TERRIBLE FIRE AT HOBOKEN

Over Two Hundred Perish in the Flames at the Piers.

OCEAN LINERS DESTROYED

Passengers and Crews on the Steamships Main, Saale and Bremen, Unable to Escape from the Ships, Dive to Death, Some Into the Water, Some Into the Fiery Holds. Of All the Big Liners Tied Up to the Hoboken Wharves, the Kaiser Vessel to Escape the Fury of the Flames and at That Almost Suffered the Fate of the Other Three. Loss of Property Enormous-List of the Missing.

New York, July 1.-The losses sustained in the fire at the docks of the North German Lloyd Steamship company in Hoboken yesterday are tonight conservatively placed at nearly \$10,000,000; the loss of life, while merely guess work at even this late hour, will reach probably as high as 200, and there are over 300 men in the hospitals in this city. Hoboken and Jersey Ity, badly burned.

tto to il o'clock tonight eighteen hodies had been recovered. Eleven of these were placed in a row at the morgue in this city and numbered, this being the only means the authorities have of maintaining any sort of idenfity over the corpses, as they are so badly charred and dismembered that officials around the docks could give identification will be made only by trinkets and pieces of clothing that were found about the bodies.

have of approximating the loss of life is by comparing the list of those reported safe with the list of the emnight Gustab Schwab, the general agent of the North German Lloyd line, gave out a list showing what men on that hour. On the Saale 255 men were employed and only 127Aof these had been accounted for up to 11 o'clock. leaving 128 men actually employed as officers, saffors, stewards, engineers, coal passers; oliers and trimmers to be accounted for. The Bremen had 204 men on board, but only 127 of these have been found. The Main had 137 employed on her at the time and only seventy-six have been reported safe.

Spectacular Horrors.

The scene of the great fire today presented a spectacular but horrible sight. Over in Hoboken, where two days ago plers reaching hundreds of feet out into the river and rising in the air like great hills stood, allve with outgoing and incoming commerce, a great waste of burning and smoking beams. with here and there a remnant of a of the hundreds of theusands of dollar' worth of property. The three im- to unfold when the divers go down in mense piers of the North German Lloyd line are burned to the water's ripple, the Thingvalla pier also lies Saale is beached at Ellis Island and is burg-American per, which had just sel proper is placed at about \$800,000. of the Palmer, Campbell company are German Lloyd line, which were burned wrecked, and they ,with the piers, go to make the spalling mass of debris that lies smoking, sizzling and steaming across the North river. It covers \$250,000. over four city blocks and reaches out into the river for over a thousand feet. Streams of water are being pumped onto the ruins and workmen are poking about among the hot rulns for hodies or any trace of bodies, This was the scene of the greatest attraction today and thousands upon thousands of people went there. The streets were jammed with masses going in steady streams to the ruins. boat was crowded to the rails and every tug, too, that could be brought into private use, had its quota of people hurrying to the scene of the fire. Far off up the North river at Weshawken a great cloud of smoke rose hard on the water and at the next rising just enough to show the skele tons of two of the great ocean liners, the Bremen and the Main, that rose destroyed, the loss being \$27,900. like giant spiders out of the smooth surface of the water. They had both been beached there. Around them swarmed a fleet of small boats carrying spectators. Far down the river, off Ellis island, lay the smoking and steaming hulk of the Saale. She was almost a total wreck.

The loss of life will probably prove greatest when the wreck of the Saale the Bremen had hardly any cargo uns been searched. Already a number of bodies have been taken off her, and as soon as the fire in her hold has subsided enough to allow anyone to go down in her, there is every probability that many bodies will be found below decks, as various tugboat captains claim to have seen thirty or forty persons in one compartment just before the Saale went down.

Of the 266 persons who were reported missing tonight, it is believed that ome will be found safe in sailors' boarding houses in this city and Jerey City and Hoboken.

The North German Lloyd officials deny that any passengers was lost: declare that few, if any, visitors pershed, and that the loss of life was said tonight: Wilhelm der Grosse Was the Only almost entirely among employes of the

ESTIMATE OF LOSS.

Conservative People State That 200 Lives Were Sacrificed.

New York, July 1.-The fearful havor o life and property, caused by the fire which broke out at the docks of the North German Lloyd company in Hoboken yetserday, cannot be approxi-mated with any degree of certainty. Conservative people, who have had experience along the docks, are of the opinion that not over 200 lives were

One of the officers of the steamship Bremen said today that there were fully 200 visitors on board that vessel when the fire touched there, the majority of them being women. A boat was owered from the Bremen shortly after the alarm had been given, but the craft rapsized as it touched the water and all hands were precipitated into the water, and none of them was saved by those remaining on the vessel. This in itself would indicate that the list of dead may be larger than it was at first

thought to be. The property loss can simply be approximated at this time. None of the anything like a precise estimate of their losses, and none was prepared to make a statement on this point. A conservative estimate, made by a The only way the steamship officials prominent fire underwriter, places the

entire damage at less than \$10,000,000. The three docks of the North German Lloyd line are total losses with all their contents, and they are still smouldering, with many streams from fire hose playing continually on the debris. The pier of the Thingvalla line is totally wiped away, and an extension which had just been built on the each vessel bad been missing up to Hamburg-American line's expanse of piers was burned down to the splie

The warehouses of Palmer Campbell. which were across the street from the North German Lloyd line docks, suffered greatly, and a number of houses along the street were scorched badly.

Estimate of Losses.

The loss on the steamship properties and to other companies is estimated tonight, approximately, as follows: The steamship Main of the North German Lloyd line, cost \$1,500,000, outside of cargo, fittings and stores. The loss is placed at \$1 200,000 for that vessel and about \$400,000 for the fitting and stores and cargo that was aboard

The steamship Bremen of the North German Lloyd line cost \$1,250,000 and temporary lodging house by agents of her fitting and cargo were valued at \$300,000. The cargo and stores were entirely consumed and the loss to the vessel proper will amount to at least \$700,000. She is beached off Weehawken tonight and still smoldering, apparently destroyed.

The Saale, the steamship which will have the most horrible story of death | Germans who have no home and no her, cost the North German Lloyd company \$1,250,000, and the fitting and cargo were valued at \$300,000. smouldering, and a part of the Ham- still burning. The damage to the vesbeen added to their great pier city, helm for Grosse is estimated at \$25,was in ruins. Four large store houses | 200. The three docks of the North ed 'a the water's edge, are estimated to have cost \$400,000. The docks were well filled with merchandise just received from abroad and valued at

The Thingvalla pier, which was entirely consumed, was valued at \$50,000, counting the stores which were in it. Hamburg-American line dock, which had just been completed as an extension to their great pier, and which was destroyed in order to prevent the spread of the flames, was damaged to the extent of \$15,000. This was the only loss they sustained, as the steamer Phoenicia, contrary to reports, was not even scorched.

The warehouses of Palmer Camp-Every trolley car was packed with burned. Mr. Campbell said tonight struggling humanity, every ferry- that he could not give a definite estibuildings alone will amount to at least \$50,600 and the contents \$1,250,000.

Had the fire occurred at any other time of the year, he said, the loss would have been much greater, as just at the present time the imports are very light and the houses were and tumbled, at one moment lying not well filled. This statement accounts for the comparatively small loss on the three piers of the North German Lloyd line. One lighter, containing five thousand bags of sugar was

Other Boats Burned.

Eight barges and eleven canal boats sere either burned or sunk with their cargoes. Total valuation, \$125,000. The Hoboken shore railroad had a number of cars burned and other property damaged. Loss, \$7,000,

Minor losses on floating property,

to about \$20,000.

The personal losses sustained by Preight Manager Bonner said tonight that the Main had about 5,000 tons of cargo in her hold. Of this, there were consted to death on the three steam-

considerable general merchandise, The Saale had a full cargo, including copper and general merchandise, but

aboard of her. "I believe," Mr. Bonner said, "that cargo on the piers, it is difficult to esoutward-bound cargo there.

The greatest damage to the cargo of the Saale will be that done by the water. I believe that the hull of the Saale below the water line is all right, and also her engines. In a visit to the Bremen we found that, while the hull is in good shape, apparently, the cargo is lost. The Bremen now has a list to port and there is some danger that she may break if she lists further. The Main, like the Bremen, was still burning when I was there."

Agent Schwab Interviewed. Gustav Schwab, the agent of the

North German Lloyd steamship line,

"Things are in a very unsettled condition as yet, and I have been hard at work today gathering up the ends. I have been on a tour of inspection this morning and in a tug visited all three of the wrecked vessels, as well as the Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse, She will leave on her regular trip, Tuesday, at

"The Saale was the first vessel we visited. From there we went to the Bremen and the Main. Both of the vessels are still burning. I should not say that any of the vessels would be a total loss. They look worse from the outside than they really are. After they are pumped out we can tell better what the loss will be. Both the Bremen and the Saale are, however, pretty badly damaged. Wrecking companies are already working on the Saale, and she will be pumped out as soon as pos-

"I will not give any figures, nor can I estimate what the amount will be. The loss on the ships will be estimated by the home office. We received a cable this morning from them asking for information. The home office knows the value of the ships. I can only guess roughly at the cost. The piers in Hoboken are all insured in local companies, but I do not feel that I can give the names of the companies.

"There was on the pler a quantity of cargo, which, of course, was destroyed. We are not responsible for the cargo, either on the ship or on the piers.

"The cargo on the pier comprised cotton, machinery, measurement goods, tobacco, cement and general merchan-

Mr. Schwab states that there were sengers on the steamship Saale, and that if any bodies were found. other than those of the erew, they were the remains of visitors, for Saturday was visiting day with the line and it was probable that there were

The Injured.

It is estimated that from three to four hundred persons were injured and taken to the different hospitals in this city, Jersey City and Hoboken. Many of them were found to be not seriousy hurt and were discharged today, Many others are believed to be so severely injured that they cannot recover. While the fire was still burning came to the office of the North German Lloyd line almost naked and with their clothing ruined by salt water. who had been treated by doctors, but who were not sufficiently injured as to be taken to hospitals, also gathered at the office. Every man was given money and clothing and taken to a

The sailors from the ships lost absolutely everything they possessed. Women besteged the offices for information in regard to relatives. There was about seventy missing reported at the North German Lloyd office. Fully 80 per cent, of the sailors are relatives in this country. Most of

the company.

them lived in Germany. Rescued from the Bremen.

At 4 o'clock this morning nineteen machinists and firemen were taken off the steamship Bremen, after being held very close bound, with death staring them in the face for nearly twentyfour hours. They were brought ashor on the tugs and taken care of in hotels near the company's charred property. No loss of life was reported on the Bremen with the exception of the probability of deaths occurring from the capsizing of the boat already mentioned. As seventy-four persons were rescued from the river by six boat crews from the steamer Phoenicia of the Hamburg-American line, it is just possible that there was not a soul lost from the Bremen.

Three dead bodies were picked up to day near the Hamburg-American line dock in Hoboken. One of them was identified as Miss Lena Cordts, a stewardess of the steamer Saale; the other two were bodies of men, one of whom was identified through a rent receipt found in his pocket as Henry Cordell, of Hoboken. The body lies as yet unidentified at the morgue, but from the appearance of the clothing it is presumed the dead man was an oller or coal passer on some of the ships.

From a very reliable source it was learned today that the officers of the steamer Saale had accounted for one hundred and eleven persons out of a total of two hundred and twenty-five persons who were on board at the outwak of the fire.

There was a continuous stream of callers at police headquarters in Hoboken all day, seeking information of missing friends and relatives. Some of them were sent away with very little hope of meeting their missing ones on this side of the grave, while others, evidently prompted by curiosity, gave the police officials no end of trouble asking frivolous questions.

It is feared that some of the Christian Endeavorers who were to have safted on Tuesday for Southampton on burned at the fire proper, or set on the Saale may have lost their lives, were burned to death.

fire by burning driftwood, will amount It was said today that some of these people had come to this city to inspect the ship, which had been charthose aboard the steamships can sim- tered to take five hundred of them to ply be surmised, as there is no way of England, and that they were on board ascertaining this at the present time. of her when the flames broke out on

As many people, to avoid being and about 3,600 bales of cetton, and board and were drowned, searching parties kept a close watch today along the shores of the North river, Brooklyn and Staten Island. As the tide was on the turn when the people were lost in the water, it is believed that their bodies were carried upstream the loss to the cargo on the three ships and when they rise will come to the will exceed \$1,000,000. As to the loss of surface above Twenty-third street, unless they drifted into the central curtimate, for there was both inward and rent and caught the flood tide running out. They are likely to be discovered mostly in the upper bay, Relatives of the missing, employed row-boats and men to patrol in the vicinity of the disaster in the hope of picking up the remains of the missing ones, Other boatmen searched for the dead on speculation.

Captain Mirow's Body.

Agent Schwab, of the North German Lloyd company, said this afternoon: On the deck of the Saale a body was found today, which is probably that of Captain Mirow. It was burned beyond recognition, but Mr. Bonner identified a knife which was found on the body as one belonging to the captain. There was also found by him a mass of molton gold which is believed the remains of the heavy sold chain which the captain were, ow was married and resided on the

The company is looking out for the wounded and survivors and we are trying to muster those who are left in Hobsken. Our work is trying get accurate lists of the dead and wounded, have men visiting the hospitals and ascertaining who the people are. The list is very hard to get for much that has come out at first hus not been accurate.

The fire was quickly started and many jumped everboard or jumped safely by other means. Again the ships separated, some going up the ryam, some down the stream, and the men attering. Many are massing. As to the langsoremen at work on the ships and docks they were employed by the company for we do our wn steveslore work. They are hired on the

I wish to dony the statement that there was a arge quantity of oil on the pier near the cot-on. There was, however, on one of the piers quantity of labricating oil, this oil had passed 500 flash fest.

es and spread with amozing rapidity. When the burned and scuttled steamship Saale pumped out it is believed that the bodies of may people who perished below her main deck he recovered. Some of those pennd in by flames were alive when the steamship was excel to the Jersey flats, just north of Eilis land. Through the open dead lights or port-des the poor creatures appealed for help sayral times before the westel was scuttled in the pe of putting out the fire which was raging her upper works. The pert boles being less than a foot in diameter it was impossible to save them, and one after another the people inside succumbed to the smoke and flame. When fire broke our these working below deck on atesmship Main included thirty-six themen, oilers, four water boys, two storekeepers, reported. This leaves twenty-three of the force missing. Where they are is not known Some

when the fire broke out, and the ship was in since the fire and it perished in the flames or was drowned.

PENNSYLVANIA WINS.

Red and Blue 'Varsity Crew Again Champion-Wisconsin Defeated by Half a Length-Wisconsin Takes Freshmen Race.

Poughkeepsie, July 1.-In one of the nost remarkable boat races between college crews, and, indeed, between any crews, Pennsylvania outrowed Wisconsin and Cornell and won the 'varsity eight-oared shell race here yesterday on the Hudson river by barely a half length. The finish between Pennsylvania and Wisconsin ers a most exciting one. Cornell at about the three and one-half mile weakened perceptibly and fell behind, and for a while it looked as if the Ithicans would be a prey for Co-The New Yorkers, however, could only beat Georgetown, and so the race ended.

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	Columbia	20.08 1	5
	Georgetown	20,19 1	-3
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	Pennsylvania	9.51 3	5
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DEATH OF ADMIRAL PHILIP. The Hero of Many a Naval Fight

Passes Away. New York, July 1.-Rear Admiral John W. Philip, commandant of the Brooklyn navy yard, died at 3.15 yesterday afternoon of heart disease, at the navy yard.

An organic affection of the heart was the cause of his death. His wife was at his bedside when the end came,

The funeral of Rear Admiral Philip will take place at the navy yard, Brooklyn, on Monday at 4 o'clock. The body will be taken by tug to the Pennsylvania railroad, the train leaving there for Annapolis at 9 p. m. The body will be buried in the cemetery at Arlington on Tuesday afternoon.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, July 1 .- Arrived: Potsdam, Rot-Queenstown-Arrived: Servia, New York for Liverpool, Sailed: Cam-pania (from Liverpool), New York, South-ampton-Sailed: Kornig Laise (from Bremen), Linard-Possed: Friesland, Antwerp for New York.

Suicide at Sunbury.

Sunbury, Pa., July 1.-E. D. Killian, aged 61 years, of Chicago, a traveling salesman, repre-senting the Acetylene Gas company, of Bridge-water, Va., communited suicide today at Island pleasure resort about a this city. He was found suspended from a tree.

Two Children Burned.

New York, July 1.—Fire, believed to be of econdiary origin, destroyed the home of Wil-am Gilkes, adjoining the Clifton race track mar Paterson, N. J., early today. Two chil-dren, Sadie, 5 years old, and Etta, 5 years old,

MR. HILL IS SUMMONED BY BRYAN

Statesman from Wolfert's Roost Hastens to Lincoln.

THE CAUSE OF SPECULATION

An Impression That the Conference Will Be in Reference to 16 to 1. Discussing Vice Presidential Timber-Mr. Croker's Views-Eliot Danforth Not a Candidate-A Desire on Part of the New York Democracy to Give the Money Question Passing Reference Only-New York Will Support Hill.

Kansas City, July 1.-Former Goveror D. B. Hill, of New York, arrived here early today from St. Louis, having left Albany on Friday. As he was leaving the breakfast room at the Coates hotel, shortly after his arrival, he was handed a telegram from Mr. Bryan requesting him to come to Lincoln at his earliest convenience. Despite the fact that ne was much fatigued from his long trip from New York, the governor felt that he must obey the summons from Mr. Bryan and in a few minutes was on his way to the depot

He expects to return to Kansas City tomorrow morning. The telegram calling the governor to Lincoln conveyed no intimation as to Mr. Bryan's object in summoning the distinguished Yorker, Mr. Hill himself disclaimed any knowledge of the purpose in Mr. Bryan's mind when he sent the

telegram,

The summons from Mr. Bryan created the first distinct sensution of the ante-convention proceedings. While few people saw Mr. Hill before he left for Nebraska, the fact that he had gone at the request of Mr. Bryan was soon noised about the hotels and was the principal topic of discussion. Opinions varied widely as to the object of the conference, out, as nobody had any really definite information, the gorsip was speculative, purely. In some one bollerman and five machinists. These men-included sixteen who spent almost eight bows in one of the beal lumbers with the five raging a summons from Mr. Bryan, but was the New Yorker to have a talk with the Democratic leader as to the finanmay have escaped and they may all have been cial declaration to be made in the plat-

It is known that Governor Hill does not desire a distinct declaration in favor of 16 to 1 and it will be his effort te induce not only Mr. Bryan, but also piank which, while not specifically declaring for the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 will be such a -affirmation of the Chicago platform on that subject as will prove satisfactory to all elements of the party.

Mr. Croker's Sentiments.

Kansas City, July 1.—Richard Croker, Dr. Crosby, health commissioner of New York city; former Senator Mur phy, and other leaders of Tammany were the first of the New York delegation to appear. They arrived this morning, fatigued from the long, hot ride, and remained in their apartments most of the day. Mr. Croker and Senator Murphy, however, visited the convention hall during the after-

noon. Neither would talk on polities. "Tammany rather favors the nomination for the vice-presidency of a man from some close western state, "But whoever be nominated will receive royal support, and we will expect to win with him. Ben Shiveley, of Indiana, will make a first-class man, but anyone, so long as he is a good Demo-

"Senator Hill, for instance?" "Yes, Senator Hill. I know these are Mr. Croker's sentiments. The platform as adopted by the convention will

be our platform." Eliot Danforth, of New York, was one of the early callers today at the apartments of former Governor Hill. He did not see Mr. Hill, as the latter already had left for Lincoln.

"In the ordinary acceptation of the said Mr. Danforth, "I am not a candidate for the vice-presidency or for any other office. Our delegation is not here yet-at least all of the members are not-and as no conference has been held by the delegates, no course of action has been mapped out. should be proud to be a candidate for vice-president on the ticket with Mr. B: yan, but I am not seeking the nomination and shall not, believing that the

convention will do that which is wisest

and best. "As to the platform," replied Mr. Danforth, in respones to inquiry, "the position of the New York Democracy vas very well defined in our state platform. Our people by the attitude of their representatives in 4that convention are not in favor of having the platform adopted by the Kansas City convention emphasize the declaration that the money question is the issue this time of paramount importance. Personally I gave cheerful and cordial support to the candidates and platform of 1896 and I will give same earnest support to the candidates and platform of 1900. To my mind, new issues of vital importance, alone to the Democratic party, but also to the people of the United States, without reference to party affiliation, have arisen. These issues will be pressed to the front in the approaching campaign, not so much, perhaps, be cause they are set out in political platforms, as because they are the issues in which the people themselves

are most deeply interested." The New York leaders, who known as the Crocker faction, did not drowned in the Delaware river today.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today:

General-More Than 200 Lives Lost in

FAIR; WARMER.

- Hoboken Fire, German Minister Murdered by the Boxers.
- Bryan Calls Hill to Liveelr General-Northeastern Pennsylvania
- Sub-Station.
 Farewell Sermon of Rev. Dr. Pierce.
- Editorial. News and Comment.
- Local-Turnpike Company Will Repair Abing-ton Turnpike.

 Mention of Some Men of the Hour.
- Local-West Scranton and Saburban.
- Round About the County. Local-Live News of the Industrial World.

Orders for the Camp at Mt. Gretna. meet ex-Senator Hill after their arrival in the city. Mr. Croker, ex-Sonator Murphy and Judge Van Wyck, had conferences with Senator Jones and other Democratic leaders during the

either the platform or the vice presidential candidate. "Will New York support Hill for vice president?" Mr. Murphy was asked. "Yes, if the convention wants and he will be a strong candidate, too. He has strength through the state and would poll a good vote. The organization would give him hearty and toyal support if he should be named. New York is not presenting any candidate,

day, but little developed regarding

but will support any one the convention wants. During the day there was some talk anti-Hill men in the New York contingent are said to be urging Croker to turn Hill down for everything, not even to give him one of the minor committee places. Van Wyck and Hill are both anxious to represent New York on the resolutions committee, Van Wyck has already drafted a platform which he has been showing to different delegates. In case of a clash between these men it is said that Croker could control the delegation for Van Wyck, but the belief is that in the interest of harmony he will give Hill what he wants and the ex-senator will serve on the resolutions com-

mittee. "If he does," asserted one New Yorker, "New York will see him chairman of the committee. But that will depend upon the result of the conference

at Lincoln.' As to the candidacy of Mr. Sulzer, the New Yorkers take the same position they do regarding every other New York man who is mentioned for vice-president. "If the convention wants him," said Senator Murphy, 'New York will support him." The senator went on to speak in the most kindly terms of Mr. Sulzer, saying but no other information. that he would be a good candidate.

Pennsylvania Favors Hill.

hundred strong, under the leadership of Colonel James M. Guffy, reached here today. One of the delegates-atlarge is ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison, who has been spoken of as a possible vice-presidential candidate. delegation, however, favors David B. the convention, to accept a modified Hill, and unless the situation changes greatly the sixty-four votes of Penn-

As outlined by Colonel Guffy, the delegation also favors a bimetallism plank in the platform, without reference to a specific ratio. The utmost harmony prevails throughout the entire delegation.

THE VARIOUS BOOMS.

Ex-Senator Hill Appears to Be the Leading Candidate.

Kansas City, July 1.-The Democratic vice presidential nominee is still open for anybody-that is, anybody who can reach it. Many names have father of the heir apparent, seems been "mentioned.' Some are avowed be absolutely in control at Pekin a candidates and others are not, and that his attitude is the worst possi some do not even expect to be presented to the convention.

Towne. Others expect a complimen- | far back as the 20th of June orde tary vote, but both of these gentlemen want the nomination and their friends are working for them with much earnestness. Friends of Shiveley are also pressing him, but the Indiana man is discouraging them. Shiveley has his eye on a seat in the senate, which is more attractive to him than a nomination for the vice presidency does not care to offend his Indiana friends by being churlish regarding the vice presidency, but he is doing what he can to discourage the talk about himself. The friends of Towne say Shiveley is not and will not be a candidate. Another man who is strongly mentioned is Carter Harrison, of Chi-

state convention from naming him for governor or instructing for him for vice president. It is expected he will come here and make it plain that he does not wish to be a candidate.

Among the incipleat booms launched today were those of ex-Senator Corman and Governor McMillin, Henry D. Clayton, member of the national ominittee from Alabama, talked about Gorman as an available candidate. while Buck Hinrichsen, of Illinois, was sponsor for McMillan. Quite an interesting and unknown quantity is the suggestion about ex-Governor Hill. seems to have considerable strength in different parts of the countiv and several delegations intend voting for him. When Mr. Hill arrived here today and was taking his breakfast in the Coates house, a man experienced in conventions said:

'Hill is going to be nominated for ice-president." The remark was repeated to Hill.

"How long has he been here?" asked the ex-senator.

"Arrived this morning," was the "He will know better after he has een a little longer here," replied Hill. That was all he had to say about his vice-presidential prospects or possibli-

Drowned in the Delaware.

Trenton, N. J., July 1 .- James Miller, a travel ing salesman and a prominent member of the Mercer county wheelmen, of this city, was

GERMAN MINISTER MURDERED

a Local-Opening of the West Scranton Postal His Body Hacked to Pieces by Chinese Boxers.

GHASTLY CRIME AT PEKIN

Servants at the German Legation Killed and Their Bodies Cremated in Burning Buildings-Consuls Entertain but Little Hope That Any Foreigners at Pekin Have Escaped Assassination,

London, July 2 .- Official dispatches received by the consular body at Shanghal, an Express cable, dated Shanghai, July 1, says it is confirmed in the fullest manner the report of the butchery of Baron Von Ketteler, the German minister, on June 18. The amabout the differences between Croker and Hill. Some of the pronounced when he was attacked by Chinese troops and Boxers, dragged from his horse and killed, His body was hacked to pieces with swords. The German legation and six other buildings were burned, and a number of servants of the legations were killed and their bodies thrown into the flames. Official confirmation of this ghastly business has created the utmost consternation among the consul generals of the powers, who expressed fears that war a Poutrance will be declared against the Pekin government. The consuls entertain little hope that any foreigners are left alive in the capital. There were 100 foreigners connected with the legations, fifty in the custom house, English and American tourists, and others to the number of 150, and nearly 500 legation guards.

The British foreign office, the Daily Mall learns, has received news from the British consul at Che-Foo that Baron Von Ketteler has been killed,

Dispatch from Goodnow.

Washington, July 1 .- Two important cablegrams were received by Secretary Hay today from United States Consul Goodnow, at Shanghai. The date is understood to be that of last night. The text is withheld, but the consul

states in substance as follows: "It is rumored in Shanghai that the German minister to Pekin, Baron Von Ketteler, was killed at Pekin on the 18th of June. One the 23rd of June three of the legation buildings were still standing: the others had been burned. On the 26th of June a dispatch was received at Shanghai from Yung Lu (believed to be the viceroy of the province of Chile, where the principal troubles have occurred) stating that the other ministers were say Dispatches to Shanghai from different sources indicate that Prince T father of the heir apparent, seems and most hostile to foreigners, I The active candidates are Sulzer and even said that he issued as edict all viceroys to attack the foreigner their respective provinces, an ore which has not so far been obeyed,

AMERICAN CASUALTIES.

Result of Engagements of Relief Expedition of June 25.

Washington, July 1.-The following message was received this morning at the navy department:

Chefoo, July L. Secretary Navy, Washington, Following telegram from Kempff, casualties, relief expedition, June 25; Killed-Bostevan Mate Thomas Thomas, Gune

send Mate Benjamin Benson, Apprentice oan, Landsman Severson. Wounded-Boatswain Mate Holyoke, Mo ist Handford, Landsman Jos. Killacky, Taussig, Captain McCalla, Fireman Landsman Garrety, Coxswain Ryan, Q easter Conway, Coxswain Metilay, laberty, Scamen Lleyd, Child, Ander Flaherty, Seamen Lleyd, Child, Anderson, lessen and McKervey; Landsmon Philip Vocilina eller, Coxswain Thomas, Lindbom, Apprenti-Johnson, Busmuss and Welch: Private Ordeff,

(Signed)

The records of the killed show that Thomas Thomas was born in Copenhagen in 1860. A married sister lives in Philadelphia. Benjamin Benson was born in Mandahl, Norway, in 1874. His mother still lives at Mandalh, Harry A. Broman was born in Du-

Hogers.

luth, Minn., in 1883. His mother still lives there. Harry Severson was born in Norway

n 1878. His father lives at Chicago. FOUR ARE DROWNED.

Accident to a Fishing Party in Boston Harbor.

Boston, July 1 .- Four persons of a fishing Boston, July 1.—Four persons of the harbor to-day by the overturning of their heat. The drowned are: John Cobon, Charleston; William Dingwell, Cambridge: Harry Neel, Boston; Walter Loud, Mattapan.

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Washington, July 1 .- Forecast for Monday and Tuesday: Eastern Pennsyl-