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# THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

Plcdgcs Support to Col. provide for primary elections to be held through out the commonwealth on the same day and which will provide that the debauching of elec-Quay as Candidate for Re-election.

THE TICKET NOMINATED

&. B. Hardenbergh, of Wayne, for Auditor General; Galusha A. Grow, of Susquehanna, and Robert M. Foerderer, of Philadelphia, for Congressmen - at - Large - Senator Flinn, of Pittsburg, Protests in Vain Against the Endorsement of Senator Quay-Senator Penrose Is Greeted with an Ovation-Mr. Flinn Is Greeted by Jeers-William Connell Named as Delegateat-Large, and James Moir as Presidential Elector - Governor Stone's Remarks-The Platform.

Harrisburg, April 25 .- The Republian state convention which was held n this city today cordially endorsed the administration of President Wiliam McKinley and instructed the delgates to the national convention at Philadelphia to support his candidacy for renomination. The convention also declared in favor of the election of United States senators in the same manner that state officers are elected; endorsed Senator Penrose, the administration of Governor Stone and other state official and pledged its "hearty and cordial support of Colonel M. S. Quay for election to the United States

The convention also nominated Senator E. R. Hardenbergh of Wayne county, for auditor general, and Galusha A. Grow, of Susquehanna county, and Robert H. Foerderer, of Philadelphia, for congressmen-at-large. The endorsement of Colonel Quay was opposed by Senator William Flynn, of Pittsburg, the leader of the anti-Quay Republicans in the last legislature. Mr. Flinn explained that he was in sympathy with the platform in every thing but this plank and moved that it be stricken out. His motion was defeated and the platform was adopted as reported from committee. Those voting against Colonel Quay on the Flinn motion were the delegates from the Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Allegheny districts; William M. Ely, of Bucks; George W. dearne and James H. Smith, of Craw-'ord; D. K. Phillips, of Greene: Robert 4. Moore, Juniata; John Meily, of Lebanon: John D. Formun, Daniel G. Harley and Stanley Finner, of Luzerne. Johnson Muthershaight, of Mifflin; J. H. Wagner, of Northumberland; ten from Philadelphia; two from Warren; five from Washington; Charles C. Wolfe and John B. Anderson, of Westmoreland, and the five delegates from York. The delegates from the First and Second districts of Allegheny voted in the negative. Several delegates refrained from voting.

### CONVENTION AT WORK.

An Ovation to Senator Penrose-Sen ator Flinn Greeted by Jeers.

Harrisburg, April 25.-The convention let out the first big yell when Senator Penrose rose to present a formal resolution providing for a committee on resolutions to which all resolutions shall be referred. The upplause was so prolonged that Mr. Pen- stand. rose was finally compelled to acknowledge the ovation by rising and bowing. There was another outburst of cheering when Mr. Durham, of Philaoffered a resolution naming eight delegates ut large, leading off with M. S. Quay. He did not get beyoud that name, as the chair decided that this was not the time for such a can party. I have never voted for a motion. A resolution was adopted 110- Democrat in my life and I do not inviding for a special committee of sev-

Democrat to the United States senate Senator William Flinn, of Allegheny, but a proper Republican. the leader of the anti-Quay forces, offered three resolutions prepared by Mr. Quay's opponents. Several delegates objected to the reading of the resolutions. Chairman Oliver suled that they could be read but not debated, and the first was read without creating much comment. The other two were greeted with joers and hisses. so that scarcely a dozen delegates knew what the clerk was reading.

ing list of delegates and alternates at Mr. Film demanded that the resolarge to the national convention and lutions be read to that they could be electors at large: heard. He was hissed and howled down, and finally order was restored Quay, of Beaver; John B. Steel, of by Chairman Oliver ruling that they Westmereland; Frank Reeder. could be read and debated when the Northampton; William Connell. platform was reported to the conven-Lackawaena: B. W. Green, of Camtion. The three resolutions follow:

eron: Charles A. Porter, of Philadel-Resolved. That in view of the open and fiaphia; James Elverson, of Philadelphia; grant violations of the present election laws and chameful exposures made in the city of Phitadel-phia recently this convention declares in layor of a new and stringent ballot law which will make the stuffing of ballot boxes the impersona-tion of voters and fraudulent voting a crime, the aware: M. E. Lilley, Bradford: W. C. penalty for which shall be impresonment for a period of ten years and the constitutional dis-franchisement; and further declares in tayor of a law making personal registration in cities the basis of registration for the purpose of voting. Resolved, That this convention declares in favor of a general primary election law which will

Cumberland. Electors-at-large: Clarence Wolf, (Continued on Page 5.)

Blair:

tions by the pse of money, the stuffing of ballet, boxes, the impersonating of voters and frauducent voting shall be a crime punishable by not loss than ten years' imprisonment and constitutional disfranchisement.

Resolved, That in view of the repeated attempts made to corrupt legislatures throughout the country in the election of United States senators.

this convention declares itself in favor of the

congress to support any proposition looking to

Mr. Campbell's Breeze.

created a slight breeze in the commit-

tee on resolutions by offering the fol-

ethods which have bred scandals in connection

with the awarding of public contracts in Alle-gheny county which have been the means of

oringing discredit upon the Republican party of

Senator Flinn, at whom the resolu-

tion was directed, said there were no

such scandals in Allegheny county.

Mr. Campbell withdrew the resolution.

considered by the committee on reso-

Presidential Electors.

While the committees were in seg-

The three Flinn resolutions were not

Resolved. That this convention denounces

lowing resolutions:

that county and this state.

electors were announced:

First—Edwin S. Stuart, Philadelphia, Second—W. W. Gibbs, Philadelphia.

Third-George E. Hoffman, Philadelphia. Fourth-Geo. C. Blaben, Philadelphia.

Fifth-Daniel F. Greenwood, Philadelphia

Sixth-William M. Hayes, West Chester. Seventh-Charles W. Cressman, Quakertown.

Ninth-Russell W. Davenport, South Bethlehen Tenth-J. Frank Keller, Lancaster.

Eighth Robert H. Sayre, South Bethlehem

Eleventh James Moir, Scranton. Twelfth Wm. J. Harvey, Wilkes Barre. Thirteenth Robert Allison, Port Carbon.

Fourteenth-Jacob L. Hauer, Lebanon. Fifteenth-John H. Brown, Canton.

Sixteenth-Geo. Weymouth Lack Haven

Seventeenth-Cortes H. Jennings, Lopez, Eighteenth-James G. Thompson, Mexico, Nineteenth-T. Frank Small, York.

Twentieth-Henry A. Gripp, Tyrone, Twenty-first-Morris J. Lewis, Blairsville, Twenty-second-Robert Pitcairn, Pittsburg.

Twenty-third-David Edgar Parke, Alleghen;

Twenty-fourth-Thos. S. Crago, Waynesburg. Twenty-fifth-Geo, W. Johnston, New Castle.

Candidates Nominated.

The convention then proceeded to

the nomination of candidates. The

name of Senator Hardenbergh for au-

ditor general was presented by N. E.

Candidates for congressmen-at-large

were next placed in nomination. Mr. Grow was nominated by Frank

Wheaton, of Wilkes-Barre; Mr. Arnold

Miller, of Franklin: Robert H. Foer-

A resolution was adopted inviting

the convention. Senator Penrose then

read the platform as agreed to by the

ommittee on resolutions, of which he

Auditor General McCauley was

chosen chairman of the committee on

permanent organization. Senator Mc-

of the committee on contested seats,

and Senator Penrose was the head of

After Senator Penrose read the plat

form and moved its adoption Senator

Flinn was recognized by Chairman Oli-

ver. There was a disposition to how!

Mr. Flinn down, but the chairman in-

sisted on fair play and there was little

disposition after that to interrupt the

Mr. Flinn said that he was opposed

to that plank of the platform which

advocates the re-election of Colonel

Quay, because he was not instructed

by his constituents to approve his can-

what you put in the platform, to sup-

port Colonel Quay. We believe he has

forever disappeared from the United

Mr. Flinn then moved that all refer-

demanded a roll call on his motion.

after participating in this convention,

support the candidate chosen and en-

dorse the platform on which they

Mr. Flinn replied that such a ones-

down party discipline in Philadelphia

by advocating a candidate for sheriff

best years of my life to the Republi-

The motion to strike out reference to

Delegates at Large.

Mr. Durham presented and secured

Delegates at large, Colonel M. S.

John E. Leisenring, of Luzerne. Al-

ternates at large, J. Preston Thomas,

Chester: W. E. Rice, Warren: C. Bar-

clay, Cameron: Edward A. Price, Del-

Kreps, Franklin; Jesse L. Hartman,

Dr. George Edward Reed,

"We don't intend, no matter

the committee on resolutions.

Hause, of Hawley.

Walton.

was chairman.

Pittsburg senator.

States senate."

Twenty-sixth-William Hardwick, Erie, Twenty-seventh-Howard H. Clayson, Kane

Twenty-eighth-Harry R. Wilson, Clation.

James A. Campbell, of Philadelphia,

election of senators by a direct vote of the pe-

#### TURKEY'S TROUBLES ARE INCREASING

OTHER NATIONS MAY PRESS THEIR CLAIMS NOW.

All Due to the Attitude of the United States - Representatives of the Powers Ask for Instructions. Sultan Showing Every Consideration to Our Consuls-Hopes He May Induce the American Government to Grant More Time for Payment.

Constantinople, Tuesday, April 24.In view of the steps taken by the United States government in regard to the claims arising out of the Armenian massacres the embassies of Great Britain, France, Austria, Italy and Germany have asked their governments for instructions as to their similar claims.

The promulgation of the irade authorizing the rebuilding of the American structures which were burned at Kharput and the enlargement of Roberts ecllege is regarded as showing clearly the desire of the Yildiz Klosk to be agreeable to the United States in the nope that the latter will not press for the payment of the indemmiy, The United States government, however, has no intention of abandoning its claims.

The American legation has also succeeded in obtaining permission for the continued working by American missionaries of the hospital at Kaisarieh sion the following district presidential which the authorities have been trying to shut, on the pretext that certain local regulations had not been observed.

The American vice consul at Alexandretta, Walter F. Walker, was recently prevented by the police from shipping two naturalized American Armenians, who were on their way to the United States, on the ground that they originally left their native country surreptitiously. The legation today called the attention of the Porte to the affair, and orders were sent to Alexandratta to permit the embarkation of the Armealans,

The report of the vice consul is awaited at the legation, in order to determine if there are grounds for demanding reparation.

#### MINISTER STRAUS TO RETURN. Expected to Go Back to Turkey in a Week or Two.

New York, April 25.-Oscar S. Straus United States minister to Turkey, who is at present in this country on leave of absence, will probably return to Constantinople in a week or two to see that the promises of the sultan to pay indemnities and grant permits for reconstructing buildings at Harpoot are carried out.

An old report of two months ago that Mr. Straus had resigned was rewas named by W. C. Miller, of Clear-field: Dr. Flood by General Charles mitted at the time, that Mr. Straus had offered to resign. When Mr. Straus derer, of Philadelphia, by ex-Speaker had obtained the sultan's promise to pay the indemnities he informed President McKinley privately of his desire Governor Stone to appear and address to retire. Both the president and the secretary of state, however, requested the minister to remain in office till the sultan's promises were fulfilled, and he consented to see the business through. Whether Mr. Straus will resign his office after that is not yet settled. It is quite possible that he may continue Carrell, of Harrisburg, was chairman to act as minister to Turkey for some time to come,

It is asserted positively by those who are in a position to know that the talk of the United States being compelled to make the sultan carry out his promises by force of arms or by a show of force is nonsense. They say that the promises of the sultan will undoubtedly be carried out and that the whole question will be settled diplomatically and peacefully.

### OHIO REPUBLICANS.

State Convention of National Im portance-The Hanna Slate Goes Through Without a Break

Columbus, O., April 25.-The Repub ican state convention here today was ence in the platform to Senator of national importance. The delegates Quay's candidacy be stricken out and and alternates at large are close personal, as well as political friends Senator Penrose asked Mr. Flinn to the president, and the platform is just enswer the question wn dier he would, as it came from Washington, with the addition of an anti-trust plank and an

omission of the Porto Rico resolution The so-called Hanna slate on delegates and alternates at large and the state ticket went through without any tion came with Ill grace from a man | breaks, though there was opposition to who had made such efforts to break General Grosvenor for delegate from the friends of ex-Governor Bushnell There was also some opposition to Crow) who never received the Food Commissioner Blackburn, be-

party nomination. "I have given the cause he was running for a third term. The convention was unusually harmonious, with the exception of the personal fights made on Grosvenor and tend to. We do not want to elect a

Blackburn, both of which won. The ticket nominated is as follows: Secretary of state, Lewis C. Laylin; supreme judge, John A. Shauck; board Senator Quay was lost, yeas, 69; nays, of public works, Charles A. Goddard; state school commissioner, L. D. Bone. The committee on contests reported brake: lairy and food commissioner. in favor of the sitting of delegates J. E. Blackburn; presidential electors from Center county, Gray and Wom- at large, Colonel Myron T. Herrick and Geo. W. P. Orr; delegates at large, Senator Joseph B. Foraker, Governor George K. Nash, Charles Dick, General Charles Grosvenor; alternates at the unanimous adoption of the followlarge, Hon, Charles Foster, Hon. My ron O. Norris, Hon, W. C. Brown, Geo.

> A. Meyers The plank in the platform regarding

insular affairs is as follows: "In the broader field of world duty and influence the administration has met an unavoidable war for humanity with unequalled vigor and success; has crowned the matchless triumph of our arms on sea and land with the courageous acceptance of its high and solemn obligations, has faithfully studled and rought equally the true honor of the nation and the greatest good of the peoples who have come under our flag, and has through the wise use of expanded opportunity led our country on pathways of greatness and renown.

# ONE OF THE BOERS' CONVERTED PRISONS.



This shows the model school in Pretoria, where the British officers captured in various engagements have been confined. The prison has not proved a safe one, however, for a number of officers and other English captives, including Winston Churchill, have escaped from the building. Part of the prisoners have been transferred to other quarters, and there is talk of placing them all in some more secure

on which Abraham Lincoln was elected president; that the representatives REBELS IN CHINA of the people have full power over territory belonging to the United States in harmony and subject to the fundamental safeguards of our free institutions for liberty, justice and personal rights. We sustain the president and congress in exercising this power with due regard for the safety and welfare of the union and with the most just, generous, humane and fraternal consideration for those over whom the authority of the nation is extended. We advocate for them free schools full security for life, liberty and prosperity, the most liberal measures for the development of their agriculture and industry and the largest degree of ocal self rule for which they are fit ted. We have faith in American patriotism and character, and we know that the American government will extend the inestimable blessing of free-

"The wisdom and the success with not the slightest doubt that a vast which President McKinley has per- army of rebels will soon rise in the formed the duty imposed by the treaty interior of the empire. United States, through whom it was great quantity of ammunition and oththe treaty itself, are heartly approved. land from that port and colony. It is declared that sovereignty over On March 19 a German steamship ar-the new possessions must not be re-rived there with cases of what purof its origin must be accomplished in held 6,000 ritles and a large stock of

ples who are brough under our pro-

### MANILA CAMPAIGN.

Details of a Fight, in Which Eighty Filipinos Were Killed-No American Casualties.

Manila, April 25.-Officers who have arrived here from Nuevita Caceras province of South Camarines, bring details of a fight, April 10, in which eighty Filipinos were killed. The American outposts reported 200 natives assembled three miles from the town, and General Bell sent three detachments of the Forty-fifth regiment, with two Maxims, who nearly surcounded the Filipinos, the majority of whom were armed with bolos and wore carabao hide helmets, coats and shields. The Filipinos were quickly put to flight, leaving the field strewn with armor.

Their riflemen were unable to shoot straight, and the bolomen never got near enough to the Americans to do any execution. Therefore, none of the Americans were wounded.

Lieutenant Balch with twenty mount ed infantrymen from the Thirty-seventh regiment, cornered fifty bolomen in a river and shot every one, the podies floating away. One soldier had his head struck off with a bolo;

General Bell's two regiments ar hard worked in clearing the country. They met many small squads of bolo men and last week killed a total of 125, In a fight at Sorogogon, Albay provnce, on April 16, three companies of the Forty-seventh infantry, Captain fifty-three.

### Engineer Burned

Eugene Bittenbender, of 117 South Bromley avenue, an engineer in charge of one of the Lackawanna's big engines, was badly burned about the hands and face yesterday by hot gas while his engine was stalled in the Mauch Chunk tunnel. The wind blew the hot gas from the smoke stack into the cab. He was treated at Stroudsburg and afterwards removed to his home.

### TWO NEGROES HANGED.

McMinnville, Tonn., April 25 -- John Water nd Bill Brown, both white, and Sonnie Gram, olored were hanged here today. Watson was invicted of having shot his neighbor, Jame Hillis, from Ambush, in December, 1898. Brown was charged with complicity in th ourder of his wife. Grain was a double murderer. He was convicted of having killed another negro and while serving his sentence killed John

Will Rebuild American Structures. London, April 26.—The Constinople correspondent of the Dail Telegraph says: "The porter onsiders that its offer to rebuild the Ameri can structures burned at Kharput will close the question. It bases this belief on news that Rus-"We reaffirm the principle in which the Republican party has its birth and force payment."

Brown, a fellow prisoner, in jail here

# BECOMING ACTIVE

GENERAL UPRISING BELIEVED TO BE IMMINENT.

Twenty Thousand Mauser Rifles Skipped Into Interior Provinces This Year-Camps of Chinese Drilling in Preparation for Revolt. Foreign Ministers Force Tsung Li Yamen to Issue Edict Against "Boxers."

Victoria, B. C., April 25.-According to news received here by the steamship Empress of China, great prepardom, law and civilization to the peo- ations are being made by the rebels of China for a revolution. A Macao correspondent says there is

During the of Paris, and the fortitude and hero- four months of the present year no ism of the soldiers and sailors of the less than 20,000 Mauser rifles and a provisions of er war material have been taken in

pudiated and that the "high purpose ported to be merchandise, but which the establishment of peace and order powder and ammunition. The captain and the blessings of individual liberty of the steamship said the arms had among the peoples of the Philippine all been sold to the inhabitants of inland China. A correspondent of the North China

Daily News in Shantung says the movement of the "Boxers" continues camps of Chinese drilling with more or less publicity, with the firm expectation that in the near future there is to be a general uprising.

The rebellion in Shantung is growing ported by some correspondents that the revolutionists have reached the neighborhood of Tienstin. If they should attempt to enter that settleto protect Hf2 and property.

The viceroy of Canton has taken acive measures to capture Au San and Fo Tsarhoi, leaders of the Saichiu road project are elated over the favor-brigands. A reward of \$5,000 and offiof each. In obedience to the pressure on the

prohibiting the Boxing society, which was responsible for the murder of Mr and Mrs. Brooks. The four men directly concerned have been convicted One Man Killed and Several Others and were under deferred sentence. A telegram was received in Canton rom Pekin that Shet Ping, a leader in the reform party, was sentenced to servitude for life.

#### INSTRUCTED FOR BRYAN. Kansas Populists in State Convention.

Clay Centre, Kan., April 25,-Kansas Populists in state convention here toto ers. day elected eighty-four delegates Gordon comanding, routed a large force | the national convention at Sioux Falls of insurgents, mostly belomen, killing and instructed them to vote solidly for Bryan. The delegates then proceeded men and feeders were discharged beto the depot to greet Mr. Bryan, who came in from the Wichita banquet on escorted the Nebraskan to the city square and cheered him heartily as he spoke on the issues of the day.

> In the convention during the vote on delegates, George Easterwood, of Kansas City, said he had heard that Demcrats would spend \$1,000,000 in the Kansas City convention to beat Bryan.

#### Queen's Last Day in Ireland. Dublin, April 25.-Queen Victoria spent what

practically her last day in Ireland very quietly ot visit any institutions. Her majesty will leave he vice regal lodge at noon tomorrow and after the short train journey to Kingston will embark on board the royal yacht and, escorted by the annel fleet, will sail for England an hour later is expected the queen will arrive at Windsor Friday morning.

### Hugh B. Christy Dies.

Youngstown, O., April 25.—Hugh B. Christy, who was shot by Lucy Messersmith Monday night died at the hospital at an early hour this morning. After shooting Christy, Mrs. Messmersmith

Roosevelt Leaves for the West. Albany, N. Y., April 25.—Governor Boose-velt left here at 7.30 tonight en route for the

### THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

FAIR; NORTHERLY WINDS. 1 General-Harmony Dominates the Republica

State Convention, Boers Will Escape Roberts' Enviroling Net ultan Worrled Over Attitude of the Powers surrection threatened in China, General-Northeastern Pennsylvania

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cation in Foreign Fields. 4 Editorial Speech of Scuator Penrose (Continued)

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Local-Social Session of the Elks. Rev. Irvine Expelled from the Episcopa

West Scranton and Suburban.

Round About the County.

10 Local-Live Industrial News

# NEW COAL ROAD.

President Fowler Announces That Opposition Will Not Cease with Decision of the Railroad Commission.

New York, April 25.-President Fow ler, of the New York, Ontario and Western railroad, which is one of the interests that has been opposing the to grow. In many places there are project to build a new coal carrying railroad through the Delaware Valley, said today:

"An appeal will be taken from the decision of the state railroad comto an alarming extent. It is even re- mission in favor of the Delaware Valley and Kingston railroad. The mat ter will be carried to the appellate division of the supreme court and there ment foreign troops will have to land is reason to believe that the state board's decision will be reversed."

The men interested in the new coal cial rank are offered for the capture board. They say that they are ready declared that former Second Assistant to begin the work of construction at tsung It yamen in Pekin by foreign once and will proceed to do so unless ministers, an edict has been issued they are stopped by court proceedings.

# RIOT AT CHICAGO.

Wounded.

Chicago, April 25.-In a labor riot which occurred at Racine and Wellington avenues tonight one man was instantly killed, another severely wounded, and six others sustained slight injuries. The dead man is Peter Miller, who was shot by H. C. Baster, superintendent, employed by the Baker-Vawter Printing company. killing was the outcome of three margarine as genuine butter. months' trouble with striking labor-

The firm employs non-union labor, and three months ago several presscause they joined the union. Miller with four others today attacked seva special train. Five thousand people eral workmen as they were leaving the that the department over which Major place and Baster fired into the assaulting party, killing Miller and wounding the others. Basier surrendered to the police.

### Steamship Arrivals.

New York, April 25, -Arrived: Noordland intwerp. Sziled: St. Paul, Southampten; Tex Antwerp. ionic, Liverpool; Kensington, Antwerp Chared, La Touraine, Havre; Bremen, Bremen via Sonti-empton. Southempton—Arrived; Lohn, from New York via Cherbourg, for Bremen; New York, New York: Sailed: Keiser Wilhelm Der Grosse (from Bremen, New York via Cherbourg). Arived: Oceanic, from New York, Boulogne-Ar

### Convention at Milwaukee.

Milwankee, April 25.-The Republican state uvention today elected the following delegates large to the Republican national convention oseph B. Treat, August Luebke, Isaac Stepher son and James H. Stout, Resolutions indorsing both the national and state administrations, were unanimously adopted.

President McKinley at Canton. Cleveland, April 25. President McKinley at ter a brief visit with his relatives in this city, recurned to Canton this afternoon. The president west. He will make spenches at Chicago and Galena, Ill., arriving home early Sunday morning.

# **BOERS WILL ESCAPE** ROBERTS

Little Chance of His Catching the Fugitives.

#### HARD WORK FOR CAVALRY

Everything Depends Upon the Progress of General French's Cavalry Brigades, but They are Entering Very Difficult, Hilly and Practically Unknown Country-Southeastern Corner of the Free State Cleared of Boers.

London April 26 5 a. m.-It is tow apparent that the chances of Loca Roberts catching the retreating Boers in a net are very slender. The Boers have everywhere retired at the first pressure of the British advance and the hope that General Rundle would be able to induce them to remain at Dewetsdorp until they had been forced to fight or surrender has been disap-

pointing. No attempt was made to pursue the commandoes retiring from Wepener. Everything now depends upon the progress of General French's cavalry brigades, but they are entering a very difficult, hilly and practically unknown

The cavalry have already had a long march over heavy and sandy roads and nothing is known regarding the condition of the horses. In any case, it is now a race between the federals and the forces of General French and General Hamilton.

The slowness of the recent movements of the British infantry and previous experience of the ability of the Boers to move rapidly, with guns and baggage, over their own country, lead to a belief that General Roberts' enveloping operations will fail and have to be repeated further north. At the most he will perhaps capture Boer guns and baggage and harry the retreating burghers.

Considerable results have been attained in the relief of Wepener and in the clearing of the southeastern corner of the Free State of Boers, but the Boer army, whatever its strength, has still to be dealt with.

#### NO MONEY FOR MAIL TUBES. House Strikes Appropriation from Postoffice Bill.

Washington, April 25 .- The house foday resumed the consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill. The item appropriating \$725,000 for a pneumatic service, and increase of \$500,000 over the appropriation for the current year, was the subject of a two hours

Mr. Little (Ark.) opposed the pnettmatic tube service as unnecessary and of no material benefit in expediting the mails. The charges for the service in New York, he said, were outrageously exorbitant. The government was paying \$27,000 a mile rental for six-inch iron pipe, besides the cost of operating

the machines. Mr. Mondy (Mass.) also opposed the extension of the tube service. If it was entered upon, he said, it would add in the near future millions to the already swollen expenditures of the postoffice department. It was not a pleasant thing, he continued, for him to exploit the scandal which had been uncovered by the postal commission of which he was a member, but he considered it his duty to do so. Ha Postmaster General Neitson, under whom the first experiments in the pneumatic tube service were made, when he retired accepted from the company \$1,000 in each and \$10,000 stock for his services.

The house voted 87 to 50 to strike ou! the appropriation for the service. AGAINST BOGUS BUTTER.

#### Meeting Held Under Auspices of Pure Butter Association.

Philadelphia, April 25.-A meeting was held in the bourse today, under the auspices of the Pure Butter Protective association, to protest against The the alleged fraudulent sale of oleo-

> Resolutions were adopted denouncing the alleged connivance of the state dairy and food commission with the illegal dealing in oleomargarine, Governor Stone is requested to remove from office Food Commissioner Major Levi Wells, and the demand is made Wells presides be overhauled and cleared out. The resolutions censure the state secretary of agriculture as being lax in the performance of his

### Populists Favor Fusion.

Louisville, April 25.-A meeting of Populist carders of this state who favor fission with the Democrats was held here foday. Fouriern delegates to the national Sioux Falls convention, were selected and resolutions were adopted, reaffirming the declarations of the national conention at St. Louis in 1896, denouncing trusts, favoring an income tax and endorsing Bryan.

### Used Dynamite for Fishing.

Niagara Falls, April 25.—It is now positively stated here that the men charged with dynamit ing the canal locks at Welland were on one of the islands on the river and were using dynamite for tishnig purposes and while under the influence of liquors decided to try the same method for fish in the canal.

### WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, April 25 Forecast for Thursday and Friday: Eastern Pennsylvania, fale Thursday and Friday; fresh

o northwest winds