SCRANTON, PA., MONDAY MORNING, MARCH 20, 1899.

#### TWO CENTS.

# CHASING THE **INSURGENTS**

# Rebels Attack the Washington Volunteers at Taguig.

#### AMERICANS LOSE TWO

General Wheaton's Men Follow the Enemy Eleven Miles, but Do Not Get Nearer Than 1,200 Yards. Many Prisoners Represent That the Filipinos Are Weakening. arms Are Scarce on the Insurgents' Firing Line.

Manila, March 19,-6,35 p. m,-Some of the rebels recently expelled from Cavite and the small towns in the vicinity of Pasig combined forces and last night-as already cabled-attacked a company of the Washington volunteers, a detached post at Taguig, about a mile and a half southeast of Pasig. General Wheaton immediately reinforced the Americans with two companies each of the Washington and the Oregon regiments. The post had held the enemy in check and the fire of the reinforcing companies repulsed them, driving them across to an island forming the estuary. They were thus in front of the Twenty-second regu-

On discovering that they were en trapped the rebels fought desperately, aided materially by the jungle and the darkness, but they were completely with heavy loss, after two hours' fighting. The Americans lost two killed and twenty wounded, among the latter Lieutenant Frank Jones.

General Wheaton determined to punish the natives and at daybreak today his brigade started in the following order: The Sixth artillery, holding the extreme right; the Oregon volunteers, holding the center; the Washington regiment keeping to the edge of the lake, and the Twenty-second regulars occupying the right of the line, which swept the whole country along the lake thus extending over two miles of counjungle, advanced eleven miles. The enemy fled, the last of them being seen at half-past three this afternoon. At scarcely any time did the Americans get within 1,200 yards of them.

The troops are returning to Pasig tonight, exhausted by the hard work under a hot sun. The Oregon regiment had one man killed and four wounded, and the Twenty-second regulars one wounded. According to the official reports, no fewer than 200 Filipinos were

killed. General Otis says the American army and gunboats command the lake. He estimates that property of the insurgents valued at \$500,000 has been destroyed while quantities of rice and sugar, and 400 tons of coal, which is very valuable here have been captured,

## Filipinos Weaken.

Many of the prisoners represent that the Filipino soldiers are weakening. The generous treatment that the Americans administer to the native prisoners and wounded seems to influence the insurgent army powerfully. In the opinion of the Americans, however, the Filipino leaders will continue to provoke fighting just as long as they can retain their hold upon their followers, because they have everything to gain and nothing to lose.

The enemy have twice as many men on their firing lines as they have arms: and the fact that so few arms are captured by the Americans is because the guns of the' wounded Filininos and many of those who surrender are spir-

The armed tugs Laguna de Bay and Oeste have returned to San Pedro Macati and reported the result of their tour of the lake. On Friday morning ast they shelled the town of Moreng. the rebels fleeing without making any response to the fire. The Americans landed a party which destroyed a quantity of stores and all the stone buildings, except the church.

The expedition then proceeded to Majayjay, where a sugar mill and saw mill were destroyed.

On arriving at Santa Cruz, a town of 1,200 inhabitants, it was found that the enemy was strongly entrenched and prepared to defend the position. assisted by two gun boats and several launches. Moreover the mouth of the river was blocked with rocks and

A few shells caused an exodus of the citizens but not of the enemy's troops, The Americans did not attempt to

Captain Grant, who is in charge of the expedition, asks for reinforcements and will probably take Santa Cruz to morrow. 3.55 p. m .- The United States distill-

ing ship Iris, which left Honolulu for Manila with the United States battleship Oregon, on Feb. 26, arrived today. This morning also arrived the Sa-Joaquin, the last of the overdue Engish steamers, sailing under America a

#### segisters, that were detained by the insurgents on the northwest coast of Dispatch from Otis.

Washington, March 19,-The war department today received the following dispatch from Major General Otis garding operations against the insurg

Manile, March is. Adjutant General, Washington Our improvised gun boat under Captain Utah artillery, have full possess ton of Laguna de Bay; troops, it inbitants and property on shore of lake at our mercy. Wheaton's brigade on Pasig river line drove the enemy northeast into province Moreng. Last evening enemy at tacked portion of his force south of Pasiz, killing two men and wounding twenty of Twenty-second infantry. This morn ing Wheaton moved against this insur-gent force driving it to the south fifteen miles; experiencing very slight loss. Enemy left 200 dead on field.

#### IN THE WINDSOR FIRE.

#### A. P. Demorest Loses a Safe Containing \$10,000 Worth of Jewels.

New York, March 19 .- A. P. Demorest

alled at the East Fifty-first street solice station today and reported that he had a small safe filled with jewels valued at \$10,000 in the ruins of the ire. He, his wife and daughter and son occupied rooms on the third floor near Fifth avenue and Forty-seventh street. They were all in their rooms when the fire occurred. His daughter, when the fire was discovered, went to the small safe containing the jewels and tried to open it but forgot the combination in her excitement. Mr Demorest stated that when he opened the room door he saw three men running about in the smoke and going into rooms. They were not firemen and was certain they were not employes. He thinks they were robbers. He and his family then went out on the fire scape and were rescued by firemen. Mr. Demorest was apprehensive about the safety of the safe and its valuables Thomas Cleary, of 911 Third avenue. called on Inspector Harley and stated that he assisted a woman from the hotel whom he afterward ascertained was Mrs. Abner McKinley. He took her to the street and put her in a cab. Mrs. McKinley told him that she had dropped a bag containing some jewelry. He ran back and got the bag and gave it to Mrs. McKinley and she drove off, Inspector Harley held Cleary in order to verify the story. Of three trunks taken from the debris at Forty-seventh street and Fifth avenue Saturday afternoon two were claimed by Abner

#### AMERICANS IN HAVANA.

McKinley.

#### Many Prominent Men Visit Cuba's Capital-Charles Emory Smith to Inspect the Postal System-Plans for Mustering Out Volunteers.

Havana, March 19 .- Postmaster genrat Charles Emory Smith, who arrived here yesterday afternoon by to move to another locality. steamer from Tampa, is the first member of President McKinley's cabinet to come to Cuba to inspect in person the results so far achieved by the American occupation. Mr. Smith's stay will in the ruins safer. be a brief one, but he will have many opportunities to gauge the difficulties. political and social, which will nave to be surmounted in any effort to set number of plate glass windows and up a stable and responsible insular doors in nearby residences. government. While here the postmuster general will take a special look at the work of the department of posts, which, under the vigorous management in a southeasterly direction, toward of Colonel Rathbun, formerly deputy General Ovenshine's position. The line commissioner at Washington, is already supplying the island with a mail try, rough and covered with thick service far in advance of any known under the Spanish rule. In reaching the many remote points of the interior wholly inaccessible to the military, the postal service has exerted a powerful educational influence, and its rapid extension and betterment will be pushed as one of the most effective means of bringing the people of the island incocloser touch with the new administration. Mr. Smith is accompanied on his tour of inspection by the fourth assistant postmaster general, Joseph II. Bristow

Numerous other Americans promient in public life have appeared in nois, and Packer, of Pennsylvania, arday Senator Tillman, of South Caroina, reached the harbor with a party Colorado; Connolly, of Illinois; Cowherd, of Missouri, and Showalter, of Pennsylvania. These statesmen are now busy visiting the camps and emitting views on the political and commercial future of Cuba.

The movement of the volunteer regiments destined to be mustered out of service is rapidly going on. The Second Louisiana has broken camp, and will sail tomorrow on the Havana, and Two Hundred and Second New York was brought in from Guanajay. anl will start as soon as the troopship regiments marked for early passage home are the First North Carolina, the the Second South Carolina, the Fourth Virginia, at Buenavista, and the Third Kentucky, at Matanzas. As General Lee will lose a great part of his com-mand by the discharge of these regiments, it is understood among officers here that the city of Havana and the province of Havana, now maintained as separate departments, will soon be merged in a single military district, General Ludlow retaining command,

# Mrs. Place's Last Sunday.

New York, March B.-Today was Mrs. Martha's Place's last Sunday on earth She spent the day in her cell at Sing Sing prison reading her Bible. She are hearty meals and displayed no sign of breaking down. The sentence calls her execution during the week beginning of midnight, tonight but no one except sheriff knows at what hour she will

Dr. Knapp Materializes. London, March 19.—The Rev. Dr. Kampp former principal of the Queen's college St. Johns, N. F., who mysteriously dis-West Yorkshire, on January is last, writes to his friends in this country that has reached New York in a saiting

### Will Accept a Gift.

Pieris, March 19.-An official decree has issued authorizes the school of mises in this city to accept the gift of \$5,000 offered in Pelinuary of last year by Dr. Thomas Egleston, emeritus professor of miser-ology and metallurgy of the School of Mines New York.

### DEATHS OF A DAY.

Augusta, Ga., March 19.-Ex-Senator Patrick Walsh died this morning at 7.3 Allentown, Pa., March 19.—Owen Kern, hotel keeper at Cedarville, whom Frank Krause, his bostler, shot through the right lung on March 3, died last night from his wound. He was 25 years old and leaves a wife and two small faughters. Cleveland, O., March 18.—Orvillo B. Skinner, for several years traffic manage of the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis milroad, died today,

Chicago, March 15 .- Dr. Oliver Marcy can of the Northwestern university and professor of natural nistory in that in-citation, died today at his home in Evanston, uged 78.

### SEARCHING FOR WINDSOR VICTIMS

#### TWO HUNDRED MEN AT WORK ABOUT SMOULDERING RUINS.

Two Chimneys Are Blown Down with Dynamite-The Workmen Are Unable to Make Much Progress on Account of the Excessive Heat. Narrow Escape from Falling Walls. Several Missing Guests Turn Up.

New York, March 19.-In a drizzling ain more than 200 men continued today to work among the debris and smouldering ruins of the Windsor hotel searching for the bodies of those who perished in the flames and to recover any valuables that might have escaped the rayages of the fire. The efforts of the searchers were futile, however, as the ruins were too hat to permit much progress, and the smoke arising from burning material was rendered more dense by the dampness of the atmosphere. At intervals during the night flames burst forth from the burning embers and drove back the work-

Work was begun this morning to de molish the fragmentary portions of the valls on the cast and north sides of the burned building, and later the number of workers was reinforced and the work of removing the rubbish pushed as vigorously as was practicable

The chimney, 85 feet high, standing

on the 46th street side of the ruins near Fifth avenue was blown up at noon cday Thirty pounds of dynamite were placed under the base of this chimney, and electricity was used to explode it. Smoke and steam still rise from the debris and now and then tongues of flames shoot up, even at this late hour after the fire. The workmen have been able to do only a little superficial work. When they dig down a little way the debris is so hot that they are obliged

gaged in picking to pieces the six-story wall standing on the 47th street side of the hotel, in order to make a search The second \$5-foot chimney was dv-

During the day workmen were en-

namited shortly after 3 o'clock this af-The explosion wrecked

# Personal Property Found.

A large force of men were at work during the afternoon on what was the main entrance to the hotel. It was expected that bodies would first be-

found there. A large amount of small articles. principally the personal property of guests, was found.

Daniel Sweeney. wrecker of the city building department, and three men had a narrow escape from injury and possibly death about 5 o'clock. The four men were on top of the six-story wall, which was still standing on the Forty-seventh street rear corner of the hotel earing it down. A stiff north wind blew up suddenly and Sweeney felt the wall trembling beneath him. Lynch, D. Sweeney cried out a warning and the Lowry, Miss Maggie men hurried from their dangerous Lawrie. Hayana in the last two days. Repre- perch. They were just outside the Lanny, Mary sentatives Warner and Smith, of III. danger zone when a great section of McDonald, Mrs. Isabella, 42, wislow, famthe wall, thirty feet or more square Morgan, Miss Annie Taylor, 40, New rived yesterday on the Meade, and to- and including that portion where they had been working went down with a Morgan, Miss Catherine. roar. A portion of it fell on the roof McConnell, Kate which included Representatives Lati- of the house back of the hotel, wreckmer, of South Carolina; James Hamil-ton Lewis, of Washington; Shafroth, of emptied by order of the building department and nobody was injured.

### Missing Guests Safe.

Archibald Clavering Gunter, the novelist, reported last night as missing Nash, Mr. from the hotel uninjured.

A. V. W. Van Vechten and Mrs. A. C. Demorest, both of this city, Windsor hotel guests, heretofore reported missing are safe. Miss E. S. Adams, of Boston, who

has been reported missing, is safe, ter, and Eva Dressler, chambermaid,

reported missing, are safe. Mrs. Demotasch (Demorest), Charles Ford, Mrs. D. J. Johnson and Annette Upham, of Vermont, included in last

### The Injured Are Improving.

The hospital reports as to the injured are most favorable. Most of the patients are improving. Some of them were able to leave the hospitals today and others will be discharged tomorrow. Following is a statement of the andition of the injured:

ROACH, KATIE, servant; ankles broken; recovering; Bellevue, SIMMONS, MRS, MARTHA M., Fred-

PRICE, MRS. ALICE M., Macon, Ga.; MISCH, MRS, KATHARINE, wife of Chicago,

AN SPEIGLE, MRS, left leg and one rib Tuesday.

broken; recovering; Presbyterian
WHEELER, MRS, C. P., and daughter,
Miss Dorothy; burns and shock; improving; Presbyterian.
BOYCE, MRS, WILLIAM H., burned and shoulder dislocated; removed from Presbyterian hospital to her home.

DUKEL JOHN, hotel employe; removed from Presbyterian hespital to PLLER, MRS. A. M., Philadeighta;

HALLEY, MRS. CATHARINE, Chicago: dition favorable; Roosevelt hos-

BREWER, MISS HELEN, right thigh broken; condition favorable; Reoscoveli VALDO, MRS. LOUIS; burned; condition favorable: Rossevelt Of the nine victims who were originally

taken to Flower hospital James alcGuire, with leg broken, is the only one remainand his condition is not seriou or; Elien Curran, a nomestic and Mrarah H. Calhoun are at the New York Up to midnight no bodies had been

nituries received at the fire were re-

ber of the injured were still in a se-

The death list remains the same at

vesterday-sixteen-and the list of missing had been reduced to fortyour, as a number of those previously unaccounted for reported in person or had been located by friends. The only things found during the

early part of the night were a set of

#### articles of clothing.

Danger in the Wall. Tonight the persons living in the three houses nearest to the wall on Forty-seventh street were ordered out by the police, because of the danger of its being blown down by the high

The ruins still smoulder, and the

of the workers made their task one of great toil and hardship. From time to time, men were compelled to desist for few minutes. By midnight the beborers had excavated back from the front building line and to the subbasement for a distance of fifteen feet. The great value of jewels and jewelry in the wreck made the men work carefully. Each shovelful of the refuse was carefully examined before being placed in the carts. Policemen, both in uniform and in the guise of foremen, mingled with the workingmen and carefully watched their every movement. More than that, the men were

ing that no man would think of taking such property and especially under the The contractors and the officials of the building department were obdurate, however, and said they would take no chances, and that every one must be

scarched at the end of their shifts.

Many of the men resented this, saying

that it was unnecessary, and protest-

#### searched.

Strange Sights. One of the strange sights of the day to the police was the curiosile of the crowds. The sightseers numbered thousands while daylight lasted, and even after nightfall, the number of idle viswas uncomfortably large. So much did they annoy the police that late in the afternoon the lines were shoved out to Sixth avenue on the west, to Forty-ninth street on the north and to Forty-fourth street on the south. This made it impossible for the crowds to see anything, but they still remained on the edge of the forbidden territory.

The Missing. New York, March 19.-Following is a list of the missing corrected up to to-

night: Angelin, Mrs. Mary, 45; wife of T. R. An gelin, New York, Bruit, Jane, 40 years; New York, Bradley, Mrs. N. K., aunt of Mrs. A. M. Fuller, of Philadelphia. Bischoftshausen, Aaron, Germany.

Brush, Mrs. M. G. Boyd, Mrs., and daughter Clair, Mary. Eagan, Miss. Fuller, Miss Margaret, daughter of A. M Fuller, of Philadelphia.

Guyen, Warren, elevator boy Haworth, Joseph, the actor. Hoffman, Miss Dora, Baltimore. Jose, Miss, servant, Johnson, Alexander B., and wife, New-

buryport, Mass, Kelly, Alice, 17, servant, Leland, Fred, room clerk, cousin of War

Harry W., III New York.

McNulty, Miss M. C., 55, New York. McDonald, Lizzie, New York,

McCarthy, Catherine V., New York. McCarthy, Henry. McKenna, Jennie, chambermaid, New

Moral, Jennie, 59, chaimbermaid, New since the Windsor hotel fire, escaped Neilie, Annie (known at hotel as Annie Malloy), New York. Paterson, Mrs., wife of Judge Paterson,

of Colorado. Reid, Miss, Salamon, Mrs. D. S., widow, occupied room on fifth floor with daughter,

Rozena. Salamon Miss Rozona 27. anl will start as soon as the troopship Mrs. I. H. Purdy, of Purdy's Station, Shea, Kate, 40, servant.

Minnewaska can be loaded. The other N. Y.: Mrs. M. Vall, her granddaugh- Stokes, Mrs. James B., widow of General Stokes mpson, Miss Adelia, 20 Steman, Mary, 22, New York, Soy, Mary, 22, laundress, Walsh, Mary, servant,

#### Ward, Annie, chambermaid. FUNERAL OF LELANDS.

#### Remains Will Be Interred at Chicago Tuesday.

New York, March 19.-Funeral services over Mrs. Warren F. Leland and Miss Helen M. Leland, wife and daughter of the preprietor of the Windsor herel, and who died from injuries received at the fire, were held this morning at the Church of the Heavenly erick, Md.; burned; recovering; Belle- Rest, Rev. Dr. Parker Mockan official THOMAS. MRS. NELLIE, accelerate ing. Mr. and Mrs. Abner McKinley, W. housekeeper of hotel; shock; im- S. Howk, G. Wetnerbee and a revenue housekeeper of hotel; shock; im- er triends of the family were present, At 1 o'clock the bodies were taken to leg fractured; greatly improved; help- the Grand Central station and sent to

There were two large baskets of Easorrespondent of San Francisco fint- ter lilles near the caskets, the gift of etin; injuries slight; improving; Press President and Mrs. McKinley, SHACKLETON, EDWARD, burns and Lebund and his son, Charles W. Leland, dislocated shoulder recovering; Pres- accompanied the remains to Chicago. The interment will take place there

### Russian Story Denounced.

Paris, Murch 19.-The Temps today pubtheim, former Russian ambassador to Prance who now resides at Pau, in which ington at the denounces as a "clumsy invention" the story that he is the real culprit who keeping. from Presbyterian hespital to the story that he is the real culpit when home.

1.LER, MES. A. M. Philadelphia: it has been only to avoid a public sembates condition critical; Manhattan hotek.

1.LEY, MES. CATHARINE, Chicago; the has been unpunished.

### John Sherman Improving.

Kinerston, Jamalea, Morch 19.—The threrican line steamer Parls, with the sarty of Americans touring in West Inhip waters, arrived here today, John is a very sick man and cannot with rfery be transferred temorrow to the nited States cruiser Chicago.

## Kipling Reads the Papers.

New York, March 18.- Radyard Kipling onight read the papers, dictated some etters and saw a few friends. He spoke tip to midnight no bodies had been of getting out soon and his physician. Dr. discovered and no more deaths from Donham, encouraged him with the promse that he will be permitted to leave his ported from the hospitals, but a num- from in a few days.

### THAT BEEF HAD BEEN PAINTED

#### TESTIMONY OF SERGEANT MA SON, OF THE CAVALRY.

artifical teeth on a gold plate and some | The Most Direct Since the Court Left Chicago-Armour's Agent Said the Ment Had Been Treated to a Coat of Preservatine-The Fresh Beef Refused - Canned Roast Beef Thrown Away.

eavenworth, Kas., March 19.-The smoke and gases blowing into the faces army beef court of inquiry concluded the taking of testimony at Fort Leavenworth at noon today and at 4.15 departed for Chicago, where the sessions will be resumed Monday. The sole witness examined today was Sergeant Edward Mason, Troop A, First United States cavalry, located at Fort Robinson, Neb., who served as regimental ommissary sergeant at Lakeland, Fla., and during the Cuban campaign. Sergeant Mason's testimony was

> robably the most direct that has been adduced since the court left Chicago witness declaring that meat received Lakeland, Fla., in his regiment, "was undoubtedly chemically treated." An agent of Armour & Co., he said told him at the time that this meat had been treated with what was called preservatine. Witness had refused to accept the

> Sergeant Mason was interrogated individually by each member of the court and could not be shaken in his testimony. He told of the meat furnished on the voyage from Tampa to Cuba. No complaints were made of the canned roast beef, but the meat was

> and had to be thrown overboard. The Canned Beef Thrown Away. In Cuba the men of his regimenwould not eat the canned roast beef and as a rule it was thrown away. The refrigerated beef, issued after the surrender, was good but as a rule it spoiled before it could be used.

tasteless and unsatisfactory generally

The witness' responses to questions from Major Lee regarding the beef rejected at Lakeland said: "The meat we received was in appearance fine, it was undoubtedly chemically treated. One morning, the 28th or 29th of May, I went down to the refrigerator car to draw meat and I objected to the appearance of it. An agent of Armour & Co, was there. He told me at the time that this meat had been treated with what was called preserva-tine. It was as if it had been painted over with something like parafine wax. There was a light coating on the outside of the meat. I objected to the color of the meat and refused to accept it. There was probably 3,000 pounds in the car."

### MISS HOFFMAN'S FATE.

#### It Is Believed That Her Body Is In the Ruins of Windsor.

city, who was registered at the Windsor hotel on the day of the tire, nesday, free from scrutiny, save by the and who has since been missing, have abandoned all hope and given her up for lost. Her nieces the Misses Mc-Lane, who were also guests at the hotel but who were at luncheon in another part of the city when the building was urned, returned to Baltimore tonight. With them came R. Curzon Hoffman, former president of the Seaboard Air Line Railway company, and brother to Miss Hoffman, who went to New York expecting to find that one of the women who died at Miss Helen Gould's home was his sister. He learned that such was not the case, however, and now believes that Miss Hoffman's body is in the ruins. He asserts that a Mrs Auze, who formerly lived somewhere in the south, was seen with Miss Hoffman on the portico of the hotel a few minutes before the fire broke out, and he believes both were lost, although it has been reported that Mrs. Auze was among those saved. The women were warm friends and Mr. Hoffman thinks his sister lost her life in trying to save that of her companion, who was considerably her senior. Miss Hoffman was about 60 years old

She was a daughter of the late Samuel Hoffman. Miss Hoffman was an intellectual and charming woman, and she had hosts of friends in this city. She great deal in an unassuming way for he poor.

### AN ATROCIOUS MURDER.

#### Two Women Are Beaten to a Jelly By a Ferocious Negro.

Upper Marlboro, Md., March 19 .- this city, Mary A. Clarke, aged 52, was beaten to death and her sister, Annie Clark, aged 45, was fatally hurt last night at Bowee, Md., a village near this place, by John Herry, a 15-year-old negro boy, who is in jail for the crime. The doed was a ferocious one, the aged and de- in an arm chair amid the rocks fenceless women being surprised by the boy and literally beaten to a jelly with it self from instant death by promising ; to give the boy \$100 and pledging herzelf not to berray him if he spared her life. Intense indignation prevails and a lynching is not improbable

The murderer was lodged in the Martboro jail, but later, for fear that he would be lynched, was taken to Wash ington and tenight was taken to Baltimore on the 10 o'clock train for safe

### KRUGER'S SPEECH.

#### He Wishes to Retain the Dynamite Monopoly.

Pretoria, March 19 .- President Kruz er, in an important speech at Heidelberg on Friday, emphasized the sity of the state retaining the dyna mite monopoly because, as he argued, the South African republic being an inland state, in the event of trouble with any of the powers its supplies of explosives might otherwise be ly cut off. "Where should we be then?

he exclaimed. He announced his intention to modify the mining laws and to reduce the period entitling an applicant to full burghership from fourteen to nine years' residence.

### THE NEWS THIS MORNING

#### Weather Indications Today:

FAIR , HIGH WINDS. General-Filipinos Getting a Taste of

War. The West Experiences a Disastrous Cyclone. Hotel Windsor Fire. The Beef Inquiry.

General-Trade Balance Favors Unch Sam. Financial and Commercial.

Local-Meeting of the Weigh C. M. Presbytery.

Editorial. A Few Samples of Gennine Poetry. Local-Contemplated Changes on the

Tramps Were His Companions, Gossip About Men of the Hunt

Local-West Scranton and Suburban

News Round About Scranton. Local-Arrested on a Charge of Murder. Industrial Gleanings.

### PRESIDENT AT CHURCH.

#### The Service an Event of the Day in Thomasville -Will Visit Jekyl Island Today.

Thomasville, Ga., March 19.-President McKinley went to church today at the Methodist church of Thomas-ville. The service was the event of the day to the village and country folks, and the large weather-stained church was filled to the doors. The president's carriage drove up in front of the church just before service began and Mr. Mc-Kinley, Vice-President Hobart and Mrs. Hobart, who were the only ones to attend, were shown to a pew well to the front of the body of the church. They were seated before many of the congregation knew of their presence, but thereafter were observed as closely as decency at the service would nermit.

Mrs. McKinley did not attend, the veather having turned raw and cold, making it prudent to remain indoors. Presiding Elder K. O. Branch conducted services. He is well along in years, In his prayer he implored God to bless the president of the United States, give him wisdom for the conduct of his office and that increasing prosperity may be our inheritage under his administration. He chose for his text the seventh verse of the seventh chapter of Matthew, "Every good tree bringeth forth good fruit, but a corrupt tree bringeth

forth evil fruit." The theme of his sermon was that every individual continuously has an influence for good or evil on all persons.

president listened attentively throughout the long sermon and joined the congregational singing. looked fairly well, but was decidedly pale. The vice-president showed that he had not fully recovered from the grip.

The party enjoyed a drive in the

northwest wind, spent the time indoors chatting. Dinner was served at 4 Preparations have been made to leave Baltimore, March 19.-The relatives here in a special car at 10 o'clock to and friends of Miss Dora Hoffman, of morrow morning for Jekyl island, There the party will remain till Wed-

afternoon and then, owing to the cool

club members and their guests. Politics, it is repeated, most positive ly, have nothing to do with the trip, and no political conferences, it is explicitly asserted, will be held there The probability that Speaker Reed and the president will meet is of course admitted and the possibility is that a result of it may be better relations be tween them, though neither will be a party to any attempt to bring then

#### together. TWO MEN KILLED.

# Tragedy on the Pennsylvania Line

at Johnstown. Johnstown, Pa., March 19.-Two men were killed by fast trains on the Pennsylvania railroad within the limits of Cambria county, at Gallitzin, Saturday night, approaching the climax in trag-Burgess J. J. McGearry, who is also the justice of the peace-elect on the Democratic ticket, was struck and killed by the Chicago limited west- Okolona several houses were blown bound, at a suot about one and a half miles west of Gallitizin. He was a veterinary physician of long practice

and a much respected citizen. Joseph Dougherty, the other victim, was struck by a fast freight about was generous and charitable, and did half a mile from the spot where Mc-Cearry was killed. His head was completely severed from his body.

At 3 o'clock yesterday morning D Klinemeyer, an employe of the Cambria Steel company, had both legs cut off by a Pennsylvania rallroad trait hear the Conemangh yards, and died afterward at the Memorial hospital in

# VILLAMIL'S REMAINS.

ful investigation Major General Wood, the military governor is convinced that the skeleton found a few days ago tied the remains of the Spanish Admiral a club. Miss Annie Clark saved her- Villamil, who commanded the torpedo oal destroyers Furor and Placon in the attle which resulted in the nestruction

### Wages Increased Ten Per Cent.

Youngstown, O., March 19, Notices Score Showalter, 5; Janowski, 2. The nave been posted by the Ohio Steel com-siny, now controlled by the National afternoon. eel company, that taking effect March, the wages of all men engaged in construction and track work would be be creased to per cent. The company has two men constructing two menumota rar-

washe, sailed this merning for the United towns. States with 92 volunteers. The Ward liner, Havina specially chartered for The T his purpose, will sail tonacrow with his cound Louisville volunteers.

### Pope Attends Mass.

Rome March 19.-The tope attended case today in his private chapet, and ter received several persons in authence le occupies his leisure time la writing

### atin verses.

Steamship Arrivals. New York, March is,-Arrived: La Tousine, from Havre, Havre-Arrived, Lachampague, from New York,

# DISASTROUS CYCLONE IN THE WEST

# Arkansas, Mississippi and Alabama Are Swept by Storms.

### FOURTEEN ARE KILLED

Reports from Points in the States Above Mentioned Indicate That in Addition to Deaths and Injuries the Property Losses Will Run Into the Hundreds of Thousands-Many Cattle Killed and Dozens of Grain Mills Destroyed - Heavy Rains Follow the Wind, Sweeping Away Bridges and Covering the Streets with Water in Some of the Towns.

Memphis, Tenn., March 19.-Reports from different points in Arkansas, Mississippl and Alabama indicate that in the storms which swept over these states yesterday fourteen persons were killed outright and twenty-one injured as follows: Alabama, 16 killed, 4 mjured; Arkansas, 1 killed, 7 injured; Mississippl, 1 killed, 10 injured, The property loss will run into the hundreds of thousands.

Chicago, March 19 .- The Times-Herald, Birmingham, Ala., says; A cyclone struck the belt of country lying between Helfin and Edwardsville, Cleburne county, yesterday afternoon and wrought terrific damage, seven persons were killed, five of them in one house, It took railroad trains until 10 o'clock last night to get through on account of the trees and telegraph poles that had fallen across the track. Cattle were drowned and dozens of grain mills

were destroyed. The house of the Coffee family was absolutely torn to pieces. There were eleven inmates of the house, seven of whom were killed outright and three badly injured. The storm swept a pach of twenty miles long and levelled everything in its way. Altogether twenty-five persons were injured. The haved wrought was terrific and the scenes of suffering terrible in the extre-

### Bridges Swept Away.

Huntsville, Ala., March 19 .- A tornado passed through Hazel Green, a small town in the northern part of Madison county at 6 o'clock last night and destroyed many houses. It is not known whether there was loss of life. Heavy rains all day swelled the creeks and small rivers of Madison county to upusual proportions and many bridg s were swept away. People in the lowlands of the southern part of the county will lose much property. The water covered portions of several streets in Huntsville. Trains at the Southern railway depot plowed through water fifteen inches deep. Small houses on Spring branch, Pink Hook creek, had

to be abandoned, Little Rock, Ark., March 19 .- A destructive wind storm passed through the southern part of Pass and a portion of Pike county yesterday. At down, three buildings being demolished. Two men were caught in the

ruins and sustained serious injuries, The storm was followed by a very heavy rain, which extended all over the southwestern portion of the state, Atlanta, Ga. March 19 .- A special to the Constitution from Waynesbore, Ga., says a cyclone passed over Burke coun-

at 3 o'r lock this morning. In the vicinity of Waynesboro four people were killed. Several houses were demotished and much damage done, Birmingham, Ala., March 19.-The family of W. H. Lewis, consisting of his wife and eight children, was killed in the cyclone which swept over Edwards. ville, Ala., vesterday afternoon. A party of farmers recovered the bodies from

#### the ruins of the house today. Showalter Won.

New York, March 19.—Showalter and Janowski today agreed to extend the series of five games originally agreed upon to six each having won two games. They they contested the fifth game. queen's gambit, offered by Janowski and having played fine chess throughout, Score Showalter, 7; Janowski, 2. The

### Methodist Appointments.

Harrisburg, March 18,-The Central Pennsylvania Methodist conference will go into executive session tomorrow to arrange the pulpit appendments for the ensuing year. There were no official ses-Volunteers Returning, stone today of the conference, the electron that the conference the clerical states delegates occurving the pulpits of the consport Thomas, fermerly the Minnes characters of Harrisburg and surrounding

> The Talbot Arrives at Portsmouth. Portsmouth, Eng., March P.-The British eruber Taibot, with the body of Lord. New York on March a arrived heretoday.

### WEATHER FORECAST.

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Washington, March 19.- Forecast sylvania, fair; high northwester-