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SCRANTON, PA., MONDAY MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898.

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SESSIONS

BUSY DAY FOR MR. M'KINLEY

The President in Conference with Members of the Cabinet.

FLINT ON HAND

Reported Purchase of the Chilian Warship O'Higgins.

Mr. Flint Gives Assurance of the Friendship of Both Chili and the Argentine Republic .- The Prospective Conterence.

Washington, March 20 .- President McKinley did not attend church this morning as his custom, but instead, spent two hours and more in conference with several members of the cabinet. Assistant Secretary Day called about 19.39 o'clock and remained until nearly one. Secretary Long and Secretary Bliss were the other members present. They remained less than an hour. Commander Clover, in company with Mr. Flint, who has been acting for the government in the negotiations for the purchase of ships, also called and were shown into the president's private office. The members of the cabinet on leaving the White house said that there was no special significance in the meeting this morning. The report of the Maine court of inquiry had not been received nor was it definitely know when it would reach here. It was expected however, early in the present week and as soon as received it would be handed at once to the president, and when it had been read and considered by the president it would be made public. Secretary Long, in speaking of the report, said that while fully realizing its importance, the country, in his opinion, would willingly accord to the president a day or two if necessary, for its consideration. The indications seem to be that the report will be made public by the middle of the present week.

The presence of Charles R. Flint at the conference naturally gives inferdiscussing the question of acadditional ships. Mr. Flint, mmercial interests are largely th American countries, is bewith So measure, at least, to reprelieved in sent Chill and the Argentine republic in any negotiations which are under way for the disposition of their war vessels. A reporter today asked Mr. Flint whether he could say whether or not the United States had secured posession of the Chillan ship O'Higgins, d the Argentine ship San Martino, he declined to make any statement to that particular feature of the ect. When pressed for some inforion in regard to the matter he re-

FRIENDSHIP FOR UNCLE SAM.

"Both Chili and the Argentine repub-We have the warmest friendship and admiration for the United States and er institutions. Neither country is anxious to sell her ships to this government, basing this indisposition on the belief that we have an excellent navy of our own, they want these ves-sels themselves. If the time should come, however, when it was apparent that the United States needed these vessels, they would gladly part with

The attention of Mr. Flint was called to the published report that the United Ates would purchase the Brazilian pedo gunboat Tuby, but this he said ild not be done, so far as he was e, as there were no negotiations way to that effect.

ie from the meeting of several rs of the cabinet at the White there were no incidents of imnce during the day, Judge Day, tant Secretary Adee, Chief Clerk ael and other officials were at the riment but this has been quite non during the recent month. Althe war and navy departments, a er of the chiefs of bureaus were ir desks for several hours mainly purpose of disposing of the which recently has accumu-

rapidly. ost interesting topic of the day ed on the despatches from indicating a prospective contween General Plando and arcia. Gomez and others of army for the purpose of the latter a formal offer The basis of autonomy he dispatches apparentdence with the officials legation. They stated hat a conference on s was probable and Minister Polo y Berthe opinion that the Havana was unfounded as d the basis upon which it was ed to grant autonomy was ab-

pops Leave Fort Ethan Alten.

ington, Vt., March 26. – Orders the officers do not make public societed at Fort Ethan Alian vester-Washington and preparations ving were begun. All day yester-d today every one has been hustshowing horses, securing camp equip-and repairing tents. The rushing through Sunday indicates mery urgrders. There are four troc

Two Thousand Men Busy.

Bethlehem, Pa., March 20.-The Bethlehem Iron company's ordnance works were working today for the first Sunday in the company's history. Work on guns, carriages and armor for the government was under way. The plant is ruinling by and night and over two thousand as under way. The plant is running

RELIEF FOR CUBANS.

A Fund of \$9,033 and Twenty-one Car Loads of Provisions.

Kansas City, March 204-A relief fund of \$9,023 and twenty-one car loads of provisions and clothing collected in Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma for the suffering Cubans of Matanzas were forwarded south from Kansas City today. These relief measures are being carried out under the management of the Ernsas City Star and an agent of the Star will aid in the distribution at Matancas under the direction of United States Consul Brice. This relief is being carried free on a special tran over the Memphis road to Memphis, thence over the Illinois Central to New Orleans. The United States government has guaranterd the transportation from New Orleans to Matanzas.

The principal articles of food sent are wheat, flour, cornmeal, rye, potatoes, rolled oats, condensed milk and

The contributions of clothing include a great number of calico dresses for women and children, mostly of the 'Mother Hubbard" pattern, made by various church sewing circles.

A Sponish Opinion of Yankee News paper Men and Citizens of the United States Generally.

Havana, March 20 .- The Union Conthe caption "Basta Ya" (it is enough). calls attention to the presence in Havana of certain lordly men who are talking loudly, discussing Spanish and Cuban affairs and criticizing the government. It says:

The action of these men, the Yankee correspondents, who stir up strife between nations might, by the lies they publish, cause innocent Americans to be food for the cannon in the event of war. The Maine dis aster has been used as a text for foolish stories about mines and also about dungeons

worse than the inquisition. Under pretence of relief the United States surrounds Cuba with the vessels of her fleet, and the jingo spirit urges war. The United States is set-tled by allens, anarchists, and the lower classes, who do not know the meaning of real liberty, their motto heing "My son, get money. Honest if you can; but at any rate get money." They seek to inflict hundllation upon Spanish honor and charity of their ostentatious contribu-

The presence of the Viscaya and the Almirante Oquendo has helped to keep the American jirgoes within bounds and when the fleet of torpedo boats arrive from Spain and Admiral Manterola raises his flag here on the great ship Carlos V, all these menaces, in-side and outside, will disappear.

RODGERS SAILS FOR NORFOLK.

The Torpedo Bonts Repairs Finished

and She Starts for Service Work. Baltimore, March 20.—The new United morning from the Columbian Iron works for Norfolk on her official trial trip. A large crowd gathered to see the little boat off and cheered her as she steamed away from the Columbian Iron works, where she was built. The Rodgers, which broke down while on her official trial trip a few months ago, has had a new port engine put which is an exact counterpart of the one wrecked by the breaking of her crank shaft. Prior to her breakdown she had made the 24% knots required of her with ease. She will have a trial spin over the measured course below Annapolis on her way down the bay, The United States coast survey steamer Blake, which has been ordered to Key West, will sail tomorrow morning from the shipyard of the William Woodall company, where she has been overhauled. She will act as a dispatch boat for the squadron assembled there.

ARTILLERYMEN FROM INFANTRY.

Trained Soldiers from Other Branches to Form the New Regiments.

Chicago, March 20 .- One hundred solliers of the Fourth United States infantry will be transerred from Fort Sheridan to Fort Slocum in New York. Orders were read last evening by each company commander, calling for volunteers to go to New York to join the artillery service.

The plan was understood at once, Two new artillery regiments have been authorized, and experienced soldiers for such service were wanted in preference to raw recruits. Within a short time after the call was read by the commanders there were twice the number of volunteers asked for. Of these, 100 good men will be selected and will soon be a part of the great plan of New York harbor's defence,

NEWMAN'S DECLARATIONS.

A Scaman's Version of the Maine Disaster.

London, March 20.-The morning papers published a long statement by eaman Newman, recently arrived in England, who was on board the Maine at the time of the disaster in Havana

Newman solemnly declares that the explosion was external and on the port

Florida Coast Defense.

Pensacola, Fia., March 20.—Powder, shot and shell continue to arrive nere in large quantities for the forts and batterdefending the harbor. eight big mortars for the new battery or Santa Rose have also arrived and they will be mounted as quickly as possible There is great activity at Fort Pickens In addition to the six and eight-inch rifle guns, a 15-inch gun is being mounted,

New York, March 20.-The Norwegian Nordkyn which arrived this morning from Hamburg, brought twenty-five tons States government. The Nordkyn anchored on Gravesend bay, to discharge

Ocean Steamers Destroyed. Halifax, N. S., March 20.-Two big ocean steamers, one of them disabled and in tow of the other, are making for Halifax harbor from the east. The disabled steamer is the Osborne from London. She is being towed by the tank steamer Duf-

FRIENDSHIP OF ENGLAND SINCERE

Reasons for Apparent Non-Interest in the Spanish Affair.

The Trend of British Thought is

Toward Surprise That the Greatest of Republics Should Excite Itself Unduly About so Poor a Foe as Spain .. Talk of Alliance.

London, March 21.-The Daily Mail this morning, in an editorial refuting some of the American accusations of British coldness," says: "Among many reasons for Great Britain's comparative non-interest not the least is our better knowledge of the Spaniards and their pauper navy and our conviction that the Anglo-Saxon will always defeat Latin, Indeed the trend of British thought is toward surprise that the REPORTERS TOO GAY. ish thought is toward surprise that the greatest of the Republics should excite itself unduly about so poor a foe,

"The Americans should remember, that while we are full of trust in their capability to deal with Spanish impertinences, we are fully occupied with far greater troubles threatened or active in various parts of the world. stitucional, in an editorial today under They have our full sympathy at a time when France, Germany and Russia are backing Spain as fully and almost as openly as they are opposing British efforts for the freedom of toreign trade throughout the world.

"Put there is no occasion now to talk of an offersive and defensive alliance. The disproportion between our mission and America's makes one impossible. There will be time to propose this way of recementing the race when America is ready to face the splendid responsibilities it entails."

COURT OF INQUIRY.

According to Rear Admiral Sicard It Will Not Report for a Week Hence.

Key West, Fla., March 20.-The court f inquiry, according to Rear Admiral Sicard, will continue its work through the coming week, as it is not yet ready make a report of the Maine disaster. The statement that Captain Albert Barker carried the report to Washington is officially denied. The object of his flying visit to Key West was not ascertained outside official circles until today. It can be authoritatively asserted that Captain Barker had nothing to do with the court of inquiry.

He came here on Friday from Tampa on a special mission to investigate the harbor defences, following out some line suggested by General Wilson, chief of engineers, in his recent inspection of land fertifications, Captain Barker's plan, when he left here night, was to confer with Commander McCalla, of the Marblehead, who is now at Tampa, and he will probably remain there a day or so. Captain Barker formerly commanded the Ore-

It is impossible to say definitely whether any synopsis of the findings of Washington. The notion prevails here that this has been done, but no offithe final report has been sent to Washington can be definitely depied. Captain Sampson and Lieutenant

Commander Marix remained on board the Iowa today. Captain Chadwick and Lieutenant Commander Porter did not leave the New York. The court is expected to re-convene tomorrow on the Iowa.

BURIAL OF AN AUTHOR.

Funeral of Franklyn Warner Lee Largely Attended.

St. Paul, Minn., March 20 .- A special train of St. Paul newspaper men. Masons, Elks, etc., went to Rush City. Minn., today to attend the funeral of the well-known poet, novelist and dramatist, Franklyn Warner Lee, formerly of this city and at the time of his death ditor of the Rush City Post.

Mr. Lee was most widely known as he author of the farce, "The Star Gazer," which Joe Ott played for two seasons, and also from the fact that he rewrote the extravaganza "Alibaba" for Manager David Henderson, of Chiago. The funeral services were conducted jointly by the Masons and the St. Paul Press club, the officiating eler-gyman being Rev. Mr. Steator, Episcopal, of White Bear Lake. Flags were at half-mast at Rush City and the funeral was one of the largest and most remarkable of the kind ever seen in Minnesota, outside of the larger cities, Interment was at Rushzeba cemetery.

Supposed Gold Brick Artist.

New York, March 20.-Hirsch Copie mann, supposed to be one of the men who robbed Max Bernstein, of Cleveland, of 15,000 in this city last November by selling him brass filings for gold dust, was arrested today and held to await identi-fication by Bernstein. Solomon Jacobs, he principal in the robbery, is now serv an eight-year term in the penitentinry.

Clemmer's Trial.

Norristown, Pa., March 20 .- James A. Clemmer, who is charged with the mur der of Emma P. Kalser on October 28 1896, will be placed on trial tomorrow. The victim's husband, Charles O. Kaiser, has already been tried and found guilty. Miss Lizzie DeKalb, who has made a confes sion of her part in the crime, will be the principal witness against Clemmer.

shot by H . Brother-in Law. New Haven, Conn., March 29,-Frank Enquist, of East Haven, who was shot by his brother-in-law, John Erickson, dur quarrel on March 8, died at the hospital tonight. Erickson has thus far escaped arrest.

Protest from spanish Press. Madrid, March 20 .- El Liberal protests against the authorities stopping tele-grams to Spanish newspapers. It characterizes such action as "a useless proced-ure, because the Spanish press is both brudent and patriotic."

MEN WANTED FOR THE NAVY.

Navy Department Calls for Enlistments of Seamen and Machinists.

Washington, March 20,-The navy department is preparing to send out several thousand handbills, to be posted in the principal towns throughout the Inited States, calling for enlistments for the navy. All the men called for AMERICA DOES NOT NEED HELP by the advertisement are required to be from 18 to 35 years of age, except rdinary seamen, who must be between the ages of 18 and 30. The navy is experiencing the most difficulty in securng enlistments of seamen, ordinary

seamen, and chief machinists. The pay of seamen is \$24 per month: ordinary seamen, \$19; chief machinists, \$70; machinists of the first class, \$55 and machinists of the second class, \$40. All candidates for enlistment are required to pass a physical examination, showing them to be free from diequalifying allments. Seamen and ordinary seamen must pass an examination in seamanship and must have had experience at sea. Machinists are required pass an examination showing that they are machinists by trade. The places named for making enlistments are the navy yards at Boston, Brook-lyn, League Island, Norfolk, Washington and Mare Island; the U. S. S. Michigan, at Erie, Pa.; 66 South street, New York, and the custom houses at New Orleans, La., and Gloucester.

YELLOW FEVER.

It Lurks About the Steamer Strabo From Rio Janeiro, Now in Quarantine.

New York, March 20.-The Lamport and Holt line steamer Strabo, Captain Jardine, which arrived today from Rio Janeiro, lost one of her crew from yellow fever during the voyage to this

While in port at Rio Janeiro two of her crew were taken ill with symptoms of yellow fever. They were removed to the hospital on shore just before the steamer sailed from the port. The Strabo sailed from Rio on Feb. When but a few days out the ship's cook, Henry Kearton, of Liverpool, 32 years old, was taken sick with yellow fever, and although Captain Jardine did all in his power to relieve the patient, Kearton gradually grew worse and died on March 2.

Captain Jardine, who attended Kearton during his illness, was taken down with the dreaded disease on March 2. The attack was a severe one, but the captain railled quickly and was convalescent when the steamer called at St. Lucia, March 11, for coal. When the Strabo reached port today the health officer ordered a strict quarantine of the vessel. She will be detained for a thorough disinfection, the crew's quarters will be furnigated and cleansed and all the effects and bedding will be disinfected. The captain's room and effects will also be disinfected. There were no other cases of sickness during the voyage to port.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Held in Honor of the Sailors Who

Lost Their Lives on the Maine. Lebanon, Pa., March 20,-Services were held this afternoon in memory of the sailors who lost their lives in the Maine disaster. Rev. J. Warren Johnson, of St. John's Reformed church, delivered an eulogy appropriate to the ecasion. Music was furnished by a chorus of one hundred voices, composed of members of the various church the court up to date has been sent to choirs, accompanied by the Perseverance band. Company H, National Guard of Penneylyania: Sedgwick cial confirmation is obtainable. That camp. 43, Sons of America; Post 4, Grand Army of the Republic; the Women's Relief corps and the Gobin guards, headed by the Preseverance band with muffled drums, marched to the services in a body. The hall was packed and many were turned away. A collection was taken and a liberal sum of money realized, which was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Auchenbaugh, of Sheridan, this county, parents of Seaman Auchenbaugh, of the Maine, who perished in the explosion. Mr. and Mrs. Auchenbaugh and family were present and participated in the ser-

MRS. THURSTON BURIED.

Followed to the Grave by a Great Concourse of People.

Omaha, Neb., March 20 .- The body of the late Mrs. John M. Thurston was followed to the grave by a great concourse of people this afternoon, At the house private services were after which the casket was remoked to All Saints' church. Rev. Jofor the burial of the dead. In his per-

seph Mackey presided over the rendition of the Protestant Episcopal ritual mon the minister referred feelingly to mission of Mrs. Thurston to Cuba which cost her life. He paid a high tribute to her character as a woman and to the intense patriotism and human inspiration that led her to accompany her husband on the trip from which he returned to bury her,

INDIAN WAR OVER.

The Fight on the Northeast Frontier Practically Ended. Calcutta, March 20 .- The fighting on

the northwest frontier is now regarded as ended. The rebels have given the seventy

hostages demanded. The budget statement to be read to the legislative council tomorrow is very favorable. It estimates that there will be a surplus of 890,000 rupees for the coming year and it reviews twenty

Abandoned Ship Saved.

out discussing currency policy.

years of Indian finance, though with-

New Haven, Conn., March 20 .- The fishng vessel Sicilia has towied to this port he Norwegian bark Isabella, Captain Knudson, from Savannah February 12 for Rotterdam, which passed the Lizare March 18. The Isabella was found abandoned, after collision, thirty-five miles outh of Brighton. Her crew is at New

Steamship Arrivals.

Queenstown, March 20 .- Sailed: Umbria rom Liverpool, New York, Dardanelles -Passed: Aller, from New York, etc. (on cruise). Beachhead-Passed: Liard-Passed: Noordland, Antwerp for

MR. QUAY'S SCOOP AT LANCASTER

Majorities Much Larger Than Was First Indicated.

KAUFFMAN WAS SNOWED UNDER

Every Friend of the United States Senator Has Been Chosen by Large Majoritles -- The Victory for J. Al. Stober a Most Decisive One.

Lancaster, Pa., March 20 .- The Quay sweep at yesterday's Republican primary election has developed in magnitude with the belated returns that came in during today. The majorities are even bigger than indicated in the advices of last night.' Every candidate on the county ticket favored by the friends of the senior United States senator has been chosen, as have also the Quay candidates for assembly, six in number and for the state convention of whom there are a round dozen. The names are as telegraphed last night.

The victory of J. Al. Stober over Senator C. C. Kauffman, who was a candidate for re-nomination, is a most decisive one and a subject of general surprise. His majority will reach 1350 at a conservative estimate. Four years ago Kauffman had nearly half as many more over Stober. The majority for the members of the assembly and for delegates in the northern district, which Kauffman has represented in the senate, is in the neighborhood of 1,200; in this city the Quay majority on delegates is 1500, McClain for legislature exceeding the latter figure by more than 300; while in the lower assembly district, comprising the southern end of the county exclusive of this city, Heidelbaugh and Peoples are renominated, the former by about 900 and the latter by 700. The majority on delegates is about the same For district attorney W. T. Brown will have 2,000 majority over F. S. Goff. slated by the anti-Quay combination.

FIGHT AT WAYNESBORO. Waynesboro, Pa., March 20 .- The facional fight which has been waged the Republicans for several months for the election of delegates to the nominating convention reached a climax last night when the ward primaries were held. The result of the primaries show an overwhelming vicory for Mayor Dr. J. C. Criswell. The Quay and anti-Quay factions lined up as the final measures, and Quay's victory is decisive.

The list of delegates elected are: First ward, A. H. Deardorff, Frisby Stull, John M. Wolff, W. E. Washabaugh, William Henneberger; Second ward, A. B. Stoler, James Bringman. Harper Washabaugh, William Wallace, Dr. Joseph Frantz; Third ward, Frederick Dukehart, John B. Long, J. R. Bishop Andrews Presides at the Ses-Oller, John Bowers, Banner Daywalt. Clarion, Pa., March 20.-Republican

primaries Saturday, J. A. Beam, of Fairmount City, and James M. Elder, of Clarion, were elected by large majorities for delegates to state convention, uninstructed. Dr. Summerville Wanamaker candidate, defeated three

Indiana, Pa., March 20,-Returns from yesterday's Republican primaries in this county indicate that the result can only be determined by the official count. This evening both sides claim victory,

MR. OUAY ENDORSED.

Unantmons Choice of the Blair Re-

publicans for Senator. Hollidaysburg, Pa., March 20 .- At the Republican primaries held in Blair county last night, Matthew S. Quay was unanimously endorsed for United States senator; William C. Arnold, of Clearfield county, for congressman at large, and John P. Elkin, of Indiana county, for state chairman. The fol lowing named five delegates, pledged to support John Wanamaker for governor in the state convention, were elected: Joshua Burley, William H Gottshalk, George B. Reed, John Shuff and William Van Allman, Complete returns from sixty-two out of sixtyseven precincts in the county snow the following vote for congress: Alvin Evans, 3,363; Josiah D. Hicks,

3,750; Nicholas P. Mervine, 1,179. For assembly-John K. Patterson, 3 428 votes: Dr. George Price, 3,330; George M. Patterson, 3,112. John K. Patterson and Dr. Price, both Quay men, are probably nominated.

KID M'COY'S WIFE.

She Does Not Want Her Friends to

Know She Married a Pugilist. Springfield, O., March 20.-In an in erview here today Kid McCoy stated that he will leave early in April for San Francisco. "My match with Gus Ruhlin will come off there," he said, "after that I will go after Choynski for

a match. "Yes, my wife is a New York wo man. It's none of the public's business though. She is well connected there and she does not want it known that she has married a prize fighter. That is all there is in the secrecy about her maiden name."

KANSAS BANK ROBBED.

Five Men Blow Up a Safe and Secure \$5,000.

Hutchinson, Kan., March 20 .- The Bank of Nickerson, at Nickerson, Kan. near here, was robbed last night. Five men required four or five hours to blow up the safe. Citizens who were pass ing the building were held up and forced to go inside where they were kept until the safe was blown open and the money secured. About \$5,000 was obtained. The rob

bers mounted horses and fled.

Cleveland, O., March 20.—Stephen Y. Mc-Nair, secretary and auditor of the Cleveland, Arkon and Columbus railroad, died last night, aged 62 years. Deceased was a brother of Admiral McNair, of the United States navy.

The Bark Hayden Arrives,

Seattle, Wash., March 20.-The bark layden Brown arrived here yesterday. She left Philadelphia nearly one year ago

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

Fair; Slightly Colder,

- 1 Gereral Programme for Congress This Week. President McKinley's Busy Sunday, Quay Delegates Elected. England's Friendship for Us.
- 2 Tribune's Popular Want Columns, Financial and Commercial.
- 3 Local-Welsh Calvinists in Quarterly Immense Harvest of Pocono Ice.
- Editorial.
- Free Silvers Hope Goes Chimmering. Facts and Fakes Concerning Klondike,
- New Road Book of the L. A. W. Local-Interesting Mission Services. City Hall Gossip,
- Local-United States Court Will Sit in This City Beginning Tomorrow. Fortunes in New Mexico Coal.
- Local-West Side and Suburban, Lackawanna County News. General-Canada Is Taxing All United States for the Klondike.

COWARDLY MURDER.

A Negro and His White Wife are Shot Down in Cold Blood by Midnight Assassins.

Muskogee, I. T., March 20.-A dastardly outrage was committed last night in the town of Wybark, five miles north of here, resulting in the death of two men and a woman.

The house of Ed Chalmers, a negro who recently married a white woman, was attacked during the night by six white men who had evidently determined to murder both the negro and his wife, both of whom had been threatened by white men who disliked the union. A door of their cabin was broken in and both the negro and his wife were shot down but not before Chalmers had made fight against his assailants. The woman was killed outright and though Chalmers succeeded in driving off the attacking party, they left him mortally wounded and he died

pefore daylight. This morning the body of one, Matthey's, an aged white man, who lived at Gibson, was found near the Chalmers' cabin pierced with a bullet. Matthews answers the description given by Chalmers before he died, of one his assailants. There were evidences that Matthews' body had been dragged from Chalmers' house to the place where it was found. A gun lay beside the body evidently put there to give the impression that the dead man had murdered the negro and his wife. Deputy United States marshals are investigating the killing and it is be

brought to justice. METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Danville, Pa., March 20 .- The Methodist Episcopal conference love feast was held in the opera house this morning. Long before the hour for opening the service, the people began to throng to the place of worship.

The love feast was presided over by Rev. George Warren and throughout the entire service one testimony after another was given, "in honor of the one whom we serve." At 10.36 a. m Bishop E. G. Andrews, D. D., preached on the text of the tenth verse of the tenth chapter of John. At the close of the sermon Revs. Kapp, McKelvey, Charlton, Grover, Carnills, Walker and

Williams were ordained deacons. At 3 p. m. Dr. B. B. Hamlin, of Houtz dale, delivered a sermon, his subject being "Faith," and text Hebrews, ii-8 Dr. Hamlin has been preaching for fifty years. At the close of this service, Bishop Bowman, with the aid of Dr. Hamlin and the five presiding elders of this conference, ordained as elders the following: Revs. Kauffman Bickel, Buyers, Clemns, F. E. and W. H. Harmon, Vandermark and Biggs.

FROSTS IN CALIFORNIA.

Much Damage Done to the Early

Fruit (rop. San Francisco, March 20.-Reports from the central part of the state indicate that apricots, plums, almonds and cherries have been ruined by the heavy frosts of the last few nights The fruit which holds on the trees will not mature, as it has been frozen until it will eventually shrivel up. The orchards in the vicinity of Linden, Lo di and Campo will not produce suffic ient early fruit for the families of the owners. The apricots in these sections are of a fine quality and command a good price, so that the loss to the orchard owners will amount to thousands of dollars. The late fruit is not

Suisun, Cal., March 20 .- In the las twenty-four hours the damage by the frost has been serious. In the Suisun Valley it is estimated at \$150,000, and

in Vaca Valley at \$250,000. IRON MILLS RESUME.

After a Year of Idieness the Potts-

town Plant Will Be Opened. Pottstown, Pa., March 20 .- After over a year of idleness the Pottstown iron mills will row me again on full time The entire ; .nt, with the exception of the blast for nace and steel mills, has been leased by the Glasgow Iron con-Fourteen double-puddle fu pany. aces will start tomorrow week.

others will be put in operation as s as possible. When in full operation the works give employment to about 1,200 hand The mills will manufacture pipe and sheet iron, and if necessary can turi

out light armor plate. Attempt at Train Wrecking. Cork, March 20.-On the Cork, Bandor and South Coast rallway, where a strike

a in progress, the line patrol discovered

up at the approach to a viaduct seventy feet high, a few miles from Cork. The patrol was just able to stop the express. Curato: Drops Dead. New York, March 20 .- Professor John Zachos, cutator of Cooper Union, died to

day at his home in this city. He

Programme for the Week in Senate and

EVENTFUL

SENSATIONS MAY DEVELOP

House.

Preparations to Strengthen the Country's Defenses.

Liberal Provision Will Be Made for Battleships, Torpedo Boats and Dry Docks .- The Report of the Maine Board of Inquiry May at Any Time Demand Congressional Action, and Everything Else Will Give Way to It.

Washington, March 20 .- No programme has been prepared for the senate for the present week, and the course of events is liable to be influenced largely by developments from

the outside. The quarantine bill is the unfinished business on the senate calendar, and if opportunity offers, Senator Pettigrew will get up his public land bill. It is expected that the sundry civil appropriation bill will be reported Wednesday or Thursday and if it should it may be taken up later in the week. The senate committee is making many changes in this bill, and it will consume several days of the time of the senate when considered. It is also understood to be Senator Davis' intention to bring up the Hawaiian treaty in order to get a vote on the Bacon amendment. It is still Mr. Davis' intention to move to lay the amendment on the table as soon as Senator Bacon concludes his speech in its support. All these plans are liable to be changed if the report of the court of inquiry into the Maire disaster should be received. The receipt of this document would inevitably have the effect

of springing a Cuban debate which would sidetrack all other questions. IN THE HOUSE.

lieved that the murderers will be Whether the report of the naval board of inquiry on the Maine disaster goes to congress this week with a special message from the president calling for congressional action, our relations with Spain and the proximpoint of the preparations now going on to place the country in a state of defense, probably will be exhaustively debated in the house in connection with the naval appropriation bill, the consideration of which will begin on Tuesday. The many emergency items in the bill, the large increase in the enlisted force, the liberal provision for battleships, torpedo boats and dry docks, will bring the whole subject of the necessity for these preparations directly before the house. While the Conservative leaders doubtless will seek to prevent inflammatory expressions; under the recent ruling of the speaker which practically places no limit upon the lattitude of debate in committee of the whole, in the state of the union, the leaders, except by their example, probably will be unable to repress sensational speeches. An effort is likely upon the part of some of the Radicals to force from those in the confidence of the administration a declaration of the policy of the administration regarding Cuba, This they hope to do by taunting them with some of the rumors which have been floating about in the newspapers during the past few days. It is altogether likely that there will be a general expression of the sentiment of the house on this question before the bill

THE MAINE QUESTION.

Should the president transmit the report of the board of inquiry with a request for congressional action during the week everything else will give way Any action which might be desided upon would be in the complete control of the Republican leaders as to he limit to be put upon debate. If the report of the board does not go to congress this week the naval bill will probably consume all the time after to-morrow. But if it should be passed efore Saturday, which seems unlikey, the bill for the reorganization of the army and the authorization for recruit-

ng it to a footing aggregating 104,000 men in time of war will be taken up. Tomorrow the bill for the relief of the victims of the Maine will be called up mmediately after the reading of the journal under the arrangement made ast week. It is not expected to consume much time, but probably will be made the occasion for several patriotic speeches in eulogy of the heroism of the sailors who went down to their tragic death. The rest of the day will be occupied in the consideration of private bills in pursuance of the order made last Friday. Altogether it promises to be an exceedingly eventful, if

ot sensational week in the house,

Philadelphia. March 20.-Theodore H. Davis, aged 27 years, was probably fatally stabbed tonight by his brother. Simeon, The latter twice plunged a knife into Theodere's back and slashed him several times across the face. Theodore is not expected to live. The brothers had gone to the home of their brother-in-law, William Dougherty, 1105 South Broad street, with the intention of assaulting him. Theodore, however, rejented and Simeon became enraged and turned upon him.

The Herald's Weather Forecast. New York, March 21.—In the middle states and New England, today, partly cloudy to fair and fresh westerly to

outhwesterly winds with slightly lower, followed by rising temperature. On day, in both of these sections, fair to Cooper Union from the chair of rhetoric in the Meadville Theological school, Pennpartly cloudy, rising temperature, fresh southwesterly to southerly winds.