SCRANTON, PA., TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 1, 1898.

TWO CENTS

HOUSE FROWNS ON TELLER

His Silver Resolution Is **Buried Entirely Out** of Sight.

BY A MAJORITY OF FIFTY

The Vote Reached After Five Hours' Debate.

Mr. Dingley Sounds the Keynote of the Opposition -- Mr. Grow Joins the Debate .- Speaker Reed Votes Against the Resolution, Amid Cheers -- Messrs. Bniley and Henderson Create Enthusiasm by Ringing Speeches .- The Final Scenes at the Close of Debute.

Washington, Jan. 31.-The house of representatives today buried the Teller resolution declaring the bonds of the United States payable in silver, under an adverse majority of fifty votes. The Pepuliicans were solidly arrayed in epposition, with two exceptions Ma Linney, of North Carolina, who voted with the Democrats and Populists, and Mr. White, of North Carolina, the only colored member of the house, who answered "present" when his name was called. The desertions from the Demo-eratic side were Mr. McAleer, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Elliott, of South Carolina, both of whom voted with the Republicans against the proposition. Speaker Reed, although it is not customary for him to vote, had his name called, and amid the cheers of his followers, went on record in opposition to

the resolution. The vote was reached after five hours of debate under a special order adopted at the opening of the session today. The limited time allowed for debate and the pressure of members for an opportunity to be heard was so great that the leaders on both sides were compelled to farm out the time by This detracted much from the continuity of the discussion, but it also in a measure intensified the interest. The galleries were crowded all day long and the combatants on the floor were cheered by their re-

spective sympathizers.

to the arguments. The majority under the leadership of Dingley, who made a carefully prethe opposition, assumed the position was in reality a disguised declaration for the free coinage of silver, while the assaulting Democrats under the direction of Mr. Bailey maintained that the defeat of the resolution was another step in the direction of establishment of the gold standard, to which they alleged both the president and Secretary Gage had irrevocably committed the Republican party. The debate was at times fast and heated, but there was no sensational incidents beyond the hissing of Mr. Rhea, of Kentucky, when he said that as the author of the "crime of '73" the hottest place in Hades would be reserved for the present secretary of state. The vote on the resolution was: Ayes, 132; nays, 182.

Mr. Dingley opened the debate in opposition to the resolution.

Mr. Grow (Rep., Pa.) contended against the resolution, that the creditor had the right to demand the payment of his debt in whatever legal tender he elected. For the government to exercise the option would be dishonest and in bad faith. Otherwise the government could set its printing presses at work and soon turn out enough "legal tender" to discharge the government debt. Mr. Brumm (Rep., Pa.) said he would

have voted for the resolution had it not contained the latter clause, declaring that the free coinage of silver was not inconsistent with the public faith.

The debate closed with two rousing

speeches by Messrs, Balley (Dem., Tex.) and Henderson (Rep., Ia.), which stirred their respective followers to a high pitch of enthusiasm.

HENDERSON CREATES ENTHUSI-ASM.

Mr. Henderson created intense enthusiasm as with the stump of his leg resting on a bench at the right of the speaker's chair and his crutches by his side he railied his followers. This resolution, he said, reminded him of one of the monograms he used to see on the Bryan banners.

Mr. Bailey-"You will see it again in 1900." (Democratic applause.) Mr. Henderson-"Yes and we will tear it down again." (Republican applause).

was the three R's," continued Mr. Henderson, "radicalism, rascality

and repudiation Mr. Dalzell (Rep., Pa.) declared that the resolution was meaningless unless its purpose was to open the mints to the free and unlimited coinage of sil-It was a proposition that the United States stamp its legend on 44 cents of silver and declare that it was a dollar. It was a proposition of national repudiation, and against it all the forces of national integrity and

honor were arrayed. More sacred than the centuries of history, its traditions and its heroes, was its honor, and he thanked God that the party in power had been and always would be the protector of that

Promptly at 5 o'clock the speaker announced that the time for the vote had arrived. Mr. Pearson (Rep., N. C. asked if the vote could be divided on the first and second propositions in the resolution and was answered in the

negative. Then came the vote which was fol-

lowed with great interest, notwithstanding the defeat of the resolution was a foregone conclusion. After the roll call was completed the

speaker asked that his name be called and responded to it with a vigorous The Republicans cheered long and loud over the victory, and the house at 5.35 p. m. adjourned.

MR. HARRITY A MEMBER.

Mr. Garman's Efforts to Down Him Are Unsuccessful.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Chairman Jones, of the Democratic national committee, says there is no truth in the statement that he had removed William F. Harrity, a Pennsylvania member and substituted the man designated by the Democratic state committee as his successor. Mr. Jones says that Chair man Garman, of the Pennsylvania Democratic committee, called upon him ast week and Mr. Garman informed the senator of the action of the Democratic committee of Pennsylvania and said that the matter would be pre-sented to Senator Jones in an official manner and all the papers and correspondence laid before him. Senator Jones informed Mr. Garman that the power of removal of a member of the national committee rested wholly with he committee itself and that he would take the papers in the case when sub-mitted to him and send a copy to Mr. Harrity, giving him an opportunity to make a reply and present his side of

the case. After both sides had been fully heard te would take all the correspondence and papers in the case and send a copy to each member of the committee and get an expression of opinion as to what should be done. The committee might then be called together if the members so determined, when the case can be discussed and decided.

OTIS BRIBERY CASE IS NEARING AN END

ommittee Hold a Brief Session. Only One Witness Called .- Report Will Soon Be Given.

Columbus, O., Jan. 31.-The investiration into the alleged attempt to bribe Representative Otis to vote for Senaor Hanna during the late senatorial contest, is rapidly drawing to an end. The committee held a brief session after he senate adjourned this evening. Attorney Campbell was the only witness examined. He was recalled for the purof allowing Senators Robertson and Garfield, who were not present when Mr. Campbell was on the stand,

to question him.

Neither of the senators, however asked a question, and the only queries

were made by Chairman Burke Mr. Campbell told of his personal relations toward Otis. He said he had frequently acted as attorney for Otis and always considered Otis a straightforward and honest man. He said Otis had always been a sort of mild Repub-He said he did not see how lican. could have voted for Hanna, as Otis was a member of a free silver club. Campbell said he had always been on Many senators were present to listen friendly terms with Senator Hanna and had been associated in a business way with some of Mr. Hanna's friends, He had been a supporter of Hanna pared speech sounding the keynote of until after the latter's position on the money question had been made known. the last clause of the resolution | He claimed he had been a supporter of McKinley in t presidential campaign on account of his views on the tariff. and had made a speech for which the president and Senator Hanna sent him notes of thanks.

Otis believes the committee will complete its work this week and that a report, or rather two reports, will be submitted soon.

Senator Garfield will probably submit a minority report, while Chairman Burke will submit the report for the majority.

Did Not Know Drevfus.

Rome, Jan. 31.-The minister for for ign affairs, the Marquis Visconti Venosta, replying to the question of a deputy, announced amid great applause that he was able to affirm in the most positive manner that neither the Italian military attache at Paris nor any other Italian agent has ever had direct or in-direct relations with Alfred Dreyfus, the former captain of French artillery, whose alleged unjust court martial and sen tence to imprisonment for life have aused so much agitation in France.

McConnel! Awarded the Contest.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 31.—Referee Hinddatty Matthews, of New York, and Dan McConnell, of Camden, at the Trenton Athletic club, tonight, in the middle of the seventh round, and awarded the ontest to McConnell on a foul. Up to this time Matthews had the better of it, and his seconds and most of the nuclience deny that there was any foul or semblance of one.

No Free Bread Demonstration.

Rome, Jan. 31.-In accordance with the prohibition of the proposed So-demonstration in favor of the abolition of the customs duties on breadstuffs, yesterday passed without disturb

NEWS OF THE COTTON MILLS.

Willimantie, Conn., Jan. 31 .- At the ills of the Willimantic cotton corpora tion today a 10 per cent, cut in wages went into effect. All the 200 hands em-ployed are at work. The officials of the concern anticipate no trouble.

Chicopee, Mass., Jan. 31.—The 1,190 op-eratives of the Chicopee Manufacturing company went to work today without any signs of disatisfaction. The men will receive an average rate of reduction which will not be determined until the pay roll for the week of February 10 is

Providence, R. I., Jan. 31.-The woolen milis at Wanshukuck were reopened this morning, but the strikers remained true to their colors and not one has been near the mills today. Even the can weavers stayed out. The other departments were started up in part, with the exception of the burling department, the employes of which are also on strike. The Geneva woolen mills report that there were ewer weavers at work than last week. Fall River, Mass., Jan. 31.—About forty impleyes of the bleaching department of American Printing company struck is morning because of an excessive re-

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 31.—The four housand operatives at the Atlantic and Pacific cotton mills have decided to accept the 10 per cent, reduction in wages which went into effect today. The vote of the mule spinners' union deciding not to strike while the trouble existed in New Bedford was recognized by the em-ployes in all departments of the milis. The textile workers in Lawrence are now turning their entire attention to the strike at New Bedford and they will assist the mill hands in that city as much as they

luction in wages

MORE TROUBLE WITH LITTLE CRETE

Probability That the Sultan Must Accept Prince George.

CRETAN CHIEFS READY FOR DISORDER

The Consequences -- Disinctination of the Turks to Evacuate Thessaly. Threatening Attitude of the Balkan

States .- Disruption of the Coucert.

London, Jan. 31.-There is an impression here that the sultan in the end will be compelled to accept Prince George as governor of Crete. It is strong enough to provoke discussion of the consequences, namely, that the Turks, with Mohammedan feeling aroused, will be less disposed than ever to evacuate Thersaly, and that the Balkan states, already disturbed and restless, will be likely to ask compensation for Greece's virtual gain of Crete.

The European concert as to the near Fast is temporarily dissolved, with Germany and Austria on one side and the other powers on the other, but it is not beyond re-establishment.

The Greeks are likely to be calmer and more content with the dynasty, but there are fears of worse than the existing anarchy for a time in Crete, with the Turks clustered about Canea and jealous Cretan clan chiefs ready to provoke disorder.

DEATH OF A JOURNALIST.

Joshua J. Chandlee, at One Time Editor of Scranton Republican.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 31.-Joshua J. chandlee died in the New Jersey Home for Disabled Soldiers in Kearney Sat-urday night, aged 66 years. He was born in Oxford, Pa., May 1, 1831. He early engaged in newspaper work and then became identified with several of the leading papers of Central Pennsylvania as special correspondent. His work earned him rapid promotion, and he became editor of the Scranton Republican, leaving this place shortly after to become managing editor of the

Easton Free Press. Just prior to the breaking out of the war he secured an interest in the Wilmanaging editor. When the war was declared he enlisted in the Twentythird regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served throughout the war. He was promoted to be first lieutenant and afterward detailed as quartermaster of the regiment. This gave him the title of major. At the close of the war he returned to newspaper work filled a number of positions on Philadelphia papers. He ultimately be-came identified with the Tribune, of York, Pa., and held the editorship of the paper until the early eighties, when | been filed by two of the testator's sons. he moved to New Brunswick, N. J., and assumed the editorial management of the Home News. In 1892 Mr. Chandlee was engaged to take charge of the three years was its editor. Then he went to Dover and became identified with the Dover Daily Journal, After the failure of the Journal he was admitted to the Soldiers' home.

BOMB EXPLODED IN HAVANA.

A Returned Prisoner Attempts to Blow Up the Ex-Mayor's House.

Havana, Jan. 31 .- At about midnight ast night a man named Luis Coro Lazo, who recently returned to Cuba from the African prisons, exploded a bomb at the private residence of the Conservative ex-mayor of Havana, Senor Miguel Diaz. A large hole was made in the house. Lazo was captured. Captain-General Blanco sailed today from Santiago de Cuba on the steamer Villaverde for the north coast of the

island The body of Lieutenant-Colonel Jonquin Ruiz, the aide-de-camp of Captain-General Blanco, who was executed by order of the late General Nestor Aranguren, for visiting an insurgent camp with proposals looking to surrender of the insurgent chief, has been found, identified, and, after lying in state in Quinta Molina, Havana, the residence of the captain-general, was buried this morning in Colon cemetery.

Session in the Senate.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Today's session of the senate lasted six hours, two of the general appropriation bills-that for the army carrying \$23,145.452, and that for the legislative, judicial and executive de partments. carrying \$21,658,520 - were passed, the latter consisting of 121 pages occupying the attention of the senate during the greater part of the session the senate After a brief executive session the senate adjourned. Rev. Charles M. Giffin, of Scranton, Pa., delivered the invocation at the opening of the senate.

Warring with the Moors.

Tangler, Jan. 31.—The British steamer Tourmalin, it is officially announced. while attempting to land arms and stores on the Sus coast of Morocco, was intercepted by the Sherifian steamer Hassani, whereupon she opened fire. The Hassani reciprocated and captured one of the ship's boats with three Englishmen. The Moorish troops then demolished the viilages favorable to foreigners, killing numbers of the inhabitants.

Cabinet Dinner. Washington, Jan. 31.-The president and Mrs. McKinley were entertained at din-ner tonight by the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Gage. The entire cabinet was present with the exception of Secretary Alger. The other guests were Justice and Mrs. McKenna. Miss Lucy Page, of New York, and Senator Hanna. The decorations were the most claborate of the official season.

Killed by the B. and O.

Philadelphia, Jan. 31.-Giovanni Carelia, aged 31 years, was instantly killed today at the Fifty-eighth street cross-ing of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad by being struck by a shifting engine. I was at this same crossing that Paterson was killed last night. Cartelia leaves a widow and one child.

John Loughner Kitted.

Wilkes-Barre, Jan. 31.-John Lough-ney, of Pittston, was shot and killed by a Polander tonight. The two men had uarrelled over a trivial matter. Bismarck's Health improving.

Berlin, Jan. 31.-The health of Prince Bismarck is improving. There has be marked diminution in his pain and his

THE COTTON MILL STRIKE.

Reduction in Wages Extended 8,000 More Employes Today.

Boston, Jan. 31.-A reduction wages went into effect today at the Atlantic and Pacific cotton mills in Lawrence, the Tremont and Suffoll mills at Lowell, the Willimantic mills at Willimantic, Conn.; the Forestdale mills at Forestdale. R. I., and the Manufacturing c ompany's plant at Chicopee, this state. cut-down applies to the wages of about 8,000 employes. The cut amounts to about 10 per cent. at all mills, except at Chicopee and Lawrence, where it is not more than 5 or 6 per cent. The adoption of the new schedule by these mills brings the total number of operatives in New England affected by reduction up to about 135,000.

The industrial situation in New England is certainly no worse than it was two weeks ago, when the 9,000 New Bedford operatives and the 5,000 in Maine struck. They are still out and the mills remain closed, but affairs in Fall River, where a general upheaval was threatened at one time, are running along much smoother, the only danger there being in the possible col lapse of the New Bedford strike, which is very remote, when an attempt would undoubtedly be made to close the mills

BITES OFF DOGS' TAILS.

Peculiar Occupation of a Reading Man.

Reading, Jan. 31.-The man with the strangest occupation in Reading is Frederick H. Byrne, of Wood street. His profession is that of biting off dogs' tails and he derives quite an income from the strange, not to say unpleasant, business.

When a fox terrier is quite young its tall is cut off, leaving a small stump. probably two inches long. As a general rule, the tail is cut with a knife, but, it is said, when amputation is made in this way the wound requires a long time to heal. It was recently discovered that if the dog's tail is trimmed with the teeth it heals nicely in a short time and looks much neater.

Byrne has been in this business for ome time, and as there are numerous terriers owned in Reading has had many patrons.

He performs the operation in a jiffy. He judges about how far the tail should be cut off, takes it in his mouth and when his teeth have reached the point mington, Del., Gazette and became its of amputation, he closes his heavy jaws

WILL OF ANDREW MOORE.

Two of His Sons. Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—The will of the ate Andrew M. Moore, of the distilling the Girard house, was filed in the office of the register of wills today, but was not admitted to probate as caveats had The estate is variously estimated at All, including the gizzard, must be from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000. By the eaten, will the income of the entire estate, after deducting a few small bequests is left in equal parts to the three sons of the deceased.

The latter, however, are not to receive any of the principal. Upon the death of the three sons the trustees of the estate will have full power to found and maintain such charitable or educational institution or institutions as in their discretion they may deem wise and expedient. It is directed that the charities to be founded shall be abso-

lutely non-sectarian. The will was executed four days before the testator's death and one of the sons said today that it would be inoperative, owing to the law which invalidates bequests made to charitable institutions within thirty days of the death of a testator. One of the executors says he believes

the caveats filed by the sons will be withdrawn.

ABE STORMER CONFESSES.

Acknowledges That He Murdered Mrs. Rathburn and Her Daughter. Burlington, Ia., Jan. 31.-Abe Stormer has confessed the murder of Mrs. Fanny Rathburn and her daughter,

Mary. He says he committed the deed on Sunday night, Jan. 23. He killed the mother first in the cellar, and then enticed the little girl into the bedroom above and after a terrible struggle to assault her, cut her throat. Stormer was taken to the morgue,

where he turned pale and trembled when he gazed upon his victims. Threats of lynching are heard on all sides, and the county jail will be guarded by armed men.

MADRID STUDENTS RESTLESS.

Another Demoustration Against the Progresso Prevented.

Madrid, Jan. 31 .- The students reassembled today with the object of repeating the anti-Cuban demonstration of Saturday night against the Progresso, but the great precautions adopted by the police prevented the oung men from approaching the offices of that paper. Te prefect made a speech to the stu-

dents, urging them to be quiet.

United Press Enjoined. London, Jan. 31.-The Associated Press

has obtained an injunction perpetually restraining the United Press, either alone or in combination, from using any name alculated to lead to the belief that the United Press was the same as the Asso-ciated Press. The effect of the decision that no one other than the Associated Press can use the name of the Associated Press in Great Britain, or any name that ould be mistaken for it.

Death of a Missionary.

Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 31.—Mrs. Reuben S. Rauch, for many years Moravian mis-sionary in the West Indies, and one of the oldest and best known deaconesses in North American Moravian church, Honesdale at once. ited today of a complication of diseas aged 87 years.

Berlin, Jan. Sl.-The reichstag today adopted the increase of the salary of Prince Hohenlohe, the imperial chancel-lor, to 190,000 marks. The Social Demo-crats, Freisinniges and the South German People's party opposing the prop

Hohentohe's Satury Increased.

Paris Fortifications Doomed. Paris, Jan. 31.—The chamber of depu-ties today adopted the bill providing for demolishment of the Paris fortilications between Point Du Jour and Pantin, I ter has caused great distress.

MOVEMENTS OF RUSSIAN CRUISER

The Saratoff Passes the Bosphorus En Route to Vladivostock.

1600 TROOPS ON BOARD

The Russian Volunteer Fleet Will Convey in the Quickest Time Possible Over 10,000 Troops to the Far East .- Talk of the Auglo-Japanese Plan.

Constantinople, Jan. 31.-The Rusdan auxiliary cruiser Saratoff, belonging to the volunteer fleet, with 13 quick firing guns and 1,600 troops on board, parsed through the Bosphorus yesterday, on her way to Vladivostock According to a dispatch to the London Times from Odessa, cabled to the Associated Press last night, the Russian volunteer fleet will convey in the quickest time practicable over 10,000 Russian troops to the far east It is added that the first cruiser with 2,000 men would leave within a few days. It is probable that the first cruiser was

the Saratoff. London, Jan. 23.-It is announced on the best authority that the talk of an Anglo-Japanese plan of campaign in certain eventualities is unfounded. such question has occupied the attention of the statesmen for the two countries and no agreement exists between England and Japan except the common desire to secure the free development trade in China As regards Port Arthur, the Rus-

sian fleet, according to the same authority, is only there for winter quar ers, and the statements as to a Russian occupation are unfounded. China is willing that the English warships should anchor there if re-

EATS A GOOSE EVERY DAY.

Started to Devour Thirty and Has Gotten Away with 23.

South Bend, Ind., Jan. 31.-Charles Nurz undertook three weeks ago to at a goose a day until he put away thirty geese. He has already disposed of twenty-three geese. If he eats the remaining seven in seven days he will win \$200. If he fails he will lose a like amount to Charles Rose. By the terms of the wager Wurz is

illowed twenty-four hours for each Cavents Have Airendy Been Filed by bird. The geese, after being picked and cleaned, must weigh not less than six nor more than eleven pounds. The eating must be done in the presence of firm of Moore & Sinnott, and owner of appointed witnesses, fellow-members of an Elks lodge.

Rose furnishes the geese. The breast boiled, the wings and the legs are fried, and the back is roasted brown.

CONFERENCE OF MORMONS.

Brooklyn. New York, Jan. 31.-A general conference of Mormons will Brooklyn next Saturday afternoon and evening. The work of the Latter Day Saints in the middle and eastern state as far south as Virginia is controlled by the Brooklyn mission. The confer ence will be supplemented by a sucession of services every Sunday night. beginning Feb. 6. The latter and the conference itself will be open to all who

desire to attend. The purpose of the conference is to strengthen the Mormon faith in this ocality, where at one time a flourish-

ing church existed. number of noted leaders will speak including Congressman King, of Utah, and Apostles Cowley and Lyman, from Utah. The singing at the conference will be led by six vocalists who were members of the Mormon Tabernacle church of Salt Lake City, which received a prize for singing at the World's Fair.

ACCUSED OF AWFUL CRIME.

Two Passengers on Board of the Creole Arrested for Murder.

New York, Jan. 31.-G. Nare and R. Rain, passengers on the steamer Crewhich arrived here today from New Orleans, were arrested on the charge of murder. The men's real pames are said to be Vinato Azzarilla and Raia Guiseppe.

They are accused of robbing and nurdering a man whose name is unknown, cutting up the body and plac-ing it in a trunk. The crime was committed in New Orleans.

Railroad Chartered.

Harrisburg, Jan. 31.-A charter was is-sued by the state department today to the Philadelphia and Eastern Railroad company to build a line through Paila-delphia and Bucks counties to connect with the Philadelphia, Newton and New York railroad below Fox Chase, a suburb of Philadelphia, to a point on the Delaware river opposite Trenton, N. J. company is capitalized at \$250,000

Postmasters Confirmed.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The senate today confirmed the following Pennsylvania ostinasters: Henry Davis, Catasaqua W. H. Baker, Ridgeway; Daniel W Pedea, Shenandoah; William Kerr Gal braith, Canonsburg; Charles F. Hum-rich, Carlisle; Solomon S. Ketchem, Ov-erbrook; Ellwood Griest, Lancaster; erbrook; Ellwood Griest, George W. Schoch, Mifflinburg.

Solomon Wanted in Honesdnie.

New York, Jan. 31 .- Lambert Solomo formerly agent in this city for the Danoury Shirt company, was arrested today for grand larceny. He is wanted 'n Honesdale, Pa. Solomon waived all forfor grand mality and started with a detective for

Accident to Judge Murphy. Ashland, Pa., Jan. 31.—Hon. C. G. Mur-phy, associate judge of the Columbia county court, was thrown from his sleigh by a runaway horse this afternoon, sus-taining injuries from which he died an hour later. His daughter, who was with him, was painfully bruised.

Woman and Two Children Cremated. Berne, Jan. 31.-The village of Randogne, in the canton of Valais, has been burned to the ground. A woman and two children perished in the flames. The disasin the canton of Valais, has been

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today:

General—Senator Teller's Sliver Reso-lution Killed in the House. National Government Will Be Repre-sented at the Sheriff Martin Trial.

Pair: Cold Wave: Northerly Gales.

Cretan Affairs May Cause Further Russian Troops on the Way for China. Local-One Day's Criminal Court Do-

3 Local-Kohut on Trial for the Murder

of Novak. Editorial.

Comment of the Press. Local-Vetter's Klondike Scheme Sti Lives. Locked in the Academy of Music.

Local-West Side, South Side and Su burban

Lackawanna County News. Neighboring County Happenings. The Markets.

APPALLING NEWS

Perrible Climatic Conditions Prevail in Many Sections -- Mercary 152 in the Shade.

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 31.-The steam-Warrimoo just arrived from Ausralia brings news of appalling climatconditions which have been prerailing in many sections of Australia. The prostrations of heat are so numerous that the condition of affairs in large cities is alarming. In a great many instances work is out of the question and sleep impossible. Telegrams show that the same conditions

prevail all over the colonies The thermometer during the heat of the day averages about 152 in the shade and in a long list of towns the lowest igure found is 110. In the sun it is 60, so it is impossible to work at midday. The heat has caused numerous fires from spontaneous combustion and the houses are so baked during the day that in the worst sections the residents sleep in gardens and on roofs. The damage from fire is very great. It would appear from the press re-

ports that the total damage amount to millions of pounds. In Victoria colony, 100,000 acres have been swept clear and an enormous acreage of crops destroyed. In other colonies ouses and barns have been burned. The steamer also brings news of a severe accident in Melbourne in which many lives were lost. Inspector Mosep, of the city board of works, and a

gang of men went down to investigate. A tardy workman who followed them came back, saying that Mosep and all the gang had been overcome by gas. Hundreds of children crowded around he vent hole but none dared attempt to go to the rescue, though they knew the men were dying beneath their feet. The sewer region where the men were enclosed was flooded by the fire department, but the pressure was so strong that it was impossible to unfasten the vent holes and the gas was Latter Day Saints Will Gather at were then secured who finally brought the bodies of all the men to the surface. Many of them had families and

all were young men. WHO STOLE THE PORTRAITS?

Several Were Taken from the State Library at Harrisburg.

Harrisburg, Jan. 31.-State Librarian William E. Egle has submitted to Governor Hastings his report for 1897, in which he states there are 134,535 vol-umes in the state library, including duplicate of state documents. Egle suggests that the next legislature introduce the system of "traveling libraries" into the state library work. He states that twelve libraries, some with branches, have been established

under the library act of June 23, 1895. The report commends P. A. B. Widener, of Philadelphia, for his generosity in presenting his magnificent residence in that city to be used as a branch of the public library. Dr. Egle claims that portraits of George Washington, Wharton and Benjamin Thomas Franklin, owned by the state, have disappeared and that they ought to be returned. These portraits are in existence and it is known to the officials of the Historical society of Pennsylvania that a prominent citizen of Philadelphia has the portrait of Franklin which he bequeathed to the commonwealth. Copies of these portraits were some years ago placed in frames and

the originals taken by persons who had no right to them.
Dr. Egle thinks an effort should also be made to recover the first American flag unfurled in British water during the Revolutionary war and the stars and stripes raised on the citadel of Mexico upon its capture, both of which formerly belonged to the state and have

mysteriously disappeared. Secretary Alger Stronger.

Washington, Jan. 31 .- Secretary Aiger was said to be stronger and brighter to day and is more confident than he has yet been, and it is said by his phyisician that his disease has passed its crisis. It is the intention of his family to take the secretary to Fort Monroe instead of moved safely.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Jan. 31.—Cleared: Nomadie, Liverpool, Gibraltar—Arrived: Fuerst Bismarck, from New York, for Naples and Genoa. Passed: Normannia, Naples, etc., for New York. Havre-Arrived: Lo Normandie, New York. Liverpool-Arived: Servia, New York.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 31.-James F. Smith aged 84, one of the oldest civil engineer in the United States, formerly presiden of the East Penn railroad, and for many

Death of James F. Smith

years chief engineer of the Schuylkill Navigation company, died here this af-Four Death Warrants. Harrisburg, Jan. 31 .- Governor Hastings today fixed the dates for the execu-tion of four murderers as follows: Fred erick C. Rockwell, Erie, April 26; John R. Lamb, Allegheny, April 21; Patrick Ranya, Eik. April 26; Walter E. Good-

Benj. Brown for Collector at Erie. Washington, Jan. 31 .- Among the nominations sent to the senate by the president today was that of Benjamin E. Brown to be collector of customs at

win, Tioga, March 31.

INTEREST IN **MARTIN TRIAL**

Will Be Closely Watched by United States Officials.

HENRY M. HOYT ARRIVES

Brings Letter from Governor Hastings.

FROM AUSTRALIA The Deputy Attorney General Will Watch the Progress of the Trial from Beginning to End--Foreign Nations Contemplate Filing Dam-

age Claims -- Austria Moves First.

Wilkes-Barre, Jan. 21.-Hon. Henry M. Hoyt, deputy attorney general of the United States, arrived here from Harrisburg today to be in attendance at the trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies, which begins tomorrow. Mr. Heyt was armed with the following

letter from the governor: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

Executive Chamber, Jan. 29, 188. Hon. Stanley Woodward, President Judge of Luzerne.

My Dear Judge: The object of this letter is to irrroduce to you the Hon. Henry M. Hoyt, of the attorney general's department at Washington, who, at the request of the Hon. John Sherman, secretary of the state, goes to Wilkes-Earre for the purpose of being present at the trial of James Martin, esq., high sheriff. and his deputies, for the part taken by him in the labor difficulties at Hazieton on September 10 last. The further purpose of Mr. Hoyt's visit will be doubtless explained to you in person. I beg to re-quest your kind offices to the end that the representative of the state department shall be afforded every opportunity

for observing the trial of the case (Signed) Daniel H. Hastings In sending Mr. Hoyt here to attend he trial, the United States government has only one object in view, namely, to protect itself in case foreign governments file claims for damages for the killing of their subjects at Lattimer. Austria has already made move in that direction and it is understood if the verdict is against Sheriff Martin and his deputies, Germany and Italy will file claims at once. It is re-ported that each of these governments will have a representative from their legations at Washington present at the trial. Secretary Sherman having received notice of this, decided to have

the national government represented at the trial. There will be quite an array of counsel when the case is called tomorrow. Ex-Attorney General Palmer has been added to the list of attorneys for the defense and Hon. James Scarlet, of Danville, Pa., will be one of a halfdozen lawyers who will assist in the prosecution. It is expected that the

whole of tomorrow will be consumed in selecting a jury.

CHARGED WITH EMBRACERY. Eli Shaw's Council Is Accused of

Having Given Money to Jurors. Camden, N. J., Jan. 31,-There are two separate charges against Harry C. Scovel, Eli Shaw's counsel, who was indicted by the grand jury on Saturday. He is charged with embracery in having given John Meshaw, who was drawn on the Shaw panel, \$20, and also charged with attempted embracery in having promised Meshaw a much larger amount in case the latter was drawn on the Shaw jury. George W. Miles, justice of the peace of Stockton, and Samuel Johnson, chief of police of Stockton, are charged with approaching John Schiller. The accus-

ed will not be tried at this term of

MURDER MYSTERY CLEARED. Burgiar Identified as One of the

Assassins. St. Catharines, Ont., Jan. 31.-The chief of police here has information which he believes will solve the mystery of the murder of a young girl found in the river at Detroit in 1884. William Duff was on a train going to Detroit at that time and saw the young woman leave the train with two men. He heard a stifled scream and a few

moments later a splash. Later the body of the girl was found in the water. Duff positively identified James Stull, who was convicted for burglary a few weeks ago, as one of the men he saw leave the car with the young woman The information has been sent to the

ENGINEERS WILL RETURN TO WORK. About a Quarter of the Strikers Re-

employed and More to Be.

London, Jan. 31 .- The engineering

Detroit police for investigation.

works throughout the country reopened today, owing to the settlement of the great strike. About 25 per cent, of the men were employed. The others will receive work gradually, as the machinery gets in full

Pennsylvania Postmasters.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Fourth class postmasters have been appointed in Pennsylvania as follows: Pearle, Elmer E. Blair; Sugar Grove, Miss Lucy Abbott,

The Hern'd's Weather Forecast.

New York, Feb. 1.-In the middle states and New England, today, clearing and considerably colder weather will prevail, preceded by snow in the eastern districts with brisk northwesterly winds blowing with brisk northwesterly winds blowing with gale force off the coasts and fol-lowed by a severe cold wave, and in New England snow and decidedly colder weather, with northerly to northwester-

ly gales on the coasts, probably clearing by night. On Wednesday, in both of these sections, clear and colder weather and brisk northwesterly to northeasterly will prevail, the temperature falling in the morning to zero or lower in the Upper Delaware and Hudson valleys,