TWO CENTS

TO PROTECT THE SEALS

Important Features of the Bering Sea Negotiations.

OFFER OF UNITED STATES

Will Suspend Slaughter on Pribilof Islands.

The American Proposition Includes the Pribitof Islands in the Proposed Suspension of Sent Killing for a Term of One Year -- Question of the Lease of the North American Commercia! Company.

Washington, No. 22.-One of the most important features of the Bering sea negotiations not heretofore disclosed is that in the event that Great Reitain and Canada consent to a suspension of pelagic scaling for one year, the United States at the same time will agree to a suspension of all killing of scals for one year on the Pribitor islands, constituting the American seal possessions in Bering sea, As the islands are a part of the United States territory, no question has ever arisen as to the right of the United States to do as it chose as to the seals while on land and within three miles of the shore, the three miles being a part of the islands according to internationa law. Furing the recent negotiations the Canadians took the ground that if any suspension was to secur it would be inequitable to ask them to suspend senling in the outer waters while at the same time the United States persisted in scaling in the inner waters and on land.

The contention of the United States was primarily for the su bension of pringle scaling, but under the exigency of the case it was felt that if a ensumation of pelagic sealing could be secured it would be reasonable to concode a similar suspension within our own territory. It was in this form that the final propositions took shape. The American proposition includes the Pribitof islands in the proposed one year suspension, so that if Canada agrees to the suspension it will apply ande as well as to the high seas. The proposition follows the recommendation of the Paris court of arbitration which suggested a temporary suspension of scaling on land and

QUESTION OF LEASE,

This brings up the question of the lease of the North American Commercial company, giving it the exclusive right to take seals on the Pribilof islands. The lease was made in 1890 for a term of twenty years. Under this leave the company has taken about 16,000 seals annually on the Islands. The lease stipulated that not more than 60,000 should ! on in 1891, and also provided that no more seals should be killed annually than was authorized of court, by the secretary of the treasury. As the catch has been far short of the expected 60,000, a question has ariser as to the obligation of the company to Report of Cases Issued by Surgeon have its rental reduced pro rata. Attorney General Miller gave an opinion favor of the reduction; Secretary has weekly report issued by the surnow pending in the United States yellow Supreme court. The lease provides for rental of \$60,000 a year, also \$7.62% for each seniskin taken and shipped

In the event of an agreement be- and Kentucky. tween the United States, Great Britain and Canada, the rights of the company to take seals necessarily would terminate for a year. It is said the President McKinley Explains the right of eminent domain gives the government authority for vacuting the lease for this period without reference; to the wishes of the company. But, aside from this, it is understood that the company would not stand on any technical rights, but would regard the concessions granted by Canada of such great advantage in the preservation of lated one year.

CUBAN AS A MEXICAN ANNEX.

The Big Republic Would Like to

Absorb the Is and. City of Mexico, Nov. 22.-The question of the future of Cuba excites interest here, owing to the talk of a possible union of the island with the Mexican republic in case of its ultimately gaining its inde-pendence, which Muxicans hope for. a part of Mexico, which will event-form a part of the great tropical republic, extending to the mouth of the Orthogo, making the Caribbean sea and Gulf of Mexico the new world's Mediter-

newspapers on the solution of the Cuban question attract much attention.

Defense of a Woman Teacher.

Mechanicsburg, Pa., Nov. 22.—Miss Clara M. Kast, the resigned assistant orincipal of the high school, who had trouble with Principal Mishler over grade marks, has made affidavit of "his nirue statements to the governing committee," and that size is "reduced to such a nervous condition that I am physically unable to teach any longer un-der Professor Mishler, and subject mythe probability of similar attacks

Stenmer on Fire.

Nov. 22.-The British steamer Wistow Hall, Captain Jones, which arrived at Hayre yesterday from New Orleans, reported that number one hold had flames are now apparently extinguished. | men.

TRAILED AN INDIAN BY TROLLEY.

Poor Lo Was Chused by Policemen and a Crowd.

Newark, N. J., Nov. 22.-Willie Bombs an Oklahoma Indian attached to a mus-cum located on Market street, saveral local policemen, a crowd of fully keeper-gons and a chase on a trolley car fur-ished excitement in this city today. Detective Koerber went to No. 110 Springfield avenue for the purpose of ar-resting the Indian. Jacob Tanner, who lives there, said that he had falled in with Bomba last night. The two became friendly, and after drinking the Indian accepted his new-found friend's invita-tion to spend the night with him. This

morning Tanner discovered that his silver watch and one belonging to his wife vere missing. When the detective went to Tapner's house Bomba dropped out of the secondstory window and boarded a New York trolley car. Koerber sprang aboard the next car. The pursuing car tore over the ralls at the rate of 30 miles an hour, leaving a cloud of dust in its wake and

ausing people on the street to believe that it was running away.

After a chase of nearly a mile the pursuing car stopped at the crossing of Broad and Market streets, as the one with the fugitive Indian aboard was about to stop on the other side. Koerber jumped from the car and dashed across.

The Indian saw him and dashed down Market street, quickly followed by a great crowd in full cry. Policemen James Moore and Coakley intercepted the Indian and placed him under arrest. He said he was drunk last night and did not know what he did.

SILVER SMELTERS MEET.

Representatives of the Largest Ore Refining Plants in the West Hold a Conference in New York.

New York, Nov. 22 .- A conference was held in this city today between repre-sentatives of the largest silver smelting and refining works in the United States. The conference will be continued throughout the week, One of those pres-

ent at the conference today said:
"We are meeting simply for the purpose of creating greater harmony and union among the smelters and refiners. It is true that we are looking toward consolidation but not consolidation in the sense of a sliver trust. What we want to do is to establish the smelling and refining companies into joint agencies so that the prepared metal may have readier sale. Our idea is to have a committee in which each company will be represented, which shall indicate where each amount of stock shall be placed. Each company being of equal standing with the others, and having equal authority there will be no such severe competition as there has been in our former experience."

The following companies were repre-sented at today's conference Omaha and Grant Smelting and Refining company, Kansas City Consolidated Smelting and Refining company, Chicage and Aurora Smelting and Refining company, Pueblo Smolting and Refining company, Great National Mexican Smolting company of Monterey, Mex.: Guggenheimer Smelting company, of Perth Amtray, N. J., and Aguaz Calientes, Mexico,

SIX YEARS FOR MEIXELL.

The Bank Officials of South Bethlehem are Sentenced.

Philadelphia, Nov. 22.-John B. Meixell, ex-cachier, and Willia E. Hoch, ex-toiler of the South Bethlehem, Pa., National bank, were today sentenced by Judge Buffer, in the United States district court, to six years and six months at hard labor in the Eastern penitestiary, and to pay costs of prosecution.

Both men today pleaded guilty of embegalement. National Bank Examiner Bingham was the only witness. He testifiled that \$30,000 had been embezzied from the bank and that the accounts had been altered during a period of three years. He discovered the shortage last May, Both men admitted their joint guilt. The case of Irvin T. Benner, former book-keeper in the bank, charged with complicity, was postponed until the next term

YELLOW FEVER RESULTS.

General of Marine Hospital.

Olney, when attorney general, gave an opinion against it. By mutual consent a test case was made up and is instant, there had appeared during the tal of 4,289 cases, of which 406 had proved Of the total number of cases, 1,817 were

reported from Louisiana, 1,625 from Missfrom the islands and certain tax pay- issippi, 740 from Alabama. 52 from Teu- to D Company's quarters, then down ments and accommodations for the na- nessee, 16 from Texas. 4 from Illinois. 3 over the curb and finally up the steps from Georgia and I each from Florida.

CIVIL SERVICE RULES.

Menning of the Word "Removat."

Washington, Nov. 22.-President McKinto rule two of the civil service rules applies to reductions of rating as well as to removals from the service. This announcement is of interest for the reason connected that the cuts made by Captain Lovering's sword. They were all bleeding and deep." that the rule has been differently interpreted by public officials, Some have interpreted the word "re-

the seals as to warrant a suspension moval" to mean removal from the ser-on the Pribilof islands during the stipu-lated one year. other in the claraffied service.

NEW POSTOFFICE RULES.

An Edict Calculated to Make Postal Express Business Obnoxious.

Washington, Nov. 22.-Assistant Post-master General Merritt has Issued an order stating that it is not permissable to write upon third or fourth class mail matter or its wrapper, or to print or The Here'd remarks: "Cuba should be- write upon second class matter or us wrapper directions relative to delivery, Consequently, directions to deliver to some indefinite address, as to a dauggist or physician, if the matter be undeliverable to the addressed must in all cases be disregarded by posimisators.

Postmaster have been instructed that after March 1, 1898, matter so addressed but his arrest prevented their marriage. will be held to be unmailable.

Shot While Hunting.

Newburg, N. Y., Nov. 22.-Neaf Apgar, Warsaw, Ird., Nov. 22.-Mr. and Mrs. widely known as a rifle shot, who came John Borsenan and a young child, who from New Jersey a few months ago to resided at Burkett, this county, were assume the management of the Pine Point driving across the Nickel Plate railway house at Orange lake, six miles from here, was accidentally shot by a friend while out hunting today. Appar was mounded in one of his legs. The physicians hope to be able to save the injured.

member.

Pittsburg, Nov. 22.—Jack McClelland, of Pittsburg, fought Joe Bernstein, of New York, eight rounds to a draw tonight be-fore a large audience. The bout was one of the best seen here for a long time. It P. Innes, Wilkes-Barre, Original widow, affine since Nov. 12. Twenty-one was lively from start to finish, and conf water had been pumped in and the siderable science was displayed by both siderable science was displayed by both

THE LOVERING COURT MARTIAI

Captain of the Fourth Infantry on Trial at Chicago.

RED TAPE MARKS PROCEEDINGS.

The Victim of Lovering's Cracky is Allowed to Stand Out in a Snow ing for Proceedings to Begin. Testimony of Eve Witnesses.

A. Lovering, of the Fourth infantry, stationed at Fort Sheridan, appeared before a court martial at that post today to stand trial on the charge of conduct prejudicial to good order and, discipline." The specific charge is causing Private Hammond to be dragged over the ground by the heels from the guard house to the officer's regimental adjutant because Hammond had refused to walk. The court was an hour late in convening. because of a delay in the arrival of Brigadier General Wade, the presid-ing officer. A cold wind from the northwest blew neross the parade grounds and Private Hammond, who stood without an overcoat on the porch of the officer's club, where the court was held, under guard of three seldiers wrapped in heavy army ulsters. shivered, while his teeth chattered and his face turned blue from the cold. The four men stood in the falling snow for almost an hour until Lieutenant Williams, who had been notlified, took pity on Hammond and ordered him back to the guard house. Hammond was thin and pale and his appearance indicated that his imprisonment had told on his health. His army overcoat was at Plattsburg, N. Y., where he left it when he absented himself without leave, and there was none for him at

Fort Sheridan. The first witness was Lieutenant John J. Boynard, the officer of the guard on the day Hammond was dragged. He testified that he ordered Hammond to appear before the summary court and that the latter refused to go. He exhausted all means to get the private to go before the court and these being unavailing, he reported the matter to Captain Lovering, who was officer of the day. "Did you hear Captain Lovering

use oaths in his language to the prisoner?" Judge Adecate Hunter asked in questioning Lieutenant Bernard. "I heard him say d- you come out," was the answer. The licutenant was unable to state positively to the

stabbed the prisoner, Private New, who was corporal of the day on Oct. 9, but who has since been reduced to the rank of a private, was the rext witness called and stated that Lewester as witness of the day would reliable the transfer as effect of the day there is a few thought that if I had to do I would tell what I knew. as officer of the day gent three men to Hammond's cell with

HAMMOND WAS STUBBORN,

with his sword."

ed him pretty hard, so hard at least that Hammond felt it and rubbed bla side," was the answer.

"How hard did Lovering pred the next question.

"The sword must have plerced Ham-mond's clothing," said Private New, "for he cried, don't do that." When the prisoner had been dragged down the guard house steps I saw Lovering prod him again. That time it was on the hand and I saw the blood trickle from the wound."

Sergeant Barnard was called and rave a minute description of how Hammend was dragged feet first over the sill of his cell then down the stone steps, a hundred yards along the walk. lown over the curb, up again to the walk, down again and across the road, over the opposite curb, up the steps to D Company's quarters, then down to the adjutant's office.

"How did Hammond look when he arrived at the court?" asked Colonel Hunter.

taken from his feet," answered the cor-poral. "His pants were worn through o the skip, and when I returned with holds that his amendment of July 27 him to the guard house he showed me

Corporal Ward was the last witness. and his evidence corroborated that of New. An adjournment was then taken

TWICE CONVICTED OF MURDER. The Stayer of Lewis Haines Proposed

Marriage to Ilis Widow.

Ridgway, Pa., Nov. 22.—The jury in the case of Frederick Rockwell, charged with the murder of Lewis Halnes, on Thursday evening returned a verdict of gailty of murder in the first degree. This is the second time that Rockwell has been declared guilty, the first conviction heing followed by a new trial.

Eccitwell boarded with Haines and

murdered him, it was alleged, that he might marry his widow. The crime was committed in a blacksmith shop, which Rockwell set on fire, to hide evidence of his crime, first stripping the body of his victim and appropriating his cioth-ing. Rockwell proposed to Mrs. Haines.

Run Down by a Train.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, Nov. 22-These Pennsyl vanta pensions have been issued: etc.-Mary Kelley, Tobyhanna Mills, Mon-roe; Rosina Dehm, Shenandouh; Harriet Dunbar, Mountain Home, Monroe,

THE COMPETITOR PRISONERS RETURN

Six Men Who Escaped the Pate of the Virginius Captives Arrive in New York .- The Story of Capture and Imprisonment.

New York, Nov. 22.-The steamer Saraoga, from Havana, having on board the released members of the Competitor fillbustering expedition, has been reported entering the harbor. The men are Captain Alfredo Laborda, William Gilden Storm Without a Coat While Wait- Ona Melton, William Leavitt and Charles Barnett, an Englishman. The five men were in fairly good health and excellent spirits on reaching Quarantine, Captain Laborda suffers somewhat from par-Chicago, Nov. 22.-Captain Leonard alvels, which he contracted during his long confinement in the Cubanas fortrees Joseph A. Spris fer, the United States vice consul at Havana, was also a passenger on the Saratoga, Mr. Springer declined to talk for publication. The released men were clothes in which they were clad at the time of their cap-ture on April 23, 1886, at Berracos, San

Another happy passenger on the Saratoga was Julio Arteago y Quezada, the young Cuban insurgent, who was ordered to be shot by Weyler, but was pardoned by General Huneo, a friend of the pris-

oner's father. The six men who had escaped the fate of the Virginius captives were greeted upon their arrival in New York by an enthusiastic crowd, who gave them a hearty welcome. The poor wretches were weak to respond to the cheers which had been given in their honor. Captain Laborda's brother was one of these assembled on the dock. The meeting between the brothers was a touching one. The friends of the others cried with joy as they grasped the hands of the resel prisoners, whose eyes were sunken, faces called and forms emanciated. Representatives of the Cuban junta were iso present, and they added their greet-

This is the story which young Quesada told tonight, concerning his release;
"While a member of the army corps in
the Pinar del itie district I became possessed of information, to the knowledge
of which, I think, I owe the saving of

Last March I wandered about half a mile away from our hospital tent in search of some herbs of which I de-sired to make medicine, when a detach-ment of Spanish intantry captures me. The noise made by my strangle to free myself groused my twelve companies, and they rushed to my assistance. During the might that followed by friends were beaten, and one of them was killed 'After the conflict was over, I was bound and thrown on the ground and bester universitually. I was told if I would confess where my comrades had their dynamite stored they would stop besting me. This I declined to do, and, seeing that they could not force a confession from me, they sent me to Arte-

"It was at this janeture that my knowledge stood me in good stead. Two prom-inent Spanish generals, one a brimdler general, whose name I do not eare to court whether Lovering kicked or mention, and General Arolas principally

sent three men to Hammond's cell with orders to prod him with bayonets if their scruples.

"They were in constant communication."

n the Piner del Rio district, in witch "He said he would die before he they stated that they wanted to make armould walk," said New, "and then I saw Lovering kick him twice and prod him with his sword."

"The said he would die before he they stated that they wanted to make armounts by which spanish soldiers would not be attacked in the districts controlled by them. In return the maur-"How much force ald the officer use?" | gents were to have free access to the asked the judge advocate. "He kick- treem and be permitted to pass at will. this way we were able to keep in con-

and Garcia. "How hard did Levering pred the "We had about 5,000 men under com-prisoner with his sword?" was the mand of General Nuncz, while the Span-

fards had between 40,000 to 50,000, yet wo were well able to cope with them." The friends of young Quesada were surtion and not General Blanco's friendship for the late Professor Quesada, that se-

ared his pardon. Probably the most wratched of the ompetitor's crew, Ona Melton, the newspaper correspondent, whose intention, on going to Caba, was not to participate in

the war, but to represent the true situaion in that country.

In describing his capture and subsequent treatment, Melton sain that when the first shot was fired by the Spanish gusbeat he and two of his companions wered a small boat and tried to escape, They were pursued and captured a short distance from the shore. On board the guabout they were cruelly bound with ropes and were prodded with sharppenned siteks which pinetured their dish. They were afterward thrown into a cell and fed but once a day. After the first six days the prisoners were per-mitted to see Consul Williams, and were fed twice a day, but just the sort of the food it was. Melton is still unable to say, It barely supported life, that was all

Meton said be and his companions were placed in a large cell containing to other prisoners, both political and criminal, in the Cabanas fortress, and there he re-mained in trembling and fear, Last Thursday afternoon he was taken out of he dangeon as he supposed to be shot, out in the carridor he met Consul General .ee, who to Melton's surprise informed hat all of the Competitor prisoners had seen parstened. Then he and his comrace were placed on board the Saratoga, which brought them here, When errested Melion weights 165 pounds, but now he could not pull down the scales at he pounds. He will remain here for

shout a week and will then return to his Captain Labords, speaking of his prison. life, said: "The stories of crucities in the Spanish prisons are utterly unfound-I have been there long enough to be expected and Matter Fernandez, the warden of Cabanas, was especially kind and considerate, so much so that we called him father. Why we know more about what was solar on that you did. How did we learn? Well, I can't tell that, as it might hurt those I have left behind. Yes, American gold went a great way. I got a little money from time to time, and the guards who did not have any pay while I was there, were always tratified for anything I gave them, and imply paid for what they got."

Two members of the Competitor erew Dr. R. Berdia and Telgado Masso, both Spaniards, are still in the prison in Cuba. Their release has, it is said, been prom

An Advance for Breaker Employes. Hazleton, Pa., Nov. 22.—The breaker mpioyes at A. S. Van Wickle's Coleraine colliery were agreeably surprised upon receiving an increase in their wages of five cents per day. The company officials say that they propose to take into consideration the time of service and ability of each employe, and advance

MINE INSPECTORS WILL BE WATCHED

They Will Have No Sinecure Under Robert Brownlee.

INSPECTORS ARE VERY CRITICAL

They Are Not Inclined to Look With Favor on What They Take to Be Interference .- The Chief Claims to Be Backed by the Law and Will Enforce New Rules. Philadelphia, Nov. 22.-- A Harrisburg

special to the Press says: "It is not likely that the eighteen mine inspecters of this state will have a sinecure under Robert Brownlee, new chief of the Bureau of Mines. The inspectors have heretofore been their own masrs and have done about as they pleas-They were not subject to the authority of any state official, although they were required to make an annual report to the secretary of internal af-

A law was passed by the last legislature creating the bureau of mines and placing the inspectors under the control and supervision of the chief of this bureau. Mr. Brownlee was reently appointed by Governor Hastings to this position, and he is preparing to enforce the law rigidly. The chief has notified the inspectors that they will be expected to file a monthly report of the accidents, inspections, etc. n their districts. He called a conference of the inspectors recently and toother they went over the programme mapped out by Mr. Brownies. The in-spectors were inclined to object to hat they considered Mr. Brownlee's one woman, Mrs. Susan E. Maxon, of neerference and criticised his plan of labs Williams street, lost her life. The interior of the building occupied by Mr. Scott, which is owned by Mighael nterference and criticised his plan of action. The chief said he was backed by the law and that if the inspectors did not carry out his instructions he would take prompt steps for their vemoval. Their differences were finally adjusted and there is not likely to be ony friction between the chief and the DETRICTORS.

INSTRUCTIONS TO INSPECTORS. "Mr. Brownlee has asked the bltuninous inspectors for a special report. howing the number of brick works in their district supplied with shale or clay from coal mines, the name and loeation of such mines, the name and location of mines operated exclusively for fire clay, and the name of the raiload and the nearest railroad station. "In case of a serious or fatal accident Mr. Brownlee has instructed the foremen in the bituminous districts to

requested to at once report to the in-spector the time of the accident, fatal or not fatal, the number of persons injured, their age, nationality, whether married or single, the number of chil-dren left, extent of injury and the The tire was discovered shortly after 2 cause of injury. The foremen is required to state who first reached the scope of the accident, the name and location of the mine, the name of the operator, railroad to mine and the nearest railread station.

"The inspector is instructed to furnish a report showing the circumstances and responsibility of the accident to the chief of the bureau of mines, as soon as possible after investigation. Mine operators are required to furnish the bureau with an annual report, giv-This proposition was accepted, and in the the name and location of their mines, whether a strike or suspension stant communication with Gomez, Macuo has occurred at colliery or any mine or opening of colliery during the year. whether it was ordered by labor organizations, the extent to which it suceeeded, the number of persons involved, loss of wages to operator and emclease by giving away a secret which playes, the number of native-norm and strayed the allies of the insurgents in the Spanisa army. It was this information of a like character.

INFORMATION FROM OPERATORS. "The operators are invited to furnish such other information and data as they may choose, with the understanding that it will be held strictly confidential by the bureau. The inspectorn are required to furnish, by the 4th of every month, a detailed report of doing. There were pleuty of chances of the number of inspections made in the speculators, too, for every field fifty their district and a vast amount of well and the going was of the best with their district and a vast amount of safety appliances are in good condition and work properly.

"Mr. Browniee has ordered the inspectors to make a semi-annual examination of the mines in their district and report the result not later than the human skill could make it. Pontent Calast weeks of January and July. The inspectors are required to furnish the number of employes of each mine, the number of mules employed, the means ventilation, the character of the mine, the system of mining and the character of machinery used, togethwith a statement as to whether oper procautions are taker to secure the safety of all persons employed in mine and adjoining mines. The impector is also to state which-

he considers the method of mining, desinage, bauling and ventilation the most practical and economical that could be adopted to secure the largest amount of coal in the field, having in view the safety of employes and the easonable remuneration of the operator. Mr. Errownice says the law is defective in many respects and will enleaver to have it changed by the next ogislature.

Governor Hastings is keeping close watch on the bureau and is much pleased with the system devised by Mr. Brownlee to carry out the provisions of

Result of Australian Fire.

Melbourne, Victoria, Nov. 22.-As a result of the fire which broke out at 'clock yesterday morning and destroye othin three hours an entire block of addings bounded by Elizabeth, Flinders and Swanton streets and Flinders lane with the exception of two buildings on the Swanston street front, the insur-ance companies lose (720,000 03,050,000). of which amount (500,000 (\$2,500,000) will fall on British companies. Australian companies will lose the remaining taneunt.

Fatal Boiler Explosion. Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 22.-Two men. Robert Henry and Robert Starr, were killed by the explosion today of a boller

used to supply steam for three commer-

cial buildings in the city. Henry was the fireman, and Starr, a boiler inspector, was examinging the plant when the ex-plosion occurred.

MINERS CONVENTION.

Bituminous Diggers Meet at Altoona

to Form a State Organization. Pitisburg, Nov. Zz.-The convention of he bituminous miners of Pennsylvania, which begins at Alteona tomorrow, for the purpose of forming a state organiza-tion, promises to be the most important meeting the miners have ever held in this state. A large delegation from the Pittsburg district left this afternoon over the Penusylvania raliroad. The district offi-cers, President Patrick Dolan and Secretary William Warner and National Organizer George Harris, are in charge of the delegation. National President M. D. Ratchford telegraphed Mr. Dolan during the morning that he was on his way to Altoona. He will likely be asked to preside at the convention. District President Dolan is entitusiassic over the lent Dolan is enthusiasile over the

venient. His recent tour among the miners in he central coal fields convinced him that strong and powerful organization can be formed. The great beneat of unionem was brought out during the recent national suspension. With a good or-gunization the diggers believe that a better mining rato can be established for next year and many evils be remedied.

CONFLAGRATION AT BALTIMORE

The "Great Scott" Furniture Stere Destroyed by Fire -- Mrs. Susan E. Daxon is Cremated .- Total Damage

Baltimore, Nov. 22.—The entire contents of the five-story building, Nos. 317 and 31: North Howard street, occupied by William H. Scott, popularly known as "Great Scott," as a furniture story, was today destroyed by fire, in which one woman, Mrs. Susan E. Maxon, or

McCormick, was also completely de-clished, although the four walls re-air, standing. The total damage to that od adjoining property is estimated at sont \$135,000.

The adjoining buildings, occupied, repectively, by the Urigh Pollinck Purni-ure company, on the south side, and y Potthast Bros., dealers in antique urniture, on the north side, were con-iderably injured by fire and water, the ormer sustaining the greater lose. In the alley immediately in the rear

of the Scott building, three small houses, occupied by colored persons, were dam-aged to the extent of about \$500, spirits having fired the roofs. The origin of the fire is not known. The loss started in the basement of the fire, which is filled with chairs and various other kinds of furniture, stoves, ranges and kitchen ware, and, it is thought by some of the employes, that immediately telegraph to the inspector | the highly inflammable matter that enof the district. The foreman is also cased packed furniture may have caught fire in some mysterious way. From the basement the fire was communicated to every floor in the building through the passenger elevator shaft, which afforded strong draught and the entire building

The foremen is re- p. m., at which time there were forty-five customers. Preparations for boliday trade had been made with the resulthat an unusual amount of furniture a every description was contained in the

A panie followed the discovery of the fire and every one rushed to the negrest blace of egrass. Ars. Maxon, who was alone, is thought to have fallen, or have fainted from fright, her body being found soon after the flames had been subdued. A sulesman had his anide sprained and freman was slightly burt, but beyond these cares no other casualties are known to have occurred, though it was rimport of the the three three flames. ored after the fire that four persons had

The insurance on Mr. Scott's stock is \$1,000. Mr. McCormick's loss on the building is estimated at \$20,000, of which \$25,000 is covered by insurance. The losses of the Pollack Furniture company and

PALMY DAYS OF PIMLICO.

"Bookies" Have Ptenty of Business.

Ventures of the Plungers. Baltimore, Nov. 22.-It looked too if the palmy days of good old Pimileo has returned, for in spite of lowering skies a big crowd went out to see the runners and gave the sixteen "bookles all the lusiness they were capable of their district and a vast amount of tochnical information about the mines inspected. One requirement is that they shall investigate the appliances for signaling from the bottom of the shaft or slope to the engineer in charge of the hoisting engine, to accortain if they are suitable and whether the enges, heisting ropes, bridle chains and safety appliances are in good condiduring the recent most at Hennings, an there is no doubt whatever that this will

net and Senator McCurran made it a dead heat in the fourth race, and their owners elected to divide the purse, or is raining gently tonight, but not enough to make very heavy going tomorrow Summerlest First race, Hotel Stafford stake, 5 fur-Ionas-Commercial Traveler won.

ard, second; Jack Donahue, third, Time Second race, 6 furlongs-J. A. Graon, Gala Day, second; Warrenton, third.

Third race, one mile-Mount Washins-

ton won, Her Own, second; Debride th. a. Time, 1.42. Fourth race Dig furiouss-Senator Me-Carren won, Pontent Canet, dead hear; Bagacity, third. Time, 1.08. Fifth race, one mile-Volley won, Preler, second; Bannock, third, Time,

New York, Nov. 22.—Cleared: Nomadic, dverpool. Arrived: Obelim. Rotterdam, Sailed: Amsterdam, Retterdam, THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Steamship Arrivals.

Wenther Indications Today:

1 General-Spain Desires More Proof of Court Martial of Captain Lovering Concessions by the United States in the Seal Negotiations.
Mine Inspectors to Me Watched.
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Comment of the Press

Local-Roard of Control Meeting Pirst Sleigh Ride of the Season.

The Markets.

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THE LA LUCHA'S **INDEPENDENCE**

Insists That the United States Favors Filibustering.

CUBAN TARIFF QUESTION

Causes Heated Discussions at MADRID.

Cuban Reformists Have Published a Manifesto Claiming for Cubans the Right to Establish Their Own Tariff--Cataian Delegation Protests Against the Cuban Tariff Being Made Autonomous .- The Commercial Union of Madrid Supports Au-

Hayana, Nov. 22.-La Lucha, in an editorial today, says that in spite of all the proofs of friendship Spain has given the United States, in a manner without precedence in history, she has not received in exchange from the government of the republic any thing signifying the purpose of that govern-ment to pur a stop to the departure of fillbustering expeditions from the United States

Continuing, La Lúcha says, the more Spain yields the greater enthusiosm will be manifested by the American people in favor of the "separatists," explaining, however, that this is not out of love for the Cubans but in the interest of American agitators. A Spanish force while escorting a

provision train from Manzanillo to Bayeme, was fired upon by a detachment of insurgents. The government troops had 16 men wounded, the official report says. It is announced from Spanish headquarters that fifteen more armed insurgents, belonging to the force com-

stated, other jusurments are expected to follow their example in the near Washington, Nov. 22.-The Spanish minister today received the following

manded by Cuervo, have surrendered

to the Spanish authorities in the prov-

ince of Pinar del Etio, and it is further

dispetch from the captain general of Cuba at Hayana: "Havana, Nov. 22.-At Palois, province of Havana, where General Prado is operating with his column, there has surrendered to bim today the insurgent leader Cuerva, ranking as colonel, together with three majors, sixteen ofseers and 150 men, with their arms and ammunition, among them sixteen avalrymen. Colonel Cuervo has offered to further surrender up to 200 men, the remainder not having done so at once, as they were disported in the woods, but they will be brought to gether and surrendered to the authori-

THE TARIFF QUESTION. Madrid, Nov. 22.-The new Cuban tariff is the subject of considerable hented discussion here at present. The Cuben Reformists have published a manifesto claiming for the Cubacus Use right to establish their own tariff, on the ground that the tobacco monopoly prevents commercial reciprocity beween Spain and Cuba. The protection is this reply that the government must not renounce the rights to Intervene in Cuban tariff matters, pointing out that the Spanish producers have to pay the majority of the Cuban debts, while they obtain no advantages in return Opinion on the subject is generally divided. While the Catalan towns protest against tariff autonomy being granted to Cuba, other corporations, such as the corporation of Huelva, warmly congratulate the government upon its efforts to bring about peace and end the sacrifices of the nation.

the colonies, Sonor Moret, during which they protested against the Cuban tariff. being made autonomous. The minister replied that he had fully considered the general interests of the colonies and was convinced that his policy alone would lead to a penceful solution. He explained that in dealing with the colonies, national and not mercly certain industrial interests. must be considered, and, continuing, Senor Moret announced his intention to maintain his calmions before the cabinet, and, if his colleagues disagrees with him, he was prepared to resign. Later the Catalan delegates tele-

A Catalan delegation had an hour's

conference today with the minister for

to abstain from taking part in the demonstration in honor of General As this disputch is sent, the cabinet, which met at 2 o'clock this afternoon is still in sension, and it is rumored that there are dissensions among the

graphed to their friends in Barcelena,

ministers. The Commercial union of Madrid

supports autonomy. LEXINGTON RACES.

Lexington, Ky., Nov. 22,-Weather cloudy, track fast. First race, 7 furlongs --Eton Jacket won, Lellis, second; Albert Vallet third; time, 1,28; Second race, 11-16 mile-Conan Doyle won, Annie Taylor, second; Merry Glein, third; time, 1,16; Third race, mile and eighth-Kitty B wen, Hata Off, second; Rockwood, third; time, 1,55, Fourth race, 5 furlongs-Claret Cup won, Randamo, second; Tempo, third; time, 1,27; Fifth race, 6 furlongs-Turtle Boye won; Bill Arnett, second; Rollie, third; time, 1,15.

The Herald's Weather Forecast.

New York, Nov. El-In the Middle States and New England today, cloudy went ter will provail, with rait; or snow in the eastern districts, fresh and brisk easterly to northerly winds, becoming high off the coasts and nearly stationary temperature, followed in this section by partly clearing and colder weather. On Wednesday, in both of these sections, colder, partly cloudy to fair weather will prevail, preceded by snow or rain

second; Relife : third; time; 1:15,