RUMORS OF RELIEF OF **MAFEKING**

Attention Paid Stories of Boers Victory.

SITUATION SATISFACTORY

All Reports Regarding the British Operations Continue to Be Hopeful. The Story Regarding Olivier's Victory Over General Gatacre Designed to Revive Drooping Spirit of Burghers-Boer Women at Pretoria Wish to Murder British Pris-

London, March 23, 4 a. m.-Again there is a persistent rumor that Mafeking has been relieved. It is even asserted that the war office has received a despatch positively announcing the relief, but that publication of it is withheld, because the form of the message admits the possibility of mistake. The war office, however, declares that there is no confirmation of the rumor and that no further news on the subfeet is at hand.

No attention is paid in any quarter to the wild Boer rumors of Commandant Olivier's victory over General Gatacre, which are only designed to revive the droopings spirits of the burgh-

It seems certain that Mafeking's only chances lie in relief by the column supposed to be advancing from the south, or in the possibility that Colonel Baden-Powell is still strong enough to attempt a sortie with a view of capturing the Boor guns at a time when Commandant Snyman has withdrawn his men to oppose Colone! Plumer's advance

All the reports regarding the British operations in the Free State continue most satisfactory.

Nothing has developed regarding General Buller's intentions, but it seems hard to believe that he is again

It is reported from Lorenzo Marques that Pretoria is prepared to stand a siege of two years, and that the Boer Boer arms are entreating to be allowed to shoot the British officers im-It is also announced from the Trans-

vaal capital that the Italian government has declined to intervene.

Gatacre at Springfontein.

London, March 23 .- A despatch to the Daily Mail from Springfontein, dated Wednesday morning, March 21, Bays:

General Gatacre and his staff are still here. He is most strict regarding the private property of the Boers. Some Kaffirs who had looted Boer farms have been tried and severely punished, to the great astonishment and gratification of the Boer residents.

CONVENTION BUILDING.

Campaign Committee Approves of Plans to Transform Main Building.

Philadelphia, March 22 .-- Chairman Manley and H. C. Payne, of the sub-committee of the Republican national campaign committee, today definitely approved the plans which will transform the main building of the recent national export exposition into a suitable hall for the Republican convention next June. Senator Hanna did not come to town, as was expected, Chairman Manley explaining that the Puerto Rico bill required all the senators at the capital at present.

Committee-men Manley and Payne accompanied by Sergeant-at-Arms Wiswell, visited Mayor Ashbridge at on and were in consultation with him for some time. Chairman Manley expressed confidence in the mayor's ability to raise the \$30,000 remaining due of the \$100,000 campaign fund. In speaking of the nomination for vicepresident, Mr. Manley expressed surprise that Pennsylvania had not put forward a candidate and suggested that this state could furnish good ma-

Legislative Bribery Cases.

Harrisburg, March 22.-All the defendents in the legislative bribery cases are here, except Thomas Moyles, of Wilkes-Barre, who is expected tomorrow. Coun both sides have been in consulta tion during the day and it was announced tonight that the cases would go to tria tomorrow, unless something unforseen intervened. The case against ex-Ecnator John J. Coyle, of Philadelphia, will be talled first.

Colored Orphans' Home Cornerstone. Birmingham, Ala, March 22.-The forand laying of the cornerstone of the Ala-Home was made today by Mayor W. M. Drennen, of this city. The object of the some is to care for the homeless, help-ess orphans and destituted colored chil-

Loubet Will Pardon Christiani. Paris, March 22.—President Loubet has decided to pardon Baron Christiani, who last June assaulted him on the presiden-tial stand at the races and who was senced to four years imprisonment for

New Convention Hall. offalo. N. Y., March 22.-The bids for converting the old Seventy-fourth armory

CAMPAIGN IN KENTUCKY. FATAL EXPLOSION

State Troops Recognizing Democratic Governor Beckham in Possession of the County Court House.

Frankfort, Ky., March 22.-State troops recognizing Democratic Governor Beckham are in possession of the county court house and jail tonight and will do military duty here under orders from Governor Beckham during the examining trials of Republican Secretary of State Caleb Powers, Cap-tain John W. Davis and W. H. Culton, which are set for hearing before Judge Moore tomorrow. The military is also reinforced by seventy-five special deputy sheriffs, who were sworn in by the civil authorities this afternoon. The Lexington company of seventy men, under Captain Longmire, arrived here onight. The men were drawn up in regular marching order at the station and marched to the court house. The sidewalks along the way were filled with people and the troops were heered by the Beckham adherents at various points.

The line of march did not pass the state house square, where Governor Taylor's soldiers are quartered, and the dual militia did not come face to face. Captain Longmire marched at the head of his company, carrying a re-volver, while each of the men carried wo guns. Practically the entire contents of the Lexington armory were brought here.

The indications tonight are that the trial of some one of the defendants will be entered upon tomorrow. County Attorney Polsgrove said tonight that all of the subpoenaes for the common wealth witnesses had been served, and unless some of the most important witnesses fail to come the trial will be commenced. The commonwealth will demand that the defendants be arraigned separately. County Judge Moore today issued an order to Sheriff Sutter directing him to exclude everybody from the court house tomorrow except attorneys, witnesses and members of the press. There has been no confirmation here of the rumors that armed bodies of citizens from the mountain section are coming to Frankfort and the rumor is not generally

FRICK AND CARNEGIE EFFECT COMPROMISE

"Iron-Clad Agreement" Wiped Out. All Litigation Between the Partners in the Company Is Dropped.

Pittsburg, March 22.-The Carnegle Steel company, limited, becomes a stock company with a capital variously estimated at from \$200,000,000, to \$250,000,000, the famous "iron-clad agreement" is wiped out, all litigation between the partners in the Carnegie company is dropped and H. C. Frick, the former president of the company, virtually secures all he has contended for. These facts are embodied in an authorized statement issued tonight by the Carnegie Steel company, limited. The Atlantic City conferences resulted in an agreement, signed by all the parties interested, except Mr women, frantic at the reverses of the Frick and John Walker, the latter the principal plaintiff in the suit against the H. C. Frick Coke company. This decision reached Pittsburg today, and after a comparatively brief conference between the two gentlemen, was signed

by both of them. To President C. M. Schwab is given the credit for effecting this amicable arrangement. From the first he was opposed to allowing the contentions between the partners to reach the courts Unable to prevent this, after the litigation began he bent his energies toward securing a settlement that would be satisfactory to all parties. He pre sented a number of propositions, but one after another they were rejected until he advocated the organization of a stock company, the capital to be based upon the value of the company's properties and its earning capacity, and the partners in the limited corporation to receive stock proportionate to their present holdings. As the capital of the Carnegie Steel company. limited, is \$25,000,000, under the proposed plan of reorganization each partner will hold eight or ten times as

much stock in the new corporation. As Mr. Frick holds 6 per cent. of the capital stock in the Carnegie Steel company, he will receive in stock of the new concern \$12,000,000 if it is capi talized at \$200,000,000, and \$15,000,000 if the figure is put up to \$250,000,000 His contention in his suit was that his stock was worth at least \$15,000,000. and he sued to recover the difference between that and the amount offered him when he was invited, under the 'iron-clad" provisions, to resign.

Frick and Mr. Walker were affixed to the agreement today, word was telegraphed to Mr. Carnegie, and this evening he authorized a statement on be half of the Carnegie Steel company, limited, and the H. C. Frick Coke Company.

It is learned tonight from one in close touch with the Carnegie company that the new organization will be capitalized at \$350,000,000. This cannot be definitely confirmed at this hour, but the authority is considered relia-

The same gentleman says Mr. Frick will remain in the new company in the same relative position he held just previous to the bringing of his suit.

Corporations Chartered. Harrisburg, March 22.-These charters were issued at the state department today: The American Magnesia Cover-ing company, Plymouth Meeting, Montomery county, capital \$30,000; the United improvement company, Telford, Ment-comery county, capital \$10,000; Northampor. County Electric company, Siegfried phone company, Tioga county, capital \$5.000; Point Marion Improvement company, Point Marion, Fayette, capital \$18.-

Pennsylvania Pensions. Washington, March 22.—Pension certifi-cates issued under date of March 8: J. T. Hested, New Albany, Bradford, \$12 to \$11. Original widows, etc.—W. B. Sweet, fath-

er, Hallstead, Susquehanna, \$12. Transport Monterey Sails. Ottawa, Can., March 22.—The Transport Monterey sails today for South Africa, to fill the ranks of the first Canadian con-

OF COLLODIUM

ONE MAN KILLED; TWO SERI-OUSLY INJURED.

The Photographic Supply Building of Thomas McCollin & Co., of Philadelphia, Wrecked by the Force of the Explosion-In Addition to the Killed a Dozen or More Persons Are Injured-Jefferson Hospital on Fire.

Philadelphia, March 22.-One person was killed, two seriously injured and about a dozen others were slightly hurt by a terriffic explosion of collodium in the photographic supply estab. lishment of Thomas H. McCollin & Co., at 123 South Eleventh street, this afternoon.

The dead man is Gorman Weiss, aged 19 years, and the more seriously in-jured are: George W. Nichols, aged 28; August Hauser, aged 33; Daniel Reed, a fireman, aged 32, and John A. Gratton, aged 33.

The building was almost entirely wrecked, and the adjoining structure, No. 121, occupied by V. Clad & Sons, manufacturers of hotel ranges and kitchen supplies, was also badly damaged by the force of the explosion. There were many narrow escapes from death, as there were over 100 persons in the Clad building when the explosion occurred on the sixth floor of the McCollin building. The force of the explosion blew out the north wall of the building and the heavy mass crashed through the roof of the Clad structure, which was only four stories in height. On the fourth floor of the latter building Weiss and Hauser, who were coppersmiths, were working, and they were carried to the third floor with the falling walls. Hauser was rescued by fellow workmen, but Weiss was too deeply buried. An attempt was made to reach him, but the crumbling wall forced the rescuers to seek a place of safety. Weiss' body was found three hours later.

The Building on Fire.

The explosion set the McCollin building on fire and the work of rescuing the other occupants of the two structures was carried on with difficulty. Nichols and Cranton, who were employed by the McCellin company and who were badly burned by the explosion, were taken from the fourth story by firemen. While the firemen were searching the lower part of the Me-Collin building the third floor gave way under the weight of heavy machinery and carried two firemen with it to the second floor. One was rescued unscathed, while the other, Daniel Reed, was taken out with a fractured

The total damage to the two buildings and contents will reach about \$75,partially covered by insurance building were Gill's optical store; the Morris Printing company and "The Women's Lunch Room." The McCollin building is owned by the Ignatius Lu'z estate and the Wagner Free Institute is the owner of the Clad building. The roof of the Jefferson hospital building, the rear of which building adjoined the burned structures, caught fire, but the flames were quickly extinguished and did but little damage. A number of the patients were, however, removed from the hospital as a measure of pre caution during the progress of the fire.

SIX PERSONS SLAIN BY A NEGRO FIEND

Tom Jones Cremates His Wife and Five Children-The Murderer Now

Raleigh, N. C., March 22.-Tom ones, commonly known as "Preacher' Jones, today murdered Ella Jones, and her oldest daughter, Ida Jones, and then set fire to the beds in which were the bodies of the murdered victims, and four others, all children, ranging in years from a baby one month old to the largest boy, who was was not more than five years of age. The scene of the crime is Carthe story of little seven-year-old Laura Jones, who escaped with her younger sister. The house was completely destroyed. Nothing remains of the bodies of the four youngest among the ashes. The body of Ella child, were burned beyond recogni-

The dead are: Ella Jones, the mother, aged 32; Ida Jones, 13 years of age; Jessie Jones, 5 years old; Nancy Jones, 3 years old: Clever Jones, 2 old; an unnamed baby, one month old.

The two girls who escaped with their lives are Laura Jones, 7 years old, and Sid. Jones, 4 years old. Jones was arrested and placed in jail. His clothes and hands were stained

NO STRIKE ON THE CENTRAL. Officials Convince Men That Their Grievances Are Slight.

New York, March 22.-There will be no strike on the Jersey Central railroad. After discussing their grievances for more than a week a committee of thirty, representing every branch of the employes, had a four nours' conference today with General Manager Ohlhausen and nine other officials in Communipaw.

The officials convinced the men that their supposed grievances grew out of a misunderstanding of new rules recently put in force. The men were satisfied and the conference ended

House Pardoned.

Harrisburg, March 22.—Governor Stone today granted a pardon to William H. House, former assistant city attorney of Pittsburg, on the recommendation of the beard of pardons. House its serving twenty-two months in the western peni-tentiary for the alleged embezzlement of

NETHERSOLE INDICTED.

The "Sapho" Actress and Managers Must Stand Trial.

New York, March 22.-The grand jury today r-ported an indictment against Olga Nethersole, Theodore Moss, Mar-cus Mayer and Hamilton Revelle, charging them with offending public decency. The offense was in the production of the play "Sapho" at Wal-lack's theater, of which Mr. Mass is the manager. Mr. Mayer is Miss Nethersole's manager, and Mr. Reveile is the leading man of her company.

The indictment characterizes those named as "persons of wicked and de-praved minds and disposition," who. not regarding the common duties of morality and decency, but contriving and wickedly intending as far as is in them to debauch and corrupt the morals as well of youth as divers other persons, and to raise and create in their minds inordinate and lustful desires," did at Wallack's theater "unlawfully, wickedly and scandalously exhibit, show and repeat and cause and permit to be exhibited and shown and repeated for lucre and gain in the sight and hearing and view of a large number of persons divers indecent, lewd, filthy, bawdy and obscene representations, practices, performances and evil conversation," being the play 'Sapho.'

The indictment further alleges "motions, postures," etc., of the performance were such" that a more particular description thereof is not to be set down in these allegations or spread upon the records of this hon-

APPLETONS ASSIGN.

Old Publishing House in the Hands erty Appointed-Liabilities Given as \$1,000,000-A Reorganization Committee Formed.

New York, March 22.-D. Appleton & Company, one of the oldest and best known publishing houses in this city or this country, announced today its suspension, and J. Hampden Dougherwas appointed receiver by Justice Bischoff in the supreme court. Suit was brought by Daniel Pritchard, one of the stockholders, for a dissolution of the corporation, which was organized in 1897 with a capital stock of \$2,000,000. The receiver gives a bond of \$150,000. Charles E. Lydecker is attorney for the petitioners.

The announcement is made by D. Ap pleton & Company in a statement, which follows, addressed to the credi-

Gentlemen: For three-fourths of a cen tury the house of D. Appleton has con tinued without interruption or default. With grawing reputation merited, we trust, the house has ignitimately extended its interests until its position in the pub-lishing world is firmly established and also is, we are emboldened to believe, highly esteemed. These statements measyou the suspension of our personal operation of the business which three tions of our family have uninterruptedly and successfully pursued.

The present situation is owing not to business risk nor to trade losses, but mainly to the fact that through the extension of our business on the instal ment contract basis (which contracts amount to fully \$200,000 now outstanding has become inadequate to meet our maturities, and we are unable to meet out obligations. You will find, however, a very valuable and money-making prop erty (if adequate capital be provided); a business and good will of great value, and all unmortgaged and unpiedged. The courts have appointed J. Hampden Dougherty as receiver of the corporation with power to continue the business until further order of court.

Above all personal considerations 's our anxiety to discharge our indebtedness. To this duty we shall devote ourselves unremittingly, and we feel confident that with your encouragement we shall be able to fulfill not only our duty to you out our ambition as well. Bespeaking your considerate and help-

ful co-operation in the readjustment and permanent re-establishment of the business we are, yours respectfully,

A reorganization committee has been formed, and they put out the following statement:

New York, March 22, 1900. At the request of creditors represent-ing a large amount of indebtedness of D. Appleton & Co., the undersigned have mittee to prepare and submit to the credners, five miles east of here. The tiors a plan of reorganization. The com-weapon used was an axe, according to mittee has rapidly made an examination of the affairs of the company and is fully impressed with the substantial ness of the statements furnished the committee by the corporation and of the recisfaction the committee note that the assets, consisting of instalment contracts, Jones and that of Ida, the 13-year-old and a valuable plant of electrotype plates, copyrights, authors' contracts, etc., as well as the valuable good will of this oldestablished house, are very valuable; but it is manifest that advantageous results depend entirely upon the preservation of the assets in their unity and upon the uninterrupted continuance of the The appointment by the court of Mr. J. Hampden Dougherty, who is especially competent for the duty, preserves the assets for the benefit of all creditors with. out priority, or preference, or dismemb

We shall promptly prepare a plan of reorganization and submit the same for your consideration. Pending the preparof the plan creditors are to file with the secretary of the commit ee at No. 14 Nassau street a statemen

James G. Cannon, chairman; A. D. Juilliard, Edmund C. Converse, Warner Van Norden, Charles Hathaway, reorganization committee. Sullivan & Cromwell, Counsel. S. S. Conover, Secretary.

The officers of the company are: President, William W. Appleton; vice president, Daniel Appleton; second vice president, Edward D. Appleton; secretary and treasurer, Daniel S. Appleton. The directors are Charles A. Ap-

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Appleton, William W. Appleton. Colonial Dames to Entertain. New York, March 22.-The Coiontal Dames of the state of New York will give

Tableaux of colonie

this evening.

will be gorgeously presented Real Estate Exchange Banquet. St. Louis, Mo., March 22.—The members of the Real Estate exchange of this city

THE ERIE READY TO HANDLE ALL COAL

THE DELAWARE VALLEY AND KINGSTON HEARING.

Counsel for the Opposition Will Complete Their Side of the Case Today. Vice-President Cumming, of the Erie, Denies the Existence of Any Trust or Combination to Restrict the Output of Anthracite Coal.

New York, March 22 .- The state railroad commissioners today resumed the hearing on the application of the Deiaware Valley and Kingston Railway company for permission to construct railroad along the route of the old Delaware and Hudson canal from Lackawaxen to tidewater at Kingston. Counsel for the opposition said today that they will have completed their side of the case by noon tomorrow. Benjamin F. Hanfield, shipping agent of the Ontario and Western company testified to the conditions of river traf between the Cornwall coal docks it Newburgh bay and Weehawken and submitted a table of figures to show that the river was closed by coal barges about seventy-five days a year.

Charles W. Buckholtz, chief engineer of the Erie system, said that for only 34 per cent, of the distance between Lackawaxen and Rondout does the proposed road occupy the canal bed. Replying to questions from counsel Mr. Bucknoltz said the Erie road has ample facilities for handling all the of a Receiver-J. Hampden Dough- gion.

Edward Canfield, chief engineer of the Ontario and Western, told of the preliminary work for the construction of the Kingston and Rondout Valley traffic in the territory formerly served by the canal.

Denies Existence of Trust.

C. M. Cumming, first vice president of the Erie road, denied absolutely the existence of any trust or combination to restrict the output of coal. His glad to carry more coal than that company offered.

A table of the expenses and earnings and general financial condition of the Erle system was identified by Mr. Cumming and admitted to the record. The witness said that diversion of the coal of the Pennsylvania company would be very disastrous to the Eric railroad.

Mr. Carver, who examined Mr. Cumming, summed up the statement made by Mr. Fuller, of the individual Coal Operators association, to the effect that an increased output of coal would retime, and asked the witness what would be the result of an increase of 10,000,000 tons of anthracite coal annu-Mr. Cumming said that he could not tell. Asked if his road is in any combination to restrict the output of coal, he said the Erie is always ready to carry all freight offered, so long as the rates are remunerative. the rates cease to be so, the Erie declines to take the freight. If the output was increased he presumed the carrying rates would be reduced. The case will be continued tomorrow

BONDS RAPIDLY

FLOWING IN

\$105,000,000 Received in One Week at Washington-A Rush for Mational Bank Charters-A Thousand New Institutions to Be Opened.

Washington, March 22 .- In one week from the time when the refunding of bonds under the new currency law was begun more than \$105,000,000 in bonds have been received at the treasury department. The number of private cases is lessening somewhat. The total of private cases now amounts to about \$6,000,000, representing all requests from sources other than na-

tional banks. It appears that private concerns and ndividuals were even more prompt than banking institutions in presenting bonds for redemption. The greater number of bonds which come from private individuals are sent in by brokers in New York. In a good many instances they were thrown on the market with an idea that they would be in

lemand by national banks. Inquiry has been made at the department as to whether banks which defer presenting bonds for exchange will suffer from the postponement. In all cases the reply has been that any bank might increase its circulation from 90 per cent, to the par value of bonds pledged and that the 2 per cent. onds might be substituted for the old bonds at a later date if desired.

The United States treasurer is kept busy settling cases and attends them as fast as they come to him. Thus far he has settled the cases representing bonds to the value of \$86,-

Thus far more than seventy applications for bank charters under the new law have been approved. They are received now at the rate of about fifteen a day. It is estimated at the department that the number of new banks under the law will reach a thous-

Miller's Examination. New York, March 22.-The examining

trial of William Franklin Miller, the at leged chief conspirator of the defunc Franklin syndicate of 520 per cent. noto ricty, was postponed until today. Miller is now under twenty indictments, found in the county court of Kings county, charging him with the grime of grand larceny, based upon the facts alleged to have grown out of the subject matter of

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Easton, Pa., March 22 .- John A. Weaver, one of Easton's leading business men and one of Easton's leading business men and a Mason of high degree, died today of grip, aged 51 years. Mr. Weaver passed through all the chairs in the various branches in Masonry in Easton.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Waather In lications Today: PAIR; SOUTH TO WEST WINDS.

General-Rumor That Mafeking Has Been Relieved.
Puerto Rico Bill Is Hampered.

Exploding Collodium Kills One, Injures a Dozen Others and Wreeks Two Buildings.

Hearing in the Delaware Valley and Kingston Railroad Application.

Bill Is Found to Bc Dc-General-Northeastern Pennsylvenia.

Financial and Commercial Local-Big Verdict in the Martin Case. Common Pleas Court Doings.

Editorial. News and Comment

Local-Lecture on Liquid Air Without Grand Jury Asks, Judge Edwards for

Local-West Scranton and Suburban. 7 Round About the County.

SECRETARY LONG ON IMPERIALISM

8 Local-Live Industrial News.

The Philippines Ours by Solemn Compact of a Treaty-More Than Half of Population Have Now Accepted Conditions.

Boston, March 22.- John D. Long, sec-

retary of the navy, was the guest of the Middlesex club at the American house tonight, which was observed as "veterans' night." Nearly 200 members of the club were present. Secretary Long said in the course of his speech; It is no use to shut our eyes to the fact that a fight is on. It is no use to deny that the opposition is strong and has grown stronger, as it always grows stronger, on the eve of an election. of the Kingston and Rondout Valley railroad, which the opposition claims brought most serious problems. The will serve all the demands for coal Philippine islands are ours by the solemn compact of a treaty. They are ours, too, by the acquiescence of the larger part of the native inhabitants. We are there by right and we are bound to stay by every duty. It is not a theory which confronts us but a condition. We therefore ask our critics not to spin theories of what might have been done, but to co-operate with us and help us take up company had supplied all the trans-port facilities asked by the Pennsyl-half the people of the Philippine islands vania company and would have been are adapting themselves cordially to the new and better order of things;

trial, mercantile and property interests are welcoming the prospect of a stable, protecting government. I know that our so-called anti-imperialist friends will not accept a word of this. I beg them to accept conditions as they are. There is no anti-imperialism simply because there has never been any imperialism. Besides if they help to bring in Mr. Bryan, on the cry of anti-imperialism it would not no more let the Philippines than it would part with the collectorship of the custom house. Once in power the Demo-crats would say the wicked Republicans had fastened these Islands upon the counduce the price of coal to the consumer the best of them and the most out of and permit the miners to work full them. What is needed in their own behalf try and the only thing to do is to make is not the antagonism of those of our Republican friends who have gone off from us on the Philippine question but their co-operation.

administration is foundering in ne uncertainty. It is pursuing a straightforward course, to secure order and peace and good government.

ORGANIZERS UNSUCCESSFUL. They Could Not Arouse Slumbering Sentiment at Dunbar.

Dunbar, Pa., March 22.-Messrs Dichler and McKay, the representa-tives of the United Mine Workers of America, who came into the coke gions several weeks ago to organize the miners and coke workers, have returned to their homes in Ohio. The efforts of the leaders to organize the miners met with a flat refusal. A number of meetings were called, but in each instance the workmen refused

to attend. In the many strikes in the Connellsville region the men never asked higher wages than \$1.12 per hundred bushels Under the present scale the miners are paid \$1.25 per hundred bushels. This is a higher average, it is said, than in any mining region in the world.

LOUD BILL RECOMMITTED. The Measure Will Probably Not Appear Again This Session,

Washington, March 22 .-- After a spirited discussion extending over three days the Loud bill relating to second class mail matter was recommitted by the house today to the committee on postoffices. The majority in favor of the motion to recommit was so decisive that it is regarded as unlikely that the measure will appear again

during the present congress. Mr. Loud, after the vote was an nounced, said that this was the third time and out so far as he was concerned. The vote on the motion was 148 to 96, with sixteen present and

not voting. JAMAICA'S TROUBLES.

Press and People Protest Against Appropriation by Council.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 22.-The legislative council, composed of government nominees, yesterday passed a law through the council appropriating more than \$3,509,000 to cover expenses of the government during the current year.

The press and people are bitterly dissatisfied with the action taken. Washington Gets Another Donation Philadelphia, March 22—A lady in Philadelphia has given Booker T. Washington \$5,000 to add to the endowment fund

institute at Tuskegee, Ala. The name o generous donor has not been an Altoona Glass Factory. Altoona, Pa., March 22.—The Altoona glass factory, a project of the local board of trade, was put in successful op-

eration today. It is a twenty-four tank factory and starts with a full coment of skilled workmen. Hungarian Pianist.

New York, March 23.-Ernest von Dohnanyl, the Hungarian planist, who won fame in Europe, made his debut in Amer ica tonight, in company with the phony orchestra at Carnegie hall. He

is but 22 years of age.

HAMPERING **PUERTO RICO MEASURE**

ficient In Some Respects.

NO MEANS OF COLLECTING

Republican Peace Committee Practically Ratifies Senator Foraker's Offer to Separate the House Puerto Rico Tariff Bill from the Senate Governmental Bill and to Take a Vote on House Measure-Report Will Be Made to the Senate Committee Today.

Washington, March 22.-The Republican peace committee of the senate met after the adjournment of the senate today and practically ratified the offer of Senator Foraker in the senate to separate the house Puerto Rico tariff bill from the senate governmental bill and to take a vote on the house measure. The peace committee is willing that a vote should be taken upon the house bill as it was passed by that body, provided it becomes apparent that it is impolitic to attempt to amend it, but an effort will be made to ascertain whether the house will consent to any modification. Some of the Republican senators think the bill should be so changed as to provide for the continued exemption from duty of the articles which were exempted by the president's order. They also find the house bill deficient in that it fails to provide any means of collecting the duty it imposes. There will be a conference with members of the ways and means committee of the house and if the latter do not discourage amendments these will be offered. There is, however, an acknowledged fear that if the bill is amended in any respect it may be difficult if not impossible to secure its acceptance by the house on a conference report.

No Effort to Modify.

On this account there may be no effort to modify the bill. A report will be made to the senate committee tomorrow as to the attitude of the house and this report is adverse to amendment. Mr. Faulkner will be authorized to renew his request for a unanimous agreement to fix a til a vote. It will be also agreed that the committee shall not attempt to amend the bill. In case the report should indicate a willingness on the part of the house to amend, his request will probably be to fix a date to vote upon the

house bill as amended. The programme then would be to go forward with the consideration of the governmental bill. The members of the peace committee who favor the house bill express the opinion that most of the free traders will offer their amendments to the house bill and then in case they are voted down

accept and vote for the bill. The free trade senators claim there is a stronger determination now than ever before to resist the bill as it came from the house. It is claimed there are eight senators who will not support it unless amended. These are said to be Davis and Nelson, of Minnesota: Wellington, of Maryland; Hoar, of Massachusetts; Mason, of Illinois; Beveridge, of Indiana: Proctor, of Vermont, and Simon, of Oregon, What they will do in case the bill is amended cannot be stated, but it is evident they expect a compromise which they can

esupport.

INQUEST AT MOSCOW. Jury Agrees on Verdict in Case of Morris Sargent.

An inquest was conducted last night Moscow by Coroner Roberts into the death of Morris Sargent, who was found dead in bed at the home of his employer, Henry J. Ehrgood. Several witnesses were examined, and the jury agreed upon the following verdict; in which, among other things, they censure Mr. Ehrgood for neglecting Sargent:

We, the undersigned jurors of Mosco borough, in the county of Lackawan; find that said Morris Sargent, died Moscow on Wednesday morning, Mag monia, which death was hastened by tonitis, said peritonitis being direct sults of injuries to the abdomen w were inflicted in some manner unk to this jury. We also find after he the testimony of several witnesse the said Morris Sargent was grossi good, and that we censure the same ory J. Ehrgood for inhuman conder. (Signed) G. S. Brown, S. J. Holler, Philip Swartz, H. J. Schenk, Jones, T. E. Mead.

White Visits Hay Washington, Mirch 22.-Monte White, the Boer representative in the buntry, called at the state department of an with spent some time in converton with Secretary Hay. Nothing wasted about mediation nor about the fat of Johannesburg and it was intimal that the subject of the conversation as purely

personal in character.

Steamship Arrills. Lizard, March 22.—Pass. Pretoria, from New York for Plymath and Hamburg. Queenstovn—Sall. Germanic, for New York. New York—Salled: La Gascogne, for Hayre: P II. Meier, for Bremen. Southampton—Arrived: St. Paul, from New York.

******** WEATHER FIRECAST.

Washington, Narth 22.-Forecast for Friday and satirday: Eestern Pennsylvania, fair Friday; Satur-day, cloudy, probably rain; fresh south to west wings.