TWO CENTS.

IN FAVOR OF FREE PULP

Publishers of Newspapers Argue in Favor of Free Paper.

Presented to the Anglo-American Joint High Commission-Tariff of \$6 Per Ton Regarded as Excessive - The International Paper Company.

Washington, Dec. 27.-The American Newspaffer Publishers' association has presented to the Anglo-American joint high commissioners a carefully pre-pared argument in favor of free paper and free pulp. The following is a syllabus of the argument:

The directors of the American Newspaper Publishers' association, representing 157 daily newspapers of the states, as representing the bulk of the total production of print paper, are in favor of free paper and free pulp. The tariff of \$6 per ton on print paper is prohibitory and we beseve that the ground wood pulp is excessive; that the American paper manufacturers need no protection because they can manufacture paper cheaper than is done in any other part of the world, and that they are now supplying the Australian, Japanese and British markets in competition with Swedish and German manufacturers; that no print paper is brought into the United States but that during the last year, the export has averaged over 1,000 tons per week, and that the entire revenue received from the importation of mechanically ground wood pulp was only \$43,842 last year, so that no serious question of national economy could be urged in opposition to free pulp and free paper. The American manufacturers are protected to the extent of \$1.60 per ton by reason of their proximity to their customers. The dif-

newlty in the cost of transportation to market is their great guarantee of security against Canada or any foreign They are also protected by reason of their ability to obtain cheaper and more convenient supplies of coal and chemicals, which as yet are not obtainable in the Canadian forests.

INTERNATIONAL COMPANY.

In January, 1898, all the big and profitable paper mills of the United States, with a few unimportant exceptions, Paper company, a combine that absorbed (wenty-four mills, producing about 80 per cent, of the entire Amerlean output. This corporation, or trust, was capitalized upon a basis of \$55,-000,000. The pretext given for the organization of the trust was the inability of mills to make paper at prevailing prices-that bankruptey stared them in the face.

This combination was really formed were in poor localities, or on streams withdrawnl of government favor. Exfor many mills that were located on exhausted water courses and that were tributary to denuded timbers tracts: for mills that at periods of the year have an insufficient supply of water or are under water: for mills that are inferior and worthless in machinery, equipment and construction: for mills that must pay excessive rental for water power; for mills that do not own or control wood lands: for mills that have neither pulp grinding attachments nor sulphite pulp auxiliar-

Five of the paper mills obtain their power at a total annual cost of \$196,000 per annum. Two others are run by steam which makes competition impossible and five others have insufficlent power. Four owned no wood lands and ten of the mills had no sulphite auxiliaries. Ninety-eight papermaking machines were comprised from the plant of those mills but only 48 of these machines were of recent construction or desirable pattern. one of the mills in all the combination. possesses all of the six essentials of the cheapest and most successful manufacture.

NO INVESTMENT YET.

The organizers of the trust frankly ndmitted at the outset that its common stock represented no investment, yet a divisiend of one per cent, on the common stock was declared in Noveinless payable Dec. 31, 1898. This common stock is now selling on Wall street at sixty. A circular based upon information "furnished by officers" of the international Paper company showed that in July the trust was making a profit of \$10 per ton on its States That Iloilo Has Been Surren-

centicial. The muice output of this corpora tion, a presenting 1,420 tons per day Spanish commander in the Visuyas istfor theoretical capacity, could be produced by a present investment of \$15,-000,000, so that the American consumers of newspapers are forced to pay dividends upon an inflated and wholly netitious valuation of at least \$40,000,-

Immediately after the organization of the trust it raised the prices of 1stper wherever possible. In three are it raised its price ten dellars foreign consuls. per ton and has averaged an increase of \$5 per ten on its daily output of 1,426 tons, equalling an increased tax of \$2,150,000 per annum upon the newspapers of the country which now pay a stal exceeding \$20,000,000 per annum for their paper supply.

The present consumption of pulp wood by the pulp and paper mills of the United States, including manilla, book and writing, is stated at 2,000,000 cords per annum, which consumption requires the entire stripping of pulp timber on 625 square miles per annum. | largest purse and a stake of \$2,000 a

Our spruce wood supply is limited We therefore urge that the commission should take advantage of the present opportunity and immediately secure a sufficient supply of spruce freed from tariff complications.

The enlisted policy of New York and other states in protecting forests should be encouraged by putting Canadian pulp and paper on the free list. Every increase of a quarter cent per pound in the price of newspaper adds \$34,000,009 to the value of the trust securities.

The duty on paper stops cheap books and cheap newspapers. It taxes intelligence because the newspapers are the people's school and their library. All taxes upon paper are taxes upon reading, upon knowledge, upon the dissemi-SYLLABUS OF ARGUMENT nation of information. To make newspapers artifically dear is to wantonly restrict the number of readers and so increase the sum of ignorance. When this is done or proposed, simply to add to the profits of a monopoly, the injury to public interests becomes a matter demanding the intervention of the gov-

PHILADELPHIA PRIMARIES. Indicate That Ashbridge Will Be

Nominated for Mayor. Philadelphia, Dec. 27.-The Republican primary elections to choose delegates to the various ward and two city conventions were held tonight. They were harmonious except in a few wards where councilmanic and ward commitaspirants are contestants.

Unless all signs fail Coroner Samuel H. Ashbridge will be the unanimous choice at tomorrow's convention for the Republican nomination for mayor, and City Solicitor Kinzey will be named to succeed himself as city solicitor, Coroner Ashbridge tonight has the field all to himself, his only formidable oprate of \$1.67 per ton for mechanically ponent, Councilman Jacob J. Seeds, withdrawing from the fight this after-

SENATOR MORRILL DEAD.

The Senior Member Passes Away After a Service of Thirty-One

Washington, Dec. 28.-Senator Morrill died at 1.25 a. m. Morrill the senate lost its senior mem-

ber in point of service, and its oldest

in age. He had served continuously in the senate for more than thirty-one years, and he was SS years old on the 18th of April last. With the single exception of Hon. Galusha Grow, of the house of representatives, he was the only man in congress whose congressional career began prior to the beginping of the Civil war, and he had the honor over Mr. Grow in that his congressional service had been continuous covering in the senate and house combined almost forty-four years. Mr. Morrill was a native of Vermont. He was first elected a member of the house from that state, as a member of the thirty-fourth congress, taking his seat at the first assembling of that body after the 4th of March, 1855. He merged into the International was re-elected to the thirty-fifth, thirty-sixth, thirty-seventh, thirty-

would not have expired until 1905. Previous to entering congress Mr. Morrill had been engaged in mercanof his public life has been devoted to that were running dry. Every mill the uplifting of interests dependent upowner who entered that trust invited a on those lines of business. He had received in his youth an academic educessive and improper prices were paid cation and was from his early days a close reader and careful analyist of

public affairs It was at the beginning of the war that Mr. Morrill's practical business training first brought him forward as the author of the Morrill tariff act of 1861, which was the basis of all the tariff legislation of war times, 1864 he became chairman of the committee on ways and means, the printhat critical time of especial import-

BANFFY-HORONZSKY DUEL. Is Likely to Have Many Curious Developements.

Budapest, Dec. 27 .- The quarrel between Baron Banffy, the Hungarian premier, and M. Horonzsky, member of diet, is likely to have further curious developments. Although, owing to the inability of their seconds to agree upon the conditions of the proposed duel, the encounter has been declared off, the affair may lead indirectly to several meetings on the field of honor.

M. Horonzsky and his seconds, having heard that the seconds of Baron Banffy have been animadverting upon from his grasp and perished, the conduct of M. Horonzky, have sent challenges to both. Paron Panffy's seconds are Baron Fejrvary, minister of national defence, and M. Majary, of the chamber of deputies. As each has received three challenges there are six duels being arranged.

RIOS HEARD FROM

dered. Madrid, Dec. 27 .- General Rios, the ands, has telegraphed to the government from licilo, capital of the Island of Panay, under date of Dec. 24 az fol-

"Am preparing to embark on the Leo III for Zamboanga, Island of Mindanao, having yesterday (Dec. 23) formally surrendered Hollo, in the presence of the military and naval commanders, the mayor and Have charged the German consul with the protection of Spanish interests. Shall arrive at Manila by the end of this month."

Though the dispatch is ambiguous is assumed here that the surrender of Rollo was to the Americans.

Erne and Hawkins Battle.

New York, Dec. 27.-Frunk Erns and Du Hawkins have agreed on terms for their coming battle. They are to box twenty-five rounds in San Francisco, the last week in February, at 133 pounds, weigh in at 6 o'clock before the club offering the

CURRENCY BASIS FOR THE CUBANS

SUBJECT BEFORE THE CABINET MEETING YESTERDAY.

A Just Value of Coin Based Upon at Once-Customs and Other Dues to Be Paid in American Money or Its Equivalent in Spanish Money.

ing of the more important parts of the peace treaty, and then gave their attention to affairs in Cuba. Secretary Gage talked at some length of the fimincial situation and outlined a plan looking to the fixing on a paramount basis of the values of current money. According to the Spanish system, gold coins of that country have been received generally only at a considerable In some instances the intitious value substituted. The irreguother dues in Cuba will be received in American money or at its proper equivthat official action will be taken in this matter within the next two or three days with a view to putting the new measure into operation on Jan. 1.

It is learned that a programme more or less claborate has been prepared for the celebration attending the raising of the United States flag on the island of Cuba on Jan, 1, the president and the members of the cabinet are agreed that this celebration should not be of an estentatious character, but simple and dignified, and the secretary of war has sent a cablegram of inquiry on this point. It is recognized that great care should be exercised to prevent giving unnecessary offense to any one and thus avoid possible disturbance,

SANTIAGO SCHOOL BOARD.

In the death of Hon. Justin Smith Troubles Have Culminated in the

Resignation of Mayor Bacardi. Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 27.-The troubles between the school board of Santlago province and the board recently appointed for the city of Santiago by Mayor Bacardi have culminated in the former's tender of resignation to General Wood. The chairman of the provincial board, in the letter of resignation, said that the board was actuated in its course by a sense of public duty, owing to the differences it had had with Mayor Bacardi and to the feeling that this friction was a cause of embarrassment to General

Wood. General Wood, in the course of his reply, said he fully appreciated the motives of the provincial board but must declared that the board had shown iteighth and thirty-ninth congresses, and promised to use his best endeavors to was in 1867 elected to the senate, to adjust the differences between the succeed Hon, Luke P. Poland. He held board and Mayor Barcadi. He pointed his seat in the senate since that date out that the provincial board's power without interruption, having been elect. far exceeded the limits of the municied six times successively. His present | pality and characterized all the recomterm, to which he was chosen in 1896, mendations it had made thus far as excellent.

Among the Americans here, there is only one opinion regarding the action more a fit of temper over small details and is generally regretted as an unwise exhibition of weakners. General Wood has appointed Colonel

Sargent, Colonel Hayard, Captain Palcommission to proceed to Guantanamo and to investigate conditions there, especially the charges recently brought by Lieutenant Colonel Henry Ray a man of national reputation. He was against Chief of Gendarmerie Valiente, of having armed Cubans after an ostensible disarming and of having thus indirectly promoted and protected robber bands in that locality.

cipal committee of the house and at DROWNED IN ST. LAWRENCE. The Sad Fate of Mother and Three Children.

Alexandria Bay, N. Y., Dec. 27,-Yeserday three of the children of Charles Hagerman were playing on the ice off the north shore of Wells Island in the St. Lawrence river, when it broke and they all fell in and were drowned. A fourth child who was on shore ran to the lower chamber of the Hungarian the house and notified her mother. Mrs, Hagerman rushed to the scene and in her endeavors to rescue the children broke through the ice and, too, was drowned.

A man who was attracted to the scene of the accident dived into the water and brought up one of the children, but as the man was trying to clamber out on the ice the child slipped

The family consisted of Charles Hagerman, his wife and nine children. Hagerman, who had been in Canada, arrived home an hour after the drowning, to take a Christmas dinner with his family. Arriving home he went to the river and alone recovered the four

NO SUNDAY BALL.

Club Next Year.

Pittsburg, Dec. 27.-The Pittsburg ase ball club will not play Sunday ball next year. President Kerr, who has always been opposed to Sunday games, today received word from Vice-President P. L. Auten, of Chicago, that he, too, was tired of Sunday ball and was in favor of a return to the old regime. President Young, of the league, has been notified to not include Pittsburg in the Sunday schedule for next season,

Jack Daly Outpointed.

Cork, Dec. 27.-Joe Gans, of Baltimore, atpointed Jack Daly, of Wilmington, Del., in a 25-round bout at 135 pounds before the Lenox Athletic club tonight and the referee decided in favor of the colored boxer from Baltimore.

Sampson Has Grip.

Washington, Dec. 27.-Admiral W. T. Sampson, who arrived here yesterday New York, is confined to his foor with a light attack of the grip. His physteians think he will be recovered in a

BRIGAND CAPTURED.

Reward of 5,000 Francs Offered for Sarantos.

New York, Dec. 27.-Michael Ferrando, a Greek, who is charged with having decoyed a Greek sailor, Nicholas Zoutzouble, to his room and there beaten him into insensibility and robbed him, upon being arraigned today, was identified as the Greek brig-Mint Valuations Will Be Arranged and, Sotoros de Sarantos, for whom the Greek government has offered 5,000

francs, dead or alive. The identification was made by George Zegouras, of this city, and others. Sarantes, it was stated, has been in this country for many months Washington, Dec. 27.—The cabinet at and has been recognized by nearly all its meeting today listened to the readbrigand on whose head the Greek government has placed a price, but they have been afraid to disclose his iden-

tity to the authorities. Just prior to the breaking out of the Graeco-Turkish war a band of brigands, under the leadership of Sarantos, infested the province of Artolia, in the southern portion of Greece. The out-laws imprisoned wealthy residents of the country and travelers and held trinsic value of some of the Spanish them for ransom. Many English and Ludlow, has issued an order forbid-coins have been disregarded and fic-other tourists suffered at the hands of ding any further firing of firearms or the outlaws. They became such a terlarities will be done away with and a ror that the Greek government sent a public thoroughfares. He also pro-just value based upon mint valuations detail of soldiers to aid the police of hibits the assembling of crowds in the will be substituted. The customs and the locality in suppressing them. The streets or parks after 6.30 p. m.; oroutlaws and the authorities came into alent in Spanish money. It is expected five soldiers were killed by the out- and cafes at 11 p. m.; forbids people fered a reward for the capture of Sarantos, dead or alive.

is Sarantos, and declares that his en- festations which may produce conflicts emies have plotted to get rid of him. between the Cubans and Spaniards er The prisoner was held for trial on the charge of assault and robbery, and the matter of the brigandage will be laid before the Greek consul here.

BOTKIN DEFENSE.

Case Has Closed and the Arguments Will Begin Today-Odds and Ends of Testimony.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.-The defense n the Botkin case has closed and the arguments will begin tomorrow, day was occupied with the introduction of testimony in rebuttal and gathering up of odds and ends of the testimony, Tyrell, who swore on a previous occathe afternoon of Sunday, July 31, was patriotic demonstration. recalled and repeated his testimony.

Miss Maggie Smith, a domestic employed in the Victoria hotel, said Dr. of processions and noisy celebrations Tyrell had asked her to direct him to Mrs. Botkin's room. She was positive that it was not on a Sunday, and substantiated her statement by saying decline to accept the resignation. He that afternoon and speak to one of the Cubans and killed. The Spanish alborated that of a previous witness. William J. Corcoran, purser of the to return or he will be killed. teamer Farrailon, plying between this city and Eureka. Cal., said that his have been killed at Sancti Spiritus af-"ink anonymous letter" was mailed in | can occupation of the town. this city to Mrs. Dunning. Mrs. Bot- | Four Spaniards, residen of that the letter was sent to this city be killed by the Cubans. to protect the proprietors whose mills tile and agricultural pursuits and much of the provincial school board. It is with a lot of other letters for postage. The police report shows that twelve the Farrallon not being a regular mail | more persons have been wounded, four ser Corcoran stated that all mail en- wounds. mer and Captain Mendoza a special after his arrival here. This seems to has been amputated. be the weakest point in the prosecution. Several other witnesses were examined and an adjournment taken un- THREE CHILDREN DROWNED.

til temerrow merning. will take up a session of the court. Attorney General R. C. White, of Delaware, will open for the prosecution and will speak from 10 o'clock temorrow morning until 11.30. George Knight follows from 2 to 4.30, Frank McGowan speaks from 10 to 12.30 Thursday and Mr. Hosmer closes the case that afternoon. At 10 o'clock Friday morning Judge Cook will deliver the case into the jury's hands.

PATRIOTISM APPRECIATED.

West Virginia's Christmas Greeting to Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, Dec. 27.-West Virginia ends its Christmas greeting to Pennsylvania in a letter expressing the gratitude of the citizens of that commonwealth for the tender care given their soldier sick. A number of the gallant sons of West Virginia, with those of other states, were nursed back to health in Pennsylvania hospitals The letter, which was received today by an official of one of the soldiers' nid societies, comes from the adjutant general of the state, and is as follows: State of West Virginia, Adjutant General's

Office, Charleston, Dec. 21, 1898, To the People of Pennsylvania; The state of West Virginia, through its

edjutant general, tenders its thanks to the hospitals in the state of Pennsylvania for the kindness and care given our stek soldlers who were taken from Camp Medde and other places and nursed to Change to Be Made in the Pittsburg | health in the different hospitals of Penn-The charity and patriotism of Pennsyl-

vania knew no state lines in this service to be a soldier of the nation was to receive loving, intelligent care, better ofter than they could have had at home, Again the dying beds of those of ou boys who gave their lives for our country were soothed by every attention and their remains tenderly cared for by our sister state. For this our thanks are heartly John W. M. Appleto brigadier General, Adjutant General of West Virginia,

Hanged for Wife Murder.

nged today for wife murder by Judge Simonton. The record of the case wil tomorrow be certified to Governor Hast ings by whom the date of execution will be fixed.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, Dec. 27.—This Pennsylva-nia pension has been issued: Original— Francis W. Randali, Moscow, Lacka-

THE EFFORT FOR ORDER AT HAVANA

PLACES OF ENTERTAINMENT MUST CLOSE EARLY.

The Exploding of Firecrackers and Indulgence in Devil Dances Discouraged - Cubans Accused of Promiscuous Shooting-Several Guerrillas Killed - President McKinley's Portrait Received with Much Enthusiasm.

Havana, Dec. 27.-The city jail was delivered into the hands of the Americans on Saturday. One political prisoner was found there, Colonoel Bacallao, who was captured with General Ruis Revera, who was pardoned for political offences but sentenced to death on the charge of murder.

Senor de Castro, the civil governor of Havana, geting in accord with General the exploding of fire crackers in the ders the closing of all places of enconflict and a captain of police and tertainment, including the theaters laws. The Greek government then of- taking part in certain African dances, in which the participants are dressed in devil costume; forblds the meeting Ferrando denies emphatically that he of the Nanigos and forbids all manibetween Spaniards and Americans, Those who violate these orders are threatened with severe punishment.

A detachment of American artillerymen was admitted to Cabanas fortress today by request of Brigadier General Clous, in order that the men might familiarize themselves with the guns mounted there, so as to be able to salute the Spanish flag on Jan. 1. Regla was evacuated by the Spaniards and occupied by the Americans today.

M'KINLEY'S PORTRAIT POPULAR.

A banner having on it a portrait of President McKinley, painted by Armando Menocal, has been on view in a window on Obispo street, where it was cheered by crowds of people. It Several witnesses were recalled. Dr. will be sent to the president by representatives of the Masonic lodges who sion that he had visited Mrs. Botkin on will meet tonight and arrange for a

The Havara wards which have already been evacuated were the scenes

A cab driver was shot last night for refusing to enter the territory within Spanish Jurisdiction with Cuban and that she is never left in charge of the American flags on his vehicle; an omhouse on Sunday. She stated that she nibus driver and two women were shot had served dinner to Mrs. Botkin on by Nanigos today and the body of a the day in question in Mrs. Botkin's lieutenant of guerrillas has been found room. Miss Smith said that she saw near Seida de Agua, this province. He Mrs. Botkin return to the house late was taken from the town by a band of guests in the hall. This testimony cor- calde of Selba de Agua has arrived believed would be spared. Then his here and his son has advised him not

Several guerrillas are reported to vessel arrived here at 4.10 on the morn- ter the evacuation of that place by ing of June 18. This is the day the the Spaniards and before the Ameri-

kin was stopping in Eureka at that Luis, province of Pinar del Rio, have time. The prosecution tried to prove arrived here, saying they fear they will

The anonymous letter was post- of them being intentional cases. The marked June 18, at 1.30 p. m. and Pur- rest of them received accidental Among the wounded are trusted to him is mailed within an hour three children and a lady whose arm

Four counsels will argue and each The Ice on the Canal Would Not Hold Them.

Phillipsburg, N. J., Dec. 27.-Grover, aged 12; Lucy, aged s, and Pearl, aged 6, children of DeWitt Geary, a Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad engineer, were drowned in the Morris canal at Port Calden, near Washington, this county, yesterday afternoon. Geary lives very near the canal and the children were accustomed to playing on the ice when the canal was frozen. Three times yesterday the mother took her children off the ice because she did not think it safe. At 4 o'clock she again missed the little ones, and going to the canal bank she discovered a hole in the ice. Geary rushed to the canal and jumped in, hoping to find the children but he was not successful. The bodies of the three little ones were found a short time after, near where they had fallen in.

MILES-EGAN CASE.

May Cause a Reopening of the War Investigation.

Washington, Dec. 27 .- It has not been decided by the members of the war scription to San Jose, Cal. investigating commission now in town whether the charges and denials passed between General Miles and Commis- | weighs 155 pounds. He has a dark comsary General Egan will lead to the recall of either of these witnesses and the re-opening of the controversy, One of the members of the commission said today that personally he thought the gravity of the charges made by General Miles would warrant e-opening this phase of the case, but that it is a matter which must be definitely decided by a quorum of the

Two Workmen Killed.

morrow or Thursday,

commission. A quorum is expected to-

St. Louis, Dec. 27 .- A new two-story illding in course of construction for the Hedgi Bakery company on Biddle street. ed shortly after 3 oclock this afternoon, burying two workmen who are indoubtedly dead. Lake Tulley is the name of one of the workmen but the Harrisburg, Dec. 27.-Joseph Hollinger, identity of the other is not known. Two of Hummelstown, was sentenced to be or three workmen were hurt, but not seriidentity of the other is not known. Two ously.

Big Fire in Kentucky.

Leitehfield, Ky., Dec. 27.-This town wa eleited today by the second destructive ire this year. Eight stores, three resilences, postoffice and the deposit bank were destroyed and the court house and two other stores badly damaged. Loss 100,000; insurance about \$65,000. The or lgin of the fire is unknown.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

Cold Wave.

I General-Speculation as to Ratification of the Peace Treaty. Fixing the Basis of Currency for Cuba, Efforts to Maintain Order in Havana. Newspaper Publishers Advocate Free

General - Whitney's Weekly News Financial and Commercial.

Local-Argument Heard in C. Smith's Petition for Reinstatement, Masonic Officers Installed. Parade of the Dunmore Fire Depart-

Editorial.

News and Comments. Local-Hallstead Will Be the Next President of the D., L. & W. R. R. Y. M. C A. Sunday Meetings at the Ly-

New Brewery for Scranton, Local-West Scranton and Suburban, News Round About Scranton.

Local Status of the City's Labor Industrial Notes.

SUSPECTED OF AN ATROCIOUS CRIME

Columbus Detectives Believe They Have James C. Dunham, for Whom a Reward of \$11,000 Is Offered.

Columbus, O., Dec. 27 .- There is under arrest in this city a man whom the police have strong reason to believe is James C. Dunham, for whom there is a reward of eleven thousand dollars offered, dead or alive, at San Jose, Cal. He was picked up here by Detective Louis Wolf, of the local force, as a susplcious character, he having offered a lot of goods for sale at about 20 per cent. of the actual value. He gave the name of Harry Wilson when arrested, but in court today he said his right name was Harry Church, and that he was born in Sacramento, Cal., from which point

he started out two years ago. Mrs. Church is here in the city but she says she knows very little about her husband, having met him but two years ago, and does not even know his business. They were married in Illinois.

The crime for which Dunham, whom Church is suspected of being, is wanted, was a most atrocious one.

At a lonely farmhouse between San Jose and Los Gatos, Santa Clara county, Cal., on the night of Tuesday, May 26, 1896, James C. Dunham slew all the occupants of the residence save one, his baby boy, His wife, her mother, her stepfather, her brother, a man and maid servant were sacrificed. They were all members of the family of R. McGlincy. The deed was carefully planned. Dunham came to his wife's in the night and gave her a chance to write a message to those whom she fingers fastened around her throat and the woman was strangled. Next Minnie Schessler, a servant, was slain, her skull being cleft with an axe. Mrs. McGlincy shared her fate. The three murdered men were at Campbell when the women were killed.

Colonel McGlincy came first. As he opened the door he was met by a bullet. He turned to seek safety in flight and James K. Wells, his stepson, rushed to his assistance. Wells was shot through the heart and instantly killed. Jumping over his body Dun-ham pursued the older man. He caught him at a nearby cabin and ended his misery. Robert A. Brisco, who sheltered McGlincy, was also shot to death. Dunham escaped, despite strenuous efforts to capture him.

There is a difference of opinion among those who have seen Church, regarding his resemblance to Dunham, the California murderer. At first glance there is a strong likeness between Church and the photograph of Dunham in the possession of the police. This was first noticed by one of the detectives whose curiosity had been aroused by the air of mystery that seemed to hang over ger this afternoon received a cablethe prisoner. Church was shown the gram from General Brooke announcing picture in the possession of the police

looks like Texas Jack." Texas Jack, he was unable to give a very good account of him, but simply said he knew him as a circus hand. eighty are believed by Secretary Alger mouth when looking at the photograph reason for apprehension while so far was a peculiar one and further excited as the trouble of yesterday in Havana the suspicions of the officers.

Chief of Police Kelly is of the opinion that the prisoner is not Dunham, of Christmas day in some American for the reason, chiefly, that the photograph of Dunham shows him to have somewhat pointed. In the absence of nila, describing the situation there. Its more minute description of Dunham, does not undertake to say positively, however, that the prisoner is not the breaks which gives a negative encour-California murderer, A photograph of Church will be forwarded with a de-

Church is about 35 years of age, is five feet ten inches in height and plexion, dark hair tinged with gray, dark moustache, dark eyes, prominent nose, rather thin face and slightly pointed chin. Three of the upper set of teeth have gold crowns.

THE BEER TAX.

Richards. Washington, Dec. 27.-Acting Attorney General Richards today rendered

an opinion in which he holds that retail dealers are not required to pay the additional tax of one dollar per barrel on beer purchased by them prior to June 14, 1898, the day the war revenue act went into effect, and held by them on that date. In the course of his opinion, after quoting the act, Mr. Richards says:

"In framing those sections congressteadily kept in mind that the tax is a tax on the manufacture and sale of fermented liquors, payable by the per on who makes the liquor, the brewer. In view of this fact, and the wording of Section 3.339 as amended by the war revenue act, I am disposed to think that the tax is not intended to apply to a retail dealer."

TREATY IS LOCKED UP

The Text Will Not Be Published at Present.

IN THE PRESIDENT'S SAFE

Presence of Senator Davis of Peace Commission at the Capitol Arouses Much Speculation - It Is Not Thought That Anti-Imperialists Will Interfere with the Ratification of the Paris Treaty-Weighty Labors of John Bassett Moore.

Washington, Dec. 27 .- The presence of Senator Davis, one of the members of the peace commission, at the capital today, was the cause of more or less peace treaty speculation among senators. It is the intention of Senator Davis to ask the committee on foreign relations to take up the treaty as soon as received from the president. While It is expected that the document will undergo careful scrutiny in committee, it is the general opinion that the work will be done with as much expedition as possible. There will be an effort on the part of the friends of the treaty to have it reported without any amendment whatever, and they assert that the committee as a whole is favorable to ratification without alterations. The present plan of those senators opposed to straight ratification is to urge the insertion of an amendment providing in specific terms that the United States shall not acquire sovereignty over the Philippine Islands under any circum-

The friends of the treaty urge that it being a peace treaty it is more important to have it ratified unconditionally than would be the case with an ordinary agreement between nations, and that for this reason they are confident It will not be modified and that in the end it will secure the votes of a number of senators who personally would prefer its amendment. The opponents of the treaty say they do not anticipate a long debate in the senate.

SETTLING DEPARTMENT RECORD Secretary Hay today received visits rom some of the members and officers of the Paris peace commission. Mr. John Basset. Moore, upon whom, as secretary, devoived some of the most delicate and weighty work required of the commission, is now engaged settling up with the department the records of the proceedings and winding up its existence. He will return to New York and resume his duties as professor of international law

of Columbia university. Notwithstanding the more or less accurate reports that have been pub-Hshed as to the treaty itself, Secretary Hay remains steadfast in his purpos not to make the document public until the United States senate shall have authorized it. It is true that no law governs him in such case; the executive branch being quite as free as the legislative to make public or to maintain as confidential treaties and protocols. But this is a privilege little availed of in late years and at present there are motives of policy that operate to prevent a departure from the usual practice. Therefore the treaty itself remains snugly locked away in the

president's own safe. BROOKE AT HAVANA.

American Commanders Prepare to

Preserve Order. Washington, Dec. 27.—Secretary Alhis arrival at Hayana, where he will and at first glance said, "Why, that assume the post of military governor of Cuba. The preparations making by When questioned more closely about the American military commanders in Cuba to prevent disorder in the trying times incident to the change of sover-The smile which played about his to be so ample that there is now little was concerned he pointed to the fact that the fatalities were less than those

A long cablegram was received dursquare jaw, while that of Church is ing the day from General Otis at Macontents were not made public, but it is known that he mentions no outagement to the officials, though it is apprehended that General Otis is meeting with difficulty in securing the release of the Spanish prisoners which

he was charged to effect, SOUVENIR TO ROUGH RIDERS.

Mrs. Hamilton Fish Remembers Lost Son's Soldier Comrades.

New York, Dec. 27,--As a souvenir of her son, Hamilton Fish, ic., Mrs. Hamilton Fish has sent to every member of Troop I Reosevelt's Rough Riders, in Opinion of Acting Attorney General which young Fish was sergeant, a silver-mounted knife.

The knife is of beautiful workmanship, and is inscribed "Las Guasimas, June 24, 1898," and on the other side "Souvenir of Hamilton Fish, to bis comrades in Troop I, R. R."

Plague at Pretoria.

Pretoria, Dec. 27,-1t is reported here to-ay that the bulente places has broken out in the district of Delagon bay,

**************** WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Dec. 27 .- Forecast for Wednesday: For eastern Penn-sylvania, fair; cold wave; tomperature will fall 16 to 30 degrees by Wednesday night; brisk to high

northwesterly winds