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CRAIG FAMILY DIE IN WRECK

Four of the Six Victims of Catastrophe Were Scrantonians.

WORST FEARS REALIZED

Alexander Craig, Business Manager of The Scranton Tribune, His Wife and Two Daughters Were Killed Outright-Mrs. Dan. Roe, of Ith-Among the List of Twenty-seven Injured Appear the Names of Five from This City-Detailed Story of the Wreck and the Incidents Leading Up to and Following It.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Paterson, N. J., Nov. 30 .- As was established late this morning, the four, at first, unknown victims of the Lackawanna catastrophe, proved to be Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Craig and their two daughters, Esther, aged fifteen, and Jessie, aged eleven, of Scranton.

The identification was completed by une, of which Mr. Craig was business manager, and by Mrs. Andrew Quackenbush and her daughter, of 3 East if the seats could not be secured to Ninety-fourth street, New York, whose giving day.

were scarcely recognizable. Both were Mr. Craig stood up, and the position pinned in the wreck, head downward. In which his body was found would and in consequence their faces, in addi- | indicate this. tion to being bruised and lacerated. were swollen and discolored.

dence, there would be hesitancy in identifying Mrs. Craig. One of these | the Craigs ten minutes before the accicircumstances was that the dead wo- dent occurred. They escaped without man had on a plaid waist of an odd an injury. Your correspondent's inpattern, which she were Monday even- formant, the resident of Dover before ing last while on a visit to the home of L. S. Richard, editor of The Tribune. and as soon as it was shown Mr. Richard, this morning, he recognized it posi- badly broken. Its forward end plunged tively. Rings which she were were recognized by Mrs. Quackenbush, and her shoes bore the store mark of a Scranton firm that tallied with those on the shoes worn by the girls. A collar which she were bore a laundry mark similar to that on Mr. Craig's linen.

Marks of Identification.

The difficulty at first encountered in their identification was due to the fact that none of the family carried any papers excepting Mr. Craig and his coat was, wholly, and vest, partially, torn from his body. The only marks of identification remaining on his person were a Lackawanna mileage book and a medal awarded him some seven years ago by the New York World for distinguished public services. Whoever it was examined these did not use any great amount of care and both were, in consequence, incorrectly described. The word "Tribune" was noticed on the book and satisfied with a glanes, the examiner took it for granted it was the New York Tribune. The inscriperated from being carried in the pocket and a careless examination by one party made it out to be "Miller Craig." and another "Willard Craig."

It was not until the Scranton Trib une learned by long distance 'phone that there was no "Millard" or "Miller" Craig on the New York Tribune and had the Paterson Call furnish : minute description of the remains that the identification was made. Once on the right track the various circumstantial evidences were readily pieced together, and at daybreak there was hardly a doubt remaining but that the worst fears of the friends of the unfortunate family were realized.

When the remains were received at the morgue of Duffard & Vandervort, 271 Main street, some surprise was manifested on account of the fact that none of the family carried s watch. When the friends arrived and it was learned that Mr. and Mrs. Craig and one of the girls were each accustomed to carry a watch it was believed that vandals had been at work. Later, however, this impression was removed by the recovery of two of the watches. Mr. Craig's was picked up by a police officer and turned over to Chief of Police Graul. silver chatclaine watch, which was worn by the younger daughter was returned by Chief of the Fire Department John Gilmor. One of the firemen who assisted in taking the bodies from the wreck found it in his rubber boot when he was undressing to go to bed

James Craig, of 14 University place, New Haven, elder brother of the deceased, accompanied by the family physician, Dr. Willis Crowe, and Undertaker Maycock, of New Haven, arrived at 11 o'clock this morning and

took charge of the remains. They were removed to New Haven this afternoon and will be interred Sunday, in one grave, in the family burial plot. Hesides his brother, the deceased Mr. Craig has an aged mother and one sister surviving him in his immediate family. Mrs. Craig is survived by her widowed mother, Mrs. John S. Sanford, of 102 East Pearl street, New

A Devoted Family.

Haven. She was an only child,

A happier or more devoted family never lived than that of Mr. Craig. according to the statements of his acquaintances, and this in a measure was primarily responsible for the calamity which overtook them yesterday. It was their custom to ride in the best cars when travelling, owing in

some degree to Mrs. Craig's invalidity. Yesterday they were unable to secure accommodations for their whole party In any one of the chair cars, because aca, and Walter J. Wellbrock, a of the train being crowded upon reach-Cornell Student the Other Two. ing Scranton, and sooner than he separated for even a few hours they all accommodated themselves to the day coach on the end of the train. This car was new and its steam heating apparatus failed to work, rendering it so cold that many who took seats In it when it was attached to the train In Scranton deserted it at different points on the journey, preferring to be overcrowded and separated, one companion from another, to being chilled in the unheated car.

According to the statement of one of the, passengers in the rear car, who formerly lived in Scranton and is now employed in the Lackawanna shops at Dover, the Craigs remained in the last car until within about ten minutes' representatives of The Scranton Trib- ride of Paterson, when they were heard to discuss the advisability of looking for seats in the next car forward, and stand up for the remainder of the jourguests they were to be over Thanks- ney. They resolved upon going to the other car and did so, grouping together The features of Mr. and Mrs. Craig in the rear of the car. It is believed

Mr. and Mrs. John Ging, of Scranton, who were on their wedding tour, sat But for certain circumstantial evi- immediately in the rear of the sears in the last car that were deserted by helped rescue them referred through the window.

Their escape is due to the fact that the rear end of the last car was not into the car ahead and was crunched for more than half its distance in tele scoping the other.

Fatal Second Car.

The killed and badly injured were in the rear of the second last car. Lewis Friedman and Oscar Aronson, of Scranton, sat in about the fifth seat from the forward end of this car, Samuel Mendelssohn, of Wilkes-Barre, had an adjoining seat. Sterling S. Smith of Scranton, who is one of the most severely injured, sat in the last seat near the stove.

Aronson went home this afternoon on the 1.40 Lackawanna train. His right leg near the knee is slightly lacerated on the inner side. With the assistance of his brother-in-law, Rosenberg, of Scranton, he was able to walk from the carriage to the train.

Sterling S. broker, whose bravery and unselfishness made him for the nonce quite as much a hero as his famous uncle, General Joe Wheeler, suffered the loss of his left leg just below the knee, but not a murmur escaped his lips.

His white-haired mother, Mrs. Sterling Smith, of New York, was seated by his bedside when your correspondent called to see him at St. Joseph's hospital this morning. She was apparently quite as unperturbed as he, and the sisters and lay nurses of the hospital say he is the most unconcerned man that ever came into the hospital as a patient.

"We have had our share of trouble. Mrs. Smith remarked when the reporter commented on the patient's happy mien, "but we try to meet it philosophically. This is sad, very sad, but we must bear with it bravely, ch, Sterling?

"Right, mother," and reaching he thin hand on the white coverlet he gave it an approving squeeze, while just the faintest semblance of a tear moistened his cheek.

Smith's Cool Behavior.

It was only for an instant though that he gave way to his emotions. "Say, do you know," he broke in while I was pinned in the wreck. Most remarkable wasn't it. The excitement, suppose, or else my leg was pinned to tight it was benumbed. I was content to wait there any reasonable length of time, until I began to smell smoke, and thinking the wreckage had taken fire I telt a very strong desire to get away. I reached down, cur open my shoe with a jack-knife and with one strong pull released my leg. couldn't help but laugh to see it The newspapers evidently thought that was very funny. Well maybe it was, but to me it was an xpensive laugh, I can tell you. To: bad, yep, but if might have been my

you know," Mr. Smith's home is in Duluth, but is a Scrantonian just at present being connected with the broker house of Carrington & Cusack, who have the Connell building. 140 makes his headquarters at the Jermyn notel. He is 47 years of age and mar-

Charles Spittell, who is given in the ist of injured as a resident of Scranton, is an expressman whose home is in this city, but who recently accept employment in Scranton. shoulder was dislocated and his face cut, but after being treated at St. Jo-

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FOOT BALL GAMES OF YESTERDAY

Pennsylvania Runs Cornell Off Her Feet.

The Cornellian Team Never for a Moment in the Game-A Fine Day for Spectators, but a Trifle Warm for the Players-Lafayette Defeats Dickinson-Pretty Game at Lancaster-Carlisle Indians Victorious. Other Games of Interest.

Philadelphia, Nov. 50.—Pennsylvania an Cornell off her feet on Franklin Field this afternoon, defeating the Ithaca football team by the one-sided score of 29 to 0. That the red and blue would score a victory over the Corneilians was confidently expected by the Pennsylvania followers; but that they would be defeated by so decisive score was almost beyond the wildest hopes of the Pennsylvanians.

Cornell was lamentably weak, es pecially in the line. Only twice during the entire game did the Ithacans stop the Quakers' fierce rushes, and then only when the Pennsylvanians had almost made the necessary five yards When Cornell had possession of the ball she showed up just as weak in advancing as she did in trying to prevent Pennsylvania from carrying it. forward. The Cornellians did not earn a first down, her few attempts at end skirting being promptly nipped by the Quaker ends. Her attack on the Pennsylvania line was also very weak, it dom gaining a foot.

On the other hand the red and blue team played a superb game. The plays were gotten off rapidly and smoothly and Pennsylvania was seldom downed without gain. The men worked as a unit, and on the defense the team was a veritable stonewall. The Quakers gave a great exhibition in rushing and plunging, in fact the best that has ever been seen here. Wherever they attacked the Cornell line they made big holes in it and took the ball through for five, ten and fifteen yards at a time. With the exception at the end of second half Pennsylvania never tried to send a runner around Cornell's ends. The Quakers' terrific rushes told on the Cornell men and the game was considerably delayed by players being injured. Three of Cornell's nen were forced to leave the game, while Pennsylvania was intact throughout the

The Rushers.

Captain Hare, McCracken, Coombs and Teas were frequently used by Pennsylvania in her rushes, and all acquitted themselves well. Alexander was a stonewall in Cornell's line, but his colleagues were not equal to the task set by Pennsylvania. In the kicking line Pennsylvania had a little the better of it, but both teams suffered equally from fumbles, of which there were not many.

Fully 28,000 persons saw the contest The day was a beautiful one from a spectator's point of view, but a triffe warm for the players. There was a large contingent of Cornell rooters on the north stand, and they made a great deal of noise.

Pennsylvania made two touchdowns in the first half. The first score was made six minutes after the kick-off. Potter breaking through Cornell's line and running 35 yards for the touch-The second touchdown was made by straight line plunging from Pennsylvania's 25-yard line. Hare missed the goal.

The Quakers scored eighteen points in the second half on three touchdowns and three goals. Two of them were made by pegging away at Cornell's line and the third was made principally through Potter's running back sixty yards of Starbuck's kickoff.

Lafayette-Dickinson.

Easton, Nov. 39 .- Before about 4,000 persons, the largest crowd ever gathered on Lafayette field, the Dickinson college foot ball team was defeated this afternoon by the score of 36 to 0. The visitors noped to win, but the guards back system of the day was too much for them. Three times each half by using this play almost continually the Eastonians placed the ball behind the visitors goal line. Captain Bray, probably the best full back Lafayette has ever had, kicked all the goals. This was his last game. The flerceness of the play disabled half the Dickinson team. The teams lined up as follows:

Lafayette.	Dickinson.
Ely left	end
Chalmers left t	
Trout left gu	
Bachman ce	
Schmidt right	guard Decke
Wiedmeyer righ	t nekle Pediot
Brown right	endStanto
Mubley quarter	back Hahn (capt
Platt left hall	back Clippings
Knight right l	
Bray (capt) full	
	ale. Umpiro-Wil
iams, Yale. Liftes:	
Burns. Timekeeper	s-Long and Boyl
Touchdowns-Trout,	5; Bray, 1. Goals
Draw C	

Carlisle Indians Best Columbia.

New York, Nov. 30,-The foot ball eleven of Columbia was beaten by the Carlisle Indian team today by the score of 45 to 6. There were probably 10,000 people within the enclosure and fully as many more on the dead-head stands on the viaduet.

This was by long odds the severest beating Columbia has received this season. Their team lined up exactly as on the day they defeated Yale. The Indians were in prime physical

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GUESTS OF MISS GOULD. CAPTURE OF THE Two Thousand Children Feast Upon TOWN OF VIGAN

First Authentic Report of the Cap-

ture of Lieutenant Gilmore-The

Prisoners Condemned to Death

Were Saved Through the Efforts

of Aguinaldo-General MacArthur

Now in Bayambang, Preparing to

Manila, Dec. 1.-11.25 a, m.-When the

landing party from the United States

battleship Oregon, under Lieutenant

Commander McCracken, took the town

of Vigan, province of South Ilocos, last

Sunday, they found there an escaped

prisoner, A. L. Sonnenshein, who fur-

nished the first authentic account of

the experience of Lieutenant James C.

Gilmore, of the United States gunboat

Yorktown, who, with a party of the

Yorktown, was captured by the insur-

Luzon, last April, while making an ex-

amination of the mouth of the river in

Mr. Sonnenshein was imprisoned at

Abra for a long time with Lieutenant

Cilmore and seven sailors, but con-

trived to escape, carrying a concealed

note, written in navy cipher, dated Abra, Nov. 19, addressed "to any naval

"You may have perfect confidence in anything the bearer says." The note

According to Mr. Sonnenshein, when

Lieutenant Gilmore's launch entered

the river from Baler harbor, under

cover of Ensign W. H. Standley's gun,

the landing was received with three

volleys. Two of the Americans were

killed and two mortally wounded,

Every man was hit. Lieutenant Gil-

more received a flesh wound in the leg and his foot stuck fast in the mud. It

was a choice between surrender and

Lieutenant Gilmore asked the terms

of release. The insurgents proposed

that he should procure the delivery to

them of the arms and munitions of the

Spanish garrison. Undertaking, if this

were accomplished, to send the Span-

lards and Americans to the Yorktown.

A sailor of Lieutenant Gilmore's party

carried this proposition to the garri-

that it was an insult to Spanish arms

and expelled the sailor, a Spanish sol-

Led Out to Be Executed.

The Americans were then bound

hand and foot and taken to San Isidro.

plaza and, in the presence of a great

"As an American officer and gentle-

Aguinaldo interferred and prevented

the execution. When General Lawton

approached San Isidro last June the

Americans were removed to Abra,

where they were kept confined in cells

for two months. Subsequently they

were allowed greater liberty, but the

report that Lieutenant Gilmore was

given a house and servant is untrue.

He had the same quarters as the men

and the Americans were given the

same allowance as the Spanish pris-

oners-five cents a day with which to

buy rice and bananas, virtually the

General MacArthur is now in Bay-

amburg (or Bayamban), preparing to

sweep the country on both sides of the

Mantia-Dagupan rattroad. General

Wheaton is at San Fablan and General

The cordon from San Fabian to San

Isidro covers all the roads and occu-

American policy is to prevent any more

insurgenta escaping to the north and

force them toward the country west

Major Marsh, with a battalion of the

Thirty-third infantry, occupies Vigan.

naving made a forced march from San

Fabian. The remainder of the regi-

Hot on the Trail.

General Young with a handful of

cavalry and the Macabebes in Vigan

and Lieutenant Colonel Howe, with

four decimated companies of the Thir-

fagged, is struggling toward Vlgan

was within fifty miles of his destina-

There are 5,000 Spanish prisoners in

Abra privince, whose release through

the military operations is expected

soon. It is karned that Aguinaldo had

large amount of stores at Bayom-

ong, province of Nueva Vizcaya, which

ury in the so-called Filipino govern-

nese half-breed d'rector of railways

and postoffices, both of whom surren-

dered in Bahombong with their fam

flies and servants. Their goods filled

Aguinaldo's mother has arrived here

and has been given shelter by Senor

Legarde, a prominent Amigo, who was

outbreak, and who resigned when it

came. It seems that Buencanimo

which had offered Aguinaldo an asy

lum, intending to sell him to, th

half of Bueneanimo's guard and pro

Americans. The bandits assassi

arty took refuge in a bandit's village

retary of the treasury before the

hur's staff, brought here by

ment, and Mariana Lin Gap,

and

ty-fourth infantry barefooted

from Aliga. When last reported

pies all the towns on the line.

crowd, were aligned to be executed.

Lieutenant Gilmore said :

my hands tied

only rations.

Lawton at Tayug.

of the railroad.

enptured.

four cars.

ment is on the way,

dier firing upon him as he went.

Sweep the Country.

an armed boat.

officer," saying:

was signed "Gilmore."

being slaughtered.

Turkey. New York, Nov. 20 .- A number waifs of New York will long remember LANDING PARTY FROM THE OREGON IN SOUTH ILCCOS.

Thanksgiving day of this year because of the fact that they were invited to cat turkey at Woody Crest, the home for poor children near Irvington, N. Y., owned and supported by Miss Helen Gould.

This home is on the summit of Woody Crest mountain, about a mile east of Lyndhurst, the summer home of Miss Gould. Tweive of the fortunate children were formerly inmates of the hospital for crippled children in the metropolis. Later in the day Miss GAME ON FRANKLIN FIELD Gould, following her annual custom gave the poor people of the village of Irvington a turkey dinner at Woody Crest. At these dinners Miss Gould personally supervised arrangements for the feasts.

Another dinner in which society people are greatly interested was the festival of the Children's Aid society tonight, when the 2,000 boys and girls who inhabit the society's lodging houses were treated to what must have seemed to them a veritable banquet. Among those who are interested in this dinner are William Waldorf Astor. of London: W. Bayard Cutting and W. E. Roosevelt. Another dinner which attracted nearly as much attention and which was equally well attended and well appreciated, was the newsboys' dinner on Duane street.

Three thousand persons were well fed at the Catholic protectory. At the Five Points mission another thousand feasted, while at the Five Points house of industry fully 1,500 gathered around the Thanksgiving board. Seth Low. president of Columbia university, paid the inmates of the Montefore hon chronic invalids a visit and made a short address in connection with the celebration of the fifteenth anniversary of the institution.

STRIKE IS SETTLED.

The Nanticoke Miners Will Return to Work with the Sanction of the Officers of United Mine Workers.

Wilkes-Barre, Nov. 30.-The conference between the officials of the Susquehanna Coal company and a committee of the striking miners, which has been in session the past two days, ended tonight. A new wage scale was promulgated. It is satisfactory to both sides and will terminate the long strike. The strikers now await the sanction of the officers of the United Mine Workbefore returning to work. Organtzer Benjamin James, who is in Nanticoke, wants the ten firemen who left their posts during the strike reinstated in their old positions. The officials say they cannot overlook the action of the firemen, but as a compromise will give them other employment, it is likely that the point in dispute will be amic ably settled. In Nanticoke the strike is looked upon as settled, and the men will be back to work in a short time. The new wage scale is looked on as a victory for the company

coal are the same as the old scale, the men agreeing to furnish six inches of topping on each car at the breaker, The company to allow a check docking boss to be paid by the miners and a guage to measure topping

These two are new features. A few other minor concessions are granted the men. The four thousand strikers have been idle since Aug, 5, and it is estimated they have lost in wages \$462,000.

WILL STAND BY REESE.

United Mine Workers Will Spend \$30,000 for His Release.

Indianapolis, Nov. 30 .- National Organizer Christopher Evans, of the United Mine .corkers and Editor W. C. ott, of the United Mine Workers Journal, today declared that everything within the power of the national order will be done to free Ex cutive John P. Reese, who is now undergoing a three months' jail sentence at Fort Scott, Kansas.

"We have over \$30,000 in our national treasury," said Mr. Evans, "and no stone will be left unturned to take care of Reese. This organization since the first of the year has collected and distributed over \$300,000 to suffering miners and we do not propose to sit idle and let Reese suffer

One of the moves which probably will be made by President Mitched and attorneys engaged by the national order will be to have Reese's case taken to the United States circuit court at St. Louis. Habeas corpus proceedings may be instituted.

PECK INTERVIEWS PRESIDENT Commissioner General Will Soon

Leave for France. Washington, Nov. 20.-Ferdinand W. Peck, commissioner general to the Paris exposition, had a brief interview with President McKinley this afternoon. The teamer Prairie will leave Baltimore and Norfolk next week for France carrying the first shipment of the government exhibit and will return in January for an Rt. Hon. Daniel Tallon, the lord mayor of Dublin, was at the white house today sightseeing and left this afternoon for

New York en route home. BOXING EVENTS.

New York, Nov. 38.—George McFad-den made short work of Hobby Thomp-son, styled "The lightweight champlos of Canada," at the Greenwood Athletic club, Brooklyn, today. He knocked Thompson out in the third round of what was to have been a 20-round bout at 12

Detroit, Nov. 30.-Jim Popp, of To "champion lightweight of da," got the decision tonight after a ust and furious ten-round bout with New York, Nov. 30 -- Marty McCue and

posed to keep Aguinaldo's mother for Cain fought another E-round t the Hercules Athletic club, Brooklyn REVOLT IN VENEZUELA GROWS

Buffalo, Nov. 50 .- Jim Ferns, of Kansas Willemstead, Island of Curação, Nov. ity, knocked out Sammy Callahan, luffalo, in the first minute of the fir ound at the Hawthorne club tonight. via Haytien cable.-Truthworthy from Caracas, just received here Muncle, Ind., Nov. 20.-Peter Trainer hampion middle weight of Pennsylvania my that the revolutionary movement i Venezuela against General Castro, the president pro ten , headed by Genera vas to have knocked out George dsh, of New Jersey, and Frank Ryan, Union City, Ind., tonight each in Hernandez, is daily gaining ground, Reports have reached here of severe fighting between the government troops eight rounds to win a wager. In four rounds of fast fighting Trainer put Weish and the insurgents near Las Tejerias. to sleep and the police stopped further Telegraphic communication is inter-

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Tolay:

PARTLY CLOUDY.

General-Details of the Fatal Wreck at Paterson.

Authentic Report of Lieutenant Gil-

more's Capture. Bloody Battle at Modder River. Thanksgiving Day Foot Ball Games

General-Northeastern Pennsylvania. Villa Nova Defeats St. Thomas at Foot Ball.

Dunmore Doings.

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Chess and Checker Club Probable. 7 Local-Details of the Paterson Wreck

8 Local-West Scranton and Suburban

9 Round About the County. 10 Local-Live Industrial News.

SILVER REPUBLICANS PLAN CAMPAIGN gents near Baler, on the east coast of

Will Ally Themselves With and Make Use of the Anti-Imperialism

Chicago, Nov. 30 .- The silver Republicans in conference here Tuesday and Wednesday planned, it is announced, to ally themselves with and to make use of the anti-imperialism agitation, especially in castern states, where the silver issue does not attract. Co-operation with Edward Atkinson and foilowing will be sought, the purpose of the silver republicans is to gain, if possible, with this new issue, a foothold in eastern states, so that their party can more truly claim to be a national organization, and thus become more effective weapon for holding he democrats to Byran and 16 to 1 line. This is one reason why the silver republicans want to hold a big na-

tional convention of 2,000 or more delegates next year. Confirmation of this plan came today from Fred Du Bois, former senator from Idaho, and chairman of the silver republican executive committee. "There is no place for the Pepublican anti-imperiatism all New England to go except into our party," said Mr. Du Bois. "The assured composition of the United States senate for several years convinces them that The Spanish commandant replied silver legislation cannot be passed for many years yet. On anti-imperialism and kindred topics ther're one with us, I am satisfied they will come to us. I expect to see former Governor Boutwell, of Massachusetts; Edward Atkinson and men like them sitting as delegates in our convention. where General Luna ordered their excution. They were marched to the

"We have planned for a big convention of 2,000 or more. Our convention, if held at the same place and time as the democratic convention, will be a powerful stimulus against another conession by that party to the forces of to fear on this score, however. We are pretty well satisfied that the Democrats will re-affirm the platform of '90 and renominate Mr. Bryan. That will be enough. If, however, they should seek to evade or subordinate the silver issue, we'll not be their allies. In such case we will do what many silver Republicans wanted to do in '96-establish a separate organization and nominate a separate ticket."

ANOTHER "DROKERAGE" CLOSED A Washington Get-Rich-Quick Concern Deserted by Its Head.

Washington, Nov. 30.-The investment concern of C. Herbert & Co., Ninth and Pennsylvania avenue closed. Charles Herbert, the head of the establishment, who operated as a stock broker here for months, departed in a coupe Monday evening. His business was conducted entirely by mail. Circulars explaining the details and offering enormous profits were part of his system. Twenty per cent, profit per month was the firm's promise, and Herbert is said to have hamiled many thousands of dollars during his career here. Last week Herbert told his confidential clerk that he lost heavily on the New York Stock Exchange and he had decided to close. His patrons were advised of this step by mail. Many books and papers were destroyed. Herbert's losses are estimated at \$20,000 by his employers and his debts are said to be even larger. Thousands of dollars came through the mails to Herbert, and now the postoffice inspectors are investigating. They have not yet located

Miss Fanny Perty, who was his confidential secretary, says she does not know where he is. It is said that a New York man is involved in the fortunes of the firm. OVERCOAT AIDS DEATH.

General Lawton's troops have probably Weighted Down Man Who Fell Into Major Johnston, of General MacAr-Lehigh County Mill Race. Allentown, Nov. 30.-The dead body train. Churibian secretary of the treas-

of Joseph George was found today in mill race near his home at Pleasant Corner, in the upper end of the coun-He drowned in three feet of water. wore a heavy overcoat, which weighed him down after it became saturated with water That he made a desperate attempt

to get out of the water was shown by the finger marks on the bank. George, who was a farmer, yesterday took a load of potatoes to Statington and disposed of them. He started home on foot, and it is believed that he fell over the railing of the bridge.

Robbers Take Silverware.

Lancaster, Nov. 30.—Robbers broke into the home of I. W. Leidigh, vice presi-dent of the People's bank, this afternoon while the family were absent to dinner and stole a large quantity of eliverware, considerable sum of mency and a valu ble scalskin sack. Entrance was gained o a second-story window by means of

Fire in St. Paul.

St. Paul. Nov. 30 .- Pire broke out late onight in the big wholesale grocery establishment of Griggs, Cooper & Co., on East Third street, in the heart of the wholesale district. The building seems The firm carried a stock worth 4 at least \$500,000; well insured.

MORE HARD **FIGHTING**

The English and Boers Meet at Modder River.

GEN. METHUEN WOUNDED

One of the Bloodiest Engagements of the South African War-The Armies of Equal Strength, but the Position of the Boers Was Far More Advantageous - Lord Methuen's Indian Tactics of Muck Value in the Work of Storming the Boers' Strongholds.

London, Nov. 30 .- It is officially announced that General Methuen was among these wounded at the battle of Modder river.

General Methuen, it developed later, was slightly wounded by a bullet which inflicted a flesh wound in the thigh. Lieutenant Long, of the Second Yorkshires, is another officer killed. following officers were

Grenadiers: Ellis and Hill, Guards; Flint, Lancashires; Majors Earle and Ottley and Lleutenant Fox, Second Yorkshires; Lieutenants Baker, Carr and Neilson, Arzyll Highlanders. London, Nov. 20 .- The war office has

wounded: Captain Von Hugel, en-

gineer: Lieutenant Traverse, Third

received from the general commanding at Cape Town the following:

"Received from Modder river, Nov. 30: Killed-Staff Colonel H. P. Northcott, Second Coldstreams; Lieutenant Colonel H. R. Stopford. Wounded-Artillery, Major W. Lindsay: Captain Farrell, Lieutenant Dunlop, Lieutenant Hurse; Third Grenadiers, Major Count Gleichen, Lieutenant the Hon, E. H. Lygon; Coldstreams, Lieutenant Viscount Acheson; medical corps, Captain G. A. Moore,

"The casualties among the officers of the Ninth brigade and the men of the division will follow."

Bloody Battle.

London, Nov. 30 .- 1 a. m .- Modder river is generally accepted in advance of its casualty list as the bloodiest battle of the South African campaign. Lord Methuen's own seriousness in explaining that there was no means of out-flanking the enemy, that there was desperate fighting for ten hours and that it was one of the hardest and most trying battles in the annals of who read his dispatch. The two armies were evidently of equal strength, General Cronje's entire force having been withdrawn from Kimberley to repel the relief column. But the conditions otherwise were unequal. The Boers were strongly entrenched on the higher bank of the rifer, and their marksmen were concealed in trenches and in a dense thicket. They also had two large guns, four Krupps and other artillery, and the river was in front protecting

them against a bayonet charge. The pains taken by General Methuen point out the difficulties of the situation, and the strenuous exertions of the entire British force, which fought from dawn to dusk without food or water, disposed cautious military mer to describe it as a drawn battle, with heavy lesses in killed and wounded, Lord Methuen himself, while praising the conduct of all engaged, especially the batteries of artillery, did not claim a decisive victory, but only asserted that he compelled the enemy to quit his position. How this has been done by artillery and rifle firing alone, when only a small detachment had crossed the river, no military expert has attempted to explain.

Methuen's Indian Tactics.

Military men comment upon the fact that while Lord Methuen belongs to what is known as the "Wolseley gang" he has conducted the campaign on approved tacties of Indian warfare, striking one blow after another, wasting no time in strategy or manocuvres, attacking always in front and pushing on with a rush. While General White was one of Lord Robert's school of fighters, he has not displayed a fraction of the aggressiveness and disregard for tactics which Lord Methuen has shown. The only strategists whose talents have been conspicuously brought out in the ampaign are Generals Hildyard and French, each identified with the Staff college. It cannot be doubted that Lord Methuen, if he reaches Kimberley without a reverse, will be the most popular soldier of the war. The critics may complain that he neglects the advantages of manoeuvring and neither takes guns nor prisoners, but his bulldog method of fighting is English, is easily understood and is liked. knows South Africa well, for he commanded Methuen's Horse in Bechuana land, but he fights without reference to defensive positions or the disadvantages of the ground, attacking every time in front and marching forward next day.

The full list of casualties at Belmont posted at the war office yesterday, war 297, making the total for the two battles

London, Dec. 1 .- 4.39 a. m.-Beyond the report from Estcourt that firing was heard in the direction of Ladysmith on Monday, there is not a shred of news of any kind from the seat of war. A semi-official statement has been insued that Lord Methuen's wound is not serious and that he is expected to be all right in the course of a few days,

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Nov. 30 .- Forecast for Friday: For eastern Pennsylvania, partly cloudy Friday; rain

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