#### TWO CENTS.

# CRONJE WILL FIGHT TO THE DEATH

### The Boer General Re- on the Baltimore. The admiral arrived last night on a special train with Lieutenant II, H. Caldwell and was given fuses to Surrender to Lord Roberts.

#### SURROUNDED AT MODDER

He Desired an Armistice to Gain Time to Bury His Dead-This Request Was Refused by Lord Roberts-The Boer General Then Announced That He Would Fight Until the End-A Race for Concentration.

London, Feb. 23.-4 a. m.-General Cronje is seemingly making his last stand. He is dying hard, hemmed in by British infantry, and with shells from sixty guns falling into his camp.

On the third day of the fight the Boer chief asked for an armistice to bury his dead. "Fight to a finish or surrender unconditionally" was Lord are keeping fires going under the boil-Kitchener's reply. General Cronje immediately sent back word that his request for a truce bad been misunderstood, and that his determination then. yards are being badly washed. Trains as before, was to fight to the death.

The battle went on. This was the situation of General Cronje Tuesday evening as sketched in the scanty telegrams that have emerged from the semi-silence of South Africa.

Officially Lord Roberts wires that he has scattered the advance commando and of the reinforcement that were on the previous day, and also that the war office should withhold good news,

Without trying to recenelle even the scanty materials at hand, it seems ! and even a desperate situation, and out of the workings. that the British are pressing their ad-

While the attack on General Cronic proceeds, there is a race for concentration between the Boers and the

The engagement with General Cronje's five to eight thousand entrenched men is likely to become an incident in are rapidly drawing together to attack

Will General Cronje be able to hold out until the Boer masses appear, or, succor him? The British are facing the Boers on ground where the arts expected to give them advantage.

General Buller, according to a despatch from Chieveley, dated Wednesday, finds the Boers in positions north of the Tugela largely reinforced. This

The war office, for the first time, has given out an official compilation of the British losses. The total is 11,123 up to Feb. 17. This does not include, therefore, Lord Roberts' recent losses, nor the Wiltshire prisoners.

The press associations learn that th British losses at Koodos Rand were 700. Three thousand fresh troops will embark for South Africa today.

#### Cronie's Position Hopeless. Cape Town, Thursday morning, Fel

22.- In reply to General Cronje's request for an armistice of twenty-four hours, to allow him to bury his dead, Lord Roberts told the Boer commander that he must fight to a finish or surrender unconditionally. General Cronje's position is reported

The British have occupied Barkly

### At Kimberley.

London, Feb. 22.-The war office has issued the following from Lord Rob-

Paardeberg, Feb. 22.-Methuen reports from Kimberley that supplies of food and forage are being pushed on as fast as possible. There will be enough coal to start the DeBeers mines in ten days. By this means great misery will be alleviated Hospital arrangements there reported perfect. He hopes Prieska and the adjoining country will soon be settled."

At the same time the war office announced that nothing further would be issued tonight.

### WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

#### In Wheeling Admiral Dewey the Chief Guest of the City.

Wheeling, W. Va., Feb. 22.—This was the greatest Washington's birthday in West Virginia's history, Admiral Dewey was the city's guest and thousands from nearby towns, from Pennsylvania and Ohio were here to give him welcome and while the rain dampened the deccostions it did not dampen the ensiasm of the crowd. The occasion was the laying of the tablet to commemorate the site of Fort Henry and the presentation of a sword to Lieutenant John S. Doddridge, a Wheeling boy, who fought at the battle of Manila bay

an ovation. He was escorted up town by a procession and thousands cheered him as he rode along. Lieutenant Doddridge arrived later and was also cordially welcomed.

Today the exercises consisted of monster parade, after which the plac-ing of the tablet and the sword presentation took place. It is estimated that 10,000 men were in the line. The state militia, Pennsylvania and Ohio soldiers, including the Tenth Pennsylvania men, all local organizations, civil and military, turned out and made a great showing. T. M. Garvin, on behalf of the state, presented the tablet to the city and it was received by Judge G. L. Cranmers. Admiral Dewey pre-sented the sword to Lieutenant Dodd-

#### FLOODED DISTRICTS.

#### Greatest Freshet in History Sweeps Bellefonte-Much Damage Is Done

Bellefonte, Pa., Feb. 22.-The rain that began falling in torrents in this section last night continued until 10 o'clock this morning and the greatest flood in the history of the town in sweeping through it. The low portions of the town are all under water. The firemen ers in the water works while standing in water up to their knees. The Pennsylvania Match company's big plant is surrounded and the Ardell Lumber cannot get out of town on the Belle-fonte Center or the Bald Eagle Valley railroads on accounts of the washouts and business is at a standstill. The entire Bald Eagle Valley from Milesburg to Lock Haven is submerged and the farmers are reported to be having considerable trouble in getting their

stock to places of safety. Hazieton, Feb. 22.—The heavy rain storm which set in here last night and continued unabated today caused constriving to reach General Cronje. It siderable damage. The Big Black is regarded as singular that Lord Rob- creek flowing through the Black Creek erts' wiring Wednesday should not valley, was higher today than for ten mention the appeal for an armistica years past. The overflow has submerged railroad tracks and team roads lying along its path.

> railroad tracks were washed away, and ne trains were run over that branch during the day. The capacity of the pumps at all the

## SENATOR CLARK'S CASE

### The Son of the Montana Statesman

a Witness. Washington, Feb. 22.-C. W. Clack on of Senator Clark, of Montana, told the senate committee on elections today that he had an independent income of \$250,000 a year and that was in business for himself. With the exception of a brief interval given to separated fractions of the Boer power the testimony of Rev. A. B. Martin, Mr. Clark occupied the entire day be fore the committee in connection with the inquiry being conducted into the methods pursued in the election of the young man's father to the United States senate. He denied in detail the assertions of such witnesses as Mr. Whiteside, Mr. Hewitt, State Senator Myers and others. Mr. Clark submitted what he said was a detailed statemen: of his receipts and expenditures for political purposes during the Montana

\$118,000 Mr. Martin testified concerning his interview with Chief Justice Brantley, producing the letter written him by Mr. Clark in the Wellcome case.

### THE MACRUM CASE.

### Resolution Asking for Investigation

of Charges. Washington, Feb 22.—Representative Wheeler, of Kentucky, today introduced resolution directing the committee on oreign affairs to investigate the truth or faisity of the charges made by Charles E. Macrum, late consul of the United States at Pretoria, that his official or personal mail was opened, read, suppressed or detained by the ceasor of the British government at Durban or that a tele to the department of state was

The committee, by the provisions of the resolution, shall also ascertain whether the British authorities are acquainted the state department. In order that the committee may properly carry out these instructions it is authorized to send for persons and papers and administer oaths The resolution was referred to the

#### ommittee on rules. ROWE COMMITS SUICIDE.

### He Confessed Having Murdered

Man in 1893. Lebanon, Feb. 22.—Leopold Rowe, who a few days ago confessed to having murdered a man in 186, committed saicide in his cell in the city prison this morning by hanging. Rowe, while in the Berks county jail at Reading under a charge of larceny confessed to having, with a companion, shot and killed a man at Campbellstown. Lebanon county, in 1893. The man was a stranger in the town and after taking his money, amounting to about fifty dollars, his murderers hid the body in a straw stack. The Lebanon county records showed that about the date named by Rowe the pody of an unknown man was found with dentified and under the supposition that it was a case of suicide the body was buried by the county authorities. Nothing has since that time developed to lead to the identification of the stranger. Rowe was 52 years of age.

### New Prize in Oratory.

Bethlehem, Feb. 22.-At the annual lunior oratorical contest held at the Le university this morning President Drown announced a new endowment of prizes in oratory amounting to \$350 annually, given by a friend of the university, who desires for the proceunknow n

## CONFERENCE OF

#### ANTI-IMPERIALISTS Morality of "Sapho."

The Promoters State That the Conference Is Against a Movement to to an End-A Programme That Is

BEGAN IN PHILADELPHIA YES-

TERDAY.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 22.-An "eastern conference" of anti-imperialists began here today and will remain in session two days. The conference is said by its promoters to be against the movement to bring the war in the Philippines to an end. During the past six months the American League of Anti-imperialists has been active in missionary work, more especially the local leagues in Philadelphia, Boston, New York and Washington. The leaders say that a show of hands in Philadelphia a few months in advance of the Republican convention will have some weight in inducing the delegates to recognize their claims. They have contended that the conference in Chieago resulted in a great boom to their movement in the west. The leaders believe that a great conference in the east will popularize the cause in this section of the country.
The officers of the Philadelphia league

are: Honorary president, Former Senator George F. Edmunds; president, George Gluyas, Mercer: secretary. Samuel Milliken; treasurer, Asa S. Wing: legislative committee. George Gluyas, Mercer, Henry Budd, Frank Stevens, Herbert Walsh. The list of vice-presidents includes a large number of prominent Philadelphians.

The programme of the conference includes business sessions and public meeting for the purpose of forming plans for a more thorough organization and to effect public opinion. The principal speaker will be Carl Schurz.

#### Afternoon Meeting.

The afternoon meeting was opened with an address by George Gluyas Mercer, president of the Philadelphia branch of the American Anti-Imperialist league. Addresses were also made by Rev. Samuel Richard Fuller and Rev. Francis E. Abbott, of Massachusetts: Talcott H. Russell, of Connecticut: Dr. Montague Leveson, of Fort Hamilton, N. Y., and an interesting pamphlet by ex-Senator J. B. Hender son, of Missouri, was read by Dr. W. A. Croffut, of Washington, D. C. The evening meeting was addressed by Herbert Welsh, of this city, and Carl Shurz, At Hudsondale the Lehigh Valley

of New York. A private and informal conference was held after the afternoon session was concluded, in which many of the prominent members of the league took plain that General Cronje is in a bad, collieries is taxed keeping the water part. The chief subject of discussion was the coming presidential campaign, n which W. J. Bryan's name wa quently mentioned. Irving Winciow, imperialist league, in speaking on the subject, suggested that the league standard-bearer. He also suggested that a national convention be conventions, so that anti-imperialists could choose which of the two to support. No conclusions were reached, as the conference was entirely informal, and none of the views were officially endorsed, but might be considered on the framing of the resolutions which be presented to the meeting to-

morrow. There were over 100 persons at the afternoon meeting. Letters of regret were read from Prof. Sumner, of Yale university; Senator Pettigrew, Thomas W. Higginson, of Cambridge, Mass.; ex-Secretary of Agriculture Morton, Mayor J. M. Hood, of Nashville, Charles Norton, of Cambridge; Congressman Miller, of Georgia: Congress man Slayden, of Texas; Judge Rufus B. Smith, of Cincinnati, and Edward Atkinson, of Boston, Mr. Atkinson, in opening his letter, said: "I greatly regret that I cannot attend the anti-imperialist convention of February 22. I urgently impress upon you the importanec of putting all the force we can into the control of close districts, to the end that we may hold the balance of power in the next house of representatives. I think we may ignore the present question, although I confess for myself that I am beginning to think that an honest and sincere crank may be a safer man than a specious fraud, and shall act accordingly." Continuing. Mr. Atkinson said that many were opposed to the anti-imperialists because they have not learned the true conditions of the situation. "There are," he continued, "doubtless a large number of men in the present congress who mean to act justly and to do right, but who have been driven and misled by the suppression and by the effort of the administration to stigmatize their opponents, that they have really been unable to get at the truth of the mat- by the end of next week.

Letters were also read from two prominent negroes in this city, sugesting that the movement be extended to the negro race.

### THE QUAY CASE.

### Senator Penrose Announces That It

Will Be Called Up Today. Washington, Feb. 22.-In accordance with a tacit agreement with the sensors who were unable, on account of he meeting of the Democratic national committee, to be present at today's session, Mr. Penrose (Penna.) refraince from calling up the Quay case, as he had yesterday announced he would do. When he announced, however, his intention to call it up tomorrow, a brief parliamentary squabble ensued as to the rights by which the case would come before the senate. No conclusion was reached, the questions involved being postponed for consideration tomorrow.

### Both Legs Crushed.

Lancaster. Feb. 22.-John S. Kendig. living in this city and the foreman of a gang of carpenters for the Pennsylvania railroad, was walking on the tracks o the Lancaster and Reading road this morning, when he was struck by a train being backed and both legs crushed near the ankles. Amputation of both was necessary. He is 63 years old, and has been to the emulor

## MISS NETHERSOLE ARRESTED.

## Appeals to the Public to Decide the

New York, Feb. 22.—Miss Olga. Nethersole, the actress, who was called to a police court yesterday, charged with offending public decency by pro-ducing "Sapho," has issued an appeal to the public for sympathy and sup-port. She says: "I believe I am in-nocent of corrupting the morals of the Bring the War in the Philippines | public by the performance of this play. If I did not honestly believe this I would not have produced the play of Expected to Influence Public Opin- Sapho, as my endeavor always has been to uphold morality in its true and broad sense in my own country and in whatever country I find my-

She declares she is the target of a sensational attack by certain newspapers that she believes are prompted by sincere motives, but that their purpose is a mercenary one. She continues: "I do not believe that the New York public will countenance anything that is so unjust, so unmerited. so harmful and so distressing. I appeal to those who have seen the play to come forward and give voice to their opinions of the morality of the play and to say whether they consider that it should be suppressed."

Miss Nethersole was arrested by Inspector Thompson at the Hoffman house late yesterday afternoon, and with her counsel, Abe Hummel, was taken to the Centre street police court in a cab. There she found Marcus Meyer, her manager, and Hamilton Revelle, her leading man, who had been brought to court by detectives. Theodore Moss, proprietor of Wallack's, was not arrested as he is ill.

After a brief hearing Magistrate Mott postponed the case until Friday and the prisoners were paroled in the custody of their counsel.

Miss Nethersole insists upon an immediate trial. The actress got a hearty reception at Wallack's last night from an audience that packed the She appeared nervous at the start but the applause she received soon restored her equanimity and she played her part to perfection.

#### STUDENTS RIOT.

#### Cornell Sophomores Break Up the Freshmen's Banquet - Sixteen Freshmen Captured and Tied Up All Night-The Police Powerless to Render Assistance.

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 22.-For the first time in two years this city was the scene of riots among college students. The rlot was precipitated by the sophomores endeavoring to break up the reshmen's banquet, held at the nev-Ithaca hotel. As a result of the melec several students are nursing sore neads cuts and bruises and one freshman is badly cut on the wrist and face by being thrown against a glass window. In expectation of trouble the police force was increased last night, but their efforts to preserve order were of little secretary of the New England Anti- avail. The sophs had several scrimmages with squads of blue coats and some received severe clubbing, yet they might, if advisable, select Bryan as the | succeeded in kidnapping sixteen freshmen, including the chairman of the banquet committee and President Shatafter the two parties had held their tuck, and prevented them from enjoying the feast. Some of the freshmen were taken one by one after rough scrimmages up the hill to the campus, where they were chained in the tower of Barn's hall and not released until this morning. The trouble was started early in the afternoon and the streets in the vicinity of the hotel were crowded with citizens and students up to a late hour, notwithstanding the heavy downpour of rain. The police powerless to assist the freshmen and

## GREAT CHURCH CANVASS.

the banquet was given up.

### Philadelphia Homes Are Visited by

4,000 Young People. Philadelphia, Feb. 22.—In spite of snow slush and mud, the house to house visitation in the interest of the churches was begun today. All the denomination and religious organizations in the city united for this purpose and their design was to cover every dwelling in the city by night fall. About 8,000 young men and women had volunteered to act as ors." The bad weather kept many of the visitors at home, and only about 4,000 visitors were at work. Only a few simple questions were asked by the visitors, the number of church attendants and mem bers of Sabbath school living in the city as well as the number of non-church goers. The facts gathered are to be placed in the hands of the churches for further use.

The tabulation was not at all complet tonight, and a detailed tabulation results for the entire city cannot be made public for some days yet. The general statement is that the visitors were well received everywhere, and met with little or no objection from the people in gathering information. A few of the rural and down town districts that were covered by the visitors will be covered

### AMERICANS IN PARIS.

#### Banquet Given in Honor of Wash ington's Birthday.

Paris, Feb. 22.—The American univer-sity Dinner club gave a banquet this evening in honor of Washington's birththe Hotel Continenta! prought together many members of the American colony and a goodly number of invited guests from French circles. The hall was decorated with American and French flags and this elicited frequent references by the speakers. United States Ambassador Porter pre

sided and, pointing to the intertwined flags, said that they recalled "the alliance of old and the friendship of today.

### Pope Blesses Pilgrims.

Rome, Feb. 22.-There was an impress ive scene in St. Feter's today when the pope gave his blessing to fifteen Italian pilgrims, who filled the vast basellica. The air resounded with "vivas" after praying at the high altar, the pope, carried in St. Peter's chair, listened to the singing of anthems, of which the con-gregation joined. The portiff was then and pronounced the benediction.

#### Princes Cantacuzene Improving. St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.-The condition of Princess Cantacuzene, daughter of General Frederick Dent Grant, of the United States army, who has been seri-

### THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

#### WILL MEET AT KANSAS CITY JULY 4.

Milwaukee the Only Other City in the Competition - Opposition to Trusts, Expansion and Imperialism Arouse Enthusiasm, but Free Silver Is Not Mentioned.

Washington, Feb. 22.-The next naional Democratic convention will be held at Kansas City, Mo., July 4. This was the decision of the Demo cratic national committee, which met at the Hotel Raleigh today to fix the time and place for holding the con-

Milwaukce was the only other city which entered the competition, and the poor showing she made when the vote was taken (the result being Kansas IS AGUINALDO City 40, Milwaukee 9) caused general surprise. The claims of the rival cities as to the accommodations, railroad and telegraphic facilities were presented in open session by representatives of each city and subsequently in legislative session Governor W. J. Stone, on behalf of Kansas City, and the national committee, and W. C. Hall, on behalf of Milwaukee, explained the financial inducements which the city he represented was willing to make. Each offered the committee \$50,000, but in audition Kansas City was willing to furnish hotel accommodations for the members of the committee and the hall with decorations, with music free of expense to the committee. One of Milwaukee's strongest arguments was the political effect which the holding of the convention in that city would have upon the German-American voters, who were represented to the committee as wavering in their allegiance to the Republican party. It seemed to be taken for granted by at least two speakers that Bryan would be nominated and that the Chicago platform in substance would be reaffirmed. Opposition to trusts, expansion and imperialism, together with every mention of Bryan and the Chicago platform, aroused enthusiasm, but during the open session of the committee there was no allusion

to the issue of free silver. Three dates for holding the convention were proposed, May 9 by Mr. Townsend, of Oregon; June 14 by Senator Tillman, and July 4 by McGraw, of West Virginia. A speech by ex-Senator Gorman in favor of holding to precedent and naming a date later than that for the convention of the party in power had considerable influence in causing Independence day to be chosen.

After the committee had selected the "Gate City" of the west, the Kansas City boomers held a jollification meeting in their rooms at the Raleigh. Ex-Governor Stone addressed the gathering, predicting that those who attended convention would depart with ses upon their lips for the hospitality they had received, and that ominees of the convention would be the victors at the polls in November. The national committee after selecting the place and date for the convention issued the following call: "The national Democratic committee of July, as the time, and chosen the city of Kansas City as the place for

holding the national Democratic convention. "Each state is entitled to a representation therein equal to double the number of its senators and representatives in the congress of the Indian territory and District of Colum-

bia shall have rix delegates. "All Democratic conservative reform citizens of the United States irrespect- about \$6,000. ive of past political associations and differences, who can co-operate with it in the effort for pure, economical and constitutional government and who favor the republic and oppose the empire, are cordially invited to join us in sending delegates to the conven-

The committee at 6.30 p. m. journed to meet at Kansas City July 3.

### Y. M. C. A. AT WILLIAMSPORT.

### The Thirty-Second Annual Conven-

tion of the State Organization. Williamsport, Feb. 22 .- The thirty-second annual convention of the Young Men's Christian association of the state opened in this city this afternoon with over 500 delegates present, W. K. Jennings, of Pittsburg, president of the last convention, called the gathering to or der, and a permanent organization was then effected as follows: President, W

Douglass, of Philadelphia; first vice president, James A. Beaver, of onte; second vice president, J. S. Meddeagough. Williamsport; third vice president. A. D. Smith. Lebanon; secretary, W. C. McKee, Wilkes-Barre; first assist ant secretary, Robert L. Roberts, Eric; second assistant secretary, W. H. Gillispie. Dickinson college. The feature of the afternoon was the address of Rev. Arthur T. Pierson, D. D., of Brooklyn N. V., on "The Supremacy of the Word," which was an able, convincing and most beautiful discussion of the Bible. Rev. Dr. Pierson's address was adopt

ed by a declaration of faith.

The delegates were entertained at sup per by the ladles' auxiliary of the local association and this evening John R. Mott, of New York city, delivered an adon "The Evangelization of the Vorld in This Generation and the Vital Relations of the Assocattion Work to This Great Object."

At the conclusion of the address Treasurer James B. Bailey presented his re-port, which showed that a balance of \$35 is left in the treasury, after the expendi amounting to \$10,568.06. The report of the executive committee was also reac after which the convention adjourned until tomorrow morning.

### Big Barn Destroyed.

Lancaster, Feb. 22.-A large bank barn, belonging to Henry F. Rich, of Marietta, was totally destroyed by fire this morning, entailing a loss of \$6,000, partially covered by insurance. A female tramp who was permitted to sleep in the barn is believed to have accidentally fired it.

### General McNulta Dead

Washington, Feb. 22.-General McNulta of Chicago, well known throughout the west because of his identification with great corporations, died suddenly here to-

### THE NEWS THIS MORNING

#### Weather Indications Today; PAIR: WESTERLY WINDS.

General-Boers Will Fight to the Death. One Day's Work of the National Law-Anti-Imperialists in Session.

Date for the Democratic National

General-Northeastern Pennsylvania. Financial and Commercial. Local-Annual Meeting and Banquet of Union Ex-Prisoners of War.

Editorial. News and Comment.

Local-Elks Conduct a Social Session for the Ladies. Eisteddfod at Taylor. Local-West Scranton and Suburban.

Round About the County. 8 Local-Live Industrial News.

## NOW IN JAPAN?

### It Is Believed That He Escaped to Formosa When Hunted by General

Lawton. New York, Feb. 22 .-- A special from Hong Kong, British China, to the

Evening World says: "United States Consul Wildman has nformation that three members of the Filipino junta, Luban, Ponce and Agoncillo, brother of the envoy, laft recently for Japan to meet Aguinaldo. This gives credence to the story that Aguinaldo escaped from the island of Luzon when hunted by General Lawton and went to the island of Formosa.

#### CANNON AT HARRISBURG. Santiago Relics Are Formally Ac-

cepted. Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 22.-A brass cannon captured by the United States army at the battle of Santiago was installed today in Capitol Park. The cannon was exhibited during the morning in front of the mayor's office and was viewed by hundreds of persons. This afternoon the relic was taken to Capitol Park under escort of local militla and patriotic organizations, after which there were brief exercises. The cannon was received in behalf of the city by Mayor Fritchy. An oration was delivered by John E. Fox, of this

The patriotic societies of Harrisburg elebrated Washington's birthday this evening at the court house with exercises, at which addresses were made by Mr. Fox. Mr. Meade, M. Detwiller and Philip E. Germain.

#### BIG FIRE NEAR BRADFORD. The Business Portion of Glen Hazlet

Destroyed. Bradford, Feb. 22 .- The business portion of Glen Hazlet, for the second time in recent years, was almost totally destroyed by fire today. At 1.10 having met in the city of Washington flames were discovered in the general on the 22d day of February, 1990, has store of H. C. Taylor and quickly appointed Wednesday, the fourth day spread to adjoining buildings. Owing have got them and the duty is on us, to the hydrants being frozen up the firemen could do nothing. A heavy rain prevented the destruction of the

The following buildings were States; and each territory, Alaska, and K. O. T. M. hall. The origin of \$20,000 to \$30,000, with insurance of

#### SOLDIER TO BE SHOT. Sentence of Ernest Kingdom Who Slept at His Post.

Buffalo, Feb. 22-A despatch to the News from Batavia says: "A despatch has been received here saying that Ernest Kingdom, of Stafford, who enlisted in the Fortleth volunteer infantry, has been found sleeping at his post, fried by court martial and sentenced to be shot."

#### dom was asleep and killed two or three American soldiers. CAVE-IN AT MINERS' MILLS. Tracks of the Central Railroad Sink

It is said that a number of Filipina

rebels entered the camp, while King-

Thirty Feet. Wilkes-Barre, Feb. 22 .- A cayb-in over the Pine Ridge mine today causthe tracks of the Central Railroad tween this city and Scranton, to sink

into a hole thirty feet deep. Traffic will be delayed until tomorrow, as the damage cannot be repaired until then.

### Death of Harry Miner.

New York, Feb. 22.-Harry Clay Miner the theatrical manager, dropped dead this afterneon in his home on Riverside drive than \$5,000,000. While his name was alclosely identified with the theatrical business his interests were varied He owned drug stores, a big lithographing company, a photographic supply house, big phosphate interests and large blocks of rallway and mining stocks. . He served one term in congress, having been

### Dan Rice Dead.

elected in 1894.

New York, Feb. 22.-Dan Rice, the vet-eran circus clown, died at Long Branch, N. J., tonight, after a lingering illness aged 77 years. Rice's real name was Daniel McLaren. He was born in New York. His father, Daniel McLaren, nick-named the boy "Dan Rice," after a famous clown in Ireland. Dan Rice made three independent fortunes.

however, a comparatively poor man-

#### Washington's Birthday Celebration. Washington, Feb. 22.-Exercises appro oriate to the celebration of Washington's ater under the auspices of the Sons of the Revolution. There was a large, and representative audience present, one of the boxes being occupied by President McKinley, Secretary Hay and the ad-dress of the occasion was delivered by Senator Depew.

## **DEBATE ON** THE TARIFF

### Puerto Rican Measure Calls Forth Many Speeches.

#### MR. GROSVENOR'S REMARKS

He Holds That Any Party or Individual Who Took Part in the Ratifying or Supporting of the Treaty with Spain Is Stopped from Opposing Any of the Legitimate Effects of the Treaty-Speeches Against the Bill.

Washington, Feb. 22.-The debate on the Puerto Rican tarift bill brought out several notable speeches in the house today, including one by General Grosvenor, of Ohio, who answered a number of questions as to the attitude of the president; another by Mr. Me-Call, of Massachusetts; the Republican members of the ways and means committee, who dissented from the majority report, and Mr. Moody, another Massachusetts representative, who sharply criticized the position of his colleague. Mr. McClellan (N. Y.) and Mr. Brantley (Ga.), also spoke against the bill, and Mr. Parker (N.

J.), in support of it. Mr. Grosvenor in the course of his speech said that any political party or individual who took part in ratifying and supporting the treaty with Spain was stopped from opposing any of the legitimate effects of that treaty. When that treaty hung in the balance a certain Nebraska colonel left his regiment and came to Washington to aid in securing ratification and he did influence votes at a critical juncture. So that, Mr. Grosvenor said, if there was one man in the country who should shoulder responsibility for the treaty that man was W. J. Bryan, of

Nebraska. In concluding his address Mr. Grosvenor said: "But we have got the Philippines on our hands and I will tell you what we shall tell the people of this country, my friends, if you will listen to me now. We will say that we have acquired a title to the Philippines and Porto Rico. We did not go after them, but they came to us and we could not help ourselves.

"A gentleman went out into the Orlhad formerly and the first thing we know he controlled the Lord how many islands were there. We have never yet found out ourselves. But he took them and we are there and our flag is there, and we were aided in getting a perfect title to them from the Democratic senators in congress without any protest from anybody. We and we are going to take care of them. We are going to make all the money out of the transaction we can by enlarging our trade with the oriental countries and we are going to embalm stroyed: , General store of H. C. Tay- the doctrines of the declaration of inlor, the City Drug store, Glen Hazlet dependence upon the statute books of company's office, the postoffice the Philippines just as quick as we think the time has come to do It and the fire is unknown; supposed to be we are not going to do it one minute a gas light. The loss will reach from before, if all the Democrats on God's earth go howling that we have got to do it now (Applause and laughter on

the Republican side). "We are going to do it under the persuasive influence of the constitution, of the deciaration of independence, of our Christian civilization. We are going to do it as rapidly as it is possible to do it and in the meantime we propose that every attribute of the constitution shall persuade us to treat

these men with absolute fairness.' At the night session speeches were made by Wilson, of South Carolina, Lewis, of Georgia, and Spight, of Mississippi, in opposition to the bill. The session was entirely without noteworthy incidents.

### LETTER CARRIERS MEET.

#### Pittsburg Chosen as the Next Place of Meeting.

Harrisburg, Feb. 22,-The first meetng of the Pennsylvania branch of the National Association of Letter Carriers was held here this afternoon. of New Jersey at Miners' Mills, be- ters of regret were read from Postmaster General Smith, President Mc. Kinley, Senator Penrose and Congress-

> man Olmstead. A constitution and by-laws were adopted and it was decided to meet next year at Pittsburg. A resolution adopted advocated the passage of the salary bill pending in congress. visitors were tendered a banquet this evening by the local carriers.

of apoplexy, aged 58 years. Mr. Miner's estate is estimated to be worth more President, Thomas J. Carpenter, Harrisburg: vice-president, John J. Ferry, Wilkes-Barre; secretary, Al. P. Shang, Allentown: treasurer, Frank A. Gies, Easton: sergeant-at-arms, George H. Kimmel, Lebanon.

Pittsburg Coal Output. Pittsburg, Feb. 22.-The report of the output of coal of the Monongahela river mines to the Pittsburg barbor shows a total of 4,699,000 bushels, week ending February 17. The daily runs as compiled by Superintendent Speakman, of lock No. 1. are as follows: Sunday, 733,000; Monday, 842,000; Tuesday, 322,000; Wednes-day, 842,000; Thursday, 866,000; Friday,

#### Steamship Arrivals. Liverpool, Feb. 21.-Arrived: Cufto, from New York. Queenstown-Salled: Germanic, New York.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* WEATHER FORECAST.

550,000; Saturday, 665,000.

Washington, Feb. 2.-Forecast for Friday: For eastern Pennsylvania, fair Friday; fresh westerly winds; probably fair Saturday.

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