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SCRANTON, PA., SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 20, 1897.

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# BIG FIRE IN LONDON TO STOP KILLING THE FUR

A Most Disastrous Con- smoke, till the building was completeflagration Visits the City.

SCENES OF

The Flames Devour Fancy Christmas Goods.

Fanned by a Strong Wind, the Fire Brenks Down All Barriers -- Panic men Are Almost Buried in Burning Ruins .- Frantic Efforts of Shopkeepers to Save Their Wares.

London, Nov. 19 .- One of the most disastrous fires in London's history since the great fire of 1666, broke out in a large block of buildings lying eastward of Aldersgate street, and between that thoroughfare and Redcross street, the scene began the work of saving the just after 1 o'clock this afternoon. The flames were fanned by a strong wind belongings. and were fed by highly inflammable stocks of Christmas fancy goods and flimsy dress materials of all descriptions, that crowded every floor of the six-story buildings in the old street. Consequently the conflagration gained headway with surprising rapidity and was soon far beyond any possibility of being checked by the few engines which were early on the spot. For four hours and a half the flames had their own way and it was only after more than a hundred engines had worked an hour that the chief of the fire brigade sent out the signal that the fire was under control. At 11 o'clock tonight the fire is still the scene of great excitement. Fifty engines are playing on the ruins; wagons are hurrying up coal, and tons of water are

pouring onto the fiery debris, Thousands of people are trying to penetrate the cordon maintained by a where the collapse of a wall on the housand policemen, reinforcements for whom were hurried up when, soon was the means of saving the last after 6 o'clock, an increase in the outbreak led Commander Wells to make a requisition for more engines from thoroughfare, also formed a barrier the outlying stations,

The scene must occupy the fire brigade for several days, especially in flames blew his whistle loudly for asview of the grave danger of the coldamage being to the roof, the old win-

Hamsell street was the scene of the outbreak of the fire, which was due to an explosion in connection with a gas engine on the premises of Waller, Brown & Co., mantle manufacturers,

Their large factory was crowded with and thence they leaped across the street to an enormous paper warehouse which was fully alight in less than ten miffutes.

firemen that they face to face with a great disaster and a general alarm was sent out. Then, from all the fire stations, even those quite five miles from the scene of the disaster, engines were hurried to the spot and the police gathered about the neighborhood in great force. This display of strength on the part of the police was required, as the crowd, swelling in size every noment, soon amounted to tens of thousands of people and the firemen tary of the Treasury Gage was first inrequired every possible freedom of ac- vited to speak at the annual dinner greatest difficulty, owing to the nar-merce, which is to be held next Tues-rowness of the old crooked streets day evening, he concluded that he London, combined with the height of and so announced. the warehouses which cut off the fire-

from the fact that firemen had to be re- next Tuesday evening is to be: peatedly rescued by their comrades, rency Reform; Now or When?" buildings which had caught fire after the firemen had mounted to their roofs

The rescue of operatives by the firemen, the hurrying of hosts of clerks who were trying to zave books and pedo boats No. 133 and Dondart de Lavaluable papers from the fire, and the gree, while manoeuvring yesterday eyerushing here and there of many employes who were attempting to carry to places of safety costly merchandise or other valuables, added to the confu-Then again the heat was so in- damaged. tense that several firemen were obliged to direct their operations under show ers of water slowly poured upon them. But, in spite of the exertions of the firemen, the fire crept on very steaduntil Nicholl square, which is sittated at the far end of Hamsell street,

WATER HAD NO EFFECT.

At a little after two o'clock a dozen hose pipes, each with a twelve foot spread poured water into the blaze from an opposite roof, but it did not seem to have any effect. The water rushed out of the windows and from the ground floors like a waterfall, while the flames leaged higher and higher, and as the floors fell in the place still blazed, a gigantic display of fire and country,

Canada Agrees to That Condition of Commission.

THE FUR SEALS

RESULT OF SIR LAURIER'S VISIT

Will Send One Here to Confer on International Issues -- Laurier Says Seal Controversy Cannot Be Settled Independently -- No Purpose to Upset Canada's Preferential Tariff with England .- This Government's Proposals Agreed To.

Ottawa, Nov. 19.-Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Louis Davies have returned Washington, Within two hours after their arrival a meeting of the cabinet was held at which the premier explained the recent negotiations with President McKinley and his ministers. As a result of this meeting, it is announced that the cabinet has decided to send a commission to Washington composed of men familiar with the various questions involved, to mewith a similar body of men appointed on behalf of the United States, with ex-Secretary Foster at its head, and endeavor to reach a settlement on all boundary and other questions at present at issue between the two countries At the conclusion of the cabinet meeting Premier Laurier in an interview said: "It is plain to us that the seal ing question cannot be settled by itself. It can only be considered in connection with irritating and important questions. There is no intention whatever of negotiating any reciprocity treaty that would interfere with or Canada's existing British pref.

When asked as to the result of their visit to the United States, Sir Louis Davies said: "I have just been read-ing the press reports sent out from Washington, and it seems to represent our final conclusion fairly well. The representatives of the American and Canadian governments are satisfied with the results of the conference held, although of course, none of the chief matters in controversy could be brought to a final issue. A statement of facts has been mutually agreed upon, however, which establishes a firm basis for future operations. We now know exactly where we stand, and will not hereafter he groping in the dark. Each party knows its true position. After both representative parties confer with their colleagues in position. their respective administrations statements of the demands regarding the proposed reciprocity trade relations

ted by each. "I can add nothing new to what I said as to the American tariff pro- Frank J. Larrien, March 13; Oscar Cesgressing too heavily upon us in respect to their duties on our lumber. United States authorities, after they have maturely considered the whole situation in regard to Canada, will agree as to the correctness of our representation. This may carry sufficient weight with the joint commission, should one be agreed to, to bring about such reciprocity arrangements as are most desirable to both countries. From what General Foster has intimated, we think the prospects of a final appointment of a joint commission are good.

will be exchanged and replies submit-

DECISION OF THE CABINET. Washington, Nov. 19.-The dispatches from Ottawa announcing that the Canadian cabinet has decided to send a commission to Washington to negotiate with a simiar commission to be appointed by the United States government, touching all the questions at Issue between the United States and Canada, has had the effect of drawing laid before the Canadian contingent

days ago. It can now be stated that the pro-Canadian delegates took home with them to submit to their council, was: "First-That both nations agree at

seals during the next season in the modus to go into operation on the first American rivals." of next month.

"Second-That representatives of the governments of the United States and Great Britain, including Canada, be designated to enter with as little delay as possible upon the consideration of all unsettled question between Canada and the United States with the view to a settlement by treaty, this to include the sealing question and any other matters which either government may

choose to bring forward,"
So far, the state department has not been advised that the Caradian council has acted upon the propositions, but that an early answer is expected is shown by the fact that the date set for the beginning of the modus, stopping the killing of the scals, is no later than the first of next month.

One important fact that is not clearly disclosed in the Canadian despatchcs is that the modus must be agreed upon positively before our government consents to the commission. In other words, there must be no more killing of the reals while the commission is at work. The commission might occupy a long time in its deliberations, and if pelagic scaling is to go on meanwhile, it is believed by our exports that there will be no seals left to serve as a

basis for negotiations. The proposition of our government had been so explicitily stated, it may understood that the announcement of the purpose of the Canadians to ap point a commission implies that they New York. Nov. 19.-Peter Geistel have decided to accept the premise, 'Dutch Pete'), accused by Steiger, alias namely, the agreement of a modus vivendi.

Smuggler Mine Fire.

Aspen, Col., Nov. 19 .- Consternation was aused today among the men fighting the re in the Smuggler by the that inflamable gas is generating. Gas has also reached the pump station in the ninth level, and it is feared the pumps may have to be abandoned, in which event this mine and others on Smuggler mine would soon be flooded.

Berlin, Nov. 19.-Paula Wirth, a favorite Berlin actress, has eloped to Budapest with a married riding master.

MISS BREWSTER'S TRIAL.

of Having Murdered Annie Wheeler. with the murder of Annie Wheeler, or they were passing along a by-path, Miss Brewster drew her revolver and shot Miss Wheeler and then herself. Both girls were unconscious when

Miss Wheeler died in a few hours, but her assailant, after weeks of uncertain struggle with death, recovered. She was indicted by the grand jury in

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE LONG.

for Attention.

immigration law amended so as to re-

The immigration commissioner, Mr. Powderly urged the president to make some recommendations on this line, and it was known that the president had given favorable consideration to these suggestions.

## AMERICANS RELEASED.

Under McKinley Administration 27

Washington, Nov. 19 .- Since the present administration came into office, March 4 last, twenty-seven American prisoners have been released in Cuba. The list as shown by the state de-

partment records is as follows: Sylvester Scovel, released March 10; pedes, March 16; Charles Scott and Es-March 23; Jose D. Amieya, April 9; Jose Gonzales, April 12; John J. Kelley, April 23; George W. Aguirre, April 24; J. L. Cepero, May 1; Jose J. Dumas, May 17: Fernando Jovin, May 22: Antonio S. Del Villar, March 9, Francisco Milian, May 29; Vargas Remedios, June 12; Manuel Ruiz Porras, June 16; A. C. Betancourt, June 16: George Newton, August 13: Pedro Manuel Hore Montes, Frank Agramonte and Thomas Julio Sainz, November —: Alfred La-borde, William Gildea, Ona Melton, Charles Barnett, William Leavitt, No-

London, Nov. 19 .- Commenting upon the letter from A. F. Yarrow of the famous English shipbuilding firm, who forth here, for the first time, a state- is now on a visit to the United States. ment of the exact proposition that was dated Philadelphia, Nov. 9, showing that the Americans in the engineering when they were in Washington a few yards work ten hours a day, the Globe" points out that this fact emphasizes the impossibility of the deposal of Mr. Foster, representing the mands of the striking engineers of United States government, which the Great Britian, who are asking for an eight hour day of work, adding: "The United States is already our greatest competitor in the engineering trade, once to a suspension of all killing of and it will be impossible to compete with it if British engineers work a Pacific Ocean and Behring Sea, the day and a half less weekly than their

> Washington, Nov. 19.-James Eckels, comptroller of the currency, has returned from his trip to Chicago, where he went to make arrangements for assuming the presidency of the Commercial National bank.

Mr. Eckels has not yet handed his resignation to President McKinley, but he said today that he would do so within a few days. The resignation will take effect early enough to allow Mr. Eckels to be in Chicago on Jan. 1,

French Army Officers Punished for Favoring Investigation.

Paris, Nov. 19 .- Owing to their attitude in supporting the agitation in favor of reopening the case of Alfred Dreyfus, the minister for war, General Billot, has relieved the governor of the military prison of Che he-Midi. Major Forcinetti, of his post, and has ondemned Major Pauffin de Saint-

Death of John britten. New York, Nov. 19.-John Britton, late major of the Eighteenth Pennsylvania cavalry, died here yesterday, agod to years, from a complication of diseases, primary cause being a wound inflicted on his head by a sabre at Hagerstown, Mo., in 1863. He was engaged in forty-nine battles, among them being Bull Run, Gettysburg. Fredsricksburg and Culpepper and was one of the five thousand picked men who participated in Kilpatrick's raid

on Richmond, Va.

New York, Nov. 19 .- Cleared: La Gascogne, Havre; Umbria, Liverpool; Nor-mannia, Naples. Arrived; Lucannia,

## READY FOR THE **GREAT STRUGGLE**

Enthusiasts Gather at Font Philadelphia.

THEY ARE ALL PREPARED TO YELL

Pent-Up Enthusiasm Promises to the First Rush on the Sodded Field. Pennsylvania's Condition Excellent

Philadelphia, Nov. 19.—"Red and blue and crimson too" greet eye and ear in dmost every part of the city tonight. It is not too much to say that fify thousand persons would gaze and yell at tomorrow's grand gridiron struggle if there was sufficient space around Franklin field to accompdate them. If the demand be any indication, fully half that number will be there, for aiready not only the regular seating space has been engaged, but an extra stand erected for the occasion as well, and scarcely a place is to be had tonight for love or money.

The business section of the city is aglow with the colors of Penn and Harvard, and some notion of the quality of the enthusiasm may be gained from the fact that the millinery stores are doing a brisk business in "dreams" of red and blue and crimson headgear for feminine "rooters."

The two teams are, of course, rest ing in camp tonight for the battle tomorrow. The Harvard eleven arrived here at 11.25 o'clock this morning and were driven to the Aldine hotel. There were about fifty in the party. After a hearty lunch and a little rest, the entire football squad, at the invitation of the University Athletic association, went out to Franklin field for practice There they put in about two hours, practicing signals. Tonight the team went through secret practice in one of the upper rooms of the hotel. After this, Captain Cabot was asked for his line up, but he refused to tell. He said the exact line up will not be made known until the men go on the field. The physical condition of the men, he added, was good, although in two or three instances it could be better. Of himself he would not speak, but he will almost surely be seen at left end when the team lines up.

PENNSYLVANIA SQUAD.

The Pennsylvania squad, which has en at Delaware Water Gap since Wednesday, breathing mountain air, secretly practicing, and gunning and fishing, reached town at 6.40 this evening and were accorded a most enthusiastic welcome. About 550 students, preceded by a brass band, marched from the university to the Pennsylvania railroad station, and there awaited the arrival of the team. On their way the paraders stopped at the Harvard headquarters and serenaded the team. When the train pulled into the station, the band played, and the college boys. aided by a horde of red and blue followers, yelled themselves hoarse. The crowd got into marching order and escorted the Quaker foot ballers to their training house.

The condition of the Pennsylvania men is excellent, with the exception of Dickson, who has a bad knee,

Harvard will go into the game with the stern determination to do or die, and retrieve themselves for the unfavorable showing against Yale last Saturday. Pennsylvania expects to win, but realizes that only the hardest kind of foot ball will accomplish this result. The betting is in favor of Pennsylvania. The clerk of the Aldine hotel holds \$1,500 of Pennsylvania even money that Pennsylvania wins, but Harvard followers will not cover it, they holding out for odds of two to one. Several small bets were made at 19 to 7 on Pennsylvania. The largest bet known to have been made was by a bookmaker who wagered \$1,000 be victorious. Two business men took the Harvard end. The line-up of Pennsylvania team

and Harvard's probable make-up are

ì	as follows:
	Pennsylvaria, Positions, Harvard, Boyle left endCabo
1	Goodman left tackle Swall Harc left guard
	Overfield center Doucett McCracken right guard Aske
	Outland right tackle Haughton Dickson, Hedges, right end Moulton Weeks overter back Garrigo
	Jackson left half back Dibble Morico right half back Warre
	Minds full back

AT CORNELL

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 19 .- As the Cornell foot ball management left its schedule blank for tomorrow in view of the nearness of the Pennsylvania game, the regulars will enjoy a rest until next Monday, notwithstanding that today's practice was light and Head Coach Warner, Captain McKeever and Manager McLaughlin will leave for Philadelphia to witness the Harvard-Pennsylvania game tomorrow, Coach Beacham will them there later. They will pay close attention to the play of Pennsylvania and are expected to bring back some interesting formation.

Practice was today participated in by all the 'varsity. After they had indulged in several scrimmages with the scrub, during which Young dropped a pretty goal from the field, several substitutes went in. Young succeeded in another try for a goal, and the scrubs won a deserved touchdown late in the practice.

From the form displayed by the college men tomerrow, the scrub team which will play for Cornell against Annapolis on the 27th will be partly

Bethlehem, Pa., Nov. 19 .- The annual foot ball game between Lehigh and the Naval Cadets will take place at Annapolis tomorrow. Lehigh's eleven left for Annapolis this afternoon. His team will line up as follows: Chamberlin, left end; Gledhill, left

tackle; Becerra, left guard; McCarthy, center; Gilbert, right guard; Gunsolus right tackle; Van Dyne, right end; James, quarter back; Reese and White, half backs: Holderness, full back The eleven is the strongest Lehigh has sent out this season. Although averaging only 165 pounds, the men ex-

pect to win. They are in the finest possible condition and ready for a MEETING OF hard battle.

YALE-PRINCETON GAME.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 19.-The

The Athletes Are Not Very Confident of Success.

ensconced in parlor cars, reached this city at 8.45. The party numbered fiftyone, of which twenty-nine were players. The trip from Princeton to New Break Out in Resounding Echoes | Haven was a tedious one of seven and when the Opposing Athletes Make a half hours. Upon the arrival of the train, the Princeton cars were hauled about a mile up the road to Cedar Hill, where special electric cars had been provided and the men went by trolley ears to Morris Cove, where, at the club house of the Pequot association they were to spend the night. It took then fifteen minutes to examine their quarters, and they announced themselves highly pleased with the arrangements which had been made for them. Just as soon as possible, their own cooks and waiters prepared a dinner. Half an hour was spent after the meal it consultation and discussion, and at 9.45 the players retired. A guard was stationed at the club house entrances, and orders were Issued that the men must not be disturbed until 7.15 tomorrow morning.

None of the party cared to speak of Princeton's chances in tomorrow's struggle, but it is evident that the eleven players are not afflicted with over confidence and do not feel as sanguine of a sweeping victory as some of their more enthusiastic supporters, At 10 o'clock "lights out" was the

order at the Pequot club. The members of Yale's team, after a practice of fifteen minutes at the field this afternoon, were spirited away by Trainer Fitzpatrick, and after the dinner at the training table, they were taken in charge by the coachers separately and kept aloof from the crowd,

The arrival of Princeton contingent has, however, resulted in the raising of Yale's hopes. The New Jersey mer did not come into town with any great amount of bravado. On the contrary, all except the vehement rooters expressed uncertainty. Betting among the students there is scarcely any, thus far. The hotels tonight are crowded almost to suffocation, and the streets f the city, especially in the vicinity of the campus, are alive with football followers. The snow, falling at intervals throughout the day, ceased to o'clock. The gridiorn has been covered with straw, and at daybreak gangs of men will begin putting the field in condition.

Princeton is looked upon as the probable winner in tomorrow's game, but it is officially given out at Yale that tomorrow's game will be worth coming miles to see,

Hold a Conference.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 19 .- A circular letter has been sent out for a conference of the Republican members of

The call is the result of a conference between Governor Tanner and six leading Republicans, and is for the purpose of agreeing on a plan of senator ial apportionment that will command the support of a majority of the members of the Assembly, Should such an agreement be reached, Governor Tanner will be asked to call a special

Report of Decision by the Attorney-General Premature.

Washington, Nov. 19 .- The little port that the treasury department had made a decision in the Netherlands Assistant Secretary Howell, who has

charge of this case, says that he had no idea about when he will be able to against \$500 that Pennsylvania would make his decision, but he intimates that it will not be for several days as there is a big batch of papers

> Will Be Used to Run Down the As sailants of Three Miners.

Mascoutah, Ill., Nov. 19 .- Martin Bartholomy and George Rochl were fatally injured, and Robert Loren was severely beaten as the result of an attack of twenty masked men on the night shift of miners at the Kolb coal pit near here. Both of the fatally inared men have families. Bloodhounds will be secured, the authorities say, to ferret out the assail-

ants. The attack is supposed to be an cutgrowth of the miners' strike.

Death of a Capitalist.

Carlisle, Pa., Nov. 19 .- J. Herman Bos ged 65 years. He was one of the wealth et men in Cumberland county, eaviest investments were at Carliste and i Nebraska. Judgo E. W. Buddle, of mberland, is his son-in-law,

Threatening Weather: East Winds,

General-London's Disastrous Fire. Laurier's View of the Washington

Foot Ball Players Before the Battle. State-Serious Charges Against Management of the Wernersville Asylum,

Local-From the Top of Lookout Mountain. Court Proceedings. Editorial.

Comment of the Press.

Saucy Bess' Comments. Local-Flag Raising at Green Ridge Local-Death of J. Alton Davis.

Sessions of the Poor Board. 8 Local-West Side and Suburban.

The Week in Musical Circles. 9 Lackawanna County News.

Story-"Railway Guard's Story."

Cause of Poverty in Great Britain, Neighboring County Happenings.

# THE CABINET

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 19.—The Important Reports from the Treasury and War Departments.

> QUESTION CUBAN

It Also Comes Up for Consideration.

Good Feeling on Account of the Release of the Crew of the Competis tor -- A Wide Variety of Opinion on the Proper Policy to Be Recommended for the Financial Questions

Washington, Nov. 19.-The cabinet was in session for two hours today, devoted largely to a discussion of the an-nual reports of the different members. The more important reports from the treasury, war and navy departments have not yet been made public, and these were given consideration at the session today. The president also dis-cussed various features of his message. J. J. McCook, of New York, called during the cabinet meeting and saw

Secretary Porter. The two subjects which engaged the special attention of the cabinet were those relating to the manner in which the Cuban problem and the question of the finances should be handled in the president's message. The opinion was enerally expressed that the Cuban situation as it effects the United States was even more favorable than could be expected, and there was especial good feeling over the release of the Competitor. This and other concessions were accepted as indicating a genuine desire on the part of the Sagasta administrafall at 5.30, but began again at seven tion to meet the wishes of the authoritier of the country and bring the war to a hasty termination. If there was any doubt expressed as to Spain's maintenance of this policy it was not made public, but there sent from the opinion that so long as that country should continue in her course of conciliation there was nothing left for the administration but to

encourage it. A wide variety of opinion was developed among the members of the cabinet as to the policy to be recommended on the financial question. There were indeed almost as many views expressed on the details involved in the discussion of this question as there were cabinet members present. Their the fortieth General Assembly, to be differences related, however, largely to details and much of the conversation turned upon the probable difficulties of getting congress to unite upon any

> HEROISM IN THE INDIAN CAMPAIGN. A Private Soldier's Gallantry in a

line of policy.

Si gle-Handed Fight. London, Nov. 19 .- A dispatch from Simla, India, states that, according to the official telegrams from the British camp, in the Maidan Valley, today, fighting between the British and the insurgent tribesmen continues hourly and is characterized by conspicuous bravery. During Tuesday night last boom in sugar stock today on the re- Major des Voeux and one company of the Thirty-sixth Sikhs rushed a village of the enemy and began firing at the tribesmen through the apertures of their block houses, when his force was n turn rushed by the enemy, who abused the Sikhs and twitted Major dea Voeux's Orakzai orderly on his tribal

perfidy. Private Vicary, of the Dorsetshire regiment, of Dargai Ridge fame, with four men, became separated in the darkness from the main body, and the ittle party was attacked by the enemy. Sleary had his rifle wrested from him. but he recovered it, bayoneted one the tribesmen and clubbed another, who cut Vicary's foot half off. The soldier, however, succeeded in reaching camp with two men and a Pathan prisoner.

# ELECTROCUTION IN OHIO.

Albert J. Frantz, Murderer of Bessio Little, Pays the Death Penalty.

Columbus, O., Nov. 19 .- Albert Frants, murderer of Bessle Little, of Dayton, vas electrocuted in the annex at the Ohlo penitentiary at 12.22 o'clock this morning. It was late in the aftera Carlisle capitalist, died last night, noon before Governor Bushnell's message refusing to interfere was received The officials were slow in fastening the straps and adjusting the electrodes, The first shock did not cause death, and the current was applied again before life was pronounced extinct at 12.25 o'eleck.

CONSUL-GENERAL DUBOIS.

To Leave for His Post in Switzerland on Tuesday Next.

Washington, Nov. 19.-James T. Duois, United States consul general to Switzerland, will depart for his post on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse or Tuesday next. He will be accompanied by his wife and family. Mr. Dubois is a native of Halstead, Pa., but has spent a number of years

## in Washington. LEXINGTON RACES.

Lexington, Ky., Nov. 19 -Weather clear, rack slow. First race, a ferlongs-Lena Myers wen, Envlarge second, The Star of Bethiehem third; time, LOTi2. Sevend race, 6 furlongs-Rollins won oyalty second, Lakeview Palace third;

Third race, one mile-Liewanna won The Sculptor second, Julia Clark third; time, 1.5246. Fourth race, 5 furlangs-Johnnie Wills iams won, Amateur second, Oxnard third;

Fifth race, eleven-sixteenths-Camp

lapse of the shells of the buildings, which fall now and again with a loud The latest accounts indicate that nearly a hundred warehouses have been destroyed, while the loss will probably exceed £3,000,000 (\$15,000,000), The historic church of St. Giles has been much damaged, the principal

dows, the baptismal front and Milton's

at No. 30 on that thoroughfare.

PANIC IN A FACTORY. girls when the fire broke out and it was dred and fifty warehouses have been instantly the scene of a semi-panic, gutted. A later estimate of the damthe frightened operatives rushing to the roof of the building and there crossing by £5,000,000 (\$25,000,000.) to other buildings and so affecting their escape while the flames were pouring out of the basement. In less than a quarter of an hour the flames had enveloped the adjoining warehouse,

By this time it was evident with the

The excitement among the onlookers who crowded every possible point of Mr. Care has yielded to their wishes. was very great, as may be judged. Therefore, the subject of his remarks who by the aid of the fire escapes from to fight the flames in adjoining struc-IRROS.

The confusion in the street increased as the fire spread. Suddenly there was an explosion of gas meters, sounding like the reports of field guns, followed by a momentary hush. After that the wild rushing here and there was resumed with renewed energy. Men risked their lives in desperate efforts to save day books, ledgers, feathers. EXCITEMENT jewelry, valuable chinaware, etc. One man actually hazarded his life to fetch his hat and cane, two hundred feet of stone work and glass falling at his

heels as he emerged from the building, Several firemen were almost buried in burning ruins, as front after front of the flaming warehouse fell in, hurling tons of bricks and masonry into the streets, bursting and cutting the fire nose in all directions, while tons of fiery matter were falling in every direction, making it impossible to foresee where the conflagration would stop, as in a Large Factory -- Several Fire - roof after roof caught fire and window frames all about the scene began to

smoke. As the afternoon wore on, the dense crowds were still further enlarged, until it was estimated that many hundreds of thousands of people surrounded the big fire. These excited masses of humanity had to be constantly pressed back by the police, as the area of the fire-swept spot increased in size. and operation which became more and more difficult as the owners and employes of the warehouses adjacent to

most valuable portions of the portable By dusk the picture presented was extremely brilliant. Four streets were affect Canada' blazing on both sides, and there was crential tariff." plenty of interest in the gambling spirit of the on-lookers, in betting as whether or not the venerable tower of St. Giles' church could stand the hall of sparks and burning fragments

which it was enveloped. The red flames from every point shone out against the black sky, and through the widespreading mass of dull leaden smoke, tinged with tongues of ellow fire, and, here and there, where the fire had subsided somewhat, the street famps, stripped by the heat of their burners and glass frames, blazed with big jets from the open pipes, like monster danger torches.

THE FIRST CHECK COMES.

There was no abatement of the blaze

before 3.30 p. m. Then the check came

in Jewin street and in Well street,

right-hand side of that thoroughfare

building in the street. The width of Redcross street, a comparatively broad The constable who first detected the sistance, but several minutes clapsed before the alarm was heard by any of his comrades. So soon as assistance eached him, the officer was despatched to summon the fire brigade. But here again there was an unaccountable delay of twenty minutes before the first engine appeared. Then the fearful dimensions of the fire were apparent, and it was decided to circulate a call

4 a. m .- A very large force of firemen and about twenty engines have been working at high pressure all The district ravaged by the fire is ounded by Aldersgate street, Redcross, Maidenhead court and Bradford avenue, and includes the intermediate

throughout the metropolitian district.

streets Jewin, Hamsell, Well and Edmund and Jewin Crescent. It is officially reported that one hunage done places the amount at near-

Nearly all the British fire Insurance companies are involved and fire insurance shares were practically unsaleable on the stock exchange yesterday afternoon (Friday) after the fire was well under way. Nearly three hundred telephone wires have been cut, thus interrupting communication with many of the big pro-

## normous advance in the price of ostrich feathers, which rose 30 per cent. last evening (Fridax) Two feather

vincial towns. The fire will cause an

firms alone have lost £15,000 (\$75,000.) GAGE ON THE CURRENCY.

Will Take That Topic for His Speech at Chamber of Commerce Dinner. Washington, Nov. 19.-When Secretion, as their fight was one of the of the New York Chamber of Com-

which are the feature of that part of would steer clear of currency reform New York business men, however, men from all fair chance of confining have expressed themselves to the Secretary as being particularly anxious to hear from him upon the topic, and

FRENCH TORPEDO BOAT SUNK. Two of Them Collide White Man-

ocurring Off Atgiers. Algiers, Nov. 19 .- The French torning came into collision, with the result that No. 123 sank four minut later. The crew of the latter was saved The Doudart de Lagree was badly "Dutch Pete" Indicted.

Meyer, the murderer of Policeman Smith

of the murder of Beliringer Stelz in a

lyn, was indicted in Brooklyn today on the charge of murder in the first degree.

Geistel declares that he can establish ar Sold a Million-Dollar Claim. Washington, Nov. 19.-Frank Physicator, of Michigan, recently from the Klondike, where he is reputed to have acquired a mining claim which he has disposed of for a million dol! ... as at the war department today, having been summoned here by the government to confer respecting the conditions in the mining

She Has Been Arraigned on Charge Montpeller, Vt., Nov. 19 .- Mildred L. Brewster was arraigned in Washington county court here today, charged this city, on May 29. Miss Brewster pleaded not guilty and was remanded to await trial, to which it is expected will be begun within a few days. The crime with which Miss Brewster is charged was committed as the result of jealousy. The defendant was in love with John Wheeler, a granite cutter, who was engaged to Annie Wheeler. Hearing that Wheeler had asked his fiancee to accompany him to the Decoration Day celebration at Barre, Miss Brewster purchased a revolver, and while the Wheeler girl was dressing to keep her appointment, called at Miss Wheeler's boarding place. The two girls left the house together, and as

His Reply to Labor J enders' Request

Washington, Nov. 19.-Cabinet day at the White House caused a dearth of visitors. Those who saw the president were those who had appointments. President Gombers and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor, urged him to incorporate in his message recommendations for the better protection of labor. The president informed Messrs, Gompers and Morrison that his message would be very long on account of the many subjects already treated and necessary to discuss. He said that at some time in the future he hoped to give attention to labor matters either in a special message or some other satisfactory manner. The labor leaders want the

duce the number of immigrants.

Citizens Leave Spanish Prisons.

ENGLISH ENGINEERS' DEMANDS.

Declared Unreasonable in View of American Competition.

ECKFLS' RESIGNATION.

The Comptroller of the Currency to Tender It in a Few Days.

THE DREYFUS MYSTERY-

Merel to a month's rigorous arrest.

Steamship Arrivals.

Liverpool; St. Louis, Southampton, Ham-burg-Arrived: Fuerst Bismarck, New York, Rotterdam-Arrived: Spaarndam, New York. Plymouth-Sailed: Veendam (from Rotterdam) with Massdam's pass-Liverpool-Arrived: Campania

TANNER MAY ISSUE A CALL. Republican Legislators in Illinois to

held next Tuesday evening.

# session of the legislature.

DUTCH SUGAR TARIFF.

sugar case, was a false alarm.

# in the case to be examined.

BLOODHOUNDS FOR WHITECAPS.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING. Weather Indications Today:

Cabinet Pleased with Sagasta's Policy.

Local-Social and Personal. Religious News of the Week.

Sunday-School Lesson for Tomorrov

dion won, Albert Vale second, Sis Tan's