

BLOOMSBURG SENSATION.

Wintersteen-Knorr Trial Is Opened by Judge Ermentrout.

SELECTION OF THE JURY

Composed of Eleven Farmers and One Lumberman.

A Formidable Array of Counsel. Knorr Pleads Guilty and Winterstren Not Guilty to the Counts of the Indictment -- Court Adjourns for the Day on the Selection of the Jury -- Wintersteen Assists His Counsel in the Selection of the Jury, and Takes Keen Interest in the Proceedings, but Knorr is Kept Out of Sight in an Ante-Room--Story of the Crime that Caused an Uproar in the Vicinity of Bloomsburg.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Bloomsburg, May 25-The great Knorr-Winstersteen trial is now on and the outcome is practically the only topic being discussed.

Long before the time for court to convene this morning crowds of people thronged the sidewalk and stood before the entrance to the court room. At 9.45 the doors were opened and immediately there was a rush and scramble for seats and within five minutes after the opening of the room every available seat was occupied and standing room was at a premium

At 10 o'clock Judge Ermentrout, together with Associates Kurtz and Fox took their places on the bench and the court crier made the call. Inside the bar rail were lawyers, reporters and stenographers. In front of the witness stand and seated around a large table were Prosecutor Waller and his attorneys, George S. Graham, of Philadel-phia: James Scarlet, Grant Herring, W. Rhawn, W. Scott Ammerman and District Attorney John G. Harman, and immediately back of them sat the defendant, Mr. Wintersteen, together

caps from a quarry near town and hid prove to be one of the most gensational them under the sidewalk. September stories in the criminal annals of Penn-9 was selected as the night to dynamite sylvania was begun today in the coun-Waller's house, and after an alleged conference with Wintersteen at Wilkesty court here. The principle defendant is Lloyd S. Wintersteen, a prominent business man and lawyer of this Barre, in which the latter said he county. Clifton Knorr, his co-prisoner hoped the dynamite "would blow Waland alleged catspaw, is the son of ler to hell," Knorr went to Blooms-Colonel Samuel Knorr, for many years burg, got his dynamite and at 1 o'clock ler to hell," Knorr went to Bloomsone of the leaders of the Columbia on the morning of the 10th of Septemcounty bar and one of Bloomsburg's ber placed the charge on Waller's porch and lit the fuse. Fortunately vealthiest citizens. When the trial was begun Knorr only the cap exploded. Knorr said he pleaded guilt and while nothing furwas anxious to finish the job that night and he then went to the quarry. ther than the empanneling of a jury was broke open the toll house and stole six accomplished today it is understood that he will be the chief witness more sticks of dynamite with new fuse and caps. He was partially successful against Wintersteen, who pleaded not in his second attempt, the front of Mr. guilty. The charges against the prisoners is Waller's house being almost torn away. conspiracy to blow up with dynamite This confession of Knorr's was cor-

The Building That Was Wrecked By Dynamite on September 10, 1896.

the house of Levi P. Waller. There roborated at the preliminary hearing are several indictments and the first by the testimony of Mr. Waller himcalled for trial was that technically self, P. G. Miller and considerable circumstantial evidence. charging an "attempt to wound with intent to commit murder by igniting a dynamite bomb, and attempt to com-MR. POTTS TO MR. GIVEN. mit murder by exploding a dynamite

county, is trying the case, because of the fact that Judge Ikeler, the regular mer and Buckner Ticket Has Been county judge, is interested in the case Tempted to Offer Suggestions. At the commonwealth's desk, beside

District Attorney Harman and Prose cutor Waller, sit Waller's counsel, George S. Graham, district attorney of Philadelphia; James Scarlett, of this place, who was a conspicuous ad-Danville; W. H. Rhawn, of Catawissa, and Grant Herring, of Bloomsburg. Associated with Frederick Ikeler, lo-Democratic party of Pennsylvania:

On behalf of a number of those who lawyer, of Philadelphia, J. H. Jacobs, voted for Palmer and Buckner last fall, I am tempted to address you through the of Reading, and his partner, H. H. Keister. Wintersteen was first placed press of the state in order to invite a and the selection of a jury beall wh

sustain the platform adopted

gestion of this letter.

BRUTAL WIFE MURDER. Peter Monahan Brains the Woman

Who Supported Him for Years. Baltimore, Md., May 25 .- Kate Mona han, aged 50 years, was brutally mur dered this morning, by her husband, Peter, aged 61. The weapon used was a rusty axe, and the unfortunate wo man's head was crushed to a jelly by the blows. Monahan made his escape. Monahan has been drunk for several days, and quarrelled with his wife, who ran into the basement followed by her husband. Juda Burns, who lives with the couple followed and reached the scene just as Monahan brought the axe down upon the head of the unfortunate woman, who was then prostrate on the floor from the effect of a blow

administered by him before the arrival of Miss Burns. Monahan is well known to the police, having been ar-tested no less than fifty times during the past year for drunkenness. He has done no work for fifteen years, but has lived upon the proceeds of his wife's The dead are iabors as washerwoman. After a hot chase Monahan was cap-

tured by the police late this afternoon ERNEST NICHOLS, edger of Island at Westport, a suburban settlement. Pond, Vermont. He is now locked up at the southwest-FREDERICK CHEVERIER, watchern police station, and will be taken before the coroner's jury tonight. man, Maxwell, Ont, KING, laborer, St. Cecil, Que. The foreman, Stephen Nichols, was

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

Germany and the Powers--- The Identical Note Was Presented to the Turkish Government.

CHILD INSURANCE EVIL.

First Open Session.

the mill was badly wrecked.

BOILER EXPLOSION

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ton, Vermont

Fatally, lojured.

Constantinople, May 25 .- The identical note of the powers on the subject of the Turkish demands upon Greece was presented to the government today. It legislative committee that has for its was delayed owing to the fact that the German ambassador at Constantinople, Baron Saurma von Jeltsch, had been forbidden to sign it until Greece consented to the peace terms. It is further understood that Germany declares she will withdraw altogether from mediating should the other powers consider the previous consent of Greece to be unneeded.

Germany's action is regarded as being highly prejudicial to the prospect of a speedy conclusion of peace, as it leads Turkey to believe the powers are disunited and encourages opposition. It is reported the sultan has telegraphed Emperor William with reference to the peace conditions.

Vienna, May 25 .- The "Neue Freis Presse" publishes a dispatch from Constantinople today saying that Germany has finally approved the conditions of peace, and that the identical note of the powers on the subject would be fy on this subject. presented to the Turkish government today.

The correspondent of the London Times at Constantinople, as cabled to the Associated Press last night, says: "The sultan when telegraphing to Emperor William his thanks for the latwill testify. ter's service, begged him to continue it

engaged in a life and death struggle. Finding himself unable to seruce the weapon he called for help. Paul Hines **KILLS FOUR MEN** was in an adjoining room, and, although his hearing is defective, he became aware of the struggle, because others were rushing to the door, which And Many Others Are Seriously, if Not was securely locked. The ex-base ball player grasped the situation, rushed into a room for a small table, and with that as a battering ram, he broke in MILL IS TOTALLY WRECKED. the door. The men were struggling in the middle of the room, the lawyer bent backward and about to fall. Hines II the Bodies Are Horribly Mutilatsailed in and smashed the intruder ed--One of the Boilers Blown over the right ear and jerked the revolver from his hand. The intruder was Through the Saw Mill Roof -- Anstunned and fell to the floor, while the other Blown 100 Feet in the Yard -lawyer also fell in a faint. The assail-

ant was arrested, and is charged with assault with intent to kill. When seen afterwards and congratu-Lowelltown, Maine, May 25 .- Caslated Paul Hines said: "There's nothwell's mills at this place were blown ing in it for me at all. I simply did up today. Four men were killed and several were injured. The mill is a what any man of sense would have done." He seems to regard the affair total wreck, and the loss will be heavy. as of no more consequence than an ordinary home run hit, such as he was F. W. GUSHEA, engineer of Burlingonce in the habit of making.

KNIGHTS AT EASTON.

Convention Opens with an Imposing Paradc --- Nearly 2,000 Men Are in Line. severely inured, probably fatally. All the bodies were horribly mutilated. One of the boilers was blown through the Candidates for Junior Warden.

saw mill roof. The other boller was blown 100 feet into the mill yard, and Easton, May 25 .- The Knights Templar convention opened here today with an imposing parade. Every street in the route was packed by enthusiastic crowds. There were nearly 2,000 men Investigating Committee Holds Its in line, All theg rand officers of the state occupied places on the reviewing in line. All the grand officers of the Harrisburg, Pa., May 25 .- The joint grand commandery of New Jersey role

in the line. They were escorted by function the investigating of the child insurance scandal held its first open session this afternoon, Representative Wilson presiding. Senator Kauffman told of a conference at the Hotel Bellevue, Philadelphia, at which he had been informed that \$50,000 had been demanded from the Metropolitan Insurance company to kill the child insurance bill. At this conference there were present besides Mr. Kauffman, Senators Gobin and Flinn, Vice President Haley Fiske, of the Metropolitan company, and several others. Mr. Kauffman had no direct knowledge that such a demand had been made. He said that General Gobin had in his possession an affidavit bearing on the subject, which had been made by John French, of Oil City, an agent of the Metropolitan company He also gave the names of several other employes of this company, who will appear before the committee and testi-Senator Flinn was also a witness. His C. S. YOHE testimony simply corroborated the evi-Grand Commander. dence given by Mr. Kauffman. The committee adjourned until Tuesday af-

Captain DeMolay commandery of ternoon when French and the other Washington, N. J. A delegation of that the house bill would not yield employes of the New York company Hugh De Payn commandery of Bos- revenue adequate for the needs of the on, were also in line marching with past commanders of Hugh D

Mr Vest. Missouri, one of the Den commandery of Easton. This afterocratic members of the finance com mittee, followed with a statement in opposition to the bill. Mr.Cannon, of Utah, a silver Republican, closed the debate for the day by urging that the protection should be so distributed as to aid the farmer, At 2 o'clock Mr. Aldrich moved that the bill be taken up. The motion prevailed without opposition. Mr. Aldrich yielded for a formal written notice by Mr. Vest (Democrat, Missouri), member of the finance committee, stating that when the paragraphs were reached relative to beer, manufactured tobacco, snuff and cigarettes, he would move to strike out the provisions relating thereto. Mr. Quay (Republican, Pennsylvania), asked if the vote on this motion to strike out could be divided as he might support some of the propositions and oppose others. Mr. Vest answered that the rules would permit separate votes. It was agreed at the outset that the formal reading of the bill be dispensed with until it was considered by paragraphs, and that committee amendments would be considered first, after which each paragraph would be open to general debate.

Mr. Vest Tersely Reviews the Situation. The Debate on the Tariff Bill Begins in the Senate with Overcrowded Galleries -- The Republican Side of the House Shows an Almost Solid Representation -- The Democrats Also Present Full Ranks -- Mr.

DEBATE ON

TARIFF BILL.

The Senate Galleries Are

Overflowing with

Spectators.

ALDRICH TALKS AN HOUR

Cannon of Utah Closes the Debate for the Day by Arguing that Protection Be Distributed So As to Aid the Farmer.

Washington, May 25.-The debate on he tariff bill began in the senate today with crowded galleries, a large attendance of senators and the tariff leaders of the house.

Minor business claimed the attention up to 2 p. m., when Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, in charge of the tariff bill, had the measure laid before the senate and took the floor for the opening speech. The Republican side of the floor showed an almost solid representation, there being three or four vacant seats. The Democrats also presented full ranks, and the scattered seats of the Populists were occupied with but one exception. Mr. Dingley, chairman of the ways and means committee and author of the bill, took the seat immediately beside Mr. Aldrich and listened attentively. Speaker Reed was not present.

Mr. Aldrich spoke for almost an hour and a quarter, adopting an easy conversational style. His speech was the official utterance of the finance committee and in a sense of the Republican side of the chamber. Without making invidious distinctions between the two bills, Mr. Aldrich clearly stated as the belief of the finance committee

government.



THE HOME OF L. E. WALLER.

bomb." Judge Ermentrout, of Berks The Conspicuous Adherent of the Pal-

Media, Pa., May 25 .- B. C. Potts, of herent of the Palmer and Buckner ticket in the recent national campaign has sent the following letter to William B. Given, chairman of the National

I understand that your executive com

mittee has not been called together to

determine the course, which the party will

deposits in selected banks belonging to

cal counsel for Wintersteen, are, A. S. L. Shields, the celebrated criminal

with his lawyers, Fred Ikeler, A. S. L. Shields, of Philadelphia; J. Howard Jacobs and J. H. Keiser, of Reading, and Colonel J. G. Freeze, while Clifton Knorr, the confessed dynamite fiend, stood before the jury box with his lawyer, R. R. Little

District Attorney Graham, in behalf of District Attorney Harman, moved the accused be called upon to plead guilty, whereupon Ikeler, attorney for the defense, moved a severance of trial. Attorney Graham objected on the ground that the motion was premature. and Judge Ermentrout sustained his objection and immediately called Knorr and Defendant Winsterseen before him, whereupon Prothonotary Henry read captions of the seven indictments to all of which Knorr pleaded guilty, and Wintersteen not guilty to each and every count.

District Attorney Harman then announced that indictment No. 1, in the oyer and terminer court would be called first, counsel for the defense immediately objected, but Judge Ermentrout overruled the objection, holding that the decision of the district attorney was final.

The court then announced the challenging of the jury and the jury list was read. The examination of jurors



ATTORNEY FRED, T. IKELER, Leading Counsel for Wintersteen,

then began, which examination took company, besides having an extensive up the rest of the morning. Court ad-law practice throughout the country journed at 12 o'clock with but fivenear Bloomsburg. jurors accepted.

At 2 o'clock the afternoon session of court convened, and the examination of jurors was resumed until 4 o'clock, when a sufficient number having been accepted, Judge Ermentrout dismissed the remaining thirty-six.

One noticeable feature connected with the selection of jurymen-a feature caused considerable commentwas the fact that of the twelve men eleven were farmers and one a lumberman.

nade a confession implicating Winter-At exactly 4 o'clock Prothonotary steen. Henry swore the jury, after which the judge addressed them in the usual frequently met Winstersteen in Janury, 1896, on which occasion Winter-

After some consultation on the part of the counsels it was decided not to en the case and court was adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. F. E. D.

STORY OF THE CRIME.

Prisoners Charged with Conspiracy to Blow Up House of L. P. Waller. By Associated Press.

Bloomsburg, Pa., May 25 .- The celemsburg, Pa., May 25.—The cele-that arrangements were then made, Wintersteen dynamite case, and during the month of January he scohrding to all indications, will stole five sticks of dynamite, fuse and to be accounted to five sticks of dynamite, fuse and the stole five sticks of dynamite stole five sticks of dynamite stole five stole five stole five stole five stole five stole stole five stole five stole five stole five stole five stole five stole stole five stole stole five stole stole stole five stole five stole stole five stole s brated Wintersteen dynamite case,

gan. Long before the noon recess was apolis and are in accord with the sugover every seat in the court house was occupied, and the aisles were densely packed with a crowd of persons who patiently and curiously watched the process of selecting a jury, which was pursue in the coming state campaign finally completed at 5 o'clock as foland it seems to me and to those with whom I have talked, that we are losing lows: Enos Bangs, Wesley Hess, Fred valuable time. The Republican party it Laubach, W. L. Shultz, Levi Weaver, Pannsylvania does not intend to offer any hope of good government. The treasury Elljah Peterman, Galon Bird, Frank Mather, David R. Stroup, Steward Girton, A. H. Bower and W. L. Demarce

and kill be called as a witness,

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the state and to the city of Philadal All the jurors are farmers, except phia now amount to nearly \$15,000,000 of Bower, who is a laborer, and Demaree, "idle money," the interest on which, Mr. Wanamaker charges, is virtually kept or tap for the purpose of the executive comwho is a lumberman. Before the last man had been accepted by both sides mittees of the Republican party. There the panel was nearly exhausted. is open revolt against the management of the state government, but its leaders

WINTERSTEEN'S INTEREST.

do not propose any remedy; they do not even intend to nominate a ticket in op-During the proceeds, Wintersteen, who is himself a shrewd lawyer, sat at position to that of Mr. Quay's conven the table along his counsel, occasiontion. The new administration of federal affairs has already disappointed allally making a suggestion to them in reference to the juror about to be Democrats and Republicans alike-who drawn.

voted for McKinley, expecting a wise ef-fort to reform the currency and the Clifton Knorr, whose confession imbanking laws instead of tinkering the plicated Wintersteen as the chief contariff and postponing prosperity. There is nothing to hope for either in federal spirator in the plot to blow up Mr. Waller's residence, kept out of sight or state affairs at the hands of the dom inant party, and unless the party of Palmer and Buckner and the Indianapmost of the time in an ante room. After the work of drawing the jury had been completed court adjourned until olis platform is prompt to take advantage of this situation, chaos will come tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, when again. the taking of testimony will begin.

The party of Bryan and Tillman and Altgeld and the Chicago platform cannot Seldom, if ever, has so much interest been manifested in a case as that do any good. It is pledged to bad meas which was placed on trial today on ac-It is led by nondescripts and followed count of the prominence of the two deby those who ought to know better bu fendants and the plaintiff. Levi P. ion't. Quay will control everything un Waller, who, it is alleged, Wintersteen less we give the sound money and sound had plotted to murder, is the son of a minded Republicans a chance to help us prevent it. In the interest of a manly former prominent Presbyterian minister, his wife being the daughter of effort to offer good citizens a good ticket upon a good platform for good govern-Charles R. Buckalew, ex-United States minister to Ecuador and ex-United States senator. Knorr, the ment, and as a preliminary to the cam paign of next year, I hope you will call your state executive committee togethalleged tool of Wintersteen, 18 er and fix a time for a state convention." the son of the late Colonel Samuel Knorr, for many years one of the lead-FIRST COUSINS MUSTN'T MARRY. ing members of the Columbia county

bar and one of Bloomsburg's wealthiest Mr. Donaldson and His Wife Indicted citizens. Wintersteen, who is charged for Violating the Law. in Knorr's confession with being the Carlyle, Ill., May 25 .- William Donreal conspirator in the plot to kill Waller, was at the time of his arrest aldson and his wife, who recently married against the wishes of the groom's one of the most prominent citizens of

parents, have been indicted because Bloomsburg, being interested in the they are first cousins and their mar-Bloomsburg Car company, the Bloomsburg Brass and Copper company and the Keystone Machine and Foundry riage is contrary to the law of the state, which prohibits such marriages. No arrests have been made.

HISTORY OF THE CRIME.

later when Knorr, who had in the

meantime gone to Reading, was ar-

rested in that city and afterwards

According to Knorr's confession h

steen often spoke of the injury Mr.

Waller was doing him as attorney in

Philadelphia, May 25 .- The strike of th arment workers in this city was practically ended today in favor of the strikers. At the headquariers of the strikers com-On the night of Sept. 10, 1896, an attempt was made to blow up with dymittee each contractor was admitted to the hall separately and signed a bond in the sum of \$200 that he would faithfully namite the house and sleeping family of Levi P. Waller. This attempt caused a great sensation in Bloomsburg as observe the agreement for the advance de Mr. Waller was not known to have an manded for one year. enemy in the county. The explosion remained a mystery until a few days Made His Shortage Good.

Memphis, Tenn., May 25.-The case of Armour, formerly postmaster at his, charged with the embezzle-Memphis, ment of government funds, has been nolle prossed by the United States dis-trict attorney for the reason that the shortage, amounting to several entire

Big Strike Ended.

thousand dollars, has been made good. Dropped Dead in the Mountains. Seattle, May 25 .- In the mountains, six niles from Skykomish and three miles

the equity suit of the Samuel Knorr from a trail, Charles W. Frisbee, general auditor of the Peninsula railroad, fell estate against the Bloomsburg Iron company. Knorr stated that Winterdead of heart disease last Sunday afrnoon. He leaves a wife and three chil steen had even gone so far as to discuss plans' about blowing up Waller dren. while the latter slept, and offered Knorr Heavy Rains in the Adirondacks.

\$206 if he would do the job with a promise of \$5,000 additional when the Saratoga, May 25.—Heavy rains have raised the upper Hudson and Sacandaga rivers to an unusual height for this date. quity suit was vacated. Knorr says that arrangements were then made, and during the month of January he

and expressed the hope that advice which was founded upon the strong friendship uniting the emperor and Officers Have About Completed Arhimself would show Turkey the way to obtain a full recognition of her

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.

rights as a victorious power."

Settles Two Important Questions Telegram from the Queen.

Eage Lake, Ind., May 25 .- The Pres yterian general assembly today set-The tled two important questions. first was not to sell its building in New York and the second to have only one | Delfino, from Caracas, Venezuela, and secretary of home missions. The latest echo of the controversy of Dr. Maria Savebez, from Chihuahua, Mex-Briggs and the Union seminary came up in the report of the judicial commitrive at New York tomorrow. tee which extended to all presbyteries

the order to exclude students of that pointment of Senor Don Fernando Ferseminary from their care. It was apparent that few commissioners knew rari Perez, a Mexican engineer and chief of the bureau of natural history what they were voting upon as the matter came up on appeal from some of the geographical exploring comunnamed action of the synod of New mission to officially represent Mexico York, the name of the case alone being at the congress.

party of At the opening of the afternoon session the following reply to a cable gram to Queen Victoria sent yesterday, vas read:

"The queen thanks the assembly for its kind telegram. Edwards." (Signed)

SENATOR EDMUNDS' DENIAL.

He States That He Has Not Been sold for future delivery in such quan-Offered the Spanish Ministership. Philadelphia. May 25.-Ex-United lose \$100,000 if compelled to furnish States Senator George F. Edmunds taxed tea, and Iowa houses will lose today emphatically denied the published report that he had been offered | counted the future, and have sold their the Spanish ministership by President McKinley. When asked if he would prices. accept the position if it was offered

him he said: "President McKinley and the mem bers of his cabinet understand my sen- result that the demand for immediate timents in reference to holding public office. I retired from the United States senate to enjoy the rest and quiet of private life. I am averse to holding any public office, and have no inclination to go abroad in any capacity."

Sixteen Men Missing.

cents.

CHAIN OF EVIDENCE.

An Important Witness Gives Testi-

mony in the Luctgert Case.

RESCUED BY A BALL PLAYER.

life by reason of his sturdy strength,

Howe Totten, a prominent lawyer

here, was sitting quietly in his office.

when Leonidas Scoovey, accompanied

the door and locked it. The intruder

demanded certain papers, which the

agility and courage.

with

Provincetown, Mass., May 25.-Of the nineteen men of this town who sailed on the schooner Joseph E. Johnson for the fishing grounds about 200 miles off Nova fied to having assisted in preparing the Scotla last week, only three came back on the rchooner when she rounded the alleged to belong to the missing woman point this morning with her flag at half were found. As he was removing the mast. The other sixteen men are still adrift in their dories off the western bank, chemicals from a barrel. Luetgert, the witness said, told him to be careful or have found watery graves or happily have been picked up by some passing steamer. The missing are: Joseph Enos, John Cahe would burn himself. Some of the chemical in his hand ton, Frank Joseph, Joe Fran, Joe Miles, Frank Veara, August Frates, Manuel Souza, Jesse Cabral, George Silveira, Aubecame moist and it burned him. The witness exhibited the scars of these burns,

gust Lima, Frank Delgoda, Joe Bretano Frank Alver, Joe Rose and Henry P. Sil ver.

Mrs. Romeyn Thanks the President. Washington. May 25.-Mrs. Romeyn, wife of Captain Romeyn, called at the white house today and expressed her thanks to the president and later at the war department to Secretary Alger, for the elemency extended to her husband.

Savannah Groceries Burned. Savannah, May 25 .- Fire this morning destroyed the wholesale grocery store of Smith Brothers, and badly damaged the grocery stock of J. M. Dixon & Co., on

Bay street. Loss, \$60,000, fully insured.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

lawyer declined to give him, and the man pointed a revolver at his head, New York, May 25 .- Cleared: Britannie, Paul, Southampton; salled:



noon the first session of the grand commandery was held in Heptasoph hall. rangements for Industrial Congress. Mayor Hartzell delivered the address Philadelphia, May 25 .- The officers of of welcome. The report of Grand Comthe Philadelphia Commercial museum mander Yohe was read and accepted have about completed the details and The officers will be elected tomorrow arrangements and everything is now morning. in readiness for the assembling of the Seventy of the seventy-four comman-

great industrial and mercantile conderies of the state were represented at gress to begin here on June 1. The forthe meeting of the grand commandery. eign delegates are already beginning The delegates number about 200 in all to arrive. Among those who have re-The total membership of the grand ported to headquarters are Fedorico ommandery is 1,318. On May last the Mejia, from San Salvador; Antonjo E. Knights Templar membership in the state was 11,968. During the year 644 Enrique Creel, Juan Terrazos and Jose was knighted, 101 admitted by cards, 105 suspended, two expelled. The death ico. A delegation from Brazil will arroll numbered 162 and the resignations 114.

Advices received today from the There is a heated contest for the of-Mexican government announce the apfice of junior warden and as the elections take place tomorrow morning the candidates and their friends are busy tonight looking up the Knights who have a vote in the grand commandery. The most prominent candidates are: Ezra Z. Bartlett, of Mary commandery, Philadelphia, and John Leadlein, of Williamsport. This is the office that is MAY LOSE THOUSANDS ON TEA. always contested as the successful

Western Dealers Caught Short by the candidate, if he proves worthy of the honor conferred upon him, is always New Tariff. thereafter elevated year by year un Dubuque, Ia., May 25 .- The whole-

til the office of grand commander is sale grocers of Iowa who have been reached. The two foremost candidates caught on the short side of tea have have large followings, and both are sent a delegation to Washington. Beconfident of success. fore the tariff of 10 cents a pound on tea was publicly stated these grocers From three to five o'clock this af-

ternoon Mrs. Yohe, wife of the grand titles that one Chicago house stands to Knights on their pilgrimage to Easton. Between the hours named there heavily also. The importers have diswas a constant stream of visitors to stock at a liberal discount at former her residence, and meanwhile, the Knights were at work in the grand

mmandery meeting. One Chicago and New York house in Tonight the city is alive with the reported to have cleaned up \$250,000. The grocers tried to cover, with the Knights, and bands of music. In a few minutes after the Opera house was opened for the annual ball and recepshipment raised prices in Japan 7½ tion, it was filled with Knights in bright uniforms and well dressed women, The building was not large enough to accommodate the crowd.

Another Lie Nailed.

Chicago, May 25 .- In the Luetgert Buffalo, May 25 .- President Franklin of the Buffalo Eastern league club, today murder trial today Frank Schultz, a aphatically depied stories from Cleve smoker in the sausage factory testiand and Washington to the effect that Buffalo was about to become a national solution in the vat where the rings league city.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today:

- Generally Fair: Cooler, (General)-Bloomsburg Dynamite Sen Bation Boller Explosion Kills Four Men. Turiff Debate Will Open Today,
- Paul Hines Saves the Life of a Wash-(Sport)-Eastern, National and Atlan ington Lawyer by Quick Action. tie League Games. Washington, May 25 .- Paul Hines, for
- Old Time Rivalry Between Wilkes-Barre and Scranton. many years a leading center fielder
- (State)-Farr Labor Bill Defeated in and celebrated batter in the base ball the Legislature. National league, today saved a man's
 - 4 Editorial.
 - (Story)-"The Demon of Revenge." 6 (Local)-All Night Session of the Knights of Malta. Day's Work of the Courts.
- Dunmore Election Contest by a woman, entered the room, closed 7 (Local)-Commissioner Dunning
 - Work (Local)-West Side and City Suburban

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- 9 Lackawanna County News. 10 Whitney's Weekly News Budget,
- the trigger up. The lawyer Financial and Commercial, grabbed the muzzle of the weapon and

BANK MESSENGER KING HELD.

He Pleads Not Guilty and His Father Goes on His Bail Bond.

Boston, May 25.-Albert M. King, the Boylston National bank messenger, who disappeared last Wednesday, with commander, gave a reception to the \$30,000 of the bank's money, and who ladies who accompanied the Sir was arrested at Farmington, Me., last Saturday, was arraigned in the municipal court here today on the charge of embezzlement.

He pleaded "not guilty" and was held in \$2,500 for the grand jury. Bail was furnished by S. A. King, father of the prisoner, and Herbert T. Whitman. Young King was released.

GOVERNOR BLACK RESTING.

On His Return to Albany He Will Take Up the Parker Case.

Albany, May 25 .- Governor Black has decided not to come to the executive chamber for several days and will remain in Troy for a rest. His private secretary, Mr. Griffith, announces that the case of Police Commissioner Parker will not be taken up until next week, It will not be a public hearing, but morely a review of the case by the governor with a decision,

COULDN'T PROVE THE KISSING.

The Grocer Is Blind and His Wife's Testimony Stood Alone.

Atlantic City, N. J., May 25 .- Isaac Harley, the grocery salesman of Philadelphia, who was accused of kissing Mrs. Edward Erwin, the wife of a blind customer, was discharged by Recorder Ingersoll this evening on the ground of insufficient evidence.

Mrs. Erwin's testimony was unsupported, and Harley strenuously denied the kissing.

The Herald's Weather Forecast.

New York, May 25.-In the Middle states and New England today, clear weather and fresh to light northwesteriy and westerly winds will prevail, preceded and possibly followed by local frosts in the northern districts, with lower, followed during the afternoon by slowly ris-ing temperature. On Thursday, in both of these sections, fair, warmer weather will prevail, with light variable winds, mostly southerly, followed by cloudiness in and near the lake region, ,