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# NO CREED IS DIVINE.

Upon That Platform Dr. Briggs Will Stand Before the Presbytery To-day.

A FIERCE DEBATE CERTAIN.

The Brilliant Theologian Out in Strong Counter-Attack Upon His Accusers.

CHARGES OF UNDUE INFLUENCE.

If It Be Heresy to Say That Cardinal Newman and Martineau Will Go to Beaven He Rejoices in It,

THE PERSONAL SIDE TO THE DISPUTE,

A Bested Quarrel Among the Paculty of the Unice Theological Seminary Adds a New Feature to the Remarkable Controversy.

STRONG DENUNCIATION OF THE DOGNATICIANS.

INFECTAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR 1 NEW YORK, May 10 .- Dr. Charles A. Briggs, the accused Presbyterian theologian and controversialist, will publish to-morrow a long attack over his own signature upon his accusers. It is a bitter personal arraignment of the critics, and 'it attacks their weakness of argument and ignorance of the Westminster Confession and the Bible.

It is called out by the fear that undue influence is being brought to bear upon the Presbytery which meets to-morrow to hear the report of the Committee of Investigation. That Presbytery, as announced in Saturday's DISPATCH, will consider the adverse report of the Committee of Investigation. The Presbytery meets at 3 P. M., and the majority report recommending trial for heresy will open one of the most remarkable controversies ever known in the modern re-

Dr. Briggs in His Own Defense.

Dr. Briggs will champion his own cause in the Presbytery. He proposes to fight the report, not because he objects to a trial, but because he wants his accusers to stand up and take the responsibility of making distingt charges against him. According to the book of discipline of the Presbyterian Church, whoever makes charges against a minister that are not sustained must himself publicly bear the disgrace, censure and punishment proportionate to the malignancy or rushness which may appear in the prosecu tion. The attack to be made to-morrow is directed against Dr. William G. J. Shedd. a venerable theologian, past 70 years of age. He was formerly professor of systematic theology at Union Seminary, and is now retired as emeritus professor. He has written many books on theology, and is held in high regard by Presbyterians all over the land.

In the Briggs fight while a fellow member of the faculty of Union, he has been giving aid and comfort to the enemy and Dr. Briggs beats his critics over Dr. Shedd's gray head. The letter is signed by Dr. Briggs and is quite long, covering completely all points at issue, Among other things he says:

The faculty of Union Theological Seminary have up to this point regarded the policy of silence as the proper one to pursue under the circumstances of the attack upon one of their number and have waited for the proper time to express themselves in public. The Rev. Dr. Shedd, who retired from the faculty las year, but who has been with us during the present year as professor emeritus, has broken the policy of silence by an attack on me just in time to influence the Presbytery of New York at its meeting to hear the report of a committee appointed to consider my inaugural

Dr. Shedd claims it has nothing personal in it, and that it is purely intellectual judgment, as much so as any mathematical judgment. And yet he goes on to say in the next sente 'We are as certain that the author of this biblical theology is in error, and is teaching error, as we are of anything. This theology and that of the standards are as contradictory as the Ptolemaic and Copernican astronomers. There is no middle position possible respecting such views. They must either be approved and adopted by the Presbyterian Church or they must be condemned and rejected."

Why this baste to come out in print against a colleague of 17 years' standing and just in time to influence the Presbytery, if there is not something more than mathematical precision in this judgment? Dr. Shedd represents that Dr. Briggs has the power of self-deception to an amazing degree, because I maintain that my address is not at all inconsistent with my subscription to the Westminster Confession

A Specialist in Two Things.

There are two things in which I may claim to be a specialist, one of these is in the theology of the old testament and the other the Westminster Confession. I have for many years devoted myself to a study of the Westminster standards by a careful reading of the Westminster divines and the original documents of the Westminster assembly and their paritan teachers and associates,

document by historical research, I have faith fully pursued that method. I have studied the Westminster documents repeatedly in all the great libraries of Great Britain. I have gathered in the library of the Union Theological Seminary, the best library of the Westminster divines outside the British Museum. I have studied these divines with enthusiastic devo tion for many years.

I have repeatedly endeavored to interest Dr. Shedd in these studies, but in vain. He has not studied the Westminster Confession in its sources and it is well known to him that I have done this work laboriously and faithfully. It is a matter of interpretation which is within my province as a Biblical and historical

A Charge of Misrepresentation. It is my charge against Dr. Shedd and the American dogmaticians that they have per-verted and misrepresented the Westminster verted and misrepresented the Westminster Confession because of the neglect of the history of the men and the times that produced it, and because they deduce from it the more recent dogmatic speculation. I have shown by a table of comparison between Dr. Shedd's dogmatic theology and the Westminster Confession that in his systen "the proportions of the faith in the Westminster Confession have entirely changed. New doctrines have come into the field, old doctrines have been discarded some dectrines have been discarded some dectrines have been depressed. into the field, old doctrines have been dis-carded; some doctrines have been depressed, other doctrines have been exalted. The sys-

tems are different in their structure, in their order of material, in the material itself, in its proportions, and in the structural principles. The essential and necessary articles of about one-half of the Westminster system are in the system, but the other half, with its essential

articles, is not there."

Dr. Shedd says that I have "represented the Dr. Shedd says that I have "represented the Bible, the Church and the reason as co-ordinate and coequal authorities for mankind in obtaining the knowledge of God." But Dr. Morris, another venerable dogmatician, says: "While the author nowhere represents these as co-ordinate sources, and distinctly recognizes the Bible as the superior source, yet his language seems to separate the three sources too widely, as if they could be independent of each other, and also to place that practically too nearly on the same level as to authoritativeness."

He Rejoices in Such Heresy.

Doubtless I take a higher view of the Church and the reason than Dr. Morris, and he agrees with me in taking a higher view of them than Dr. Shedd, but I do not co-ordinate shem or make them coequal. If it be herevy to say that rationalists like Martineau have found God in the reason, and Roman Catholice like Newman have found God in the church, I rejoice in such heresy, and I do not hesitate to say that I have less doubt of the salvation of Martineau or Newman than I have of the mederngPharisess who would exclude such noble men, so pure, so good, the ornaments of Great Britain and the prophets of the age, from the kingdom of God.

Dr. Shedd says: "According to this the Calvanistic creed of the Reformation, the Papal creed of the Council of Trent and the Unitarian creed of Society have the same divine authority, and human salvation may be founded upon each and all of them alika. Whoever contends that this is the doctrine of the Westminster standard is 'past surgery."

Does Dr. Shedd believe that the Calvanistic creed of the Reformation has divine authority, or that human salvation is founded upon if I he does, he exaits the Calvanistic reason and the Calvanistic church above the Bible and couses in conflict with the Westminster Confession, which makes the Bible

The Only Infallible Bule of Faith, He Rejoices in Such Heresy.

The Only Infallible Rule of Faith. and which affirms that the "Supreme Judge, by which all controversies of religion are to be determined and all decrees of councils, opin-ions of ancient writers, doctrines of men and private spirits are to be examined, and in whose private spirits are to be examined, and in whose sentence we are to rest, can be no other than the Holy Spirit speaking in the Scripture."

I do not attach divine authority to any creed, and I refuse to found human salvation upon any council. I shall pass over Dr. Shedd's criticisms on my views of the Bibla. They have received sufficient attention in the appendix to my address which is now accessible to the public. Sufficient to say that I subscribe sincerely and without exception or reservation to public. Sufficient to say that I subscribe sincerely and without exception or reservation to the whole doctrine of the Bible stated in the Westminster Confession, and that I charge upon Dr. Shedd and other dogmaticians that they have substituted a new doctrine of the Scriptures for that taught in the Scriptures and the confession. I claim to maintain the doctrine of the Bible and confession against the dogmaticians. Dr. Shedd's keen eyes have detected the charge that I make against dogmaticians, that they exaggerate the original right-eousness of our first parents in order to magnify their guilt, and he immediately jumps to the conclusion that I am a Pelagian. I shall simply say that this is a baseless misrepresentation.

tion.

The great sin of my address, in Dr. Shedd's judgment, is its doctrine of redemption and progressive sanctification after death. When Dr. Shedd's degmatic theology was published many of his friends were surprised at the neglect of the doctrine of the redemption. This book was the fruit of his life-long study and teaching. In two massive volumes of 1,300 pages, one has the right to expect a complete system.

No Forgiveness of Sin There. But the forgiveness of sin and the pardon of sin are not found in the index and remission of sin only in one passage where it is falsely ex-plained as "The non-infliction of suffering upon the transgressor." The doctrines of repent ance and saving faith are slurred over, the doc ance and saving faith are slurred over, the doctrine of the descent into hell (of the Apostles Creed) is denied, the great dectrines of the risen and reigning Redeemer are neglected. Sanctification is discussed superficially in eight pages. His destrine of the middle state is confined to a polemic against it. He devotes six pages to the second advent, 12 to the resurrection, four to the final judgment, four to heaven and 85 pages to hell.

Surely a dogmatician whose thinking and teaching have been chiefly upon the damnation of men and se little grow the sedemption of the world, is no competent critic of a writer who finds redemption written all over the Bible. Under the circumstances one is not surprised that Dr. Shedd has no sympathy with the doctrine of progressive sanctification after death. He has failed to apprehend the mind of the reformers and the Westminster divines on

reformers and the westminster divines on these subjects and I am not surprised that he fails to understand me.

If John Calvin were alive Dr. Shedd would charge him with heresy, for John Calvin recognizes errors in the Scripture, lays great stress upon the dectrines of saving faith, repentance and progressive sanctification, and teaches the

AN OCEAN DISASTER

HALF A HUNDRED COLONISTS LOST ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

But One Person of Those on the Steame Alive to Tell the Story-The Party Was Composed Entirely of Colonists.

TACOMA, WASH., May 10 .- The steamer Lucy Lowe has foundered in the Straits of Juan De Fuca with 55 colonists on board. - The party, numbering 56, left by the United States Marshal, Pilot Dill. for Tacoma April 21 to settle on land near the mouth of the Guestahe river, but were beaten back by the high seas and became short of food.

John N. Grant, of Tacoma, the only survivor, returned here yesterday. He believes the entire party has been lost.

ECCLESIASTICAL LYNCH LAW.

The Rev. Heber Newton Pays His Respect to the Monk Ignatius. PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE.

NEW YORK, May 10 .- "Lawlessness" was the subject on which the Rev. Dr. Heber Newton preached at All Souls' Church this morning. He took occasion to notice the attack of the monk, Ignatius, upon his orthodoxy, and attacked the right of any churchman to force an action against a sup cribed by Church law.

"The Church," said be, "has provided legal methods to test the meaning of her legal enactments. If, instead of using the legal methods provided by the Church, a number of fellow-presbyters are found ready to countenance an hysterical attempt to stampede the Church into an action, which its own sober sense has restrained it from taking, through the years in which the supposedly-offending utterances have been be-fore it; if American gentlemen prove capable of backing up a frenzied appeal to religious passion, which freely resorts to the tactics of the ward caucus and the mob meeting, and which sbrinks not from the lowest insinuations against the motives of the supposed offender, then the Church is in the supposed offender, then the Church is in danger of lapsing into an era of lynch law

#### BIG LUMBER BOYCOTT.

It Will Go Into Effect in New York To-Day Against Labor Unions.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR. NEW YORK, May 10 .- The lumber boycott goes into effect to-morrow, and if the dealers carry out their threat, not a stick of lumber will be delivered at at any building job in the city after sunrise. Nevertheless, all the big builders declare confidently that John D. Crimmins said to-day: "All the

committee to confer with the dealers and settle the matter by arbitration. They will probably do that eventually. As for break-ing up the unions, I believe it is impossible. Those men would sooner starve than desert their unions."

THE ESCAPED ITATA MYSTERY STILL SURROUNDS THE

CHARLESTON'S CRUISE. Naval Officials Silent as to the Object of It—The Opinion Is General, However, That Bhe Has Been Sent After the

WASHINGTON, May 10 .- While there are no new developments regarding the re-ported issuance of orders to the cruiser Charleston and the men-of-war composing the South Pscific squadron, to go after and selze the insurgent vessel Itata, which is now supposed to be on her way to Chile with arms taken from the schooner Robert and Minnie, it is believed that orders have been sent to Admiral Brown, commanding the Pacific station, and to Admiral McCann, commanding the ships of the South Pacific

station, to capture the Itata by force if

necessary and take her to the first American

necessary and take her to the first American port. The greatest air of secrecy surrounds the affair, and to-night it is utterly impossible to learn that any orders of any nature regarding the Itata had been issued by the Navy Department, or would be issued.

Secretary Tracy left the city resterday on the Dispatch, in company with Commodore Folger, to inspect the new naval proving ground down the Potomac, and has not yet returned. At his house it was said he had probably continued his trip to Fort Monroe or gone down the Chesapeage to stay over Sunday. He left word that he would not return until neon to-morrow. Commodore Ramsey, the Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, and who issues all orders directing the movements of the ships of the navy, was seen toments of the ships of the may, was seen to-night, but declined to say anything on the subject. There are the strong-est reasons for believing that orders were issued yesterday before Secretary Tracy left the department and that the Charleston

left the department and that the Charleston is now on her way south after the Itata.

Commodore Ramsey said to-night that he received an unofficial dispatch this morning from San Francisco, saying the Charleston had gone to sea to test her guns, but had not yet returned. Assistant Secretary of the Navy Soley has been absent from the Department since Thursday, and when seen Friday night he also declined to say anything that would throw any light whatever on the subject.

The United States vessels in Chilean waters are the Baltimore and the flagship Pensacola. The San Francisco when last heard from had left Peru and will likely join the Baltimore and Pensacola early this week. With the Charleston the Admiral would have under his command the three finest ships of the new navy, besides the Pensacola, which is the best of the wooden class in the service. With those four ships, it is not anticipated that much opposition would be met with should the United States see fit to capture the Itata, even should she be reinforced by the best ships of the insurgents.

#### THE CHARLESTON'S DESTINATION.

She Leaves San Francisco in a Hurry Under

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Sealed Orders.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.—A morning paper states that when the Charleston sailed Saturday morning it was under sealed orders. A cipher dispatch was received by Captain Remy at midnight Briday. It took over three hours to translate the dispatch, and at 4 o'clock in the morning all visitors were ordared ashore, and the Charleston hastily put to sea. The Charleston is provisioned and coaled for a long cruise, and instead of going outside to try her guns, as was the content of the coaled to try her guns, as was the content of the coaled to try her guns, as was the county, the terminus of Butters and Poters' ligging road, was totally destroyed by fire. The hotel, livery stable, stores, saloons, blacksmith shop and nearly all the dwellings wort up in smoke, with 500,000 hard wood logs. Kitzinger's mills at Free Soil hursed. The report to night is that the mill and lumber at Batch allor cannot be saved.

Altoons is a village of 400 people, on the Little Muskegon river, 18 miles southeast of Big Rapids, and containing Methodist, Free Methodist and United Brethren Chusehes. All these and eight mills were burned last night, the stage driver general supposition at first, it is stated she has gone in pursuit of the Chilian steamer,

Itata, with orders to capture her. If the Charleston does not catch her the orders are to keep on until Admiral Brown s encountered in Chilean waters. The transfer of arms, ammunition, etc., from the schooner Robert and Minnie to to the Itata was not completed until Friday afternoon, so that the insurgent vessel has a start of 36 hours. The Charleston has not returned to this port, as she would have done by this time If she had gone outside simply for tar-

#### TWO ARRESTS ARE MADE.

Supercargo Burch Taken Into Custody at Los Angeles.

Los ANGELES, May 10.-Before the schooner Robert and Minnie was captured who took the Itata out of San Diego harbor, went ashore and was arrested at San Diego Supercargo Burch came to Los Angeles, and was traced by a reporter to Arcade depot, where he was waiting to take a train to San

Burch at first denied that he was the man wanted, but afterward acknowledged it and was arrested by Detective Harry Morse, and is now in custody of the United States Marshal. Burch says he landed the arms, but declines to say at what point. It is supposed to have been at Catalina or San Clemens Island. The war ship strived outplace she left on Saturday.

#### LIVELY TIMES AREAD

In the Exciting Senatorial Campaign Now On in Mississippi.

PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. CANTON, MISS., May 10 .- The Senatorial situation stands to date as follows: Barksdale, Sub-Treasuryite, is contesting for Senator George's seat; Burkett, Sub-Treasuryite, for Walthall's, who deelined re-election. Burkett and Barksdale are relying principally upon the Alliance for election. To date 15 county Alliance members have spoken, ten for Burkett and Barksdale, and five against outside. Ninety per cent of the outside vote witi go solidly against the Alliance candi-

Judge S. S. Calhoon, anti-Sub-Treasury-ite, will be pushed by the Democrats for Walthall's seat against Burkett. A circu-lar issued from the Reform Press Bureau at Vashington City is being run in by the Alliance It attacks Senator George vigor-ously, and charges him with being a pet of the money power. Fifteen of the ablest anti-Sub-Treasury speakers in the State will take the stump shortly, and the State will rock until September as it never did before.

#### AN OLD SOLDIER-MURDERED.

His Body Found in a Creek, With Hands and Feet Tied. MILWAUKEE, May 10 .- Henry Aulfus an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, was missed from that institution last evening. Shortly after noon to-day his body was found in Honey creek, about four miles from the Home. Several deep gashes were found on his head, and his hands and feet were tied with a stout rope.

It is supposed he was murdered and then thrown into the creek. He was a member of Company K. Twenty-eighth Ohio, and about 55 years of age. No motive for the crime is known.

SWEEPING THE STATE.

Enormous Damage Wrought by the Forest Fires in Michigan. TOWNS WIPED OUT BY THE PLAMES.

Many Millions of Post of Lumber and Logs Totally Destroyed.

ONLY MEAGER DETAILS YET SECURED

DETROIT, May 10.—Only the most meager reports are being received from the vast district in the central part of the State that bas been the scene of the devastating forest fire for the past three days. These reports more than confirm the worst fears, and show a widespread line of disaster not equalled since the great woods fires of 1871. The fires have burned down the telegrap lines, made railroading dangerous, and wiped out barns, houses, stores, churches and mills, with millons upon millions of feet of lumber and logs. amart gale has swept the fiames about at will. The air is filled with black smoke and a myriad of sparks that set fire to everything they touch. A dispatch from Warwell, Mich., says: The forest fires have done great damage in this city to-day and to-night. The fire watchmen are patrolto-night. The fire watchmen are patrol-ling the town to guard against fire. Clinton, on the Toledo, Ann Arbor and North Michigan Bailroad, three miles north of here, was totally destroyed to-day, not a building being left atanding. The mill of Wagner & Pierce, at that point, and 2,000,000 feet of logs are a total loss, and about 1,000,000 feet of lumber was de-

The people had barely time to escape with their lives. The saw mill of U. S. Pringle, situated three miles south of Farwell, went situated three miles south of Farwell, went this same way, together with several dwellings. About 1,000,000 feet of lumber and 1,500,000 feet of lumber and 1,500,000 feet of logs, owned by Mr. Pringle, 400 cords of bolts owned by Eugene Rudds, several hundred ties owned by the Flint & Pere Marquette Company were burned. In Coldwater township, Isabella county, to-day Theodore Couley lost two barns and contents, and a valuable team owned by Mr. Bellows was also destroyed. Undoubtedly much other damage has been done, but communication has been impeded so that no news can be obtained.

Lake Station, six miles west of the Flint & Pere Marquette works, was reported to

Lake Station, six miles west of the Flint & Pere Marquette works, was reported to be in great danger, but the residents thought they could fight the fire back. At Grand Rapids, incoming passengers from the North say that the whole country is blue with amoke. The Chicago and West Michigan station at Shields, near White Cloud, has been burned. Eighteen freight cars were burned at Lilly Junction. Deer Lake, near Rex City, 100 Junction. Deer Lake, near Rex City, 100 miles north, has telephoned for aid and a fire engine has been sent. Forests are ablase, and the Osterhout & Fox lumber yard, with \$250,000 worth of lumber, is sur-rounded by fismes.

Another Town Totally Destroyed

were burned last night, the stage driver says, who arrived at Morley to-day. The fire boys are fighting bravely. With-The fire boys are lighting bravely. Without their aid Grand Rapids would undoubtedly have been on fire before this. The poor farm was in danger this morning, and the furniture was removed to the Congregational Church. A number of firemen are laid up, overcome with smoke. The firemen will be up all night. Many residences were thought beyond aid early this afternoon, but the firemen did noble work in preventing the fire from reaching them. The city is in no

immediate danger.

Late dispatches from several points indicate that rain began to fall this evening, and the worst is thought to be over. The inhabitants of Bear Lake, Manistee county, were burned out to-day, and compelled to wade into the lake up to their necks to save their lives. The long railroad bridge at Sturgeon river burned to-day.

## DESTRUCTIVE FOREST FIRE.

Many Thousand Feet of Logs and Cords o Bark Destroyed.

PERIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR KEATING SUMMIT, PA., May 10 .- One of the largest forest fires known for many years is raging south and east of Austin, on the land of F. H. and C. W. Goodyear. The fire has been burning since yesterday noon. It is estimated that 30,000,000 feet of logs and 10,000 cords of bark have been destroyed, besides 10 miles of tram railroad. Telephonic communications are cut off and it will be impossible to get full details

#### AN OPEN QUESTION. The Wedding of Head Waiter Stephe

and Miss Pomeroy a Mystery. PEPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATCE. NEW YORK, May 10 .- The date of the wedding day of John H. Stephenson and Miss Mollie Pomeroy is still an open question at the Murray Hill Hotel, Stephenson is the former head waiter of the house, and Miss Pomeroy is the rich young woman whom he has been discreetly courting for several years with such success the young man's friends about the hote them. There are 140,000 or more white say the couple are married. They say that voters in the State. Of this number the Alliance has not more than 20,000 at the said to-night that since Stephenson's resignation.

said to-night that since Stephenson's resig-nation, five days ago, he has dined at the hotel with Miss Pomeroy and her mother. Mrs. Pomeroy declined to receive visit-ors, nor would she answer any inquiries about her daughter's wedding. Stephenson himself said last week that Sunday, May 10, was the date chosen for the wedding. He kept carefully out of sight all day. is a Canadian and about 30 years old.

Black Hills Property. RAPID CITY, S. D., May 10 .- The largest single mining deal ever carried through in the Black Hillspand one of the largest in the country for a good while past, will the country for a good while past, will be consummated here in a few days. The negotiations have been quietly carried on by G. L. Downs, of Cleveland, O., and, though Mr. Downs has been very reticent on the subject, there is foundation for the statement that he is noting for the Standard Oil Company people. At least, it is stated confidently that several of the principal stockholders of the Standard the principal stockholders of the Standard Oil Company are backing the deal.

trip through the tin district, and while away found that Mr. Downs has taken ontions on tin properties amounting to nearly \$500,000, and is buying every good tin location that he can get. Where he obtained his mining every correspondent tion that he can get. Where he obtained his mining experience your correspondent does not know, but he certainly has shown excellent judgment in buying only good properties. He appears to want only good tin properties not already bought by the Big Harney Peak Tin Company, and it and the new company will probably control the tin product of the Black Hills. From the amount already invested, it will require a company with several million dollars capital to work the property successfully. The options or bonds on the property will be paid in cash in this city.

#### FOOLED THE ROBBERS. WELLS, PARGO EXPRESS MESSENGER

OUTWITS BANDITS. They Stop a Train on the Santa Fe Road But Only Secure \$500 in Money The Cash Was Taken From the Safe and

Hidden in the Stove. GUTHRIE, OKLA., May 10.—The skill rith which the Wells, Fargo express car of the Santa Fe train was robbed last night was only excelled by the skill with which the express messenger guarded the property his care from the bandits. the robbers boarded the train at Wharthe messenger was looking out the door of his car and seeing what was going on, immediately appre-needed the danger. He closed and looked his door, and then commenced to hide the money and valuables in his keeping in places of safety where they would escape de-lection by the robbers. While the bandits were detaching the engine and express car from the rest of the tain and were running it to the place where the robbery occurred, two miles distant, the messenger disposed of most of the valuables in places of safety. Then he locked the safe.

of most of the valuables in places of safety. Then he locked the arfe.

When the robbers appeared at the door of the express car he made a show of resistance, but finally admitted them. They immediately made for the safe and demanded that it be opened. With feigned rejuctance the messenger opened it, and at the command of the leader handed out the contents among which were

the messenger opened it, and at the command of the leader handed out the contents, among which was a package of worthless papers, which he told the robbers was a valuable package of money. The most of the money had been hidden in the stove which was not being used. In the search which the robbers made of the car they overlooked that hiding place, but stumbled upon a package of \$500, which they secured. Finding nothing else of value they made their escape.

A dispatch from Topeka says the official report of the robbers has been made to the headquarters of the Santa Fe railway there. The details made public are very meager, but coincide with the report from Guthrie. The amount secured by the robbers is given out by the Santa Fe officials as \$500. A large force of United States deputy marshals was organized at Guthrie last night as soon as the news of the robbery had been received and a pursuit of the robbers was immediately begun. It is believed that the robbers are hiding at Turkey Creek, I. T., whether the posse is now making its way. There the posse is now making its way. There seems to be no doubt that the bandits were orious Dalton boys. They are a desperate set of outlaws.

#### BIG BLAZE IN NEW YORK.

ment Badly Damaged. NEW YORK, May 10 .- A fire visited F. H. Leggett & Co.'s wholesale grocers at the unotion of Variok and Franklis streets and West Broadway at 8:30 this afternoon. Before the flames were gotten under control \$400,000 damage had been done to the stock

The fire broke out on the top floor of the nine story building which was exclusively occupied by Legget & Co.'s. The firemen soon saw they had a stubborn fight before them and five alarms and a number of special signals were sent out for additional engines. Two water towers were brought into requisi-tion and sent immense volumes of water into the building while great crowds looked upon the work of destruction. The street at the southeast end of the burn-

ing building had but just been cleared of people when at 5:20 P. M. the tower, manaard roof and coping and stone pillars which formed a part of this portion of the building fell with a crash onto the elevated structure and street. The firemen who were playing and street. In a firemen who were playing on the fire from that point of vantage at one time appeared doomed. But they too, had fortunately seen the danger that threatened and fled not a moment too soon. The elerated structure was not injured so as to prevent the running of trains,

#### CAPTURE OF RITCHIR

The Young Embessier and Forger Has Had an Interesting Time.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH, 1 NEW YORK, May 10.-The steamship Jumburi, of the Ward line, which recently arrived from Havana and Vera Cruz, brought the news of the capture in Havana f George Wharton Ritchie, who is wanted in Philadelphia and several Western cities for embesslement, forgery, and other offenses Ritchie had engaged passage from Havani to Vers Cruz on the Yumburi, and was ar rested just as the ship was leaving port. The detectives have searched for him since February all over Mexico and parts of this

ountry.

Ritchie said that he had been in Vene Ritchie said that he had been in Vene-suela, where he changed all his money, and, as far as possible, his appearance. He had a large sum of money and two loaded re-volvers, and carried a sword cane. He ap-peared to regret that his arrest was unfor-seen and that he had no chance to use his weapons. He will be taken to Philadelphia by the first steamer. He is only 23 years

#### OVER AN EMBANKMENT.

Freight Train Wrecked and Four Tramps Said to Have Been Killed. TRINIDAD, May 10 .- A serious wreck ccurred on the Santa Fe road several miles rest of here last night. A freight of 20 cars loaded with cattle started down the Raton Mountain, but became unmanageable, because the airbrake refused to work. The train gained a frightful speed, and while turning a sharp curve the engine and tender broke away and 16 cars went over an embroke away and 10 cars went over an em-bank ment 20 teet high, amashing the cars into kindling wood and killing 300 cattle. Brakeman J. M. Kurns was slightly hurt and four tramps, stealing their way over the road, are reported buried in the wreck. The four last cars of the train are the only ones that remained on the track. The road is torn up for several hundred feet, and the

## BURNED TO DEATH AT 110.

A Pennsylvania Centenarian Sets Her Bed on Fire With a Pipe. BEAVER MEADOW, PA., May 10.—After having lived 110 years and resided for the last 40 years in the same house, Grand-

mother Margaret Connelly was burned to

### A SPEECH ON SUNDAY.

Harrison Addresses a Mass Meeting in a Colorado Opera House.

BIS RECEPTION IS ENTHUSIASTIC.

Free Silver Coinage Souvenirs a Peature of the Occasion.

FINDING PRINNDS IN THE PAR WEST

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, COL., May 10. The special train bearing the Presidental party arrived here at 4 o'clock this morning, but no one was astir until about 6 o'clock, when all began preparations for the day. A crowd gathered about the cars and eagerly watched the movements of the inmates. They were waited on about 8 o'clock by a ommittee from Denver, including Governor Poutt, ex-Senator Hill, Mayor Rogers and other citizens and officials, by whom they were assured a cordial welcome at

Soon afterward the visitors were welcomed formally by Mayor Rogers, of Glenwo od Springs, and a committee and escorted in carriages to the Glenwood Hotel, where they had breakfast. The President, Postmaster General Wanamaker and Mrs. McKee afterward attended divine service in the First Presbyterian Church. During the afternoon the President received the delegations from Leadville, Aspen, Colo-rado Springs and elsewhere. = A Scheme of Free Column Advocates

The delegations from Aspen presented him with an elegant souvenir, a beautiful plush case containing in letters of sterling wire silver the words "Free coinage—Aspen

plush case containing in letters of sterling wire silver the words "Free coinage—Aspan Silver—Colorado—Honest money." Other souvenirs were also presented to the President, one by the citizens of Glenwood and the other by the Glenwood Board of Trade.

A mass meeting was held at Durand's Opera House at 3 o'clock, in honor of the visitors, and it was attended by an immense crowd. Rev. H. M. Law presided, and after the usual devotional exercises Mayor Rogers introduced the President and the the Postmaster Genéral, each of whom made a short address. The President's address was as follows:

MR. MAYOR, FELLOW CITIZENS AND CHILDMEN—Our stop at Glesswood Springs was, as you all know, intended to be for rest; and yet I have not felt that I could deny myself to this large body of friends assembled from the homes of this city, and perhaps to an even larger body of friends, who have come from some of the neighboring towns to pay their respects and testify their good will. The trip we have been making has been a prolonged one, and it has been a continued experience of speech-making and handshaking; hence the physical labor has been a prolonged one, and it has been a continued experience of speech-making and handshaking; hence the physical labor has been a rety great and I think if one had been called upon to do the same amount of work without the stimulus and inspiration which have come from the happy faces and Kind hearts of the people who have greeted us, that almost any man would have given out. I have been borne un and helped by the wonderful kindness of your people. I have been intensely interested in what I have seen. It has testified to me of The Unity of the Feople The Unity of the People

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East and West. Out here you take on some peouliarities, as we do m Indiana, but underneath these peonliarities there is the same true American grit and spirit. [Applause.] It is not wonderful that this should be so. It is not a mere likeness between different people, because you are precisely the same people that I have known in the Central and Eastern States. Eyerywhere I have gone I have seen Hoosiers; everywhere Mr. Wanamaker has gone he has seen Pannaylvantans; everywhere General Rusk, has gone Wiscousin hands have been reached up to him.

These new States have filled up by the enterprising and pushing young men of the older States. They have set out to find here greater advantages and more rapid pathways to wealth and competence. Many of them have found it means the large and the search.

\$400,000 damage had been done to the stock and \$30,000 to the building. The stock was it, many of them are still perhaps in the hard and struggle for life has been and the in-

it many of them are still perhaps in the flare struggle for life, but to you all, every young man, whether he is a mine owner or handles the pick, I bring you my warmest sympathy and most sincere thanks for your friendly greeting. [Applause.]

Our Government was instituted by wise men; men of broad views. It was based on the idea of equal rights of men; it absolutely rejects the idea of class distinction and insists that men should be judged by their behavior, that is a good rule; those who are law-abiding and well disposed; those who pursue their avocations lawfully and with due respect to the rights of others, are the true American citizens. [Applause.] I am glad to know that the love of our institutions is so deeply imbedded in your hearts. It has been a most delightful and cheering thing to me that the starry banner, the same old flag that was carried amid the smoke of battle, the rattle of musketry, booming of cannon and the dying of men, is in the hands of such children face. musketry, booming of cannon and the dying of men, is in the hands of such children. [Ap-

Must Establish and Maintain Law."

Some of the prottiest, as well as some of the most hopeful sights we have looked upon, have been these companies of children gathered on the streets or hillsides waving this banner. The American institutions deserve our watchful care, and our communities should be careful in the beginning to establish law and maintain it. It is very difficult when lawlessness obtains the upper hand to put it down. It is very easy to keep it out of any community if the well-disposed, troe-hearted people will slak all their differences, religious and political, and stand together as citizens for the good of their municipality. [Applause.] I want to thank these children who have gathered for this Sabbath day observance. I have had a life that has been full of labor; from my early manbood to this hour my time has had many demands upon it. I have been under the pressure of the practice of my profession.

I have been under the pressure of political campaigns and of public office, and yet in all the pursuits and under all these conditions I have found simply as a physical question, without a reference to its religious aspects at all, that I could do more work by working six days than seven. [Applause.] I think you will all find it so, and that, as a civil institution, rest on the Sabbath day is good for man. It is not only good, but it is the right of the workingman. [Applause.] Men should have one free day in which to think of their families, of themselves, of things that are not material but spiritual. [Applause.] I desire to express from a sincere and samest heart my shanks to you all for all your kindness, giving you in return simply the pledge that I will in all things keep in mind what seems to me to be the true interests of our people. [Applause.]

I have no thought of sections, I have no thought upon any of these great public questions that does not embrace the rights and interest and safeground upon all these great questions, and by moderating our own views and making reasonable and just con Must Establish and Maintain Law."

### IMPROVING IN HEALTH.

David Dudley Field's Condition Better Than for Some Time Past. SPECIAL TELEPRAN TO THE DISPATOR O

NEW YORK, May 10 .- There was a decided improvement to-day in the condition of David Dudley Field, who has been seriously ill for the past month. He was up and about his room the greater part of the day and said he felt better than for some

Lady Musgrave, his only daughter, arrived to-day on the Etruria, having been summoned from London when her father's condition was considered dangerous.

#### MURDERED HER HUSBAND.

A Chicago Woman Who Was as Bad as the Dead Man.

CHICAGO, May 10.-Mrs. Towaley, who shot and killed her husband at the lock-up in Austin yesterday has been kept under a strong guard to-day. She expressed no regret for her action. Her statement to the death in bed at her home last night. It is presumed that her room was fired while she isy smoking her pipe about 1 o'clock.

Rescuers, after making their way through the flames into the room, found only the old lady's charred and blackeaed remains.

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The engine, baggage and mail cars and months ago at Henry Bichards' saloon, on two colonist cars went into the creek. A south Halsted street, the victim being a wealthy stock reliev from Texas. The vest like the room of the colonist cars went into the creek. A sealing is the room of the colonist cars and the train was too close when the creek and the

known as the "Major." Towaley and his wife and a brother of Richards' arranged a scheme to drug the Texan's liquor and rob him, which was successfully carried out. Mrs. Towaley is well known to the West Side police, she and her husband having lived for a time on West Indiana street. Her husband was several times arrested, and last December was held on a charge of being implicated in a safe blowing of Jackson street. In some manner he generally escaped conviction, though his penitentiary record is on file at the police headquarters.

#### PENSIONS FOR CLERKS.

A MOVEMENT NOW ON FOOT AMONG THOSE IN WASHINGTON.

me Proposed Is on a Co-Opera tive Basis-Clerks to Be Assessed Two Per Cent of Their Salaries-Details of the Plan. [FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

WASHINGTON, May 10 .- Congress havng at various times refused to enact a law retiring on partial pay aged clerks, long in the service of the Government, a move ment is on foot in the various department in this city to establish what might be termed a co-operative pension scheme for the benefit of those clerks, who, through advanced age or physical disability, incurred by their service for the Government, become duable to attend to their duties. By a fund established through a small monthly deduc-

act.

It is now suggested that about 2 per cent a month be deducted from the salary of each Government clerk and deposited in the United States Treasury, to be held there in trust as a fund to pension those regularly retired, and to pay a stated amount to those who are temporarily disabled. For some time this idea has been talked of in a general way, but it is understood that definite steps are being taken to put the matter on a firm footing, with the intention of carrying it into effect. Statistics are being tabulated to ascertain the number of clerks it would affect; the number of years of service of each those entitled to retirement, and the total amount that would be obtained by a 2 per cent reduction from the salaries. It is very probable that, with these facts in hand, a bill will be submitted to the next Congress legalizing this action.

#### A SLICK FREIGHT CAR ROBBER. ured After a Chase of Over Five Thou

ST. PAUL, May 10 .- The leader of a ban of train robbers who operated in Virginia was brought into the city this morning by Chief Detective W. G. Baldwin, of the Norfolk and Western Bailroad Company, and lodged in the county jail. The man under arrest is John Mehan, 34 years old, under arrest is John Mehan, 34 years old, for a time yardmaster of the railroad division at Rosnoke, Va. For some time mysterious robbaries of valuable goods from freight cars took place, but as the seals on the cars were not broken, it was almost impossible to find out where the robberies took place. Detective Baldwin set to work and after a few weeks located the gang of which Mehan was leader. As he possessed sealing irons it was a simple matter to rob the cars and reseal them. All the fellows were arrested and plead guilty, but Mehan got

away.

Detective Baldwin followed him through Detective Baldwin followed him through New York, Peonsylvania, Maryland, Canada, back to Chicago, through Minnesota and located him on Friday in Dakota. The requisition papers held by the officer were for Montana and the detective by a ruse yesterday succeeded in luring the train robber over the border arresting him on the train near Hayfield, Mont. The long chase attended over 5000 miles. Hayfill lange extended over 5,000 miles. He will le to-night with his prisoner for Virginia.

#### BUILDINGS THREATENED

Tunnel Through Baltimore.

PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. 1 BALTIMORE, May 10 .- The quicksands encountered in the construction of the belt railroad tunnel under this city are causing alarm to the occupants of the big store buildings along Howard street. The contractors have made openings at four points along this street, from which work on the tunnel is being pushed night and day. The contract stipulated that travel on the street was not to be interfered with. At the very be-

sands were encountered and portions of the street sank.

The engineers say they can overcome the trouble, but the builders and owners of large warehouses along the route, who experienced great difficulty in securing foundations because of the quicksands fear that the stratus of sliding soil extends in many places across the entire bed of the street to the foundations of the buildings on either side. Should this prove to be the case the property will certainly be endangered. The Academy of Music, several of the Hopkins University buildings, hotels and other valuable property are along the route on Howard street. street sank.

#### FARMERS WANT LEGISLATION.

The Illinois Granger Representatives in Bad Mix at Springfield.

SPRINGFIELD, May 10 .- The farmers is the Illinois Legislature are not yet prepared o join with other members to declare that the General Assembly must adjourn June 12. The farmers early in the session made explicit demands for certain legislation and ere now insisting that their measures are too low upon the calendar to be reached by June 12. No one appears to exactly understand why these measures are so much behind hand unless it be the fault of the

They organized a joint farmers' club, composed of the agricultural members of the two Houses, early in the session and began to map out a line of action for the purpose of controlling legislation in the interest of the agricultural elements. But these meetings have been observatorized more by webthe agricultural elements. But these meet-ings have been characterized more by vehe-ment declarations than decisive action. The result is that the farmers have occasionally autagonized each other, and, by failing to act as a unit upon momentous occasions, have frequently allowed victory to elude their grasp.

#### A BURNING TRESTLE

Causes a Passenger Train to Be Thrown Into a Creek.

SUDBURY, ONT., May 10 .- The Pacific express, which left Montreal Friday night last, met with an accident near Straight lake, 50 miles from here. Bush fires had partially destroyed a trestle bridge over a creek and the train was too close when the

## BURNED UP HIS WIFE.

Terrible Vengeance Wreaked by a Jealous Husband Near Mansfield.

STRUCK HER WITH A LAMP.

Mrs. James Stewart, the Victim. Suffers Hours of Torture.

ENVELOPED IN A SHEET OF FLAME She Ran to a Neighbor's House for Pre-

tection From Her Husband.

THE MURDERER CAUGHT AND JAILED

A fealous husband, fired with liquor, has aused the ending of another life, and marked on the records of Allegheny county the most horrible murder ever known in its the most horrible murder ever known in its history. Maria Elizabeth Stewart, the scarred and scorched victim, lies on a stretcher in the neat little cottage at Camp Hill, about a mile above Mansfield, in Collier township, where most of her life had plan is now in operation among the Germany and Eng. Some time ago a recommendation was a to Congress to establish a pension list the clerks of the War Department, is the members of the samy and navy as as the members of the samy and navy as marine corps are. Congress, however, never an actioned the scheme, and the present plan is the outcome of the refusal of Congress to at his wife. It exploded. She was act.

coroner's inquest to-day. The story of crime is that he threw a lighted at his wife. It exploded. She was ad in flames, and died yesterday g from her burns. The scene of the tragedy is just above

Mansfield borough, James Stewart is a coal miner. He and his wife occupied a neat two-story frame cottage, which con-tained four rooms and a little 8x10 addition in the rear, which served as a kitchen and dining-room. The door and steps are in the lower side, and 30 feet below is the home of Mrs. Lucy McIntyre. Above the house is only a vacant field. The houses face the Pauhandle Railroad, and in the rear is the Chartiers creek,

Not Quite Five Years Married. To-day would have marked the fifth anniversary of the wedding of James E. Stewart and Maria Elizabeth Pointer. She would have been 30 years of age on the 9th of July. He has seen about the same number of years of life, although gray hairs are already noticeable among the brown. She had been married once before. Her first husband, Charles Dietrich, died six years ago, and, after wearing the widow's weeds for a year, she became Mrs. James Stewart, He was then a freight brakeman, but that was about all she knew of him. The honeymoon and happiness ended together. The couple were mismated. She was one of those bright, vivacious little women, with regular features, and hair tinged enough to be called red when in the sunlight. He was of medium height, sleader, dark-haired, sullen and jealous of his wife's every movement, Previous to his marriage, the neighbors say, he was a gambler and also served a term in the Washington county jail for illegal liquor selling. He quarrelled with her constantly; sions. A little over a year ago he threw a lamp at her and set fire to the house. Since then he has thrown the lamp at her a number of times, and has even stoned her away from the house. Her brother and sister, who occasionally stay there, have been driven out time and again by the angry

bad whisky and then accuse his wife of having broken her marriage vows. Threatened to Kill His Wife. This spring she was out in the woods with him, when he made the same accusation and threatened to kill her, but she escaped. His present spree has been of eight weeks' duration. Her friends wanted her to leave him, but she refused. Friday evening was more intoxicated than usual, and when he went out it was with the threat:

Saturday night I am going to get drunk

and raise the biggest row you ever saw, and

husband. He would fill himself full of

and raise the biggest row you ever saw, and if you say anything to the neighbors 1'll kill you on sight."

At 8:45 Saturday evening he returned, partially intexicated. Throwing down a piece of meat, he ordered his wife to cook it, while he went to get some cabbage.

"Won't you give me a little money, Jim?" asked the wife.

"No," he growled, with an oath; "I gave you an alpace dress, and that's all you'll

you an alpaca dress, and that's all you'll get out of me."

When he returned the meal was eaten in silence. Stewart then rose, and, laying his coat and yest on the table, locked all the doors, put the keys in his pocket and went up stairs to bed. His wife washed the dishes, and when she went to throw out the dishes, and when she went to throw out the water she could not get the door open. She called up stairs for the key, and he only replied with a curse, and told her it was in the door. When she said it was not, another chorusof curses followed, together with the threat that he would show her if he same down. She could hear him moving, and, becoming scared, she picked up a hatchet and commenced to pry open the door, knowing well about what would follow.

The End Comes at Last. Her hands trembled, and by the time she had forced the lock her husband was at the foot of the stairs. His hand was raised to strike her, when she cried: "James, you've abused me enough. Don't

dare to strike me. I'll tell the neighbors-I'll leave."
"Curse you, you'll never leave!" he shouted, as he threw the lighted lamp full shouled, as he threw the lighted lamp luit at her face.

Its struck the jamb above, and a report like a pistol shot followed, and nis wife, saturated to the skin with oil, fell shricking down the steps. Her husband followed. Picking herself up the human torch darted across to Mrs. McIntyre's, but fell as she reached the house. Yesterday a charred piece of her skirt and the burned remnant of her corset marked the soot.

piece of her skirt and the burned remnant of her corset marked the spot.

Mrs. McIntyre rushed out with a shawl and attempted to smother the flames while the husband threw water on his burning wife. The screams had attracted a number of people who, with Mrs. McIntyre, picked up the woman and carried her into her home. Every stitch of her clothing had been burned off and when taken in she had nothing on but her sheet. Mrs. McIntyre

nothing on but her shoes. Mrs. McIntyre hurried to notify Dr. Hussler and 'Squire McMillan, and others went for Mr. and Mrs. James H. Pointer, the parents of the woman, while the husband only swore and demanded his clothes. He was dressed only in his undershirt. He dressed hur-riedly, and as he passed his wife she mur-mured: Farewells of the Murdered Wom

"I am going to die, James. You've killed me. I have always been a faithful wife, even if you did doubt me."
He started to move away. She made another stiempt to raise herself as she said "Good bye, James."
"Good bye," he answered, and with