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SPEAKER FARR VINDICATED

His Interpretation of the House Rules Is Recognized.

THE TABLES ARE TURNED

Mr. Fow, of Philadelphia, One of the Leaders in the Rump Proceedings of Last Week, Moves for the Suppression of the Adjournment Rule. Thereby Admitting Its Existence, and Practically Ratifying the Speaker's Position.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Harrisburg, March 10,-This was Speaker Farr's day at Harrisburg. He had the extreme satisfaction of having his action of last Friday in declaring the house adjourned, and which caused so much tumult, ratified by the house this morning. Mr. Voorhees, of Wednesday. Philadelphia, called for the order of the day, namely, the adjournment of the house in accordance with the rule of the house for Friday morning's session. Immediately there was a lining up for a skirmish among the anti-Quay members who had taken part in the revolutionary proceedings last Friday morning, and it looked for a time as if there would be another scene. But the speaker was undismayed. He told the house that the rule was there. It was the creation of the house itself for its own government, and it was the duty of the speaker to enforce it unless unanimous consent was given for their infringement, that a point of order could not be raised against a rule that allourned the house any more than i could be raised against the Constitu-

Finally, Mr. Fow, of Philadelphia who was one of the loudest in the rump he had decided to suspend sentence in the rule, thus admitting its existence found guilty of blackmailing the Gould This was defeated and announcing his decision he said. was right last Friday.

Cause of the Trouble

No man here with any legislative experience or parliamentary knowledge ever questioned the correctness of Speaker Farr's position. The trouble arose from the fact that the adjourn ing of he house at that time was not satisfactory to the anti-Quay people and they took advantage of it to make a great fuss in their newspapers and envey the impression that they were being barbarously treated; that Speak er Farr had been unfair, arbitrary, had adjourned the house without any right or precedent to back him, all of which was untrue and appears to have been put out for effect and create sentiment to strengthen them in their unholy fight against Senator Quay. But it is be- An Alaska Gold-Seeker Has a Forginning to operate against them, and the eyes of the people are being opened to the desperate means that are being used to crush Senator Quay.

Most of the members who took part in the revolutionary proceedings last Friday are heartily ashamed of their action. They now realize that they were being used by the anti-Quay leaders to raise a row for effect. Speaker turn of affairs today. He has been scandalously abused and misrepresented by some of the Philadelphia papers. but he wasn't to be frightened, and this morning by waiting for his time, conscious that he was right, and not afraid to do his duty, completely turned the tables on those who sought humiliate him. His friends, and he has a host of them who admire his grit and determination, were delighted with the events of the day.

THE SLIM ATTENDANCE.

Little Business Other Than Reading Bills Transacted.

By Associated Press.

noted.

Harrisburg, March 10.-So slim was the attendance in the senate this morning that little business other than reading bills for the first time was trans-

Chairman John H. Fow, of the legislative committee to investigate the charges of alleged bribery in connection with the consideration of the Mction with the consideration of the Mc-Mantdale, Lackawanna, \$6 to \$8; L. Carrell jury bill in the house, filed a Wells, Spring Hill Bradford, \$10 to \$30. preliminary report this morning in the house. The report follows:

"Your committee to investigate altered charges of bribery in reference to legislation before this body do reectfully report that, owing to the nature and character of the evidence impossible for them to conclude their strengthen their organization resolution of your honorable body. They therefore ask that the time their filing a final report be extended

to March 27, 1899. On motion of Mr. Marshall, of Allegheny, the time of filing the report was

extended. The Creasy tax conference bill, as amended, was reported from the ways and means committee. The bill levies a one mill tax on manufacturing cor porations, increases the foreign insurance company premium tax from two the electric third rail system for the to four per cent, and places a five mill tax on the now authorized capital stock of artificial gas companies. Mr. Hasson, of Venango, introduced a bill apropriating \$15,000 for the erection of

the capitol grounds in this city, the design to be solicited by a commission composed of Governor Stone, Colonel A. K. McClure, of Philadelphia; Benjamin F. Meyers, of Harrisburg; Colonel E. A. Irvin, of Clearfield; J. R. Ross Thompson, of Erie, and Robert Henderson, of Carlisle.

Tax on Real Estate.

Mr. Hoskins, of Erie, presented a

bill providing that for the fiscal years

beginning the first Mondays of June, 1899, 1900, there shall be levied on the real estate a tax of two mills on the dollar to be paid into the state treasury on or before the first day of December of each of the years mentioned. The money derived from this tax shall be distributed to the school districts pro rata for the number of teachers regularly employed for an annual school term of not less than seven and one half months in schools where the enrollment is not less than fifteen pupils and the number in regular average is not less than thirteen. No district shall share in the distribution of this money that does not raise a local school tax of not less than two mills on the dollar. In exceptional cases where the local conditions are such as in the opinion of the state superintendent of public instruction, the attorney general and the secretary of the commonwealth, it is absolutely necessary to provide a school for a less number of pupils than indicated in the proposed act, in which case the committee named may give the district such share in the fund as the committee deems appropriate.

The Keegan coal bill, providing that miners shall be paid by weight, was made a special order for second realing next Tuesday and third reading on

THE VOTE FOR SENATOR.

Married Control of the Control of th	
Harrisburg, March 10The vote	to
for United States senator follows;	
Quay.	. 4
Jenks	- 3
Delzell	. 3
Stone	
Stewart	. 1
Irvin	8 8
Huff	
Rico	
Riter	. 2
Tubbs	
Markle	
Grow,	1
Widener	
Total	11

Necessary to a choice, 60; paired and not voting, 135. No election.

SENTENCE SUSPENDED. Judge Gregory Decides to Give Mrs.

Cody Her Freedom. Albany, N. Y., March 10 .- Judge proceedings, moved the suspension of the case of Margaret E. Cody, who was and practically ratifying the speaker's heirs, by the jury here yesterday. In

"Mrs. Cody, the evidence has con peaker Fatr, as was done by him last vinced me that you are guilty beyond "riday morning, declared the house ad- question, yet I feel that in view of the journed in accordance with Rule 59, jury's unanimous recommendation to and the house very quietly accepted mercy and the popular sentiment which the situation, thus admitting that he favors it, that I am justified in follow ing their suggestion and suspend sentence in your case. You are free to go

n your own recognizance." It is understood that the jury's rec mmendation was on account of the risoner's age and for no other reason Miss Helen Gould has made no effort to influence the court's decision one way or the other. Asked if she had anything to say before sentence was passed, Mrs. Cody answered: "I am in-

She left at 16 o'clock tonight for Denver. Colo., where her daughter lives, The latter forwarded the money for

her transportation. DAWSON'S LUCK.

tune in India.

Chicago, March 16,-While seeking in Alaska the means of becoming rich. fortune of \$200,000 awaits Reginald Philadelphia Courts Make Dawson in India. When Dawson went to the Klondike last year he was unaware of the wealth which is his, and lawyers and detectives are endeavoring to communicate with him to notice him of his good luck. Dawson was the Farr may well be gratified with the husband of Ellen Archibald Dawson, for whom lawyers in Calcutta, London New York and Chicago have been searching for three years.

> Mrs. Dawson died three years ago in San Francisco. She was the daughter of George Archibald, of Calcutta, India, who disinherited her when she married Dawson in 1888. Archibald died a couple of years ago. Prior to his death he relented and made his will in favor of his daughter or her children, if she were dead. The estate to which Dawson is heir, his wife having died childless, consists of £30,000 in real estate and £10,000 personal prop-

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, March 19 .- These Pennsylvania pensions have been issued: In-crease-David W. Webb, Aba, Bradford, \$17 to \$24; John T. Middaugh, New Milford' Susquehanna, \$17 to \$24; Alexander L. Douglass, Hollenback, Bradford, \$12 to \$17; George J. Burd, Towanda, \$16 to Original widows-Hannah Eve Montdale, Lackawanna, is. Restoration and increase-Jeremiah Evanson, dead

Will Demand Higher Wages.

Cleveland, O., March 10 .- Officials of National Metal Polishers', and Brass Workers' unions, with head quarters in this city, state that lifty or-ganizers have been sent to the larger presented and to be presented, it will cities throughout the country in order to labors by March 13, the time fixed by light for higher wages. They will demand and advance from 15 to 20 per cent.

New Castle Works Resume. New Castle, Pa., March 16,-The Atlan-

tic Iron and Steel company resumed or erations in full today after a long idle The firm employes several hundred men and signed the amalgamated scale.

Adopts Third Rail System.

New York, March 10.-The Manhattan ecating equipment of the elevated road

Pig Advancing.

Pittsburg, March 10.—Pig fron was quoted today at \$14.15 per ton, an advance of a bronge statue of Governor Curtin on | \$1 since last week

MORE TROUPS FOR GENERAL OTIS

THE GRANT REACHES MANILA WITH GEN. LAWTON.

Forty-Two Officers and 1,716 Men with Him-The Filipinos Subsiding-The Weather Cooler-Rebel Incendiaries Terrorize the Inhabitants of the Village of Pandacan.

Manila, March 10.-Rebel incendiaries night, for the purpose, it is alleged, of do not sympathize with the insurrection. A number of native houses were destroyed.

which sailed from New York Jan. 19, having on board Major General Lawton, the fourth infantry and a battalion of the Seventeenth infantry, arrived this morning.

With the exception of San Pedro Macati, where Filipino sharpshooters incessantly annoy the American troops, matters are unusually quiet along the

The weather is much cooler today. The remains of Colonel W. E. Smith. Major E. McConville, Captain David S. Efflott and Second Lieutenant Eugene S. French, who were killed in action, were shipped home today by the United States transport Scandia with military honors, the second Oregon volunteers furnishing the escort through the city

Major General Lawton landed from the Grant today and formally reported to Major General Otis, after which he returned on board the Grant. troops which reached here on board the Grant (the fourth Infantry and a battalion) will be disembarked imme-

Washington, March 10.-A cablegram received at the war department today, dated Manila, March 10, says that the transport Grant arrived with troops in good condition. The Arizona and Newport leave today for San Francisco; the Arizona via Hong Kong and the Newport via Nagasaki. The Grant carried to Manila the Fourth infantry and four companies of the Seventeenth infantry.

This adds to the troops under the command of General Otis forty-two officers and 1,716 enlisted men. The Grant sailed from New York Jan. 19

HONORS FOR PAUNCEFOTE.

Will Probably Be One of British Delegates to Disarmament Congress.

Washington, March 10.-The name of bassador here, has been under consideration for some time as one of the British delegates to the disarmament congress called at the instance of the will be chosen for this important duty. As yet, however, there has been no official announcement and about the only thing definitely and officially known here is that the foreign office has not made a final selection, but is considering the name of Sir Julian along with others.

It is understood the ambassador has been consulted officially on the subject with a view to learning whether the assignment would be agreeable. The appointment, if made, will be a signal recognition of the high esteem in which e is held in high official circles at home. It is said in influential diplomatic quarters that the suggestion of Sir Julian's name for this disarmament, or peace congress, comes about largely through the part he took in negotiating the Angio-American peace treaty, also known as the Olney-Pauncefote treaty.

RAILROADED TO PRISON.

Work of a Notorious Robber.

Philadelphia, March 10.-John H. evans, who was arrested yesterday while in the act of robbing an uptown dwelling, was railroaded through the ourts today, and was sentenced to six years imprisonment within 24 hours of the time of his arrest. At the magistrate's hearing today Evans was held in \$12,000 bail. Judge Arnold allowed the case to be presented to the grand jury at once and that body found wenty-six true bills against the house breaker. The case was taken back to court at once and sentence pronounced.

Evans is believed to have commited nearly 100 robberies in the northern part of the city and his stealings amount to thousands of dollars.

Hockey Champions Meet.

Philadelphia, March 10.-The Cutler chool of New York and the Haverford school of this city, hockey champions of their respective leagues, contested for the hoastic championship of the nited States at the ice palace tonight Both teams played a fast game, and the ontest ended in a tie with the score 3

Mad Man's Leap.

London, March II .- A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Molaga, Spain, says a mad man leaped yesterday (Friday) from the highest tower of the cathedral of Malaga, a distance of 250 feet from the ground, and was dashed into an unrecnizable mass. A large crowd witnessed the leap.

Judge Stinson Dead.

Norristown, Pa., March 10 .- Ex-Judge Henry C. Stinson died today at his home in this city from heart trouble. He was 74 years old. In 1867 he was elected state senator and served two terms as president of that body. In 1882 Governor Hoyt on president judge of ted Mr. Stir the Thirty-eighth judicial district,

He Lost \$5,000.

Omaha, March 16.-Thomas Officer, of the banking firm of Officer & Pusey, of Council Bluffs, today lest a roll of fulls containing \$500 on the streets of Omaha. The money slipped through a hole in his ocket and no trace of it has been found.

Pope Shows Weakness. London, March II .- The Rome Corre-"The pope continues to improve but his physicians say he shows great weakness, which is rather alarming to his entour-

FIRE AT MONTROSE.

The Universalist Church, an Old Land Mark, Is Destroyed.

pecial to the Scranton Tribune Montrose, Pa., March 19.-Fire completely destroyed the Universalist church at this place last night, At 11.45 o'clock smoke was seen issuing from the roof. The alarm was quickly sounded, although somewhat delayed by not being able to get at the court house bell. The two hose companies were promptly on the scene and turned three streams on the roof, where the fire had already broken landed at the village of Pandacan last through. There being no chance of saving the church, the firemen's atterrorizing those of the inhabitants who tention was turned to the public school building, which stood near by, and which was liable to take fire at any The United States transport Grant, moment, thus confining the flames to the church.

The church was erected way back in the thirties and was one of the oldest land marks of the town. The fire was supposed to have been caused from an over-heated stove.

DOUBLE HANGING AT ST. SCHOLASTIQUE

Mrs. Poirier and Samuel Parslow Die on the Gallows-The Woman Displays Remarkable Nerve-Execution Witnessed by a Disorderly

St. Scholastique, Que., March 10 .-Mrs. Cordelia Polrier and Samuel Paralow were hanged here this morning.

drop fell at 8.05 o'clock. Life was declared extinct in eight minutes, the necks of both having been broken. Mrs. Poirier, who said farewell to her relatives last night, was firm and collected throughout. took part in the mass said at 7 o'clock. and before the scaffold shook hands with the hangman without a tremor of fear. The crowd inside the jail jeered her, but even then her nerve did not desert her, and at the suggestion of the executioner, she turned and faced the jeerers. She stood erect and prayed to the last. Farslow exhibited much less courage, and was more dead than alive when the drop fell. The condemned were taken to the scaffold separately and were prevented from seeing each other by a screen placed

between them. Six hundred men, who had remained up all night, witnessed the execution. Outside the jail there were two thousand more who, with a beam, tried to Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British am- batter down the gate of the jail yard, and could only be made to desist by the previncial police firing their revolvers in the air. The behavior of the | Furor on the Gloucester as prisoners crowd inside was such that one of the ezar, and there is little doubt that he priests, Rev. Father Melochel, had to reprove them from the scaffold.

History of the Poirier Crime.

Mrs. Cordelia Poirier and Samuel Parslow, her reputed lover, were hanged or the murder of Isidore Poirier, the voman's husband, on Sunday, November 51, 1897. The crime was committed in the Polrier's home in St. Canute, Que. Mrs. Poirier, who was 33 years of age, though not especially attractive in appearance, possessed more than the ordinary accomplishments of th emen in her situation in life. She had a fair education, and was the organist of the Roman Catholic church at St. Jecome, where Parslow sang in the choir. Poirier, who was an industrious workman, built his wife a neat little ottage and maintained her in comfort. On the fatal Sunday Poirier attended church at St. Jerome in the morning, as did his wife and Parslow. In the afternoon the husband did not attend vesners but stayed at home drinking. while Mrs. Poirier went to church and played the organ for the services. She returned home, where she found Poir-ier and Parslow, Poirier being under the influence of drink and asleep. She asked Parslow to hitch up the horse, that she might drive to her father's, four miles distant, and Parslow did so. Then he unhitched the horse again, after which he and Mrs. Poirier entered the house, and it was at this time that the crime was committed. Parslow took a butcher knife and slashed the sleeping husband across the throat. Poirier awoke and sought to defend himself, when a desperate life and death struggle ensued, resulting in the death of Poirier. Parslow hitched up the horse again, and Mrs. Poirier drove away to her father's, after which Parslow returned to the house, divested himself of his blood-stained shirt, which he burned in the stove, donned one of his victim's shirts, locked the house. put the key in his pocket, and went to

the house of his brother, George Parsew. On Monday morning Mrs. Poirier, on her way home from her father's, stopped at George Parslow's house and had a few minutes' conversation with Sam Parslow, after which she continued on her way homeward. Upon uriving she found the blinds down and the doors locked. She went to a neighbor's and told them she could not get in. From there she went to the church at St. Jerome and played the organ at a wedding. At the conclusion of the eremony she returned, and at her sugto the house through a window. It was then that the crime was discovered. Mrs. Polrier, instead of going to her father's house, remained four days, or until Thursday afternoon, with a neigh-

bor named Bouvrette, at whose place she was arrested. Both prisoners confessed their guilt ach seeking to put the blame upon the other. Mrs. Poirier was the third woman, out of the eleven condemned since Confederation, to receive capital punishment, not including the case of Mrs. Sternaman, who was acquitted at her second trial. The two women who have suffered the death penalty since Confederation are Phoebe Campbell, who was hanged at London in 1872 for cutting her husband's throat with a knife, and Elizabeth Workman. who was hanged at Sarnia a year later for beating her husband to death with a club. The sentences of eight of the sleven murderesses were commuted to life imprisonment. The crime of six of these women was the murder of their husbands.

MORE TROUBLE AT SANTIAGO

DISCHARGED LABORERS AR-RESTED AS BANDITS.

Sensational Story Regarding the Missing Body of Captain Villalan. Reports Say That It Has Been Discovered in a Cave About a Mile from El Morro.

Santiago de Cuba, March 10.-The esults of the policy inaugurated at Havana of discontinuing public works in the provinces and throwing men out of employment are beginning to show. Yesterday six bandits were captured in the neighborhood of Concepcian, all of whom were formerly workers in the road gangs. They said they have no money and must either rob or starve. They have been lodged in the city hall, but considerable sympathy is displayed in their behalf by the pop-

Much the same sort of thing is happening in the district of Holguin, where a brush between the bandits and gendarmes resulted in the killing of one of the former. Nevertheless it is expected that these troubles will take a serious turn, owing to the probability the work will be resumed early next

week It was reported here this afternoon that the body of Captain Villalan, who commanded the Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Pluton, which was sunk in the destruction of Admiral Cervera's squadron, has been discovered in a siting position in an arm chair about a mile from El Morro, to the westward. Those who bring the news suggest that his sailors propped him in the chair when wounded and then left him to his fate. For many days a careful search was made for Captain Villalan's remains, but nothing was ever found to indicate where or how he died,

Captain of the Port Scott will go by tug temorrow to ascertain whether there is any truth in the story, and if the body is found it will be brought here for burial, subject to instructions

later from the Spanish government. The contents of the foregoing dispatch are radically at variance with occurrences which immediately followed the destruction of the Pluton. Three officers and six sailors of the destroyer took refuge on the Associated Press dispatch boat Wanda. The correspondent who had charge of the Wanda, finding nine Spaniards too much of a burden, went on board the converted yacht Gloucester, which had attacked and driven the Pluton and Furor ashore and asked Lieutenant Commander Wainright what he should do with them. Commander Wainright replied that he had both Captain Villalan, of the Pluton, and the captain of the and then introduced the correspondent to Captain Villalan.

The correspondent told Captain Villthe Spaniards from the Wanda on Cu- | lietoa Tanus even if force is cordingly, Captain Villalan gave the correspondent a written order to the Spaniards on the Wanda, instructing them to come aboard the Gloucester and surrender. This they did.

AGONCILLO AT LONDON.

He Doubts Many of the Despatches

Concerning Filipinos. London, March 10 .- Signor Agoncillo, the agent of Aguinaldo, has recovered wrecking of the steamer Labrador on Feb. 1, in which vessel he sailed from

St. Nohn, N. B., for Liverpool. Commenting upon the Associated Press dispatch from Manila this morning, saying that rebel incendiaries entered the village of Pandecan last night for the alleged purpose of terrorizing those of the inhabitants who do not sympathize with the rebellion, Agonmeans that Filiponos have advanced within the American lines. He added. however, that it is absurd to say that the Filipinos are attacking or burning the place as he asserted it is the center of the Filipino Free Masons.

The Pressed Steel Works Strike.

Pittsburg, March 10.-The officials of the Schoen Pressed Steel works an-nounced today that they had made arrangements to fill the places of the strikwith other men but that the places of the old men would be held open until plant was running with an increased and everything was quiet.

Gasoline Tank Explodes.

Sharon, Pa., March 10.-A gasoline tank exploded at the home of Rev. William Taylor at Mount Jackson today, seriousburning Mrs. William Taylor, Mrs. Mierva Mack, John Minger and James atterson. Mrs. Mack's injuries may Patterson. prove fatal. The house caught fire and

Sicilian Counterfeiters.

New York, March 10 .- Another member of the gang of Sicilian counterfeiters which has been making and passing counterfeit \$2 treasury notes, most of whom are now serving sentence, was ar gestion a neighbor forced an entrance rested here today. He is Luigi Marcheto the house through a window, it was zette, of this city. One hundred counterfelt notes were found n his possession.

Street Railway Contracts.

Philadelphia, March 19.-The Tennis Construction company of this city was awarded contracts today for the construction of an electric street from Notfolk to Sewell's Point, for another from Cincinnati, O., to Aurora and Rising Sun, Ind.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, March 10 .- Arrived: Edam, am. Cleared: La Champagne. Lucania Liverpool Liverpool— : Brittanic, New York. Sailed: c, New York. Genou—Arrived: Rotterdam. Arrived: York.

Messenger Boy's Trip.

London, March 10.-A messenger box sails from Southampton tomorrow on board the American line steamer St. Louis, bearing a letter for parties in New York, where he will await an answer and return immediately.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Teday:

1 General-Speaker Farr's Ruling Vin

China. Sensational News from Santiago, General Lawton at Manila

FAIR; SOUTHEASTERLY WINDS.

General-Dun's Weekly Review of

Financial and Commercial.

3 Local-Religious News of the Week. 4 Editorial.

Local-Social and Personal One Woman's Views. Musical Question Box. Local-Estimates Bill Complete.

News and Comment.

War.

Local - Thirteenth Will Start for Scranton Today. Amendments to the City Charter,

Explosion of Gas at No. 2 Furnace.

Local-West Scranton and Suburban, 9 News Round About Scranton. 10 Story of the Men in Beecher's Pulpit. Sunday School Lesson for Tomorrow, How Queen Victoria Once Averted

Local - Thirteenth Will Start for Scranton Today (Concluded)

BLIZZARD IN WYOMING.

The Worst Storm of the Season Is Raging at Cheyenne - Heavy

Losses in Cattle and Sheep. Cheyenne, Wyo., March 10 .- One of the worst storms of the senon is raging here today. Stock men say the blizzard following the extremely severe weather of the past six weeks will undoubtedly cause very heavy losses in cattle and sheep. Of the range stock Eritish and the Euseian governments. me estimate the loss as high as 50 per cent., but with stock growers who still have hay to feed and shelter for the herds, the loss will not exceed 10 per cent.

The snow is drifting badly and all trains are belated. The Cheyenne and Northern train from the north, now fifteen days overdue, when last heard from was near Iron Mountain station. There are forty-two passengers on this train. They were nearly out of provisions, having bought all the ranchmen could spare and had resorted to slaughtering range cattle. Many efforts have been made to send out relief expeditions, but all were obliged to return for additional help on account of the extreme deep snow drifts encountered.

KAUTZ RUMOR DENIED.

The Admiral Has Not Gone to Samoa to Preserve Order.

Washington, March 10.-It is denied positively at the state department that Rear Admiral Kautz has gone to Samoa on the Philadelphia to restore the status quo existing before the last effort alan that he would either have to land to depose Mataafa and to restore Maban soil or throw them overboard. Ac- to accomplish these objects. It is said that the admiral has gone to Samoa to meet the treaty obligation that is imposed upon the United States to send a warship there at least occasionally as an evidence of the interest held by the United States in the islands. While there he will make a careful examination of conditions in the islands and look into the event leading up to the installation of the provisional government, reporting all the facts to Washington. It is not expected that he will be a disturbing element and endeavor the effects of the exposure to to make arbitrary changes, but he will which he was subjected through the prevent bloodshed and protect life and property. It was for just such a purpoce as this that the treaty of Berlin required each of the signator powers to send a warship from time to time to the islands, up to this point the United States government has almost completely failed to meet its obliga-

tions in that respect. Full reports from the officials concerned have been received at the state cillo said that if this were true it department concerning the recent trouble at Samoa and negotiations

based on them are now in progress. KIPLING'S GRIEF.

He Bears Up Bravely at the News of

His Daughter's Death. New York, March 10 .- "Mr. Kipling is still improving," said Mr. Doubleday tonight. Mr. Kipling had taken some sweet breads for supper and had been able to eat more of solid food than at any time since he became ill.

Unable to keep Mr. Kipling in ignor ance of his favorite Josephine's death, the news was broken to him tonight by Dr. Dunham. The blow was a heavy but the father bore up bravely,

"How long was she ill?" he said. He was then told as much as the atendants thought wise. Tears stood in the poet's eyes and he murmured half to himself, half aloud, "Poor little Joe." It was this he always called the little

More Cruisers for China.

London, March 11 .- The Rome corre pendent of the Daily Mail says the government has ordered three more ers to get in readiness to preceed to Chi-rese waters in connection with the de- years ago by John Kennedy, who is servmand of Italy for a concession at San Mun, Province of Che Klang.

Honors Were Even Philadelphia, March 16,--Charley Meever and Eddie Connelly boxed six vively rounds tonight. They punched each other all around the ring but honors

vere fairly even. No decision was an

munecd.

Decision for Bernstein. New York, March 16.-Joe Bernstein and Dolly Lyons, the east side featherweights, met at the Greenwood Athletic

Hurricane at Queensland. London, March 11 .- According to a dispatch to the Times from Sydney, N. S. W., no fewer than 200 persons perished

tein got the decision at the end of the

in the hurricane that has just swept the portheast coast of Queensland. Defeated by Smith.

San Francisco, March 10.-Kid Lavigne was defeated by Mysterious Billy Smith tonight in the fourteenth round. The bout had been scheduled for twenty

RUSSIA NOW BACKS DOWN

dicated. Russia Withdraws Her Protest to Protest Against Hong Kong Contract Withdrawn.

RESULT OF NEGOTIATIONS

London "Daily Graphic" Says the Two Governments Are Arranging a Scheme for the Permanent Regulation of Their Relations in the Far East-England's Reason for Hinting at Abandonment of Open-Door Policy in China.

Pekin, March 10.-The Chinese foreign office has received a despatch from St. Petersburg saying that as a result of negotiations between Russia and Great Britain the Russian minister here will withdraw his protest against the Hong Kong contract. The Hong Kong contract is identical

with the Niu-Chwang contract London, March 10.-The Daily Graphic, a usually well-informed newspaper of London, made the following an-

nouncement this morning: "The Niu-Chwang loan contract crisis has been amicably settled by a direct exchange of views between the The Russian assurances are completely satisfactory. The whole difficulty is ended, and the two governments are arranging a scheme by which their re-

lations in the far east may be permanently regulated. The London Times in its financial article on Feb. 1 announced that a Chinese 5 per cent, railroad loan of \$11 .-500,000 had been arranged by China with a British syndicate, the loan being specially secured on the Chineso northern railroads. China, it was added, had given Great Britain a pledge that the railroads would not be alienated to any foreign power. It is apparently against that loan or its terms that Russia protested, the transaction since becoming known as the Niu-Chwang, or Hong Kong loan. Niu-Chwang is the Chinese port at the head of the Gulf of Llao Tung, the port at

Mukden, capital of Manchuria. No Intimation at Washington.

Washington, March 10.-No intimation has been received at the state department as to the correctness of Loudon dispatches which suggest a possible abandonment by Great Britain of the open door policy in China in or of the wahe the ultimate partition of China, but it is believed at the department that if the suggestion has any basis other than imagination, it is an indication of a desire on the part of the Sallsbury government to impress the United States with the importance of a close alliance with Great Britain and Japan for the maintenance of the open door. In other words, that the Salisbury government, disappointed in the failure of ambassador here and Lord Beres ford to bring about a substantial agreement by the United States to support Great Britain and Japan in maintain-

ing the open door, now holds out to us a veiled threat. For Great Britain to join other Euopean powers in the matter of spheres of influence in China would mean the exclusion of the United States from China trade, except as there might be an understanding with Great Britain, unless indeed, the United States should seek a sphere of influence of Its own. The great advantage sought in the acquisition of the Philippines as a base at the gateway of eastern trade would be lost and we should be forced to an uphill fight for those privileges which are essential to the proper development of our Pacific commerce, is suggested, therefore, that Great Britain is preparing to impress us with the necessity of a more intimate understanding with her in regard to the

China trade. ARMY BEEF INQUIRY.

Investigators Still Busy at Chicago Packing Houses.

Chicago, March 10.-The army court of inquiry regarding beef continued work today at the stock yards, investigating packing house methods. It is expected that the taking of testimony will occupy Saturday and Monday, and that the court will leave for Omaha or Kansas City, Tuesday or Wednesday, unless something develops to make a longer stay in Chicago imperative.

Died from Stab Wound.

Shamokin, Pa., March 10 .- Lewis Corell, warden of the almshouse, died years ago by John Kennedy, who is serv-ing time for the act. Kennedy was being tried for threats against the poor direcfore Justice Rowe, Kennedy plunged a knife into his abdomen.

Blew Off His Left Arm.

Shenandogh, Pa., March 10.—Peter But-kanis, a miner, 25 years old, was carry-ing a stick of dynamite and some dualla caps in the Turkey run colliery today when a spark from his lamp fell on them and caused an explosion that blew of his left arm near the elbow.

Lead has accepted the challenge of G. S. Johnson for a race, mile heats, best two in three, the race to be triplet paced. He suggests the posting of \$100 forfeit, **********************

Will Ride Against Johnson.

Toronto, Ont., March 10.-Angus Me-

WEATHER FORECAST. Washington, March 10.-Perceast Saturday: sylvania, fair; fresh to brisk southeasterly winds