THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH.

REED VERY HOPEFUL

The Ex-Speaker Pauses Long Enough in His Tour of the Old World

TO COMMEND THE TARIFF.

McKinley's Law Will Encourage Both Foreign Commerce and Domestic Industries.

AT TOOK EFFECT AT A BAD TIME.

Financial Disasters Which Came With It Make It Easy for Free Traders to Fool the People.

"COMPLAINT OF AUSTRIAN MERCHANTS.

Staly Has Discovered That It Could Not Have Res Framed to Inure More to Her

WALL COMMERCIAL NATIONS WILL FOLLOW SUIT

LONDON, May 16 .- Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Speaker of the last United States House of Representatives, who has been visiting Rome, devoted himself almost entirely to sight-seeing there, and after thoroughly doing Rome went to Naples, where he Visited Vesuvius, Pompeii, Capri and other enttractions in the neighborhood. He is now understood to be in Northern Italy.

To a correspondent of the Associated Press, at Rome, who interviewed him, Mr. Reed was disinclined to discuss politics, but when asked for his observations concerning the McKinley law, the ex-Speaker

grew more communicative, and said:
"The McKinley bill has been very unjustly criticised, and I am satisfied that the people of the United States, when they come to understand its workings, will acknowledge that it is a most valuable measure, a measure intended to encourage both our foreign commerce and our domestic in-

How It Works Both Ways.

"It will stimulate our foreign commerce by the large number of articles on which the duties have been reduced or which have been added to the free list. It will stimulate our domestic energies by reason of the reduction in the duties on raw material and the increased duties on a very few articles of necessity which have been largely imported, but which we have hitherto been anable to manufacture profitably. I think that with this sufficient protection our manufacturers will soon be able to establish these industries on as firm a footing as those which need no increased protection.

"It may be that the duties on Brussels articles of luxuries have been ad- bill and millions of vanced. But the average household ex-penditure for these will be no comparison to the amount paid for those articles which by reason of a lower rate of duty on the manufactured article or on the raw material can be purchased for reduced prices.

A Very Unfortunate Time.

"It was extremely unfortunate," he contime of, or was followed soon by, a most the Baring Brothers, with liabilities of of the strongest houses; when general insolvency seemed to stare the whole com-mercial world in the face, and was only averted by the prompt and joint action of the Bank of England and England's financiers, with the tens of millions of dollars drawn from all Europe and the United States; when the combinations of untoward circumstances were such as had never before happened; when, in anticipation of large profits, merchants had ordered from Europe, in many instances, even before it was known what the rate of duty would be, goods in such quantities that even with an easy money market, the capacity of our merchants to pay for them would be severely tested.

Under such circumstances the failure of the Barings occurred, and the only securities salable in large quantities held in England were thrown on the New York market in such immense quantities that the dispurgement by the United States Treasury of some \$40,000,000 or \$50,000,000 seemed but a drop in the bucket to stay the demand for money.

Made It Easy to Fool Voters.

"Going into effect under such eireumstance it was not an extremely difficult matter to | Marie Antoinette and which are now offered convince thousands of voters that the financial difficulties were due solely to the inherent defects of the measure. Why, look at the case of Austria, whose merchants complain so loudly of the ruin that the Mc-Kinley bill has wrought to their trade! They complained that their industries were affected to such an extent by the measure that through their efforts the Austrian Government was forced to seek to draw other nations into measures of reprisal against the United States. Notwithstanding these complaints the facts proved that the exports for the first three months under the operation of the bill were increased 60 per cent over the corresponding

'Here in Italy merchants and the press reechoed the wailings of the balance of the European press until they discovered that, had the bill been specially devised for the purpose, it could

Not Have Been Better Adapted

to increase her trade with the United States, for by its provisions 50 per cent of our pur-chases from her are on the free list; 34 per cent are admitted at reduced rates of duty; 12 per cent at the same rate, while the duty was advanced on but four per cent.

States of Europe, which certain powers are endeavoring to bring about, is evidence that the commercial nations are not slow to take every possible precaution to protect and stimulate their trade-and that is exactly the policy on which the McKinley bill is

"I am very confident that the next few the United States, and that they will prove to be favorable both to our domestic manufactures and to our foreign commerce."

THEOSOPHISTS TO SPLIT.

ANNIE BESANT'S ARRIVAL IN LONDON

A Former Member of the Blavatsky Lodge Predicts Several Branches—Ashes of the High Priestess Now Reposing at Headquarters.The Leadership. [BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.]

LONDON, May 16.-The ashes of Madame Blavatsky, who was cremated at Woking Monday, were brought home by the Secre-tary of the Theosophical Society, and are now reposing at the headquarters of that in-stitution in Avenue Road. These headquarters are the private residence of Mrs. Annie Besant, who gave it up to Madame

Annie Besant, who gave it up to Madame Blavatsky and her satellites upon entering the society, in return for which courtesy Mrs. Besant was made President of the Blavatsky Lodge.

Mrs. Besant is expected in London tomorrow, and pending her arrival no announcement as to the succession of the leadership of the society has been made. There is a general opinion, however, that the Theosophical Society will split up into factions, and eventually go the way of most imposters. Captain C. P. Foundes, late of the British Navy, and a former member of the Blavatsky Lodge, who has lectured on occultism in America, studied the mysteries of esoteric Buddhism in the East, and is familiar with the entire theosophic propafamiliar with the entire theosophic propa-ganda, thinks that Blavatsky's lieutenants

ganda, thinks that Blavatsky's lieutenants cannot possibly hold together now that the founder of the society is dead.

"I apprehend," he said to your correspondent, "that Theosphists will divide into several branches. First, there will be the Olcott following, and as he is entirely played out with the Hindoo and Parsee factions he must teach Buddhism. Mrs. Besant will have her clientelle, too, as she is now discredited with the extreme Socialistic and Anarchistic elements which belong to the secular party, because she is believed by them to have taken up transcendentalism. She will have a small following of Spiritualists. Bertram Keightley will dentalism. She will have a small following of Spiritualists. Bertram Keightley will probably control the Advar section, which has recently been vacated by Olcott, and his school will be Hindoo mysticism. In Ceylon, Rev. J. Bowles Daly, a former clergyman of the Established Church and B. A. of Dublin University, who has been a sort of jackal for Olcott, will have a following whom he will feed upon Cingalese Buddhism and anti-Christian education. In America there will remain the Judge crowd America there will remain the Judge crowd and opposed to them Prof. Coues and his fol-lowing, who represent the agnostic theo-sophic element."

BALFOUR'S WEAK THREAT.

His Bullying Tactics Delays the Passage of the Irish Land Bill.

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.] LONDON, May 16.—The knowledge that Mr. Balfour had been empowered to fix a day for the report on the Irish land bill, together with a free use of the Parliamentary gag, had the effect of accelerating the prog-ress of that measure in committee this week. The bill would have passed the contention stage last night had not the Government stage last night had not the Government broken faith with the Irish mem-bers in regard to the discussion of certain new clauses, and endeavored en-tirely to stifle criticism by using a school-bov threat of curtailing the Whitsuntide holiday. The independent members refused to be bullied into surrender, with the result that the bill is unfinished, and the House of Commons will have to resume the weary work next Thursday, after a vacation of only five days, during which time the place is to be fumigated with sulphur, in the hope of slaughtering the influence microbes, which medical members declare abound at

The land bill will require another week before it is finally disposed of, and after that the wearied, influenza-weakened legislators will have to pass the free education

GLADSTONE'S SICK DIET.

Books of Science and the Classics Form the Chief Feature of It.

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.] LONDON, May 16.—Mr. Gladstone has been in bed since Tuesday with a feverish tinued, "that the bill-went into effect at a cold. His indisposition has not been at any time of, or was followed soon by, a most severe financial panic; when the failure of Clark, his friend and medical attendant, but the Grand Old Man is over 80 years of age \$100,000,000, seemed to shake the foundation and the weather is variable, and it was thought he would be best placed between the sheets. Mr. Gladstone is an ideal patient, once he can be got to bed, and he always implicitly obeys Sir Andrew Clark. The slight fever which attended the cold has disappeared under Sir Andrew's treat-

He amuses himself with reading novels, He amuses himself with reading novels, books of science, Homer and Dante, changing the character of the intellectual diet several times daily, to avoid monotony. Newspapers and controversial publications apt to irritate the Grand Old Man, have been tabooed since Wednesday. A touching feature of Mr. Gladstone's indisposition is the constant inquiry made at the house in Park Lane by workingmen, who, by Mrs. Gladstone's orders, are given the latest information and in every way are treated as courteously as the more aristocratic callers. cratic callers.

HISTORICAL EARRINGS.

They Belonged to Marie Antoinette and Are Up for Sale at \$65,000.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] LONDON, May 16 .- Collectors of curiosities may see in the windows of Benson & Co., the well-known jewelers of Bond street, a pair of earrings which belonged to for sale. The history of these jewels is interesting. They were sold to this frm in 1876 by a niece of Prince Potemkin, and were then purchased by Mohemet Ali, who had a great fancy for curios. After his death they were again sold by his successor, and now they have once more found them-selves in the hands of Messrs. Benson, who have lately bought them.

These stones are unique in their cutting, which is peculiar. Each consists of a large

DUNCAN'S PROSECUTOR

The Public Functionary Will Have Charge of the Case.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] CHESTER, May 16 .- In the case of Richard S. Dunean, of Washington, D. C., arrested at Bettws-Y-Coel, North Wales, for assaulting his wife on Tuesday last, the public prosecutor has undertaken to take charge of the case against the accused.

Mrs. Duncan passed a bad night, but is better this morning. It is now expected that she will recover.

AN ANNUAL SPRING VISITOR. That is What English Physicians Fear th Grip Will Be.

[BY CABLE TO DISPATCH.] LONDON, May 16.—The doctors seem to be agreed that the virulence of the influenza epedimic is abating, and that it will have years will be years of great prosperity to disappeared by the end of the month. The announcement would be more consolatory were it not accompanied by the expression of opinion that the disease is likely to be-

come a regular spring visitor to this country. The Prince of Wales, by the way, has not been syffering from influenza, as was popularly supposed, but from varicose veins in the legs.

Without desiring to appear uncharitable or flippant, one may be permitted to note here that it was not until the newspapers incorrectly announced the Prince of Wales as ill in bed with the prevalent malady that some of the bishops of the Church of England issued a form of public prayer for an abatement of the great sickness and mortality.

AN INSULT TO STANLEY.

SENSATIONAL SCENE DURING ONE OF

Pamphlet Attacking Him Distributed t the Audience-This Stirs Up the People and a Riot Almost Ensues-Attempt to Assault Stanley.

HIS LECTURES ON AFRICA.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] LONDON, May 16 .- The particulars of the nsult offered to Henry M. Stanley when he lectured last night in Albert Hall, Sheffield, indicate that for a few moments the scene must have bordered upon a riot. When the lecturer was about beginning, a tall with a slouch hat, walked into the building, and walking up the aisle handed pamphlets from a large bag that he carried to the people in the audience. The pamphlet bore on its cover this title, "Stanley's Exploits, or Civilizing Africa." Naturally, the audience supposed that the book contained one of Stanley's lectures, but when they discovered that it was made up simply of a violent attack upon that gentleman, a cry went up that the man should be put out. Meanwhile, a second man had been dis-ributing these things in the gallery, and he cry was speedily taken up there. Some

Meanwhile, a second man had been distributing these things in the gallery, and the cry was speedily taken up there. Some of the audience arose, and made threatening demonstrations toward the distributors of the book, upon which a number of their associates rallied around them, and if it had not been for the immediate arrival of the police, the affair would have probably wound up in a free fight. The police seized the principal offenders and ejected them from the hall. There was a large audience present, and when Mr. Stanley appeared he was greeted with cheers that lasted for many minutes. At the conclusion of the lecture Mr. Stanley left the building unattended, and entered his carriage, whereupon a crowd of fellows who had gathered on one of the corners ran to the vehicle, surrounded it and tried to assault him. The police, however, had anticipated this, as they had received warning of it. They charged the crowd and put it to rout. Besides the mortification and somewhat necessary shock the lecturer suffered no evil effects.

FATE FAVORS THE TORIES.

They Have a Clear Lead in the Contest for Captain Verney's Seat.

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.] LONDON, May 16 .- The electoral contest caused by Captain Verney's disgrace and ruin has commenced in North Bucks with a great show of vigor. The Liberals held the seat in 1885 by 1,456 majority, lost it in the following year through Liberal absentations by a majority of 71, and regained it in 1889 by a majority of 208. The general belief now is that the Tories must win the seat vacated by the Liberals in such disgraceful vacated by the Liberals in such disgraceful circumstances, but your electoral statistician does not share this despondency, believing that measures and not men will prevail.

Another vacancy has been caused at Paisley by the death of a Liberal member, one of the many victims of the Russian influenza, and the Tories talk of fighting the

seat with a strong local candidate. If they do so, they will be soundly beaten, and the good Liberals will be much surprised if they do not increase their majority.

AN IRISH RECONCILIATION. several of the Leaders Striving to Bring

That End About.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] LONDON, May 16.—The reasons for the late rumors of defection from the ranks of the Parnellite party have arisen from the efforts made by Richard Power, M. P. for Waterford, John Redmond, M. P., for Waterford, John Redmond, M. P., Wexford North, Dwyer Gray and others to bring about a reconciliation. That would have been done long ago but for the followers of Mr. Healy, as many of the McCarthy party are favorable to such a course, as was evidenced by Mr. O'Connor's letter to the reconstitution of the Letter. letter to the convention of the League, which was held in Newcastle to-day.

In this communication he begs that nothing be said which will be likely to retard the conciliation of Mr. Parnell. Parnell, by the way, will be free to marry Mrs. O'Shea after to-morrow, as the decree nisl will be made absolute.

HEBREW REFUGEES IN LONDON.

They Are Arriving in London as Fast as a

Line of Steamers Can Bring Them. LONDON, May 16 .- Another large continent of destitute Russian Hebrews has arrived here from Hamburg. The arrivals of Russian Hebrews here are increasing in number and in importance. Each of the steamers of one line plying regularly three times a week between here and Hamburg is bringing a full complement of Russian He-

brews as passengers.

The Hebrews are also arriving here in large numbers by other lines. With the exception of a few who are going to the United States, all these new arrivals expect to settle in London or Manchester.

A Ceramic Artist Dead.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY] PARIS, May 16 .- Monsieur Deck, the vell-known artist in ceramics and director of the Government porcelain factory at Sevres, is dead. M. Deck was 68 years

Germany's African Capital.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] Parts, May 16.-The German Govern notified the different European powers that Daressalaum has been designated as the capital of the German colonies in East Africa.

Austrian Interests in Corfu. VIENNA, May 16 .- The Government has lispatched an ironclad to Corfu for the pur-

pose of protecting the rights of Austrian subjects living on the island. The Eight-Hour Movement in Wales.

vailing in many parts of England.

Can't lecture in Pittsburg, so they say, but there's one thing he can do if he comes here this week, and that is buy a suit of clothes for \$10, worth from \$2 to \$5 more, at our great diamond suit sale. Gusky's.

Short curtains in Swiss tamboured, Irish points, brussels lace. The price of them in tull lengths was \$5, \$8, \$10, \$12 and \$18 per pair; your choice this week 79c each. This special offering in conjunction with the greatest values ever offered in regular goods in beau surfains. in lace curtains.

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GIFT TO PORTUGAL

Victoria Made It at the Behest of

Europe's Crowned Heads. THEY FEARED THE REPUBLICANS.

Central African Missionaries Angered by Loss of the Land.

INCIDENT OF THE RECENT MEETING

(BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH) LONDON, May 16.-The annual meeting of the Central African Mission was held here yesterday, and proved more interesting than there was reason to expect. A printed report, distributed among the audience, denounced the Sultan of Zanzibar's antislavery edict, promulgated last August, as a gigantic imposture. The facts doubtless justify the strength of this language, but the funny feature of yesterday's gathering was that among the great people on the platform was Colonel Sir Charles Euan-smith, now British Minister to Morocco,

but formerly British Consul at Zanzibar and

measure was read his face was a most inter-

esting study. He strove manfully to be calm until his turn came to speak, and then he eased his feelings to the great discomfort of the good bishops, missionaries and ladies present.

He suggested that the missionaries would do well to keep within their legitimate bounds and to stear clear of those delicate questions which very often led to political complications, and declared that the references in the report to the anti-slavery edict were "grossly unfair."

A Storm A verted by a Native.

A Storm Averted by a Native Fortunately for peace and good will a diversion was caused by a stalwart 20-year-old Central African, grandson of Kimsari, a fighting chief of Umba recently baptized Peter Limbo, who told the story of his conversion with some eloquence and much gesticulation and brought the meeting to a frame of mind in which they could conscientiously sing the doxology.

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The report of this missionary society The report of this missionary society denounces the Portuguese as 'possessed of that madness which precedes destruction and acting on the principle of making things as unpleasant for everyone all round as they can'—a description which, if savoring of uncharitableness, seems to be justified by the facts as related at the numerous missionary meetings held in London this month. A feeling skin to dismay has therefore been aroused by the announcement that Lord Salisbury in the newly signed convention has handed over to Portugal quite unnecessarily 50,000 additional square miles of

Very Promising Missionary Territory
north of the River Zambesi, while further
concessions will, it is believed, seriously
hamper and perhaps entirely block communications between the various important
missionary centers. Merchants and missionaries join their voices in lamenting
Lord Salisbury's strange complaisance, and
Tory and Liberal newspapers alike express
discontent with the new convention. But
if the information furnished to THE DISPATCH be reliable, which there is no sound
reason to doubt, his lordship has been subjected to imperial and royal pressure in this
matter. Concessions have been made to
Portuguese pride in order to save the dynasty.

nasty.

The Republican party in Portugal is much stronger than the last abortive rising at Oporto would seem to indicate, and had the country been again humiliated by Engthe country been again humiliated by England in this African squabble, the Republicans would probably have received enough popular backing to enable them to overthrow the monarchy. But King Charles, by birth and marriage, is connected with nearly every royal house in Europe, and his disposition would stir the heart and nerve the hand of every Socialist and Republican on this continent. Emperors and kings therefore interceded with Queen Victoria on behalf of Portugal with the result toria on behalf of Portugal with the result that England has manifested a magnanimity toward a weak but exasperating opponent, absolutely without precedent in her history.

ENGLAND'S NEXT BIG STRIKE.

Labor Unions Are Preparing for a Great Struggle That Will Come Soon. [BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.]

LIVERPOOL, May 16.—Recently a number in reference to the secret action of different branches of the labor organizations with branches of the labor organizations with a view of bringing about a general strike. It is said that the movements have been concerted privately with labor leaders in different parts of the Kingdom, and that the country is on the eve of a gigantic labor conflict. The strikes, of course, were not to be confined to any particular locality, but all the great seaports and labor centers are to be the scenes of the uprising. The specific statement is made that the dock laborers' unions are secretly making great efforts to bring about the promaking great efforts to bring about the pro-posed struggle, and that the men are acting in concert with their brethren in London,

in concert with their brethren in London, Hull and Glasgow.

The time fixed for the demonstration is the period when the full tide of summer emigration is at its height, the shipping trade most active and the call for labor most imperative. At the present time the shipping trade is fairly busy and labor is in good demand at the docks. While the strike has not yet taken place, meetings were held during the past week to consider the grievances under which the men still labor.

BRITISH WRATH AROUSED

At the Attempt to Fasten a Recent Paris Scandal on Englishmen. [BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.]

LONDON, May 16.—A good deal of indig-nation is felt in London at the elaborate pains taken in Paris to fasten upon Englishmen residing in Paris the discredit of organizing the abominable den recently unearthed by the police in the Rue de Pont-sievre. According to some Prisian news-papers, several English Members of Parliament were convicted in connection with this scandal; but, as a matter of fact, only one Englishman was implicated, he being the youngest son of an English baronet and grandson of an eminent Englishman of seione.

London, May 16.—At a quarrymen's conference held to-day in Festiniog, Wales, it was decided to support the movement for a working day of eight hours.

A Snow Storm in England.

London, May 16.—From reports received here, it is learned that a snowstorm is pre-

MOURNING FOR JOHN DREW.

English Playgoers Do Not Relish His Leav ing Augustin Daly's Company. (BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.)

LONDON, May 16.—English playgoers, who have been looking forward with pleasure to a visit of the Daly company next auture to a visit of the Daly company next autumn, learn with great regret that John Drew has decided to join Charles Frohman's company. The St. James Gazette today thus echoes the prevailing feeling: "The inimitable quartet, Ada Rehan, John Drew, James Lewis and Mrs. Gilbert, which for so long a time has charmed and delighted playgoers, is thus to be disbanded. The

loss to art cannot but be deplored. By constant companionship a perfection of easemble had been attained by these four artists

ble had been attained by these four artists rarely to be met with on the stage."

The steamship Iberia, of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, sailed from Liverpool on Wednesday with the Cleary London Opera Company on the most extraordinary tour recorded in stage annals. Last year the same company visited the eastern coast of South America. This year the company is booked for a tour of 65,000 miles on the east and west coasts. The seamiles on the cast and west coasts. The season lasts six months and the company, which numbers 60 people, sings only in English a repertoire comprising 15 operas, mostly Gilbert and Sullivan's.

A PHYSICIAN'S BOUNTY.

TWENTY DOLLARS FOR THE BIRTH OF EVERY POOR CHILD.

This Offer Will Tend to Make the Worthy Doctor Popular in His Native Town of Burgundy-His Original Ideas on Popu-

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] LONDON, May 16 .- A great deal of interest has been created in the deliberations of the French Academy of Medicine, which has for months past been discussing the question of population. France has for a long time posed as the chief country in Europe in which the various methods employed in limiting the number of her children are in practice, so that the action of Dr. Tanier, the President the real author of the much abused edict. Presumably he had not seen the report, and when the paragraph denouncing his pet

that the action of Dr. Tanier, the President of the Academy of Medicine, has created a good deal of talk, and especially in the higher-circles of the medical profession.

The society with which the savant is connected has been devoting a great deal of its time to the theoretical discussion of population and the laws which govern it. But its President is a practical man and he has devoted much time to the study of the subject on his own account, and the formation of opinions which are not necessarily bound up with the institution of which he is at present the head.

the is evidently of opinion that the limiting of population is not an unmixed blessing, and that it can be carried too far. He, therefore, has started the pendulum swinging in the other direction, and where others

ing in the other direction, and where others have placed a premium upon stirpiculture he proposes one on fructuculture, for he has just published a promise that to the wife of every poor man in his native town of Burgundy he will give a present of 100 francesay \$20—for each child born to her during the course of the year 1892.

This benificent offer will undoubtedly be hailed with great satisfaction by all the poorer classes and will have the additional effect of making the worthy Doctor exceedingly popular in the town of his birth and in the well known words, "Many will rise up and call him blessed."

THE MANIPUR DISASTER

A Blue Book Just Issued Shows It to Have Been a Disgrace.
[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.]

LONDON, May 16 .- The blue book re specting the Manipur disaster, issued tolay, is not pleasant reading for Englishnen. It shows that the whole business was disgracefully muddled from beginning to end, that weakness and vaccilation were displayed by men in high places, and that the Indian Government connived at, if it did not instigate, gross treachery toward the native princes, whose chief sin was a desire to be allowed to manage their own affairs in their own way.

Thieves Take a Registered Mail Bag

ON THE STREETS OF NEW YORK.

Interrupted in Their Work After Having

A ROBBERY EASY TO ACCOMPLISH.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH,]

NEW YORK, May 16 .- A bag of registered

mail was lost or stolen from one of the big

transfer wagons in Fifth avenue, near Thirty-fifth street, last night. The contents were valued at \$30,000. The postoffice au-thorities are not fully satisfied that the bag was stolen from the wagon. The superintendent of the mails, who investigated the loss and finding of the bag, made the following report to the postmaster this afternoon: Policeman Brady, of the Nineteenth precinct police, was on duty in Fifth avenue about 8:30 o'clock last night. Near the corner of Thirty-fifth street he saw a mail bag lying in the street near the curb. It was one of the large bags used for registered matter and weighed, with contents, 225 pounds. He kicked it and then stooped down and lifted it on end. He was examining it when a man came, from the don't know where, and told him he aman lift the bag from the man carried to the wagon to the curb, and the supped it and ran toward Madison avenue. He also told the policeman that there was a cab following the mail wagon, but he could not connect the man who took the bag with the cab. That was all he knew about it.

The Policeman Was Apparently Dazed.

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He did not inquire the man's name or where he lived, and he did not detain him. The policeman took the bag to the police station in a wagon. The bag was not missed by the driver of the wagon until he reached his destination, the Forty-second street depot. Then the back door of the wagon was found to be unlooked. They were locked by the driver in the presence of witnesses before the wagon left the post-office.

\$30,000. The man who said he had seep the bag stolen told him the cab was within a very few feet of the mail wagon, but he did not know whether the thief got out of the cab or not.

It is not at all likely that the man wh stole the bag from the wagon will ever be caught. The police have no description of him, and there is no way of tracing him. Assistant Postmaster Gaylord, one of the men who is not certain that the story told to the policeman is true, said to-day he thought it possible that when the wagon struck the grade at Thirty-fifth street the tail end being lower than the front end, the bag rolled against the door with force enough to open the spring lock and then rolled out on the

Probably a Well Laid Plot. This could hardly be. The lock in th

displayed by men in high places, and that the Indian Government connived at, if it door would almost cetainly break before it would spring. It was not broken when it was examined at the Forty-second street station, and it was surely locked when the station, and it was surely locked when the wagon left the postoffice. It seems probable that there was a plot to rob the wagon hy men who knew that it contained the bag of registered letters. There were probably two persons, and there may be more, inter
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HAUL OF \$30,000.

ieves Take a Registered Mail Bag
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errupted in Their Work After Having the Treasure in Hand.

ROBBERRY: EASY TO ACCOMPLISH.

ested in it, perhaps some of them in the cab. The man who pulled the bag out of the wagon probably had a key to the lock on the door. If the bag had dropped out of the wagon accidentally the driver of the wagon informing him of the loss.

Very likely the thieves intended to lift the bag into the cab and get off with it, but they were not quick enough about it and were frightened off. Possibly they saw Policeman Brady coming, and the bag was too heavy to be handled easily or quickly. If it should occur to the Police Commissioners that Policeman Brady's informant may have been the man who pulled the bag out of the wagon, Brady may have a chance to

of the wagon, Brady may have a chance to explain why he didn't detain him. An Easy Thing to Rob Mails.

Though the attempt was not successful, it shows how easily the mails could be robbed under the present conditions. The wagon in which the mails are carried about the in which the mails are carried about the city are built according to specifications of the Postoffice Department at Washington. Strangely enough the specifications require only one lock on the door, and that lock only a common one. In nearly every wagon that leaves the postoffice containing outgoing domestic mail there is a bag of registered matter valued all the way from \$1,000 to \$100,000, and sometimes more. The driver is up on the wagon so far away from the door that if a thief should run up and batter down the panels with an ax it would be almost impossible for the driver to hear him above the uoise the wagon makes rattling over the paving stones. With a key to the lock—one would not be hard to obtain—a thief could work with absolute safety after dark on a rainy night when few people were on the street.

It would not be a very exhaustive undertaking for the department to establish a
special wagon service to carry the registered
matter. Two men could ride on the wagon,
one to drive, the other armed, if that should
be deemed necessary, to ride on a seat on
the tail end. The attempted robbery last
night was so nearly successful that there
would probably be another attempt unless
something is done toward the better protection of the wagons. Other cities are no better off than New York in this matter.

Thirteen Fell at a Blow

Thirteen of the emergency clerks at the City Treasurer's office were released yesterday, as most of the city taxes are now paid in, and there is no longer any work for the

A Full Line Of G. A. R. and Sons of Veterans' suits at all prices. An extra quality of G. A. R. suits at \$10 this week. GUSKY'S.

If you wish to buy a superior brand malt liquor for home consumption, try the Iron City Company's Pilsner beer. For sale at all first-class houses. Telephone No. 1186.

The pianos delivered this week on the \$1 weekly payment plan are Club A, No. 27. Name withheld by request.
Club B, No. 55, J. J. Baddley, 2906 Penn

Has just concluded his trip of 10,000 miles

and visited scores of the largest cities in the Union. In none of them did he see a suit of clothes for \$10 that will begin to compare with those which we shall sell at that price

FARES NOT REDUCED

On the Pittsburg Traction Line Unless a Book Be Purchased.

THEN TO BE ABOUT THREE CENTS

Single Trips Will Doubtless Continue at the Old Rate.

PRESIDENT ELKINS TALKS ABOUT IT The average Pittsburger will probably either have to pay 5 cents, buy \$5 worth of tickets or walk to East Liberty, as it does not now appear that the Pittsburg Traction Company will reduce its single trip fare to 3 cents. Hundreds of residents of the East End have been looking forward to the good time which has been coming so long, when for the paltry sum of 3 cents they could ride

to their homes. It is a pity to disappoint them, but they doubtless will be disap-pointed unless they invest \$5 for a book of tickets. The Pittsburg Traction Company has been romising 3-cent fares ever since the Duquesne Traction line was projected. Since the latter line begins business to-morrow, it was expected that the former company would immediately pull down its fares. Would immediately pull down its larea.

Yesterday a DISPATCH reporter was informed by an employe of the company that no reduction would be made on single trips, and the only way to save the 2 cents would be to buy books at \$5 each, which will contain enough tickets to make the fare about 3 cents. The conductors on the cars will continue to collect 5 cents on all trips when

parties have no books.

President Elkins was visited and asked about the reduction, and he said it would

surely come.

"When will it come?" was asked.

"We haven't fully decided," replied Mr.
Elkins, "but it will be soon."

"Will the fare be 3 cents for single

"That has not been decided either."
"We have been informed that the only reduction will be secured by the purchase of books at the rate of \$5 each. Is that a "Well, that plan has been discussed, but as yet we have not fully decided upon any-thing. We may be ready to make the change next week, and we may not. It de-

pends entirely on circumstances."

Mr. Elkins' attention was called to the fact that the company had declared its intention to reduce the fare as soon as the Duquesne starts, and that road is announced to open to-morrow. He merely remarked that it had been announced to open before.

Whether the Charleston has sunk the Itata or the Itata the Charleston, but here's something you can pin your faith on: Not a store in the city will begin to sell you such suits at \$10 as we shall during all this week.

Most Extraordinary Values.

The coming week we offer three special argains: First, best all-wool extra super 75c carpet at 58c; second, 10 styles of 50c tapestry brussels at 39c; third, 5 styles of 85c brussels carpet at 68c. Carpets made and laid promptly. J. H. KUNKEL & BRO.,

HYACINTH awnings at Mamaux & Son's,

OUR Low Expenses enable us to undersell our competitors. Buyers who doubt this will please Should not be underestimated when you have offered you your call after looking elsewhere and be convinced that we never advertise anything that we can-

OUR SPECIAL OFFER

CARPETS MADE AND LAID FREE OF CHARGE,

IF BOUGHT BY 12 O'CLOCK NOON.

Our terms of payment easy. We discount all bills for cash. Give us your confidence, And we will take Special care of you.

WE SELL GOOD GOODS.

Our prices are reasonable.

And Carpets, too, that are equal in quality to any in the city. With prices as moderate, and plenty of time to pay, you should be among the first to make the selection. Our object, of course, is to keep you from crowding us in the afternoons. ALL WORK GUARANTEED, DONE SATISFACTORILY AND PROMPTLY. Never in the history of this house have we been able to offer as elegant an assortment of general Housefurnishing Goods as at present.

BED ROOM SUITS, THAT ENTER LARGELY INTO THE PROPER FURNISHING OF A HOME, We Have Quantity, Styles and Quality to Please All Buyers.

taste and perfect harmony as not. Why not have them right?

A PRETTY PARLOR SHOULD BE THE HEIGHT OF A GOOD HOUSEKEEPER'S AMBITION. To properly furnish a nice parlor, you should see the class of goods in PARLOR FURNITURE we make. Just see our goods before buying elsewhere. Your CARPETS, SUIT COVERINGS and PORTIERES can just as well be of good.

OUR HOT-WEATHER SPECIALTIES

Are making quite a reputation for our house. THEY ARE OFFERED AT

SUCH LOW PRICES.

pleasures.

Do thou likewise.

NOW, IN SPEAKING OF CARPETS,

The word implies all that pertains to Floor Coverings, such as Axminsters, Moquets, Velvets, Body and Tapestry Brussels, Extra Super and Cotton Chain Ingrains, Rag and Hemp Carpets. The finest selection of RUGS in the city. Linoleums and Oil Cloths in all styles and colors. All MADE AND LAID FREE if bought by 12 o'clock noon.

It doesn't require a tricky person to buy from us. Our goods are all marked in Plain Figures. A child at the age of reason can make as good a bargain as the

This is a matter that you must consider. Now, don't put it off until the end of the hot season, but make them pay for themselves. BE COMFORTABLE AT OUR EXPENSE.

We will sell you a DAVIS SEWING MACHINE \$25 less than you can buy the same style of any other make, and guarantee it longer.

HOPPER BROS. & CO.,

CASH OR CREDIT. Try a small account with us on the credit plan, and see if you regret it. People live a lifetime suffering, while the wiser, who let us do the worrying, reap the

NEAR FOURTH AVE.

lay Carpets, hang Cornices, Shades and Lace Curtains if bought in the morning, which we will NOT DO FREE IF BOUGHT IN THE AFTER-

Don't forget that we make and

REFRIGERATORS AND ICE CHESTS.

ONE OF OUR SPECIALTIES ARE BABY CARRIAGES. We have them at any price from \$5 to \$50.

PIONEERS OF LOW PRICES.

307 Wood Street.