



TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 13, 1900.

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NOW OURS

LIVE NEWS IS EXPECTED

Check to Be Removed from African War Correspondents.

SOMETHING WILL HAPPEN

Lord Roberts Informs the Newspaper Men That They Will Have Ample News in a Few Days-Kimberley Is in Sore Straits-Terrible Death Rate from Disease-The State of Affairs in December Cannot Have Been Much Improved. Bombardment Increasing.

London, Feb. 13 .--- 4.15 a. m .-- Lord Roberts has gathered 35,000 men with whom according to the best military opinion in London, he purposes turning the left of the Magersfontein lines near Jacobsdale, entering the Free State, compelling General Cronje to raise the siege of Kimberly and thus making his first step toward Bloemfontein

Yesterday Lord Roberts announced the appointment of General Sir Henry Colville, hitherto commander of the guards brigade to the command of the Ninth division, which is being formed and will consist probably to a great extent of colonial troops. General Col-ville will be succeeded by General Reginald Hole-Carew. Lord Roberts tells the correspondents that when he gets down to business they shall have ample opportunities to send news, His chief press censor yesterday issued new rules and in future all written communications are to go unchecked, ; tol. Only telegrams will be censored. For the next few days little news is likely to get through, but later there will be much freedom. Thus says the censor, and the last clause may be interpreted to mean that something is about to happen.

At Kimberley.

Kimberley, twenty miles away from the Modder river position, is in sora straits. Details show that in a population of 14,000 whites and 19,000 blacks the mortality was sixty whites and 138. blacks per thousand. The infantile death rate was 671 per thousand among the whites and 912 per thousand among the blacks. Enteric fever was prevaont. This frightful state of things in

he army measures. The government, he said, had not even considered the question of compulsory service, which was entirely unnecessary in view of the activity of recruiting for the auxillary forces. Since the war, ten thousand recruits had joined under existing conditions. The government proposed to put the pay of the militia on the same scale as the regulars. The artillery, army service corps and engineers necessary for two additional

army corps would be raised forthwith, namely, thirty-six field batteries and seven horse batteries. The speaker also said it had been decided to raise twelve additional infantry battalions. Mr. Wyndham said the existing cavalry forces would also be expanded by

seven regiments and that commissions would be offered to militia officers, to the colonies and to the universities, At present, the speaker further point-

ed out, there were 109,000 regulars in the country, and the increase was anticipated to be 30,000. There were now 328,000 men in the auxillary forces, and it was estimated the increase would be 0,000. Soon the country would have at least 517,000 men, and Mr. Wyndham anticipated that the number would be nearer 600,000 than half a million, The secretary of state for war, Lord Lansdowne, furnished the house of lords with a statement similar to that of Mr. Wyndham.

DEMOCRATS MEET.

They Call Upon Taylor to Withdraw His Troops.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 12.-The Democratic members of both houses of the legislature met again in the court house here today. In the house a resolution which had passed by the senate was presented, calling upon W. S. Taylor to at once withdraw the militia and force of armed men which he has gathered about him in the state

house and surrender the executive offices to J. C. W. Beckham, the lawful governor. Under the rules the resolution went over for one day.

A concurrent resolution offered Saturday was adopted providing for the appointment of a committee of three representatives and two senators to investigate conditions at Frankfort as to the safety and advisability of recondition suming legislative session at the capi-

THE CLARK CASE.

Four Witnesses Testify Before the Senate Committee.

Washington, Feb. 12-Four witnesses testified before the senate committee on elections in the case of Senator Clark, of Montana, today. They were D. B. Peeler, a banker of Kalispell, whose evidence related to the bank account of Senator Geiger, W. H. Cochran, of Butte, who was called by the defense, but before he concluded was stigmatized by them as a witness for the prosecution, State Senator C. W. Hoffman and Mr. J. S. McNeill, proprietor of the Helena Independent

IHE ANTI-TRUST CONFERENCE

CLOSE OF THE FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS AT CHICAGO. Resolutions Formulated Asking for

Government Ownership of All Railways and Telegraph Lines, and the Placing on the Free List All Trust Goods-Delegates Welcomed by Mayor Harrison-Speeches by Judge Prentiss and Others.

Chicago, Feb. 12 .- Tonight at the close of the first day's proceedings of the anti-trust conference called by the National Anti-Trust league, good progress had been made with the set speeches, of which a dozen or more were delivered. The resolutions committee was busy

main body of delegates were listening to the speeches at Central Music hall. A set of resolutions was formulated | York, came next. by the committee covering the following points: Government ownership of all railways and telegraph lines;

the abolition of all special privileges by legislative enactment; placing on the free list of all trust goods and direct legislation by petition from the

people. The discussion in committee was carried on these lines. An amendment was offered for the taxation of all franchises, but was voted down, on the ground that such action would simply legalize such privileges.

The conference was called to order in Central Music hall this morning by President M. L. Lockwood, of the executive committee. . Mayor Harrison welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city. He de-nounced trusts in general as dangerous and threatening the integrity of the

nation. Already, he said, the senate of the United States had been reduced to a small convention of the owners and representatives of the trusts. A few years more would see the house and our judiciary reduced to the same

Address of Judge Prentiss. Former Judge William Prontiss of Illinois, was elected temporary chairman and addressed the convention. In

the course of his remarks Judge Prentiss said:

We must arouse the people and educate them that in truth as well as in theory, the government of the United States belongs to them; that they are the sovcreign of the country; that upon them rests the responsibility of rooting out the monopolies and, ere long they will find a remedy and then to go forth among the people and continue them that they should start the work. In my judgment the trust evil was caused by the fallure of the people to recognize what are

Chicago; Mrs. Lucinda Chandler, Illi- LINCOLN DAY Captain W. R. Black, of Illinois, ther addressed the conference on the trust question. He was enthusiastically received. At the conclusion of Captain Black's speech, the conference took a

recess until 2 p. m. Jay D. Miller, of Illinois, was the first speaker at the afternoon session of the conference, Mr. George Sherman, of Michigan, followed. Other speakers were as follows: Hon. T. Carl Speeling, author of the California primary election law: Frank R. Elliott. of Kansas; Governor Andrew Lee, of South Dakota; Mr. C. B. Matthews, of Buf-falo, N. Y., in a discourse on the oil trade. He was given close attention and created much enthuslasm.

The paper prepared by Alexander Delmar, the political economist, of New York, was read by Judge J. B. Fleming. Mr. Delmar was prevented from attending the conference owing to ill-

At 6 o'clock the conference took recess until 7.30 p. m. H. S. Biglow was the first speaker tonight's session. Congressman

this afternoon and tonight, when the | William Sulzer, of New York, received a hearty reception when presented to the audience. Mr. Bolton Hall, of New

TAYLOR CONGRATULATED.

Message from the Republican A Clubs of Cinciunati.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 12 .- The Ohio League of Republican clubs this afternoon elected officers, headed by D. Mord, of Hillsboro, as president. Q. Cleveland was selected as the place for the convention next year and resolutions were adopted endorsing the national and state administrations, Senators Foraker and Hanna, and the Ohio representatives in congress and legislature. A resolution was passed, amid uproarious applause, that the fol-

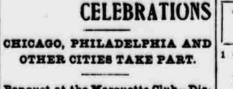
lowing message he telegraphed to Hon. W. S. Taylor: The Republicans of Ohio, assembled in

the Republican league convention, send greeting to you as governor of Kentucky and hereby express to you our congratu lations for the gallant and patriotic stand you have made for the Republican party and for your brave and fearless fight in defense of the suffrages of the voters and of the rights of the whole people of Kentucky. Go on, be firm; take no backward step; make no compromise

Important Bill Passed by the House.

CONGRESS PROCEEDINGS.

Debate in Senate. Washington, Feb. 12 .-- An important bill was passed by the house today which makes universally applicable the law that now permits the transit of goods in bond through certain parts of the United States. Under it, goods in bond can be shipped through any portion of the territory of the United States to foreign ports. It is principally designed to give the transportation companies of the United States their rights and what their powers are Teach the people the sovernment is to the Orlent The bill also remains to the Orient. The bill also repeal



Banquet at the Marquette Club-Distinguisned Speakers at Chicago. The Day Generally Observed in Philadelphia-Mr. Powderly Entertained in Baltimore.

Chicago, Feb. 12.-The fifteenth an-nual Lincoln day banquet of the Marquette club was given tonight at the Auditorium hotel, covers being laid for 500 guests. The banquet hall was hung with pictures of Lincoln, McKinley, Dewey, Schley and Sampson and the various generals of the Civil war. The president of the club, Herman B. Wickersham, presided. After the president had delivered his address, George Adams spoke on "Abraham Lincoin." The address of Governor D. L. Russell, of North Carolina, on the "Progress of Republicanism in the South" was read by Adjutant General J. C. L. Harris, of North Carolina, Governor Russell having been prevented by official duties from leaving his state. The Hon. Murat Hallstead spoke on the "Con-

servative Character of Lincoln." The subject of Hon. John K. Cubbison was the "Coming Contest." Hon. James T. McCleary spoke on "The Union Lin-coln Loved." "The Destiny of Our "ountry" was the subject of the Hon. Bartlett Tripp.

Philadelphia, Feb. 12 .- The anniver sary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln was generally observed as a legal holiday here today. All the federal and municipal departments and durts were closed, as were also the various tanks, financial institutions and ex-

changes. There were no sessions of the public schools. The most important vent of the occasion was the Lincoln day celebration tonight under the auspices of the young Republicans, when a reception was tendered Congressman John A. T. Hull, former governor of lowa and present chairman of the house committee on military affairs. There were other celebrations through out the city. In the Presbyterian church at Wyncote, near this city, Colonel A. K. McClure, editor of the Fhiladelphia Times, delivered an address on "Lincoln as I Knew Him." Baltimore, Md., Feb. 12 .- Lincoln's birthday was celebrated here by an elaborate banquet under the auspices of the Union League club, the leading Republican organization of the south, in its handsome club house. More than

300 guests sat down at the banquetting tables, among them being United States Senators McComas, of Maryland; Hawley, of Connecticut; and of Wyoming. Congressmen Clark. Hopkins, of Illinois; Jones, of Washington, and Bering, of Kentucky; James Tanner, formerly commissioner of rensions, and Terrence V. Powderly

Weather Indications Today: RAIN ; SOUTHEASTERLY WINDS. General – General Roberts Promises News from South Africa. Anti-Trust Conference at Chicago. Lincoln's Birthday Celebration. Our Flag Floats Over New Islands in the East. General-Northeastern Pennsylvanfa, Financial and Commercial. Local-A Peculiar Arrest. One Day's Work of the Courts.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Tribune.

Editorial. News and Comment.

Local-Requisition Papers for Morel and Robert. Board of Control Meeting. Local-West Scranton and Suburban

7 Round About the County.

Local-Live Industrial News.

BASE BALL BOOMERS.

Desperate Efforts to Organize a New Association.

Chicago, Feb, 12 .- The meeting of the promoters of the American association of base ball clubs, called for this afternoon by President Harry Quinn, of Milwaukee, was postponed until tomor row morning and the organization of the new league put off another day. Delegates from six cities were pres

ent today at the conferences held in th Great Northern hotel, but it was thought best to postpone any definite action until representatives from Detrolt and Boston arrived. Tom Me-

Carthy, of Boston, arrived on a late train tonight and Tim Navin, of Detroit, is expected early tomorrow morning. Upon the efforts of these magnates depends the life of the organization that is proposed as a rival to the National league. The cities represented vere Philadelphia, Baltimore, St. Louis, Chicago, Milwaukee and Louisville The promoters say there will be little or no trouble in getting sufficient backing for a circuit of eight clubs. Some difficulty may be experienced in balancing the circuit, getting four western and four eastern clubs, as there are two applicants for the fourth place on the western side, while Providence is looked upon only as a possibility for the east. It is expected, however, that representatives will be present tomorrow from Providence, and if sufficient backing is shown by the other cities Providence may come in also. Washington is also looked upon as a possi-

bility in the event of the default of Providence. Louisville is making strong play for the fourth place on the western circuit.

THE ATLANTIC LEAGUE.

Meeting Held at Wilkes-Barre Yesterday.

Wilkes-Barre, Feb. 12 .- A meeting of the officers and promoters of the At-lantic league was held in this city this

WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION.

Received by Mr. McKinley.

wife of the secretary of war. Their re-

WILL NOT TRY M'GIFFORT.

the Question.

on the charges of heresy, preferred by

Rev. G. W. Birch, the stated clerk of

the Presbytery, at the January meet-

A resolution was adopted declaring

tery in December, when it decided no

Bryan at Richmond.

on the president.

Governor Roosevelt.

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Washington, Feb. 12.-President Mc

American Flag Rsised Over Tatanes and Calagan.

NEW ISLANDS

CRUISE OF THE PRINCETON

Territory in the Philippine Archipelago Not Mentioned in the Treaty of Paris-Bayat Was Also to Have Been Occupied, but. It Is Said, the Japanese Flag Was Found Floating There.

Manila, Feb. 12 .- It is reported that the United States gunboat Princeton visited the Tatanes and Calagan islands, which were omitted from the Paris treaty of peace, as they are north of 20 degrees of latitude, raised American flags and appointed native governors. It is added that the Princeton found the Japanese flag flying at Bayat Island and refrained from landing there pending orders.

The Princeton occupied the Northern Islands under a government order. The report that the Japanese flag was found flying is not confirmed, but there were reports that Japan intended to take the islands. The natives willingly substituted the American for the insurgent officials and took the oath of allegiance to the United States.

The natives of Samra and Levie are returning to their towns and the normal conditions are being resumed.

Reports from native sources, which are not confirmed, say that General Pio del Pilar, the insurgent commander, recently died of fever.

RETURN OF TRANSPORT SIAM

Vessel That Lost 311 Mules Out of 330 Back from Manila.

San Francisco, Feb. 12 .- The mule transport Siam, which lost 211 mules out of a cargo of 330 on her last voyage to Manila, arrived last night from that port.

She was in two typhoons on the outward voyage, during which the animals were killed. Captain Raisich resigned command at Manila, and Cantain Valentine was sent out from Australia to bring the vessel back to San Francisco. The Siam is in quarantine.

December cannot have improved much, if at all since, and the fighting power of the garrison must have been greatly diminished. Meanwhile, the bombardment by the Boers has increased, and there is imminent danger of the town falling under the very eyes of Lord Roberts. It is believed in circles close to the war office that he will move at once. Scouts have approached within a thousand yards of the Boer entrenchments at Magersfontein.

They have found them strong and ascertained that they are using the dwelling places. Naval gunners constantly watching the enemy's lines with strong glasses, and they declare that there is an appreciable diminution in the Boer forces. In Natal the Boer commandoes south of the Tugela occupy Bold's farm, several miles west of Chieveley, Two thousand Boers, with three guns, are advancing through Zululand toward Natal-

The war office is making preparations to continue the stream of troops for South Africa, Four large steamers have been chartered. Japan agrees to let the Armstrongs transfer to England for naval use quick-firers that were Fullt for her, consenting to wait for the execution of her own orders until the hostilities in South Africa are over. Several European powers by similar consent as to guns being constructed Vicker's Sons and Maxim, enable England to secure one hundred Maxims. Two thousand men are constantly employed at Woolwich arsenal and all gun and ammunition factories are working night and day to execute government orders. The weekly output of four firms is 4,000,000 rounds. Outside of the requirements for South

Africa, Great Britain is accumulating umerse stores of material.

Kimbarley Bombardment.

Kimberley, Feb. 9 (Friday).-There was a heavy bombardment yesterday and today the fire of the Boers' big | \$26 of the imports and took \$3,502,764 gun at Kampersdam has been very trying.

GEN. BULLER'S REPORT.

Why He Abandoned His Third Attempt to Relieve Ladysmith.

London, Feb. 12 .- The war office has received at 4.12 p. m. today the following despatch from Field Marshal Lord Roberts. dated from Modder River, Sunday, February 11:

"I have received a telegram from Buller as follows. dated Friday, February 9:

was necessary after seizing Vaal Krantz to intrench it as the pivot of further operations. But I found after trying two days, that owing to the nature of the ground, that in Pennsylvania who hold certificates was impracticable. It was also ex-posed to the fire of heavy guns in positions from which our artillery was dominated.

"'It is essential to troops advancing on Ladysmith by Harding or Mongers Drift to hold Vaal Krantz securely and accordingly we are not pressing our advance by those roads, as I find we cannot make it secure."

GEN. WYNDHAM'S REPORT.

Secretary of the War Office Makes Statement

ndon, Feb. 12.-In the house of London, Feb. 12.—In the house of the system in rainout representatives, three representing the Vanderbilts inter-est and the remainder will be made up of men from the local territory, through mice, made a statement in regard to which the line traverses. ommons today, George Wyndham, parliamentary secretary of the way

theirs-that in them the remedy lies Mr. McNeill had not concluded when the commission adjourned for the day. He denied categorically practically all the allegations of Whiteside involving been violated. his name and the latter's assertions ronts us today. concerning the use of corrupt means to secure Clark's election.

THE SUPERIOR COURT.

February Session Began Yesterday at Williamsport.

Williamsport, Pa., Feb. 12 .-- The regular February session of the Superior court opened in this city this afternoon with Judges Rice, Beaver, Orlady, W. W. Porter and W. D. Porter on the bench, Judges Smith and, Mitchell being detained by sickness. The trial list was gone over and the following cases nol prossed:

Hall, Kaul & Co, vs. Gunther, appellant, Elk county; Opp vs, Shoemaker et al., appellants, Lycoming: Osborne et al. vs. Mansfield borough, appe!above the interest of party. Franklin lants, Tioga; Robb vs, Mack et al., appellants, Tioga, and Clarke vs. Bache, appellant, Tioga. The cases of the Commonwealth vs. Young, appellant, Centre, and Commonwealth vs. Becker, appellant, Schuylkill, were costinued. Argument on the remaining cases will be commenced tomorrow.

PUERTO RICO'S TRADE.

Statement of Imports and Exports

During American Occupation. Washington, Feb. 12 .- The war department today gave cut the statement that the total value of imports into the island of Puerto Rico from the date of American occupation to December 31, 1839, was \$12,191,829, and that the total value of exports from the island during the same period was \$11,696,807.

The United States furnished \$4,687.of the exports. Sugar exports to the United States for that period made up \$1,917,572 of the total.

MINE FOREMEN MEET.

Arrangements Are Being Made for Convention at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg Feb. 12.-A meeting of the legislative board of mine foremen and fire bosses mutual aid association, of the bituminous mines of Pennsylvania, is being held here. Arrangements are being made for holding a convention in Pittsburg. From three hundred to four hundred members are expected to attend the convention. The object of the association is to

unite all mine foremen and fire bosses and to mutually aid each other in the

most practical manner.

Big Railroad Deal.

Ohio.

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Philadelphia, Feb. 12.-The Record tomorrow will say: "The recent acquisi-tion by the Pennsylvania Railroad com-pany of large interests in the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad which has already resuited in the retirement of M. E. Ingalis as president and the selection of G. W Stevens as his successor, will cause a complete reorganization of the presen oard of directors of the Chesapeake and When the charge is made the ww will be found to contain three Pennsylvania railroad representatives

Teach them that the fundamental principles of the Declaration of Independence that all men are created equal-have These violations are responsible for the situation that con-Let us say that every law which gives

privileges to any class shall be wijed off the statute books. General E. B. Finley, of Ohio, was ecognized by the chairman on a ques-

tion of personal privilege. He wished it understood he said, that he was not here for the purpose of aiding in the organization of a new political party. He feared that such a construction might be placed upon a portion of the speech of President Lock-

wood in the calling of the conference in order. President Lockwood immediately explained that "he was not here for the organization of a new party." His belief was that all men should, in the accomplishment of the purpose before the conference rise

H. Wentworth, of Chicago, was selected temporary secretary. Vice Presidents.

The following were appointed temporary vice-presidents. Ex-Governor Altgeld, of Illinois; John Cresby, New

York: Richard Dalton, Kansas: Tom L. Johnson, Ohio; Judge Tuley, Chicago: General Warner, of Ohio: Judge the Clegg, Louisiana; E. R. Ridgeley, Jerry Simpson, Kansas; Rev. Dr. Shade, Illinois; F. Van Voorhees, Indiana: Governor Lee, South Dakota. On the motion of General Weaver, of Iowa, committees were selected on

programme, permanent organization. resolution, ways and means, national organization and rules. The most important work of the conference will fall on the resolutions committee which is made up as follows: John P. Altgeld, Illinois; Louis Post, Illinois: A. J. Abbott, W. H.

P. Bliss, Colorado: General J. B. Weaver, Iowa; J. S. Crosby, New York; E. W. Remis, New York: George F. Williams, Massachusetts: Tom L. Johnson, Ohio; T. F. George, jr., New York: Richard Dalton, Kansas: Jerry Simpson, Kansas; Congressman Sulzer, New York: G. A. Stockwell, Minneapolis: Frank D. Larabee, Minneapolis: Judge J. Clegg, Louisiana Jos. Shakley, Pennsylvania; Governo; Lee, South Dakota: John Z. White, Il-

linois; Samuel Jones, Toledo, Ohio; Ignatius Donnelly, Minneapolls; Frank Monnett, Ohio: A. P. McQuirk. Iowa: W. B. Deming, Kentucky; Professor J. R. Commons, New York: C. Matthews, New York: George H. Shibley, New York; Milton Park, Texas; Dr. George H. Sherman, Michl-

of the South Dakota University. The committee on national organization next in importance to that on reso

utions follows: M. L. Lockwood.

Pennsylvania; C. L. Matthews, New York; J. R. Sovereign, Arkansas: Judg-Slegg, A. C. Norton, Alabama; H. B. Martin, New York; Tom L. Johnson, Ohio; C. T. Bride, Ohio; George Fred Williams, Massachusetts; William Prentiss, Illinois; Jerry Simpson, Kansas; General J. B. Weaver, lowa; Congressman Sulzer, New York; E. R. Ridgeley, Kansas; A. P. McQuirk, Iowa; C. J. Buell, Minnesota; Nathan

Cole, Colorado; C. H. Howard, Chicago; P. H. Dowe, New York; William

the law of March 1, 1895, prohibiting the shipment of goods in bond to the immigration. Mexican free zone. The latter provision was fought by Mr. Stephens, of Texas. The remainder of the day was

occupied in passing the private pension bills favorably acted upon at last Friday night's session, and in District of Columbia legislation.

The final week's discussion of the pending financial bill was begun in the enate today. The speakers were two Republicans, Mr. Elkins (W. Va.), and Mr. Wolcott (Colo.), and one Populist, Mr. Butler (N. C.) Mr. Elkins advocated the passage of the pending senate measure in a brief but forceful argument. Mr. Wolcott, chairman of the International Bimetallic commission of 1897, spoke for many Republicans who adhere to bimetallism, and his speech, earnest and eloquent, was accorded unusual attention. Mr. Butler closed the debate for the day, advocating the adoption of his amendment providing for an issue of paper currency by the government.

NEW CABINET OFFICER.

Will Be Known as Secretary 0 Mines and Mining.

Washington, Feb. 12 .-- A new cabinet officer to be known as the secertary of mines and mining, is provided in bill favorably acted on today by the house committee on mines and mining. The bill creates an executive department which shall have entire arge of affairs relating to mines, including the geological survey. The A Boom Promised in South Africa proposed secretary of mines is to have the same rank and salary of other cabnet officers and an assistant secretary is given the same standing as the first

assistant secretary of the interior. Another mining measure favorably acted on establishes mining experiment stations in each of the mining states, similar to agricultural experiment stations and provides for the appointment of a government geologist at \$3,500 a year and an assistant at \$2.500 in the several mining states. These officers are to furnish assays, issue public bulletins and conduct explorations of mining regions,

"WELL, GO AHEAD."

Governor Taylor's Message to the Kentucky Legislature.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 12 .- The Rep ublican house and senate met at 12 o'clock, nine being present in the latter and twenty-eight in the former. The senate appointed a committe to inform Governor Taylor that it had gan; T. J. Cole, Indiana; C. Droffers, for business. It reported in a convened in Frankfort and was ready minutes that Governor Taylor had received and replied:

"Well, go ahead."

Lincoln Day Banquet.

Williamsport, Feb. 12.-The eighth an-nual Lincoln Day banquet of the Young Men's Republican club took place here tonight in the Updegraff. Congressman James S. Sherman, of New York, re-sponded to the toast, "Abraham Lin-coln." and Major John F. Lacey, con-gressman from Iowa, spoke of "The Re-publicar Baster". publican Party."

Bankruptcy Petition.

Pittsburg, Feb. 12.-In the United States cago: P. H. Dowe, New York: William Rann, New York: Louis Post, Chicago: R. Boddinghouse, Chicago: W. D. P. Bliss, California; Willis J. Abbott, Bliss, California; Willis J. Abbott,

United States commissioner general

PROVIDING PUNISHMENT. outlook for a strong league of eight clubs was good. Newark, Chester, El-

Bill Introduced by M. Waldrell mira, Easton and Harrisburg are anx-Rousseau in Chamber of Deputies. ious for membership. William Sharsig and George Zimmerman, who repre-Paris, Feb. 12.-In the chamber of deputies today the premier, M. Waldsented Allentown, stated that the people of their city were very enthusiastic rell Rousseau, introduced a bill modifor a club and a first-class team would fying the present law for the punishment in the case of ministers of rebe placed in the field. The Wilkes-Barre representatives said its town ligion who publicly censure or criticize would be represented by a strong club, in any way public authorities. Formerty only banishment could be in-After the transaction of some routine flicted, but the preamble of the new business the meeting adjourned to meet at Allentown some time next month. bill explains that the severity of the when the clubs to constitute the league old measure rendered the law inoperative, so the present bill is imprisonwill be admitted and a schedule arment varying from a fortnight to two ranged. years for general offenses and detention in case of direct provocation, dis obedience of the laws or armed revolt. The bill will thus give the govern-A Number of Anti-Suffrage Ladies ment an arm to punish its cierical opponents without proceedings to the extreme measure of demanding exile and Kinley this afternoon received at the will enable it to punish attacks, such White House a number of the ladies as that of the Archbishop of Alx, Monrepresenting the state associations that seigneur Gouthe Soulard, who wrote a are opposed to woman's suffrage. The letter of encouragement to the Asladies were introduced by Mrs. Root,

of their order by the correctional triception by the president was exceedbunal, and who was immune under the ingly cordial. After the meeting the present law. ladies expressed themselves as well The bill, at the request of the govpleased, both as to the impression the ernment, was referred to a committee. president had made on them and the

sumptionist Fathers on the dissolution

OPENING FOR TRADE.

at Close of the War.

Washington, Feb. 12.-Consul General Slowe, at Cape Town, serves notice on American manufacturers, through a report to the bureau of foreign com merce, state department, that as soon as the war in South Africa is over there will be a boom which will afford many opportunities for the introduction of American goods and American enterprises.

The country will then be short of supplies, he says, particularly foodstuffs, and in many other directions the demand will be large. Vehicles, tools, and harness will be needed; much furniture has been destroyed, and the country will want the countless things required by one emerging from a war.

TWO MEN ENTOMBED.

charges should not be considered. Were "Robbing Pillars" at the Maffett Mine.

Wilkes-Barre, Feb. 12 -- Patrick Quillan, miner, and Anthony Leger, laborer, were entombed in the Maffett mine at Sugar Notch. They were "robbing pillars" when a large portion of the roof, without warning, caved in. It is not known whether they are behind the fall or whether they were caught in it and

Rescuers are now hard at work trying to reach the entombed men.

Handler Knocked Out.

n "Scaldy Bill's" favor. The men werso fatigued at the end of the bout that they could hardly walk to their corners. New York, Feb. 12-At the Hercules Athletic club, Brooklyn, tonight, George Gardner, of Lowell, Mass., knocked out Trades Council Agreement. Jimmy Handler in the third round.

Chicago, Feb. 12.-The building mate-ial trades council with a membership of Steamship Arrivals. 20,000, has announced that it will sup-port the building trades council and that no material will be furnished to contrac-Liverpool, Feb. 12-Arrived: Teutonic, rom New York: Georgia, from New tors employing non-union labor

ning. The cilles represented wer SHOT A BURGLAR. Allentown, Reading, Trenton and Wilkes-Barre, H. S. Fogel, president of the league, presided. He said the

David Long's Experience with a Nocturnal Visitor.

Lebanon, Pa., Feb. 12.-David S. long, a farmer of South Lebanon township, late last night shot and instantly killed John Becker, of Midway, this county, who was detected by members of Long's family in the act of robbing the house. Long gave himself up and was released on \$1,000 bail. He will be given a hearing tomorrow afternoon on the charge of involuntary manslaughter. Long's daughter, Eva, heard the intruder and awakend her father. After arming himself with a shot gun Long made search of the house and saw the man as he was about jumping from a front window to a poarch

Long says he aimed low in order to maim the burglar, but as he pulled the trigger the man leaned from the window and the entire charge entered the intruder's back. He died almost instantly. Shortly after he was identified by neighbors as John Becker, aged twenty-eight years and employed at Midway as a laborer.

FIRES AT BRADFORD.

Fifty Thousand Dollars' Worth of Property Destroyed.

Bradford, Pa., Feb. 12 .- Shortly before midnight, the large wood-working impression they apparently had made plants located near the foot of the hill were fired by an incendiary and Among those present were Mrs both were destroyed. The first was Douglass Robinson and Mrs. William the store house of McAmbly mill, C. Cowles, of New York, sisters of owned by Acors Rathburn. The loss on this property is estimated at \$10,000, partially insured.

The second fire was at the immense kindling wood factory formerly con-Vote of the New York Presbytery on ducted by Bedell & Brouse, but now in litigation. The kindling wood plant was burned to the ground, entailing a New York, Feb. 12 .- The New York Presbytery decided, by a vote of 77 to less of \$40,000. No insurance. Five 39, not to try Dr. Arthur G. McGiffort railroad cars were destroyed also.

NEW COAL FIELDS.

Mr. Barnes Thinks They Will Soon Be a Necessity.

in effect that the action of the Presby-New York, Feb. 12 .- James R. Barnes, of Uniontown, the head of a large coal to try Dr. McGiffort for heresy, but to syndicate in Pennsylvania, is at the disavow his teachings, was sufficient Waldorf-Astoria. The purpose of his under the circumstances and that the present visit is to urge the construcopinion of the Presbytery was that the tion of a railroad from Uniontown, Pa., to Wheeling, W. Va., a distance of seventy miles. This will open valuable coal lands in Fayette and Greene counties, which only need transportation facilities to permit of their remunerative development.

"There is an unusually large demand for fuel, which seems to be constantly growing," Mr. Barnes remarked, "that the new coal fields will soon be an urgent necessity."

Death of Emery E. Hill.

Emery Hill died at 1.30 this morning at his late residence, 339 Madison avenue. Funeral notice later.

****************** WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Feb. 12.-Forecast for Tuesday, for eastern Pennayl-vania, rain followed by clearing Tuesday: fair and colder Tuesday night and Wednesday; brisk south-restory shifting to contherly and easterly shifting to southerly and west and southwesterly wind **************

killed.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 12.-William J. Bryan reached here this morning from Washington and notwithstanding the rain he was greeted by a good sized crowd at the depot. At 2 o'clock this afternoon he addressed an audience at the Acad-

legislature were present. Honors for "Scaldy Bill." Philadelphia, Feb. 12 .- "Scaldy Bill

Quinn, of Williamsport, Pa., and El Smith, of this city, fought six hard and fast rounds tenight at the Broadwa Athletic club. The honors were slight

emy of Music, the large hall being packed to the doors. Many members of the