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Friday, Apr. 17

The lots offered are all correct Spring styles, right in weight, fabric and colorings, while the reductions in price are the heaviest we have ever made at this season of the year.

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These comprise the balance of five different cloths that sold at 25c. The effects are mostly of the tweed order, and the colorings are all the lat-Sale Price, 121/2c

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These are strictly wool, full width and include among them the choic-est effects of the season. Plain mixtures or figures in Grays. Browns, Greens, Bluets, etc., and not a yard worth less than 42c, or

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This has been one of our leading 50c. Spring cloths. It is strictly wool, 44 inches wide, has a lovely soft finish and includes all the Spring shades that are most sought for.

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These are fine 46-inch imported goods that have sold right along for 75c. The shadings are executionally 75c. The shadings are exceptionally fine and they are a great bargain at the

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Boucle Suitings, 37 1-2c

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Friday, Apr. 1

GLOB WAREHOUSE.

OFFERS OF REFORM IN CUBA

Spanish Government Will Treat With Peaceful Insurgents.

LIBERAL TERMS OF PEACE

The Rebels, However, Are Suspicious of the Government and Will Not Repeat the Experiment of 1878.

Washington, April 20.—In the oral discussions of Cuban affairs which have taken place between the Spanish minister and Secretary Oiney during the last few weeks, an informal memorandum of some fifty or sixty reform measures, which, under certain con-tingencies, the Spanish government is willing to accord to Cuba, is under-stood to have played an important part. These concessions are entirely dis-tinct from the decree-of March 15, 1895, which was promulgated by the Span-ish Queen Regent, seventeen days af-ter the outbreak of the insurrection and which was countersigned by Buenaventure De Abarauza, minister of the colonies, himself a native of Ha-vana. The decree provided a system of government for the island of Cuba and for the readjustment of its civil administration, but left, as now absolute revisionary power in the hands of the governor general. At the very out-set of the plan it was provided that "whenever the governor general shall judge any decision of the council to be contrary to the laws or to the general interests of the nation, he shall sus-pend its execution and shall himself take such provisional measures as the public needs which would otherwise have been neglected because of such suspension, may require, immediately submitting the matter to the minister

New proposals of reform which have been informally brought under discussion between the Spanish minister and Secretary Olney are broader and more liberal than this decree and approach more nearly to practical autonomy, but are accompanied by conditions which apparently render their adoption or even their consideration by the in-surgents a matter of impossibility. As in the case of the ten years' war, Spain insists as a preliminary to negotiations that the insurgents shall first lay down their arms, as it is against the dignity of the Spanish crown to treat with

THE LESSON OF 1878. The Cuban leaders assert that when they compiled with similar conditions in 1878, in order to secure the reforms pledged to them by Martinez Campos, piedged to them by Martinez Campos, the piedges he made them were chiefly left unfilled, and they emphatically decline to be again deceived in like manner. Consequently the proffered measure of reform is likely to fall to the ground as far as Cuba is concerned. the ground as far as Cuba is concerned, though some similar provisions may probably be tendered to Puerto Rico, where no rebellion exists. Nothing in the suggested plan as it now stands holds out any prospect of a speedy termination of this desolating war. Private advices received here from Havana indicate that the hopes which were at first expressed that the appointment of General Fitzhugh Lee

Sale Price, 28c, as consul general to Havana might open up some way of adjustment have died away. It is doubted whether General Lee will be able to take up his pointment of General Fitzhugh Le see duties for months to come. This is the beginning of the most deadly sickly season in Cuba. The cares and worries of responsibilities of the office of consul general at Havana, to an unacclimated man of General Lee's portly physique, it is said, would be likely to bring on an atteack of yellow fever, the chances of recovery from which might be doubtful. He could not take refuge in the mountains, because the hundreds of alleged naturalized American citizens who are clamoring for protection and reparation from Spain would render such an escape impossi-ble. Friends of General Lee who have been long residents in Cuba are said to have written to him, strongly dis-suading him from attempting to take up his duties until the rainy season is

LOOKS LIKE ELKIN.

State Chairmanship of the Republican Organization is in Doubt.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 20.-Less than fifty people are here as an advance guard of the Republican state conven-tion, which meets Thursday. Senator Quay arrived from Washington on the evening train and most of the conven-tion people have called to pay their respects. The contest over the state chairmanship is the only thing of interest, and as it looks now, John P. Elkin, of Indiana, will be successful; Frank Willing Leach, the other aspirant, is not here. Governor Hastings is the only one of the eight delegates-at-large to the national convention who has been definitely agreed upon. The executive committee of the state com-mittee will meet tomorrow and hear the report of the committee on reform legislation. Senator Quay will prob-ably remain until after the state committee meeting on Wednesday.

National Chairman Harrity will get here tonight and stay for the meeting of the Democratic state committee on Wednesday.

DEMOCRATS PUZZLED.

Illinois Lenders Taying to Pacify Silver Barons and Gold Bugs.

Chicago, April 20.—The Democratic state central committee selected Peoria as the place and June 23 as the date for holding the Democratic state conven-tion. The call was issued on the basiof the vote cast in the presidential election of 1892, which is a victory of the gold element, as it gives Cook county a larger representation than under the

Members of the state central committee say that they acceded to the request of the anti-free silver element to make the apportionment on the basis of the Cleveland vote of 1892, which gives Cook county a third of the convention on the ground that the more delegates present the better it would be for Alt-geid and silver.

JACKET MAKERS STRIKE. Philadelphia Tailors Desire Piece Work One Hundred Idle.

Philadelphia, April 20.—A number of childrens' jacket makers employed by clothing firms in the vicinity of Third and Market streets in this city, wen on strike today. It could not be on strike today. It could not be learned how many persons went out, but it is said that over 100 hands left their employment. Others will probably go out tomorrow.

The jacket makers struck because they have been refused plece work.

ELECTRICTY ON WHISKERS.

Wisconsin Men Have a Remarkable Ad St. Paul, April 20.--A remarkable adventure befell a party of Wiscomin

men. According to one of them, H. O. Tofson, who lives at Kilbourn, in com-pany with Ole Tofson, Will Tofson, Jens Anderson and Emmet Peterson, he attended a party at the home of Tom O'Connell. About 2 a. m. the young men started for home. The rain had men started for nome. The rain had ceased, but the sky was still very cloudy and the night was black. Suddenly beads of electricity gathered on their mustaches and hair and a brilliant blueish light streamed from their fur

coats. They were terrorized.

They brushed and struck at the mystic fluid, but for fully fifteen minutes they fought with it, and then it disappeared for a short time only to reappear. They were greatly relieved on reaching home, but still puzzling their wits to make out what had pos-session of them.

MONETARY CONFERENCE.

Mr. Willis Offers a Resolution Inviting Co-operation of Commercial Nations. Washington, April 20.-Mr. Willis (Rep., Del.) today offered in the house a joint resolution authorizing and di-recting the president to invite the commercial nations of the world to join in an international monetary conference to be held at as early a date as practi-cable, for the purpose of establishing an international standard of ratio be-

tween gold and silver as money.

A commission of nine is created—
three to be members of the house appointed by the speaker; three to be senators, and three to be appointed by the president. One hundred and fifty thousand dollars is appropriated toward the joint expense of the confer-

MEETING OF PRESBYTERY.

Opening Session Held at Carbondale Last Evening-New Moderator Was Chosen-Rev. Mr. Mills, of Wilkes-Barre Succeeds Rev. G. E. Guild.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Carbondale, April 29,—The Lacka-wanna Presbytery opened its spring session here today. The principle gathering of the day was in the evening. As many of the ministers had not arrived the gathering was not so large as they will be the next two days. Several ar-rived on the late trains this evening and

others are expected tomorrow.

The meeting of most importance and greatest interest today opened at 7.30. The church was nearly filled with ministers and the public who manifest the greatest interest in the doings of the presbytery. Owing to the jour-neys which many had made during the day, the session was not long. The meeting was opened by prayer, after which Rev. George E. Gulld, of Scranton, the retiring moderator, preached a most eloquent sermon. His subject was mainly devoted to missions and the chance which we constantly have of doing some missionary work at all

CHANCES EVERY DAY.

"In our every day work, in the streets, among our neighbors, are fields for missionary work which we should make the most of. In our everyday life we constantly pass by Hungarians, Slavs, Italians and others with whom we could do some good by telling them the story of His love. Perhaps you have heard the story of a noble, self-sacri-ficing woman, which shows us how necessary it is to tell of Christ's love to about us. This woman in her visits came across a gypsy camp, where she found a young man about to die. She cared for him and doing so whispered in his ear asking him if he had heard that 'God so loved the world that He gave His only Son for us.' His, eyes, which were fast closing, opened at the question, and he seemed bewil-dered. At last he shook his head, and upon being asked why he had not heard it, said, as his eyes closed: 'No one told me the story.'

"Perhaps the fable of the Persian prince may be familiar to you. The prince had in his possession a shelf, and upon pressing a spring a canopy would suspend itself over himself and companions, sheltering them/from the fierce heat. Upon touching another spring a canopy would spread itself over all his country, armies and people. Christ is not to be surpassed by a fable, for He does even greater things and His love spreads over, village, city and the whole world." This closed the sermon, and after

singing and prayer the regular business of the presbytery was entered upon. BUSINESS OF PRESBYTERY.

The first order of business was the roll call, to which about thirty-five responded. The roll call of the churches was called and the following answered: Carbondale, First, S. Bolton; Franklin, Carbondaie, First, S. Bolton; Franklin, E. D. Tuttle; Glibson, W. L. Branden-burg: Harmony, A. Smith; Hawley, John Niece; Little Meadow, H. A. Pitcher; Montrose, C. C. Holson; Nich-olson, N. L. McMillan; Scott, Henry Arneke: Silver Lake, H. A. Ross: Trov N. M. Pomeroy; Wilkes-Barre Me-morial, Wyalusing First, Milton Lewis. Mr. Lewis also represented several oth-er congregations and a discussion arose as to whether he was entitled to do this. Mr. Lee made a motion that his name should be placed opposite the church first named and that it be discussed later.
The election of moderator was the

next order of business. Rev. Mr. Mills, of Wilkes-Barre, was nominated, and as there were no other candidates his

as there were no other candidates his election was unanimous. Mr. Guild made a brief speech in which he congratulated the new moderator.

The report of the committee on arrangements, Rev. Charles Lee chairman, was then read. The morning sessions will open at 9 o'clock and close at 12. The afternoon session companies. 12. The afternoon session commences at 2 and closes at 5. The noon hour is to be lengthened until 8 o'clock Wednesday, during which the esday, during which time a lunch will be served by ladies and the clergy-

will be served by ladies and the clergy-men will enjoy a social hour.

On Wednesday evening an interesting session will be held in which prominent speakers will be heard. Rev. C. E. Robinson, D. D., of Scranton, will speak on "Requirements for Church Membership," and Rev. James McLeod, D. D., of Scranton, will discuss "What Ought a Church Member to Do and Re?"

Be?"
During the year three members of the presbytery have died. Rev. E. Kennedy, Rev. Robert Wilson and Rev. Mr. Gates. A committee to draw up resolutions upon their deaths was ap-It was then moved that examination

of candidates to the presbytery be heard the first thing in the afternoon session of today.

Riot in Konsos. Topeka, Kan., April 20.—The sheriff of Stafford county wired Governor Merrill tonight that a riot was in progress at St. John. Troops have been sent there on a special train.

Hernld's Forceast. New York, April 21.—Herald's weather forecast: In the Middle states today, cloudy to partly cloudy, cooler weather will prevail, with vain on and near the coasts and fresh to brisk variable winds, mostly southwesterly to westerly, possibly followed in this section by clearing in the afternoon or evening. On Wedrasday, partly cloudy to fair, slightly cooler weather and fresh westerly to northwesterly winds will prevail, possibly preceded by rain on the coasts.

Reinforcements Nearing and Wagon Trains on Hand.

NO OBSTRUCTION MET WITH

The Local Forces Wore Too Weak to Make Further Attacks-Secretary Chamberlain Criticized-Germany is Inconsed.

obstruction.

A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph, which plainly antedates the one referred to above as received by Secretary

reat and organized attack less than six niles out.

are in active revolt against the policy in Africa of Colonial Secretary Cham-berlam and Governor Sir Hercules Robinson, of Cape Colony, and they talk of adjourning the house on the subject." The Chronicle (Liberal), commenting

The Chronicle suggests the forma-tion of a watching committee of lead

The Daily News asserts that Presi-

dent Kruger's original demand for an indemnity from the Chartered South African company for the Jameson raid was 43,000,000, but that negotiations has reduced it 61,500,000.

The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says that the German press is indulging in the ditterest comments upon England's action in South Africa, in which they see a direct menace to the Transvaal. They charge Colonial Secretary Chamberlain with duplicity in his statements to parliament and in his messages to President Kruger The his messages to President Kruger. The Standard's correspondent also that it is again reported that the German government intends to introduc

Against the Custom.

day Dr. Bashem, the Centrist leader raised a debate on the question of duelling, by calling attention to the recen duel between Lieutenant Von Kettel-shodt, an officer attached to the Im-perial Yacht Hohenzollern, and Herr Zenker, a prominent Berlin lawyer, re-sulting in the death of the latter. Dr. Ven Bettieher, Imperial secretary of state for the interior, replied that the assumption that the authorities had not done their duty was groundless. He could not admit that as a matter of

without distinction as to the position vocation of offenders. Therefore communications to the government in regard to the matter were at present inadvisable.

ZEALOUS WOMEN IN TROUBLE Are Made Prisoners.

eral Crawford last evening received a telegram from a number of women im-prisoned in a freight car at Salem, a remote place, asking for aid. He wired to them, advising them to employ an at-

Further advices state that the wo men, members of the Salem Women's Christian Temperance union, went into the car to destroy several barrels of beer, and while they were thus engaged the door was closed and sealed

GOLD WITH CATHODE RAYS Iowa Farmer Claims to Have Made

Cedar Rapids, Ia., April 20.—George ohnson, a young farmer residing in Jefferson county, a graduate of Colum-bia college, who has been experiment-ing with the X rays, thinks he has made a discovery that will startle the world. By means of what he called the X rays hads enabled to change in three hours' time a cheap pleee of metal worth about 13 cents to \$153 worth of gold. The metal so transformed has been tested and is pronounced pure

Lives in a Hay Mow for Seven Month

last fall. A few days ago in removing the hay, he was surprised to find the

hen still alive, after seven months with-out food er water.

It would make a still better story to relate that the eggs all hatched and that the old hen was surrounded by big spring chickens, but that isn't so; th

Terrible Fate of an Indiana Youth Who Smoked Cigarettes.

smoking.

He had become yellow, and was such a slave to the habit that though knowing death was only a question of time unless he quit, he was wholly unable

London, April 20.—The Exchange Telegraph company says that better news was received from Buluwayo today by the secretary of state for the colonies, Joseph Chamberlain. The wagon train of provisions from the south is said to have succeeded in en-tering the beleaguered town and the reinforcements from Mafeking are re-

Chamberlain, says:
"The enemy are manoeuvering and constructing laagers to provide for re-

"A council of war has been held, and It has been decided that the local forces are too weak to make further attacks upon the Matabeles. The greatest anxiety is felt fro the quick arrival of re-inforcements from the south, which will be the only link with the outside world. as the natives now hold all the country except Buluwayo, Gwelo and Belingwa. The returns of casualties to the white population thus far show that six have been murdered and that 100 are miss-

The Daily News says that military authorities consider that the appointment of General Carrington, British commander at Gibraltar, who has been ordered to the Cape of Good Hope to take command of the British forces in Matabeleland, is a measure of precaution, and that it will probably be followed by the dispatch of more troops.

"The militant section of the Tories are in active revolt against the policy

upon the situation in South Africa, does not assume that it is Mr. Cham-beriain's policy, "but," it says, "if the government deliberately intends the subjugation of the Dutch race in South Africa in revenge for the defeat of Dr. Jameson, it is time that Englishmen were up and doing."

lent Kruger's original demand for an

AGAINST DUELLING.

Debate in the Reichstag is Arouse

April 20.-In the reichstag to

course. The law, he said, was applied The chanceller, he continued, had given earnest consideration to the question as to what measures were possible to ensure respect for the law, but he had not as yet arrived at any decision.

Go Into a Box Car to Destroy Beer and

Pierre, S. D., April 20 .- Attorney Gen-

Startling Discovery.

FAST OF A MICHIGAN HEN.

Without Food or Water. St. Johns, Mich., April 18.-Farme Keusch, near here, accidentally covered setting hen as he was filling his bar

ing county, but his "moonshine" mies had followed him from home, TURNED YELLOW AND DIED

Elwood, Ind., April 20.—Rene Waples of Frankton, is dead from cigarette

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Showers ; Cooler Weather

Tender of Reform for Cuba. Politics Warming Up. The National Congress.
Relief for the English at Buluwayo.

(Local)—Fisher Murder Trial. Arson Case Jury Still at Variance. Anniversary of R. R. Y. M. C. A.

Speeches. Meeting of Presbytery.

(Local)-Board of Trade Listens

(Story)-"The Cost of His Head." The Business World,

News of the Suburbs. Trial List for May Common Market and Stock Reports. News Up and Down the Valley.

YOUNG BRIDE REPENTED. aughter of a Missouri Millionaire Anx

ious for a Divorce. St. Joseph, Mo., April 20.-When there were rumors last September that Parks Hall, of this city, and Miss Leo-nora Hosea, the 13-year-old daughter of Millionaire William E. Hosea, had eloped and been married in Chicago, they were denied by the relatives of the girl and young Hall. The girl was takgirl and young Hall. The girl was taken to Europe and Hall resumed his work in his father's office. Today the girl sued her youthful husband for divorce, alleging that she had been induced to marry him by deception.

She says he represented to her that the secret marriage would be nothing more than an engagement and could be broken at any time. They were marbe broken at any time. They were mar-ried by a justice of the peace in Chi-cago when Miss Hosea was on her way to a boarding school in Washington. She has been in Paris and Berlin since

HAVE SEEN THE EVIL ONE. Watchers by an Infidel's Bedside Stricken and Sick Man Dies.

the marriage.

Winnipeg, Man., April 20.—The town of Qulappelle, near Winnipeg, is much excited over a remarkable incident, more so because all the persons con-nected therewith are quite prominent. An infidel at Qu'appelle was dying, and wo well-known men of that place were sitting at his bedside.
Suddenly those in the adjoining room

sensible and the patient dead. men have never since been able to speak of what they saw and cannot re-fer to the matter. One of them is not expected to live. It is believed that they saw the evil one. GOOD OMEN FOR CARLISLES.

heard a loud cry, and, rushing into the sick room, found the two watchers in-

White Carrier Pigeon Flies Into the Sec retary's Home Washington, April 20.—Mrs. Carlisle believes in omens, and from an unusual occurrence at her home a few days ago is led to hope that this is going to be a good year for the Carlisle family. tanding at a window in he house, on K street, when in flew a car-rier pigeon with a gold band on one of its feet. The white-winged messenger has made itself quite at home and is

of its owner can be found. SHE LOANED HER COFFIN.

Michigan Woman Says the One Givon in

Return Does Not Fit. St. Ignace, Mich., April 20.—An old couple near this city provided themselves with coffins. The old man died and was bureld in his, but, the widow let a neighbor have hers to bury a relative on condition that a coffin equally good would be given in re-

turn.
The old lady would not accept the one recently proffered because when she got into it the coffin lid hit her nose, and a lawsuit is threatened.

BLIZZARD IN NEBRASKA.

Fearful Storms Are Raging Throughout the Entire State. Chadron, Neb., April 20 .- A

blizzard has been raging here all day. Three inches of snow has fallen and it s still snowing. This morning a heavy shower of hail. accompanied by thunder, was followed by a sterm that piled the snow in huge drifts. Railway traffic is impeded and reports from stations along the line of the Eikhorn are that the snowstorm is

general throughout Nebraska. THE ANGELIERS ESCAPE.

District Attorney Thinks That a Conviction for Murder Cannot be Secured. Baltimore, April 20.-Mrs. Mattle V and Frank Angeller are now wholly relieved of the criminal charge of having murdered the Massachusetts sales-man, Charles F. Parker, on Jan. 11. States Attorney Duffy today "stet-ted" the case against the accused, stating that in view of the result of the recent mis-trial, when the jury stood 11 to 1 for acquittal, he did not believe he

ould secure a conviction. KILLED BY HIS OWN GUN.

Robert Clay in a Fight Pulls a Revolver and Receives Its Contents. Harrisburg, Pa., April 20.—Robert Clay, colored was shot and instantly killed at Steelton today by Sheridan Crumway, another colored man, who was accused by Clay with trifling with his wife's affections. Clay pulled a re-

volver, and in the scrimmage was himself shot and killed. Crumway bears a good reputation. He is in custody.

HANGED BY MOONSHINERS.

Suspected Revenue Spy Strung Up by Tennessee Avengers. Chattanooga, Tenn., April 20.—Star-ling Savage was taken from his bed at Irving college, seven miles from Mc-Minnville, early this morning by a mob of masked men and hanged to a tree. He was suspected of being a "spot-ter" for United States revenue officers. He was a resident of White, an adjoin-

Steamship Arrivals. New York, April 20.—Arrival:
New York, April 20.—Arrived: Thingvalla, from Copenhagen; Mobile, from London. Arrived out: Kalser Wilhelm, at Gibraltar and proceeded for Naples; Aller, at Southampton (en route from Bremen for New York): Furnessia, at Glassow: Venetia, at Copenhagen, Bailed for New York: Southwork, from Antwerp, April 18. Sighted—H. H. Meier, from Bremen for New York, passed Scilly, April 19; Braunschweig, from Naples for New York, passed Gibraltar, April 19.

Ciarion's Convention Clerion, Pa., April 20.—The Clarion coun-y Republican convention today endorsed ongressman Arnold for renomination and lenator Quay for the presidency.

NO PROGRESS IN

Another Day is Passed in Idle Argu-

ment. THE INDIAN BILL PENDING

On April 29 Congress Will Be Offered Piece of Statuary-Other News from the National Lawmakers.

Washington. April 20.—No actual progress in the work of legislation was made in the senate today. The resolution for an investigation into recent bond issues came to the surface on two or three occasions, but Senator Hill (Dem., N. Y.) was not inclined to yield an inch of the right of the senate to a full debate on the resolution, or to indicate any time when a vote might be reached; and on the other hand the chairman and members of the committee on appropriations insisted on the importance of cetting along with the importance of getting along with the great appropriation bills. Finally Mr. Peffer (Pop., Kas.) author of the bond resolution, consented reluctantly to have that resolution laid aside temporarily until the appropriation bills now before the senate are disposed of. It is still the unfinished business, however, and as such will be entitled to formal

and as such will be entitled to formal presentation to the senate at 2 o'clock every day.

The Indian appropriation bill was under consideration the whole day, but did not advance a single step. The propositions on the subject of the Indian schools were passed over informally on account of the absence of Mr. Carter (Rep., Mont.) who had offered an amendment to strike out the house provisions on that subject, and then the senate get into a tangle on an the senate get into a tangle on an amendment reported by the committee amendment reported by the committee on appropriations for the payment of the fees of some fifteen attorneys for legal services characterized as "lobby-ing"—rendered to the "old settlers or western Cherokees." There was a good deal of a controversy on this subject, in which Mr. Chandler (Rep., N. H.-took a leading part. The matter had not been brought to an issue when the bill was laid aside for the day. bill was laid aside for the day.

Notice was given by Mr. Vilas (Dem., Wis.) that on Wednesday, April 29, he would present to the senate a communication from the governor of Wis-

consin offering to congress the statue of "James" Marquette. HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

After passing a few private bills the house spent the remainder of the ses-sion today in the consideration of the general deficiency bill—the last of the general appropriation bills. A pro-longed debate was occasioned by the paragraph appropriating \$50,000 to sup-ply a deficiency in the collection of the customs revenues. The action of the customs revenues. The action of the secretary of the treasury in increasing the customs force at New York was criticised by Mr. Hepburn (Rep., Ia.) This increase was due, according to Mr. Dingley (Rep., Me.), to the change from specific to ad valorem duties made by the Wilson-Gorman act. A general comparison of the tariff aws of 1890 and 1894 both as to the revenue proand 1894, both as to the revenue produced by them and the cost of collect-ing the same, and a comparison of the appropriations for the past congress

made a lively debate which lasted nearly three hours. The committee concluded considera-tion of the bill without material amendment, and it was passed by the house. FOR PURE BEER.

Mr. Cooper (Rep., Wis.) introduced in the house today a bill to impose a in the house today a bill to impose a tax upon and to regulate the manufacture, sale, importation and exportation of adulterated beer.

Pure beer is defined by the measure as that made from "pure hops and mait." In addition to present taxes the manufacturers of adulterated beer are to pay a tax of \$2,500 per annum; wholesale dealers in the article \$1,000. wholesale dealers in the article \$1,000 per year, and retail dealers \$250 per annum. Those dealing in adulterated beer who do not comply with the above requirements are made liable to fine and imprisonment. Makers of adulterated beer are required to brand their product as such, and persons who sell the article are required to have printed notices in their places of business stat-ing that "Adulterated beer is sold

The measure is drawn on lines simi-lar to the oleomargarine law and the 'filled cheese" bill. THE MAYBRICK CASE. Mr. Call presented to the senate this afternnon petition signed by L. D. Yarrell and A. H. Garland, attorneys

for Mrs. Maybrick, addressed to the president of the United States, urging this government to intervene in behalf of Mrs. Maybrick. The petition is ac companied by a great number of print ed comments and letters from indi iduals interested in the case.

OLYPHANT DISASTER.

Saturday's Fatality to be Investigated by • the Coroner Today.

Coroner Longstreet, who had been reuested by Mine Inspector Roderick to investigate Saturday's Olyphant fatality, in which four men were killed went to Olyphant yesterday afternoon It was found that the important wit esses were at work in the Eddy Creel mine, where the disaster occurred, and that their presence could not be secured for several hours; consequently, after impanelling a jury, the inquest was postponed until 10 o'clock this morning

at Olyphant.
In mine fatalities a coroner has jurisdiction unless authorized by the mine Inspector. Mine Inspector Roder-ick himself investigated the case Saturday, but concluded it was a matter which more properly belonged to the coroner, who was asked on Saturday night to give it his attention. This acounts for the seeming delay.
In Olyphant there does not seem to be any general opinion as to the re sponsibility for the accident. Apparently the cause of the immense fall of roof is wholly unexplainable.

CRAWFORD PRIMARIES. Quay and McKinley Forces About Evenly

Balanced. Meadville, Pa., April 20.—The Repub-lican return judges of Crawford county met here this afternoon to canvass the vote at Saturday's primaries. The official vote for national delegates is as

ed any resolutions as their forces wer too evenly balanced. Cyclone in Ohio. Cyclone in Ohio.

Fremont, O., April 29.—The rural part of Sandusky county was stricken by a cyclone this afternoon which left death and destruction in its wake. The dead and injured so far as known are; W. L. Greene, farmer, crushed out of shape; James Greene, his son, mangled and dead; Mrs. Jar Greene, his wife, injured, may die

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15 pairs, 31/2 yards long, \$1.88.

12 pairs, 31/2 yards long,

36 pairs Irish Point Curtains, 3 1-2 yards long, at \$4.00, \$4.95, \$5.85, \$7.75.

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