignantly denied his guilt.

"There is no use denying it," said Mr.
Reber, "you have a package of ours in your
overcoat pocket now. I lelt it as I walked by your side on our way back. Take it out of your pocket."

HE WROTE A LIST.

The minister reluctantly produced the package, and it proved to be a box of fine penknives. He was then accused of having taken very many more articles, and was asked to write out a list of everything he remembered having taken, which he did. The list included knives, brushes, and many things which he had no use for and which he might easily have purchased, as his means are applied.

means are ample.

Mr. Fritch's sworn confession was taken in the presence of several witnesses, and after a severe reprimand he was told to go and sin no more. The firm determined and sin no more. The firm determined to say nothing about the matter, the facts got to the ears of the police, and two warrants were sworn out before Aldermen Shrader and Sheetz by De-tectives Rambo and Lyon. Poor Director Roland became the elergyman's bondsman

COULDN'T STAND THE CHARGE.

A Judge Attacks an Editor for Calling Him a Thief. SPECIAL TRLEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. BUBLINGTON, N. J., March 7 .- There was a lively skirmish between Judge Forsyth, of the Burlington county Court of Common Pleas and Editor Wills, of the Mount Holly Herald, in the dining-room of the Arcade Hotel Wednesday afternoon, but the story just leaked out to-day. There is a difference of opinion on political questions between the Judge and the editor, and in the late fight for prosecutor each arrayed himself against the other. Among other things Editor Wills said about Judge Forsyth was that he shot

his neighbors turkeys.
"I want you to understand that when I leave the bench I am on an equal footing with any other man, and will protect my reputation," Judge Forsyth is reported as saving on approaching the editor, "Your sneeringly replied Editor

reputation?' Wills. "You called me a thief, and I'll not stand it," said the Judge across the table, where they had seated themselves. The editor remarked that he had no recollection of ever having done such a thing, when the Judge reminded him of the turkey story. This Editor Wills remembered and said so.
With this Judge Forsyth jumped to his
feet, and, leaning across the table, laid
his clinched fist squarely on the
editor's nose. First blood was drawn and the Judge was preparing to follow up the advantage he had gained over the editor, when Benjamin C. Champion interfered and further hostilities were prevented Lawsuits will probably follow the assault.

TREASURER NOLAND RESIGNS. But Governor Francis Has Not Yet Accepted

the Resignation. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 7 .- State Treasurer Noland handed his written resignation to Governor Francis this afternoon. The Governor has not yet decided whether he will accept the resignation. The question is raised whether a State officer who has been suspended can resign pending an in-

vestigation. Mr. Noland declines to discuss the course which led to his resignation. His bonds-men, who obtained the information from Mr. Noland, lay his deficit is \$32,718 55. The committee will probably reach a conclusion to-morrow night.

THE MISSISSIPPI WAY.

Two Brothers Kill a Mas to Settle a Misu derstanding. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1

MABEN, MISS., March 7 .- A difficulty James McIntosh and Two Lady Compan courred at Cummings' store between a Mr. Lynch and William and John Cummings, one armed with a shotgun, the other with Winchester rifle. They opened fire on Lynch, killing him instantly. The cause of the trouble is unknown. ing on the ice across East Okabaji Lake Lynch was 50 years of age and leaves a large to-day, drove into air holes, and all were drowned. Their bodies were recovered. family.

LYING IN STATE. Ex-Minister George H. Pendleton's Body Arrives in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, March 7 .- The body of ex-Minister George H. Pendleton was brought here by the Pennsylvania Railway to-night It was taken to Christ's Protestant Episcopal Church on East Fourth street, where a con pany of the First Regiment guards it.
The funeral exercises and the intermen

will take place to-morrow.

An Expensive Orchestra. MINNEAPOLIS, March 7 .- Manager David Blakely, of the famous Strauss Orchestra, of Vienna, to-day closed a contract with the Minneapolis Exposition to play for one week, from September 29 to October 4, at \$2,000 per day.

PROBING THE MYSTERY.

Damaging Testimony Against Burchell

WOODSTOCK, ONT., March 7 .- The inquest on the remains of F. C. Benwell, the man found murdered near Princeton on February 21, was resumed at Princeton this

the Bridge and Hamilton. A piece of baggage, a curious looking

about 3 o'clock on the afternoon of Febru-ary 17 she went to the station. On the way she met Lord Somerset. She had seen him before at Woodstock and at her grandfather's. He held out his hand and shook hands with her. She asked if it was Dudley, and he laughed and said, "Don't you know me?" He inquired after the family and said, "How's the old governor?" He bought a ticket for Hamilton. She was almost sure the man was Somerset, but she could recognize him again it, as she said, they did not "keep him too long from his champagne and claret." He was going toward the station from north when she met him.

James Hayward, of Eastwood, saw a man at Eastwood on February 17 whom he knew to be Somerset. He wore light pants and a dark coat not an overcoat. At this point the inquest adjourned.

AN AUNT OF JOHN SULLIVAN. Who is 95 Years Old, Has Just Been

Granted a Widow's Pension.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) NEW YORK, March 7 .- Mrs. Johanna O'Connor is 95 years old, and is a remarkble old lady. The late Mr. O'Connor went to the front with the One Hundred and Seventieth New York Volunteers in 1862. when he was 70 years old. He was taken sick during the regiment's sojourn in the Dismal Swamp and was in the hospital when the men were mustered out. He never recovered entirely, and finally died in '81. Mrs. O'Connor has since then lived with her son, Timothy O'Connor, who is 52 years old. To-day she received a letter from Commissioner Raum informing her that her claim for a pension had been granted and that hereafter she will receive \$12 monthly from the Government.

Mrs. O'Connor is short and stout, has bright eyes, can thread a needle without the use of spectacles, and can sing a comic song about the war of 1812. She was born near the Lakes of Killarney in 1795, and came to this country when she was 20 years old. Her maiden name was O'Sullivan, and her sons says that she is a grand aunt of John L. Sullivan, who has

living, nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren. TISZA STILL LINGERS, He Hopes That the Cabinet Differences Will

dropped his O. She has three children

PESTH, March 7 .- After a conference with the Emperor to-day, Herr Von Tisza appeared in his usual place in the Lower House of the Diet. He stated that differences existed in the Cabinet regarding the naturalization bill, and that if these differences were

not settled soon he would inform the House of his intentions. Herr Apponyi moved to suspend the sitting, but Herr Tisza opposed the motion, de-claring that he hoped the Cabinet differ-ences would be settled. He denied that a grave ministerial crisis had yet arisen. It believed now that the actual resignat f Herr Von Tisza has been postponed until

the budget has been passed. SOME BARROWING CASES

Decided by the United States Judges a Cincinnati Yesterday. CINCINNATI, March 7 .- In the United States Circuit Court to-day before Judges Jackson and Brown in the case Reed and others against George Erb, in which a preliminary injunction had been granted February 10 in Detroit in regard to the Eureka harrow, to be reheard in Cincinnati. The Judges dissolved the in-junction of the Eureka harrow case. A motion for a rehearing also was made in the Bennout harrow case, in which the parties are Reed and others vs. Smith and Brabb. An argument for rehearing was

submitted and the Judges decided to grant a rehearing.

A FAMINE IN SILESIA Leads to a Petition to Repeal the Law

Agninst American Pork. [BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] BRESLAU, March 7 .- There is a meat famine in Upper Silesia, American pork being excluded and the native proinadequate. Unheard-of prices duct prevail and the workingmen are unable to buy even sausage. The Government has reduced the freight on meat, but this has not brought any relief, and the hungry people have addressed a petition to the Bundesrath asking the repeal

of the law against American pork. DISSIPATED AND DISCOURAGED.

Charles W. Hempstend Tires of the World and Suicides. SALT LAKE, March 7 .- Charles W. Hempstead, aged 27, committed suicide here to-day by shooting himself in the head. He was the son of Major Hempstead, who has been dead for some years, a former United States Attorney, of Utah. Dissipation and discouragement are given

as the cause. TURKEY AFRAID OF WAR. The Porte Wants a European Conference

to Consider the Situation. FRY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY. 1 CONSTANTINOPLE, March 7 .- In view of the increasing intrigues between Bulgaria and Armenia, which in Turkish eyes portend a new Russian war, the Porte has decided to invite a European conference, insisting only that Bulgarian and Armenan questions be kept separate.

LOOKS A LITTLE THREATENING.

Portugal and England Cannot Arrive at an Amicable Understanding. LONDON, March 7 .- It is stated that the Portuguese Minister here has failed in his negotiations with Lord Salisbury for the settlement of the African territorial dispute, and that he will return to Lisbon imme

The people in Lisbon are assuming hreatening attitude. Lowell's Condition Improving.

BOSTON, March 7 .- Hon. James Russell Lowell, though still confined to his bed, is so far improved as to be able to talk with members of his family.

GH TO LIVE ON.

THREE CENTS

A Dec on That \$30,000 Per Year is

WITHOUT EXTRAVAGANT HABITS.

Sufficient for a Young Man

A Steam Yacht and Two Pine Residences Considered as Only

NECESSARY TO ONE IN HIS STATION.

This Semewhat Remarkable Opinion Backed by a Decree of the Court.

A New York referee, in a suit against the trustees of an estate, has decided that a man needs \$30,000 a year to live on. The trustees, in this case, found that the recipient was not extravagant, though his expenses

frequently exceeded his income.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCEL | NEW YORK, March 7 .- Eugene H. Pomeroy, as referee, has decided against William L. Stow in the suit brought by him against the Trustees of the Howell Osborn Trust Fund, to recover judgments obtained against Osborn. Charles J. Osborn bequeathed \$500,000 in trust, the income to be paid to his son Howell during the beneficiary's lifetime. Howell Osborn spent a liberal amount lavishly, and can up a huge bilt beside, ali of which his father paid. Since his father's death he has maintained his record handsomely. The income of the fund is \$30,000 annually, but this has been far from sufficient to meet the young man's desires. So he borrowed money of William L. Stow, which he could not, or at least did not repay. Stow secured two judgments against Osborn to the amount of nearly \$50,000, but they were returned from the Sheriff's office unsatisfied. Osborn had gone to Europe, where he now is, and there was no property standing in his name in this city. Stow,

therefore, brought suit against the trustees. HISTORY OF THE CASE. The action came up before Judge Andrews and was re erred by him to Eugene H. Pom-eroy, of No. 150 Broadway. Testimony has been taken at intervals for several months, and to-day the referee handed in his finding, wherein he advises the dismissal of Stow's suit with costs. This, accordingly, was made a decree of court, but notice of appeal was served at once, and the matter will

come before the general term. Stow, in his complaint, demanded that the trustees under the will set aside some portion of the income of the trust fund for the satisfaction of the judgment. The defendants answered that they had no surplus of the fund in hand, and that all the income from the estate was necessary for the support of the beneficiary in the manner in which he was accustomed to live during the life-time of his father. In his decision Referee Pomeroy says that Charles J. Osborn maintained two handsome residences his Fifth avenue house containing furniture valued at \$50,000. He kept a steam yacht which cost him \$10,000 a year, and his family expenses were \$125,000 annually.

NOT AN EXTRAVAGANT YOUTH. Howell Osborn was an only child, and during his father's life time constantly over-ran his income of \$30,000 allowed by his father. After the elder Osborn's death, the executors warned the plaintiff not to trust Howell with any money, and he actually entered into an agreement in writing with them not to do so. In violation of this agreement, and with the knowledge that every want of Howell would be supplied by the trustees of his father's will, plaintiff con-tinued to lend Howell money, which, as he

himself testified, was used for purposes of extravagance and debauchery. The plaintiff has demanded, and obtained upon this trial, a detailed statement of all

moneys applied by the trustees to the use of Osbora, and has examined one of the trustees

LIBERALITY OF COURTS. Not an item of improper or even extravagant expenditure appears on the record, and no suggestion has been made that any item has been open to objection on the strictest moral ground. The presumption is, therefore, all in tavor of the trustees, who did not personally know of Howell's habits, and

against the plaintiff, who did, and who Howell money knowing it was likely to be used for immoral purposes. Lawyers say that the courts have been growing more liberal in their consideration of the question which often arises, How nuch money is needed for a man's support? They take into account a man's social sur. oundings, and the amount of money he has peen accustomed to spending, and in this case the proposition is flitly set forth that an unmarried man, with no dependencies, may claim legally that he needs \$30,000 a

year for living expenses. MARRIED AND THEN SUICIDED.

Peculiar Action of a Well-to-Do Young Cleveland Man. CLEVELAND, O., March 7 .- John N. Hodgson was a young bookkeeper with three houses and lots and a bank account. For seven years he had been engaged to Addie May Bishop. Yesterday afternoon he went to Miss Bishop's home and proposed that the marriage take place at once. The pair visited the Probate office, secured a license and then repaired to the residence of Rev. Dr. Sprecher of the Euclid Avenue Church,

where they were married. They then re-turned to the Bishop residence.

Hodgson left the house a few minutes later, and going to his room shot himself in the head and died. The bride did not hear of the suicide until to-day, and when she went after the body learned that Hodgson's relatives were in possession of it. It may be replevined to-morrow by the bride. No one knows why Hodgson suicided.

He Shoots Two Officers and a Citizen While Trying to Escape. CHICAGO, March 7 .- In a regular mucka-muck two police officers, Linville and Briscoe, and F. C. Cole, a citizen, were snot down in the street to-night by Patrick Crowe, a young packing house employe, who had just committed a diamond robbery, during which he assaulted two other per-

A DIAMOND ROBBER'S DEVILTRI.

sons. Briscoe's injuries are probably fatal. Linville and Cole will recover, but Linville may lose the power of speech, his tongue being cut in two. Crowe, after his dare-devil work, was finally eaptured, but not without a long and

PASSENGERS BLOCKED IN BY SNOW. Canadian Pacific Train Stalled in the

Northern Part of Maine:

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

BANGOR, March 7 .- Word reached here o-night that the Canadian Pacific western express, crowded with passengers, was stalled in the northern part of Maine. The passengers are suffering for want of food and a relief train has gone out to render aid if

The line is completely blocked with snow drifts 25 to 30 feet high. It may be several days before the imprisoned passengers are