

bodies to be claimed by friends. But, as stated, these matters are Another body came ashore at Chatpurely the subjects of diplomatic neham last night and this morning it gotiations and do not in any way affect the conclusion of the peace treaty. They might all fail to be realized and yet

was identified as that of George B. Kenniston, jr., of Boothbay. A despatch from Provin night states that a pocketbook bearing the name of S. C. Wedderburn, Atlantic City, was found near Peaked hill this morning and that the leg of a child was picked up near High Head Wednesday afternoon. What has be some of the remainder of the crew and passengers of the ill-fated Portland. is a matter of conjecture, although it is practically certain that not a single soul survived after the steamer wert to pieces. The fact that none of her life-boats

seized the vessel. Was that true?" "No, it was not true," the witness replied.

ROUGH RIDERS AND YUCATAN.

"The Yucatan was placed in the can-

Greensburg, Pa. Dec. 2 .- The following is a letter received from Admiral Dewey by Mrs. Noss, of Mt. Pleasant, who husband, Jesse Noss, was killed

in the battle of Malate, July 31:

To supply food for the destitute, es-pecially in Cuba, is a question that must tax this government greatly, for a time at least. It is a question of humanity to which we can not turn a deaf ear. Employment is essential to contentment; tile-ness breeds indolence. The effort should be made to aid those people by giving them work, so they may feel that they are earning their own bread instead of charity. Would it not be wis

record probably unprecedented.

Following this came news of more good luck for a British tramp. A despatch received from Cape Henry states that the British steamship Elton, Captain Ramsay, from Hull, for nassed that

cognized our nationality by allowing our flag to be raised at Corregidor isiand, and to sail the bay in the full sight of all the foreign fleets. None dared to interfere. If America now declines to openly acknowledge our independence a great injustice will be committed. Had Spain asked \$40,000,000 for the islands the Filipinos would gladly have given twice that amount or more to preserve their rights, ruthlessly set aside by the enemy and the nation without an understanding of the aspiration, rights and sacrifices of those who have stood torture enough and were left to fight and suffer in defense of their country. In conclusion, the article affirms the friendship of the Filipinos for Americans, insists that the insurgents will never fire the first shot and adds that the harmony that exists will only be broken by "priests - traitors inducing the Americans to attack us."

treaty affected Moreover, while Spain was the subject of peremptory demands in the case of protocol points, she is free of compulsion now while these diplomatic changes are in progress,

MAY SELL TO GERMANY.

She may sell to the United States one of the Caroline islands or may refuse to do so, and, moreover, if we buy the islands, it must be at a price satisfactory to Spain. She may even sell the Caroline group to Germany instead of the United States if she can obtain a better price from the former. There is good reason to assume the correctness of the report that Germany is even now bargaining for these isl. ands. All the other points covered by these negotiations likewise are a matter for arrangement and not demand. The statement that Spain has refused to sell us Ceuta, opposite Gibraltar, for a coal and cable station is inaccur-The United States government has not made any such proposition for the acquisition of that island and would hesitate very long before entering upon the turbulent field of activity involved in the assumption of territory in the neighborhood of the Mediter-Fancan

The case is different respecting the Carolines. The American naval experts have urged very strongly that neath this group as a whole be retained if the bar. possible, and in addition that the Pelew group lying to the westward be purchased. They have pointed out that the southern most island of the Ladrone group, Waloa, lies only three hundred miles north of Ponape, in the Carolines, and the Pelew islands are only about six hundred miles distan from the Philippines. With these the United States would have a complete chain of islands located at convenient distances more than half way across the Pacific. Moreover, the vast bulk of trade in that quarter of the world passes directly through the natural channel between the Ladrones and the Carolines, of which the United States would have command. If Germany is able to outbid the United States for these islands, she may obtain them but a suspicion is entertained that the naming of \$1,000,000 was inspired by a friendly desire to get the best possible tornue for Spain from the United States by raising the price of the goods.

AUTINALDO'S CAPTIVES.

One of the piedges which is almost as good as a treaty obligation in its force even now is that the United States in return for the release of the political prisoners from Cuba and Porto Rico, held by Spain will secure the release of the Spanish prisoners held by Aguinaldo and to this matter attention is being devoted here. There has been an almost daily despatch from General Otis, announcing the arrival

of a transport there loaded with United Status troops, and the war depariment is fairly confident of its ability now to undertake the full control of the islands with the assistance of the naval contingent under Dewey. it is realized that the task of induc-

ing Aguiraldo to surrender the cartives for whom he has demanded such an extravagant ransom-\$1,500,000-un dev penalty of cutting their throats is going to be a difficult one, but, after

the United States commissioners Shanghal: in Paris have only undertaken that the United States government shall use its best efforts to secure the release of the sary.

have yet been found holds out to the relatives and friends a single ray of hope to which they cling, but as the realization of the awful sea which was running at that time is forced upon them, they are obliged to acknowledge that the chances of even a single person being saved is indeed slight. As to the chances of further recovery of hodies, there are many opinions, The shifting sands of Cape Cod the swift tides that sweep up and down the shore of the cape, the winds that blow in had reached Daiquiri, not one only, as from every direction and the nature of had been reported. the waves have a most important bear-

There are all sorts of theories as to where the Portland went down, and just at present the one most generally accepted is that being partially stripped of her upper works, she finally fell beproclivities this fact was due to the the waves on the northeast of It may be possible that the steamer

was still farther off the point of the cape when she went down, perhaps in deep water, as no large portion of the vessel has yet come ashore. FOUR YEARS FOR LANDIS.

The Philadelphia Fire Bug Receives His Sentence.

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Philadelphia, Dec. $2 \rightarrow A$. Lincoln Lan-dis, who was convicted on Wednesday of arson and setting fire to a building at the northwest corner of Twentieth street and Allegheny avenue, with intent to defraud an fusurance company, was today fined \$100 and sentenced to four years' imprisonment at solitary confinement in the burning of the building was very

mysterious. Landis is a member of the firm who owned the place, and it was said that the insurance on the building was held by a relative of his. Landis was the mly person in the building when the hre proke out and he was seen a short time afterward in an alley way watching the

Good Government Convention. Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 2.- This was the ast day of the sixth national conference for good city government. The sessions were confined to papers and their dis-cussions. A paper by Dr. Albert Shaw, of New York, was read by H. C. Deming, York. At the afternoon session (oblason, of Philadelphia, read a pr H. Robh per on "Municoal Franchises.

Concession Claimed.

London, Dec. 3.-The Madrid corre-condent of the Dally News says: "It is schome. "It 1s officially annourced that the Spanist peace commissioners have secured a con ssion granting Epain commercial ad vantages in the Philippines for ten years to secure similar An effort will be made to concession in the Antilles.

Pekin Needs Watching.

London, Dec. 2.- The Daily Chronicle sublishes the following dispatch from ""The opinion is growing in diplomatic circles that a foreign military occupation of Pekin may become neces

al and the Rough Riders walked in and took their places on the vessel according to directions. They did not seize the vessel, because there was no necessity that they should do so." Captain McKay said there had been no disposition on the part of the mas-

ters of the transports to disobey orders or to keep their vessels unnecessarily far out at sea as had been charged. There were a great many more giving orders who had no authority to do so and who knew noth-

ing of the sea or the local conditions. It was not safe to hold the ships very close in. He also denied that there had been any refusal to land medical stores. It had been impossible to secure labor assistance in Cuba, the natives refusing even to assist in landing food for themselves. He was satisfied that ample facilities had been provided for landing the troops and supplies and that there would have been no difficulty if all the lighters had been available. As it was five lighters

Captain McKay took exceptions to a reference in Admiral Sampson's report to what he called "The wandering proclivities of the transports." "As a matter of fact." he said, "If the transports developed any wandering

He then related that a naval vessel had made the rounds the first night after arrival to allow the officer in command to notify the transports that a charge had been made in the directions for landing. He thought Captain Hunker had given this information and he had stated that they were to pursue a south, southeast course, He had said nothing as to how long they should steer in that direction. This course pursued indefinitely would carry them six points off the coast. This order led the transport officers generally to conclude that they were to sail to Porto Rico and as a matter of fact the Knickerbocker did sail 35

miles and get lost for 12 hours on account of the order, only coming back when he found that none of the fleet was with him.

Aldredge Suspended. Albany, N. Y., Dec. 2 .- George Ald-

redge, commissioner of public works, was anded from office today by order of Governor Black. This action was taken at the request of Mr. Aldredge, pending adicial inquiry into the allegations of

management of the money appropria ed by the legislature for enlarging the itate canals. Tanner Says "Political Scheme." Chicago, Dec. 2 -Governor John R. Tau-

duty by the Mackin county grand jury in connection with the Virden coal mine riots, refused today to talk on the subbeyond stating his belief that the whole affair was nothing but a political

It Was a Fake.

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.- The six-round out between Tommy Ryan and Tommy West at the Arena tonight was the sad dest kind of a fake. From the start both men put up the tamest kind of a battle, esorting to clinches when there was any

danger of a stiff blow. Post Entry by Joe Rice.

New York, Dec. 2 .- Teday a post entry or the six-day bleycle race at Madisor quare Garden which commences at mid night Sunday was made by "Joe" Rice. Wilkes-Earre.

dymnia, Flogghin, Manila, Oct. 23. My Dear Mrs. Noss: I wish to express economy for the government of the United your young husband fell fighting bravely or his country, the noblest death a man

in know. From the Olympia, I watched in fight that fearful night and wonhe lered how many American homes would he saddened by the martyrdom suffered by our brave men, and my sympathy went ut to each and every one of them. Your loss has been sadder than the oth-

ers and I am unable to express the sorow I feel. Tears came to my eyes as I cad the sad story of the father who never saw his child and then the loss of all that was left to the brave mother. It is hard sometimes to believe, but our Heavenly Father, in His infinite goodalways does things best and some father, mother and daughter will ary. joined never again to be parted.

With tenderest sympathy, believe me, our sincere friend. George Dewey. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noss who died was named for Admiral Dew-

DUN'S WEEKLY REVIEW.

Failures Unusually Small-Gain for Coal and Steel Industry.

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New York, Dec. 2 .-- R. G. Dun's week y review of trade will say tomorrow: The report of failures for the month of November is extremely gratifying, since it shows a decrease in number

and smaller amount of liabilities than in any other month, excepting three summer months, since the monthly record began, but be ause careful analysis shows a str ing decrease both in the large and the small failures in nearly all classes in industry and trade. Considering that failures are usually smaller in summer months that in November, the monthly return may be considered about the best made and shows a condition of finanacial oundness rarely surpassed.

Nobody can estimate the gain for the coal and steel industry which will esuit from the past week's transactions in steel rails, which are said to exceed 700,000 tons.

Failures for the week have been 281 n the United States against last year and 14 in Canada against 21 last Year.

STANDING ARMY BILL.

General Miles Prepares a Measure Providing for 100,000 Men.

Washington, Dec. 2 .-- General Miles. ommanding the army, has prepared the draft of a bill providing for a reg ular standing army of 100,000 men. The bill, it is said, will provide for an organization of 12 companies to the regment with an arrangement for a third leutenant for each company in case

of need for that office. It will contain provision for a staff corps largely in accordance with the recommendations of the heads of the various bureaus, as recommended to

them in annual reports Chairman Hull, of the house commitee on military affairs, intends to present the measure in congress.

May Have Been Poison Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 2.-Stanny Wy-ocki, aged 30, and unmorried, was this

forning found dead in his room at a boarding house in Continental. Yesterelsior and returned last night, he said he felt very ill, after which he retired, His friends suspect he was given poison, Coroner W. L. Shindel was notified to in-

ouire into the affair.

to you my deepest sympathy. It must States to construct a substantial rail-essen your sorrow somewhat to know that read, practically the whole length of the island of Cuba, with branch roads to the leading cities on the coast? Such a road of course, cost a large sum, perwould. haps \$20,000,000; but it would give em-ployment to the people of Cuba, teach them habits of industry, be an inducament for them to cultivate their farms, and thus furnish supplies for the laborers and for market when the road is conlutely essential to the pacification and development of that great island. It will bring its minerals, lumber, and agricultural products to market and open up communication with all parts of island with the least possible delay. road would be a good property, and when it had served its purpose for the govern-ment could be sold for its cost. If such an improvement is not made, the government will no doubt expend fully that amount in charity.

> The report contains all the official correspondence relating to the war, from which it appears that General Miles' recommendations as a rule were not approved, Secretary Alger frequently sending communications to him that betokened irritation if not open dislike.

FILIPINOS ALL RIGHT.

Interesting Information Regarding Inhabitants of Philippines.

Washington, Dec. 2 .- A private letter received here from Manila, dated Oct. 22, gives some interesting information bearing on conditions in the Philippines. At that time the insurgents had a line of troops outside the American line and would not permit the latter to pass through. They had seven steam launches and a rumor prevailed that they thought of trying to capture an American man of war. It was reported that Admiral Dewey took away all their launches just a few days before the letter was written. The writer adds:

"The insurgents are not a bad peo-They have been oppressed for nle. ages by the Spaniards who treated them most brutally and shot many to death on mere suspicions. There are well educated and intelligent men among them and as I love liberty, I feel a deep sympathy for them." Since the city has been cleaned up, bad smells have disappeared and the health of the troops has improved.

NOT A CANDIDATE.

Judge Gordon Denies That He Is Wanamaker's Man.

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.-In a letter to Justice Williams, of the Supreme court of Pennsylvania, made public tonight by James Gay Gordon, until recently a judge of the court of common pleas in this city, the latter denies that he is a candi-date of John Wanamaker's for United

States senator. The letter is in reply to an alleged state nent by Williams that Gordon will be Wanamaker's candidate.

Explosion of Turpentine.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 2 .- An explosion of turpentine today on the second floor of Reuther & Co.'s carving and modeling establishment caused serious injury to three men. William Lenore, an employe, was seriously, perhaps fatally burn d about the arms, face and head. Joachim Jungwirth, a member of the firm, burned about the face and hands, Wit5 and Charles Kummerfeld, an employe, had a eg broken. The damage by fire amount ed to \$5,000.

m. yesterday, having in tow the barge Enos Soule, which was lost off Winter quarters, from the tow of the steam ship Orion during the great storm. The barge is laden with 2,106 tony of coal and will prove a valuable prize. Shipping men generally are greatly interested in what may be the outcome of the action of Captain Johnston, of the British steamship Briardene, which structed. This, in my judgment, is abso. has just arrived at the Delaware breakwater for orders, in defying the British courts while in Queenstown.

> She was seized just before her de parture by a marshal of the admiralty court for debt, and a bailiff was placed on board of her. The captain deter mined to defy the court and started for the Delaware breakwater.

The pilot on board refused to implicate himself by assisting in navigating a seized ship out of the harbor, but this did not deter Captain Johnston, who in

taking her out himself, grounded her on Haul Bowline. Two hours later she floated off. In the meanwhile, the admiralty court officials communicated with the admiral in charge of the Queenstown station, and the latter sent the steamer Pinnace to intercent the fleeing ship. The Pinnace met the Briardene as she was passing out the harbor at full speed and ordered

her to stop. The captain paid no attention to the summons, but continued out to sea under a full head of steam with the little Pinnace following in pursult. Off Spike Island the Briardene completely outdistanced her pursuer

which returned. It was reported that Captain Johnston had the Irish bailiff on board, but this is not so. He was landed.

The Briardene left for New York tonight.

PENNSYLVANIA'S VOTE.

Official Returns of the Late Election.

Harrisburg, Pa., Nov. 2.-The official returns of the late election were computed this morning at the state partment. Beaver was the last county to send in its returns and delayed the sount more than the soldler returns Stone's plurality over Jenk's is 117.612. The following is the official vote on the state ticket.

Governor .- William A. Stone, 469.834 George A. Jenks, 352,922; Silas C. Swal-135,375. Lieutenant Governor.-J. P. S. Gobin, 505,183; William H. Sow den, 353,258; Edward Nichols, 66,930, Secretary of Internal Affairs .- James

W. Tall, 514,609; Patrick DeLacey, 348, 909; S. W. Dickson, 58,423, Supertor

Court Judge.-William Worcester, 546,-945; William D. Porter, 517,636; William Trickett, 412,584; Calvin Bower, 388,-504. Congressman-at-Large.-Galusha Grow, 534,848; Samuel A, Davenport 570.327; F. F. Ames, 350,213; Jerry N. Weller, 357,481.

Colored Actor Killed.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 2 .- Bonaire Parry f Columbia. Pa., a colored actor, was illed by a Pennsylvania railroad exprestrain at Princeton Junction this evening He had an identification card i his pock. upo which was his name, age and ad-dress and the words "Died game."

Won't Mention the Debt.

London, Dec 3.-The Paris correspondent the Standard says: "The peace com-issions have agreed not to mention the Cuban or Philippine debt in the treats because it might lead to misrepresents

INTERESTING QUESTIONS.

What the United States Will Be Called Upon to Face.

Washington, Dec. 2.-The United States government is being called upon to face some questions of interest resulting from the expansion policy. The British government, some time before the annexation of Hawaii to the United States, filed with Hawaii a number of claims for redress for the lil treatment and illegal confinement of British subjects, involved in the revolutionary movement which overthrew? the Queen. These amount to several hundred thousand dollars in the aggregate and the question is, the Hawaiian government having failed to settle, whether the United States government does not inherit liability. The claims are just such as wore filed by the late Secretary Gresham against the Hawailan government in behalf of a number of alleged American citi-zens, most of whom afterward turned

out to be aliens. None of our claims were pressed but they formed the foundation for the British claims, Another question of more importance is the determination of the status of some of our newly acquired citizens or subjects. Already a Chinaman by birth, but a Phillipline by citizenship, has applied for recognition as an American citizen, Another Chinaman In Hawali wants a passport showing that he is a citizen of the United

States. The annexation coming into the limits of the United States of Chinese persons from Hawall, but the constitution of any act that proposes to discriminate among American citizens has been raised, and this Chinaman is a citizen by adoption. There are a few of those questions that have already arisen and the others are predicted to follow in the near future.

Freight Trains Collide.

Athol. Mass., Dec. 2.-Two east bound Article Market, by Fitchburg railroad collided near here early today and a brakeman, F. Knight, of Williamstown, was caught in the wreek by the legs and burned to death in spite of the efforts of his comrades to release him.

Salvador Quiet.

Washington, Dec. 2 .- A cablegram rehe revolution in Salvador is ended.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Dec. 2 .- Forecast for Saturday: For eastern Pennsylvathreatening weather and -***** ***** ******* *******