TWO CENTS.

BIG TRUST POW WOW **BEGINS**

Less Than Half the Delegates Are in Attendance.

A DELUGE OF ORATORY

Mr. Taylor Welcomes the Delegates to Chicago on Behalf of Mayor Harrison-The Attempt to Round Up the Shapeless Mass of Delegates Is Followed by Considerable Dis- rupted by cheering. order-Mr. Gans Declares That His Delegation Is of More Importance Than That of Any State-Mr. Hayes Repudiates the Cradle of Trusts-Speeches Made.

Chicago, Sept. 13.-The conference on the uses and abuses of trusts and combinations began here today with less than half the delegates appointed by the various states in attendance. New York, headed by W. Bourke Cochran, and Wisconsin were most numerously represented. The meeting took place in Central Music hall and was called to order at 10.30 o'clock by Franklin H. Head, the temporary chairman appointed by the Civic Federation, and whose call the conference was arranged for. The delegates listened to an address of welcome to Illinois by Attorney General Akin on behalf of Governor Tanner, who by illness was prevented from appearing in person. Mr. Akla was followed by Dr. Taylor, who welcomed the delegates to Chicago on behalf of Mayor Harrison.

With the progress of the speaking It became evident that many of the delecations had come with firm convictions or or against trade combinations. The eech of Mr. Wooten, of Texas, delvered during the afternoon and hamnering trusts in a merciless manner, roused the wildest enthusiasm in the inks of the labor representatives and The delegations from many western and southern states, while the easterners generally smiled critically and kept their arms folded. The attempt to round the somewhat

shapeless mass of delegates into working order resulted in considerable disorder. Suggestions for the make-up of a committee to arrange a program to be followed the next three days of the conference popped from every part of the house with such rapidity that It was with difficulty that the temporary chairman extracted the basis for resolutions which were finally ndopted. This was not accomplished till W. Bourke Cochran and August Clans, a delegate representing the Knights of Labor, had become the center of a scene which provoked unrastrained laughter, Mr. Cochhan Joining. The head of the New York contingent in an endeavor to bring a little order out of chaos, arose while Mr. Gans in a very loud tone of oratory was declaring that his delegation was of more importance than that of any state When the New Yorker began speaking the labor delegate fished from his hip pocket a pair of opera glasses and at a short range contemplated the speaker, commenting occasionally in such a way that the merriment attained a volume which drowned the voice of the eastern orate

It was resolved finally that the Civic Pederation, through its chairman, Mr. Head, should conduct the meeting today and that a committee on programme, consisting of one man from each state delegation, and one from each organization national in its scope should be appointed. Local organizations in attendance were given a voice in the committee by being allowed to vote for the committeeman with the delegates from their state. The labor organizations did not secure recognion until vigorous speeches had been reade by Mr. Gaps and John W. Haves also a Knight of Labor delegate. Hayes created something of a sensation by declaring in language as scornful as it was vigorous, that 'he did act intend to be classed with the New Jersey delegation even if he did vote

in that 'cradle of trusts'.' The non-attendance of many delegates was not unexpected and Secretary Easley announced that probably a hundred of the tardy ones, including Rovernor Pirgree, of Michigan, would

be present at tomorrow's session. Mr. Bryan Absent.

William Jennings Bryan was absent, but it is believed he will appear later in the conference. Chairman Head delivered an address in explanation of the call for the conference. He said in

The Civic Federation of Chicago is a non-partisan organization, embracing in its membership a goodly proportion of the tetive business and professional men of our city. Some months since it realize that no topic seemed so widely discussed as what was designated by the general litle of "Trusts"—and that, too, upon no surrent topic was there so widespread furrent topic was there so widespread and general an ignorance and confusion of ideas. There seemed to us a crying need for education upon the subject; of an education which would show the broad distinction between the various trade combinations and trusts, and to promote such education this conference is now in

ence, but a conference in search of truth and light. With this end in view the attendance has been solicited of men of every shade of opinion upon the general subject; from the men who regard trusts and trade combinations as the standing menace to our national prosperity, and even to the perpetuity of our system of government, to those who feel that trade combinations and large aggregations of settice capital are simply an active evo-lation in the development of our indusnercial life, and that such aggregations are absolutely necessary to quehanna, \$6 to \$12.

omnete with the vast accumulations and experience of the older nations.

We hope to hear the general subject discussed from all possible standpoints from the view not only of organizers of the combinations, but also from the workthe combinations, but pled from the works-men and customers of the industrial cor-porations. We hope that light will be thrown upon the difference between the class of trusts which tend to monoroly and the industrial combinations which in many cases seem to be to the advantage of all.

Prof. Jenks followed with a paper inder the caption, "Problems Before the Conference."

It wifs I o'clock before this paper was finished and an adjournment wit taken until 3 o'clock. Chai man Head requested the delegates to remain a few minutes in order to organize more mitteemen.

The afternoon session opened with a paper by Prof. Henry C. Adams, of the University of Michigan, on the same subject as his predecessor, Mr.

Mr. Wooten's Address.

These addresses were received attentively, but it remained for Eudley Wooten, of the Texas delegation, to stir up enthusiasm of the came meeting He was frequently inter variety.

He spoke in part as follows:

Accepting in good faith that amend-ment which the heroic legions of the south resisted unto death on a thousand battlefields, we believe that "neither clavery nor involuntary servitude, except is punishment for crime, shall exist with in the United States or any place sub-ject to their jurisdiction" and we confidently assert that the commercial and its dustrial bondage being rapidly imposed upon the toil and talents of 70,000,000 American citizens by the syndicate wealth of a few great corporate monopo-lies is more dire and dangerous than the slavery which bowed the heads and bur-dened the backs of four pullion southern

And above all and by God is written guarantees of equality and justice. We look to the lessons of history and appeal to the authority of experience. When we are told that commercial combinations promises golden rewards to the present tendencies of our economic system, we ember that no republic has ever survived the mercenary despotism of mer chante and money changers.

John Brooks, of Cambridge, Mass., in "sticking closely to facts" was reeived with considerable applause.

Mr. Fortune's Speech.

Mr. William Fortune, of Indianapolis, president of the Indiana State Board of Commerce, made an carnest plea for conservative procedure as a more hopeful course than the application of revolutionary or too radical measures to an evolutionary problem. He indicated a grave doubt of the usefulness of the doctrinaire in arriving at a rational solution of the question. He guardedly suggested the danger capital may bring to itself by heedless abuse of its power and indicated the importance to it of seeking proper regulations which will make trust methods acceptable rather than obnoxious to the people by whose permission and toleration only can their explea for the practicable rather than theoretical approach to the subject, which, in its present stage, the speaker believed to be too immature to give basis for conclusive judgment as to the extent of either its harmful or

beneficial effects. The committee on permanent organization met after the afternoon adjournment. The committee consisting of one delegate from each state represented and each organization of gen eral scope. The Pennsylvania member of the committee is H. W. Palmer. William Wirt Howe, of Massachu-

setts, was selected chairman of the meeting and after a hot discussion was elected permanent chairman of the conference, though three vice chairmen. each to preside during one day, were selected. It was a happy solution of what at one time promised to be a split. No one was willing to allow permanent chairman to be appointed to preside at all sessions, lest he should favor some faction. It was urged that Chairmanship should change at each the nine sessions. The chairman and vice chairmen method of disposing of the question was hailed with op The vice chairmen selected

Thursday, Paidley Wooten, Texas; Friday, Mayor'H. B. Johnson, Colega-Saturday, S. P. Corliss, New York. Ralph M. Easley was selected as permanent secretary.

The following sub-committee on programme and rules was appointed: H. W. Blair, New Hampshire: L. D. Sutherland, Nebraska; J. W. Gaires, Ten-John C. Hanley, Minnesota A. B. Davidson, Texas.

The committee will make special rules to govern points of dispute but ordinary parliamentary rules will generally prevail After valuey trying to

until evening. The opening of the evening session was delayed for some time pending the report of the committee on programme organization. President Head introduced Governor George W. Atkinson, of West Virginia, as first speaker. He was followed by P. E. Dowe, president of the Commercial Travelers' National League, who in a brief speech said commercial travelers are opposed to trusts both from policy and principle and consider their detrimental and demoralizing, and F B. Thurber, of New York, and Joseph

Nimmo, jr., of Washington.

Funeral of Ambassador Eustis. Louisville, Ky., Sept. 43.—The remains of Hon. James B. Eustis, former ambassador to France, were laid to rest in Cave Hill today beside his wife. The body arrived here from New York, accompanied by the deceased's son and nephew. remains were taken to the cemetery mediately upon their arrival here. Brief funeral services were conducted at a grave by Rev. George Grant Smith. Trinity Episcopai church,

Mrs. Williams' Awful Death. Sedalia, Mo., Sept. 13 -- Mrs. J. M. Will-

ams saturated the clothing of herself and two-menths-old babe with coal oil today and then set fire to the garments. and the child were burned to death. She was of unsound mind.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, Sept. 13.-Pension certificates: Restoration and Increase-Theron B. Dimmick, Uniondale, Susquehanna, 56 to \$10; Mike Washburn, Lakeview, Sus-

REPLY OF THE

INSURGENTS

WHY FILIPINOS DECLINED OF-FERS OF AUTONOMY.

They Assert That the Americans Pursued High-Handed Methods and Showed Race Prejudice. Feared for the Future.

Mania, Sept. 13.→Noon.-The correspondent here of the Associated Press compactly and to decide upon the com- has obtained a copy of the reply adopted by the Filipino congress to the American offer of an autonomous government. The author of the reply was Ambrosio Rianzares, who was offered position in the Supreme court, but who failed to appear and was supposed to be detained by the insurrectionists. document repeats the arguments contained in the recent appeal to the owers for recognition and the Filipino assertions that the Americans were the aggressors in the war, and concludes:

Notwithstanding the foregoing, we ould have accepted your sovereignty and autonomy if we had not seen by the behavior of the Americans in the beginning that they were strongly opposed to us, through race prejudice, and the high-handed methods of dealing with us made us fear for the future in your hands. Finally, we thank you for your offers of autonomy under sov-

CAPTURE OF CALAMBON.

Captain McGrath of the Fourth Cavairy Describes It.

Eau Claire, Wis., Sept. 13.-The following letter was received today by relatives from Captain Hugh J. McGrath, Fourth cavairy, late major of volunteers in Cuba and now in the Philippines. Captain McGrath was formerly military instructor at. Wisconsin university:

"Calambon, P. I., July 28.-We captured this town day before yesterday. We had a lively fight taking it, and, I am happy to say, it was done by my schadron and a company of infantry over whom I assumed authority, and which I attached to my command. Generals Lawton and Hall were in gunboats, and there were two other offieers with the troops senior to me, but they got the wrong track, so I came in ahead and held the town until re-lieved by one of them at 8 at night. My squadror lost two killed (all that were killed of the whole command) and seven wounded out of eleven in all the troops engaged. General Lawton pressed much satisfaction at the behavior of the squadron, and said: 'Well guers you tellows did the whole thing." We were obliged to cross an purfordable river to reach the town Lieutenant Batson and I crossed first, and pushed a boat over for the next to Mr. Batson's learging nnd. came unfastened before he reached the opposite shore, causing him to go under. I reached land before him and succeeded in getting him Yesterday the insurgents came down on our outposts and we went against them again, but they had most of the fighting knocked out of them the day before, and it was a long-range affair, in which one of my troops had a man wounded. I am now occupying a great house, which was insurgent headquarters. In it was found all the brass works and instruments of an insurgent tug captured yesterday of our gunboat. Gen. Lawton was in a boat in the bay during the taking of the town. The boat was hit frequently by sharpshooters on shore, but nobody was hurt. A dozen Spanish officers, non-commissioned and privates, ran to us after our arrival on shore and hugged up in the street. They were delirious with joy. Many of them were taken to Manila in General Lawton's launch. General Hall has come ashore and has established headquarters and will be here for a few days, but I would rather be what the insurgents call a 'pirate and sail Laguna de Bay on our case ws.' 1 hope to be relieved by other troops, in order that we may resume or phatical habits. Word has just arrived that two wounded of our regiment have

OVER HALF A BILLION DOLLARS Remarkable Returns Made to Mem-

died. The insurgents have just opened

again on our ouposts, and I suggest

we will have another circus soo "."

bers of Insurance Company. New York, Sept. 13.-Up to July of the current year, the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York has the question of a committee on returned to its members \$500,870,737, or resolutions, the committee adjourned over half a billion of dollars, and its accumulated assets on that date were

\$258,526,471 This shows that the company ha practically paid out as much money to the insuring public as any other two companies of like character and that by holding a larger amount in assets than any other company it is beyond question the largest and strongest institution of its kind in the world.

DUG UP TWO SKELETONS.

Bones of an Adult and Child Found in Norfolk, Va.

or the foundation of a new building on Avon street a coffin and a box swere uncovered this afternoon. The forme contained the skeleton of an adult and the latter that of a child. The color and sex are not known. Detectives are

Tile Works Burned.

Philadelphia. Sept. 12.—The Richardson & Ross asphalt block and the works at Thirtieth and Race streets were destroyed by fire today, entailing a loss of \$100,000. The blaze was caused by the bolling over of crude oil and asphalt. Albert E. Lewis, a fireman, was severely injured by a falling girder.

Moore V'ants New Trial.

New York, Sept. 12.—Application was made to Recorder Goff today for a new trial in the case of William A. E. Moore, who last year was sentenced to nineteen years' imprisonment for blackmalling and assaulting Martin Mahon, a hotelkeeper of this city. The application is based upon the alleged idscovery of new evidence.

ROYALLY ENTERTAINED.

Phitadelphians Have Made Admiral Sampson's Sojourn a Round of Pleasure.

Philadelphia, Sept. 13.-Governor Voorhees, of New Jersey, called on Rear Admirad Sampson on board the flagship New York, now lying in the Delaware river with the other ships of the North Atlantic Squadron. Governor Voorhees' object in calling upon the admiral was to arrange with him a time for the presentation of the sword which the citizens of New Jersey have voted to the admiral. While the details of the presentation were not definitely arranged, it was decided that the gift will be transferred on Oct. 25 at the State House, Trenton. A reception will be arranged to which prominent men will be invited. Governor Voorhees will make the presentation speech. When the governor left the flagship a salute of seventeen guns

was fired in his honor. Admiral Sampson and the officers of the squadron are being loyally entertained by the citizens of this city This afternoon the admiral and the captains of his ships visited the commercial museums and later were driven to Girard college. The cadets at the the visitors and the college band serenaded the officers. Tonight the admiral and the officers of the fleet were the guests at a dinner given by Mayor Ashbridge, Many prominent men were in attendance.

Relic of the Spanish-American War Is Received.

WILKES-BARRE'S GUN.

Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 13.-The Spanish annon which was presented to Wilkes-Barre by Governor Stone was formally accepted by the city this evening. Interesting exercises were held in connection with the event. There was a parade composed of G. A. R. Veterans. Spanish-American war veterans and the Ninth regiment, N. G. P. Mayor Nichols and members of the city counrids rode in carriages at the head of the procession.

Arriving at G. A. R. hall, the cannon was turned over to Coyngham Post, G. A. R. for safe keeping. After the war relic had been placed in position in front of the hall Mayor Niehols made a patriotic address, which was responded to by Comrade George Williams of Conygham post. Darte, chairman of the meeting, also made an address and the exercises were brought to a close by Chaplain F. D. Johnson, of the Ninth regiment. who pronounced the benediction.

EAGAN AND SHEW RESPITED.

The Susquehanna County Murderers Given Another Month.

Harrisburg, Sept. 13.-Governor Stonoday granted respites until Oct. 26 to three men who were to have been hanged Sept. 26. They are Cornelius Shew and J. James Eagan, alias J. enable their counsel to present their cases before the pardon board. Eagan and Shew murdered Jackson Pepper, an aged Susquehanna county farmer, for his money.

The governor also fixed the execution day of Edwin Cressinger, of Northumberland county, for Wednesday, Nov.

FIVE MEN BURNED.

Fire in a Three-Story Brick Building in Boston.

Boston, Sept. 13 .- Fire in the upper portion of a three-story brick building at 15 to 22 Marshall street today resuited in five men being burned severely and otherwise injured. The injured are the following named Harry Smith. taniter, hands and face burned and overcome by smoke: W. F. Gowen, Manchester M. H., cut and burned: George H. Tuttle, cut, burned and overcome by smoke; Joseph Murphy, engine 5, hands out by falling glass. Engineman Dacey, multiple injuries.

The mancial loss was estimated

SON KILLS HIS PARENTS.

about \$5,000.

Double Murder in Massachusetts by

a Man Crazed by Drink. Southbridge, Mass. Sept. 13.-News was received here early this morning | for three years." of a double murder late last night near manufacturing village of Fiskdale, about ten miles northwest of this town. John King and his wife, an aged couple, were killed by their son, Peter who was crazy from the excessive use of liquor.

The murderer also attempted to kill his brother, Thomas, but only succeeded in inflicting severe wounds. Peter is in jail here. He is unconscious and

MRS. JENKINS WANTS DAMAGES Her Husband Was Lynched and She Prosecutes the Mob.

Indianapolis, Sept. 13.-Mrs. Lulu C Jonkins, filed three suits in the United States court here today against the sheriff of Ripley county and citigens of Versailles for damages because of the lynching of her husband in 1897. Mrs. Jenkins demands heavy dainages. Her husband was lynched with four other men and Mrs. Jenkins charges the sheriff with aiding and Norfolk, Va., Sept. 13 .- In excavating abetting the mob. Along list of citivens of Verrailles are set forth as members of the mob.

Council of Red Men.

Washington, Sept. 13,-The National onucil of Red Men at its session today decided to make provision for the main-tenance of the indigent orphans of members of the order by levying a per capita tax of five cents a year on each member of the order. The orphans to be cared or under this provision are to be kept in their respective states.

An Independent Candidate. Lock Haven, Pa., Sept. 13 .- Jesse Lau-

bach has filed papers as an independent Republican candidate for county com-missioner. Laubach was a candidate for the office in the recent Republican county onvention, but was defeated. Valuable Residence Destroyed. Poughkeepsle, N. Y., Sept. 13,-The residence of Sampel B. Sexton, of Hyde Park,

BY FOREIGN TALK MAX O'RELL IMPLORES OUTSID-ERS NOT TO INTERFERE.

DREYFUS INJURED

The Expressions of Sympathy Do More Harm Than Good-British Government Will Not Participate in Any Boycott of the Paris Exposition-Neither Will the German.

London, Sept. 13.-While the papers are full of letters from individuals and several mans announcing their with drawal from the Paris exposition and urging the government to do likewise, the British government has no intention of taking any such step. It seems also unlikely that the present agitation will result in any general with-

drawal of British exhibits. Max O'Rell (Paul Blouet) has written a letter to the Daily Chronicle saying that a public expression of sympathy will go against Dreyfus, adding: For God's sake, use your influence college gave a dress parade in bonor of to stop it. But for the universal sympathy shown Dreyfus, whom I person ally I believe to be innocent, in England and Germany, he would have been acquitted.* It is a terrible thing to say, but I say it, and I am not afraid of contradiction."

The Evening News, of which H. Marks is the proprietor, is urging the formation of a British Legion of Honor usisting of persons and firms who w'll have nothing to do with the Paris exposition, and publishes a list of more than forty firms and persons, headed Sir William Blake Pichmond, R. A., who will not exhibit,

berlin, Sept. 12.—The German government organs have been quick to issue a warning against the proposal to boyatt the Paris exhibition.

"Germany has no occasion to take he lead in the matter says the Cologne ther states, which, perhaps, would not onsider it desirable that Germany, of all powers, should adopt a hostile attitude toward France in this matter." Geheimrath Lewald, a member of the

German exhibition commission, says: What has the exhibition to do with politics? Its sole object is commer dat. To withdraw is no such easy matter. Every industrial branch will represented as a group, to which the individual manufacturer cont Stutes. The industrial branches could, thereere, only withdraw as a whole. Thereis not the slightest symptom of any indication to adopt that course, greatest efforts are putting forth in all quarters to make the best possible show. We have met with the friendlest reception from the French manigement of the exhibition. I am convinced the whole movement is only a storm in a teacup."

tached to the council of revision may the visitors. The Hon. W. P. Henossibly finish the report on the Drey fus case before Monday. In that event the council of revision will give a decision regarding the merits of the appeal that day and on the following day the cabinet will decide whether measures of elemency are advisable,

DREYFUS WANTED HERE.

Citizens of Otsego Ask Him to Make That His Future Home.

Detroit, Sept. 13,-A despatch to the Free Press from Otsego, Wis., says the ollowing cable message was sent to Dreyfus from that place yesterday from the citizens of Otsego "We hope for your pardon. If granted, we extend cordial invitation to make your home in Otsego."

FRENCH GENERALS ALARMED.

Roget and Mercier May Ask Pardon for Dreyfus Conditionally. Boston, Sept. 13.-The Boston Post at

noon today announced that it had received the following private despatch from Paris:

"Generals Roget and Mercier have offered on the part of the army to demand from Pres'dent Loubet the predon of Captain Dreyfus if the Jewish committee will drop the matter and on the condition that Dreyfus shall live away from the large cities of France

CUBAN LABOR PROBLEM. Strong Objections to Foreign Immi-

gration Havana, Sept. 13.-Senor Trejera, resident of the General League luban Workers, says, in an open letter the league, that in Cuba people have orgotten that "Cubans are those to whom belongs the first right to have work." Immigration, he adds, is an excellent thing while there is abundance of work, but, he continues, "while one Cuban remains unemployed imml-

gration is a robbery. The Diario de la Marina says a majority of the enterprises and labor-givng undertakings in Cuba are in the hands of foreigners, "who must be allowed a certain amount of choice in the matter of whom they employ in

Cuba," adding: "Soon there will be all sorts of opportunities for work if a man wants to. But the majority won't work."

NEW WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY. Oklahoma Inventor Says He Has

Sent Message Sixty Miles. Chicago, Sept. 13.-A special dispatch o the Chronicle from Perry, Okla., says: "Peter Pearson, an Oklahoma man, has invented a system of wireess telegraphy which he claims is perfeetly successful. Some time last week Mr. Pearson says, he sent a message to his agent in a little town sixty miles

"He later received a copy of the mesage by letter through the postoffice exactly as he sent it, including a mistake in the sending.

Industrial Commission.

Washington, Sept. 12.-The industria ommission held a long business session today. Among other things the commission accepted the resignation of P. H. Donnelly as disbursing officer of the commission, Mr. Donnelly desiring to return to private business life. was destroyed by fire today. Less, \$60,

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

FAIR, COOLER.

- General-Trust Conference Opens at England's Ultimatum to the Boers.
 Foreign Criticism Injurious to Dreyfus,
 Why the Filipinos Declined Offer of
 Autonomy.
- General Northeastern Pennsylvania
- Financial and Commercial. Local-Scrantonian's Editors Indicted Anniversary of the Abington Baptist Association. for Libel.
- Editorial. News and Comment.
- Local-Welcome to P. J. Vetter. Programme of the Woman's Foreign Misstorary Society.
- Local-West Scranton and Suburban Round About the County.
- Local—Live Industrial Joitings, Local—Live Industrial Joitings, Victor Pinkney's Description of the Porto Rico Hursfeane.

EXPORT EXPOSITION

AT PHILADELPHIA

Will Be Formally Opened at Noon Today-Governor Stone to Take

Part in Exercises.

Philadelphia, Sept. 13.—The National Export Exposition will be formally seph Chamberlain, says he understands opened at moon tomorrow, although the es will be thrown open to the public at 8 o'clock. The arrangements for the opening have been completed. The exercises will take place in the auditorium, which is located in the nocta payillon of the main building. All the dstinguished visitors who will take part in the opening exercises will gather a: Gazette. "She ought to leave this to the city hall. Among them will be Admiral Sampson and his staff, representatives of the diplomatic corps at Washington Postmaster General Smith the president and other officers of the commercial museums, the director general of the exposition and his staff, Mayor Ashbridge and others. The party will leave the city half at 11 o'clock and will be escorted to the exposition grounds in West Philadelphia by 250 marines and sailors from the North Atlantic squadron, now incored in the Delaware river, -The United States marine band will head the pro-

PERSON President P. A. B. Widener, of the exposition, will turn the exposition over to the governor of Pennsylvania, who paired in turn will formally deliver it over to the mayor of this city. Director General Wilson will make an address upon the inception, purpose, plan and scope of the exposition, after which The government commissioner at- Mayor Ashbridge will officially welcom-While the benediction is being pronounced closing the exercises President McKinley will send a nessage by direct wire from the white house formally and officially opening the exposition, which message will be read to the assemblage.

PAINTERS ON STRIKE.

Fifteen Hundred Artists Throw Down the Brush

Philadelphia, Sept. Et.-Fifteen hun dred members of the Amalgamatel Journeymen House Painters' association went on strike today in consequence of the failure of the master painters to sign an agreement presentfor extra work and double time for Sunday. The agreement is to remain in force until September, 1909, The scale has been signed by 125 master painters, 150 refusing. At a meeting of thirty-four applicants for membership were received. Of the six

5.182 belong to the union. The shops which failed to sian closely watched to prevent the employ- esty's government must reserve the ment of non-union painters, 150 pickets | right to consider the situation de novo-

UNFAIR TO FRANCE.

Opinion of Archbishop Ireland on the Dreyfus Boycott.

nnes court-martial, said. "It is my belief that public meetings in America, such as it is proposed to hold for the purpose of protesting against the sentence of the Rennes couri-martial arountmely, unfair to France and likely to breed regrettable ill-feeting between that

centry and our owe. "France has been our friends for ages. She was our friend when no other na-tion befriended us. She is our friend to-day. She is a sister republic. We should pause long and seriously before blaming, suspecting or offending France.

"I can well understand and explain the present happenings in America. The American people are most easily roused to sentiments of justice and humanity cirtues and we should strive to make I

TAKING THEIR TIME.

Wayne County Conventions Withheld Until the Last Open Date.

Honesdale, Sept. 13.-On Sept. 25 thtepublicans and Democrats will hold their county conventions in Waynethe former in the afternoon, the lat-

ter in the evening. This is the last day conventions can he held in order to get the names legal. iy on the ballot and there is strife beween the two parties to see which can postpone the inevitable the longest.

Pope's Health Is Good.

Washington, Sept. II.—Private letters eceived at the papal delegation here peak of the excellent health the pape as been enjoying of late, his vigorous oppearance and the interest he takes in ourrent affairs. These advices from the est posted sources within the vatican are | . regarded as offsetting the frequently repeated reports of the pope's decline.

ENGLAND TO THE BOERS

The Terms Upon Which Peace Can Be Maintained.

CHAMBERLAIN'S MESSAGE

Franchise Concessions to Be Accepted if Court of Inquiry Shows Them to Be Adequate-Outlander Members of the Raad Must Be Permitted to Use Their Native Language-An Immediate Reply Roquested to Relieve Present Tension. Question of Sovereignty Cannot Be Discussed-Kruger in Conference

London, Sont 12 - In his last mossage to the Transvant government the secretary of state for the colonies, Jothat the concessions made in President Kruger's note of Aug. 18 have been attitude regarding the suzerainty, and aulder:

with Orange Free State.

Her majesty's government has a'rdutely repudiated the view of the political status of the Transvaal taken by the Transvaal government, claimng the status of a savereign state, ind, therefore, it is unable to consider any proposal made conditionally on the

acceptance of that view Continuing, Mr. Chamberlain says the British government is satisfied that the w embedying the proposed afleviatng franchise measures for Outlanders inefficient for immediate and substantial representation, which, it is understood, the Transvual admits to be

easonable. He then says: Moreover, the presentation of the proposals in the note of Aug. 1 indiates that the government of the South African republic recognized that its

previous offers might with advantage be enlarged and the independence of the republic thereby in no way be im-Will Accept Franchise Proposals.

Great Britain is prepared to accept the franchise proposals of Aug. 18, provided a court of inquiry, whether joint or unilateral, shows scheme to be unencumbered by nuillnatitions. In that connection the Unitish government assumes that the new members of the Raad will be allowed to speak their own language and adds that the acceptance of those terms would at once remove the tension and "would, in all probability, render unnecessary any further inter vention of her majesty's government to obtain redeers for grievances which the Ultianders thomselves would be able to bring to the actico of the executive council and Volksrand. Her malesty's government is increasingly impressed with the danger of further delay in relieving the strain which has already caused so much injury to the interests of South Africa and it eirnestly presses for an immediate reply to the present preposal. If that is acceded to it will be ready to make immediate arrangements for a further union demands an eight hour work day conference between the president and at 35 cents an hour, time and a half the high commissioner to settle all details of the proposed tribunal of arbitratics and the questions referred to in my note of Aug. 20, which are neither Princier grievances nor questions of the interpretation of the convention, the journeymen's association last night but which might be readily settled by 140 painters joined the union and to- friendly communication between representatives of the two governments. If, however, as it most auxiously hopes thousand journeymen painters in the will not be the case, the reply of the Transvant should be negative or conclusive. I am to state that her mai-

and formulate its own proposals for a final settlement."

Share in Flection. The exact franchise proposals which Mr. Chamberlain says Great Britain is still prepared to accept with the court St. Paul. Sept. II.—Archbishop Ireland of inquiry provise, are five years' today, asked for his opinion on the meeting to protest against the verdlet of the lection of the president and equal eights and increased representation for the gold fields to the extent of eight new seats. The concessions were presented by President Kruger Aug. 15.

> The report that the Rand Irishmen have formed a corps to help President Kruger is confirmed, and it is said at Cape Town that a cable message has been received there from New York saying that ten thousand Irishmen there are ready to help the Transvaul.
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> The Orange Free State burghers are reported to be hitterly divided over the merits of the controversy and their

> probable course in case of war, Pretoria, Sept. 13.—President Kruge and the executive council met here this evening to consider the reply to be made to the British secretary of state for the colonies. Mr. Chamberlain, They are still conferring by telegraph with the trunge Pres State.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Sept. 12,—Arrived; Trave, Bremen and Southampton; Bremen, Bre-men, etc. Salled: New York, South-ampton; Westereland, Antwerp; Germanic, Liverpool, Cleared: Friedo Der Grosse, Bremen via Southam Lizard-Passed: Werkendam, New York for Rotterdam. Liverpool-Sailed: Cutic, New York. Southampton-Saale, Bremen for New York, Arrived: St. Paul, New

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Sept. 13.-Porecast for Thursday: For eastern Penn-sylvania, fair; continued cool Thursday and Friday; winds most-

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