TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 17, 1898.

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# TOTAL DESTRUCTION OF THE at 11.30 p. m. BIG BATTLESHIP MAINE

# The Disaster Much Worse Than First Reports Indicated.

Are Killed.

Nothing Definite Known of the the boilers and the magazine, or from Cause of the Explosion, but Many Theories Have Been Advanced-A Thorough Investigation Will Be Made. President McKinley Decides Not to Send Another War-Ship to Havana at Present.

Sigsbee, commander of the Maine.

The actual cause of the explosion is still a mystery. Official circles here maintain the theory of accident.

Measures have already been adopted for a rigid investigation, which will be made by divers.

The day here was one of intense excitement and the situation at sundown, after the exchange of a number of cablegrams between Washington and Havana, may be summed up in the words of Secretary Long.

Asked if he had reason to suspect enemy, he replied:

"I do not, in that I am influenced by the fact that Captain Sigsbee has not on the cause. He is evidently waiting to write a full report. So long as he does not express himself, I certainly cannot. I should think from the indications, however, that there was an accident, that the magazine exploded, How that came about I do not know, For the present at least no other warship will be sent to Havana.'

Captain Sigsbee's message to Secretary Long was:

Advise sending wrecking vessel at Maine submerged, except Mostly work for divers now Jenkins and Merritt still missing. Little hope for their safety. Those known to be saved are. Officers, 21; uninjured crew, 18; wounded, new on board Ward line steamer, at city hospital, and at hotel, 59-so far as kne .n. All others went down on board or near the Maine.

Total loss or missing, 253. With several exceptions, no officer nor man has more than part of a suit of clothing, and that is wet with harbor wa-

Ward steamer leaves for Mexico at 2 this afternoon. Officers saved are uninjured. Damage was in compartments of crew. Am preparing to telegraph list of wounded and saved. Olivette leaves for Key West at 1

Will send by her to Key West the officers saved, except myself and Wainwright, Holman, Henneberger, Ray and Holden. Will turn over the uninjured boats to captain of port with request for safe keeping. Will send all wounded men to hospital at Havana.

Sigsbee.

DEMAND FOR INVESTIGATION. The appailing nature of the disaster and the gravity of the situation that would arise should investigation give a basis for the undercurrent of suspicion of treachery and foul play that ran through all minds had a sobering effect on public men of all shades of political opinion. The fact stands forth and is little less than remark able that not a single resolution was introduced, or a single speech made in either house of congress bearing on the disaster, save one of condolence with the families of the killed by Mr. Boutells, and adopted by the house of reprerentatives. Public men expressed their opinions with reserve when approached for interviews, but everywhere there was a demand for an investigation and full details, in the light of which the horror may be justly viewed. Secretary Long undoubtedly summarized the general opinion of the

cause of the destruction of the Maine, There are a great number of theories, but most of them are of a character that makes it easy to prove or upset by a simple investigation of a diver-Secretary Long has taken immediate steps to make this investigation. Later this afternoon he telegraphed to Adones to Havana, employ divers and patch from Captain Sigsbee. generally to make such inquiry as the | Among the matters discussed by

majority of the naval experts in find-

ing it impossible just now to state the

AWFUL LOSS OF LIFE regulations of the navy demand. It is expected that this work will take some time, and while there are officers who say it will not be possible, owing to the probably disrupted condition of the Two Hundred and Sixty bull of the ship, to make out the cause of the explosion, the opinion of the majority is that the question will be easily settled by the simple observation of the ship's hull plates in the neighborhood of the hole which sunk her. The large majority of naval officers are MANY OTHERS WOUNDED inclined to the belief that the explosion resulted from spontaneous combustions of a coal bunker; the over-

> the explosion of a boiler, though the last theory finds little support. APPEALS FOR INFORMATION.

heating of the iron partitions between

The list of survivors that came to the navy department this afternoon were inaccurate and made out the loss of life eight more than the summary given by Captain Sigsbee, so Secretary Long telegraphed for another corrected list and also one that would show who were and who were not wounded. It was found necessary to do this owing to the great number of pitiful appeals for information from all parts of the

The naval constructors in the light of dispatches thus far received, say Washington, Feb. 16.-With the de- that it is by no means certain that the struction of the United States battle- Maine cannot be raised and again ship Maine in Havana harbor last carry the flag. They say that while night, 253 men were lost. These figures she is a big ship, others as large have are from the message cabled to the sec- been raised, and at Havana the new retary of the navy today by Captain | floating dry dock would receive her if she could once be gotten above water. Captain Sigsbee is evidently taking an interest in the future of the ship, for he sent a telegram to Commander Forsythe at Key West that was promptly transmitted to Secretary Long, suggesting that a light-house vessel or some such small craft be stationed in Havana harbor on watch over the wreck. The latter, even if beyond resurrection, contains valuable ordnance and other property that doubtless can be secured by divers.

It is said at the navy department that the disaster was the work of an that this disaster is the greatest of the kind in naval history since the sinking of the big British warship Victoria by collision with the Camperdown in the yet reported to the navy department Mediterranean off Malta, June, 1893. By that accident the British admiral maining above water. commanding, 22 officers and 336 men ost their lives.

EXPRESSIONS OF REGRET. The Spanish legation was early ad-

vized of the horror by Captain General Blanco, who expressed his profound regret and added that the occurrence was a chance accident, the undoubted cause being an explosion of the boiler of the dynamo. This was the only specific cause assigned from an official source during the day. Senor du Bosc, he Spanish charge, called at the state department to express his profound regrot, and the entire Spanish staff left their cards at the navy department as a mark of personal condolence. At all of the foreign establishments there was the deepest interest and solicitude over the affair and during the day Ambassador Cambon, of France; Sir Julian Pauncefote, of the British embassy, and other foreign representatives called on the president or at the state department to express their regrets.

The disaster is remarkable in that only two officers lost their lives, and these were of junior grade. They were Lieutenant Fred. W. Jenkins and Assistant Engineer Darwin R. Merritt. The former was unmarried but leaves mother and sister. The later, it is thought, also was unmarried, but the department was unadvised concerning

his family The president and several of his cabinet associates held an extended conference about noon. It was not a cabinet meeting, as no notices had been sent out, and only Secretary of the Navy Long, Secretary Gage, Attorney General Griggs, Postmaster General Gary and former Attorney General Mc-Kenna were present. The disaster to the Maine was the only topic considered. It was determined to abandon the reception at the White House tonight, and also the reception to the

general public tomorrow night. At 12 o'clock the cabinet officers came from the president's office. One of then stated that the president, had given di rections that all official information relating to the disaster should be given to the public. He added that a private dispatch to Secretary Long, signed Rea, stated that the loss was over 270, but this was not official, and Mr. Long considered the estimate too high. This was before Captain Sigsbee's dispatch, placing the lost and missing at 253. The officer stated that there were many evidences that the disaster was the result

Consul General Lee cabled that the Spanish authorities expressed to him their profound regret at the occurrence. Another cabinet official stated that one of the dispatches stated that Captain Sigabee was the last man to leave the ship.

At 12.30, while Secretary Long was still with the president, Mr. Finney, miral Sleard at Key West to appoint a private secretary of the secretary of board of raval officers to proceed at the navy, was admitted with the dis-

net was the question of the expediency of immediately sending one or more warships to Havana to take the place of the Maine, and the conclusion is understood to have been reached that at present such a course was not de-

RESULT OF ACCIDENT.

At about half-past I o'clock it was authoritatively stated that the information so far received indicated that the loss was the result of an accident and that in the absence of evidence to the contrary this should be assumed to

A dispatch from Commandant Forsyth at Key West says he has made arrangements with Captain Marrill, commanding the Key West barracks, to quarter and subsist the survivors of the crew who came over in the steamer Olivette tonight. The treasury department has granted

the use of the Marine hospital service at Key West for the treatment of any of the wounded who may be brought there for treatment. This afternoon Secretary Long sent

the following dispatch to Commandant

Forsyth: "Admiral Sicard ordered to come to Key West with ship and serve out clothing as necessary. Should be not arrive before the Olivette, you are authorized to purchase the necessary ar-

#### MAGAZINES WERE CLOSED.

ticles and serve out."

The Explosion Attributed to the Short Circuit Dynamo,

Havana, Feb. 16 .- On board the Ward line steamer City of Washington, at midnight, one of the officers of the Maine said today that last night, all the magazines on board the battleship Maine were closed and that keys had been turned over to Captain Sigsbee, her commander.

The explosion occurred at 9.45 p. m. The officer then rushed on deck and assisted in lowering a boat, and in trying to rescue the men in the water. The Spanish cruiser, Alfonso XIII., which was unchored close to the Maine. also lowered her boats and saved thirty-seven of the crew of the American warship.
Another officer said: "I was sitting

with two more officers in the mess room when a heavy explosion occurred, it was so heavy that we understood the ship would be lost, and we went on the upper deck and found she had been badly wrecked by an explosion, that she was on fire and sinking. All efforts were then directed toward lowering the boats and saving lives. The Maine settled quickly on the bottom of the harbor, only her upper work re-

A number of boats from the Spanish warship Alfonso XIII. and boats from the Ward line steamer City of Washington came alongside and rendered assistance. Twenty-four men who were slightly wounded were carried on board the City of Washington and the rest of the wounded were carried on board the Alfonso XIII. from which place they were taken to other quarters, and, after receiving valuable assistance from the naval doctors, sent to the military hospitals."

This officer said the explosion oc curred somewhere in the forward part of the midships section of the battleship. Many of the crew who were below at the time of the explosion, were unable to escape, and those who succeeded in reaching the upper decks saved their lives with great difficulty with the assistance of the officers and men on watch

At 2 o'clock in the morning, while the correspondent of the Associated Press was going ashore, there was another terrible explosion. At the same time boats from the Spanish steamers Colon and Mexico were taking eight wounded men ashore, after having saved them from the water. Paymaster Ray said that last Sun-

day there were 354 men on his list, all Lieutenant Jenkins and Assistant En-

gineer Merritt are among those who are not accounted for. Some of the wreckage of the Maine

fell on board the City of Washington and knocked two holes in her deck. Captain Sigsbee informed the corres

pondent of the Associated Press that he could not make any statements regarding the disaster until after the in-

### STOOD BY HIS SHIP.

A Spanish naval officer said that Captain Sigsbee was the last man to abandon the sinking ship and that he remained alongside the wreck as long as it was possible to do anything in the work of rescue. Soon after the explosion Chief of Po-

with an American correspondent to act as interpreter. There is no truth in the report that General Fitzhugh Lee and Vice Consul

lice Plagliery went on board the Maine

Springer have called at the palace to thank Captain General Elanco for his The large number of deaths reported

among the crew is said to be due to the

below at the time. Most of the officers

that most of them were asleep

were dining on board the city of Wash-The Spanish cruiser Alfonso XIII was for some time after the explosion in great peril, and her mooring tackles were slacked and she was anchored at a great distance from the burning warship, being assisted by other Span

boats and took part in the work of The first of the American sailors to sich the Machina wharf swam there All the navy fire brigade and the navy positions were immediately ordered on

ish vessels.

She then lowered her

Stretchers for the use of wounded were sent to the scene by the fire brigade and the headquarters of the Red Cross society was called upon to send four stretchers, and men were sent to

patrol the scene of the disaster and pick up the dead and wounded. The smoke stacks of the Maine fell

One of the Maine officers, who was being cared for at the sanitarium headquarters, is seriously wounded. He is very young, and is believed to have been the officer on guard at the time of the disaster. It was said ashore this afternoon

that only 97 men of the crew of the Maine had been saved. Captain Sigsbee, interviewed this vening by the correspondent of the Associated Press, with reference to the

cause of the explosion, said:

"I cannot yet determine the cause but competent investigators will decide whether the explosion was produced from an interior or exterior cause. But I cannot say until after such an investigation has been made I will not and cannot conscientiously anticipate the decision, nor do I wish to make any unjust estimate of the reason for the disaster. Lieutenant Commander Wainwright

believes the explosion was due to the short circuit dynamo

#### GENERAL LEE'S ACCOUNT. List of Pennsylvanians in the Crew of the Maine.

Washington, Feb. 16.-The president has ordered that tomorrow and until further notice the flag at all navy yards and on naval vessels at posts army headquarters and on all public buildings shall be half masted.

Late tonight the following dispatch from Captain Sigsbee from Havana, addressed to Secretary Long, was received: "All men whose names have not been sent as saved probably are lost, having given up Jenkins and Merritt as lost. Bodies are still floating ashore this afternoon. I keep nine officers, one private and gunners mate, Bullock, here with me,"

F. W. Jenkins was a junior grade lieutenant, and Darwin R. Merritt, an assistant engineer. The latest reports are that with these two officers, 258 members of the crew were lost, making the total dead or missing 260, The following cablegram was received by the state department from consul general tonight:

Havana, Feb. 16.-Profound sorrow expressed by government and municipal authorities, consuls of foreign nations, organized bodies of all sorts and citizens enerally

Flags at half-most on governor gen eral's palace, on shipping in harbor and in city. Business suspended, theaters closed.

Dead number about 260. Officers' quarters being in rear and sea-men's forward, where explosion took place, accounts for the greater proportional loss of sailors.
Funeral tomorrow at 3 p. m.

Officers Merritt and Jenkins still miss-Suppose you ask that naval court of inquiry be held to ascertain cause of ex-plosion.

Hope our people will repress excitement and calmly await decision. PENNSYLVANIANS IN THE CREW.

The navy department this afternoon gave out a full list of the men on the Maine. It includes quite a number of Pennsylvanians. The names of these guay before the Excelsior left for Se-

Thomas M. Cole, William H. Gorman, Daniel O'Connell Hartley, William L. Hough Walter E. Richards, William Thompson, Thomas J. Waters and Benjamin R. Wilbur, all of Philadelphia: Harry Auchenbach, of Sheridan; Charles Dennig, of Allentown: Michael Kane, of Mansfield Valley; William Mc-Nair, of Pittsburg: Walter Shellers, of Chambersburg; William H. Tinsman, Susquehanna, and Frederick Wagner, of Wilkes-Barre.

Of these only Richards, Wilbur, Waters and McNair are in the list of survivors given out by Captain Sigsee this afternoon.

In all 96 were saved, including the officers, except Jenkins and Merritt.

### OFFICIAL CONDOLENCE.

#### Spanish Government Expresses Regret to Minister Woodford.

Madrid, Feb. 16.-The following semi official note has been issued:

The news of the disaster to the Maine has caused a painful impression in Madrid. It was at first feared that there had been some act of imprudence to which the entastrophe was attributable. Afterwards, as the details arrived, the fears dispelled, and took the form of feelings of sympathy and sorrow for the misfortune which has occurred.

"The captain general, the commandant of the arsenal, the sailors of the cruiser Alfonso XIII, the crews of the Merchant vessels and all the available forces hastened to succor the injured." The government has expressed to Minister Woodford the regret it feels at the catastrophe, more especially as it occurred in waters within Spanish jurisdiction.

An admiral in full uniform; in the name of the minister of marine, and the entire Spanish cabinet, called on General Woodford today and informed him that the government had telegraphed to the authorities in Cuba to do their utmost to relieve the distress of the injured and to furnish the officers and crew of the Maine with every-

thing which they may need The United States minister did not receive the news of the loss of the Maine from Washington. His first intimation came from the Spanish rear admiral, who called to express, in behalf of the Spanish government, regret for the disaster. The details then reached General Woodford in the dispatches of the Associated Press.

The Imparcial published an extra edition, saying that the news had produced a deep impression in Madrid. The premier, Senor Sagasta, personally informed the queen regent immediately after he received news of the disaster. The Epoca says:

tions between the United States and Spain. Christian feeling and humanity compel us to regret the catastrophe. spectacle of so many lives suddenly launched into eternity inspires The Heraldo remarks: "Although the

cople devoid of virtues, we must face this horrible misfortune sincerely and express feelings of compassion." The Heraldo adds: "In the face of provocative Americans we shall al-

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Americans try to represent us as a

# FATE OF THE **CLARA NEVADA**

## Hope Is Cherished That Some Passengers May Have Been Saved.

SHIP LOST IN A BLIZZARD

Wreck Undoubtedly Due to Boiler Explosion.

Trouble Had Heretofore Been Experienced with Them -- The Rustler of Juneau Goes in Search -- An Eye-Witness' Account of the Disaster. The Little Vessel Was Passed in a Blizzard.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 16 .- The steamhip Islander has arrived, bringing further details of the reported loss of the steamship Clara Nevada. The news was conveyed to Juneau shortly before the Islander salled by Captain Latham of the steamship Coleman. He says the Clara Nevada foundered, with ali on board, opposite Seaward City, in Berner's Bay, where she was running for shelter. George Beck, a resident of Seaward City, was an eye-witness of the disaster. He was standing on the beach, when he saw a small steamship battling with the wind. Suddenly there was a flash and flames burst out. The versel foundered in a few seconds. She had on board twenty-five passengers and crew.

Fifteer passengers who went north in the Clara Nevada returned on the Islander and say her boilers gave much trouble on the northward voyage and once the steamship took fire, but was extinguished before serious damage was done

They add that the steamship was wrecked undoubtedly by the boiler bursting. The Rustler of Juneau has gone to look for the survivors.

NEWS CONFIRMED. Seattle, Wash., Feb. 16 .- John Donaldson, commanding the steam schooner Excelsior, from Juneau, brings important news confirming the account sent out of the loss of the steamship Clara Nevada, formerly the United States coast survey steamship Hassler. Captain Donaldson received his information from John Groat, mate of the steamship Coleman, which plies The etween Juneau and Skaguay. Coleman arrived at Juneau from Ska-Groat told Captain Donaldson that wreckage marked Hassler was City on Sunday, Feb. 6; that the day previous the Nevada had left Skaguay, and that she had caught fire at sea and her boilers had burst before her pilot could make land.

"I passed the Clara Nevada early in the morning of Feb. 6 (Sunday)," said Captain Donaldson. "At that time there was a flerce gale blowing from the southwest, accompanied by a blizzard. The Nevada was making slow progress against the gale. After makng Juneau I laid over for a day and then came on in command of the Excelsior. The Nevada had not arrived nor had she been reported by any of the tugs or steamships plying between Juneau and Skaguay. I believe that she is lost, but there is hope that some of the crew and passengers may have een saved, as it was not far from land where the Nevada is thought to have gone down."

## FREIGHT STATION BURNED.

Philadelphia and Reading Establish

ment Completely Destroyed. Philadelphia, Feb. 16.-The Philadel phia and Reading railroad freight station at Front and Noble streets was completely destroyed by fire this afternoon, together with a large quantity of merchandise, including both incom-

ing and outgoing freight. The loss is estimated at from \$100,000 to \$125,000. The company carries its own insurance.

### Love Laughs at Angry Fathers.

Topeka, Feb. 16.-John Barngrover, a coung farmer of Stafford county, after having been shot by the father of Lena Bardewick, bided his time and last night after a hot chase from the Bardewick house to Great Bend, a distance of fourteen miles, was married to Miss Barde wick at midnight. Barngrover had pleaded with Miss Bardewick for a year to elope with him, but she declined until she became of age. Yesterday was her eighteenth birthday.

### White Captive of the Indians.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Feb. 16 .- The identity of the white girl rescued from Indians December has been established by otographs. She is the daughter of Mrs. John Turton, of Moose Mountain, British Northwest Terrotory. She disappeared from home thirteen years ago during the Riel rebellion.

### Lumbermen Organized.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 16.—One hundred and thirty thousand tons of lumber ton-nage of a total of 192,000 was represented in the meeting of the Lake Lumber Ves-sel Owners, held here today, to establish uniform rate for lumber-carrying and or loading and unloading cargoe permanent organization was formed,

Congratulations for Miss Bradley. Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 16.—Representa-ive Petty, of Grant county, introduced resolution in the house today congratdating Miss Bradley on her water to christen the battleship Kentucky.

Struck a \$60,000 Pocket of Gold Redding, Cal., Feb. 16 .- Following their ent \$40,000 strike, the Graver brother have discovered a \$60,000 pocket of gold in the Blue Jay mine of Morrison Gulch. tributary of Coffee creek, Trinity

## THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today:

Fair; Wa mer; Northwesterly Winds. 1 General-Destruction of the Battleship Maine in Havana Harbor. Ship Clara Nevada Wrecked by Rotler Explosion.

Uneventful Day at the Martin Trial. Destruction of the Maine (Concluded), 3 Local—Revised Figures of Tuesday's Election.

4 Editorial.

Comment of the Press.

5 Career and Characteristics of the President of the Transvaal Republic. 6 Local—Mrs. Keator Secures a Big Ver-diet Against the Traction Company, Day's Doings in Argument Court,

7 Local-Scranton and the Thirteenth Regiment. Shooting Affray Between Colored Men.

Local-West Side and Suburban.

Lackawanna County News. Neighboring County Happenings.
 The Markets.

#### PASSENGER STEAMER UNDER THE WATER

The Erricson Lies in Ten Feet of Water Off Philadelphin .- Passengers Escape.

Wilmington, Del., Feb. 16.-The new teamer Erisscon, of the Ericcson freight and passenger line, which plies between Philadelphia and Baltimore, lies in ten feet of water in the Dela ware river off this city. She went down about 5.46 this morning, as a result of the high wind. Sixty passengers were on board, all of whom were rescued with the exception of one man, who went down with the boat. The list of passengers was locked up in the purser's room, and the name of the missing man cannot be learned. The other passengers were brought to Philadelphia on the tug Laura B. The acci-

dent was caused by the heavy wind. The Ericcson was blown over and Captain Grace endeavored to turn her head to the wind, but before she could be righted she began to sink. The captain then ran the boat toward the shore at full speed, but she sank before reaching the shore.

The passengers all rushed to the upper deck and were taken off a short time later.

#### ESCAPED FROM GIRL'S SCHOOL. Young Woman with Marriage Certifi-

cate Defies Authorities. Milwaukee, Feb. 16.-Cupid is making trouble for the managers of the industrial school for girls located here. The school authorities are confronted with another case of an inmate who escaped, and tries to make a marriage certificate stand between her and a re-

turn to the school. Mary C. Ring, sent from Dane county three years ago, escaped about the first of the year and was not seen again until last Saturday, when Steward Love of the school saw a face which he thought he recognized at the window of a house at 188 Fourth street. Today, made sure that his impression was correct.

Miss Ring says Mr. Love struck her The steward denies; this, but admits that if he could get hold of the girl she would go back to the school. When Detective Schweitzer, who accompanied Love to the house, met Miss Ring, she showed a marriage certificate, claiming she was now Mrs. Drinkhaus and not responsible to the school authorities. Mrs. Eman, the landlady, said that Miss Ring and Mr. Drinkhaus were married in her parlors Saturday

evening by Mr. Hunsberger, The young woman was too ill today to appear for a hearing, and claims the sickness was caused by her encounter with the officer. The school authorities will try to get possession of the bride Her husband has secured an attorney to prevent such a turn of the affair.

### DAUGHTERS STOP THE WEDDING.

Thereupon an Ohio Woman Sues Septuagenarian for \$10,000. Anderson, Ind., Feb. 16.-Miss Ida

Ferguson, aged 30, of Bethel, Ohio, has come here and begun suit against Francis Watkins, aged 70, a pioneer and retired farmer, for \$10,000 for breach of promise. It is alleged that they were to meet

in Indianapolis Jan. 18 to be married but that Mr. Watkins' daughter, learn ing of the plan, beat him to the city and got his bride-elect out of the way It is alleged that they managed to separate them, and that since they have kept guard over him. They are as old as the bride-elect.

It is claimed that his letters to the plaintiff would do justice to a lovelorn youth of sixteen. Mr. Watkins is one of the most prominent men of the county, and is a well-known member of the eastern Indiana Methodist con ference.

### WARNED OF DEATH IN A DREAM.

Abraham Tuttle Made His Funeral Arrangements in Advance.

Muncle, Ind., Feb. 16.-Abraham Tuttle, aged 60, of Cowan, came to Muncie Friday of last week and made all arrangements for his funeral with Meeks Brothers, saying that he had recently had a dream that he would die some time during this week.

The arrangements he made will be observed to the letter tomorrow, as he died yesterday. The cause of his death is given as heart trouble.

### MAIL BOX ROBBER NABBED.

Hogan, Who Had Slickly Gotten Away with \$40,000 Arrested. Columbus, O., Feb. 16 .- Timothy Ho

gan, the famous mail box robber, who during the past year has stolen probably \$40,000 from letter boxes in cities all over the country, has been captured near here. He had dexterously eluded all the secret service men and the detectives

of many cities. Jockey Patatty Injured.

Philadelphia, Feb. 16.—Albert Burger, he jockey, was thrown from the horse Piercedale in the last race at Singerly and was so badly injured that he died several hours later,

# MARTIN TRIAL UNEVENTFUL

## Testimony Concerning the Lattimer Affair Is Continued.

FRANK METESHICK'S STORY

He Saw Sheriff Martin Aim His Revolver.

Fails to Recognize the Man Who Fell in Front of the Sheriff .- John Fari Claims to Have Been Kicked by a Deputy While Caring for the Wounded .- Edwin Strauss Testifies as to Conversation of a Deputy. Frank Fordish, Who Was Shot Sevan Times, Exhibits His Wounds.

Wilkes-Barre, Feb. 16.-When court ppened today in the trial of the deputies for shooting the marching miners, Frank Meteshick told of the march to Lattimer. He said he saw Sheriff Martin aim his revolver at a man a few feet in front of him and fire. The man The next moment there was another shot and then a volley. Witness pointed out a number of deputies he saw at Lattimer with guns in their hands. Under cross-examination witness said he dod not know the man who was shot, but thought he could remember his face. A search was then made for the man witness saw fall, Mike Mullado, who is said to have been the man, was produced, but witness failed to recognize him as the man.

While searching for Mullado, Martin Solforonock was sworn. He reviewed the march and said the sheriff pulled two men from the miners' ranks at Lattimer and shot one. Witness was shot in the left shoulder while running After recess John Fari said he saw

Steve Wuck and Mike Cozlak fall when the shooting commenced. Witness ran away. Subsequently when he returned and was looking, a deputy named Frank Clark kicked witness and turned him over to the deputies. Fari said be saw eight dead men lying on the road after the shooting. The second witness of the afternoon,

Lattimer and the shooting there. STRAUSS' TESTIMONY. Edwin P. Strauss, of Hazleton, testified as to Deputy Turner saying: "Well, I shot nine of them and killed

He overheard this remark in the Val-

Peter Pazgon, of Cranberry, told noth-

ing new in his story of the march to

ey hotel at Hazleton. On cross-examination he said he had been subpoenaéd this morning, and it was not until he read in the papers the testimony of Charles Hall on the same point that he recalled Turner's remarks. Joel Smith, brother of the proprietor of the Valley hotel, at Hazleton, corroborated Strauss' story relative to

Deputy John Turner's remark. He

heard Turner say: "I shot nine and

killed five, and I guess I did my duty." He also said Turner swore frequently about the strikers. The last witness of the afternoon was Frank Fordish, the man who was shot seven times and is alive to tell about it. He took off his shirt to show the five wounds in his back One had passed through his arm, another through his shoulder and the others were embedded in his body. The cross-examination by Mr. Palmer brought out nothing new and was very prosecuting committee stated today that an appeal for money

#### to carry on the trial will be made tomorrow. Much money is needed. THE SPANISH PRESS.

El Corree Handles the De Lome Let-

ter Without Gloves. Madrid, Feb. 16.-The government organ, El Correo, says of Senor de Lome's

"It gives the Spanish government offense far exceeding that to the president of the United States. Against the injurious words to the president we protest. We deplore the imputation against the Spanish government and we resent it exceedingly.

"It is deplorable that a public functionary, invested with a diplomatic character, could write even in a private letter ideas which are so disgrace. ful as those from the pen of the late minister to Washington."

### FELL ONTO ELEVATOR.

Miss Bernhardt Dropped Into Shaft and Was Carried to Basement.

Buffalo, Feb. 16 .- An extraordinary elevator accident occurred in the Erie County Bank building today. Miss Lydia Bernhardt, employed in the building as a stenographer, stepped from a car at the sixth landing. She had placed but one foot on the floor when the elevator dropped.

Miss Bernhardt fell backwards into the shaft, alighting on top of the elevator as it passed the fourth floor. She was carried in that way to the basement. The young lady's injuries are but slight. What caused the elevator to drop is not known.

Stenmship Arrivate

New York, Feb. 16.—Arrived: Majestie, Liverpool. Sailed: St. Paul, Southamp-ton; Britannic, Liverpoot; Westmoreland, Antwerp. Southampton-Arrived: Havel New York for Bremen. Queenstown-Arrived: Teutonic, New York for Liverpool,

The Hera'd's Weather Porecast. New York, Feb. 17 -- In the middle states oday, clear weather and brisk to tresh orthwesterly and northeasterly winds will prevail, preceded by gales off the coasts, followed by slowly rising temperature and cloudiness in the western dis