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PRESIDENT'S

Postponement of Action on Puerto Rico Measure Favored.

EMERGENCY HAS PASSED

Appropriation of Customs Dues Will Relieve Pressing Needs - Other Legislation Unnecessary Until It Is Known More Clearly What People of the United States and the Island Want-Senators Who Are Against the Tariff-The House Refuses to Concur in Senate Amend-

Washington, March 19.-Some of the senators who have called at the White House in the last day or two have gone away with an impression that the president is no longer anxious that the Puerto Rican tariff bill should be passed in the form in which it came from the house. To everybody he has said that he did not care to advise congress one way or another, and that the question was one which the senate ought to decide for itself. His attitude is now different from what it was a week or ten days ago, when he told everybody he hoped the bill would be passed without delay as it came from the house. He seems now to be favorable to postponement of action, in order that it may be known more clearly just what the people of the United States and Puerto Rico really

According to those who have seen the president he feels that the immediate emergency is passed. The bill appropriating \$2,000,000 for the relief of Puerto Rico becomes a law today, and with that sum immediately available the pressing needs of the island will be met. Furthermore the senate has placed itself on record by its vote of Friday as distinctly opposed to the Democratic contention that the constitution follows the flag. So far as the purpose of congress can be indicated in a merely declaratory way, that vote is sufficient evidence that the Republican majority has no intention of allowing the tariff and other laws to extend over the new possessions by force of the constitution.

The immediate necessity for action by congress to establish the contention that it can legislate for the new possessions as it sees fit has therefore disappeared.

It is rather significant that the so-"protected industries," which have been charged by some with responsibility for the house tariff bill. have now turned their energies to an attempt to defeat any legislation whatever. As that will leave the present high Dingley duties in force it seems to be the only alternative to the passage of the bill as it stands, for it is ecognized that the enactment of a free trade measure after all that has hap-

pened is out of the question. Uncertainty as to the Vote.

Owing to the absence of Senator Spooner, the Puerto Rico steering comnittee has not yet held a formal meeting and none will be held until his return. Members of the committee, however, have been making a canvass of the senate to see if there can be found a basis of agreement which will be satisfactory. So far no great progress has been made. The senators who announced themselves in caucus as against the tariff portions of the bill have shown no inclination to yield, The introduction of a free trade amendment by Senator Beveridge would indicate that that senator intends to vote for free trade. It is certain that a delegates to the state convenion were number of other Republicans are de termined not to vote for the tariff. though the friends of the measure say only five or six will stand out when final test comes. At the same time they do not desire to press a vote on subject at present. They do not want the party divided and wish to have as few speeches against the measure as possible. A statement was made by a senator today to the effect that if these who opposed the tariff could not be won over to the majority, the majority would go over to them. So far, how- national convention. The resolutions ever, there is not the least disposition indicated of abandoning the tariff feature of the bill by its friends. prospects are that any action will be delayed as long as possible. The tariff feature of the bill will not be separated from the government features at present, although Senator Foraker. the bill in charge, will take that action as soon as it is apparent that the government bill can be passed and that there is no prospect of an early agreement upon the tariff provis-

Measures of Importance. Two measures of national importance, and many of slightly lesser inerests, were passed by the senate to-The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, carrying more than \$25,000,000, was passed with out debate. The measure providing for the appointment of a commission to adjudicate and settle claims of citizens the United States, growing out of the war with Spain, was also passed

For the brief time the Puerto Rican government and tariff measure was charge of the bill, submitted some com mittee amendments. A few of them were agreed to, but the important ones are still pending. A free trade amend-ment to the bill was offered by Sena-

House Will Not Concur.

The house today refused to concur in the senate amendments to the Puerto Rican relief bill. The Democrats supa motion to concur on the ground that it would avoid further delay in extending relief to the inhabitof the island, but the Republicans

in his demand that the house should insist upon its original provision to ap-propriate not only the money collected on Puerto Rican goods up to January 1, but all subsequent moneys collected or are to be collected. The remainder of the day was devoted to District of Columbia business.

"POPS" HAVE TROUBLE.

The Middle-of-the-Roaders Hold Small Convention of Their Own.

Lincoln, Neb., March 19 .- The Populist state convention eher today was somewhat turbulent from the start. There were numerous candidates for every position and objectors to every measure. Roll calls were frequent and onsequently progress was slow.

committee on credentials decided against the claims of the middleof-the-road Populists from Omaha to be classed as delegates and barred them from the convention. The opposition of D. Clem Deaver, of Omaha, as member of the Populist national committee from Nebraska, was decommittee from Nebraska, was clared vacant and E. E. Thomas, of morrow evening.

Bishop Fowler this morning first the committee from Nebraska, was chosen in his place. Mr. Bishop Fowler this morning first the committee from Nebraska, was chosen in his place. Deaver was ousted for the reason that he "was not considered a member of

the Populist party." After being denied admission as delegates to the Populist convention, the middle-of-the-roaders held a small convention of their own and appointed a Nebraska delegation to attend the Populist convention at Cincinnati. They also decided to hold a state convention in Nebraska at some date after the Kansas City convention.

CONSPIRACY ALLEGED.

Attorney Campbell Claims That Goebel's Assassin Can Be Arrested When a Force of 3,000 Men Can

Cincinnati, March 19. -Mr. 7. Campbell, who has been employed by the brothers of the late William Goebel to assist in the prosecution of the assassin of Mr. Goebel, was here today fresh from a conference with his associates held at Lexington. In conversation Mr. Campbell was unwilling to disclose the state of their case, but he said that so far as now known the assassin was not yet arrested. He added that the assassin would be prrested whenever a force of 3,000 armed men could be had to go to a certain county in eastern Kentucky. He said further that the attorneys for the commonwealh claim to have proof to stablish a conspiracy for the assassination, but he made the assertion that this conspiracy was not charged against the Republican leaders but against what is known as the anti-Goebel party.

He further said that it includes men who were officials prior to the late election and men who thought they perame officials after the late election.

BOOKS FOR GUAM.

Garrison and Citizens to Be Supplied with Reading Matter.

Washingon, March 19.-Some time ago the navy department laid before the country the appeal of Captain Leary, naval governor of the island of Cham, for some light reading for the garrison there and also for the inhabitants. Since that time large numbers of books have been pouring into the department and today the climax was reached when a big dray dumped seven thousand pounds of magazines down on the sidewalk. This was the gift of the International Christian as-

sociation of Jersey City ,N. J. The department is now satisfied that it has all the material on hand necessary to meet the needs of the population of Guam for some time to come and, as funds are not available for the expressage of large lots of literature across the continent, there must be some sorting of that already here.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTIONS.

Sympathy Expressed for Biyan and the Boers-Delegates Chosen.

Altoona, March 19-At a convention of Blair county Democrats today these eleced: Frank Sehle, James Condrin. Charles J. Wehrle, Alteona; Thomas Lawiee, Hollidaysburg; A. S. Garman, Tyrone. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the Chicago platform, Bryan, declaring against imperialism, and expressing sympathy with the Boers. A. V. Dively, Free Silver leader, was endorsed for national delegate,

Erie, Pa., March 19.-Erie city Democrats today renominated J. B. Brooks for assembly, after a bitter fight, and chose Frank Schultz delegate to the oppose trutsts, sympathize with the Boers and endorse Bryan and silver.

Big Polo Tournament.

Aiken, S. C., March 19.-The big pole tournament, under the auspices of National Polo association, opened here today and will continue until the 24th. It is eyen to teams of four, and hand some cups will be awarded to the win-

Gen. White at Cape Town. Cape Town, Sunday, March 18.-Genera Sir George Stewart White, the defender of Ladysmith, has arrived here, but is too ill to permit of a public being given in his honor.

Brooklyn Gun Club Tourney. Queens County, L. I., March 19.—The Brooklyn Gun Club's tournament was be-gun today at the new Interstate Park Shooting grounds here, and will continu

DAY'S DEATH ROLL

Steubenville, O., March 19.-Hen, J. A. Bingham, ex-minister to Japan and exongressman from this district, died at attorney for the prosecution in the trial Reading, Pa., March 19.—Horatio Trex-ler, president of the National Union bank for many years, died today. Ho was in his eighty-eighth year. Mr. Trexler was formerly president of the leading Iron company. Seattle, Wash., March 19.-Herman E. raubeneck, well known as the former hairman of the national committee of the People's party, died in this city to-

day.

Philadelphia. March 12.—Stephen P. M.
Tasker, of this city, one of the best stood firmly behind Chairman Caunon try, died today, aged 66 years

THE METHODIST CONFERENCE

WORK IN SESSIONS AT PHILA DELPHIA AND HAZLETON.

Important Questions Discussed—The Matter of Sustaining the Methodist Episcopal Orphanage-Bishop Fowler Suggests the Use of Bibles in Sunday Schools in Place of the Leaflet-The Central Pennsylvania Conference.

Philadelphia, March 19,-With the opening of today's session of the Philadelphia conference of the Methodist Episcopal church that body entered upon the second and closing period of its week's work, and all indications

took up the twenty-third Disciplinary question and the following preachers were placed on the superannuated list W. C. Robinson, S. L. Kemble, Jacob Diekerson, J. A. Shipman, J. C. Ashton, M. H. Systy, Abel Howard, John Thompson, H. H. Bodine, R. J. Carson, S. H. C. Smith, H. B. Cassavant, W. H. Burrell, C. F. Turner, Frederick Illman, F. M. Brady, George Hea cock, Peter Hallowell, Samuel Barnes Reuben Owen, W. L. Gray, William Rink, T. C. Murphy.

The question of the relation of the Tract society to the conference was not brought up at today's session, the matter having been thoroughly discussed at Saturday's executive session. It is stated that the board of managers of the Tract society will be allowed another year in which to endea-vor to increase the caraleg capacity of the organization.

The report of the board of mana-gers of the Methodist Episcopal orphanage stated that necessary improvements had exhausted the treas. ury and \$3,000 was borrowed to gustain the work. The expenses for the year were \$1,164. The report further says:

"It is imposible to turn out any of the little ones now in the home, for to care for them is certainly a very sacred obligation: but to maintain them the orphanage needs immediate assistance. The management, however, face a very serious question: Shall we refuse admission to any more children? The church mast answer this question for the management. Our contributions will be the answer." Rev. E. C. Griffiths, D. D., presented the report of the board of trustees of the Methodist hospital, which showed that institution to be in a prosperous condition. It stated that at the close of the year the eash balance

was over \$5,000. Rev. S. W. Thomas, D. D., presented the report of the Freedman's Ald and Southern Education society, which stated that the indebtedness of the \$200,000 mark, and that the contributions had been satisfactory. Charles W. Higgins was elected a member of board of trustees of the conforthe ence educational fund. The Rev. J. T Satchell and the Rev. C. W. Green, of this city, were elected to represent the conference at the missionary convention of the Methodist church in New York next month,

The Bible Distribution.

Rev. James Morrow, D. D., Secretary of the Bible society, announced that there are now 250,000,000 copies of the Bible, printed in four hundred different languages, distributed throughout the world. Bishop Fowler endorsed the work of the society and advised the use of the Bible in Sunday schools instead of the leaflet now generally used. He also suggested that the members of the conference should insist as far as possible upon the study of the Bible by children and the reading of scriptures in the families at least once a

At the afternoon session the annual missionary sermon was presented by Rev. W. H. Shaffer, of this city. Thirty delegates were elected to rep-

resent the Philadelphia conference at the state convention of Methodists at Harrisburg next fall. Tonight the anniversary of the mis-

sionary society was held in the Arch church. Addresses were delivered by Rev. William Burt, D. D., of Italy: Rev. A. J. Palmer, D. D., corresponding secretary of the Missionary society, and Rev. A. W. Rudisill, D. D., of Indiana.

Central Pennsylvania Conference. Hazleton, Pa., March 19.-A. W.

Decker and A. B. Hooven, of the Williamsport district, and J. A. Demoyer, of the Dansville district, made application at this morning's session of the Central Pennsylvania Methodist Episcopal conference for a change of relation from the effective to the superannuated list. Their applications were ator Jones, of Arkarsas, the matter went referred to the board of stewards. The conference then went into exe-

cutive session. following candidates were admitted on trial: W. L. Armstrong, F. W. Roper, J. T. Bell, W. W. Shoell, P. N. Fredla, H. W. Selfert, G. W. McIllneri, B. A. Salter, James Dougherty, E. V. Brown and A. M. Bruce. This afternoon memorial services were conducted and tonight a meet-

ing of the conference as a corporate body was held. Metropolitan Has Complete Control. New York. March 19.-President H. H. Vreeland, of the Metropolitan Street Railway company, tonight issued a state-ment to the effect that the Metropolitan

Street Railway company had secured a

Street Railway company. This will give the Metropolitan all the street railways on Manhattan island and in the borough of the Bronx, as well as lines in West-

chester county, north of the city bo Dewey's Secretary Speaks.

Washington, March 19. - Lieutenant Crawford Admiral Dewey's secretary, today denied the report that Admiral Dewey will make a trip to Europe this

Pittsburg and Gulf Sold.

Joplin. Mo., March 19 .- The Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Rallway system was sold at auction here today.

DISBURSING

The Industrial School Matron on the Witness Stand.

MRS. EYLER'S CASE.

Trenton, N. J., March 19.—The investigation of the charges of misman-agement of the Girls' Industrial School by the committee of the legislature was resumed today, with Mrs. Eyler on the stand. Mrs. Eyler came to the hearing room with a large number of books and other documents. Her counsel furnished the chairman of the committee with a long list of questions, of which Mrs. Eyler was given a duplicate. She said she did not seek the position, but was appointed be-

evening play-hour by stating that the girls had acted in a disorderly manner. The main portion of her early testimony was given to an explanation of the difference between her and a number of the other teachers. She charged the latter with disloyalty and encouraging the girls in disobedience. She said she was not at the school two days before there was an organized under-current against her. Complaints were made to the board of trustees and to the governor. Mrs. Fairlamb, Miss Miller and other teachers claimed that Mrs. Eyler was not giving them support. Mrs. Eyler replied to these assertions by stating that they were not living up to the requirements of the institution. Their resignations fol-

Lincoln, Neb., March 19 .-- In effect,

City convention. The platform, which was adopted by the Nebraska Democracy with the greatest enthusiasm, reaffirms the Chicago platform, declares for "16 to 1." opposes a large standing army, denounces the action of the Republican party on the Puerto Rico tariff bill, declares against trusts and "imperial-

The platform is practically the creation of Mr. Bryan. He did not write it personally, but he was consulted concerning it, and before it was read to the convention he had approved of it throughout.

The platform adopted by the Populist convention was substantially the same as that adopted by the Democonflicts in no essential point.

both delegations to stand for Mr. Bryan in the Kansas City and Sloux Falls conventions.

Frankfort, Ky., March 19.-Caleb Powers, John Davis and William E. Culton, charged with being accessories to the murder of William Goebel, were arraigned today for trial before Judge Moore. The commonwealth was not ready, and by agreement the trials were set for next Friday. Ex-Governor John Young Brown made a demand for a list of witnesses from the commonwealth, but this was refused by the prosecution on the ground that publicity might cause some of them to avoid being summoned.

Commonwealth Attorney Franklin and County Attorney Polsgrove refused to either affirm or deny the story that Sergeant Golden has made an aling the Goebel assassination.

GORED BY A BULL. Bodies of E. C. Stout and Wife Found in a Barnyard.

Danville, Pa., March 19 .- The mutilated bodies of E. C. Stout and his wife. who lived on a farm near Nescopec. Columbia county, were found buried under the snow in their barnyard to-In the same yard where the day. bodies were dicovered a savage bull is kept with a number of other cattle and it is the supposition that while at work in the yard Mr. Stout was attacked by the brute. His wife, it is presumed, came to his assistance and they both were gored to death.

her body stripped of clothing. husband was mangled almost beyon! recognition.

Washington, March 19.-In the executive session of the senate today, Mr. Fairbanks again made an effort to secure consideration of the nomination of Hon. W. D. Bynum as appraiser for the port of New York, but upon objection by Senday for a vote on the nomination proved

Jealousy Causes Crime.

Sandusky, O., March B.-Some time last night, Mrs. Leonard Wagner killed her husband and then shot herself, at their home about three miles from here. Nothing was known of the tragedy until this evening, when neighbors entered the house and found the dead bodies. Jealousy is believed to have been the cause

Connolly Badly Used Up.

New York, March 19.—Matty Matthews, of New York, met Eddie Connolly, of St. ohn, N. B., tonight, at the Hercales Athletic club, in Brooklyn, and Connolly

McGiffert Resigns. New York, March 19.—Professor Arthur McGiffert, of Union Theological semnary, long under charges of heresy, has withdrawn from the Presbyterian church le mailed a letter today to Moderato Duffield, of the New York Presbyter; asking that his name be stricken from

New College for Women.

Brentwood. L. I., March 19.—The ground for the women's college to be established here, was broken today. The building will cost not less than \$300,000, and will be known as St. Joseph's in the Pines.

CIRCULATION OPERATIONS UN

sum of \$3,030,600 in new bank notes was

shipped by the controller on Saturday.

of which all but \$300,000 was for banks

which wanted to raise circulation to

The circulation secured by bonds now

stands at \$219,211,712, and that secured

by deposits of lawful money and in process of retirement at \$37,886,975. The

various transfers of bonds by the banks

with withdrawals, in some cases to

take advantage of market prices, have

had the effect of anticipating the total

legal limit of \$3,000,000 per month for

the withdrawal of circulation. The

March account has been filled and the

April account has been overdrawn to

the amount of \$2,150,000. The bonds

cannot be withdrawn by the banks any

faster than the law permits the retire-

Controller Dawes intends to scrutin-

ize carefully all the applications for

new bank charters, whether they come

from banks in existence under state

It is not believed by the treasury

officials, in spite of the slight flurry

which is taking place among the

banks, that any large increase of bank

note circulation will occur as the re-

sult of the refunding operations. An

increase of about \$25,000,000 will take

place through the authority given the

banks to raise circulation to par of

The bonds cannot be obtained be-

yond that except by purchase in the open market or by the surrender of de-

posits of public money. The present prices of bonds, both the old classes

and the new 2s, are not such as to en-

courage large purchases by the banks

HUMMEL'S CONFESSION.

Tells How His Wife and Stepchil-

dren Were Killed.

Williamsport, March 19.-In a copy righted story the Sun this evening give

a complete confession of William H. Hummel, the rag peddler, tried, convicted

Hummei, the rag pendier, therm of cour-and sentenced at the last term of cour-ting charge of killing his wife. He

on the charge of killing his wife. He confesses to have killed his wife and

three stepchildren with a small axe. He did this deed on Nov. 16 last, and

on the following night placed the bodies

beneath a straw pile, with the exception of that of the baby, which was buried in

his barn. The next night he took the burlaps with which he had wrapped the

odles and threw them in a field. It was

the finding of these bloody bags that led

COEUR D'ALENE TROUBLE.

Telegram Received Gives News of

Shooting Affray.

Washington, March 19.-News of fur-

ther trouble in the Coeur d'Alenc mining district reached the war department to-

"Adjutant General, Washington: Com-

den, company M. Twenty-fourth infantry

Acting assistant adjutant general in

Mr. McKinley's Future.

Dewey at Columbia.

battalion of naval reserves, a regi-

hand to take part in the Dewey parad-

Daly's Collection to Be Sold.

New York. March 19 .- The sale of the

ate Augustin Daly's great collection of oric-a-brac, rare books, and other per-

onal property, a collection such as has

before been offered at public

was begun at the American Art gallery

Dewey Will Visit Jacksonville.

Bourke Cockran delivered an address.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

men doubtful; all quiet there,
(Signed) "McCain,

absence department commander."

'March 19.

in the following telegram:

"Vancouver Barracks, Washington

o the discovery of the murder.

laws or from new applicants for char-

ment of the circulation.

their bond deposits.

THE MONEY

DER NEW FINANCE LAW. Busy Days for Controller of the Currency and His Staff-National Bank Notes Issued Last Week \$5,641,960-Only \$1,183,320 Destroyed-Circulation on Saturday Increased to \$257,098,687-\$10,cause of her experience.

She explained her abolition of the 000,000 Added Since January 31.

Washington, March 19 .- The conroller of the currency and his force are working hard to meet the demands for new bank notes and the exchange of one class of bonds for another to secure circulation. The total of the national bank notes issued for six days of last week was \$5,641,960, and of those destroyed \$1,183,320. The net result was to increase the circulation on Saturday to \$257,098,687. That is an increase of \$10,000,000 since January 31, and \$7,-500,000 since February 28. A considerable part of the increase in circulation is due to the orders which are pouring juto the treasury for circulation to par of bonds already pledged as the basis of circulation. The

BRYAN AT KANSAS CITY.

Announces the Platform Which He Considers Best for Democracy.

William J. Bryan announced tonight to the Democratic party and to the nation at large the platform which he considers best for the Democratic party and practically upon which he desires to stand if nominated at the Kansas

ism," and favors the choice of United States senators by popular vote.

crats. It differs somewhat in form, but Both conventions today were enthuslastic for Mr. Bryan to the last degree, and every mention of his name was greeted with cheers of delight and approval. Instructions were given to

GOEBEL MURDER CASES.

Powers. Davis and Culton Are

Charged with Being Accessories.

Mrs. Stout's neck was broken and Miliville, N. J., March 19 .- At today's session of the New Jersey Methodist

Efforts in Bynum's Behalf.

at Washington, made the announcement that President McKinley would, at the navailing.

George Dewey was enthusiastically greeted when he passed through the capital here today. This state will send

was so badly used up in the fourteenth round that the referee interfered and stopped the bout to prevent Connolly

Jacksonville, Fla., March 19.-Admiral Dewey has accepted the invitation exknocked out. ended to him to visit Jacksonville, and The event of the week will be the reception and banquet next Saturday. Bryan's Birthday Celebrated. Chattanooga, Tenn., March 19.—The Bryan Anniversary club, of this city.

Washington, March 19.—Pensions: Additional, B. L. Laymon, Jermyn, Lackawanns, 16 to 18. Restoration and increase, Maurice Gorman, Towanda, Bradford, \$8

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Wanther Indications Today:

RAIN; COLDER.

1 General-President McKinley and Puerto Rican Affairs. Roberts Getting Ready to March on Pretoria.
Circulation Operations Under New Finance Law.
Methodist Conference Report.

General-Northeastern Pennsylvania. Financial and Commercial.

Local—Architect Holden Talks Before the Green Ridge Women's Club. Annual Meeting of Teachers' Benefit

Editorial. News and Comment.

General-The Redemption of Santiago

Local-Judge Edwards' Charge as to Alleged City Hall Bribery.

Local-Evidence in the Martin Trespass Case, Flushing of Culm Into Mines.

Local-West Scranton and Suburban. 9 Round About the County. 10 Local-Live Industrial News.

THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE

THE COEUR D'ALENE.

Captain Forney, Special Prosecutor at the Scene of Disorder, Is on the

Washington, March 19 .- The Cocur D'Alene investigation was resumed today by the house committee on military affairs, with Captain J. H. Forney, special prosecutor at the scene of disorder on the stand. Representative Hay, of Virginia, directed the examination with a view to disclosing how far the United States troops were under the control and direction of Gov erner Stenberg and his executive official in Shoshone county, Bartlett Sinclair. Mr. Hay asked if General Merriam was the responsible commander not only of the troops, but also of the affairs of the district in general. The witness said General Merriam was not the responsible commander, as the gov ernor and Mr. Sinclair directed affairs. To a certain extent they controlled the United States forces. Forney said the troops were sent there to aid in suppressing the insurrection and they did this by co-operating with

and assisting the state officials. Mr. Hay stated that while he did not question the right of the governor to call the troops or the right of the president to send them, he maintained that the president had no authority to place the United States troops under the ontrol of state authorities. Questions by Mr. Lentz brought out that Bartlett Sinclair was a civil official under the law, but that he exercised certain military authority in order to make

effective his military authority. Mr. Forney stated that in his opinion the trouble between the union and nonin the market with the expectation of union men in the Coeur D'Alene district was irreconcilable and that one or the other class would have to leave. Trouble has been going on since 1892 and the camp was too small to permit both elements in remain in peace. Mr. Lentz sought to develop that the union men are being systematically driven

out by the "permit" system, but this the witness denied. On re-direct examination the witness stated that in his opinion, based on all the circumstances coming under his observation, the government was justified in proclaiming martial law. Mr. Forney's testimony was closed late in the day and the committee ad-

PARMONY IN ADAMS.

Quay and Anti-Quay Men Work To-

gether. Gettysburg, March 19 .- The Republicans cention here today. There was harmony and an absence of factional feeling. S. L. Jonns, an anti-Quay man, was nonminted for chairman, but withdrew in favor of C. L. Deardorff. D. P. McPherson. of Gettysburg, anti-Quay, and Dr. C. L. Myers, of York Springs, a Quay man, were elected state lelegates by acclamation. John L. Hill, jr., a Quay man, was selected as national dele-

gate, and empowered to name his own nanding officer Fort Sherman reports Privates West Haves and David F. Hay-The Quay leaders are determined not to allow York county more representawere badly shot in Cocur d'Alene city; suspected parties in arrest; recovery of tion in the district conference than Adadmitted it will be with a haif vote each.

AMERICUS CLUB BANQUET. Will Be Attended by President and

Noted Statesmen. Pittsburg, March 19.—John I. Shaw, president of the Americus club, announc-ed tonight that he had positive informa-

Episcopal confererce Bishop Hurst in his sermon at the opening of the session, in speaking of the American university tion that President McKinley will at-tend the banquet of the club on April 27 in honor of U. S. Grant's birthday. The president will respond to the toast "Our conclusion of his service as a public officer, accept the position of professor of international law at the university. Country. Among the other speakers will be Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith, Senator M. A. Hanna, and Congressman Robert G. Cousins, of Iowa. Arrange ments have been perfected for the seat-ing of 500 people at the banquet, and al-Columbia, S. C., March 19 .- Admiral

together the function promises to eclipse any of the annual banquets in the his tory of the club.

The Budget Discussion. London. March 19.—During the budget discussion in the house of commons to-day, John Redmond, the Irish leader, said the Irish members abstained from this discussion, but they did not regard it as a humdrum budget, as it imposed upon Ireland an additional war tax of over a million a year, at which the conscience of Ireland, he added, revolted. The bill passed its second reading by a vote of

Corporations Chartered.

Harrisburg, March 19.-These corpora-tions were chartered today by the state department: Stevenson Iron and Stee Manufacturing Co., Pittsburg, capital \$50,000; Lehigh Foundry Co., Fullerton, capital \$50,000; Triumph Inhaler Co., Bradford, capital \$5,500; Birdsboro Water Co., Birdsboro, capital \$64,000.

Benton on the Bonds.

held its annual banquet tonight in cele-bration of William J. Bryan's birthday. Washington, March 19.—The head of homas H. Benton, of Missouri, will \$1,000. Berton, by his persistent opposi-tion to paper and silver and demand for gold currency, was given the sobriquet of "old bullion." Lifferent portraits will decorate bonds of different denominations.

MAFEKING ALL RIGHT

General Belief That the City Has Been Relieved.

REPORT NOT CONFIRMED

General Roberts Expects to Advance on Pretoria from Three Directions. Lord Methuen May Lead One Force from Mafeking After Relief of That Place-Gen. Buller to March from Natal and the Commanderin-Chief from Bloemfontein-A Report That President Kruger Is Shipping His Effects to Europe.

London, March 20 .- 4 a. m .- The war office has had no news up to this hour confirming the report of the relief of Mafeking, but George Wyndham, parliamentary under secretary for war, replying to a private inquiry, in the lobby of the house of commons about midnight, smilingly said: "I think it

is all right." The Free Staters seemingly have not quite collapsed. They are in considerable force around Smithfield, although much disspirited.

A British spy from Rouxville reports that Commandant Olivier and a commando are going to Kroonstadt. The agents he left behind are using desperate means to raise recruits, commandeering British Boers under penalty of death.

Kroonstadt, where the Boers are conentrating, is 137 miles from Bloemfontein. It is surrounded by a country of hills and jungles.

General Catacre is now resting at Springfontein, preliminary to joining Lord Roberts, General Buller's bill work before Ladysmith has given him an experience which is about to be used in forcing the Biggarsberg range. It is believed that 25,000 of his 40,000 men are about to engage General Botha's force, and the next news of fighting will probably come from Na-

ony asking the imperial government not to take away the independence of the Boers.

The leaders of the Afrikander bund

are circulating a petition in Cape Col-

Thirty-two thousand additional troops

for South Africa are now at sea. Plans of Gen. Roberts.

London, March 19 .- Neither the advance by way of Fourteen Streams nor Col. Plumer's movement from Rhodesia have as yet resulted in the relief of Mafeking, at least so far as

known here. From Bloemfontein and Natol no lews of importance has been received. It is probable that the converging of the troops toward Mafeking indicates a much more serious purpose than merely its relief. Judging from Lord Methuen's presence at Warentown and the capture of the nearby passage of the Vaal at Fourteen Streams, keen observers believe that Lord Roberts meditates an advance from Fourteen Streams or Klerksdorp and would coincide probably with an advance via Bloemfontein and Natal. Thus Lord Methuen may be given the chance to redeem his reputation as has been

done with Gen. Gatacre. MR. KRUGER'S PRECAUTIONS. Report That Boer President Is Ship-

ping His Effects to Europe. An interesting piece of news reaches me from Amsterdam to the effect that last Thursday a consignment of valuables and effects belonging to President Kruger and other Transvaal officials reached that port from South Africa. The consignment was taken charge of by a clerk in the employ of Dr. Leyds at Brussels, and was immediately trasferred to the vaults of a bank which is generally understood have President Kruger's interests in hand .-- Birminghan (England) Pest.

Quay Ticket Nominated.

Johnstown, March 19 .- At Ebensburg, today, the Republican county convention nominated a Quay ticket and selected delegates as follows: Delegates to na-tional convention, Robert S. Murphy, Johnstown: delegates to state convention, Alex. Montieth. Patton; Harry D. Hoover, Portage; J. G. Lloyd, Ebensburg; T. S. McFeaters, Conemaugh. The report of the committee on resolutions was presented and was accepted by a unanimous vote. It endorses the course of President McKinley, the national and state administrations.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, March 19 .- Cleared: Lahn, for Bremen via Southampton. Arrivad: Tauric, from Liverpool. Cherbourg— Salled: New York, from Southampton for New York. Lizard—Passed: Pried-erich Der Grosse, from Bremen for New York. Scilly—Passed: Kalser Wilhelm Der Grosse, from New York for Brenien. Southampton-Arrived: Wilhelm Der Grosse, from New York for Bremen

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, March 19.—Porecast for Tuesday and Wednesday; East-ern Pennsylvania—Rain Tuesday, ern Pennsylvania-Rain Tuesday, followed by clearing; colder Tues-day night. Wednesday, fair; brisk high southerly winds, shifting