#### TWO CENTS.

# **POPULISTS** IN SESSION

# Conventions Held in Cincinnati and Sioux Falls.

#### SENTIMENTS OF THE WINGS

The Middle-of-the-Roaders Meet in Cincinnati and Shout for Wharton Barker, While the Fusion Element Declare for William J. Bryan at the Gathering at Sioux Falls-At the Middle-of-the-Road Convention Ignatius Donnelly Denounces Bryan and Praises Thomas Watson. Senator Butler Presides at Sioux

cincinnati, May 9 .- The convention of the anti-fusion element of the People's party, otherwise known as the midde-of-the-roaders, convened here

National Chairman D. Clem Deaver | kota, called the convention to order at 1.50 p. m. Mayor Tafel welcomed the dele-A. Boyse, of Nebraska City, Nebraska, responded.

count of noses revealed the presence of seventy-five persons.

When Professor Boyse concluded, Chairman Deaver delivered his formal address to the delegates. His remarks

were loudly applauded throughout. National Secretary John A. Parker was then introduced to read the call for the convention. Parker was received with tumultous applause. He prefaced the reading with a few remarks on the work of the national committee following the disruption in Populist forces at Lincoln, Neb.,

on Feb. 19 last. He said: We have had a terrific struggle to hold together the honest men of the party, but I believe we have succeeded

and the People's party is saved." He excordiated Senator Allen and that gentleman's alleged remark at Lincoln, "We have thrown them over tention of the People's party should be held at the transom." Parker declared that least one month alread of that of the old party the People's party went over the transom at the same time and that Butler and Allen at Sioux Falls cannot sell and barter the vote of the People's party. "We are here," he concluded, to nail the banner of the People party to the mast, where all can see i and shall cheer us on to victory.

At the conclusion of the reading of that the national committee had recommended the selection of former Congressan M. W. Howard, of Alabama, for temporary chairman. The convention unanimously ratified that recommendation. Mr. Howard was received with much applause. He addressed the convention at some length. His reference to the unlimited issue of govern ment paper currency, to government ownership of railroads and telegraphs. public control of public utilities and the principle of direct legislation were greeted with tumultous cheering.

## Mr. Donnelly's Remarks.

Then followed loud calls for Ignatius Donnelly, of Minnesota, Mr. Donnelly edged his way to the stage. He felicitated the national committee on its success in bringing together such a body of delegates, saying:

"There is not a fusionist in the whole gang. The Lord has separated the sheep from the goats and the exuviae are all gathered at Sloux Falls. The future success of mankind hinges on this movement of ours.

He then reviewed the history of the People's party. The Omaha convention of 1892, he said, nominated a man and gave him prominence, which only enabled him to sell out his friends. and he exclaimed: "The traitors are now assembled at Sioux Falls in obse quious servility to the Democratic party. They are parting their coat tails and inviting the Democrats to kick them, and every time they are kicked they thank God and take cour-

He denounced Bryan and lauded Thomas C. Watson, but declared that the Democrats in 1896 refused to recogthe Populists whom they only wanted for their 2,000,000 votes. "They threw away a golden opportunity," said, "and I want to tell you Mr. Bryan was nearer the presidency in 1896 than he ever will be again. The spirit of 1892 is here and all we have o do is to renew the agitation and build up the people's party to save republic and save mankind.

Mr. Donnelly concluded: I feel that this is the rebirth of people's party with the vermin

After the applause had subsided here were vociferous cries for Wharon Barker, of Pennsylvania. Barke" arose and expressed the opinthat the convention should proseed to business and added that he would speak later.

#### Recess was then taken until 8 p. m. Objected to the Corpse.

On calling the convention to order tt 8 p. m., Chairman Howard referred o the trouble at Sioux Falls over the division of the spoils. A delegate from Missouri pointed to the big "16 to I' placard and moved that "the corpse be removed from the hall. This led discussion on that issue, which was shut off by calling out A. G. Burkhard, candidate for governor of In- The well has been carning for the Blossburg diana, for a speech. He was followed by Wharton Barker, of Pennsylvania. who is regarded as the leading candifor the presidential nomination. He discussed the trusts in three different forms: (1) Private trusts formed by combinations of wealth in commercial affairs; (2) public trusts, such as water works, gas and electric lighting soncerns and street railways; (3) trusts | Pennyalvania, D. Williams, Sharon

that were fostered by freight and other discriminations. Like other speakers, he favored government ownership and the control of everything that got beyond the range of competition. He opposed expansion and especially the retention of the Philippines.

A wrangle followed over the report of the committee on organization. The majority report favored Colonel W. L. Peck, of Georgia, for permanent chairman and the minority report substituted Judge H. W. Williams, of In-

The followers of Barker wanted Peck for chairman and by a vote of 393 to

The convention then, at 11.15, ad-journed until 8 o'clock tomorrow morn-

#### THE NATIONAL POPS.

Senator Butler Presides at the Sioux Falls Gathering.

Sioux Falls, S. D., May 9 .- The Populist national convention was called to order by United States Senator Butler, chairman of the national committee, this afternoon. The great tent, which has a seating capacity of 8,000, was omfortably filled. The convention tent inside was tastefully decorated with the national colors and streamers of duced a resolution giving the commitounting. Bishop O'Gorman, Catholic bishop of Sioux Falls, offered prayer, The band then played a sedley of patriotic airs, in which the delegates joined, almost drowning the sound of the music.

Amid applause, Senator Butler then introduced Governor Lee, of South Dukota, who on behalf of his state weicomed the convention to South Da-

Governor Lee was given close attention, and was frequently interrupted and the resolution giving the commit gates to Cincinnati, and Professor J. by applause, his reference to the "splendid heroism of the South African republies" bringing a burst of cheers. His allusion to William Jennings house 470 men and women occupying Bryan, however, the first time his name cers was indulged in, but a motion delegates' seats. In the galleries a had been mentioned, brought the delegates to their feet in a hurricane of theers and waving of flags, some of the delegates climbing on their chairs to voice their approval. "I again welcome you to South Dakota, the Kansas of the new revolution," he said, in conclusion, amid laughter and applause.

When the governor sat down, a Kansas delegate proposed three cheers for the governor of South Dakota, and they were given with a will. Senator Butler responded for the con-

#### Senator Butler's Speech.

Referring to the meeting of the national committee in the spring of 1898, called by him at the request of those making the charges, he said:

These self constituted patriots demanded, at the committee meeting that a resolution should be passed declaring that the next national con

In the interest of harmony and in order to more than half way, the committee accepted You all know the result. These selconstituted patriots only a few in number, but very noisy, proceeded to bolt the action of the committee meeting within less than an hour it had adjourned and issued a call for a rump convention that met in Cincinnati in Sepember. Despite this treachery and bay faith the national committee, at its meeting held in Lincoln, Neb., a few mentis ago, steed by that Omaha agreement to the letter and called this convention to meet more than thirty days shead of both of the old party conventions. But what was the result. The same self constituted pa-trioty again bolted the action of the committee at Lincoln after getting everything that they had demanded in the Onuba resolution. They went to Omaha determined to bolt and try to split the party and failing to find an excuse they bolted anyway. They went again to the meeting of the committee at Lincoln determined beforehand to bolt and try to find an excuse to bolt and failing to find an excess they bolted again anyway. But one member of the national convention committee voted and only two or three who held proxies and of these two or three were men who already voted in fact by supporting the Barker and Denneily rump ticket. These bolters, however, are few in monther, but like the Irishman's frog, they make noise enough

for a million. He proceeded to denounce the trusts and in the course of his remarks said: "This is a government of the trusts, for the trusts, by the trusts. What is the remedy? Stand by the constitution. Let congress carry out its sworn duty and control the instruments of commerce in the interest of all and not permit them to be controlled by private individuals for the benefit of the few."

## "How About Hanna?"

When Chairman Butler touched upon the meeting of the middle of the road Populists in Cincinnati a voice came from the body of delegates; "How about Mark Hanna?"

'I am afraid he is there also," plied the chairman, evoking laughter and cheers.

At the conclusion of his address, Chairman Butler, in a short speech. introduced the temporary chairman of the convention, P. M. Ringdal, of

Mr. Ringdal received a vociferous velcome from the convention, the Minnesota delegation in particular distinguishing itself by lusty cheers and blasts of tin horns.

After Mr. Ringdal had addressed the assemblage, there were cries of "Pet-tigrew. Pettigrew." but the senator, who sat upon the platform, did not respond.

The committees were then selected and the convention at 4.50 adjourned until 8.3) to give the committees time to formulate their reports.

Hon. Thomas Patterson, of Colorado,

vas selected for permanent chairman of the convention by the committee on permanent organization, J. H. Currain, of Kansas, Leo Vincent, of Colorado, and William M. Deisher, of Pennsylvania, who served as temporary secretaries were named as perma nent secretaries.

## Standard Gobbles the New Well.

Elmira, N. Y., May 9.-A special from Gaine Fa., says that the Blossburg Oil company, which recently struck a big producer in the Gaines field today accepted \$500,000 from the Standard Oil company for its leases, well and appliances.

## Senate Confirmations.

Washington, May 5 .- The senate has confirmed the following nominations: 8. B. Dole to be governor of, and Henry E. Cooper, to be secretary of Hawaii; E. C. Bellows, of Washington, to be consul general at Yokohams, Japan. Post-masters: Hawaii, J. M. Oat, at Honolula;

## HEATED DISPUTE AT CONFERENCE

WRANGLE OVER CHURCH EX-TENSION RESOLUTION.

A Lengthy Debate as to the Method of Nominating Bishops and Other Officers Indulged in-A Petition Asking for the Election of a Colored Man as Bishop to Supervise the Work Among Colored Methodists in the Southern States.

Chicago. May 9.-An echo of the heated dispute at yesterday's sessions of the committees on church extensions and missions over the action of their respective chairman to discuss the report of the special committee moved to plan the consolidation of various benevolent societies was heard today soon after the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church was called to order by Bishop Foss. Delegate Handley, of New Jersey, introtees on church extension, missions and Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational society the right to discuss all questions brought before the confer-

Delegate Leonard, of Cincinnati, presented a substitute limiting the discussions of these committees to subjects referred to them by the general conference. Delegate King, of New York. also favored the substitute. After a long wrangle the substitute was tabled tee unlimited scope in discussions was adonted.

A lengthy debate as to the method of nominating bishops and other offibishops to appoint a committee of seven to formulate rules for the nomination and election of bishops and other officers, to report not later than Satur-

#### Colored Bishop.

Delegate Irwin G. Penn, of the Washington conference, introduced a petition signed by twenty-two conferences asking for the election of a colored man as bishop to supervise the work among the colored Methodists in the Southern states. The move is in the interest of Dr. Bowen, of Washington, the leading colored candidate for bishop. The petition was referred to the committee on episcopacy without discussion.

The conference then settled down to the consideration of the report of the commission appointed four years ago to revise the organic law of the church. Section 4 of article 2 of the new constitution giving mission conferences representation in the general conference, was discussed and finally retheir resolution and passed it unanimously. This ferred to a sub-committee of seven, resolution has since been known as the Omairs. Without further discussion the consideration of the report was suspended and the call of the conferences was resumed for the presentation of memorials and reports.

> The Wilmington conference took oc easion in a memorial to criticise President McKinley for his adherence to the Griggs decesion relative to the anti-canteen law. The memorial was referred to the committee on temper-

## Many Resolutions.

The resolutions and memorials presented to the conference included one calling for an investigation of the case of H. C. Jennings, western book agent, several on amusements, including one from the Chicago German conference against any change, and another of similar purport from Chicago laymen, several on removing the six months' probation requirement, and a large number against the five-year pastoral time limit. There were also several on the controversy between the two branches of deaconesses in the church,

Rock River conference desired a law by which general conference officials should be prevented from doing any outside work that impaired their efficiency, and another by which no mis sionary or benevolent society should have more than one benevolence. Minneapolis ministers joined in a similar proposal to reduce the number of general conference officers. Erie conference proposed that 15 per cent of the twentleth century fund be set aside for the benefit of superannuated

preachers. Two memorials presented to the con ference are likely to produce a rigid investigation of theological seminaries. One was from the board of bishops asking the conference to define their powers with reference to the nomina tion and confirmation of professors and teachers. The other came from the Des Moines conference and asked for an investigation, and that the bishops be given absolute supervision and responsibility, not only in the seminaries as now, but in the colleges as well. This is now in the hands of the committee on the state of the church.

## Aimed at Boston Seminary.

Both are a part of the general move ment which is understood to be direct ed toward the Boston Theological Sem inary and one of its teaching staff, Professor H. T. Mitchell, who is charged with alleged heresies. Iowa memorial mentions no institution or man specifically, but it is accepted as a fact that an investigation, if or dered, would turn directly that way at

A memorial has also been received from the northern Indiana conference. which expressly asks that the confer ence "compel our theological schools to have their professors confirmed by majority of the board of bishops. is significant in the case of Profes sor Mitchell that, although a re-election of the faculty at Boston took place some time ago, the bishops have waived the confirmation of all until this time. Garrett Biblical Seminary at Evanston, Drew Theological Sem inary and the Boston school are the principal institutions of the kind in

## To Elect Presiding Elders.

A subcommittee of fourteen was also ordered appointed to deal with the question of the election of presiding elders, in place of having them appointed by the bishops.

Rev. Thomas Allen, fraternal dele- fight at Concy Island Friday night.

gate from England, will preach at 3 o'clock. The Epworth League Union, of Wichita, Kan., wired their dele-gates to oppose revision of the discidine on amusements.

#### ARMOR AND ARMAMENT. Subject of Discussion in the Senate. House Proceedings.

Washington, May 9 .- Practically the entire session of the senate today was devoted to a discussion of the section of the naval appropriation bill relating to armor and armament. The debate largely hinged on the proposition that the government should erect an armor plant of its own. Senator Tillman presented an amendment limiting the price to be paid for armor to \$300 per ton and providing, also, that the government should erect a plant of its own. Senators Tillman, Money and Chandler advocated the erection of a plant, while Mr. Hale supported the committee amendment providing for a plant in the contingency that armor could not be procured for \$445 per ton. No action was taken on the proposition, the bill going over until tomor-

The house today considered the contested election case of Pearson versus Crawford, from the Ninth North Carolina district. The report of the majority in the case was against the sitting member, Crawford, a Democrat, on the ground that Mr. Pearson's election was prevented by fraud, intimidation, bribery and bloodshed. The minority deny all the allegations of the majority, pointing out that the district is normally Democratic. The debate today was on party lines.

#### DOUBLE CYCLONE.

Terrible Havoc Wrought at Westchester-Barns Destroyed and Stock Killed-Railroad Station Smashed.

Westchester, Pa., May 9.-Conestoga station, in West Nantmeal township, Chester county, bears the scars of a double cyclone, which visited that point last night. The two clouds moved from opposite directions, and when they met the fury was terrible. The barns of S. P. Handwork and James Livengood were blown down, and in the former cows were crushed to death by

falling walls. The station building of the Wilmington and Northern railroad was picked up bodily and carried fifty yards to a meadow, where it was dropped and smashed. Many trees and fences were destroyed, and every traveler was blocked for hours.

#### JUDGE YATES NOMINATED. Republican Candidate for Governor of Illinois.

Peoria, Uls., May 9.-Richard Vates was today nominated for governor on the fourth ballot by the Republican state convention.

There were four names put in nomination for governor, Judge Elbridge Orrin N. Carter and Judge Richard Yates. The first ballot resulted: Reeves, 359. Second ballot: Reeves, 418; Han-

ecy. 529; Yates, 276; Carter, 322. During the third ballot several counties who had voted for Hanecy changed to Yates. Great excitement ensued. during which Judge Hanecy mounted a desk and, amidst a tumultuous demonstration, announced his withdrawal in favor of Yates. The ballot resulted: Reeves, 482; Yates, 345; Hanecy, 430; Carter, 279. The stampede to Yates then followed, and the fourth ballot resulted in his nomination with the vote: Yates, 971; Reeves, 566. The nomination was made unanimous. A recess followed, after which the ticket was completed as follows: Lieutenant governor, James S. McCullough: state treasurer, M. O. Williamson; at-

#### torney general, H. J. Hamlin. MAJOR WELLS RESIGNS.

#### The Dairy and Food Commissioner Will Retire to Private Life.

Harrisburg, May 9.-Major Levi Wells, of Spring Hill, Bradford county, tendered his resignation as dairy and food commissioner to Governor Stone today, to take effect May 16 The resignation was accepted, to take effect at the time indicated, and Secretary of Agriculture Hamilton was directed to take personal charge of the department until Wells' successor is appointed. Wells says in his letter of resignation that he is impelied to take this action by the fact that the work of the commission has grown to very large proportions and that he has reached the time of life when he feels that he ought to be permitted to retire from active and arduous duties. Governor Stone assures Major Wells, in accepting his resignation, that he has full confidence n his fidelity and honesty and believes that in the long time that he has held the office his purpose has been to faithfully and honestly discharge his full ducy.

No reference is made in the corres ndence between Governor Stone and Major Wells to the accusations made recently by a Philadelphia paper that ertain oleomargarine dealers in Philadelphia and elsewhere in Pennsylvania have violated the oleo law with the knowledge of the pure food commission.

## Action on Grow Bill.

Washington, May 9.-An animated discussicoursed in the house committee on agriculture oday as to securing action on the Grow bill eavily taxing oleomargarine, the main effort the advocates of the measure being to have reported from a sub-committee. By a vote of S to 6 it was finally decided that the subon to deal with the subject.

## Shamokin Conspiracy Trial.

Shamokin, Pa., May 9.—The first day of the Shamokin conspiracy trial was slow. It too six homs to draw the jury. The only witness heard today was Charles P. Heim, secretary of the Shamokin council. He was examined relative to the acceptance of petitions and passing

#### Grand Army Bill Approved. Washington, May 6.-The president today ap-roved senate bill 1477, known as the Grand Army pension bill.

Jeffries-Corbett Fight. New York, May 9.—It was settled today that harlie White will referee the Jeffeies-Corbet

## PALACE OF GENIUS.



The Palace of Genius at the Paris Exposition, where the members of the American Art olony in Paris will this week meet their friends and introduce to them the splendid works on exhibition in the building. The structure itself is one of the handsomest at the fair, as can be seen from the above illustration.

## RIOTING AT THE BUTTONWOOD MINE

FOUR HUNDRED MEN GO UPON A STRIKE.

All Roads Leading to the Colliery Are Picketed by Strikers-Workmen Who Attempt to Pass Through the Lines Are Assaulted-A Free Fight, in Which General Superintendent Smyth Is Injured by the Mob-Sheriff Harvey Notified.

Wilkes-Barre, May 9 .- The Buttonwood mine of the Parish Coal company, where 400 men went on strike yesterday, was the scene of a riot this morning. The strikers, to the number of several hundred, gathered early to prevent any one from going to work. All the roads leading to the colliery | CONSTABLE WALSH were picketed by strikers or their friends, and if a workman attempted to pass through the lines he was assaulted. The first man attacked was Morgan Thomas, a pipeman. Two rehe was knocked off his bicycle. Three other workmen came to his rescue, and a free fight ensued. The strikers got the worst of it, and had to call for re-

inforcements. A short distance away another battle vas in progress. The strikers attacked a half-dozen men who carried dinner pails and drove them off. About thirty shots were fired. Two men were wounded, but not seriously. A man named Lucas was shot in the calf or the leg. Another man, whose name ould not be learned, was shot in the hand General Superintendent Smyth arrived upon the ground by this time, and the mob hissed and hooted him. Mr. Smyth tried to reason with the men, but the latter would not listen to Then some one in the crowd threw a club, striking the superintendent on the head. A severe gash was inflicted, from which the blood flowed freely. A number of workmen came to the superintendent's assistance, and he was dragged away from the mob. The McDermott's arrest, and it was placed injured man was brought to Wilkes-Barre, where a physician dressed his wound.

## Sheriff Notified.

The mob were now in complete conrot of the coal company's property and Sheriff Harvey was notified. The sheriff at once made arrangements to swear in a large number of deputies. A report spread among the strikers that the militia were coming and they dispersed to their homes, many of them carrying bruised heads. No attempt was made to resume work at the colliery during the day. The company officials, however, say that they will resume work tomorrow, if the sheriff gives them protection. The strikers are in a bad frame of mind, and say that if an attempt is made to resume work tomorrow there will be bloodshed. The whole trouble was caused by the discharge of a miner. The company officials say the man was discharged because he was an incompetent worknan. The strikers say the man was dismissed because he was too active in the United Mine Workers' union, strikers are mostly composed of Slavs and Lithuanians.

Jumped from the Brooklyn Bridge. New York, May 9.—Robert Wetzel, a middle aged single man, jumped from the Brookly this afternoon. He is the third person who has jumped from this bridge during the last three weeks. A tug boat picked him up at landed him at a pier. He was then conve-to a bospital. The man was in a semi-conscipier. He was then conve condition and he soon bapsed into unconsciou

## Pennsylvania Pensions. Washington, May C.—The following pensions have been granted; William Booth, Scranton, 88; Daniel Wallen, Huntingdon Mills, 812; Mary

Pennsylvania Postmasters. Washington, May 9 -I. D. Lewis was toda

#### THE NEWS THIS MORNING

#### Weather Indications Tolay: FAIR AND COOL.

General-Onward March of the British Army, trikers in a Riot at Buttonwood Colliers Conference Wrangles Over Clouch Extension,

- General-Northeastern Pennsylvania. Financial and Commercial
- Local-Explanation of the Dowie Britef. Court Proceedings.
- Local-Woman Tries to Kill Herself and Chil-

News and Comment.

- Government Weather Station for Scrauton Local-West Scranter
- Base Ball News and Common
- Local-Live Industrial News, Probability of a Truce Between Salaon Mer and the Crusaders.

# KILLED M'DERMOTT When Walsh Tried to Arrest McDer-

Attempted to Cut the Constable. Walsh Shot McDermott Through

mott the Latter Drew a Razor and

the Heart. Special to the Scranton Tribune. Forest City, May 9 .- Constable Michael killed John McDermott, of Vandling,

vest McDermott. The latter had been in the habit of flourishing a revolver threateningly while in his cups, and he was in his at Pretoria, was present when this cups today. A man named Reynolds speech was delivered. The road cenwas the particular object of his atten- tinues in secret zession. tion, and he followed him about and, it is alleged, made threats that he pean powers have delivered a coffectwould kill him.

Reynolds swore out a warrant for . in the hands of Constable Walsh. He in enforcing compensation in the event found McDermott in the main street of their destruction." of Vandling. As soon as McDermott learned of the officer's mission he made a lunge at him with his razor. Waish thereupon pulled his revolver and fired, the bullet piercing McDermott's heart. He died in fifteen minutes.

Walsh gave himself up, and is now

# NATIONAL GUARD ORDERS.

Company E, 16th Regiment, Is Dis-

banded-Officers Discharged. Harrisburg, May 9 .- Adjutant General Stewart issued general orders to the National Guard of Pennsylvania today announcing the disbandment of Company K. Sixteenth regiment, and making the following assignment of companies of the Fifteenth regiment o the Sixteenth regiment:

Company A. Erle, to be Company G: Company B. Meadville, to be Company B; Company F, of Grove City, to Company M: Company K, Greenville. o be Company K.

Orders were also issued honorably ischarging the officers of the Twentyfirst regiment, and announcing that the regiment ceases to be an organization of the guard. Hereafter the enapsack or blanket bag for the guard will be of a pattern manufactured at the state arsenal in this city. Shipments will begin immediately and all organizations will be supplied prior to the annual encampment next August at Mt. Gretna.

## Struck by Lightning.

Dovlestown, May 9.-The barn on the farm of Villiam Search at Taylorsville, near here, was track by lightning last night and destroyed by Thirteen head of cattle were burned to

# **HUTTON'S CAUTIOUS** ADVANCE

## British Commander Has No Desire to Encounter Boer Trap.

#### BATTLE AT ZAND RIVER

General Hutton Falls Back Several Miles Upon Being Confronted by Boers Who Suddenly Rally from a Retreat-The Transvaal Volksrand Adopts Resolutions Condemning British Methods of Warfare. European Powers Credited with Dispatch Regarding Mines.

London, May 10 (4.15 a. m.),-General Hutton's mounted infantry brigade, including the Canadians, with a part of General French's cavalry, crossed the Zand river 'cucaday and began to work its way cautiously along the railway northward in the truck of the retiring Boors.

About 8,000 horsemen were probably engaged in this advance. Hutton, before he was joined by a part of General French's force, had a sharp fight. This was on Monday, when he reached the river and saw the Foer convoys on the other side and pressed forward, intending to cross and capture them. The Boers, however, opened fire with from eight to ten guns, forded the river above and below, seemingly in thousands, and sought to envelop the British. General Hutton rell back several miles, the Boers following until other British cavalry reinforced Hutton. During the night the Boers retreated, not fur-

ther contesting the crossing. Lord Roberts, according to one correspondent, left Smaldeel Tuesday to consult one of the Hamiltons, fifteen miles distant. The Boer attack on General Hutton does not indicate any such panicky conditions as have been alleged to exist among them. Nevertheless the British advance rolls on steadily. General Broadwood and General Bruce Hamilton have penetrated 15 miles beyond Windburg, According to Boer advices sharp skirmishes are of daily occurrence, and a brisk rifle engagement outside Windburg on Saturday. From Boer sources comes also the report that in a skirmish omside Mafeking Colonel Baden-Powell was slightly

#### worsted. British Condemned.

The Transvaal volksrand adopted esolutions on Tuesday expressing indignation at the British for not conducting the war in a civilized manner, or killing wounded Boers with lances. for using armed Kaffirs under British

officers, and for til-treating prisoners. President Kruger, after his formal speech on Monday, said the British were prepared for war in 1896, as doenments which the burghers had captured showed, but that the Transvaal, to avoid bloodshed, offered a seven years' franchise and then a five years'

"Great Britain still demands war," Walsh, of this place, tonight shot and the declared, "and the republic at length accepted the challenge. Even should the British enter the Transvaad and The shooting occurred in the main take Pretoria, the Boers will still restreet, while Walsh was trying to ar- main a free people. Our trust is in God, and we may be confident that He will defeat the most powerful gen-

erals. Adelbert Hay, United States consul-

A dispatch, credited to a semi-official urce in Pretoria, mays; "The Euroive note to President Kruger, informing him that they will hold him personally responsible for the safety of the mines, and will support England

#### Buller on the Biggarsberg. Cape Town. May 9.-It is reported that General Bulier is advancing on the Biggarsberg, and that the Boers

#### are withdrawing. BLOODSHED AT ST. LOUIS. First Tragedy in Connection with

the Street Car Strike. St. Louis. May 3:-The first tragedy in connection with the street car strike occurred tonight. As a suburban car, en route to the company's sheds in the western part of the city, was pageing the Baptist sanitarium, a number of men gathered in the grounds of the institution threw rocks at the ear. Some one on the car fired a shot at the crowd, the bullet striking Frank Lebrecht. The wounded man attempt-

ed to enter the sanitarium, but fell dead on reaching the door. One story is that a police officer on the car fired the shot. Dan Donovan eas placed under arrest by the polic charged with firing the fatal bullet. Donovan is employed in a minor capacity by the railway company.

## Small Strike at Elmira.

Elmira, May 9,—The wipers, hoothers, ash dompers and machinests' helpers employed by the Lackawanna Railroad company hore, struck today for an increase of wages. The official think the strike is a result of sympathy with that of the road's conplains at Buffalo, About alvey me are selfsixty men are out.

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

Washington, May 2. - Forecast for Thors-day and Friday: Eastern Penusylvania. 
fair and cool Thurnday; Friday fair