FORTY-SIXTH YEAR. PITTSBURG, FRIDAY, MAY 15,

Michael.

Now that the Grand Duchess Olga is dead and the Czar's most formidable opposition is thus removed, it is thought that before long the autocrat may relent and Michael be restored to his station.

BOGUS ESTATE AGENTS

MONEY OUT OF AMERICANS.

Claims to Estates Which Have No Existen

in Great Britain-Only Schemes to Rob Foolish People on This Side of the

LONDON, May 14.-In spite of the repeated

warning which has been sent out from time to time by the United States legation here

A WELSH MOUNTAIN TRAGEDY

Mrs. Duncan, of Baltimore, the Victim of

Mysterious Assault.

LONDON, May 14.—A despatch from Chest

states that a Mrs. Duncan, of Baltimore, Md. has been found shockingly injured in the

snowden mountain, near Bettswycoed, in

North Wales, a favorite resort of summ

North Wales, a favorite resort of summer tourists. It is believed in police circles that Mrs. Duncan has been the victim of foul play, and that some person has attempted to murder her. The local authorities are investigating the case. Mrs. Duncan is so severely injured that she has not yet been able to give her version of the affair. Though the theory of a possible attempt at murder is being followed out in the investigation being made, the fact is not lost sight of that every year during the tourist season a number of people sustain more or less severe injuries by falling down the mountainous slopes when the pathways are obscured by the dense fogs which prevail in that section of the country.

There seems to be no doubt that Mrs. Duncan's injuries are not the result of an accident, as some people at first supposed. Four physicians are in constant attendance upon her, but in spite of the fact that everything possible is being done to save her life is is not expected that she will recover from the assault made on her. Mr. Duncan, the lady's husband, who from the first was suspected

PARLIAMENT INFECTED

By the Grip Microbe and Sulphur Candle

Are Continually Burned.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

COUNT ROSEN'S FLIGHT.

Invalid Husband.

TBY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY,

THE POPE ON LABOR.

He Issues His Long Expected Encyclical,

Which Displeases the Leaders

THY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY!

LONDON, May 14.-His Holiness the Pope

has issued his long expected Encyclical on the labor question. It is a document of

about 1,200 words, and is given in full in the

THE PORK MUST GO.

It Is Infected, and the Court Decides

Against Its Use.

TBY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY. 1

He Elopes With the Actress Wife

Verdict of the Coroner's Jury in the Case of Ameer Ben Ali, Better

KNOWN AS FRENCHY NO. 1

New York's Police Seem to Have Solved the Mystery That Baffled London's Detectives.

EVIDENCE AGAINST THE ACCUSED.

The Knife Identified by a Number of Witnesses. While Others Saw Him With the Mardered Woman.

THAT HOTEL REGISTRY A FORGERY

It Was Fabricated by the Barkeeper After th Tragedy Was Discovered in Order to Satisfy the Police Rules.

AN EXCITED PROTEST OF INNOCENCE ENTERED

CEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW YORK, May 14.-Coroner Schultz and jury announced this evening their verdiet that Ameer Ben Ali, otherwise George Frank, otherwise Frenchy No. 1, was guilty of the murder of Carrie Brown, otherwise Shakespears, in the East River Hotel on the 24th of April. The witnesses have been for the most part from the slums of the Fourth ward or from the Queen's county jail. The women who appeared on the witness stand to-day had divided their time between the river front and Blackwell's

They were careful to refer to each other as "lady friends," and none of them was kindly disposed toward Frenchy, who sat in the prisoner's pen and seemed to be wondering what it was all about. At times, when some of the many flippant remarks that the lawyers on both sides took delight in flinging at each other raised a laugh from the crowd that filled the Coroner's courtroom, Frenchy's eyebrows wrinkled together and he looked up with a start to see what the fun was. He can neither read nor write.

Impatient for His Freedom. During the recess, when addressed in

French, he answered questions readily, and was impatient because he hadn't been set free long ago. He said that when he went to his room in the hotel on the night of the murder he did not notice the number of it. He was tired and he locked his door. "If I cut that woman up as they say I

did," he added, "why was there no blood on my wrists and the wristbands of my shirt? I didn't kill that woman, and they lie if they say I did."

There was a crowd on Second avenue to see Frenchy when he arrived at the Core ner's office, and the windows opposite were filled with faces. The day opened with the cross-examination of Dr. Edson by Lawyer House about the blood in the arteries of the human body after death. Dr. Edsen said that there was not much blood in the arteries after death. If the cuts in Shakespeare's body had been made before death the blood would have spurted out in different directions. Frenchy's shirt was produced again, and Dr. Edson explained that blood stains on the left shoulder were smears, not spots. He could not tell whether the stains on the front of the shirt had been made from outside or the inside, but those on the back had been made on the

The Registry Made After the Murder. Mary Miniter, in a white and brown check gingham, told the jury about meeting Shakespeare at the hotel on the night of the murder. Shakespeare came first into the box where the women got their drinks. A man-of-warsman was in the box treating. Shakespeare went out again and came back with the man. Neither registered, and the name "C. Nielo" was not entered on the register until after the murder had been

discovered the next day.

No one ever registered at that hotel, and Bartender Thompson had suggested writing "C. Nielo" opposite the room number to make it appear all right to the police. It was 9:50 when Slankespeare first appeared at the hotel that evening. She got a drink and went out. At 16:40 she returned, accompanied by a man. Mary Miniter was sure that this man was not Frenchy. It was a man about 32 years old, with a light mus-

Alice Sullivan looked a little cleaner and younger than the women who preceded her. "Have you ever seen this man in company with any woman?" asked Assistant District Attorney Wellman, pointing to Frenchy. "At o'clock that Thursday night," she answered, "at the corner of James and Oak streets I saw Frenchy and Shakespeare talking to each other. As I passed I heard Frenchy say: 'I sleepa to-nighta in Fort Warda Hotel.'"

Identification of the Knife.

Smith, Gilway and Miller, three men who are doing time in the Queens county jail, swore that Frenchy carried a knife like the one found. When the knife that it is supposed Carrie Brown was murdered with was hown them, Smith said that it had the same sluped blade as the one Frenchy carried. Miller said that he remembered the cuts on the handle, which had looked to him as if the

handle had been wound with twine.

Detective Connor, of Brooklyn, testified that on January 7 he had arrested Frenchy, or Ameer Ben All, as he was then known, for largeny on the complaint of the real "George Frank." When the prisoner was scarcined a knife was found in his pocket and Comor produced it. It was a common case knife with a black handle and about the length of the one found at the Feurth Ward Hotel. It had been sharpened to a point from both sides of the blade, however, stend of diagonally across like the murder

The sheath that went with it was a rude atlair made of two thin strips of board wound with coarse string. While the jury was out Frenchy smoked a cigar and talked with anyone who addressed him in French. When the jury returned Foreman Brennan

The Verdict of the Jury. "We, the Coroner's jury, find that Carrie Brown, alias Shakespeare, came to her death by asphyxiation at the hands of Ameer Ben All, alias George Frank, on or about the 24th day of April, at the East River or Fourth Ward Hotel, corner of Water street and

Catherine slip, New York City." When this was translated to Frenchy he became very much excited and wanted to

know if they were going to take him right out and kill him. He asserted that he had had no opportunities to defend himself, and said that all the women who had testified against him did so because they hated him. It was some time before he could be quieted. Coroner Schultz committed him to the Tombs without bail. The examination of Ameer Ben Ali is set down for to-morrow morning before Judge Martine. His counsel will, however, waive examination.

### FOREST FIRE LOSSES.

IMMENSE DAMAGE TO PROPERTY IN THE GREAT NORTHWEST.

Much Suffering Among the Settlers Along the Lines of Railroads-It Is Not Believed That Any Lives Have Been Lost -Rain Badly Needed.

St. Paut, May 11.—Dispatches from the districts affected by forest fires show that the situation, while not at present threatening to railroad companies, is most grave. Superintendent Kimberly states that the greatest damage to Northern Pacific property was in the vicinity of the Northern Pacific junction, where several miles of telegraph lines were destroyed. The lines have been repaired and are working this morning. This morning the fires were still raging, but at a distant remote from railroad property. General Superintendent Scott, of the Omaha, thinks that all danger to that company's property is past.

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East of Ashland, the fire is raging this morning. Back firing and cutting have been resorted and at 5 o'clock last evening the flames seemed somewhat subdued. At 8 o'clock, just as darkness came the wind freshened and the blaze burst out afresh. Two miles east of Ashland the forest is a secthing mass of fire. Fierce fires can also be seen over the bay where last night it was reported danger was past. Railway officials state that the losses to the companies will be not worth mentioning but that the loss to private property holders along the roads will be terribly heavy.

Thomas M. Costello, an extensive lumber owner along the line of the Omaha, places his loss at \$200,000. Mr. Costello came down from Duluth this morning. For three days he has been right in the edge of the fire and he thinks the only thing to prevent a spread of the flames is rain. The distress among settlers along the lines of the milrodds is great. Although many families have stayed by their homesteads until the flames were at their back doors, it is thought that no lives have been lost. Duluth, Ashland and Superior are full of people driven out of the woods.

### FROM POVERTY TO RICHES.

The Daughter of a Crimean War Hero Falls Heir to \$250,000.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] BUPPALO, May 14 .- Alice Victoria Murphy daughter of Captain Murphy, once secretary to the Prince of Wales and a favorite of Queen Victoria, has fallen heir to \$250,000 while following the humble occupation of governess and seamstress in this city. She is a tall, handsome brunette. While Miss Murphy was quite young her father quar-reled with her mother. The mother then went to Australia, in company with a wealthy brother. Last January she died, and Miss Murphy has just received word from the at-torneys in England stating that she is one of four heirs to a fortune of about a million

four heirs to a fortune of about a million dollars.

During the Crimean war, Miss Murphy's father saved the life of Sir Thomas Trowbridge, Baronet, by carrying him from the field of Alma, where his legs were shot off. Sir Thomas became the warm friend of Captain Murphy and gave him a handsome legacy. Later in the war the Captain was wounded in the shoulder and sent to the hospital at London, where Queen Victoria visited him several times. On one of these visits the Queen said to the Captain: "If you ever have a daughter I want you to name her Victoria." When Miss Murphy was born this request was obeyed. Miss Murphy has a piece of embroidery made by the Queen and presented to her father. After the war Captain Murphy became the private secretary to the Prince of Wales, which place he held for several years.

# THE GARRISON MURDER TRIAL.

What Dr. Baird Said to Mrs. Baker After He Was Shot. [SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] WHEELING, May 14 .- In the Garrison murder trial to-day the counsel took up about two hours in arguing a motion by the defense to shut out the testimony of Mrs. Fannie Baker, who was in Prager's paper store when Dr.

Baird opened the door and came in after he was shot. The testimony was finally allowed, and Mrs. Baker testified to Dr. Baird opening the door, coming in and saying Dr. Garrison the door, coming in and saying Dr. Garrison had shot him. In response to an inquiry by witness, deceased said: "Dr. Garrison shot me; it's nothing, it's nothing." Later he said he would go to the rear of the store where the crowd would not see him, and he took a seat there. He took off his gloves and wiped off his eyes with a handkerchief and then unbuttoned his overcoat, which was buttoned up to the chin, and bathed his eyes in a bucket of water. He then said he would lie down, and got on a table, where he died in a few minutes.

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The Assistant City Clerk testified that Dr. Garrison had threatened in the City Clerk's office that Dr. Baird would insult him once too often, and that would end it. W. C. Beans, city editor of the Regular, testified that about the 15th of January Dr. Garrison had said that Dr. Baird's insults had to end, he had stood it as long as he intended to, and if Dr. Baird insulted him again he would "fix him" or "kill him." The State will probably conclude by noon to-morrow.

# NAVAL INVESTIGATION NEXT.

Senator Cameron and His Commi Begin the Work Soon.

[PROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT,] Washington, May 14.-Senator Cameron chairman of the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, is making calculations upon the scope of the investigation to be made by his mittee under resolution of the Senate authorizing the committee to sit during the recess and to gather information relative to naval matters generally, and especially as to the conduct of affairs at and needs of the various naval yards.

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Senator Cameron does not share the belief that this resolution comprehends a general roving about all over the world, as has been suggested, but he does consider it an in-struction to the committee of the broadest struction to the committee of the broadest general character, and he intends to begin work at once.

# CHANDLER'S DILEMMA.

His Senate Committee on Immigration Short of Funds.

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.] Washington, May 14.-Senator Chandler, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Immi-geation, finds himself hampered in the work posed upon his committee by a resolutio

The amount of money appropriated for the payment of expenses of the investigating committee is too small to go around, or to enable the several committees to make effective the investigation with which they were charged by order of the Senate.

### RICHARD REDDICK'S MANY YEARS. Beaver Falls Negro Who Claims to Be

114 Years Old. [SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] BEAVER FALLS, May 14.-Richard Reddick negro living at Bridgewater, near this place, has papers in his possession that prove him to be 114 years old. The papers state that he was born in Richmond, Va., and was set free by his mistress at her He uses tobacco occasionally, and takes a

drittk of liquor whenever he can get it. He has been making garden this week, is as spry as a man of 60, and says he expects to live until 200 years of age. THINK THEY HAVE GOT SILCOTT.

A Man in Custody Who May Prove to Be the Defaulter.

LONDON, KY., May 14.-A man was arrested in Leslie county yesterday and brought to this place to-day and louged in jail. He is suspected of being Edmond Silcott, the de-faulting assistant door-keeper of the Fiftieth Congress.

The prisoner says that he is not Silcott-but that his name is McIntosh, and that he hails from Cumberland Gap.

#### BLAINE IS MUCH BETTER.

He Will Soon Be Well Enough to Return His Washington Duties.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) New York, May 14.—Secretary Blaine passed a comfortable day to-day, propped up in bed. His doctor told him to get up if he wanted to, but Mr. Blaine preferred to he wanted to, but Mr. Blaine preferred to rest. In the evening Mrs. Blaine said the Secretary was getting along nicely, and expected to leave the city some day this week. He was perfectly able to go to Washington, she said, but would probably not go, as it was very warm there. He may go to Elsworth, Me., for a few days. A number of callers came to the house during the day, but only a few saw the Secretary. Dr. Dennis said to night: "The report that Mr. Blaine is worse than has been stated by members of his family is entirely without foundation. He was simply taken with an attack of indigestion which, as you know, will lay one up, especially a person of advanced years. Mr. Blaine is overworked and needs rest. If he takes good care of himself for the next few weeks, avoiding as much excitement as possible, he will be as well as ever in a short time."

Mr. Blaine's son-in-law, Walter Damrosch, sailed for Europe this morning, to be absent for a short time. Had Mr. Blaine's condition been serious Mr. Damrosch would have post-poned his trip. Should the Secretary return

for a short time. Had Mr. Blaine's condition been serious Mr. Damrosoh would have post-poned his trip. Should the Secretary return to Washington to-day or to-morrow he will probably look after such affairs as require his immediate attention, and then take a brief vacation at his summer home at Bar Harbor.

# THE KENTUCKY DEMOCRATS

In Convention Insist That Tariff Reform Is

the Great Issue. LOUISVILLE, May 14 -The Democratic State Convention continues in session to-day. Its platform adopted to-night says: "We insist that tariff reform is the paramount question before the American people, and denounce the McKinley bill as the most outrageous of taxation ever passed in the American Congress. It has increased the burdens already too great upon the necessaries of life, and reduced taxes on luxuries that are most able

reduced takes on luxuries that are mostable to bear them.

Recognizing the fact that the United States is the greatest sliver producing country in the world, and that both gold and sliver were equally the money of the Constitution from the beginning of the Republic until the hostile and fraudulent legislation of the Republican party against sliver, which unduly contracted the circulating medium of the country, and feeling that the great interests of the people demand more money for use in the channels of trade and commerce, we tender our gratitude to the Democrats in the last Congress for their almost unanimous vote in both Houses in favor of the free coinage of silver, and demand restoration to the position of equality before the law given to it by our fathers.

### THE G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

Big Army of Veterans.

WILLIAMSPORT, May 14.—The coming summer encampment of the Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R., will be held in this Pennsylvania, G. A. R., will be held in this city July 11 to 18. Department Commander George G. Boyer has notified Chairman Dinan, of the Committee on Encampment, of the dates fixed upon, and the G. A. R. men of this city are already moving in the matter. The encampment will be held on the Packer farm, on the same ground made use of by the National Guard a few years ago. Electric lights and city water will supply the camp, and it is probable that the street car line will be extended for the accommodation of the crowds.

It is expected that fully 20,000 spectators will be present, not including the 5,000 or 6,000 Grand Army men sure to be here. This will be one of the largest gatherings of the Boys in Blue ever held in the State, as the facilities for getting them here are unsurpassed, and there is a strong feeling in G. A. R. circles for making the encampment the most successful ever held.

### COLLINS BREAKS HIS SECOND PAST. A Short-Lived Show of Which He Was the

Star Comes to Grief. PHILADELPHIA, May 14.-Elmer A. Collins the Pittsburg faster, broke his expected 30 days of total abstinence from food last evening and at the same time a specialty theatrical combination broke ranks. The manager, J. N. Corsair, took tickets at Harry Davis' Museum during Collins' fasting performance there, and was so pleased with the
faster's maiden success that he engaged him
as star attraction of a motley variety company which he managed to collect.
The show began at Dobbins' Hall, Monday
evening, but the audience, all told, numbered but 18. Tuesday night, out of 14
spectators, all but one was a deadhead.
Collins felt that he wo ld starve at this rate
of fasting, and the rest of the company were
of the same opinion. The show broke up tonight for lack of box office receipts, and Collins made haste to break his three days' fast
on a corn-beef sandwich.

# SCOTCH-IRISH CONGRESS.

Delegates Being Handsomely Ente

by the People of Louisville. [SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] LOUISVILLE, May 14 .- The Scoch-Irish Con gress met here to-day, the number of dele-gates present being larger than at any pre-ceding gathering. Their welcome was most hospitable. The members of the Congress hospitable. The members of the Congress are in charge of a local committee, and everything possible is being done for their comfort and pleasure. An interesting programme for their entertainment has been prepared, so that when the Congress is not in session the members will be given an opportunity of seeing the sights.

To-day's session was devoted to the welcoming of the delegates by the Mayor in the name of the city, followed by other addresses. There was also considerable preliminary work done. President Bonner presided, and to-morrow the Congress will get down to solid work.

# AMERICAN BOILERMAKERS

Elect James Lappan, of Pittsburg, Pres-

ident of Their Organization. St. Louis, May 14.—At the morning session of the American Boilermakers' Association several important matters were considered. The report of the Committee on Uniform Inspection recommending that efforts be made to secure the passage of a national inspection law and in the event of a failure in that direction the passage of State laws classifying bollers in four classes, brought on an animated discussion. The report was finally adopted.

The following officers were chosen for the The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, James Lappan, Pittsburg: First Vice President, Philip Rohen, St. Louis; Second Vice President, James Kinney, St. Paul; Third Vice President, Charles Kroeschell, Chicago: Treasurer, Richard Hammond, Buffalo; Secretary, E. D. Meir, St. Louis.

### ENDED HIS LIFE WITH A BULLET. The Grip Was Too Much for James Flem ing, of Titusville.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) TITUSVILLE, May 14.-James Fleming, an old and respected resident of Hydetown, three miles north of this city, shot himself last night. The ball passed entirely through his body just below the heart. He died in a few minutes.

He had been suffering from great depression owing to an attack of grip. He was 45 years of age and leaves a wife and three grown children.

# A PITTSBURGER LOST.

F. A. McCabe Mysteriously Disappe From an Atlantic City Hotel.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] ATLANTIC CITY, May 14.—Proprietor H. D. Eastman, of the Aldine Hotel, reported the ysterious disappearance of F. A. McCabe, Pittsburg, at police headquarters this morning. He registered at that hotel Tues-day afternoon and has not been seen since. His baggage is still unclaimed.

He is described as a middle-aged man, of nedium height, stout build and well dressed.

# KILLED HIS MOTHER WITH A HOP.

The Awful Crime of a Twelve-Year-Old

Boy in Arkansas. LITTLE ROCK, May 14.—Tom Page, 12 years old, struck his mother on the head with a garden hoe, killing her instantly, at Benton, Ark., this morning. Mrs. Page was trying to chastise the boy.

# PARNELL NOW ALONE.

The Last of His Powerful Followers to Desert His Standard.

HARRINGTONS LEADING THE BOLT.

The Uncrowned King Soon to Be Shorn of Throne and Scepter. MURDER OF AN AMERICAN LADY ABROAD

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY]

London, May 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Michael Davitt, with two children and a nurse, embarked this afternoon at Liverpool in the steamer Polesnia for Montreal. Mr. Davitt says that he is merely taking a six months' trip for the benefit of his health. He intends to proceed to Winglessey. to proceed to Winnipeg, Vancouver and San Francisco, where he will make a stay of three months, thence he will go to Yokohama Sydney, New Zealand and home by Sar

Speaking to a representative of the press, Mr. Davitt said he was convinced of the ultimate success of home rule, but that Mr. Parnell could never again obtain the leader-Parnell could never again obtain the leader-ship of the Irish party would be seen within a week. The chief supporters of Ireland have deserted the Parnellite cause. In Dublin parties are excited about a report that important Parnellites were about to desert their leader. The names of Mr. T. Harrington, Colonel Nolan, Mr. Richard Power and Mr. E. D. Gray, the son of the former owners of the Processia's Journal. of the former owner of the Freeman's Journ are mentioned as the probable recreants.

The Report Founded on Fact. An Associated Press cablegram from Dublin says: The announcement made yesterday that a prominent person who has hither to been one of the warmest supporters of Mr. Parnell had decided to secode from the cause of the deposed Irish leader would seem to be founded on fact. The National seem to be founded on fact. The National Press, the McCarthylte organ, announces today that Mr. E. Dwyer Gray, formerly member of Parliament for Dublin and the holder of half of the stock of the company owning the Freeman's Journal, of this city, the Evening Telegraph, of this city, and the Morning News, of Belfast, has seceded from the now very slender party which still calls Mr. Parnell its leader.

neil its leader.

Mr. Dwyer Gray is the son of the late Sir John Gray, formerly member of Parliament for Kilkenny. He was born in Dublin in 1845, and married Caroline Agnes, daughter of Major and Mrs. Caroline Chisholm, known as the "emigrants" frieud," in 1869. Mr. Dwyer Gray was Lord Mayor of Dublin in 1880, High Sheriff in 1882, and Chairman of the Dublin Mansion House Committee, by which \$900,000 was collected in 1880 for the relief of distress in Ireland.

A Fatal Blow for Parnell. A dispatch to the *Times* says: "What is eft of the Parnellite organization in Ireland s to receive a fatal blow within the next few days. It is said that the two Harringto brothers have decided to give in to the Na-tionalist party. Timothy, the report says, will make the first move. The two brothers will make the lifts move. I have been the most formidable of Parnell's friends, because they controlled the machinery of the old National League. Unless chinery of the old National League. Unless the Parnellite envoys in America hurry home they will find themselves without enough colleagues to fill comfortably the outside of a car on their return.

At a meeting last night of the electors of North Wexford it was resolved to stop payment of the salary of John E. Redmond, who represents North Wexford in Parliament, and to devote the money thus saved to the relief of evicted tenants. Mr. John E. Redmond, it will be remembered, is one of Mr. Parnell's envoys now in the United States to collect funds for the Parnellite trans.

Mr. Parnell, in an interview in the lobby of the House of Commons last evening, said that he had received a telegram from Mr. E. Dwyer Gray denying the report that he had seceded from the Parnellite party. Mr. Parnell said he knew nothing about the other rumors, but he admitted that several of his followers had decided to retire at the end of the present session. Others, he added, had anticipated the general election and were of no further use to Ireland.

# ONE GRATEFUL SINGER.

She Boldly Stands Up For America, That Gave Her Dollars.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] GLASGOW, May 14 .- The Circassia, of the inchor line, which arrived here last evening, was the scene of a very interesting episode during its trip over. Among the passengers on the Circassia were the members of the Royal Edinburgh Concert company, of which Miss Edith Ross, the contraite, is regarded as the shining light. After the vessel had got well out to sea the usual no tice was posted of a concert to be given on a certain evening for the benefit of the Home for Aged Mariners in London. The officer for Aged Mariners in London. The officer who had the matter in charge called upon Miss Ross, who acted for the entire concert company, for her aid. She refused to appear, and when asked for her reason, said:

"I have been on a tour through the United States, and I am going home to Scotland with some American money in my pocket. This steamer that I am on is kept affoat by American dollars. Yet on a steamer, dependent on America, you get up a concert exclusively in English interest and ask us to help you. Now, is it fair?" This sentiment was received with warm applause. Finally Miss Ross withdrew her refusal, and agreed to sing, as she did later, upon the condition that the next time she crosses on the Circassia a concert shall be given and the cassia a concert shall be given and the entire proceeds shall go to America.

### GLADSTONE IMPROVED. He Is Rapidly Recovering From His At-

tack of the Grip. [BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY. 1 LONDON, May 14 .- Mr. Francis Russell, Clerk of the Peace for Kent, died this morning of congestion of the lungs, following an attack of influenza. By inquiry at Marlborough House this evening it was learned that ough House this evening it was learned that the indisposition of the Prince of Wales is very slight, and that he had arranged to attend the theater this evening.

At noon to-day Mr. Gladstone continued to progress favorably, his temperature being rather lower. Among those who called this morning to make inquiries were Prince Christain and William Henry Smith, First Lord of the Treasury. The Queen last night received a written report of his condition from Mrs. Gladstone.

### PORTUGAL'S FINANCIAL CRISIS. King Charles Willing to Abdicate if It

Deemed Necessary. MADRID, May 14 .- Sensational reports connection with the situation of affairs in Portugal are being circulated in this city.
The Justicia, the Republican organ, publishes
to-day telegrams from Portugal which states
that King Charles has called a meeting of that Aing Charles has called a meeting of his Council of Ministers in order to confer with the Council upon the financial and po-litical situation.

The Justicia adds that the King of Portugal is disposed to abdicate the throne should the Ministers come to the conclusion that such a step is necessary.

#### FORCING OUT THE HEBREWS. Strong Measures Still Being Used by Moscow Authorities.

St. Petersauro, May 14.-General Gressner, chief of the St. Petersburg police, has re-ceived instructions to rigorously enforce the anti-Hebrew measures of the Government. It is stated the expulsion of Hebrews from Moscow, which were renewed after the Rothschilds withdrew their offer to place the new Russian loan, are carried on less overtly in order not to cast gloom over the festlyfites attendant upon the advent of the new Governor of Moscow, the Grand Duke

# A MORGANATIC COUPLE.

Duke Michael and His Bride May Be Re

stored to Imperial Favor.
[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] London, May 14.—The Morganatic Russian couple, the Grand Duke Michael and his pride Counters South of Morganeter are Countess Sophie, of Merenberg, are

now staying at the Isle of Wight, anxiously awaiting the result of the visit of Anastasia, Grand Duchess of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, to St. Petersburg. The Duchess is Duke Michael's sister. The Merenberg family is exceedingly anxious about the delicate position which the Grand Duchess Michael finds herself placed in, and it looks to Anastasia to influence the Czar to recognize the marriage and remove the ban placed upon Michael.

Now that the Grand Duchess Olen is dead WITH HIS EYES OPEN

Gourley Took the Mayoralty, While the Others Put Up the Price.

FLINN COMES BACK AT HIS HONOR.

The Constitutional Convention Scheme Through the Senate.

NEW ROAD BILL ALREADY IN SIGHT HOW CERTAIN ENGLISHMEN MAKE

> [FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.] HARRISBURG, May 14. - Senator Flinn's erene disposition underwent no apparent hange when he saw in The Disparch to-day Mayor Gourley's strictures of the men whom he charges with the exercise of an offensive power in the management of the municipal government of Pittsburg. The Senator was unable to discern in the Mayor's criticisms anything that could be twisted into refer-ence to him, and he read the more salient

and by the press of America concerning the fraudulent character of so-called English eatures of the correspondence with evident state agents in America, recent develop while he alluded most pleasantly to the Mayor of Pittsburg, he said he was a member of the same alleged ring which he now arraigns for 15 or 20 years, and that it had him nominated and elected to the position he now fills. The accomplishment of which latter result involved the expenditure of a large campaign fund, \$20,000 of which was expended in portraving his merits. As to ments have shown that the warnings have been unheeded, and that the number of dupes is increasing instead of decreasing During the past few weeks more letters that ever before have been received from America inquiring after imaginary estates or fabu ca inquiring after imaginary estates, or inou-lous sums awaiting the writers in the Bank of England. This correspondence, as far back as Mr. Lowell's time, grew to such enor-mous proportions that all letters of this de-scription had to be answered by printed eirexpended in portraying his merits. As to the charter which now governs the city of Pittsburg, Mr. Gourley, while Chairman of Select Council, voted for it.

scription had to be answered by printed en-culars.

Mr. Lowell, in his circular, said: "The pre-tended prosecution of these pretended American claims to English property is carried on with such persistence by the men engaged that we despair of being able to make their credulous victims understand what an utter imposture and delusion the whole business is. I cannot too strongly advise you, since you have addressed us on the subject, to have nothing to do with such schemes, and especially to remit no money to their agents." Knew What He Was Running For. When running for the office of Mayor he was fully acquainted with the duties and power associated with the position, and con-sequently was not in a good position to com-plain because he had not sufficient munici-pal sway. As to the statement that the se-lection of legislators was controlled by a plain because he had not sufficient municipal sway. As to the statement that the selection of legislators was controlled by a Pittsburg political syndicate, he declared that could not apply to him. His success was due to himself and the people in his district, who had elected him by nearly 7,000 majority, as against an ordinary Republican majority of less than 3,000.

So far as the alleged controlling influence of the chiefs of departments over Councils was concerned he did not believe it existed; but as between having them or the Mayor exercise this power he preferred the former. Portions of the letter to the Governor he thinks ought to have been addressed to the Legislature, as they suggest modifications of the proposed new charter.

Ex-Speaker Graham thought it very singular that Mayor Gourley should denounce the men who had brought him out as a candidate for the office he holds and expended large sums of money to elect him. But he added that Mr. Gourley had developed much more ability than he was supposed to have when he was made the Republican candidate for Mayor.

The Attitude of the Mayor Peculiar. schemes, and especially to remit no money to their agents."

In the case of many estates, such as the Jennings, Lawrence-Townley or Chase-Townley, Hyde, Herne, Bradford, Hedges and others, special circulars have had to be printed to answer the numerous applicants. The plan generally adopted by the estate agent is to insert advertisements in the country papers to the effect that a large property has been left by a person of the same name as that of some well-known family of the district with some exceedingly common name likely to occur anywhere.

During Mr. Lincoln's term of office as minister here, nearly all the letters have come from small country towns, showing that the agents find them the most profitable fields. Texas, Kansas, Iowa and the far west seem to be especially productive for them, although letters are received from all parts of the United States.

The Attitude of the Mayor Peculiar.

Representative Graham had not read the letter addressed to the Governor when he made these remarks, but had heard the gist of his criticisms. Representative Richards is in accord with the sentiment of Mr. Graham that the attitude of the Mayor is peculiar in view of the friendly relations that heretofore existed between the men whom he denounces without naming them and the gist the latter made in his interest as a candidate for Mayor.

The proposed new city charter was recalled from the Governor to-day, to relieve it of the objection that it contains two subjects and consequently might be regarded as unconstitutional by the Governor. That portion of the bill referring to the issue of evidences of indebtedness will be eliminated from it and a bill introduced by Mr. Film treating on the same matter will be altered so as to make ample provision for the exercise of this power.

The bill had a mendments were non-concurred in by the Senate to-day in order that a Conference Committee may be appointed for the purpose of conforming the measure to existing requirements. The Attitude of the Mayor Peculiar

### VARIETY OF TAX VIEWS. Because of Them.

hasband, who from the first was suspected by the police of having attempted to murder her, has been placed under arrest and is held to await the result of his wife's injur-ies. A later dispatch states that Duncan finally confessed that he had battered his wife's head. HARRISBURG, May 14 .- Senator Grady, Chair nan of the Senate Finance Committee has thrown the weight of his influence gainst the favorable consideration of the tax bill, and who was delega Granger tax bill, and who was delegated to report the Boyer bill as a substitute for the other tax measure, expresses doubt as to the passage of his pet scheme through the Senate. But while he believes the Boyer bill is in danger, he is under the impression that a sufficient number of votes cannot be secured to pass the Taggart bill. He thinks the friends of the Granger tax bill will control enough votes to substitute the latter for the bill reported by the Finance Committee, but further than this they will be unable to do. The Senator hinted that neither of the bills might become laws as a result of the diverse views as to the kind of tax legislation needed. LONDON, May 14.—The theory that the House of Commons is infected by the mi-crobe of influenza finds every day additional proof, by the fact that its members continue o be stricken with the disease. Seven new cases were added to the list to-day, which now numbers 77 victims, or about 17 per cent of the English members, who are ill. The ranks of the Irish party are not thinned off

result of the diverse views as to the kind of tax legislation needed.

Mr. Grady offered a resolution requiring reports to be furnished to the Department of Internal Affairs showing the actual value of real estate and personal property. Action was postponed in order to have the resolution printed. Senator Gobin does not take kindly to the scheme of Senator Grady. The Senator from Lebanon thinks it would involve ar expense of \$100,000.

# TWO ROAD BILLS NOW.

ranks of the Irish party are not thinned off to anything like the same extent, as there are only five members of that faction who are ill and there are 163 members who sit as representatives for the Emerald Isle, Another proof of the belief in the microbe is furnished by the fact that although it was decided to have the House thoroughly fumi-gated with sulphur during the recess, it has already been deemed necessary to put this heroic treatment into execution: Last week a large supply of sulphur was The New One Will Pass as a Substitute for the Old One.

heroic treatment into execution:

Last week a large supply of sulphur was got in and it was burned in pans in the various rooms. The members, however, found this unbearable and preferred to risk the chance of inhaling the influenza microbe than getting sulphurous acid fumes into their lungs. In looking round for a substitute, sulphur candies were proposed for the HARRISBURG, May 14.- The new bill prepared by the road commission will come in as a substitute for the Western engineers bill, introduced by Mr. Stewart, which is tute, sulphur candles were proposed for the plain substance. These are manufactured by an American named Slabury, who is also the inventor of them. He has presented a large number and now hundreds of candles are alight in the House of Commons which presents very much the appearance of some Continental cathedral on a great fete now on second reading, postponed for the present. This bill was recommitted to-day for the purpose of substitution. The leading features of the substitute are a cash tax and authority to townships to issue bonds and authority to townships to issue bonds for road improvements or a vote of the people. No State aid is provided. The provision for the election of supervisors, who are to be paid \$1 50 a day, for the time necessarily employed, and the provisions for the collection of taxes, time of payment, etc., we much like those of the vetoed measure. The bill permits the letting of contracts for road improvements, and provides for a road bed at least 15 feet wide, higher in the center than at the sides, for unobstructed ditches and for culverts of wood, iron, stone or terra cotta across the road where necessary for drainage purposes. Corporations STOCKHOLM, May 14.—Society here is agog over the sensational elopement of Count Von Rosen, an officer of hussars, with an actress named Hartmann. Mme. Hartmann is the wife of an old and invalid husband, or term cotta across also roat where nearly for drainage purposes. Corporat possessing the right of eminent domain only to be permitted to enter on the after giving bond, and then only under direction of the road supervisors. is the wife of an old and invalid husband, of whom she is the sole support. The eloping couple traveled via Copenhagen to London, where they expected to meet Mrs. Moore, a wealthy American lady, and a relative of the Count's, whose cousin, Baron Carliton Bildt, married Miss Mary Moore, of Philadelphia.

It is understood that Mrs. Moore proposed to furnish the elopers with money wherewith to continue their flight to New York, where Mrs. Hartmann hopes to succeed in obtaining a divorce. Meanwhile Count Von Rosen's brother has started in pursuit and is uriging the authorities to punish his brother for descriton.

# DEMOCRATS FALL IN LINE.

When All Else Failed They Voted for Constitutional Convention.

HARRISBURG, May 14.-The Democrats of the Senate carried out their purpose to-day by voting for Senator Robinson's Constituional convention bill after they had exhausted their power to amend. The bill as passed finally will give the Republicans about 84 district delegates and 18 delegates at large, and the Democrats 68 district delegates and nine delegates at large.

Senator Dunlap, of Beaver, and Rapsher, of Carbon, made an abortive attempt to get a few political concessions to-day. The bill retains the feature allowing voters to decide at the same time delegates to the convention are to be chosen whether one is to be called. hausted their power to amend. The bill as

# JONES' ADJOURNMENT VOTE.

evening papers. It treats of the labor subject very judiciously, but discreetly, and not at all to the satisfaction of the labor leaders.

These leaders are now considering, and from expressions they have made, it is believed they will take issue with some of its provisions. He Explains His Reasons for Wanting Late Date Set.

Harmsburg, May 14.— Representative Jones, of Allegheny, filed his reasons to-night for voting for a late adjournment date. He says his course was dictated by a desire to have finally considered ballot reform, constitutional convention, tax equalization, bituminous mine ventilation, Allegheny county salary and conspiracy bills.

# FOR THE CHRONIC INSANE.

(BY DUNLAF'S CABLE COMPANY.)

COLOGNE, May 14.—The Court of Appeals has just decided that 200 tons of pork of alleged American origin, that had been smuggled into Germany from Holland, must be destroyed. There was no evidence that the pork came across the Atlantic, but as 5 per cent was found to be infected with trichinae the court decided that the United States was the only country it could come from. III Appropriating \$400,000 for a Site Passed by the Senate. one, May 14.—The following were passed finally by the Senate to-day: Authorizing County Commissioners to re aild and change bridges crossing street

between adjoining counties; appropriating \$400,000 to provide a site for the chronic insane; appropriating \$15,000 for the exection of a home for the training in speech of deaf children before they are of school age.

# APPORTIONMENT FLOP.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE MAKES AN OTHER CHANGE OF BASE.

It Decides the Present Arrangement of Con gressional Districts Is Good Enough, With Some Changes—Philadelphia and Allegheny County Get the New Members [FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

(PROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT,!)

HARRISBURG, May 14.—The House Congressional Apportionment Committee has taken another flop. The bill it reported a few days ago excited the lively opposition of prominent Republicans in various sections of the State, and they protested in person and by letter against the proposed arrangement of districts. The Snyder Congressional apportionment bill introduced also failed to give satisfaction, and the committee this evening decided that the present apportionment was tionment bill introduced also failed to give satisfaction, and the committee this evening decided that the present apportionment was good enough, with a few changes, rendered necessary by the increased population of the State, entitling it to two additional members of Congress. One of these is given to Phindelphia and the other to Allegheny county. Under the proposed arrangement of districts, Washington, Fayette and Greene will constitute a district. It now takes in a part of Allegheny county. A prominent Republican member said to night that, in his opinion, a great political mistake had been made, as the Governor would veto the bill, for the ostensible reason that the requirements of the Constitution as to apportioning districts had not entered into the preparations of a Congressional bill.

Senator George Handy Smith has called a caucus of Republican Senators for Monday afternoon. The purpose of the meeting is to decide on a proper of the meeting is to decide on the proper of the meeting i

age With Several Others. Hannishung, May 14.—At the session of the House this afternoon the following Senate bill passed finally: Authorizing salaried icers of private and business corporations to concurrently serve as directors; to pro-vide for the organization, support and maintenance of associations formed for the pro-tection of human life and of property in cities of the first class: Neeb's bill making eight hours a day's labor in penal institutions under control of the State.

The bill was defeated authorizing school boards to pay the actual expenses of school directors incurred for attending the annual and triennial conventions of school directors out of the funds of the respective districts.

### FIGHT ON ADJOURNMENT.

enate Finally Decides That May 28 Is the Proper Date.

HARRISBURG, May 14.-Mr. Riter called the resolution for the final adjournment of the Legislature in the Senate. He fixed the 18th of May, and Brooks, of Philadelphia, sub stituted the 28th Inst. Riter proposed an imendment providing for adjournment June 11. Taggart moved to postpone the juestion for the present. The latter was decated—yeas, 84: nays, 88. Another motion o postpone until next Tuesday was also decated. feated.
Consideration of the adjournment question
was resumed at the night session and amendments to adjourn on June II and 4 were defeated by a large majority, and the 28th of
May was fixed for final adjournment.

THE EXIT OF MURDERERS. eeb's Bill to Have It Occur in Peniten

tiaries Postponed for Awhile. HARRISHURG, May 14.—In the Senate Mr. see's bill to hang murderers in the peni-entiaries, which is on second reading, was postponed for the present.

The following Senate bills passed second reading: Requiring all warrants for payment of appropriations to be countersigned by Auditor General; fixing the ratio of representation in Common Councils in cities

# VETO AX SWUNG AGAIN.

It Falls On the Bill for the Sale of Dissolved Corporation Property. HARRISBURG, May 14.-In the Senate a veto was received from the Governor of the bill to provide for the sale of real estate and mining rights of dissolved corporations. The Governor says he has approved a bill similar to the one vetoed during this session.

Two Democrats Made Happy. HARRISBURG, May 14.-Mr. Lawrence having esigned as Harbor Master at Philadelph Robert S. Patterson, whose nomination has en hung up in the Senate for a few months as confirmed, as was the appointment o hin Lynch, as Judge of Luzerne county ider a recent act. Both are Democrats,

HARRISBURG, May 14.-In the House Senate bill making women eligible as notaries public was reported favorably. Similar action was taken on a bill to prevent aliens from holding state, county or municipal offices. A Caucus on Ballot Reform.

HARRISBURG, May 14.—The Democratic Sen

ators will likely hold a caucus early next week, to fully decide as to the amendments may want to have incorporated in the r ballot reform bill. Semi-Monthly Pay Bill Passed.

#### HARRISBURG, May 14.—The House semi-monthly pay bill, which provides a penalty or the violation of the act, passed the Sen ate by almost a unanimous vot

A SOMERSET RAT STORY. The Rodents Strip a Sick Horse of All His Flesh.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH, ) SOMERSET, May 14.—A strange story comes from the home of Mrs. McAdams, five miles out on the Bedford pike. The woman has a large family, some of whom are unfortunatey afflicted, and they are in very poor circumstances. Last night a horde of rats attacked a sick horse in the stable and devoured nearly all the flesh of the animal before daylight. The horse had lain down, and was unable to get up.

The woman has other stock, which she has

not been able to feed well enough to keep them in condition, and she has been obliged to take them in the house in order to save them from the rodents. The case is being

#### A SHARON FURNACE STARTS UP. First Cast of Pig Iron for Over Four Months

at the Shenango [SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

SHARON, May 14.—The first cast of pig iron in the Shenango Valley for over four months was made in the Sharon Iron Company's furnace last night. The big plant was put under way yesterday, and will run as long as coke can be secured.

The furnace has a product of over 100 tons per day. The mill belonging to the same company, which has been running on half time for want of iron, will go on full time

#### SAWED THEIR CELL BARS. Two Convicts Do a Neat Job in the Indi

ana Penitentiary.

JEFFERSONVILLE, May 14.—Two convicts es caped from the Jeffersonville Penitentiary last night. They were Frank Burns, a 15 vear man, sent up in 1885 for murder, and Harris Burns, a short-term man.

They sawed through the cell bars, then cut a hole in the roof. Thence they lowered themselves to the ground by a rope. They have not been captured.

Three Men Killed by an Explosic (SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) PIEDMONT, May 14 .- By the explosion of the boiler at Wilson's sawmill, at Wilson's sta-tion, on the West Virginia Central Railway, yesterday afternoon, three men were killed and the mill reduced to a total wreck.

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Little Credence for the Story of the Sinking of the Itata.

TOO SOON FOR OFFICIAL NEWS.

### The Entire Mexican Coast Watching for the Expected Battle.

CRUISER ESMERELDA TO THE RESCUE

CITY OF MEXICO, May 14.—The Government denies that any Chilean ship touched at a Mexican port up to a late hour last night, or that any conflict took place near San Blas; as rumored and published by the Anglo-American. A delayed telegram from Acapulco states that the Esmeralda had left that port after having sought several favors which were refused. The Esmeralda is well armed and equipped. She received tele-grams from the United States and then went

to meet the Itata.

The Anglo-American prints a special from San Blas, on the Pacific coast, stating that a coastwise chooners which arrived here yesterday reports having sighted two unknown vessels about 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and another about dark some distance off the port, both going south and steaming fast. The captain of the schooner was unable to make out their names owing to the distance. There is a general belief in san Bas that the vessels sighted were the Itata-first and the Charleston chasing her. If this is the case, the Charleston is between four and five hours behind.

There were persistent rumors in circula-tion in this city to-day that the United States cruiser Charleston had overtaken the Chilean vessel Itata on the high sens and a cruiser Charleston had overtaken the Chilean vessel Itata on the high seas and a naval engagement had been fought, in which the latter vessel was worsted and blown out of the water. Whether she exploded her magazines or was sunk by the cruiser Charleston is not stated. The rumors fail to state where the engagement was fought. Inquiries at the War Department failed to bear out the street reports, though some maintain that they have inside information to that effect. A special at 4 p. M. to the Angle-American from Acapulco states that neither the Itata nor the Charleston had been sighted then, though there is a vigilant watch maintained at the signal station for them. The greatest excitement prevalls in commercial circles in San Has, the merchants believing that a naval battle will be fought off that port.

A dispatch from San Francisco says: Rumors coming from the City of Mexico to the effect that the cruiser Charleston had overtaken the steamer Itata and had fired on that vessel, are regarded as having no foundation. The Charleston passed San Diego Monday. The Charleston was steaming at the rate of 15 knots, and was seen to be moving out of her course to inspect passing vessels, and even though pushed to the highest point of speed, could not reach Acapulco before to-morrow, and any news therefore of her operations could not be received through Mexican sources before her arrival there to-morrow.

### CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.

Important Reports. Indianapolis, May 14.—At the session to-day of the Charities and Corrections Conven-

tion, the Committee on Reports from States made a lengthy report. The committee consists of L. C. Storrs, Michigan; H. H. Hart, Minnesota, and A. O. Wright, Wisconsin. The report contains a large amount of information in relation to criminal and charitable institutions from nearly every State in the Union. This was followed by the report of the Committee on Immigration, S. C. Wrighlington, of Massachusetts, Chairman, It reviews congressional legislation upon the subject and makes some pertinent suggestions. ion, the Committee on Reports from States

The report of the Bureau of Statistics of the Treasury Department, says the commit-ee, tabulates the arrival of 455,302 alien immigrants from foreign ports, other than those of Mexico and Canada, to ports of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1890, divided as follows: At the port of New York 3th 688 of Portland 3th of Boxton 3th York, 384,686; of Portland, 531; of Boston, 29,-513; of Philadelphia, 22,658; of Baitimore, 27,-178; of Key West, 2,452; of New Orleans, 3,578; of San Francisco, 3,606; of all other ports, 1,070. These numbers, not including the arrivals by water from Mexico and the Dominsion of Canada, as was the custom prior to 1865, might be considerably increased by adding thereto such arrivals, which, at Boston alone during the past year, number 19,-781 immigrants, and from whom no headmoney was exacted.

HEAVY ARKANSAS FAILURE.

Major John D. Adams, of Little Bock. Forced to the Wall. LITTLE ROCK, May 14.—The largest indi-State was announced to-day. It was the as-

State was announced to-day. It was the assignment of Major John D. Adams for the benefit of his creditors, principally in Little Rock and Memphis. The deed of assignment designates Frederick Kramer as assignee, who was appointed receiver and gave bond in the sum of \$200,000. Major Adams' assets are \$400,000 and the liabilities about \$200,000.

The property assigned includes four valuable cotton plantations, stock and implements, real estate in Arkansas City, Pulaski, Prairie and Cleburne counties, 125 shares of stock in the Arkansas and Gulf Rallway, 1,450 in the Arkansas Petroleum, 1,250 shares in the Kentucky and Arkansas Land and Improvement Company, 500 shares in the Battopilas Mining Company also 3,049 shares in the Pulaski Gas Light Company (Little Rock), and 4,040 shares of stock in the Memphis and Arkansas City Packet Company, pledging \$21,245 to James Rees of the same company.

# JOSEPH JACKSON'S TWO WIVES.

The Mystery Surrounding the Death of His Johnstown Spouse.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] Johnstows, May 14.—The body of the wife of Joseph Jackson, who died under suspicious circumstances and was buried hurriedly, was lifted this morning and the decters held an autopsy. A Coroner's jury has been summoned, who will hear the evidence this afternoon. The brothers of the woman are here and are determined to investigate the matter thoroughly. Jackson is under arrest, having been found in an old stone quarry yesterday.

It is learned that Jackson had another woman in Allegheny with whom he had been living, and an information of bigamy had been made against him two months ago, which was settled by the payment of \$150. Recently he had been living at Turtle Creek with the woman. Dr. Hammer, who attended the woman in her last illness, now thinks there may have been something wrong. JOHNSTOWN, May 14 .- The body of the wife

She Has Not Spoken Nor Eaten Since Last Sanday Week. [SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] McKERSPORT, May 14.—Last Sunday a week ago Blanch, a 4-year-old daughter of J. P. Burgnist, took sick with an allment of the back and head similar to spinal meningitis and fell into

BLANCH BURGNIST'S QUEER SLEEP.

to spinal meningitis and fell into a sleep, or a sort of a stupid slumber, and she has so remained, without speaking or eating since. She can only be roused by lifting her off the bed, and then she merely opens her eyes, but soon closes them again. If she is not moved she will lay day in and day out sleeping. It is feared that she will remain in this condition until she dies, as there is no hope for her recovery. THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

Shows That It Is an Important Power in the Methodist Church. St. Louis, May 14.—The Board of Control of

St. Louis, May 14.—The Board of Control of the Epworth League, which began a three days' session yesterday, met at Union Methodist Episcopal Church yesterday, After devotional exercises the report of the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Jesse L. Hurt-burt, was read. The report was very en-couraging, showing that 3,788 chapters had been added during the past 15 months, mak-ing a total of 5,577, containing over 300,000 young members.

young members.

Rev. James M. Freeman, Treasurer, in his report shows that the League is still in debt for about \$1,280, but which is in a fair way of being paid in a few weeks.