

TWO CENTS.

ADVANCE OF

SCRANTON, PA., FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 25, 1900.

IN THE SENATE

"ISLAND POSSESSIONS."

Spooner, of Wisconsin, Arouses

Debate That Takes a Politi-

cal Turn-He Charges Anti-Im-

perialists with Creating an Issue

Not Legitimate - House Devotes

Time to Consideration of Alaskan

Washington, May 24 .- The duty of

the United States towards its "island

litical. He charged the so-called anti-imperialists with creating an issue

which was not legitimate. Many of his

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KRUGER FULL OF FIGHT.

Will Defend Johannesburg-Calls on All Boers to Stay Until the Bitter End-British Troops in the Form of a Crescent with Horns Thirty Miles Apart-The Movements of Boers Are Difficult to Determine. The Plague Threatens.

London, May 25 (3.35 a. m.) .- Lord Roberts' infantry advance is delayed at the Rhenoster river for a day or two by the depth of the stream which is not fordable. The banks, which are precipitous, are forty feet high. A pontoon and temporary bridge constructions are under way. The railway has not been damaged to any extent between Kroonstad and Rhenoster. The Transvaalers have offended the Free Staters by destroying their splendid bridges and retiring to Kroenstad. They refrained from doing this on the retreat to Rhenoster, but now they are destroying the railroad and bridges almost completely north of Rhenoster.

The Pritish troops are in the form of a crescent with horns thirty miles apart, with General French's cavalry on the left within 23 miles of the Vaal, and General Ian Hamilton's mounted men on the right within thirty miles of the Vaal. The center of the crescent is about forty miles from the Van1.

Seventy or eighty miles to the left Lord Methuen is advancing up the Vaal.

Boer telegrams say that 3,000 .British with ten guns are near Vredeford, which is close to the Vaal and close to Parys.

Mystery of the Boers.

What the Boers are doing is an absolute mystery. The embargo of news out of Pretoria for the last twentyfour hours has been complete. Such shreds of information as the correspondents at Lorenzo Marques have picked up do not illuminate the Poer designs and dispositions further than that the movement toward Lydenburg States did not exist. It is the maniontinues, and that a referendum on fest purpose of the administration to he question of continuing the war is toing on among the Boer fighting men.

HEATED DISCUSSION Call by the Turkish Minister Upon Secretary Hay. Washington, May 24.-All Ferrouh Bey, the Turkish minister here, called ON SUBJECT OF DUTY TO at the state department today for the first time in several weeks, and spent about fifteen minutes in conference with Secretary Hay. His call was said to be in the usual routine of dip-In Concluding His Speech Mr. lomatic day, and it is gathered that he was in quest of information as to the tenor of Mr. Griscom's note presented yesterday to the porte in connection with the American indemnity

THE TURKISH INDEMNITY.

claims. The minister has not yet arranged for a presentation to the officials here of Ahmed Pasha, the Turkish vice-admiral, row visiting him, and it is probable that the officer will first go about his mission of escertaining the resources of eastern shipbuilding concerns, going to Cramps and then to Newport News,

possessions" was the subject of heated discussion in the senate again to-It is said at the navy department day. Soon after the senate convened that the projected visit of the United Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, began an ex-States steamship Albany to the Medittended reply to the speech Mr. Platt delivered yesterday. His speech was erranean has no diplomatic signifilargely supplemental to that which he cance whatever. So far, at least, no delivered several days ago demanding orders have been forwarded to Captain Craig, her commander, to take the ship into any Turkish port, though it an investigation of Cuban financial affairs. His resolution, to which there is little or no opposition, went under is said that, under his general authorthe rules, to the committee on conization to cruise in the Mediterranean. he is at liberty to touch at Smyrna, tingent expenses. Alexandretta, or any other Turkish The remainder of the afternoon was

Bill

Mediterranean port, if he sees fit to occupied by Mr. Spooner, of Wisconsin, in concluding his speech on the Philippine question. The debate which he aroused took a turn decidedly po-

AGUINALDOITES HOLD A SESSION

do 80.

statements were controverted by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, and Mr. Pettigrew, Anti-Imperialists Hold a Meeting in Cooper Union-Inflammatory of South Dakota, and the controversy at times became almost personal. Speeches Made.

New York, May 24 .- A mass meeting

The Alaskan Bill. o advocate "an American policy in The house practically devoted eight the Philippines" was held tonight in hours today to the consideration of Cooper Union, under the auspices of the Alaskan civil government bill, but the Anti-Imperialist league of New progress was slow. Two amendments York. The speakers were George S. Boutwell, of Massachusetts: Carl of importance were adopted. One of them authorized the secretary of war Schurz and Captain Patrick O'Farrell, to issue permits to excavate or dredge of Washington. Mr. Cresby said, in for gold below low water mark on the opening the meeting: "In Cuba one beach at Cape Nome. The secretary of our fellow citizens from Indiana is has heretofore issued permits, but the accused of taking all the postal funds bill as it passed the senate cancelled he could lay his hands on. Better the them. The house also struck out the chapter relating to arrest and bail, which permitted arrests in certain island be robbed by Spain than by an American and a friend of Senator civil actions. The corference report Beveridge. Were Washington allve today he would find himself more at on the Indian appropriation bill was home in the camp of Aguinaldo than adopted. in the camp of Otis. We cannot but The house committee on commerce

admire the courage of Aguinaldo and his men who have been fighting for today ordered a favorable report on the bill providing that in case of railway collision on roads engaged in inover a year against tremendous odds." terstate traffic a complete report of Ex-Secretary Boutwell said: "There are indications that attempts are bethe circumstances, causes, etc., shall ing made to so construe the constitube made to the interstate commerce tion of the United States as to justify commission. Monthly reports also are required of all accidents to passengers the policy of seizing through war foreign lands and alien peoples, then govor employes with the causes and cirerning them as they might be govern-ed if the constitution of the United cumstances. The purpose of the bill is to determine the chief causes of railway collision and accident.

There were only about two dozan seize and to hold countries and to members present at the night session overn races and communities outside of the house. All items in the Alaskan of the jurisdiction of the constitution. bill which involved opposition were "Of all modern history, the most dispassed over. After disposing of 188 of graceful chapter is that which the the 619 pages of the bill the house at American nation is now writing. At 10.30 adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorthe opening of the last third of this row. century we abolished slavery in America, and at the end of the century we QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY. are making a war for the establishment of a system of slavery in Asia. Celebrated Throughout England The crimes of England in the Sepon with Great Rejoicing. war on the upper Nile, in South Africa London, May 24 .- Under the stimulus are trivial offences against justice and of the relief of Mafeking and Lord humanity, when compared with the Roberts' rapid and successful progress rime of subjugating and enslaving 10,the queen's birthday has been cele-000,000 of people." brated throughout the empire with Captain O'Farrell, who stumped the inique and almost unprecedented recountry for McKinley in 1896, was very joicings. The twofold nature of the bitter in his criticism of the president. celebrations gave the occasion unusual A series of "esolutions were adopted brilliancy. The recent demonstrations which, after setting forth that the adonly whatted the public appetite for ministration has "committed a flagrant displays of patriotic feelings and, conbreach of faith and most seriously dis sequently, today was chosen for all credited the profession and the charkines of functions in connection with acter of the republic in the eyes of the the war and its funds. In London and world," and that the imperialistic polin the provincial towns there was a tricy, 'f persisted in "will inevitably color eruption. Every private house bring about the overthrow of our was decorated with miniature union democratic institutions," recite the hisjacks and a picturesque carnival protory of our relations with the Filipines cession, a mile long, of cars emblemand declare that the "betraval of our atic of the war paraded the northern allies constitutes one of the basest acts suburbs of London. Torchlight proof perfidy and cruel inhumanity ever cessions and reviews in the garrison perpetrated by any tyrant in the histowns, etc., were witnessed throughtory of the world." out the country. The school children

ITALY'S BUILDING AT PARIS EXPOSITION.



The Italian building at the Paris Exposition is the most important of all in its dimensions, It is a beautiful combination of various styles of architecture, and is surmounted by five grand domes, one in golden bronze. These domes and the magnificent rosette windows give a cathedral character to the edifice.

of which was secured.

FOR EXTRADITION OF NEELY. A Hearing Before Governor Roose

velt at Oyster Bay. New York, May 24 .- The hearing be

ore Governor Roosevelt, at Oyster Bay, today of the application for the ex-tradition of Charles F. W. Neely to Cuba was brief.

After the short session, the governor made a brief statement to the newspaper men. He said that before he would take any final action in the matter he would confer with the state attorney general, probably on Saturday. on the questions of law raised by counsel as to his power to grant the requisition papers. This power, the governor said, it was conceded was vested by the constitution in the governor,

United States District Attorney Burnett contended that Governor Roosevelt did have jurisdiction in the case, and should issue the necessary requisition papers.

ton and produce exch On the other hand, John B. Lindsay, | Chicago stock exchan counsel for Neely, opposed the applicaoffices in about thirt tion for the requisition, and claimed out the United State that as Cuba is at present under miliascribed to the fact tary government the United States long in cotton in the was not properly in control and coning market. The as sequently the governor of the state of iam J. Curtis and W New York did not have power and well, Mr. Cromwell sa jurisdiction to issue the requisition it was impossible to papers. ment at this hour co dition of the firm; th

very extensive and MURDERER OF PROF. WHITE branch agencies. Th he said, are about \$13

Police Think They Have Captured Him in the Person of Amos Stir-

| PROMINENT STOCK | THE NEWS THIS MORNING |
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| BROKERS FAIL | Weather Indications Today: #CLEAR; WARMER. |
| PRICE, M'CORMICK & COMPANY OWE \$13,000,000. Failure Is Ascribed to the Fact That the Firm "Went Long" on Cotton | General-British Are Delayed at Rhenoister River. Elections and Lively Debate at the Conference. Our Island Possessions Create Heated Discuss- ion in the Senate. Prominent Brokers Fail for \$13,000,000. Court Network Parameteric |
| in the Face of a Fast Falling Mar- | General—Northeastern Penesylvania. Financial and Commercial. |
| ket-Action of the Firm Stimulated the Bears - Many Dealers Will | Local-Mayor Moir Directed to Reinstate Officers Spellman and Jones. To Reorganize the Fire Department. |
| Suffer. | 4 Editorial. News and Comment. |
| New York, May 24.—Price, McCor- mick & Co., one of the largest broker- age houses in the city, failed today, with liabilities estimated at \$13,000,000. The firm is a member of the stock, cot- ton and produce exchange, and has branch offices in about thirty cities through- | Local-Disposition of the City's Garbage. Memorial Day Arrangements. Local-West Scranton and Suburban. Round About the County. Base Ball News and Comment. Local-Final Lecture of the Griggs Series. Court Proceedings. |
| out the United States. The failure is ascribed to the fact that the firm was long in cotton in the face of a fast fail- ing market. The assignces are Will- iam J. Curtis and William N. Crom- well, Mr. Cromwell said late today that it was impossible to make any state- ment at this hour concerning the con- dition of the firm; that its business is very extensive and covers several branch agencies. The total liabilities, he said, are about \$13,000,000, nearly all | ST. LOUIS TROUBLE DUE TO POLITICS Opinion of Governor Stephens, of Missouri, Regarding the Street Car Strike-Will Perform His Duty. St. Louis, May 24Governor Steph- |

ens was quoted this afternoon as sav-The firm is composed of Theodore H. Price, William G. McCormick, R. G. M. ing:

couraging it.

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MR. BRISTOW'S REFORMS.

the postal accounts and they say it

will be a month before their report

will be ready. In the meantime it is

not likely that important developments

Stakes.

New York, May 24 .-- A finish that

brought the crowd to its feet, shouting

stakes at Morris park today, when a

flerce drive after a race of a mile and

ELECTIONS

DEBATE AND

Tribune.

Among the Features of Lively Conference Sessions at Chicago.

DR. LEWIS CURTIS RETIRED

His Management of the Chicago Book Office Has Been the Matter of Considerable Controversy-The Action Abolishing Additional Secretaries so Far as Freedmen's Aid Is Concerned Is Abolished-Adjournment Will Be Made on Tuesday Next.

Chicago, May 24 .- This was a day of elections, attended by extremely lively debates in the Methodist general con-

erence. Agents of the Eastern and Western Book Concerns were named, the election for western agents resultng in the retiring of Dr. Lewis Curtis, of Chicago, over whose management of he office considerable controversy has aken place. Samuel H. Pye and A. C. Jennings were the successful candllates for the Chicago and Cincinnati offices, and Homer Eaton and George P. Mains were re-elected to the New York office.

Following the general plan of unifiation and consolidation which has prevalled throughout the sessions, the onference today abolished the office f secretary of the Epworth league and refused to allow another secretary for the Sunday School union. It decided, nowever, to reconsider its action of a week ago of abolishing additional secretaries of the various church benevo ences, so far as the Freedmen's Ald and Southern Education society was concerned. The debate resulting in this action was quite bitter at times, the ace question being brought out prominently, and once in the discussion an angry delegate accused another of uttering a falsehood. The convention at times became involved in apparently hopeless parliamentary tangles, and Presiding Bishop Ninde in the afternoon session admonished the delegates not to turn the conference into a debating society. The general conference voted to adjourn sine die at 12.30 p. m. Tuesday next.

Memorial Against Polygamy.

The assembly framed a memorial to ongress, asking that the federal constitution be so amended as to specific the street car lines, and the whole ally declare polygamy a crime. spirit of anarchy which I find prevails Immediately following the opening of so largely in the city of St. Louis at the Presbtyerian general assembly this present, is being fomented and exafternoon, Dr. Fisher, of Indiana, asked tended by the machinations of a cerfor a reconsideration of the vote which tain coterie of Democratic politicians, fixed no definite term for further conwho hope by their course to in somsideration of the Peorla overture, and manner make gains in the approaching moved that Dr. Cornelison be allowed party primaries. This element is sendto speak ten minutes, and Elder James ing speakers to meetings held to ex-M. Rice, the father of the minority repress sympathy for the strikers all port, be granted the same length of over the city, and if not counseling time, and then take a vote. The disorder it is at least materially enmotion was passed, and the matter will be re-introduced tomorrow morning. "These persons are responsible fo There was a bit of sensation sprung the many effigies of myself and the again by the judicial committee anpolice authorities dangling from poles nouncing that the committee had and trolley lines on many streets. It agreed to drop the case of Herman is as a result of their movements that Warzawalk. A report to that effect have received many letters threatenwas made to the assembly, which was ing my life, should I continue to do my adopted. duty and provide officers to keep the Warzawaik is a well-known missionary among the Jews in New York city. "I desire you to say further that if, The committee recommend that, owing as governor of Missourt, with all the to the difficulties attending the case power vested in that office for the purand the great amount of work involved pose, I can put an end to the abominshould it be continued, the unhappy condition that prevails in St case be dismissed without further con-Louis, I shall employ every lota of that sideration or judicial trial. The report was adopted. Herman Warzawalk, the converted Jew, was a member of the late John Hall's church, but for some alleged misconduct he was put out of Solicitor's Bureau Abolished in Hathe church and his missionary connecvana-Investigations Continue. tion severed. Since then he has been Huvana, March 24 .- Mr. Bristow, reinstated by the church authorities. acting director general of posts, to-day abolished the solicitor's bureau, and appeal was taken to the general assembly from the New York presbytery action against him. There remain appointing in its place a law clerk, but a few unimportant committees to with one stenographer, and thus saving \$2,700 annually. Many other rebe heard from, and the promise of adjournment Saturday afternoon was The inspectors are still busy over confidently made by Stated Clerk Rob-

It may be a fortnight before the reults of this singular vote are fully before the Transvaal government. If the English view of Boer discouragement is one-half right, the Boers will vote to quit.

As the railway is now open north of Mafeking, an abundance of provisions is entering the town, plenty of flour and meat and a few luxuries. The telegraph messages will probably come from Mafeking direct over the northern route in a day or two.

South Africa has another difficulty. An extraordinary issue of the Gazette at Durban announces the death of an East Indian from the bubonic plague, The government has put into force the most stringent preventative measures, but fears are expressed that the pestilence may get among the troops.

Kruger Full of Fight.

Cape Town, May 24. - President Kruger, it is announced here, has issued a proclamation saying he will de fend Johannesburg, and calling upon all the Boers to fight to the bitter end.

NEWS FROM BRAZIL.

Publications Hostile to Great Britian and the United States.

Rlo De Janeiro, May 1 .- It is asserted that considerable money is being spent here by agents of the Spanish, French and German governments to cause to be published articles against the governments of the Great Britain and the United States.

The government has nominated a committee to represent Brazil at Buffalo in 1901, composed of the Brazilian minister at Washington, Dr. Assis Brazil; the consul at New York; Xavier Fontoura, and a secretary, probably the secretary of legation.

The French government has proposed new conditions for establishing an entente cordiale in regard to tariffs. It is thought, however, that it is only intended to kill time in order to obtain better conditions by a new budget law

Manuel Gorostiaga, minister plenipotentiary of the Argentine Republic, and Dr. Olynotho Magalhaes, minister of foreign affairs, have exchanged the ratifications of their respective governments of the treaty of limits between the Argentine and Brazil. The Brazilian and Chilian govern-

ments have ratified the new treaty of extradition.

A London syndicate has bought the Paulista railway, paying to the shareholders the full value of their shares and a small bonus.

In Memory of Gen. Mansfield.

Antietam, Md., May 24.—A monument to Major General Joseph K. D. Mansfield was unveiled here today. A party of about 200 persons came down from Connecticut and had the dedication in charge. Genral Mansfield commanded the Twelith Army corps of the Potomac. He was most ally wounded on the battanda d tasta mortally wounded on the battlefield of Antietam Sept. 17, 1562, while deploying his corps in

Great Britain Denounced.

New York, May 21.-The United Irish societie of New York met tonight and by resolution de nouncing Great Brithin declared that Irishmet ust fight for Ireland's liberty and freedor is likely, Great Britain has another war for her life on her hands.

George B. McCiellan a Candidate.

Washington, May 24 .- The cendidacy of Repre sentative George B. McClellan, of New York, for the Democratic vice presidential nomination was ced today by his friends in congress.

ICE TRUST UNLAWFUL. Decision of Attorney General Dav-

ies of New York. New York, May 24 .- Attorney General J. C. Davies today announced his decision in the proceedings against the American Ice company. He decides that the American Ide company is an unlawful combination, conducting its business in restraint of violation of law and against public policy, and will commence proceedings against the American Ice company to prohibit it

from doing business in this state. The attorney general, when asked as to whether the governor will order a special grand jury to investigate the onnection of the New York city officials with the company, said that he had not the slightest idea what the governor intended doing. He refused to answer any other questions, saying

planatory. Jeffries Barred Out.

that his decision was sufficiently ex-

Trenton, N. J. May 24.-Champion James J. Jeffries will not umpire the base ball game be-tween the Cuban Giants and the Princeton Gients, scheduled to be played next Menday. Secretary Pierce, of the local Young Men's Chris-tian association, which controls the grounds where the game will be played today, refused to sanction Jeffries' appearance as umpire of

game

Jeffries and Sharkey Matched. New York, May 24. -Jim Jeffries and Tom sharkey were matched today to fight on August 25 before the Coney Island Athletic club for the hest purse. If Sharkey loses to McCoy June 25 or to Ruhlin on July 16 the fight with Jeffries will be off and Jeffries will offer to meet Sharkey's conqueror.

The Plague at Durban.

Durban, May 24.-An extraordinary issue of he Gazette anonunces the existence of a fatal case of bubonic plague in Durban. The victim is an East Indian. The local authorities are treetly enforcing precaution.

Ferns Knock Out Bennett.

Toronto, Ont., May 24 .- Ruhe Ferns, of Buf falo, knocked out Jack Bennett, of McKeesport, tonight after two minutes hard fighting.

there was a partial suspension of business. The west end of London tonight is brilliantly illuminated and thousands are crowding the streets, wearing patriotic colors. In the house of commons today the government leader, A. J. Balfour, announced that Lord Salisbury would consider a proposal to appoint a na-

had a holiday and at most places

tional thanksgiving day, with a sultable form of prayer, in acknowledgement of God's vouchsafing victory to the British arms. STRIKE DECLARED OFF.

Peace Is Again Effected at the But-

tonwood Mine. Wilkes-Barre, May 24 .-- The strike at the Buttonwood mine, which was once declared off and then resumed again, was again declared off ton ght, The company officials and a commit-

tee of the strikers met and signed an amicable agreement. Anthony Yishnifski, whose discharge was the principal cause of the strike, will be given work in another mine of the company. The \$00 strikers are expected to be back to work Monday.

FIVE MEN KILLED.

Covington, Ky., May 24.-A boiler at McFerrins sawmill, ten miles west of here, exploded today, killing five men and completely wrecking the plant. The dead, Captain James A. McFer

rin, Moses Hunley, ---- Burket, ---- York unknown negro.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, May 24 .- Arrived: Kaiser Wilhelm II, from Genoa; Saale, from Bremen; Germanie Liverpool. Sailed: L'Aquitaine, Havre; August Victoria, Hamburg via Plymouth and Cherbeurg.

Naples-Arrived: Ems, New York and soiler for Genea town-Sailed: Majestie (form Queen Liverpool), New York.

The Boers at Dinner. Washington, May 24 .- Representative William Alden Smith, of Michigan, gave a dinner to-night at the Hotel Gordon to the Boer commissioners. Among the guests were a number of senators and congressmen. Each of the commis-sioners made brief addresses. ling, a Negro Tramp.

Philadelphia, May 24 .-- Superintendent of Police Quirk tonight announced that the accomplice of Henry Ivory, colored, of Wilmington, Del., in the murder of Professor Roy Wilson

White, of the University of Pennsylvania, late Saturday night, had been captured, and is now locked up in the Mercer county work-house near Tren-

ton, N. J. Requisition papers for his transfer to this city will be taken out at once. Professor White was murdered in West Philadelphia while on his way to take a train for his home in Germantown, a suburb. The police immediately suspected negro tramps, and a general round-up was made, nearly forty negroes beings taken in custody on suspicion. Ivory was among them and was identified by a messenger boy of the Pennsylvania rallroad as one of two men he saw in the vicinity of the murder on Saturday night. Ivory confessed his compleity and gave a description of his comrade

in crime. He claimed "the other did A general alarm was sent to other

cities to keep a watch for the man and today detectives, accompanied by the messenger, went to the New Jersey work-house to look over the tramps collected there. The boy promptly identified a negro named Amos Stiring, alias William Field, aged 26 years, as beig nthe men who was with Ivory on Saturday night. Stirling's clothes were found to be spattered with blood. He could not give a satisfactory answer as to his whereabouts on the night of the murder. The clothes were brought here tonight and positively identified by Ivory as the garments his

accomplice wore at the time of the commission of the crime. Will Manufacture Manifold.

Harrisburg, May 24 .- The secretary of the commenwealth granted a charter today to General Manifold company of Franklin. The capital stock is \$4,000,000, divided into 40,000 shares, of the par value of \$100. General Charles Miller, of Franklin; Lou D. Sweet, of Denver; Colonel George H. Clover, of this city: Congressman Je-seph C. Sih.ley, of Franklin: C. J. S. Miller, S. Megath, George C. Miller, Frank Johnston and A. F. Miller, all of Franklin, are the direc-The company will manufacture carbon tors. paper and manifold paper.

Loving Cup to Sir Thomas Lipton. London, May 26 .- At a banquet given this evening at the Hotel Cecil in London, to Sir Thomas Lipton, Joseph H. Choate, United States ambassador, presented to Sir Thomas the loving cup subscribed for by the American admirers of the owners of the Shamrock.

White Falls Three Stories.

Wilkes-Barre, May 24-Clarence White, of Readng, Pa., who has been in this city the past

eek decorating for the Knights Templar con clave, fell from a three-story building tonight Both legs were broken and it is feared he is fatally injured internally.

Headquarters to Be Changed.

New York, May 24 .- The main offices of the connectuania railroad are to be moved here from Philadelphis. The entire sixteenth floor of the American Exchange Bank building has been

leased by the company and they will move in pany's billet mills. when the building is finished, Racing Meet.

Montauk Indians' Suit. Sag Harbor, L. I., May 24.-Some of the de-condants of the Montauk Indians give an entertainment in Masonic hall here tonight. It is their purpose to raise funds to carry on their suit of ejectment against the Long Island ratiawarded. stock Stakes

Stewart-Wortley and Walter W. Price, with George Crocker, of San Francisco, a special partner on an investment of \$500,000. Mr. McCormick is of the well-known Chlcago family of agricultural implement fame, and Mr. Stewart-Wortley is a son-in-law of Rear Admiral Schley. The firm was organized January 2, 1897. Prior to the formal announcement of

the failure, the cotton market had broken over twenty points under terrific selling for both accounts from all directions. The firm has long been regarded as the leading supporter of the market, and at one time it was said they were going to put August cotton up to ten cents. The decline of the past month, however, was against them, and despite their efforts they could not hold the market up. Consequently today's development did not come as a total surprise, though they had sufficient force to temporarily demoralize the trade.

Stimulated the Bears.

The firm's bullish attitude was sur mised in the cotton market and it is thought to have stimulated the recent activities of cotton bears.

Following the announcement of the failure the cotton market became stricken and broke ten to thirteen points. The extent of the decline from the highest price when the bull movement culminated has been 122 points. Later in the session the market became more quiet, but continued to show a weak undertone on the generally very favorable crop accounts. According to the rule of the stock ex-

change the announcement of the failure was followed by the closing of the suspended firm's outstanding contracts on the floor of the exchange. Up to the close of the exchange the dealings for the firm's account footed up 39,950 shares.

Price, McCormick & Company had an extensive wire service, and at times were credited with doing fully as large a business as any firm on the stock exchange. Much of the business of the firm was in the cotton exchange. The firm controlled much southern stock business and has been very active at times in stocks favored by southern operators, although this line of trade has been far less in volume than its regular commission business obtained through its wire service to outside

cities.

Another Failure.

carried off the \$15,000 first money, with Macon, Ga., May 24 .- Talbot & Pal-J. R. and F. P. Keen's Petruchio in mer, cotton brokers of this city, falled second place and A. Featherstone's today for about \$16,000. Missionary third. The three horses passed the judges A few months ago the firm failed for about \$80,000. The suspension of Price. scarcely heads apart. The distance

McCormick & Co., of New York, is supposed to have caused the failure.

> Richmond, Vs., May 26 .-- The Penineula bank of Williamsburg, was cutered by robbers last night, the safe blown open and about \$10,000 in noncy taken. There is no clue to the robbers.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Pittsburg, May 21 .- The Rev. Dr. Richard Lea. the oldest Presbyterian minister in Pennsyl-vania and probably in the United States, died today in Now Alexandria, Pa. He had been in only a short time. Dr. Lea was 10 years of age and was ordained sixty-four years ago.

Toronto, Ont., May 24.-A big racing meet op-ened here today under the auspices of the On-tario Jockey club. It will extend until June New York, May 24 .- Mrs. Maria L. Gummere Parker, aged 77, widow of the former governor of New Jersey, Joel Parker, died of paralysis last night at the summer home of her son, Frederick Purses ranging from \$400 to \$3,000 will be arded. Other features of the meet will be the races for the Toronto Cup, and the Wood-Parker, at Spring Lake, N. J.

QUADRIENNAL CONFERENCE.

erts.

Important Amendment Regarding General Wood has ordered that Use of Tobacco. very department of the island be

Atlantic City, N. J., May 24 .- The principal feature of the quadriennial conference of the Methodist Protestant general conference was the adoption by a two-thirds vote of an amendment to the church discipline requiring all candidates for the ministry to foreswear the use of tobacco in any form. There was weak opposition, but the sentiment was so strong in favor of itself hoarse, was seen in the Belmont the amendment that it did not provoke a debate. The revision of the discipline was agreed to as far as reported. three furlongs Eugene Leigh's lidrim The two reports from the committee appointed to consider the question of consolidating the foreign and home mission boards, one in favor and the other one against the merger, were debated and the resolution to consolidate was lost. It was stated during the discussion that seventy-five per cent. of the funds were expended in salary expenses.

At the afternoon session the new Church of Christ was dedicated. It is to cost \$40,000. Rev. Dr. Tagg, of Baltimore, preached the sermon.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, May 24 -James Connor, of Seranton, has been granted a pension of \$10 a month.

************* WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, May 24 .- Forecast for Pri- døy and Saturday: Eastern Pennayl
 vanis, clearing Friduy; Saturday, fair,
 warmer; fresh northerly winds. **************

Bank Robbers Get \$10,000. now running. It is stated that the closing of tin plate mills on account of a strike is responsible for the shut down of the Illinois com

was covered in 2.21, breaking the track record. Results of a Strike. Joliet, Ill., May 24 .- Nearly 1,000 men were

thrown out of work when at noon today the onverter and billet mills of the Iilinois Steel company were closed for an indefinite period. Only the blast furnaces and merchant mills are

MOREIS PARK RACES. Ildrim Carries Off the Belmont