

TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., MONDAY MORNING, MAY 24, 1897.

lined as follows:

TWO CENTS

WINTERSTEEN-**KNORR CASE** The Jury Will Probably Attempt to Solve the

Mystery This Week.

A STRANGE CONFESSION

An Alleged Appalling Plot to Commit Murder.

Diphtheria Germs, Poison and Dynamite Successfully Employed -- Confession and Indictment--As State's Evidence Bloomsburg's Cultivated Dare-Devil Swears He for Lawyer Wintersteen. Acted Tried to Kill His Stepmother. Then Tried Dynamite on Wallers.

Bloomsburg, May 23 .- The Knorr-Wintersteen case which has attracted so much attention on account of the prominence of persons connected with the case is expected to come up for trial today. The case is one of the most curious on record.

On Sept. 10, 1896, an attempt was made to blow up the residence of ex-Corgressman Levi E. Waller, Explosives were detonated under the Waller porch, which was shattered and the report was heard miles away. Clifton Knorr, who was arrested on charge of having committed the deed, made a confession in which he implicated Attorney Lloyd S. Wintersteen. Knorr made later statements in which he admits having made two diabolical at-tempts to take the life of his steppicions were aroused. She never semother, and another effort to put Waller out of the way.

In the intention of committing all these dastardly crimes he claims to have been but a tool in the hands of Wintersteen, and the magnitude of the charges thus preferred is simply enormous. The first inkling of the matter leaked out last February; but the county authorities and the counselors employed by Mr. Waller in the dynamite case had been in full possession of the facts for some time, and their investigations seemed to bear out the truth of what Knorr had told them. Knorr charges that while acting un-

der the directions of the attorney, he not only put the explosive under Waller's porch, but had been previously gunning for the occupant of the house with a revolver. Far more repulsive and sensational than this, however, were his self-confessed attempts to put his own step mother, Mrs. Knorr, out of the way by the introduction of poison in her tea, and by placing diphtheria germs about her clothing.

the germs was, of course, not stated, THREE PERSONS and upon forwarding the money to pay for it the package containing the bacilli was shipped. It arrived in due time, but Clifton had discovered in the meantime that the contents would not be used as was first intended. It Fatal Conflagation on Twenty-third would be necessary to inoculate Mrs Street, New York City. Knorr in order to make her contract diphtheria, and to do that without her knowledge would be an impossibility. LIST OF THE DEAD AND INJURED COULD ONLY SPREAD THE GERMS The original plan had to be aban-Building Occupied for Both Busidoned, but the germs were nevertheless spread around the house and all ness and Dwelling in Flames. over Mrs. Knorr's clothing by her step-Wild Panic Among the Tenants. son. As had been expected they did

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not take effect. A Woman's Terrible Fall--Fate of That part of Knorr's confession which relates to his efforts to poison Mother and Child. his step-mother is substantiated by New York, May 23 .--- Two persons were Dora Moharter, the servant girl, who killed and three seriously injured in a has been in the employ of the Knorr fire which started shortly after four family for nine years, and who is now in Bloomsburg awaiting call as a wito'clock this morning in the four story and basement brown stone building at ness at the dynamite plot trial, in 149 west Twenty-third street. Several case it should proceed. She will swear persons narrowly escaped death. The in December, 1895, she discovered in Mrs. Knorr's cup, before pouring the dead are: tea into it at supper, a white powder, MRS, KATHERINE MOSSWAY, 82 years; which she threw out without examindied at the hospital from soffocation and burns: BEATRICE MOSSWAY, 4 years old;

ing it closely. On the following morning, while in the kitchen, the door leading to the dining room being open on a crack, she saw Clifton enter and empty a white powder into the same cup. It was Mrs. Knorr's individual cup, never used by anybody else. When he left the room she emptied the powder out on the floor, but, hearing footsteps, and thinking some one was coming, she

and it was only when Detective Hend

A CIRCUMSTANTIAL CHAIN.

diphtheria germs, as well as the use of

oison, and the purchase of a revolver

under Wintersteen's directions.

few days before:

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hastily wiped it up with a scrub cloth. HIS OWN ADMISSION.

business and dwelling purposes. the basement is an all night eating Dora said nothing about it to Clifton house. The Weser Piano company ocat the time, and the next day Clifton cupy the first floor, and the upper part went to New York. When he returned, of the building is a furnished room three or four days later, Dora asked establishment, conducted by Mrs. Minhim what he had put in his mother's nie Curtis. cup. He at first denied having put Before the firemen reached the scene anything there. Upon learning that he the entire building was filled with had seen him, however, he admitted

in her room.

flames. The hallways from the first having put some sort of a powder in floor to the roof were in flames, and his step-mother's cup, "to settle her escape by the front door was cut off. stomach." Mrs. Knorr really had been Panic seized the inmates of the house. sick, and had said to the girl, but a While a tenant named Lamont was crawling along the narrow sill to reach "Dora, I honestly believe I am poisthe adjoining house, the body of a wo-The girl did not believe her at the man struck a large sign which hung on the outside of the building and to time, but after Clifton's act her suswhich he clung for support. The sign

daughter of the former; suffocated

The injured are: MRS. MARY C., or CARRIE BOWLES, boarding-house keeper at 23 Hollis street, Boston; slightly hurt by jump-

MISS MAC DONALD, slightly burned on

The building was occupied for both

F. S. PHELPS, slightly burned on face.

ing from a window on the third floor

was torn from its fastenings and fell cured any further admissions from him, with a crash to the street. The woman was Mrs. Bowles, who roomed on erson ferreted out the case that he confessed to the authorities, and asthe third floor and had precipitated serted that the whole thing was done herself to the street below when she found that egress from the house by way of the stairs was checked by the flames. She was picked up and taken The confession in regard to efforts to to a hospital. Lamont did not fall to kill Mrs. Knorr by the introduction of

the street. Several other tenants had escaped in the same way. WILD PANIC.

sleeping with her little daughter when

men searched the house they found the

Mr.

for the purpose of killing Levi E. Wal-ler, is substantlated by many circum-On the top floor the wildest sort of stances, the details concerning which panic had seized the tenants, among whom were Mrs. Mossway and her have been withheld by the authorities. daughter. Most of the tenants, in-Knorr's confession fixes many dates, cluding Miss MacDonald, and the accuracy of which has been established by the investigations of Detec-Phelps had escaped to the roof. Mrs. Mossway, who lost her life rson and the able attorn

ARE CREMATED He took the evening train at Boston for Lowell, Mass. At Lowell be bought a bicycle and a suit, which he is wear ing now. He paid \$65 for the outfit-\$50 for the bloycle and \$15 for the suit. From Lowell he rode to Hampton, N. H., on the wheel, and, taking the train

from the time he left Boston. Little

by little, however, his course was out-

STRANGE TALE OF

follows:

country.

and

Atlantic City, Is Re-Arrested.

there, went to Portland. From Port-HIS land he went on his wheel to Yarmouth, where he left the wheel in the station and went on to Lewiston. He

stayed in Lewiston all day Thursday and stopped at the Steton house, in Auburn, over night, starting on the 9.50 a. m. train for Farmington. 140 went direct to Rangeley the same night by the Sandy River road. He had no idea where to go, and he simply moved from place to place as the inclination seized him.

The money found on King was sent to the Boylston bank by express this afternoon.

FURNACE GAVE WAY.

Thirty Men Are Buried at Mark Hanna's Mills--List of the lajured.

New Castle, Pa., May 22 .- The big Rosena furnace in this city, owned by Senator Mark Hanna and ex-Senator Cameron, let go this morning and a great volume of iron dre and coal came crashing through the roof of the casting house, burying thirty men un-der the debris. Manager Reis was taken out with the skin hanging in shreds from his hands and arms, and his legs terribly burned and bruised. The others injured are: Samuel Moody, burned and bruised;

Mike Petri, head cut in half dozen places and burns about the hands and on a train bound for Berlin with sufficient money to carry her to London, arms; William Hanna, head cut, arms almost severed by falling sheet iron; where he agreed to meet her. Couplin secured a horse to make his escape Joseph Love, head a mass of cuts, lavinto Germany through the less-freing the skull bare in three places. Frank Sheard, head badly cut, legs quented highways.

badly bruised, back burned and arms terribly burned. His injuries may result in death. Half a dozen other men were also more or less injured but the spair and deliver himself into the hands above are the worst cases.

of the officers whom he believed were About twenty minutes after the accipursuing him. His fears had little dent at the Rosena furnace, a cave-in foundation, however, as his crime and occurred at the big seventy-foot cut of flight were not discovered for several the New Castle Traction company, that is engaged in making a track to the days, when the ponderous police sysnew Cascade park. Michael Curdy was tem of the czar was set at work to track the fugitive. His passage across buried under seventy-five feet of sand, gravel, clay and rocks and was dead Germany was easy for him, disguised when taken out. Peter Herinsky was in the garb of a laborer, and emigrant, and he passed successfully the spying eyes of the German police. terribly crushed about the shoulders and hips while his chest was crushed.

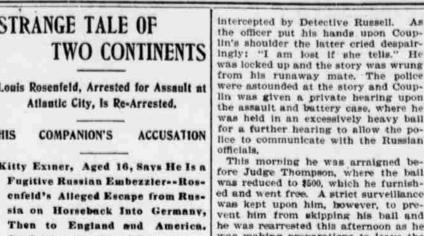
FLIGHT FROM ENGLAND, MILES ORDERED TO LONDON. Reaching London he sought his mother, who is believed to have carried the

Represent the Army at Queen bulk of the money, and taking from her Victoria's Jubilee.

Washington, May 23 .- By direction of the president, Secretary Alger sent a cable message to Major General Miles, comanding the army, instructing

him to arrange his affairs so as to en-

tary headquarters in time to enable



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was making preparations to leave the Confession on a Sound Steamer. city. His lawyer, John C. Reed, of this city, is making every effort to secure Couplin's release, and hopes to obtain Philadelphia, May 23.-An Atlantic City special to the Press gives an ina writ of habeas corpus in time to free his client before instructions arrive teresting story of two continents as

from St. Petersburg. His grounds for Louis Rosenfeld, alias Louis Couplin, the application will be based upon the fact that it is an international case. Chief of Police Eldridge, of this city was re-arrested by the police today and thereby hangs a tale of elopement abscondment which covers the s in communication with the Baron space between Russian Poland and this Schlippenbach, acting consul general of Russia at New York city, and ex-To commence at the beginning of the pects every moment the receipt of a story told to the police by his comdespatch from the consul general re questing him to hold Couplin. The panion, Couplin is a young man of medium height, 27 years old, and, like consul general has wired his home office for instructions. When Couplin a majority of his countrymen, very was searched at police headquarter dark. Although a native of Russia, he letters and papers were found upon was raised in England and speaks sevhim which the police say fully corroeral languages fluently. With his wife and child he lived in Berctitchia, Rusborate the strange story. He was very free with his money, and since his ar sia, where he was employed as a clerk. Through some means at present unrival here has been cutting a great

known here he secured possession of dush. Among other things found upon him was a certificate of deposit show a draft equivalent to \$30,000, drawn in favor of his employer. The temptaing that he had 33000 in the local depos tion proved too strong for his cupidit company vault, a bank book show ing a balance of \$1100 in the Second ity, and he succeeded in securing gold for the paper. Placing his old mother National bank of this city and notes of the Bank of England amounting to £520. It is believed that he has large deposits in Boston, New York and New London, principally in the latter city, but he refuses to reveal the locality. He is very much in fear of being tak-

en back to Russia, and his attorney His trip across the boundaries was has spared no expense which will ulti-mately effect his release from custody. beset with all the dangers of a rigorous Russian winter. Several times he was about to give up ans flight in de-

NEEDY AMERICANS.

General Lee Estimates That 1200 Citizens of the United States Are Starving in Cuba.

Washington, May 20 .- Secretary Sherman has received a despatch from Consul General Lee, stating that the number of Americans who are starving to death in Cuba because of General Weyler's orders confining non-combatants to fortified cities will number at least 1,200. In his former despatch, placing the

the Russian gold, had it changed into Bank of England notes. number at \$00, General Lee had not re-As soon as his theft was detected ceived returns from all consular disthe police in Russia arrested his father, tricts of Cuba, so that the number was wife and child, and still have them in rtaily an estmate custody, trying to wring from them the

TAKE UP TARIFF Senator Aldrich Will Call Up the Bill, and Make a Supporting Speech.

SENATE WILL

REPUBLICAN SENTIMENT

Is Adverse to Long Speeches on the Schedules.

Silver Republicans and Populists Will Seek an Opportunity During the Pendency of the Bill--Senator Pettigrew's Amendment Against Trusts Is Certain to Prove Fruitful of Much General Debate--Senator Aldrich's Statement Is Awaited with Interest -- Republican Leaders Will Block the Morgan Resolution in the House.

Washington, May 23 .- On Tuesday text, ten weeks and a day after the beginning of the present session, the senate will take up the tariff bill for the passage, of which this session was especially called. The bill will be called up on Monday, but the death of Senator Earle, of South Carolina will render necessary an adjournment for a day. Senator Aldrich will call up the bill, move its consideration and make a speech in its support. The Democratic amendment striking out the internal revenue features of the bill will be introduced by Senator Vest. After this, course of proceedure is somewhat indefinite. The Democrats are not clear as to whether they will permit the immediate taking up of the schedules or will demand an opportunity to make set speeches bearing upon the general policy of the bill. The prevailing opinion among the Demooratic leaders is against the policy of general speeches at the beginning of the discussion, but they will not attempt to restrain individual senators who may wish to be heard. There are some Democratic senators who are disposed to discuss the general features of the bill, and who incline to the opinion that the best time for such speeches will be while the debate on the bill is young. Senator Vest does not expect to make a speech in presenting the motion to strike out the revenue features, but the motion may lead to immediate debate and in case exception is taken to it, the Missouri senator will be heard from. The silver Republicans and Populists will seek opportunity during the pendency of the bill to present some remarks of a political nature and some of them may be heard during the week.

THE DYNAMITE PLOT.

The details of the dynamite plot have already been well aired, and it is unnecessary to go into them at any great length. After Knorr's arrest in Reading on Christmas day he turned state's evidence, and created a profound sensation by alleging that Wintersteen, a well known members of the Columbia county bar, a president of two or three industrial concerns and a leading citlzen of Blomsburg, was the prime factor in the attempt upon the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Waller and the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Buckalew, who formed a part of the Waller household. Wintersteen, he said, had offered him \$5,000 or \$6,000 to place the dynamite beneath the porch and blow up the house.

BOTH INDICTED.

It was.on the basis of this confession that both Knorr and Wintersteen were. February 1, indicted by the grand jury under seven separate bills, charging them with several forms of attempts to kill. It is in his latter confession, the substance of which is made public for the first time today, that Clifton Knorr charges Lawyer Wintersteen with complicity in other atrocious attempts upon the life of Waller and of Mrs. Knorr.

In November, 1895, according to the written statement now in possession of Irondale Furnace company, an anthe prosecuting attorney, Wintersteen first broached the subject of disposing of Mr. Waller. He gave Knorr \$10 and told him to go to a neighboring town, where he was to purchase a re volver. Then he was to return to Bloomsburg, lie in wait for Waller, and did not prosper, for other concerns with shoot him as he passed from his house to his office, about four squares away, Clifton says he took the money, purchased the weapon, and followed out the directions to the letter until he discovered that his victim was out of town.

The confession then goes on to state that the next attempt was upon the life of Mrs. Knorr, in December of 1895, when Clifton, at the instigation of Wintersteen, purchased a certain poison for the purpose of putting his | tagonists. Some time ago he sued the step-mother out of the way. He was at that time living at her home, No. 16 East Fifth street, directly opposite the Waller residence.

On two occasions he put into her teacup a sufficient quantity of the drug to the decision was appealed from, and kille her, but each time it was removed by the servant girl, Dora Moharter who found it before the cup was used. and threw it away.

DIPHTHERIA SUGGESTED.

Upon the failure of this plot, Clifton, according to his confession, reported to Wintersteen, and in January, 1896, the later suggested sending to New York for deadly diphtheria germs. which were to be introduced around the house in such a manner that Mrs. Knorr could not fail to contract the disease.

Knorr says that Wintersteen gave him the money and directions, whereupon he sent a letter to a party in York, whose name is withheld for the present, ordering what he want-

The real use he expected to make of | 000,000 tons and comprise 215,000 acres.

employed by Mr. Waller. They know she was aroused by the smoke. She ran into the hall and gave the alarm, where the poison was purchased, and what it was; they have in their possesand then went back after her daughter. sion the revolver bought by Knorr, and it has been identified by the man who When she started to return the smoke sold it; they know where the diphtheria and flames drove her again to her room. She attempted to open the wingerms were secured, and have the correspondence in relation to the matter dow, but it did not yield readily, and as a portion of the evidence. Many she broke the glass with her hands. The window would not open, and even other important papers bearing on the case will be produced at the trial, and if it had there would have been little the counsel for the prosecution claim

dislike for Waller had its origin in a

social feud, and was afterwards ac-

Curiously enough, Waller and Winter.

steen now have law offices in the same

building, directly opposite to each other

fore his death Samuel Knorr, Winter-

combined with Wintersteen in the pur-

chase of a controlling interest in the

tiquated and played-out plant. In 1889

NEEDED TO RECOUP.

The Irondale company, which had be

come the Bloomsburg Iron company,

modern equipment were active compet-

itors. Since then Wintersteen had ac-

of his interest in the company. A board

Steamship Arrivals.

Washington, May 22 .- Walter Kennedy

of Pittsburg, has taken charge of the

making good steel rails, thirty feet in length at the rate of 120 per day. United

States Consul Child, who reports the fact

officials are well pleased at the skill Ken-

nedy has shown in getting their plant in

Big Coal Field Located.

ne of the largest coal fields in the

to the state department, says the Chin

linese iron works at Han Yang, and is

the case still hangs fire.

order.

the elder Knorr died.

steen's law partner and Clifton's father,

in the same hallway. A few years be-

centuated by other circumstances

chance for her, as it is protected on the to be able to establish with ease their outside by iron bars. When the firestatement that Lawyer Wintersteen was the principal, at whose instigation little girl dead in bed, the mother ly-Knorr attempted to execute these plots. ing on the floor, blistered by the heat and almost dead from suffocation. She WINTERSTEEN'S MOTIVE.

was removed to a hospital, where she The motive for Wintersteen's alleged died three hours later. desire to get rid of Waller and Mrs. Late in the afternoon Mrs. Bowles Knorr, as explained by the counsel for ecovered consciousness at the hospitthe prosecution, has already been set al, but no hopes are entertained of her forth in considerable detail. It dates ultimate recovery. She arrived in the back further than Waller's interference city three days ago from Boston on a with Wintersteen's plans to secure conshopping tour. She is about 25 years trol of the stock of the Bloomsburg of age. The origin of the fire is not Iron company. However, Wintersteen known, but it is believed that a belated is said to have led a rather dissolute tenant lit a match in the hallway to life at times. He married Ada Brower, see his way and carelessly tossed the the daughter of a man of good standstill-burning match away. The fire ing throughout the community, who started at the foot of the stairs, and had moved in the same social circles the light well acted as a flue to carry as did Mr. and Mrs. Waller, the flames to the roof instantly. The The primary motive of Wintersteen's

STRIKING TAILORS.

Total Number of Laborers Idie Is Es timated at 21,000. New York, May 23.-No meetings

ere held at the headquarters of the striking tailors today, and quiet prevailed there. Strike Leader Schoenfeld said that the executive board of the tailors had held a meeting and had decided to give permission from tomorrow on to strikers to make settlements with the manufacturers. In all the

cases the agreements signed must provide for only 59 hours of work weekly, the manufacturers must guarantee the pay of the employes, who must be paid weekly, an increase of fifteen per cent. ver last year's scale must be granted. He said that one manufacturer who

quired two-thirds of his former partner's share of the stock, and after his employed 250 persons would re-open his effort to secure Mrs. Knorr's share the hop on Tuesday under that agreement, bill in equity charging him with misand that several others had promised to management was filed by the widow. accede to the demands of the strikers His old dislike for Waller was in and would also open their shops Tuestensified when the latter represented The Lithuanian Tailors union, day. Mrs. Knorr in the legal proceedings, numbering about 1200 will strike tomorand this is asserted to be his motive to row. That will make the total number get rid of one or the other of his an f strikers about 21,000. Several shops attempted to start to

widow to recover certain moneys, day, but the workmen did not appear. which he claimed to have advanced to her deceased husband in the purchase BOYLSTON BANK THIEF CAUGHT.

He Had Been Wandering Aimlessly

of arbitrators awarded him \$20,000, but with the \$30,000 He Stole. Farmington, Me., May 23 .- Albert M

King, the Boston bank messenger, wh

disappeared on Wednesday with \$30,000 of the Boylston bank's money, was arrested here just before noon yesterday King reached here at 11.15 o'clock When searched at the jail all the money which was missing from the bank was found in packages in his pockets. The money was immediately taken to the First National bank and deposited for safe keeping. The arrest was made by

Washington, May 23 .- The discovery of formed by a telegram from Rangeley that a person resembling King was on is reported to the state department by the the train. The amount of money found United States Consul at Carthagena, Co-lombia. The fields are in the department in his pockets was \$30,940.50. of Bolivar in Colombia. The coal is semianthracite and anthracite and is good steam coal. The fields contain about 300,-

structions, As has been said already, the United States navy will be represented at the queen's jubilee by Admiral Miller on the armored cruiser Brooklyn, HOLD-UP THAT FAILED. Two Men Attempt to Rob a Man at the Door of Chicago's Sub-Treasury. Chicago, Ill., May 23 .- Two robbers made a desperate attempt yesterday morning to hold up a man in the entrance to the sub-treasury. Patrick Broderick, carrying \$170 in damage was about \$2,000. silver, had ascended to the second floor of the building in which the sub-treasury is located, when the men, who had been waiting there, held revolvers to his head and reached for the valise containing the money. He resisted, and in the fight to retain the money, was severely beaten. Detectives and police were hurriedly summoned to the building, and for a time it was believed the sub-treasury had been attacked. One of the men was arrested. He gives his name as W. H. Russell.

THREE PERSONS DROWNED. Attempt to Cross Creek on a Log Ends Fataliy.

Clarksburg, W. Va., May 23 .- Abe Donaldson, Mrs. Shreves and Miss Martin were drowned in Beaver creek. Nicholas county, while attempting to cross on a log.

The bodies were recovered in Gauley river.

Suicide of Cigarette Find.

Camden, N. J., May 23.-William R. Rose, the 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mis. William Ross, of Stockton, this county, com-mitted suicide today by hanging himself. The boy was in good spirits when his par-ents started to church. On their return they found him hanging lifeless. He was addicted to the use of cigarettes, for which he was childed by his father. It is believed that he could not break off the habit and in despair took his life.

Against Sunday Labor.

Cleveland, May 23 .- It is announced that John D. Rockafeller has issued an edict against Sunday labor by the men em-ployed on his ore docks on the upper and lower lakes. While the men are expected to respond to calls to load or unload yea-sels at any hour of the day or night, they will not be asked to work betwee night Saturday and midnight Sunday.

Hope for Gordy.

Georgetown, Del., May 23 .- A sensation was created her today when it became ru-mored that Lawyer Cullen, the chief at-torney for the defense in the Gordy case, In his pockets was \$30,940.50. King answered all questions as brief-ly as possible, and it was only by per-sistent questioning that anything was learned concerning his movement. learned concerning his movements il. The case is to be investigated.

whereabouts of the exile. He learned able him to be in London not later than June 15, to represent the United States in England that he was being success fully tracked, and one day, taking all army at the ceremonies in honor of the sixtleth anniversary of Queen Victothe available money he could lay his hands upon quickly, he took passage ria's accession to the British throne. General Miles went to the Levant to for this country. His departure was so make personal observations of the conhastily arranged that he neglected to dition and operations of the armies of make provision for his mother's main-Turkey and Greece, and it is undertenance, and she is now said to be living in destitute circumstances in the stood at the war department that he English capital. started from Constantinople this morning to join the Turkish army near the

He arrived in New York about the middle of March, and there he had ansouthern border of Thessaly. It is expected that he will be able to complete other large amount of Russian gold exhis researches at the respective milichanged for United States money. Having relatives in Boston with whom him to comply with his amended inhe believed he would be safe, he immediately went there and met for the first time, his cousin, Kitty Exiner, a very pretty, buxom 16-year-old girl, Forgetting the wife and child who are suffering in a Russian jail for his misdeeds, he fell in love with Kitty, and through promises and bribes, persuaded her to leave home and go with him, promising to marry her as soon as he could obtain a divorce from his wife.

At that time, none of his American relatives knew of the reasons for his departure from Russia, and the story of his wrong-doing and flight were only obtained from him through fright,

HIS SECRET CONFESSED.

Unknown to the parents of the young roman, they took the Fall Riven line for New York city, and it was on that trip that Couplin first betrayed himself. While the couple were sitting on the deck of the steamer together, another passenger gazed at them very intently, and Couplin, who saw him, believed his scrutinizer to be a Russian official, Turning from the supposed officer's gaze he became deadly pale and almost dropped from his chair. The young girl was alarmed, and divining that all was not right, insisted upon learning the cause of his nervousness. Couplin could not be quieted and finally under promise of secrecy, told his companion

the facts stated above. He impressed upon her the necessity of protecting him. He said if she did so he would make her rich. In New York, by way of securing her silence,

he bought her diamond earrings, a watch, a ring and expensive clothes. They lived in that city as man and wife for several days, when the young woman determined to visit her sister in this city. The latter is the wife of an estimable citizen, and when the runaway couple reached here she took her wayward sister from the influence of Couplin, and has kept her ever since. Couplin was admitted into the sister's family, but to all intents and purposes the pair were merely friends. In a short time Couplin became in sanely jealous of his inamorata, and they had several quarrels. The last one occurred on Thursday, when he beat her violently. She rushed from the house and went to the Second National bank, where she attempted to have a check which he had given her cashed. He followed and instructed the cashier not to honor the check Words followed between the couple and the cashier asked who the young lady was. Couplin replied: "I do not know her: she is a comman woman I met on the street last night." Unwise words, which brought about the canture of the Russian.

Stung by the insult the girl slapped him in the face and hurried to police headquarters, where she made a com plaint of assault and battery against hlm. Couplin attempted to dissuade her from her purpose and failing rushed for an outbound train, where he was

ceived a return from the consul at Sague, stating that there are at least 450 Americans in that district who will require relief. From Mantanzas he received a report stating that there were at least 250 starving in the district.

BURGLARIES DOWN THE VALLEY. **Two Places Entered and Booty Se-**

cured During Saturday Night. Special to the Scranton Tribune

Pittston, May 23 .- A gang of burglars are in operation in this part of the ing Saturday night or some time this morning. The house of Mrs. M. Smith, widow of Burgess Smith, on Wyoming avenue, Wyoming, was entered and a quantity of silverware taken. The burglars pried open a front door, which is in full glare of an electric light on Mrs. Smith at 8 o'clock this morning. No clue to the miscreants has been secured. The other burglary was at Leipson's

awn shop on Main street, Pittston. Entrance was affected by way of a back door. Watches, cutlery, etc., was taken. This is the third robbery at the place.

Baptists at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 23.-Secretaries of the American Baptist Missionary Union society, respectively announce tonight that \$205,000 have been secured in cash and pledges for the payment of the debts of those societies, leaving \$31,000 yet to be secured. The result of the societies' ap-peal to churches and individuals for an immediate and final rally to raise the remainder before June 15, anticipating the condition of the offer of John D. Rockefeller of \$250,000, to meet the balance of the debt. The latest contribution received came today by telegraphic order. It was \$1,000 raised by the Second Baptist church of St. Louis,

Riots in Hungary.

Agram, Hungary, May 23.-The election or the Crotian and Slavonian provincial diet took place today. Serious disturb-ances occurred in several towns. As Bosnyaczi there was a terrible riot. The military were ordered to fire upon the crowd, with the result that fourteen were killed and thirty wounded,

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today Showers and Thunder Storms,

- 1 (General)-Alleged Appalling Plot to Commit Murder. Congressional Forecast.
- Story of An Alleged Russian Embez-
- Fatal Conflagration in New York, (Sport)-Saturday and Sunday Base Ball Games.
- Bicycle Riders and Brutes,
- Week. Amateur Base Ball.

Editorial.

- Senator Foraker's Tariff Views,
- 5 (Story)-"The Secret of Buddha." 6 (Local)-Veterans Listen to Memorial
- Sermone Miss Parloa's Domestic Economy Leo-
- tures.
- 7 (Local)-Knights Templars Leave for Easton Men Who Would Like to Be "Coppers."
- 8 (Local)-West Side and City Suburban,
- 9 Lackawanna County News, 10 Neighboring County Gatherings,
- Financial and Commercial.

SENTIMENT AMONG REPUBLI-CANS.

general sentiment among The straight Republicans is adverse to the inauguration of any general discussion valley. Two entrances were made dur- of the bill or to long speeches on the schedules, but no party policy has yet been decided upon. A caucus has been called for this purpose to be held Monday afternoon. There will immediately e strong opposition to some of the schedules on the part of Republican senators, and amendments will be firmthe corner. The loss was discovered by ly pressed. Some of these amendments will be offered to the chemical schedule, the first of the list and they probably will be geached during the present veek. Other features of the bill which the Republican senators will attack are those affecting the sugar and wool dutles and taking hides from the free list. Senator Pettigrew's amendment against trusts is also certain to prove fruitful of much general debate when

reached. In reply to a question Mr. Aldrich who will have charge of the bill in behalf of the Republican side of the senate, raid today that when the bill was once taken up, he would press consideration to the exclusion of all other business except conference reports, until it should be finally disposed of. The conference report on the sundry civil appropriation bill probably will be considered some time during the week. The conference committee has practically agreed upon compromise on the forestry reservation provision, which they hope will prove satisfactory to all parties, but whether it will or not can only be determined when the report is presented to congress.

NOTES OF THE HOUSE.

The Morgan resolution recognizing the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents, which passed the senate on Thursday, will not be acted upon in the house this week. That is the decision of the Republican leaders. They have decided to block the resolution until the plans of the president, which are now maturing are formulated. There will doubtless be a demand on the part of the minority for immediate action, but they are powerless to secure consideration unless the rules committee will report on special order, This the rules committee will not do. The majority will antagonize any attempt to force the order with a motion to adjourn until Thursday.

On Thursday the conference report on the Indian and sundry civil bills (State)-Reform Measures to Be may be ready. If one or the other is Pushed Through the House this not ready the house will adjourn until the following Monday,

The Herald's Weather Forecast.

New York, May 23 .- In the Middle states and New England today, cloudy to partly cloudy, cooler weather will prevail, with brisk and fresh southerly winds, shifting to southwesterly, rain and local thunder storms on and near the seaboard and falling temperature, followed generally in this section by clearing and a "cool wave" with sharp frosts in the northern and western district faither of Theater western districts tonight. On Tuesday, in both of these sections, partly cloudy to fair, cooler weather will prevail, with frosts in the northern districts and fresh westerly winds,



Deputy Sheriff Dyer, who had been in