TWO CENTS.

JR. O. U. A. M. HAS A VERY BUSY DAY

Reports of Officers Re- Main street, Pittston, on the night of ceived and Elections Conducted.

IT WAS A DRAWN BATTLE

Tie Vote for One National Council Representative and a Close Vote on the Other-Antis Elect One of Their Men, but Philadelphia Is Selected as the Place for the Next Convention. Wobensmith Defeats His Fellow Philadelphian by a Small Margin Reports of Officers Contain Many Interesting Facts-Convention Is Expected to Come to a Close This Afternoon.

HE delegates to the Junior Order United American Mechanics' convention out in a busy day yesterday and as a result much was accomplished. The most important business transacted was the eletion of officers and the selection of Philadelphia for next year's convention. Charles S. Crall was elected state councillor; Z. T. Wobensmith, vicecouncillor, and John W. Calver, treasurer. Dr. S. D. Woods was chosen as representative to the national council from the western district, but no choice has yet been made in the Eastern dis-

The various state officers and committees submitted their reports and the convention voted to assess each memher nine cents for general state expenses. The finance committee's recemmendation to pay fifteen cents per capita to the national council was voted down, and the legislative appropriation was reduced from \$700 to \$109. The local reception committee escorted the delegates over the city last night on a trolley ride, and the visitors were impressed with the sights. It is expected that the business of convention will be finished today. It will close up this evening with me-

morial services at the High school and

Morning Session.

a picule at Laurel Hill park.

THE delegates put in a long day yesterday in convention and when they adjourned after c'eloek, there remained a vote to be counted on the selection of a representative to the national council from the middle district. The morning hours were devoted to the reports of officers and committees, which were approved with but little discussion. Brief reviews are here presented, with the exception of the secretary and treasurer's reports, which are given in full. The reports are as follows:

State Councillor's Report. George B. Bowers, the retiring state

councillor, in his annual report says: "At last the end of my official year as state councillor has come. The sousion at Scranton, like a golden c'asp, will bind together the volume of the year. How much of pleasure and satisfaction, as well as of regret and disappointment does that volume contain.

When I first came on the board of officers. I determined to discourage the institution of new councils, which promised to be weaklings, and to d'e out in a few years; and determined to bend my energies to strengthening and building up the councils already in existence. When I advanced to the office of state councillor, through tan kindly consideration of the brethren nt New Castle, I determined to work toward a defininte object-100,000 members in the keystone state at the end of my term as state councillor. I was well aware that it was phys! ally impossible for me to visit personally every council in the state, even if such a visit could arouse the members to neveased enthusiasm and work. I determined, therefore, to use the mails, and if possible keen informal on the encourage them in their efforts for in-

"I hope the present session will restore the deputies, and will make such ample appropriation as will make the coming board of officers to push the work for increase in membership more vigorously, as I believe the time is still for great gains.

"I have been under obligations to many of the brethren for kindnesses gliown and assistance rendered me, and desire to express my sincere thanks the Board of Officers and to Bros. becmer and Ford, who have co-operof with me, and materially light

d my arduous labors. have sought to practice economy Wanding with the spirit of the New le session, and while my report of futions may show fewer visits to als councils, it will disclose my polto wit: That of reaching the greatnumber of councils with the fewest is and necessarily the least expense the state council.

State Vice-Councillor.

naries S. Crall, state vice-council submitted his annual report bich was a review of the work ne by him during the year. He grested the advisability of re-enacton the law providing for leputy state onneillors, and recommended, in case are re-instated, that they be rejuired to report to the member of the mard of officers of their respective districts at least once in every three months, as to the condition and progrees, as to membership only of each

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ANOTHER MURDER TRIAL.

Luzerne County Criminal Court Begins Its Second Case.

Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 20.-Another nurder trial was begun before Judge Lynch at II, o'clock when Charles Varerson, of Pittston, was called to an swer the charge of murder in shooting and killing Willet Pulver. Chief Loftus, of Pittston, is the prosecutor. The crime was committed in an alley off July 10. Pulver who was drunk, was going to fight with a man named Lew is. Vargerson came along, it is alleged. and took part in the quarrel, said Pulver was too big for Lewis. Pulver struck him. Then, it is alleged. the former pulled a revolver and fired three shots at his victim, one taking effect. Pulver died three days later, from the wound.

Vargerson is a single man, about 24 years old. Pulver was about 35, and left a wife and five children. defendant is represented by Attorney M. P. McAniff and E. H. Cooke, Assistant District Attorney M. J. Mulhall represents to commonwealth The greater part of the afternoon was alten up in the choosing of a jury.

MORE TROUBLE

IN VENEZUELA

Four Thousand Insurgents Principally in Vicinity of Valencia Occupied Puerto Cabello-Commander Hemphill's Dispatch.

Washington, Sept. 30.-The following ablegram has been received at the navy department from Commander Hemphill, of the United States cruiser Detroit. A few words are missing: "La Guayara, Venzuela, Sept. 20.

Secretary of the Navy: "About 3,000 men (insurgents) now principally in the vicinity of Valencia. recently occupied Puerto Cabello, un-

opposed: later evacuated position. The

Venezuelean forces took possession . * * principal American interests Red D line. Red D lines' steamer Icaves today from La Guayara for Puerto. Cabello, fear possible injury in the of fight * * * With the advice of American charge d'affaires I shall proceed at once to Puerto Cabello. Venezuela, to protect American interests. I shall return * * * I have arranged to keep in communication with minister, (Signed)

"Hemphill."

ARE AFTER ROBERTS. Ladies of Wilkes-Barre Petition

Congress for His Expulsion. Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 20,-A number of prominent ladies of the city have arrayed themselves in opposition to the eating of Congressman B. H. Roberts, of Utab, and are circulating petitions throughout the city praying Congressman-elect Davenport to vote to expel Roberts,

In addition to the petition, the ladies are distributing pamphlets which present twenty-two reasons why Roberts should not be sented. Chief among them is the fact that he is an avowed polygamist, having at least three wives, all of whom he married since the passage of the Edmunds Anti-Polygamy law of 1882.

The movement on the part of the Wilkes-Barre ladies, is part of a concertrated movement throughout the entire United States.

WANTS \$15,000 DAMAGES.

Suit Brought by Mrs. Leippe Against Erie Railroad Company.

Honesdale. Sept. 20.-Mrs. Leippe, by her attorneys, C. A. Mc-Carty and F. P. Kimble, has entered suit against the Erie Railroad company for \$15,000 damages for the loss

her husband. William Leippe was a brakeman on the Delaware division. A few months ago he was killed by being thrown from a moving train near Lordville by

an obsolete brake.

Celebrating Paoli Massacre. West Chester, Pa., Sept. 20.-Although omewhat marred by the unpropitious weather the celebration of the one hun-dred and twenty-second anniversary of the massacre of American soldiers at Pacif today, attracted many citizens progress of each council, and asses and the and some from Philadelphia. The programme included several patriotic ad-dresses and music by the Phoenixville military band.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Sept. 29.—Cleared: Bremen, bremen via Southampton, Fuerst Big-iarck, Hamburg via Cherbourg and southampton. Southampton—Sailed Lahn, from Bremen, New York. Brow-head-Passed: Germanic, New York. New York. Queenstown-Arrived: Germanic, New York for Liverpool and proceeded; Servia, New York, Southampton-Arrived: New York, New York.

Governor's Appointments.

Harrisburg, Sept. 20-Governor Stone to-ay made the following scholarship appointments: In the veterinary de ient, University of Pennsylvania, H. Vise, of Kife: Joseph Fullmer, B ond: B. Tillghman Woodward, of Philadelphia. Industrial Art school, Philadel pria: Miss Evelyn Gladys Straughn, o Philadelphia; Raiph W. Eby, of Belle-

Introduced to the President.

Washington, Sept. 20.-A delegation of rominent citizens of West Chester, Pa. were introduced to the president today by Representative Butler, of Pennsylvania. They invited him and subsequently inited a!! the members of the cabinet to itend the centernial celebration of the accorporation of the city of West Cheser. November 11-13.

Dalton's Chief of Police Shot. Atlanta, Sept. 24.-John T. Hanna, chief of police, of Dalton, Ga., was shot and killed today by three moonshiners whom he was trying to arrest. A posse of 125 men was organized and have started in

CAPTAIN DREYFUS RELEASED AT LAST

LEFT RENNES YESTERDAY FOR NANTES.

His Departure Unnoticed-Doors of Jail Thrown Open at 3 a. m .- The Pardoned Man Went to Vern and Boarded a Train There.

Rennes, France, Sept. 20.-Ex-Captain Alfred Dreyfus left the prison in which he had been confined since his return from the Isle du Diable at 3 o'clock this morning and proceeded to Vern, where he took a train bound for Nantes. His departure was

completely unnoticed. Vigule, the chief of the secret service, and the prefect, M. Dureault, arrived at the prison after midnight, bringing the minister of war's order for the transfer of Dreyfus. The latter walked from the prison to the Boulevard Lacane, where he entered a waiting carriage and was driven to the Vern station, outside the town Mathieu Dreyfus met him at the train and

ecompanied him to Nantes. While that dramatic turn in the Dreyfus drama was taking place all Remnes slept and the departure of the famous prisoner of Devil's Island was more noticed than that of an ordinary traveller,

The carriage which was in waiting was the same vehicle which took Drayfus to his prison when he returned from Devil's Island. Dreyfus entered opposite the house where Maitre Labori stayed previous to the shooting. and alighted from it about 500 yards from the station, to which he walked in the drizzling rain. The Nantes train came in just as he arrived. With his brother, Mathieu, he seated himself quickly and the train went out of Rennes, bearing Dreyfus away, a free

A small crowd of persons had waited round the prison until midnight, expecting the release of Dreyfus, but it then dispersed, believing that it was too late for Dreyfus to leave.

Mme. Dreyfus left Rennes at noon, accompanied by her father and friends. Nantes, Sept. 20.-Dreyfus arrived here this morning from Rennes, as companied by his brother Mathieu Dreyfus; the chief of the secret police M. Viguir and one policeman. The train reached the station at 8:17 a. m. The party awaited and boarded the Bordeaux train which left at 8:58, M. Vignir and the policeman only went as far as the station, Vertou, whence they returned to Nantes and boarded a train at noon for Paris, leaving the brothers to continue their journey alone. It is believed the Dreyfuses alighted at an intermediate station to take a fresh start in an unknown direc

Declaration From Dreyfus.

Paris, Sept. 20 .- The Aurore will tomorrow publish the following declara former Cantain Drevfus: The government of the republic has given me my liberty. But liberty is othing to me without honor. From today I shall continue to seek reparation for the frightful judicial error of

which I remain the victim "I wish France to know by a definite judgment that I am innecent. My neart will only be at rest when there imputes to me the abominable crime perpetrated by another.

(Signed) ALFRED DREFUS."

M. GUERIN DERIDED. Paris Disgusted with the Conspira-

tor for His Meek Surrender. Paris, Sept. 20.-The streets adjoining the Rue de Chabrol, when the demonstration was made that resulted in the surrender of M. Guerin early this morning, resembled the yard of a cavalry parracks. One narrow lane was filled by a detachment of municipal horse guards, the horses packed closely side by side from one end of it to the other, Carbines were slung from the saddles, while the troopers stood at the heads of the horses holding the bridles. The Paris municipal guards can be classed with the best cavalry in the world. They are fine men, with magnificent steeds. Looking up the street, a fantastic vista was presented. The yellowish flame of the gas lamps attached to the walls of the houses was just strong enough to show up the long, unequal line of polished brass helmets and the outlines of the shifting forms of the troopers, as, tired with the long wait, they moved from side to side, The imposing force of cavalry was intended to cope with any movement of the mob to interfere with the police arrangements or attempt to rescue M. Guerin At 3 a. m., M. Guerin appeared at a

window and asked an hour's respite to make up his mind, saying that would surrender at that hour if his friends were not arrested. At 4 o'clock a captain of the guards rapped at the door. M. Guerin was the last to leave the house. The police had a dozen open cabs ready for the reception of the conspirators. They were drived rapidly away by the least crowded appreach to the Rue Chabrel. Not a cry was raised, and there was no demonstration. M. Guerin was taken to the central depot, in the Palais de Justice which is on the He de la Cita, in the centre of the Seine. Then the weary troops marched off, the cavalrymen trotted away and the firemen followed in wagons, with their engines and fire escapes. Soon only a small detachment of municipal foot guards and a cordon of policemen enveloped in hooded cloaks remained in the immediate

vicinity of the fort. The majority of the crowd were at the opposite end of the street from which M. Guerin and his companions were driven, and the first Intimation it had that Fort Chabrol had surrendered was the withdrawal of the troops and guards. When the fact was realized the exciamation was heard on all sides: "Why, they have surrend-ered like sheep! What a flasco" and the crowd, cheated out of the anticipated storming of the fort by fire and water, dispersed laughing at the expense of the government, which had taken six weeks to accomplish what, with a little determination, might have

ment was made on the chicken-hearted conduct of M. Guerin and his garrison who, the crowd had fendly hoped would make a spirited resistance.

THE INDICTMENT CHANGED.

Clarence Bates Released on One

Charge, But Re-arrested. Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 20.-Before Judge Lynch this morning the case of Clarnce Bates, who was charged with manslaughter in shooting and killing a young boy named Lewis during a pigeon shoot on the Heights a weeks ago, was placed on trial. After the Jury was called Assistant District Attorney Mulhall stated that the prisner was indicted for manslaughter which in contemplation of law means oluntary manslaughter, a felonious killing without malice, but that the facts ascertained by the prosecutor ould raise the offence no higher than involuntary manslaughter, which is a misdemeanor. He therefore was satisfied that a verdict of not guilty should be rendered. This was done at the request of the defendant's counsel.

Mr. Bates was then re-arrested on a arrant issued by Mayor Nichols on charge of involuntary manslaughter. He was at once given a hearing before the mayor and held in \$300 bail for his appearance at court.

ANTI-TRUST CONFERENCE.

Governor Stephens Creates a Sensation-He Denounces the National Administration and the War Policy Declaring That Trusts and Imperalism Go Hand in Hand.

St. Louis, Sept. 20.—Promptly at 11 clock Attorney General Crow. of Missouri, called to order in the Planters' hotel the anti-trust conference originated by Governor Sayers, of Texas, Mr. Crow made a short address welcoming those present to Missourk

Governor Stephens, of Missouri, nominated Governor Sayers, of Texas, as permanent chairman and he was unanmously chosen. Governor Sayers was greeted with hearty applause when he assumed the chair. He read a some what lengthy address setting forth his views on the question of trusts which was frequently applauded. "No motive prompted my action in suggesting this conference other than the desire to induce, if possible, concert of action among such governors and attorney generals of all the states that might aid in an effort to suppress an evil which has become gigantic in proportions, and which, in the opinion of a very large number of good and patriotic citizens of the republic threatens the most serious and disastrous consequences to the country.

It is true that in some sections money is plentiful, trade active, speculation rife and that certain products have largely and rapidly increased in selling value. This property, however, is born, in a great measure, of war and is largely attributable to the enormous now being made by the general government for special purposes and in particular localities, and so long as war shall continue this unusual activlty will be maintained. Considering the situation conservatively, impartially and with the assistance of an intelligent experience it cannot be reaonably expected that the present prosemains not a single Frenchman who perity will long survive the settlement of our foreign difficulties and the restoration of peace.

Grave Warnings

"Next to the war itself and to the neldents directly connected with ft the vonderful revolution has occurred in business life is calculated to arouse the gravest anxiety in all thoughtful minds. For the past quarter of a century we have heard much of trust formation and notes of alarm have been sounded again and again, to warn the people of the danger that threatened them in that direction. But during the past two years that which was previously but a shadow on the horizon has become a dark and portentous cloud, and on every side and from every quarter are heard warnings of imminent danger that should no longer pass unheeded. Every combination and association of any magnitude in this country under the name or a guise of a trust almost without exception owes its existence to a governmental grant of privilege, exemption and power. The fact that the trust almost universally owes its very life to the creative power of public authority, makes it imperative duty of government to protect the people against any abuse or misuse of its opposition to the detriment of the general welfare. This, in my opinion, is complete answer to any objections that might be urged against governmental interference to restrain and, if need be, to entirely destroy the trust power whenever it shall become hurtful or perilous. There must be cooperation between both governments. general and tocal, working earnestly and sincerely within its sphere."

In the speaker's opinion both governments may be rightfully held responsible for the exercise of the trust, and the subject was indisputably within the domain of federal legislation. Governor Stephens followed Governor Sayers in an address in which he told of what had been done in Missouri to fight the trusts.

Stephens Sensation

Governor Stephens then caused somewhat of a sensation among the Ropublican state officials present by denouncing the national administration and the war policy, and declaring that trusts and imperialism go hand in hand. It is hinted strongly that the Republicans attending the conference may return home as the result of this partisan outbreak and leave the Democrats to continue the conference alone

Internal Revenue Receipts.

Washington, Sept. 20.—The monthly statement of the collections of internal revenue shows that for the month of Au-gust the receipts from all sources amounted to \$24,420,980, an increa with August last year of \$1,949,402.

Vacation for President Diaz. City of Mexico, Sept. 20,-The senate and chamber of deputies in joint session today by an unanimous vote granted President Diaz twenty-one days leave of been done the first day. Sarcastic com- absence to visit Chicago.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME OF THE RECEPTION TO ADMIRAL DEWEY

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—The official programme for the three days of the Dewey reception is as follows, the breakfast on the third day being the only thing liable to change:

Thursday, September 28.

t P.M.—North Atlantic squadron will sail up from the Lower Bay and anchor off Tompkinsville in the following order: Armored cruiser New York, Rear Admiral Sampson's flagship, Captain Chadwick com-munding; armored cruiser Brooklyn, Captain Jewell; battleship Indi-ana, Captain Taylor; battleship Massachusetts, Captain Train; second-York. class battleship Texas, Captain Sigsbee; wooden cruiser Lancaster, Captain Thomas; torpedo boats Morris, Portar, Winslow, Dupont and Stilletto, and gunboat Marietta.

2 P. M.—Admiral Dewey on the Olympia will follow the squadron up he bay, and passing the fleet will take his place in the van. 4 P. M.—Rear Aumiral Sampson, with his staff, will visit the Olym-

pia and greet the admiral. 5 P. M.—Mayor Van Wyck and members of the municipal committee will call on Admirst Dewey and welcome him home.
5 P. M.—The entire Staten Island and Jersey coast as far as Senbright, and Long Island as far as Rockaway will be illuminated.

Friday, September 29.

12 M.-Naval parade starts up North River from government anchorage off Tompkinsville. The Olympia will be in the lead, followed by the squadron, presenting the same line of formation as taken at the unchorage. The Sandy Hook, bearing the mayor and official guests of the citizens' committee, will steam abreast of the Olympia. The Glen Island, the Gen. Slocum, the Mount Hope, the Sam Sloan and the Mattewan, carrying the committees and city officials, will follow the Sandy Hook, and be the only other vessels outside the lines. The merchant marine and the yacht flotilla will follow the warships. J. Plerpont Morgan's yacht Corsair and city Thomas Lipton's yacht Erin will lead the yacht squadron.
4 P. M.-Salutes will be fired from Grant's tomb, and responded to by

the Olympia, which will come to anchor in midstream off the tomb.

The remainder of the procession will pass the Olympia in review, and then countersail. Headed by the New York the line will remain unbroken until it passes the Battery.

8 P. M.—The freworks display on land will be from these points:
Mount Morris park, Fifty-minth street and Fifth avenue, Union Square.

city hall, intersection of Southern Boulevard and Convourse, Soldiers' and Sailors' monument, Brooklyn; Brooklyn city hall, county court house, Long Island City; Barron Hill, Staten Island, On the water, four lighters will start at the same hour, from off Grant's temb down the North river, and from Ward's Island down the East river. Fireworks will be displayed all the way down to the Battery, where ten other lighters will be in waiting and the pyrotechnical display continued. From Brooklyn bridge and the yacht Erin there will be electrical displays of unique and original design.

Saturday, September 30.

8.39 A. M.-Admiral Dewey, accompanied by an escort of cavalry, will be driven to City Hall park.

3 A. M.—Mayor Van Wyck will present to Admiral Dewey a loving up on behalf of the city of New York.

cup on behalf of the city of New York.

10.50 A. M.—Admiral Dewey, accompanied by the mayor and committee and invited guests to the number of 350, will be driven to Ciaremont, where breakfast will be served on the lawn at 11.30 a. m.

1. P. M.—Land parade will start with Admiral Dewey, Mayor Van 1. P. M.—Land parade will start with Admiral Dewey, Mayor Van Wyck, the committee and the visiting guests in carriages, under a cayalry escort in the lead. The order of line of march will be: I. United States navy; 2. United States army; 3. New York state national guard; 4. national guard of other states; 5. other uniformed bodies. The line of march will be: Down Riverside to Seventy-second street, to Broadway to Fifty-ninth street, to Fifth avenue, to Twenty-third street, to Fourteenth street, to Washington Square. Admiral Dewey, with the mayor and committees and visitors, will leave the procession at Twenty-third street and review the line of march. 8.30 P. M .- Smoker at the Waldorf-Astoria for the sailors of the

CHURCH PROPERTY DESTROYED AT MANILA It Will Contain Newspaper Clippings

Our Soldiers in the Philippines Ac-

Washington, Sept. 20.-Cardinal Gibbons had half an hour's conference with the president today. Further than to the situation in the Philippines, Cardinal Gibbons declined to make a statement regarding the conference. It is known that the cardinal came by appointment. A few of the Catholic clergy have been very much exercised by the eports of the desecration of church property in the Philippines by our soldiers and it is presumed that this, together with other subjects relating to the Catholic church in the Philippines,

were discussed. New York, Sept. 20.-The following officers were elected today by the National Union of Catholic Young Men's societies in convention at Newark, N. : President, Dr. S. H. Wall, of New York; first vice-president, Rev. D. M. Rogan, Rahway, N. J.; second vicepresident, J. M. Higgins, Richmond, Va.; secretary and treasurer, E. P. Gallagher, Philadelphia. The convention next year will be held in Brooklyn. Rev. Father Chidwick, formerly chaplain of the Maine, delivered an address on the progress of the last quarter of century, and John J. Ferrick, of

Philadelphia, read a paper on the "Church of the Twentieth Century." Resolutions were adopted reciting the umors that Catholic churches in the Philippines have been desecrated and despoiled of sacred vessels and vestnents by soldiers of the United States. calling upon the president of the United States, "having every confidence in his fair-mindedness, justice and respect for all religions," for a thorough investigation as to the truth or falsity of the rumors, and if found true, asking for the punishment of those guilty or responsible for the outrages.

Killed by a Train.

Halifax, Pa., Sept. 20.-A passenger rain on the Northern Central railway ruck and killed Lucy and Mattie Ra ford, aged 11 and 12 respectively, a few miles east of this place this afternoon. The children, in company with the nother, were walking on the track and on account of a passing freight train failed a hear the whistle of the engine in their ear. Their home is in South Carolina.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, Sept. 20.—Pensions; Restoration and increase—Jeremiah C. Reynolds, Scranton, \$8 to \$17. Increase—Thomas L. Norton, Clark's Summit, Lackawanna, \$8 to \$8.

Warehouse Burned. Philadelphia, Sept. 20 .- The one story warehouse attached to Peter Woll & Sons curled hair factory, was destroyed by

60; full covered by insurance Price of Iron Advanced.

ire of unknown origin today. Loss, \$25,

Pittsburg, Sept. 20.—The Association of from and Steel Sheet Manufacturers to-lay advanced the price of sheets from El 10 to \$3.25 a ton to take effect at once.

Yellow Fever at Key West. Key West, Sept. 20 .- During the pastwenty-four hours a new cases of yellow fever were reported but no deaths. Total ares to date, 435; deaths, 17,

Autumn Arbor Day. Harrisburg, Sept. 20.-Governor Stone ed a proclamation today designating October 20 at autumn Arbor day.

BIG BOOK FOR DEWEY.

Eulogistic of Him. New York, Sept. 29.-At least one

unique gift is in store for Admira! cused of Serious Acts of Vandal- Dewey when he reaches town. It is the biggest book that has ever beer made. Its weight is in the neighbor good of 350 pounds, and when it is open it is just 5 feet 2 inches wide The book is composed of clipping ut from every newspaper in the coun-

ry, and every one of them refers to Admiral Dewey and the war with Spain. There are 400 pages, and on ome of the pages as many as seventyeight clippings are pasted. In all the book contains 10,200 clippings, and couple of hundred more may be added before the presentation takes place. The clippings were selected by Frank A. Burrelle of 32 Park Rew, an expert in uch work, and he has had charge o the other details.

The size of each page is 22 by 26 inches. Including the covers, the book is eleven and a half inches thick. This has been covered with seal leather The largest single hide of seal th ever came into this country was us in the binding.

NEWHART MURDEN CASE.

The Prisoner Spoils His Defense by An Unlikely Story.

Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 20.—The case of Frank Newhart, of Edwardsville, charged with the murder of his wife, came to a speedy end today. A remarkable feature of the trial was the unlikely story of the prisoner who wrecked his own defense and made his counsel helpless by saying his wife's killing was an accident, after his attorneys had prepared a case of self-defense. The case was closed at noon and a speedy verdict is expected.

Dreyfus Coming to America?

London, Sept. 21.—The Times published the following disputch from Liverpool A quantity of luggage has arrived here from Hayre and Folkestone, addressed to Madame Dreyfus, and rooms have also been taken at a local hotel. The lugurage is marked for New York, and it is sunposed that Dreyfus is going to America.

Gentry Won the Race.

Oklahoma City, O. T., Sept. 20.-John R. Gentry won the race with Joe Patchen here today in two straight heats. Time, 200 and 207. The pacers were handle capped, the half-mile track being an incapped, the half-mile track being an in-ferior affair. A crowd of 3,000 persons ing he was at the bettom.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

FAIR, COOLER.

General-The Transvaal Situation. Dreyfus Set at Liberty. Sensation at the Trust Conference Proceedings of the Jr. O. U. A. M. Cun

News. Pinancial and Commercial Local-Court Proceedings. Jr. O. U. A. M. Convention (Concluded)

General - Northeastern Pennsylvania

Editorial. Local-Weddings of a Day. An Opinion by Solicitor Vosburg. Local-West Scranton and Suburban.

Local-Report of the Grand Jury.

Whitney's Weekly News Budget.

Round About the County.

ENGLAND IS VERY CALM

Work of Preparing for Conflict Goes on Day and Night.

IS NOT NOW NAPPING

Royal Arsenal and Dock Yards Straining Every Nerve to Equip and Transport Troops to the Cape. Activity at Woolwich Increases. Newspaper Despatches Say Burghers Are Determined to Have War. Awaiting Only Two Days' Rain on the Veldt to Begin Hostilities.

London, Sept. 20 .- Despite all outward show of calm Great Britain is in practically the same position today as was the United States a few weeks before the opening of the war with

Beneath the crifst of diplomatic reserve the military officials are working night and day, preparing for the signal to begin hostilities whether

England is not going to be caught papping any more tean the Transvaal, While Lerd Sallsbury is quietly at home in Hatfield house, Mr. Chamberlain is rushing work at the colonial offices and couble forces at the royal arsenal and dock yards are straining every nerve to equip and transport troops to the Capo.

It may be set down for certain that Great Pritain will do nothing to precipitate matters and the colonial office far from admitting that the case is henotess. The departure of the British transport Jolunga for the Mediterranean to-day with 1.100 troops was witnessed

by a large and enthusiastic crowd. At Woolwich activity increases daily, especially in the ordnance department where Maxim guns, Lyddite shells, baloon equipments, army wagons and other paraphernalia of modern warfare are being burried forward. Advices from Cape Town this evening are to the effect that the Afrikanders declare that the Transvaal will not yield further, and that if the imperial government does not recede from its present posi-

tion war is inevitable.

Boers are Warlike. Whether the Boers will be content to wait that length of time is doubtful. ontains a despatch from Pletermaritzburg, Natal, dated Sept. 19, in which

writer says: "I have never known the situation to be graver. The Boers await only two days' rain on the Veldt before beginning hostilities. They are determined on war, and consider they can expect nothing else after the last despatch, consequently they are prepared

to face the consequences. The correspondent then describes in detail the Boers' elaborate border preparations, which appear to be more thorough and formidable than it was believed they were. He says the Orange Free State officers at Pretoria have devised a combined plan of action which, he adds, includes seizing Majuba, Laing's Neck and Newcastle, Natal, the moment the ultimatum arrives,

STRUCK BY AN ENGINE.

Mrs. Jennie Roberts Has a Narow

Escape from Death. Witkes-Barre, Sept. 20.-Mrs. Jennia Roberts, aged 16 years, who resides at No. 11 Mill street, was struck by an engine on the Central railroad near Hazle street while walking along the track on her way to Gailand's factory, where she is employed, this morning, at 7.45 o'clock. She walked some distance after the accident, but soon became

unconscious: Later she was removed to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Benscoter, where she was attended by the company's physician, Dr. T. A. James, of Ashley, who found on examination that she had sustained several broken ribs.

FELL DOWN A SHAFT.

Fatal Accident at the Conyngham Shaft Yesterday Morning.

Wilkes-Barre Sept. 29. - Stanley Thomas, aged about 17 years, whose home is in Parsons and who was employed as a driver in the Conynghams mine of the Delaware and Hudson Coal company at North Wilkes-Barre, felt from a descending cage while being lowered to his work at 7.10 this morning and was instantly killed.

It is not known how the accident happened, but it is supposed he stepped from the carriage when still about

LUZERNE W. C. T. UNION.

The Fifteenth Annual Convention Opens Auspiciously at Ashley.

Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 20,-The fifteenth annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance union of Luzerna county opened in the First Methodist Episcopal church, Ashley, this morning at 9.30 o'clock, Mrs. Ruth K. Cool presiding. Various reports were read, showing the union to be in a flourishing condition. At noon dinner was served in the Sunday school rooms. In the evening the Beveridges gave a lecture and concert. The attendance was large and en-

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thusiastic.

Washington, Sept. 20.-Forecast for Thursday: For eastern Penn-sylvania, fair; cooler Thursday; Friday fair; fresh westerly winds.

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