to embrace the other as to carry to our distant acquisitions the guarantees of

"life, liberty and the pursuit of happi-

ANDERSON AND AGUINALDO.

The General Denies the Statements

of the Filipino.

Detroit, March 4.-Brigadier General

Thomas M. Anderson, U. S. A., who is

at the Wayne hotel, was with Admiral

Dewey at Manila in the period in which

Aguinaldo claims he was promised by

both that his government would be

recognized. He explains the matter as

follows: Aguinaldo asked the question, "Has,

or will, the United States recognize my

government?" The reply was firmly,

but kindly, in the negative. Aguinaldo

has since asserted that Dewey then dis-

tinctly assured him that the United

States recognized his government, and

that I confirmed this statement on my

word of honor. Aguinaldo further as-serts that he saw Dewey and me at a

that assurance. Aguinaldo never saw

Dewey and me together but once.

Neither of us then made the state-

The next meeting to which Aguin-

aldo refers in his "True History of the

Filipino War" was with me alone at

Cavite. Admiral Dewey was not pres-

ent. Aguinaldo presented me with a

copy of a scheme for autonomous gov-

ernment, which was to be granted by

Spain, provided the Filipinos took part

against us. I said I was there in a

military capacity, and had no author-

ity to recognize him in a political

capacity; that we were fighting a com-

mon enemy, and that I hoped we would

Aguinaldo insistently urged me to

was then that I stated that in one hun-

dred and twenty years the United

States had made no colonies; that

when we said we would free them from

Spanish oppression we never intended

that we would recognize any particular

set or syndicate of men as the gov-

erning power. In our Civil war we did

not promise the slaves that they

should rule the south. We said we's

free them, but nothing was promised

General Anderson spoke rather

guardedly about the attitude of the

German officers during the early days

in the occupation of the Philippines,

but admitted that they were very ag-

"However, I never had any fear of

their really taking overt action, though

if Dewey had gone away I believe they

would have seized a footing. I was in

command at Cavite, when a German

barge came ashore, a card was present-

ed to me, followed quickly by a very

stiff and formal officer, who said

Captain Diederich demands the privi-

"The officer spoke English, and the

word 'demand' seemed pretty strong.

still I did not know whether it was

insolence or merely a form of official

speech, so I replied in kind, saying:

ng your people with great pleasure."

PRESIDENT IN NEW YORK.

Listens to a Sermon by Bishop An-

drews-Well Pleased with Trip.

New York, March 4 .- Although Presi-

ient McKinley was up late last night

attending the banquet of the Ohlo so-

ciety he arose about 8 o'clock this

norning and breakfasted shortly af-

Later in the morning the president,

eccompanied by his brother, Abner,

attended services at the Fifth Avenue

Presbyterian church, where the ser-

mon was preached by Rev. Dr. Edward

Methodist Episcopal church of New

A crowd afterward gathered on the

venue and greeted the president and

his party with showers of hand-clap-

At 10 o'clock the President and Mrs.

McKinley and party left the hotel on

their way to Jersey City, where the

president and his wife took the train

leaving at 12 o'clock for Washington

enjoying perfect health," the president said as he left the hotel,

Root Departs for Cuba.

Tampa, Fla., March 4.—Secretary of War Root and his wife, and General Ludlow and party, have not yet departed for Cuba. They left Port Tampe this

morning and went to Egmont Key, where they expected to meet the transport

Sedgwick and proceed to Havana. The transport failed to arrive, however, and the party returned to Port Tampa to-

night. They hope to get off some time

Hot Contest at York.

gate primary last evening were hotly con-tested. In several of the districts the

Yark, March 4.-The Republican dele-

"I enjoyed my trip immensely; I am

A. Andrews, resident bishop of the

terwards.

tomorrow.

will consider the privilege of bury-

lege of burying a man on shore.

gravating at times. He added:

not conflict.

as to their status.

ments he has attributed to us.

### TWO CENTS.

# THE ADVANCE OF BRABANT

# Boers Are Gradually Retiring Before the British Fire.

### SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

British Continue to Capture Important Outposts from the Boers Which the Latter Are Unable to Retake-General Cronje Thanks the English Officers for Many Acts of Kindness-General Gatacre Telegraphs That the Boers Are Diminishing.

Dordrecht, Cape Colony, Sunday, March 4 .- 9 a. m .- General Brabant's colonial division, after a night march, The engagement is now proceeding tive in some direction. with the greatest vigor, and the Boers are gradually retiring before the British fire from their positions.

A heavy rifle fire is being exchanged where the British are engaging the Boers on the right flank.

So far the Boers have had no Evening-General Brabant's advance today was most satisfactory. After marching and bivouacking over night. the force reached the strong entrenched

positions which they occupied and now hold, the Boers being on the opposite The British will remain tonight in the captured positions, although the Boers brought two guns into action and made determined efforts to retake

The British losses are six killed and

London, March 4.-11.45 p. m.-The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Osfontein, March 4:

"General Cronje, on behalf of his party, and Commandant Wolmarens, on behalf of 4,000 other prisoners, who have all now left Modder river, asked the British officers to thank me for the consideration and kindness with which they have been treated."

General Clements reports that his advanced troops hold Achtertang, and that railway communication would be opened to Joubert's siding today. enemy is still in force at Norval's Point

# Boers at Stormberg.

"General Gatacre telegraphs that the number of Boers at Stormberg is daily diminishing.

Colonel Baden-Powell reports that all was well at Mafeking on Feb. 15 and that the enemy's activity was being met with equal activity on the part of the defenders. "The position is unchanged at Osfontein, except that frequent heavy

showers have materially improved grazing, to the benefit of the horses and transport animals." Maseu Basutoland, Friday, March -The telegraph line between Mafeking

was cut Wednesday night, a whole section being removed. It is believed it is the work of natives bribed by the Bloemfontein, Orange Free State, Friday, March 2, via Lorenzo Marques.

-The Federals have resolved to abandon the territory around Rensburg and the retreat has been effected under the protection of mounted burghers. It is officially approunced that on Feb. 27 General Cronje, with from 20,000

the scarcity of food and ammunition. The president (Kruger) is issuing a stirring address to the burghers in Natal, who are falling back on Biggarsberg. The president will return to Pretoria

# RELIEF AT LADYSMITH.

### Correspondents State That It Did Not Come Any Too Soon.

Durban, Friday, March 2 .- Corresindents who have returned here from Ladysmith say that the relief came quite unexpected.

At noon on Tuesday the firing of General Buller's army seemed to recede instead of approaching and the garrison was consequently depressed. Everybody was startled to hear the garrison's 4.7 gun firing. It had not been used much of late, owing to the diminishing ammunition.

On hurrying out it was found that the Boers were trying to remove the big gun on Bulwana by the erection of a derrick. This proved that something extraordinary was happening. The other garrison guns then directed their fire on Bulwana, with the result that the Boers were compelled to abandon the attempt with the derrick. Later on they placed the gun on a

wagon, which capsized in a donga. During the afternoon, whenever the Boers were seen approaching, the British resuffeed the shelling of Bulwana About 4 o'clock a terrific thunder storm broke over the town, just after a message had been heliographed from Wagon Hill that the Boers were in full

Other officers said they believed they could descry British cavalry, but most people supposed that the wish was father to the thought. As soon as the storm ceased the British guns re opened on Bulwana, gradually concentrating the fire on the left and driving the Boers before them with the object of preventing the enemy from ham-

pering any British approach. An hour later a party of British horsemen could be seen crossing the flats below Bulwana at a distance of some miles. It is impossible to de-scribe the enthusiasm among the troops that followed. Most of the

### houses by the storm and did not learn the good news until later. The storm broke out again at 7 o'clock in the evening and continued until 2 o'clock the next morning. It

must have seriously hampered the re-treating Boers. The British guns kept up a steady fire to prevent the Boers from recapturing the Bulwana gun. The naval guns were fired at intervals during the night and in the morning a force was sent out to look after the

gun and to occupy Bulwana. Lord Dundonald's force went after the retreating Boers, while 4,000 of the garrison went toward Ellandslagte in the hope of being able to cut off the Boers.

### INTEREST AT LONDON.

# The Queen Abandons a Contemplated

London, March 5 .- 4.50 a, m .- Her majesty has abandoned her intended visit to the Italian Rivera and has decided to remain at home. Her decision to give up her customary spring holiday is accounted another proof of her deep interest in and devotion to the welfare of her people. On Thursday she will come to London for a brief visit, remaining until Saturday, and she will undoubtedly receive a splendid ovation. Her heartfeit, homely dispatches to the generals in the field and her visit to Nettley hospital have greatly endeared her to her people. Beyond the signs of a general re-

treat of the Boers throughout Cape Colony there is little news from the is now attacking the Boers in a strong front. Lord Roberts, in his dispatches position at La Buschagens Nek, on the to the war office thus far published, road from Dordrecht to Jamestown, says little, but he is undoubtedly ac-

The Onsland, an organ of the Afrikander Dund, says: "The Boers will now confine themselves to the defensive, abandoning an

offensive policy." Abraham's Kraal, as shown in the war office maps, is a group of three kopjes, situated at the junction of Kraal spruit with Modder river. It is a natural point of concentration, which the Boers could make exceedingly strong, but after the proofs of the mobility of the army of Lord Roberts, it may be doubted whether they will make a really serious attempt to bar

his advance. A noticeable feature of all the recent operations at the theater of war has peen the active employment of colonial forces, which is in marked contrast with the policy adopted at the beginning of the war. The Australian colonies have decided to provide the 2,500 men Mr. Chamberlain recently asked

It is now seen how near Ladysmith was to starvation and the exhaustion of ammunition. The town could hardly have withstood another Boer assault

or have held out much longer. The Daily News has a dispatch from Ladysmith which says that the supplies on hand were only enough to provide full rations for four days. The town might have held out another week, but scarcely beyond that.

# POLITICAL COMBINATION.

### Scheme to Unite Democrats, Populists and Silverites.

Topeka, Kan., March 4 .- The state central committee of the Democrats, Populists and Silver Republicans were in secret session here last night, in an endeavor to agree on terms under which a complete union of the three parties may be formed for the state and national campaign. The differences were mainly as to a division of offices. It was finally agreed that the Populists are to have governor, lieutenant governor, auditor, state superintendent, congressman-at-large and judge of the court of visitation. The Democrats are to have associate

justice, secretary of state, treasurer. solicitor and one judge of the circuit of visitations.

The Free Silver Republicans are to have insurance superintendent and one judge of the court of visitation. The electoral ticket is to be divided between the Democrats and Populists equally.

The Democrats will hold their convention to nominate delegates to the national convention on May 23, at Wichita.

# CLUBBED WHILE ASLEEP.

### Mr. and Mrs. George W. T. Miller Will Probably Die.

Norfolk, Va., March 4.-George W. T. Miller, a baker, and his wife, were assaulted by a negro burglar last night while asleep at their home in Brambleton, a suburb of this city, and so seriously injured that it is feared one or both may die.

Miller's 12-year-old son, who slept in the same room, saw the negro enter, but was too frightened to make an outcry. The negro beat his sleeping parents with a club until they were inseless. He then took all the money i the house and escaped.

# Shot His Wife.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 4.—Today William Chappel, aged 25, of Steuben-ville, O., entered the house of Elia Milleron and fired four shots at his wife Ethel, aged 22, an inmate. Two shots took effect and the woman will probably die. Tonight, while the officers were on the scene investigating. Chappel reap peared and was arrested. He has con fessed.

# Small-Pox in a School.

New Haven, Conn., March 4 .- G. W. Perkins, of Grand Rapids, Mich., a stu-dent in the freshman class of the Shef-field Scientific school, is ill with smallpox at his home on Temple street. The university authorities, aided by the city health officers, have been promptly act lye and no apprehension is felt that the

### disease will spread. Fell Under a Train.

Harrisburg, March 4.—Frederick vor Heede attempted to board a Pennsyl-vania railroad freight train near Rock ville this afternoon but slipped and foil unlich the wheels and was instantly killed. He was 20 years old and a native of Germany, where he has wealthy

### relatives. Harry Weldon Paralyzed.

Cincinnati, March 4.—The condition of Harry Weldon, sporting editor of the En-quirer, who was stricken with paralysis one week ago, is apparently improving. He has more use of the stricken right limbs and is able to articulate the words

# NO IMPERIALISM SAYS M'KINLEY

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH BEFORE THE OHIO SOCIETY.

Significant Remarks Made at the Brilliant Dinner Held on Saturday Evening at the Waldorf-Astoria. Grave Trials and Responsibilities Have Come to the United States.

New York, March 4.—President McKinley at the dinner of the Ohio society last evening with an emphasis of
language that aroused his audience to
the greatest enthusiasm protested
against the cateries which advocate
the abandoning of the responsibilities
and obligations which the war with
Spain and the subsequent treaty of
peace left upon this country.

The occasion of which the president
took advantage to express these sentiments was the annual dinner of the
Ohlo Scienty of New York at the Wal-New York, March 4.-President Mc-

Ohio Society of New York at the Waldorf-Astoria last night. When he first accepted the invitation to be present at the dinner President McKinley insisted that he should not be called upon to speak. He was persuaded, however, after he arrived in New York on Friday, to forego that proviso, and, in consequence, responding last night to the toast of his health, he permitted himself to dwell briefly upon the problems which the nation's Spanish war

had left with the country.

Mr. Southard, who made the address of welcome, closed by proposing the health of the president of the United States. The toast was drunk standing. and when the president rose to respond he was greeted by cheers again and again repeated.

### What the President Said. When silence was at length obtained

e spoke as follows: Mr. Toastmaster and Gentlemen: I ap-Mr. Toastmaster and Gentlemen: I appreciate your welcome and thank you for this renewed expression of your good will. It is proper that I should say that the managing board of the Ohio society has kept the promise made to me that I would not be expected or required to speak at this banquet. I shall not be writty of reflecting on their good faith or guilty of reflecting on their good faith or breaking my own resolution not to speak if I indulge in some observations while if I indulge in some observations while expressing in the briefest manner the pleasure which I have in greeting my old friends of the Ohio colony in New York. There is a bond of close fellowship which unites Ohio people. Whithersoever they journey or wherever they dwell, they cherish the tenderest sentiment for their mother state, and she in turn never falls of affectionate interest in her widefalls of affectionate interest in her wide-

ly scattered children.

The statement which has so often been made is not far from the truth, "Once an Ohioan always an Ohioan." It has been some years since I was your guest Much has happened in the meantime. We have had our blessings and our burdens, and still have both. We will soon have legislative assurance of the continuance of the gold standard, with which measure our exchanges, and we have the open door in the far east, through which to market our products. We are neither in alliance nor antagenism nor entangle-ment with any foreign power, but on terms of amity and cordiality with all, and our sales exceeded our purchases in the last two years by over \$1,000,000,000. Markets have been increased and mortgages have been reduced.

# Interest Falls; Wages Advance.

Interest has fallen and wages have ad-vanced. The public debt is decreasing. The country is well to do. Its people for the most part are happy and contented. They have good times and are on good terms with the nations of the world. There are, unfortunately, those among us. few in number I am sure, who seem to thrive best under bad times and who when good times overtake them in the United States feel constrained to put us on bad terms with the rest of mankind. With them I can have no sympathy. I would rather give expression to what believe to be the nobler and almost universal sentiment of my countrymen in the wish not only for our peace and prosperity, but for the peace and prosperity of all the nations and people of the earth. After thirty-three years of unbroken seace came an unavoidable war. Happeace came an unavoidable war. H. without a suspicion of unworthy motive or practice or purpose on our part and with fadeless honor to our arms. I cannot forget the quick response of the peo-ple to the country's need, and the quarter of a million men who freely offered was an impressive spectacle of national strength. It demonstrated our mighty reserve power, and taught us that large standing armies are unnecessary when every citizen is a "minute man" ready to join the ranks for national defense.

Grave Trials and Responsibilities. Out of these recent events have come to the United States grave trials and responsibilities. As it was the nation's war, so are its results the nation's prob

lems. Its solution rests upon us ali. It is too serious to stitle. It is too earnest for repose. No phrase or catchword car conceal the sacred obligation it involves. No use of epithets, no aspersion of mo-tive by those who differ, will contribute to that sober judgment so essential to right conclusions. No political outery can abrogate our treaty of peace with Spain or absolve us from its solemn cagagements. It is the people's question, and will be until its determination is written out in their enlightened verdict. We must choose between manly doing and base descrition. It will never be the latter. It must be soberly settled in justice and good conscience, and it will be, Righteousness, which exalteth a nation,

nust control in its solution. No great emergency has arisen in this nation's history and progress which has not been met by the sovereign with high capacity, with ample strength and with unflinching fidelity to every honorable obligation. Partisanship can hold few of us against solemn public duty. We have seen this so often demonstrated in the past as to mark unerfingly what it will be in the future. The national sentiment and the national conscience were never stronger or higher than now. There has been a reunion of the people around the holy altar consecrated to country newly specified by common services. The folsanctified by common sacrifices. The fol-lowers of Grant and Lee have fought under the same flag and fallen for the

same faith.

Party lines have loosened and the ties of Union have been strengthened. Sec-tionalism has disappeared and fraternity has been rooted in the hearts of the has been rooted in the hearts of the American people. Political passion has altogether subsided and patriotism glows with inextinguishable fervor in every home of the land. The flag has been sustained on distant seas and islands by the men of all parties and sections and creeds and flices and nationalities, and its stars are only those of radiant hope to the remote peoples over whom it floats. the men of all parties and sections and creeds and fices and nationalities, and its stars are only those of radiant hope to the remote peoples over whom it floats.

There can be no imperialism. Those There is a constant to the control of the cont

# have faith in the republic are against it. So that there is universal abhorrence for it and unanimous opposition to it. Our only difference is that those who do not agree with us have no confidence in the virtue or capacity or high purpose or good faith of this free people as a civilizing agency; while we believe that the century of free government which the American people have enjoyed has not rendered them irresolute and faithless, but has fitted them for the great task of lifting up and assisting to better condition and larger liberty these distant people who have through the issue of battle become our wards. Let us fear not. There is no occasion for faint heads, no excuse for regrets. Nations do not grow in strength and the cause of liberty and law by the doing of easy things. The harder the task the greater will be the result, the benefit and the honor. To doubt our power to accomplish it is to **FIVE PERSONS**

# DIE IN A FIRE

FATAL BLAZE IN A BOWERY CHEAP LODGING HOUSE.

Seven Story Building at Fourty-four Bowery Discovered to Be on Fire Yesterday Morning-Several of the Lodgers Who Escaped Death Are Badly Burned-Heroic Efforts of the Police in the Work of Rescue.

vere burned to death and three were injured this morning in a fire which occurred in a seven-story lodging house at 44 to 48 Bowery. The dead are: CHARLES BUTTIE, 40 years old.

New York, March 4.-Five persons

JOHN CLARK, 50 years old. EDWARD DOYLE, 35 years old. HENRY JACKSON, colored, 35 years old. ONE\_UNIDENTIFIED MAN, about 50 ican freemen are unable to establish lib-erty and justice and good government in our new possessions. The burden is our Stephen Carney, 75 years old, was ourned about the body, face and hands.

He was removed to a hospital in a seropportunity. The opportunity is greater than the burden. May God give us strength to bear the one and wisdom so ious condition. Martin Gallagher, 53 years old, wa burned about the face and hands, and was also removed to a hospital. Edward Walker, 47 years old, was burned

but after having his wounds dressed, remained at the lodging house. The fire was first discovered shortly after 2 o'clock. Smoke was pouring from the windows of the fifth floor and he flames were making rapid prog-

The lodging house was cut up into 132 rooms, and ninety of these small places were occupied when the fire broke out. Policemen sent in an alarm and burst into the place to arouse the inmates. They notified the night clerk, who immediately rang the alarm all over the house.

### Excited Lodgers.

The hallways were instantly filed with a crowd of excited people. The policemen forced their way to the upper floor in an effort to rescue some the helpless or any who might be overcome with smoke. They carried out Thomas Harper, a one-legged man, and Edward Walker, who had been later date, and that we then relterated | burned and partially overcome by the smoke. Stephen Carney was found lying on the floor in his room. flames had already burned the old man's hands, face and body, but a policeman picked him up and carried

him out of the building.

The firemen succeeded in putting out the flames without great loss to the building. After the fire was out they began a search. The bodies of all five of the victims were found on the fifth floor, where the fire did most damage. Buttle was suffocated in his bed. John Clark was found on the floor of his dead, as was also Edward Doyle. The colored man was found dead at a window and the unidentified was dragging himself from the window to the fire escape.

recognize his belligerent rights, and it All the bodies were taken to The damage to the building amounted to about \$2,000. The place was conducted by Dominico Milano, and was a cheap Bowery lodging

> house. Stephen Carney died tonight at the hospital.

### CATHOLIC ORATOR DEAD. Archbishop Hennessy Expires at Dubuque.

Dubuque, Iowa, March 4.-Archbishop Hennessy died at 2.25 p. m. today. Archbishop John Hennessy was recognized as one of the greatest orators and most profound theologians in the Catholic hierarchy, and because of his zeal in educational matters has been named "the apostle of the American Catholic parochial school." His latest work in the cause of education was the founding of a seminary here, designed to be one of the largest in the country Since he first came to Dubuque Archbishop Hennessy has seen the Catholic church in Iowa rise from a membership of a few hundred to a quarter of a million.

Archbishop Henessy was born in County Limerick, Ireland, August 20, 1825. In 1847 he came to America, going to Carondolet seminary, St. Louis, where he commenced the study of theology and was ordained a priest November 1, 1850. His first mission was at New Madrid, Mo., embracing six thousand miles of territory, without a single mile of railroad, and where he endured the hardships and privations of a pioneer. In 1854 he was installed as professor of dogmatic history at Carondolet and became president in 1857. In the next year he went to Rome as a representative of Archbishop Kenrick. In 1860 he went to St. Joseph. Mo., where he remained until appointed bishop of Dubuque in 1866. He was consecrated September 30 of that year by Archbishop Kenrick, of St. Louis. His silver jubilee was celebrated with great pomp in 1891. He was made archbishop on September 1, 1893, Mgr. Satolli, then papal delegate, and Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, conducting the cere-monies. All the American archbishops except one, nearly all the bishops and upwards of 400 priests and hundreds of leading Catholic laymen of the country

### were present. REVOLT OF CONVICTS. Five Hundred Prisoners at Tourah Are Involved.

Cairo, March 4 .- A serious revolt of seventy convicts at Tourah, the great prison near Cairo, nearly involved 500 other prisoners. Blank cartridges having failed to

overawe the malcontents, a volley was fired from a window opposite through the window of the room occupied by Five of the mutineers were shot and two, it is believed, fatally wounded.

All then surrendered and were con-

# Boers Attempt to Escape.

Cape Town, Sunday, March 4.—It is re-ported that the Boer prisoners while on the way from Paardeberg, unsuccessfully attempted to escape from the train. Eleven hundred of Cronje's men have been placed temporarily on board the British steamers Mongolian and Manila, in Table bay.

# THE NEWS THIS MORNING

### Weather Indications Today: RAIN; FOLLOWED BY COLD WAVE.

General—Advance of the English in South Africa. Filipino Rebeis Become Active. Address of President McKinley Before the Ohio Society. Five Lives Lost in New York Lodging House Fire.

General-Northeastern Pennsylvania, Financial and Commercial.

Local-Rev. C. M. Giffin on True Rcligion. Saturday's Court News.

Editorial. Mention of Some Men of the Hour. Local-Pro-Boer Meeting in the Ly-

Another Theater for Scranton. Local-West Scranton and Suburban.

Round About the County. Local-Among the Sports. Live Industrial News.

PROGRAMME OF THE

# WEEK IN CONGRESS Question of Seating Senator Quay

and the Puerto Rican Bill Will Di ide Attenton of the Senate. Washington, March 4.-The question

of the seating of Senator Quay, the conference report on the currency bill, and the Puerto Rican government bill will divide the attention of the senate during the present week. By agreement the currency bill will be voted upon at 4 o'clock Tuesday and will have practically the undivided attention of the senate until that time, if there are senators who desire to speak upon it. After Tuesday the Quay resolution will be the uppermost topic during the morning hours each day, and the Puerto Rican bill for the remainder of the day. There are still several speeches to be made on the Quay reso-

lution, among those who are to speak being Senators Penrose, Spooner, Perkins and Carter, favorable to Mr. Quay, and Senators Burrows in opposition. The Puerto Rican bill will be debated at length. Senators Culbertson, Turner and Pettigrew will make set arguments against it on constitutional grounds, and Senators Nelson and Depew will talk in support of it. The broad question of expansion will be raised in connection with this measure, and it will provoke many running debates, as well as many set speeches Senator Foraker, who is in charge of the bill, says there is no disposition to accept the house bill and drop the senate measure, as has been reported in me quarters would be done.

The diplomatic and appropriations bills probably will be passed during the week. Neitner of them is calculated to provoke prolonged discussion.

The house will devote this week, except tomorrow, which is District of Columbia day, to the contested election cases. The debate on the Aldrich-Robbins case, which opened on Friday, will continue Tuesday and Wedner day. After this case is disposed of the Wise-Young contest, from Virginia will be taken up and probably will consume the rest of the week. In both of the cases the majority has reported against the sitting of the nembers, who are Democrats, and the house will probably sustain the Republicans, so by the end of the week the Republican vote in the house will

### have been increased by two. ANTHRACITE TRADE.

### State of the Coal Market-Compan ies Make Concessions.

Philadelphia March 4.-The Ledger in its coal article tomorrow will say: The anthracite coal trade during the past week has been feeling considerable impetus from the increased consumption caused by the cold wave. This has made a somewhat better demand and considerably tended to enlarge the shipments. The coal companies' securities were much stimulated thereby, and at the same time the various railroad reports of earnings continued to show such enlarged profits as to give much encouragement at the stock exchange. There is a good deal of mining going on and the output is believed ample for all require, ments. The opening of lake navigation is anxiously awaited, as the upper lake region is getting very bare of coal and engagements for shipment at good freights are already being made for most of the available vesseis. The feeling in the trade as a general rule is being well maintained, though there is some shading reported, and the companies, to prevent too much accumulation of stocks, have made a concesson at tide water of 25 cents per ton on the various sizes, excepting pea and buckwheat.

# FIRE AT PITTSTON.

### Three Horses Burned in Barn at Rear of Dock Street. Special to The Scranton Tribune.

Pittston, March 4.-About 2 o'clock this morning fire broke out in a frambuilding at the rear of Dock street near the Valley station, and it was entirely destroyed. The building was two-story structure, owned by P. H. Kelly, and occupied as a bottling establishment and barn by John Dillon The fire started in the barn, in which were three horses, and the building and its contents, together with the animals,

were burned completely,
Mr. Kelly's loss on the building is covered by insurance. Mr. Dillon's oss, however, will foot up several hundred dollars, as his insurance policy expired March 1, and he decided not to renew It.

# Horses Sent to Zululand.

Durban, March 4.-Yesterday a num the object of marching a British force through Zululand interrupting the Boers of Biggarsberk. A complete sys em of heliographic communication is es-ablished between Weenen and Eshowe.

# Steamship Arrivals.

New York, March 4.—Arrived: La Champagne, Havre, Sailed: Pennsylvania, Hamburg. Queenstown — Sailed: Etruria, from Liverpool, New York. New York—Arrived: Pretoria, Hamburg.

# **INSURGENTS** ARE ACTIVE

# Filipino Rebels Prepared to Carry on Gucrilla Warfarc.

### ORGANIZATION THOROUGH

The Insurgents Have Secret Organizations About the City of Manila. Some of the Leaders Being Filipinos Who Pretended to Support the American Administration, Americans Who Are Acquainted with the Tagals Have Little Faith

in the Filipino Promises,

Manila, March 3.-Reports reach the Associated Press from various sources, including the army officers and heads of commercial houses with agents throughout the islands, of continued activity among the insurgents, who are endeavoring to keep alive the armed opposition to the United States and are planning to continue the insurrection with guerilla warfare on a larger scale when the rainy season begins. A per-son holding a position second only to that of the governor general and having extensive avenues of information, says he is convinced that the insurgent organization has been remarkably rehabilitated during the last month, particularly in the northern provinces. He says the insurgents have a secret organization patterned after the "Katipunan" methods even in the strongest garrisoned towns, affording perfect means of communication, and that the machinery is managed from Manila, some of the leaders being Filipinos pretending to be supporters of the American administration, many of the municipal governments installed by the army forming part of the machinery. Two correspondents of leading American weeklies, who have traveled for a month in Benguet and Ilocos, with letters from insurgent chiefs, going alone fifty miles from garrisons and being everywhere hospitably received, says the people make no secret of their sympathy with the insurrection.
Though admitting that the Filipinos soldiers abuse them, they still protect these soldiers from the American scouting parties. They say they have communication with Aguinaido. Paterno, in the northern mountains of cials of all ranks of Aguinaldo's government, who were captured or surrendered and who were brought here and released on promises to refrain

from agitation. While many of the insurgent municipal officers were continued in office on taking the oath of allegiance, residents who are acquainted with them have little faith in their adherence to their promises. All the civil officials of Tariac, capital of the province of that name, numbering eleven persons, has been arrested and charged with plotting, and two insurgent agents have been captured at Malabon with incriminating papers and \$4,000 collected from the natives. Some of the municipal governments appear loval and efficient. On the other hand, one American general declares he believes that the majority of his provinces are agents of the insurrection.

# New Pamphlets.

A fresh issue of insurgent pamphlets is being circulated, asserting that the American promises of good government are merely a mask for commercial exploitation of the Philippines. quoting from a Washington newspaper

headed "Let Us Be Honest." The trial of the guerilla charged with murder is finished, and it is believed the commission's verdict will be guilty. Indictments against others have been prepared.

No report has been received from General Bates' expedition. He has probably moved inland, where communication with him ts impracticable. The army throughout the island of Luzon is working hard, scouring the country for insurgents and killing a few daily. The section from Manila to Dagupan has been thoroughly, cleared, the scouting parties being unable to find any insurgents.

General Funston and Colonel Kennan took 200 men through the mountains to Baler, on the eastern coast, without meeting an insurgent. But they are active along the northern coast from Dagupan to Aparri. Occasionally reports come of an American soldier peing killed or disappearing.
In the southern provinces the insurgents continue to harass the American garrison by night demonstrations.

# ATLANTIC BALL LEAGUE.

### Scranton and Wilkes-Barre Are Included in the List.

Allentown, March 4 .- A meeting of he Atlantic base ball league will be neld here on March 9 or 12. President Fogel, who was in town today, said the league will consist of eight clubs and that the circuit would be made from the following cities: Binghamton, Scranton, Elmira. Wilkes-Barre, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Trenton, Newark and

Rhodes Will Sail for England. Cape Town, March 4.—Cecil Rhodes is here and expects to sail for England Wednesday.

Atlantic City.

northwesterly.

### ...... WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, March 4.-Forecast for Monday and Tuesday: Enstern Pennsylvania, rain Monday turn-ing into snow; colder, with cold wave at night; Tuesday probably snow; winds becoming fresh to