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SCRANTON, PA., SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 8, 1899.

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TWO CENTS.

RESCUE OF FLOOD VICTIMS

Sixty-eight Persons Saved in Three Hours in Texas.

HEROIC RESCUE PARTY

Relief Boats Doing Excellent Work. Sufferers Huddling Together on Railroad Bridges-Train Service Cut Off-Death Roll in Robertson County - Twenty-Three Persons There Known to Have Been

Galveston, Tex., July 7.-The special train which left here on the Santa Fe road for Thompson and Arcola re-turned late last night with the officials of the road aboard. The rescuers were left to do their work, in which they were progressing well. The general superintendent of the line made a very favorable report on the situation and seemed to believe that the people in that particular district were not suffering. He said:

"I am of the opinion there has been no casualties. It appears the people and time to get to high ground. On the approaches to our bridges there are at least a hundred persons who are comfortable, and propose to stay there until they either have to move or the food subsides. They have a tent and provisions enough to last them for ninety days. There is need of food for those persons who were rescued from the town of Thomasville and for those who were not able to provide for themselves before the flood caught them. I do not believe anybody is starving, but they have not sufficient supplies to last them for any length of time. The crew of the lifesaving station are doing excellent work. The boats were just what was needed. The men took up two life boats, a cedar boat and a skiff and we furnished four boats from our pic-All were manned by men from the cutter Galveston. From about 5 o'clock until 8.30 o'clock they had rescued sixty-eight persons,

List of Persons Drowned.

Calvert Tex., July 7.-The following is the most complete list, so far as can be obtained, of those persons who were drowned in Robertson county, Tex.:

ered: Joe White, white, body not recovered: Joe White's two sons, bodies not recovered; Mart Turner; two unknown men, white, bodies not recovered: Dave White, colored, body recovered; Tom Tyson, colored, body recovered: Rosanna Brown, colored, body recovered: Luos Chop, Chinese, body recovered; two children of Tom Dalias colored, bodies recovered: four men or Tom Anderson's form, colored, bodies not recovered; five men below Hearn, colored, bodies not recovered: Illeh Normerous, colored, body recovered.

Dallas, Tex., July 7.—The situation in Texas because of floods is so much worse than it has been heretofore that the Gulf, Colorado and San ta Fe has had to abandon its through trains from St. Louis and Kansas City at Dallas and Fort Worth respectively The Santa Fe had until last night by running a roundabout way, managed to get through to Galveston, but the new washouts in the lower Brazon country stopped even that traffic. The abandonment of the Santa Fe trains severs the last link of anything like direct connection between northern and southern Texas. To reach these points now it is necessary to travel via Shreveport, La. The fleod damage to railroad prop-

erty in Texas is now conservatively es-

Richmond, Tex., July 7.-Never in the history of Richmond were such scenes witnessed as are depicted today. Businers is practically suspended. Many plantations are under water. All trains save those on the Southern Pacific west have been abandoned. Provisions are running low and unless something is done quickly there will be great suffer ing here within a few days. It is be Haved there will be at least from 2,000 to 5,000 to feed from this place within a week. Stories of drowning and disesters are coming in constantly. they cannot be verified, although it is probable that many of them are cor et. The water has reached the rive bridge and is dashing between the Ire guy rods under it and for the first time rallroad company has stopped all

KILLED IN AN EXPLOSION.

Three Men Perish in the Hurd Mines.

New York, July 7,-Three men were killed in an explosion in the Hurd mines at Port Oram, near Dover, N. J. today. The men were reconstructing an old shaft when a tank of oil exploded. The dead are:

Edward Mills, superintendent: Frederick Scherffner, William Murphy, all

Mills was instanty killed. Scherffner and Murphy were thrown to the hotom of the shaft into water and were

Rolling Mill Resumes.

Reading, Pa. July 7.—The rolling mill of the Douglasville Iron company has resumed after an idleness of heavily from years. All the furnaces are now in operation and the village has a new appear-

Admiral Cevera "Not Guilty."

Madrid, July 7.-Admiral Cervera and the other commanders of the Spanish their desiroyed in the battle of Santiago, whose conduct has been the subject of inquiry by special court marrial were today acquitted and formally liberated.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

Delegates to Consult Governments on Arbitration Scheme.

The Hague, July 7.—The third com mittee, sitting this morning in the Huis ten Bosch, the "House in the Wood," discussed the scheme for the mediation and arbitration convention, drawn up by the Comte d'Examen. Many of the delegates have only been acquainted with the proposals since yesterday and they have not had time to consult their governments, consequently it has been decided that when the committee adjourns today it will not meet again un-(i) Friday next, in order to allow the delegates a week in which to consult their governments and receive final in-

tructions. The scheme is headed "Draft of Convention for the Pacific Settlement of International Conflicts." The first part deals with the maintenance of general eace; the second part with arbitra-

The reporter of the committee ex lained the motives which inspired the frafting committee in claborating the

M. Bourgeols, head of the French delegation, thanked the reporter in warm terms, and congratulated him on his remarkable exposition, which, he said, would remain an official commentary on the provisions formulated, both for the delegates and for their govern-

The sitting was then adjourned until July 17, and not until Friday next, as previously intended.

The review of troops this morning was attended by the military delegates to the peace conference, who were specially invited to be present.

THE PATERSON CLUB THROWN OVERBOARD

Atlantic Base Ball League Reduced to Six Members-The Frst Championship Series to Close July 9 and Richmond Club Is Declared the

Philadelphia, July 7.-A special meeting of the Atlantic Base Ball league called by President Edward G. Barrow to consider matters arising from the disbandment of the Scranton club was held at the Hotel Hanover here Mr. Barrow presided and the today. several clubs were represented as fol-

K. Spurrier, Lancaster; Jacob Wells, Richmond; Abner Powell, Paterson; C. B. Bloemecke, Newark; George J. Stegmaier and John Reddington, Wilkes-Barre; T. G. Patton and J. T. Embree, Reading; E. B. Douglass, Allentown.

The situation that confronted the ague through the loss of one of its members and the impracticability of following a schedule for seven clubs was discussed in its different phases and the session continued for several hours; adjournment was not reached until nearly 10 o'clock tonight.

forfeited and the Paterson club was dropped, the circuit thus being reduced to six clubs. It was decided that the championship season should close July 9 and the Richmond club was awarded the championship. A new schedule was prepared for a

second series in a new championship season to begin July 10 and close Sept. 10. The new circuit will be composed of Newark, Lancaster, Reading, Allentown. Wilkes-Barre and Richmond. Newark is the only town at which Sun day games will be played and the Allentown and Richmond clubs, as heretofore, will participate in no games or that day. The towns now in the lengue have received good local support and those present at the meeting expressed onfidence that no further obstacles will be met by the league.

Manager Abner Powell, of Paterson will take the management of the Newark club and, it is said, will strengthen the club with the plck of the Pater-

President Barrow tonight expressed satisfaction with the makeup of the league and it now stands and he prediets a successful second season.

MILAN'S ASSAILANT

The Would-Be Murderer a Bosnian Named Knezevic.

Semlin, Austria, July 7.-The fireman who attempted to assassinate former King Milan is a Bosnian named Gjura Knezevic. He had no accomplice During his flight Knezevic endeavored to shoot himself and when he failed he jumped into the river Save, which ioins the Danube at Belgrade, but was dragged out by the police.

Fourteen members of the former radical central committee, including ex-Premier Tauchanovics, have been arrested on suspicion of being connected with the affair. Another exder police supervision.

SUICIDE OF KEATON.

The Wife Murderer Hangs Himself in Moyamensing Prison.

Philadelphia, July 7.-William Kea on, who on June 6, shot his wife, Ida. nflicting wounds from the effects of which she died on July 4, committed suicide in his cell in Moyamensing prison today by hanging himself with his suspenders.

Kenton also shot two other women at the time he fatally wounded his wife but their injuries wer not serious. The prison officials refused to allow Keaton to attend his wife's funeral today which is said to be the cause of his

FOUGHT A DUEL IN A BUGGY. Young Man and a Girl the Princi-

pals-Both May Die. Arlington, Ill., July 7.—Charles Salteman and Miss Kate Horfoldsteimer fought a duel with revolvers in a bugge near Scatonville, Ill., last night, and the doctors believe both will die The cause of the duel was the desire of the young woman that Saltsoman should marry her and the refusal of the

young man. Jack Carrig Defeated.

Denver, Colo., July 7.-Kid Parker, of Benver, defeated Jack Carrig, of Buffalo, in six rounds, before the Colorado Athlatte club tonight

LEGAL PROBLEMS OF 20TH CENTURY

SUBJECT OF MR. HORNBLOWER'S BLAST AT WILKES-BARRE.

Principal Address at the Pennsylvania State Bar Association-The Speaker Not Suited with the American Policy of Expansion or the Laws on Marriage and Divorce. Mghty Trusts Force Wags Down. Report of Nominating Committee.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., July 7.-The norning session of the Pennsylvania State Bar association was opened at Hon. William B. Hornte o'clock. player, of New York, made the prindpal address, his subject being "Som Legal Problems of the Twentieth Cen-

Judge Hornblower declared that he is opposed to the present American policy of expansion. He favored the assage of laws that will do away with the clash between capital and abor. The speaker held that labor mions are justifiable and beneficial, although they sometimes do much He referred to "the mighty trusts and corporations that are formed to force up prices and force wages

Judge Hornblower expressed the opinion that the laws on marriage and divorce are too lax and otherwise unatisfactory; that the tax laws in New York state contain many absurdities, the widows and orphans being compelled to bear the greater part of the burden. On motion of M. Mercur, of Towarda, Judge Hornblower was elected an honorary member of the as-

The following nominations were reported by a committee of which William U. Hensel, of Lancaster, was chalrman; vice-presidents, Frederick Betolette, Carbon; Richard C. Date, Philadelphia; Alexander Farnham, Luzerne; C. H. McCauley, Elk; Thomas Patterson, Pittsburg; secretary, Edward P. Allison, Philadelt ia; treas-urer, William Penn Lloyd, Cumberland; executive committee, B. Frank Eshelman, Lancaster; H. H. Gilber-

Richard L. Jones, Berks; B. W. Green, Cameron; W. E. Little, Wyoming: F. C. McGirr, Allegheny; James T. Maf-fett, Clarion; Harold M. McClure, Union: James P. Mooreland, Westmoreland: A. C. Niles, York; William H. Rhawn, Columbia; E. M. Dunham, Sullivan; Russell C. Stewart, Northampton; W. J. Schaeffer, Delaware; William H. Stanke, Philadelphia; Clarence E. Sproul, Lycoming; Edwin H. Smith, Allegheny; R. B. Weimer, Philadelphia: John Weaver, Philadel-

son, Chester: Homer Green, Wayne;

phia; William A. Wilcox, Lackawanna, These officers were elected without opposition. Walter George Brown, of Philadelphia, chairman of the comthe United States discussed the adoption of new laws relative to wills, deeds, weights and measures, etc., and his motion was adopted. The report of the committee on special legislation created no end of discussion.

At the afternoon session the officers named by the neminating committee including Lyman D. Gilbert, of Harrisburg, for president, were elected.

New Laws Proposed.

The president was authorized to appoint a committee of three to urge upon the next legislature the passage of the following laws:

Pirst-An act to establish a law unitorm with the laws of other states for acknowledgement and execution of written instruments. Second-An act to establish a law uniorm with laws of states relating to the

alling of deeds and other written in-Third-An act to establish a law uni-

orm with the laws of other states rein-Fourth-An act to establish a law uni-orm with the laws of other states relaive to the probate in this state of for-

Fifth-An act to establish a law unterm with the laws of other states for a andard of weights and measures

Sixth-A general act relating to negoable instruments, Seventh—An act to establish a law uni-

rm with the other states relative to ie transfer of stock in corporations.

The committee on special legislation ecommended the passage by the legislature of the following amendment to the state constitution: "The general szembly may pass any local or special law regulating the affairs of countles, cities, townships, borough or school districs, changing the charters of cities or boroughs and creating offices or prescribing the powers and duties of officers in countles, cities, boroughs, ownships, election or school districts. But no such local or special law shall be passed unless at least at thirty days prior to its introduction into the genral assembly, it shall have been submitted in such manner as is, or may be provided by law to the qualified elecors of the county, city, township, burough or school district affected by such local or special law by a general or special election and a majority of the been voted in its favor. There shall be cue no presumption of law or of fact that local or special law when the question of the constitutionality of such law is recoverd. at issue in any legal proceedings, and if the court be not gatisfied that such submission and consent have been lezatly made and given, the law shall

e declared unconstitutional and void." Mr. Torrey's Speech.

Mr. Torrey, of Scranton, chairman if the committee, supported the amendment in an able speech. Ex-Attorney t ill became "small men" to try and Liverpool.

Mr. Paimer held that there could only be three classe of cities and no more that if the supreme court had made s mistake it should be given a chance to correct its own errors. Ex-Lieutenant Governor Davis, of

Bradford county, also opposed the

amendment in a very surcastic address.

stitution which it is now proposed to amend. He spoke eloquently against ; change. Upon a vote being taken the osed amendment was overwheim ingly defeated. A number of lawyers from various ments of the state were admitted to numbership. The following were elect-

d delegates to the meeting of the Namal Bar association: John T. Lenaian, Luzerne; J. S. Leisenring, Blate John F. Keator, Philadelphia; alterates, Daniel K. Trimmer, York; James Young, Allegheny; Joseph D. Coons Luzerne.

Bedford Springs was agreed upon as he place of meeting for next year. The onvention then adjourned sine die. A banquet was tendered the visiting lelegates at the hotel Sterling tonight

Judge Woodward was toastmaster and

speeches were made by many of the

BRYAN AT COLUMBUS.

visiting judges and lawyers,

He Makes a Speech at a Dollar Dinner-Inclined to Hedge on the Philippines Question.

Columbus, O., July 7 .- About one thousand people attended the dollar dinner given by the Young Men's Democratic club, of Columbus, in the Auditorium tonight. It was the largest anguet which the local democracy has had since that given in honor of the seventy-seventh birthday of the late Judge Allen G. Thurman, in the same hall, ten years ago. strictly Democratic in its simplicity, all classes being represented. The chief guest was Celonel William J. Bryan,

At the table with him were also seat-ed Hon, C. T. Callahan and George Fred, Williams, of Massachusetts; Judge Tarvin, of Kentucky; Hon, Allen W., Thurman, of Columbus, the teastmaster, and a number of others prominent in state politics. The entrance of Colonel Bryan was greeted by an outburst of applause which lasted until after he had Become scated.

Hon. Christopher T. Callahan, of Massachusetts, was the first speaker, responding to the toast "The Issues." He dwelt particularly upon imperial ism, trusts and free silver as the leading issues of 1900.

Judge Tarvin, of Kentucky, responded to the toast "Party and Principle." When Colonel Bryan was introduced there was another outburst of applause that continued for several minutes, When quiet had been restored, Colonel Bryan launched upon a discussion of the issues of the day in response to the oast "Democracy.

Hon, George Fred, Williams, of Masachusetts, was the last speaker, his oast being "The Eastern Democrats." The latter half of Mr. Bryan's speech was devoted to imperfalism, with this onclusion: "Let us give to the Phillppin s the same assurance of Independence that we have given to the ubans. Let us assure them of our inof actablishing a stable governent which, when established, will be their government, not ours. Let us esure them that we shall stand by them like an elder brother, and say to ther nations, 'Hands off. Let this republic work out its destiny."

GOLD FROM THE KLONDIKE.

More Than \$3,000,000 in the Steamship Robert Kerr, from Dawson.

Seattle, Wash., July 7.-Advices from Dawson City are to the effect that the steamship Robert Kerr left there June o with more than \$3,000,000 worth of gold dust for St. Michaels.

The first news to be received this eason from Dutch Harbor, Alaska, an important shipping point between here and St. Michaels, has arrived here. A correspondent of the Associated Press writes under the date of July 5 as fol-

There are five vessels in port bound north to St. Michaels and Cape Nome The Reanoke of the North American Transportation and Steamship company was the first to reach here after ne of the smoothest passages made at this time of the year. Dense fog kept her outside of the entrance to this picturesque harbor twenty-four hours. The only vessel in port when the Roanoke arrived was the steumaschooner Del Norte, which has made one trip to Seal Island for the Alaska Commercial company. She will get away within a day or two for St. Michaels. The Portland from San Francisco got in turing the afternoon and went up to the Alaska. Commercial company's ported and 27 deaths. enart at Unalaska.

The Portland proceeds north tomorow. The Albian, which arrived two for the Siberian coast for reindeer for the United States government.

The revenue cutter Bear has also left for the Siberian coast.

PERISHED WHILE BATHING.

The Clutch of a Drowning Man Was Fatal to Leverenz.

Mt. Carmel, Pa., July 7.-Endolph Peters, aged 17 years, an employe at Locustdale coillery, went swimming at the dam near that place today. Cramp seized him and he cried for help. Harotes east at such election shall have man Levernz, aged 17, went to his res-

Peters as he arose for the last time threw his arms around Leverenz, and and consent of the electors of any such | both were drowned in the presence of a number of persons. The bodies were

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, July L.-Cleared: Etruria, Liverpool: La Champagne, Havre, Ne madie, Liverpool: Spaarndam, Rotte dam via Houlogne; Patricia, Hamburi Cherhourg; Wineland, Copenhagen Arrived: Nomadic fro Arrived: Boxte, Boxte, From: New York Queenstown-Arrived: Luca York Humburg - Arrived: General Palmer ridiculed the proposed New York: Furst Bismarck, from New amendment. He said the present leg- York via Cherbourg and Southampton. Pretoria, islation was made by men of brains and | Eastner-Passed: Covic. New York for

President Kruger's Delegate.

Philadelphia, July 7 .- Word was received d today at the headquarters in the Di-ernational Commercial congress that President Kruger of the Transvant gov ernment, has appointed a delegate to the congress. Hon. P. W. Breckett, of Pre-toria. The governor of Bermuda has named W. T. James, a prominent mer-Louis Richards, of Reading, delivered chant of Hamilton.

BISHOP ARNOTT PRESIDES AT DETROIT

SERVICES IN THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TENT.

The Address of the Evenng by President John Henry Barrows-Largely Attended Evangelistic Services. Schemes for Enlarging the Work.

Detroit, Mich., July 7 .- Bishop B. W. Arnett (colored) presided over the Christian Endeavor meeting in tent Endeavor tonight. Rev. Dr. Qualye, of Indianapolis, one of the speakers on the vening programme, was announced to rave been called to Kansas to the bedside of his dying father. Silent prayer was offered in behalf of Dr. Quayle, The devotional exercises were led by R. R. Patterson, of San Francisco; the noments of meditation and prayer by Rey, George E. Soper, of St. Paul.

The address of the evening was by President John Henry Barrows, of Oberlin college, During its delivery the rain again descended, increasing until the noise on the roof almost drowned the sound of Dr. Barrows' voice, and he was compelled to desist. Umbrellas were raised all over the tent, but comparatively few left, and the crowd tayed and sang song after song, overming all sounds of the storm and all ideas of increasing discomfort. ength the rain ceased long enough to

allow Dr. Barrows to proceed. Largely attended evangelistic sers were held during the noon hour factories, public squares and wharves throughout the city. The afernoon was given up to conferences in the large churches. Bible study conferences were conducted by Professor W. G. Moorehead, of Xenia, Ohio, and by Professor H. L. Willett, of Chicago. At Westminster Presbyterian church many of the clergymen in attendance at the convention gathered for a special pastors' conference, under the diection of Rev. Dr. George B. Stewart, of Harrisburg, Pa. Among the clergymen who took prominent part in the conference were Rev. Dr. W. H. Mc-Millin, of Pittsburg; Rev. Allen B. Philpott, of Indianapolis, and President P. E. Clarke. Other pastors were addressed by Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, of Topeka, Kansas, upon the topic "What Would Jesus Do?"

Conference of Officers.

The afternoon feature of interst for Endeavorers was a conference of district and city union officers, conducted by General Secretary Baer.

Many suggestions for strengthening the unions and furthering the cause through such fraternity were brought out by the discussions. Other features were conferences of junior society workers, of the "floating society" and

of the "travelers union." The meeting in tent Williston took the form of a memorial service. Eulogies were delivered upon the life and haracter of Gladstone, Frances E. Wilfard and George Mueller, the "apostleof prayer," Dr. Clark presided, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. E. D. W. Jones, of Alle-

Rev. Dr. Wayland Hoyt, of Philadelphin, spoke in honor of "Our Soldiers

A novelty on the programme which aroused great enthusiasm was the intreduction of Rev. Mr. Mazerona, a native Cuban and an evangelist among his people, who expressed his thanks to the American people for the liberation of Cuba.

Nearly a hundred officers and trus tees of the United society were presnt at a dinner given tonight by the pustees to the chairmen of the local '99 committees.

YELLOW FEVER IN CUBA.

Four New Cases at Santiago-Two Deaths Reported.

Santiago de Cuba, July 7.-Four ney ses of yellow fever, all in the city Santiago, were officially reported today. No official report was received rom Boniato camp, but it is known

that the situation there is serious. The two principal hotels of the city re now infected. The camp on the Morro road is so far healthy, but a dangerous element very difficult to yous American adventurers, who are usually hard drinkers and refuse to respect the health regulations. Up to date 132 cases have been re-

ABDUCTED A BOY.

vecks ago from San Francisco, left Young Rhodes Discovered After a

Search of Two Years. Bedford, Pa., July 7.-A man named Heffiefue, who two years ago abducted boy named Rhodes from his home at Smith Island, Franklin county, was arrested near Everett yesterday. The soy was still with him. During the past two years all efforts of the parents to locate their boy had been in vain, until on Wednesday they heard that he and his abductor were in this

part of the country. Heffletue and young Rhodes will be aken to Franklin county, where the ormer will be tried for abduction.

Teachers' Convention Adjourns.

Gettysburg, July 7.-The State Teach-

rs' association convention closed today

resolutions commend the menths minimum school term and thanks the committees and especially Professor Dorsey Hunter, principal of the Gel-ysturg schools for efficient work in naking the convention a success.

George W. Julian Dead. Indianapolis, July 7.—George W. Julian, the abolitionist, died at his home in irvington, today, aged № years. In 1859

he was a candidate for the vice presidency on the Free Soil ticket, and was a member of congress many years. O'Brien Gets the Decision. New York, July 7 - Jack O'Brien, of New York, got the decision over Dal Hawkins,

of San Francisco, at the end of the twenty-fifth round at the Brandway

Athletic club tonight. Will Organize the Guard. Harrisburg, July 7.—Adjutant General Stewart is preparing a general order to the National Guard of Pennsylvania,

sing the fifte practice season from July

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today: SHOWERS; VARIABLE WINDS.

General-Many Flood Victims Reseuer.
General Luna's Slayers Are Acquitted
Topics Discussed by the State Har
Association.
Christian Endeavor Convention.

- General—Base Batt. Financial and Commercial.
- Religious News of the Week.
- Editorial, News and Comment. Local-Social and Personal. One Woman's Views,
- Local-Arrangements for the Letter Carriers' Convention, Lackawanna Officials on an Inspection
- Local-Home for the Friendless in
- Danger of Being Closed. South Side Sewer Difficulty Adjusted.
- 8 Local-West Scranton and Suburban. 9 News Round About Scranton,

9 Advertisement.

Tomorrow's Sunday School Lesson, Yale's New President, Local-Young People's Baptist Uni-Meeting, Dun's Weekly Review of Trade,

ALGER CHASING THE CAMPAIGN LIE

Denies That There Has Been Political Combination Between Himself and Governor Pingree. New York, July 7 .- The Times will

rint tomorrow the following: "Refore his departure from the city yesterday (Friday), Secretary of War Alger had a word to say about the ontest for the Michigan United States senatorship. He denied in the most positive manner the existence of any political combination between Gover-

nor Pingree and himself. "There can be," he said, "no politicombination between Governor Pingree and myself, because it would be impossible for me while a member of the cabinet to form with any body who is not in perfect accord with the president's policy and Governor Pingree is known not to be. I heartily favor the president's policy and have no intention of resigning from the cabinet."

Secretary Alger added that he had told Governor Pingree and his friends that he was not a candidate for the senaorship in the sense of seeking the placat the hands of the legislature and that he would not put any money into the campaign.

BICYCLE SIDE PATH TAX. An Important Decision on the Sub-

ject by Judge Searle. Towanda, Pa., July 7.-Judge Scarle, of Montroge, specially presiding to day, filed the first decision on the new bicycle sidepath law yet made in Penn sylvania. A rule was granted on the county commissioners to show cause why a mandamus should not be issued commanding them to levy a tax on bleycles, as recommended. The court discharged the rule and, in his opinion, holds that the sidepath commis

sioners do not take office until Jan.

1, next year, and that their recom

mendation had no more force than that of any three citizens. The opinion desires the county commissioners to provide the assessors with books and have the enumeration taken before the sidepath commission becomes operative, that the members there of may become possessed of a portion of the knowledge necessary to judicially determine the amount of tax to be recommended. The decision is of much interest throughout the state as in many counties the tax has already been levied.

PRESENTED TO VICTORIA.

Members of American Societies Visit

Her Majesty. London. July 7 .- A number of the American, Colonial and Continental guests of the International Congress Women having expressed a desire to pay their respects to the queen, Lady Aberdeen arranged a trip to Windsor this afternoon, when her ajesty assented to the suggestion that she should drive slowly through the quadrangle of the castle and receive a

few of the more prominent delegates It was about twenty minutes past five when the delegates took up a position in front of the private entrance ippeared and Lady Aberdeen made the

presentation.

OFFICERS ARE PLENTY. Two Thousand Applications for Com-

missions in the New Army. Washington, July 7 .- It was stated at the war department today that aimost every officer who served in the volunteer army during the war with Spain and who had been honorably mustered out has again offered his services to meet the needs of the Philippine campaign.

Altogether no less than ten thousand applications for commissions in the new volunteer army now forming have been received at the war department and have also been placed on the fields. Yesterday alone the applications numberred 480.

Position for Prof. Schaeffer. Kutztown, Pa., July 7 -At a meeting

Normal school, Professor L. C. Schaeffer ature superintendent of schools, was outnihoodly elected principal of the school to take the place of Professor leorge B. Hanscher, Professor Schaelfor will accept. Anthracite Coal Tonnage.

Philadelphia. July 7.—The anthracite coal tennage for the Brst six months of the present year as shown by the official figures just issued aggregates 29.48.781 tons, which is an increase of 4.47,469 ons over the corresponding period of

Railroad Sold. Eau Claire, Wis., July 7.-The Wisconn Central rollroad was sold to the re-

THE SLAYERS OF LUNA ARE ACQUITTED

Filipino Court Decides That His Fate Was Just.

KILLED IN SELF-DEFENSE

Testimony Showed That the Dead Man Plotted Against Aguinaldo. Conspired with Other Officers to Kill Him-Luna's Followers Now Outwardly Loyal to the Dictator. General Bates Goes to Sulu-To Arrange for a Friendly Understanding with the Sultan Who Was Subsidized by Spain-Lieutenant Martin of the Baler Garrison Denies That He Killed His Captain.

Manila, July 7 .- The trial, at Cabanatuan, of the slavers of General Luna, the Fillpino leader, who was assassinated by the guard at Aguinaldo's residence, has been ended. The accused were acquitted on the ground of selfdefense. The testimony showed there was a conspiracy on the part of Luna and other officers to kill Aguinaldo and

make Luna dictator, Luna's death seems to have strengthened Aguinaldo's leadership for the time, and Luna's supporters are now

outwardly loyal to Aguinaldo. The members of the Spanish colony here are lionizing the survivors of the Spanish garrison at Baler, on the east coast of Luzon, who returned here last night with the Spanish commissioners sent to treat with the Filipinos for the surrender of the Spanish prisoners. A dozen banquets have been arranged in their honor, and a subscription has en started for their relief.

Lieutenant Martin, the wly surviving officer of the garrison, denies the story that he killed Captain Morenas, the Spanish officer who commanded at Baler, because the latter tried to raise a white flag. Martin says the captain died of herri-berri.
The transport Churruca is to take General Bates to the Sulu Islands, on a diplomatic mission. The general will

Sulu, who claims to be friendly to Americans Under the sultan's treaty with Spain he received a subsidy. General Wheaton is to take command of General Hale's brigade at San Fer-General Hale is returning to

the United States with the Colorado

endeavor to arrange the basis for a

friendly understanding with the sultan

regiment. LOST CHILD FOUND. Della Lewis Was Kidnapped by a

Rag Peddler. Philadephia, July 7.—Della Lewis in 8-year-old girl, who was kidnapped yesterday from her home in Darby. Delaware county, just outside this city, s in the custody of the police of Woodbury. N. J., and her abductor has been arrested there. The child was playing near her home late yesterday atternoon and it was learned soon after by her grandparents, with whom she lived, that an unknown man driving wagon had been seen with her alongside him on the seat. The police were notified and the child was reported found last night at Sewall, N. J. The police here were notified today of the

arrest of her abductor. He is a rag peddler and when seen n New Jersey with the child was unable to give satisfactory replies as to her being with him. The child's grandparents went to Woodbury yes-

terday to get possession of Della. The name of the peddler who abducted the child is Patrick Raney. He lived at Malaga, a short distance from Woodbury, N. J., where he was arrested. Joseph Zurila, who says he lives in this city, was also arrested on suspicion of being a confederate of Raney's. Zurila claims that he suspected Raney was stealing the child and that he followed the two from Philadelphia to Wood-A quarter of an hour later her majesty | bury intending to have Rancy arrested when he was sure that he was really abducting the child. The police, however, doubt his story and he and Raney are held without ball to awalt requisition papers from this state.

MURDERED BY ROUGHS.

Brutal Work of Philadelphia Thugs. Arrests Made. Philadelphia, July 7.-Early this

morning Tomas Ashworth, aged 45 years, was murdered by a gang of roughs who attacked him as he was going to his home in West Philadelphia, After knocking him down his assalt-ants repeatedly kicked him and jumped upon nim, continuing their murderous work until he was dead. Ashworth's

neck was broken. The police arrested Elmer Wilson, Albert Kelly, John Daly and John Kennedy, who were committeed to await the action of the coroner.

telephone lineman at Columbia, committed suicide at that place last night by swallowing 35 grains of morphine. He had been threatening to commit suicide for the just several days. He was 24

years old.

Lineman Takes Morphne.

Lancaster, Pa., July 7.-Joseph W.

....... WEATHER FORECAST. Washington, July 7.-Forecast for

Saturday: Eastern Pennsylvania,
 Showers, partly cloudy and cooler
 Bunday: variable winds becoming