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SCRANTON, PA., MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 17, 1900.

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COMING WEEK

Senate Will Devote Greater Part of its Time to the Hay-Pouncefote Treaty.

SENATOR LODGE HOPEFUL

Expects to Secure an Agreement to Vote Upon the Treaty Before the Holiday Adjournment - Nothing Save the River and Harbor Bill Threatens the House-Individual Suspension Day-District of Columbia Business.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 16 -The senate will devote the greater part of its time this week to consideration of the Hay- NEGROES LYNCHED Pauncefote treaty, if it should be necessary to do so in order to get the ratification resolution acted upon, and in case there is any surplus time it will be devoted to the consideration of the Henderson and Rowland Hanged for ship subsidy bill. None of the appropriation bills can be reported to the senate in time for consideration during this week or until after the holidays and the same may be said of the army bill. There will be an effort made to By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. report the army bill during the week and it may be successful, but it cannot possibly be taken up before the senate convenes after the holidays. Senator Lodge is very hopeful of securing an agreement tomorrow to vote upon the Rowland waylaid, murdered and then treaty before the heliday adjournment next Friday. The present programme of the opponents of the treaty is to have Senators Money speak tomorrow and other senators of the opposition in succession. A number of speeches have been promised on the subsidy bill, if opportunity offers.

In the House

Under the concurrent resolution already passed, the house will adjourn over the holidays on Friday. The week in the house is not likely to be important, unless the river and harbor appro priation bill should be taken up Wednesday or Thursday. There has been no decision upon this point, however the bill not having been yet reported to

Tomorrow is individual suspension day under the rules, but only a brief time will be occupied with suspension business. Several bills to divide judicial districts and the Lanahan Texas claim bill probably will be passed. The remainder of the day, under an order will be devoted to the consideration of private pension bills. Tuesday has been set aside for the consideration of District of Columbia busi-

FIVE MORE VICTIMS.

Bodies of School Girls Are Taken from the Ruins at Fredonia.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Dunkirk, Dec. 16 .- Bodies of five more victims of the Normal school fire were recovered today, making six that have been taken from the ruins. Those found today were charred beyond recognition. as was the one previously recovered. Workmen, while removing debris found the five bodies at the foot of a

fire-escape. They were piled across each other and burned beyond recognition.

A ring upon the finger of one of the bodies gives a hope that it may be identified, but there is nothing by which the others can possibly be dis tinguished.

HARMONY IN COAL TRADE.

Closer Alliance Between Anthracite Interests Expected as a Result of Morgan Purchase. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.-The purchase by J. P. Morgan & Co. of the Pennsylvania Coal company in the interest of the Eric Railroad is looked upon in anthracite circles in this city as but incidental and preliminary to a still greater and closer alliance between the anthracite interests.

It is said that the next move of the Morgan interests will be to purchase the anthracite interests of Coxe Bros & Co., in the Hazleton field, and that several offers for the property have already been made.

CONVICTED OF RIOT.

Hard Fought Case in the Akron, O. Courts.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press Akron, O., Dec. 16.-Walter Viall, a prominent farmer of this county, was day convicted of participating in the riot of August 22 last. It was the hardest fought of any of the fifteen cases that have been tried up to date.

Twenty-two of the riot cases have now been disposed of, seven of the riothaving pleaded guilty and convicthe fifteen cases tried. Fourteen indictments remain to be disposed of at the next term of the court.

Killed by a Train.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Chambersburg, Pa., Dec. 16.-Jeremiah Rhoadmare, once a prominent wealthy business man of this place, was struck and killed by a recipit train on the Philadelphia and Reading railroad near here today. Rhoadmare was a bachelor, aged 65. His mind became somewhat affected by financial reverses several years ago. Today he stepped from the track when the engineer blew the whistle, but evidently confused he stepped back again and was struck. head was crushed and he lived but an hour.

Hobson's Condition.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Dec. 16 .- Lieutenant Hobson was resting comfortably today and his condition is very favorable for his recovery, though his physicians say that at best he will not be able to leave the hospital for at least three weeks.

ACTIVITY IN ILOILO.

IN CONGRESS American Troops Moving Northward. Large Numbers of the Natives Swear Allegiance to the United States.

> By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Manila, Dec. 16 .- Advices from Hollo Island of Panay, report that the American troops have been moving northward and westward for several days and that detachments of the Sixth. Eighteenth and Twenty-sixth regiments have been in action near their stations. The insurgent losses during the last ten days have been five killed, several wounded and forty taken prisoners. The Americans have lost two killed and three wounded. Large numbers of the natives, however, are swearing allegiance to the United States.

In various recent attacks and expeditions in Southern Luzon the insurgents have lost eight killed, sever wounded and about twenty captured. The Americans have lost one killed and two wounded. General Wheator reports that 420 natives have entered Calanao for registration.

IN KENTUCKY

the Murder of Barber Simons. A Witness Becomes Insane.

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 16.-Jun Henlerson and Bud Rowland, negroes, were hanged at 8 o'clock tonight in the jail yard at Rockport, Ind., by a mob of five hundred persons. Henderson and robbed H. S. Simons, a white barber early this morning.

The two men were suspected and arrested, and by the aid of a bloodnound their guilt was established. Henderson was shot to death in his cell and then hung. Rowland confessed before he was strung up. The bodles were afterwards riddled with bullets.

The negroes' victim, Simons, was waylaid and murdered in the most brutal manner one square from the main street of the city, as he was going to his home from his barber show at 2 o'clock this morning. As was customary with him, he carried the receipts of the day at his place of business. The negroes were aware of this and evidently taid their plans accordingly. Crovehing behind a fence, they twaited their victim and Jumped from their place of concealment and at tacked him from behind, striking him over the head with a heavy club with a large nail driven nto the end of it. Although terribly beaten, Simons made a desperate fight, and his cries and struggles soon attracted two boys, who went to his assistance, but they were a moment too late, the victim of the two negroes having succumbed to the terrible beating, lying dead at their feet. The murderers then drove the would-be rescuers away and accomplished their oroginal design-that of robbery—securing a bag containing something over \$40 from the prostrate form of their victim, and made their

Walter Evans, one of the young men who attempted to save Simons' life and who afterwards assisted in removing the dead man's remains to his home, was greatly affected and almost suffered nervous collapse. Tonight he witnessed the lynching and is now a raying maniae.

The dead man's wife is prostrated, and it is believed she will die from the shock. Hollie Simons came here from Winslow, Ind., three years ago, and was a popular young man.

MODIFICATIONS **NOW DEMANDED**

Officials at Washington Are at Loss to Understand the Reasons for the New Turn of Affairs

ly Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Pekin, Dec. 16.-Definite instrucions, supplementing yesterday's communication from London, have been received by Sir Ernest Mason Satow. the British minister, and he now demands a modification of a point in the joint note which the foreign envoys general regard as important. This means further delay, as all the ministers must communicate anew with their respective governments.Just what is the nature of the objection raised by Great Britain the ministers lecline to say, but they admit that the new demand will involve a good

deal more diplomatic procedure. Washington, Dec. 16 .- Officials here are at a loss to understand the reasons for the important modification in the joint Chinese note which it is reported the British minister to Pekin is to demand before signing that document preparatory to its presentation to the Chinese plenipotentiaries. They have no information on the subject. as nothing has been heard from Mr. tions having been secured in each of Conger on the matter for some days. The understanding here has been that the joint note as agreed upon by the envoys was in the main satisfactory to the British government. She simply desired a slight amendment, said be in the nature of a mere change in style of language to be used rather than any amendment to the scope of the agreement. This did not conflict with any of the principles held out by our government. Such being the case, it was confidently expected the signature of the British minister would be promptly affixed to the agreement and the note presented to

Kruger Non-Commit....

the Chinese at an early day.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. The Hagne, Dec. 16.—In reply to a despatch from Grand Bapids, Mich., inviting him to the United States, Mr. Kruger has wired that he has not arrived at any decision with regard to vis-

BOERS AGAIN MAKE CAPTURE

Theu Surround and Take 120 of Brabant's Horse in a Defile in the Zastron District.

ELSEWHERE FIGHTING

Colonel Bloomfield Moves on Vryheid and Defeats the Boers wich Heavy Loss-Battle Lasted All Day, the Enemy Retires at 7.30 in the Evening.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, Dec. 17.-The following dispatch has been received by the war office from Lord Kitchener: "Pretoria, Dec. 15,-Five officers and

316 men, Magallesberg prisoners, havbeen released.
"The Boers surrounded and captured 120 of Brabant's Horse in a leibe in the

Zastron district. "Colonel Bloomfield, moving on Vry held, defeated the Boers with heavy loss, driving them from Scheeper's Nek and capturing a quantity of arms. The Scheepers Nek movement occurred De-

cember 13. "The Boers, who attacked Vryheid December 10, lost 100 killed and wounded before they retired. The fighting lasted all day, the enemy drawing off at 7.30 p. m. The British loss was six killed, nineteen wounded and thirty missing. Our easunities include two

officers, who died of their wounds." Wiring from Pretoria yesterday (Sunday), Lord Kitchener, after announce ing that the released prisoners have arrived at Rustenberg, says that the Boer force divided into two portions. one moving south and the other west.

Boers at Amsterdam.

Berlin, Dec. 16 .- According to the Lokal Anzeiger, fifty Cape Colony Boers, now in Amsterdam, with their families have been granted a permission to settle in German Southwest Africa, the German government having just assented to the curchase of land by them in Damatra land and Great Namaquin land. The Boers will leave Amsterdam, January 5.

THE HAZING COURT IS ORGANIZED

Bristol, the Home of Booz.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Dec. 16.-The military court of inquiry which was appointed by the secretary of war to investigat the causes leading to the death of Oscar L. Booz, the West Point cadet. who is alleged to have been subjected to brutal hazing by his classmates. organized at a meeting held at Governor's Island yesterday. Major-General John R. Brooke. paymaster-general of the army, and judge advocate-general.

"The court." General Brooke said, will begin its investigations at Bristel. Penn., on Monday morning. The hazing emanated. As it is the purpose of the court to prosecute this matter thoroughly and to the very bottom, it is apparent that we should begin our work at Bristol, and endeavor to discover the actual cause of the young man's death. Having ascertained that, the court will then go to West Point, and will make a rigid inquiry into the whole question of hazing, and the circumstances which are alleged to have led to the death of

West Point, N. Y., Dec. 16,-Contrary to expectation, the court of injuiry appointed to investigate the alleged fatal hazing of Cadet Oscar L. Booz did not arrive here today, Pub-I'shed dispatches from Washington yesterday intimated that the court of inquiry would begin its investigations at West Point this morning. Accommodations were prepared for the court in the new Academy building, but as the day advanced without any communication being received from the members of the committee, the inference was drawn by the authorities the Academy that the inquiry would of necessity be postpened until Monday. It is understood that when the court convenes the cadets of the first and second classes will be call d upon to testify. The present second which numbers sixty-eight members, were the classmates Booz, while in the first class are many students who are said to have witnessed the fight between Booz and the cadet who challenged him to fight. No attempt is made to hide the identity of the cadet with whom Booz Frank Keller, of Missouri, now of the first class, is freely tioned as the opponent in the battle of fisticuffs. It is asserted, however, that there was really no fight between the two, inasmuch as Boon refused to put up his hands, and that his obvious disinclination to proceed with the fight led to the declaring off of the combat before even it was begun.

Miss Paulding Engag

ly Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 16.—At a dinner given last night by Senator Depew and Miss Paulding, in honor of Governor-elect Odell, of New York, and Mrs. Odell, the senator announced the engage-ment of Miss Paulding to Mr. John Edie, Uniment of Miss Paulding to Mr. John Edle, Uni-ted States navy. Miss Paulding is the niece of Senator Depew, and has been the mistress of his home in Washington. Mr. Edle is the son of the late John R. Edle, of this city, and a graduate of the naval academy in the class of 1800.

LEDGER'S COAL ARTICLE.

Anthracite Trade Is Very Active. Miners on Full Time. Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.-The Ledger in ts coal article tomorrow will say: The anthracite coal trade is very active. The miners are engaged in working full time and the output is being pushed to the largest figures known at this season, so that it will be a record December. The trade fell back in ton-nage in September and October, owing to the strike, so that it began the month of December with an output of about 2,500,000 tons behind the same period last year. A good deal of this loss will be made up by the way that mining is now being pushed and the market is taking all the coal that can be delivered. But a comparatively small amount is going west, as lake navigation is closed and the shipments are now nearly all to the seaboard. There are complaints of car shortnges in various reasons, but, subject to the limitation, the various companies are moving all the coal their facilities will enable them to carry. There is consequently a very favorable outlook and a good feeling throughout the trade.

ELKES AND M'FARLAND WIN THE BICYCLE RACE

Will Receive the Prize of \$1,500. The Racers Suffer from the Effects of the Strain.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Prest. New York, Dec. 15 .-- Elkes and Mc-Farland, first; Pierce and McEachern, second: Gougolitz and Simar, third, That was the result of the six-day bicycle race that was finished at Madison Square Garden tonight. It was a slashing finish. Gougolitz, McFarland and Pierce were the three men of the twenty-eight who entered to cross the ape. Gougolitz was a length ahead of McFarland and the latter was an open length ahead of Pierce. The fact that Gougolitz and Simar had been a lap behind since Monday put this team in third place. Then men were the only remaining representatives of the fouren teams that started at five minmes after midnight on last Monday. They were 107 miles and 7 laps behind the record, but it had been a killing

race from the start. The prizes offered by the manage then \$1,000, \$750, \$500, \$350, \$200, 150, The four teams next to the three that will be given the money awarded for their places. These four teams are Kizer and Ryser, Fisher and Frederick, Waller and Stinson, Bab-cock and Aronson. Turville and Gimm were rewarded for their riding by a present. The score for each twentymiles, 4 laps: 120 hours, 2.264 miles, laps: 144 hours, 2,628 miles, 7 laps. The

final score was: baiser and Ryser ... Waller and Stinson Babesek and Aronson

The former score was 2,733 miles, 4

The six-day bievels rucers were tothe Department of the East, was of their hard riding. So severe has made president by his colleagues; been the test upon their systems, par-Brigadier-General Alfred E. Bates, ticularly their nerves, that sleep was almost an impossibility for some of Brigadier-General John W. Clous, them last night after the conclusion of Turkish bath, where they remained until today. McFarland is in a much worse condition than the others, owing cadet, Pooz, lived at Bristol, and it is to his fall Saturday afternoon, when from that place that the charges of he severely injured his right knee. It gave him considerable trouble today, and he spent most of the day in his hotel.

Gougoltz is at the New York hospital. but expects to be out in a couple of days. Elkes' manager stated that his man was in far the best condition of the lot and that he had slept well all night until 11 o'clock this morning, when he arose and partook of a hearty breakfast. He accounted for Elkes' good condition by saying that Elkes had not been given any drugs or stimulants of any kind. Turville and Aronson, who were taken to the hospital on account of injuries received, are doing as well as could be expected, and will probably be out in a few days.

INDIAN SCOUT KILLED.

'Little Bat" the Victim of a Bar-Room Fight.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Prest, Crawford, Neb., Dec. 16.-Baptist Garnier, an Indian scout, was shot and killed early this morning by James Hague Wood, manager of a saloon, during a dispute over a bar bill. Wood was arrested.

Garnier, who was known all over the west and especially among army men as "Little Bat," was a fearless Indian scout. He first came irto prominence for services rendered General Crook, and afterward rendered distinguished service in all the big Indian wars. Garnier had lately held the position of chief officer in the government secret service at Fort Robinson.

HAD NO FRIENDS: PLEW OUT THE GAS.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 16.-A. H. Benedict, aged 25 years, who was employed at Landisville, nity, and seems to have had no friends hereabouts, was found dead in a room at the Cooper house, this city, this morning. He registered at the hotel about midnight Saturday. There was no evidence that he intended to commit suicide and it is believed that he ignorantly blew out the gas when he retired.

Murder and Suicide.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Carlisle, Pa., Dec. 16.-William D. Rebok,aged 50, formerly a prominent merchant of Newburg, this county, was shot while in his yard last night and instantly killed. It is not known whether the death was the result of murder suicide. Mr. Rebok's own gun was used. was found lying fifteen feet from the inquest will be held

NEW CHARTER TO BE DRAWN

An Important Announcement Made bu Deputy Attorney General Fleitz.

PRESENT OBJECTIONS CAN BE OVERCOME

There Is, He Says, Not One Chance in a Hundred That Scranton Can Avoid Becoming a Second Class City-Therefore He Urges That Our Citizens Accept the Situation Gracefully and Proceed to Take Practical Steps to Get the Best Results Possible Out of the In-

According to Deputy Attorney General Fleitz, the opinion prevails at Harrisburg among the representative lawyers who have given consideration to the subject that there is not one chance in a hundred for Scranton to requirements of each city? prevent its entry into the second class of cities. Nor does Mr. Fleitz concur in the opinion of those who are advising that an effort should be made to keep out of the second class. In discussing the subject Saturday with a Tribune reporter, Mr. Fleitz said:

"I have followed with interest the letters, interviews and comments printed in the various papers on the subject of Scranton's promotion into the second class of cities, and it seems to me that the discussion has become theoretical rather than practical. The plain truth of the matter, looking at the conditions | few years hence will see our city hapas they exist, is that Scranton cannot escape a second-class government and and esteem of the other cities of Pennmight much better accept the inevitable gracefully, and prepare to make the best of it. Nor do I believe that the transition will justify the pessimistic forebodings of some of our citizens. Whether the machinery of government be of one kind or another, the results of government, as everybody knows, ment were \$1,500 for the first team, depend almost entirely upon the character of the men operating that machinery, and upon the average sentiment and intelligence of the people who

Men the Main Problem.

"Personally I am a believer" In the centralization of executive authority and responsibility in the mayor, believ-General Brooke Is Chosen President. fours hours of the race was: 51 miles, ing that his position enables the people to keep a watchful eye upon him and The Investigation Will Begin at hours, 1.404 miles, 1 lap; 96 hours, 1.827 get at him when they want to. But whether the direction of executive affairs in our city be centralized in a mayor or vested largely in a director of public safety, a director of public works, a committee of councils or the whole body of councils, the question of getting good government still reverts to the kind of public opinion which is reflected in the ward or city primaries. There is no doctrine more thoroughly established in experience than that in a representative government, like our own, the people can have just as good and clean an administration of their commanding day suffering severely from the effects public affairs as they are willing to put into power and uphold.

"But there is another reason why

favor Scranton's cheerful acceptance of the second class inevitable. Much has been said about the liability of exposthe race. Most of them renaired to a ing our city government to the ups and downs of factional intrigues originating in Allegheny county. An impression exists that Scranton is too feeble to keep up in the protection of its own a broken blade. It was identified as interests with the men who represent interests of Pittsburg and Allegheny. The claim is made that if it entered the second class Scranton would be lost in the political shuffle. This argument would be paralleled if a boy just entering manhood should decline to accept the responsibilities of opening made in the door is of too his growth toward maturity, and should small dimensions to admit a man of insist upon his parents clothing him in any bulk. The watches stolen were knickerbockers and continuing him in the juvenile class. Here we have over a hundred thousand people and the proposition is that because we fear to accept the responsibilities of makes. our growth we must remain in the municipal class with Titusville and Lock Haven, communities which would hardly make, in population, a respectable ward. My idea, since you ask me to express it frankly, is that all this kind of talk is unfounded; that it does no good; that whether we like it or not we must become a second-class city. and that the sensible way to go at this thing is to make up our minds to bring out of the second-class situation the very best results possible, giving our best energies to it, and trying to find out whether there are not ways and means to secure the legislation respecting second-class city government which will meet our necessities and facilitate our development.

New Charter Being Drafted. "In this connection I want to say that the municipal ring which has fastened itself upon the vitals of the city of Pittsburg and which is mainly responsible for the objectionable features of the system under which Pittsburg is governed, is today tottering on the brink of political destruction. The relief which the responsible tax-paying element of Pittsburg has long sighed for is near at hand. I violate no confidence in saying that an act for the complete revision of the second-class city charter, with proper location and centralization of authority, is being drafted along lines which I believe would be entirely satisfactory to the intelligent judgment of Scrantonians, and this act will be submitted to the incoming legislature, not only with the approval of the city of Allegheny whose needs and wishes are very simi lar to those of Scranton, but also a support from the substantial busi-ness interests of Pittsburg which will go very far toward commending it to he favorable consideration of the general assembly. Instead of filling the air to no practical purpose with more His wife died from the same trouble a month or less funciful lamentations over the ago. Captain Walker was 66 years of age.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today,

FAIR AND COLD.

General-Deputy Attorney General Fleitz Cr Second-class City Legislation, Forecast of the Week in Congress

German Training Ship Founders Off Gibral-Boers Capture a Detachment of Brabant's

Carbondale's Catholic Church Rededicated,

Editor of the Scrantonian Tried to Intimi-date the Mine Workers. Local-Seventh Anniversary of Elm Park

Rev. Courtney Fern's Experiences in Pekin Editorial.

Local—History of a Long Fought Coal War. Results of Saturday's Councilmanic Primaries Local-West Stranton and Soburban

General-Northeastern Pennsylvanta News. Financial and Commercial 8 Local-The World of Labor.

supposed disadvantages of our city's prospective change, would it not be much more practical, and much more in keeping with Scranton enterprise, to take measures to join with a commit tee of representative citizens of Pittsburg and Allegheny in a detailed study of the question of second-class charter revision, to the end that practical concurrence may be reached among the three cities upon the general lines of a

Time to Act.

basis of government covering the main

"The time draws near when something more than miscellaneous conversation will be required in this matter and for my part I should like to see Scranton stand up bravely under its new responsibilities and take hold in a manner to increase its renown and influence in our commonwealth. I am sure that if this spirit shall be evinced. together with practical common sense in the selection of men and measures for working out the new problems, a pily settled in the new regime and commanding more than ever the good will

HERE'S ANOTHER STORE BURGLARIZED

Cutlery Establishment of George Felton on Penn Avenue Entered Late Saturday Night.

The cutlery store of George Felton at 119 Penn avenue was broken into late Saturday night by a burglar or burglars unknown and had it not been for the loud barking of the dog owned by a family living above the store the intruders would have secured a large

Entry was effected from the rear, the lower panel being cut out of the door the nefariously inclined visitor then slipping through the opening thus

made. Two watches, twelve razors and several pocket knives were secured. The burglary was discovered at 11.45 o'clock by a man living in the rear of the store, who, on coming home for the night, saw the large hole in the half open door. The shop was closed at 11 clock and the burglary must then have occurred in the forty-five minutes which elapsed between.

During this time the loud barking of a dog was heard and this, it is thought, frightened away the late visitor. The police were notified and on examining the premises discovered a rough glove lying on the floor of the store and also found a new knife with one of the stores knives and had evidently been broken by the burglar at tempting to use it as a tool with which

to open new fields. The police are of the belief that the bruglary was committed by a young boy, or maybe a pair of lads, as the Yankee nickel-plated case watch. No. 2911666, and one Eclipse nickelplated case watch, No. 2813421, three Felton razors and nine razors of other

HAGEN TOOK ADVANTAGE.

Prisoner Makes Adroit Escape from Alderman Millar's Office.

Alderman W. S. Millar placed trust n mankind Saturday afternoon by howing clemency in the case of Walter Hagen and neglecting to have a 16-pound ball attached to his ankles. Where is Walter, now? Answer ye soughing winds, where is Walter?

Walter was arrested at the instance of one Walsh, on the charge of defrauding his boarding-house keeper and judgment was given in favor of the prosecutor. Hagen asked that he be given time to obtain bail, and while a friend went out and hustled for bondsman, Hagen remained seated

within the railing. About 2.30 o'clock Alderman Millar vent into his private office, leaving Hagen alone. When the magistrate returned it was he in turn who was alone. Where is Walter?

Hotel Burned. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 16.-An early morning fre here destroyed the St. James hotel, the shoe store of Police Commissioner Stanton and department store of Quinn, Woodland & Co., resulting in a loss of \$45,000; partially insured.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

ly Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Carlisle, Pa., Dec. 16.--Ex-Sheriff George B Strock, of this county, who retired from offer Strock, of this county, who retired from office three years ago, died at his home at Churchtown

last night. Chambersburg, Dec. 16.—Captain John Walker, a union soldier of the civil war, a for-mer member of the legislature, died at his home n Fannettsburg this morning from heart failure.

TRAINING SHIP IS FOUNDERED

The German Frigate Gneisenau Goe Down Off Malaga 65 Miles East of Gibraltar.

OVER 100 ARE DROWNED

The Training Ship Which Had Been at Malaga Since Nov. 1 Sinks at the Entrance to the Port of Malaga, Where She Was About to Take Refuge from a Terrible Storm-Many of the Cadets Seen Clinging to the Rigging and Making Signals-Total Loss of Life May Reach 140.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Madrid, Dec. 16.-The German training frigate Gneisenau has foundered off Malaga, sixty-five miles east northeast of Gibraltar.

Private despatches say that forty persons were drowned. The Gnelsenau foundered at the entrance to the port of Malaga, where

she was about to take refuge from the

terrible storm prevailing. At the present time only the masts of the vessel are visible. A large number of the cadets can be seen from the shore clinging to the rigging. They are shouting and sig-

naling for help . The captain and many of the cadets have been drowned. It is believed that forty who left in one of the ship's boats and who have not been seen since, are also lost.

The total loss is now thought to be

no less than 100. Some despatches say 140. Forty of those saved are badly hurt. The training ship had been at Malaga since November 1, practicing with guns of large calibre. She had been previ-

ously at Megador, Morocco. At 10 o'clock this morning a review of the cadets was in order. The wind was extremely violent and instructions were given to stoke up as rapidly as possible. But already mountainous waves had struck the ship, snapping the anchor chains. She was driven helplessly toward the port and sank. The crew threw themselves into the sea and clung to the wreckage, but the majority quickly disappeared.

Captain Kresthmann died at his post. The Malaga life-boat made heroic efforts and rescued fifteen, but the weight capsized the boat and twelve were drowned. The other three were saved by means of ropes thrown to them.

The port authorities saved many of the sailors. The survivors have been received at the hospital, the hotel De Ville and private houses

All the theaters in Malaga abandoned their performances this evening. According to the naval pocket book, he Gneisenau, which was built at Dantzie in 1897, was an iron vessel sheathed with wood, and had a displacement of 2,856 tons. She was 242 feet 9 inches in length and 45 feet 11 inches in the beam, having a mean draught of 19 feet 8 inches and a coal capacity of 400 tons. Her speed was 14 knots. Her armament consisted of fourteen 5.9 inch Krupp breech-loaders, two % inch quick-firers, one boat or field gun and seven torpedo tubes. Her complement was 461 and she was used

LOST HER PROPELLER.

for training boys.

The White Star Line Steamer Cufic Towed Into Port.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 16 .- The White Star line steamer Cufic, from Liver-pool, Dec. 4, for New York, was towed to anchorage here at 4 o'clock this morning by the British steamer Kansas City, which sighted the Cufic, Dec. 9, the day the liner lost her propeller. Owing to the terrific weather the Kansas City had difficulty in connecting the hawsers to tow.

Ine one of the attempts Mr. Crosby, chief officer of the Cutic, was drowned. The Cufic carries no passengers.

Fire in Navy Yard. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 16,-The building occupied by the construction department at the navy yard was completely destroyed by fire this evening. The building destroyed contained all the important papers, models and plans of the construction department. Over seven thousand drawings and \$100,000 worth of live oak timber were destroyed. Loss to building and contents over \$200,000. The origin of the fire is

Patriots at Philadelphia. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.-On Wednesday next the Valley Force National Park association will hold its first convention in Independence hall. Dele-gates from the thirteen original states will be in attendance, representing Coloniai Dames, Daughters of the American Revolutionary, Society of the War of 1812, Daughters of the Revoluion and other patriotic societies.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Sheberbogam, Wis., Dec. 16.—The immeuse plant of Zschistsche & Sons, tanners, was totally destroyed by fire today, Loss, \$180,000, fully

sovered by insurance.

Tannery Burned.

Gov. Wolcott's Condition. ly Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Boston, Dec. 16.-Former Governor Roger Wolcott is said to be resting more confortably this vening than at any time during the day. His condition is regarded as very serious,

...... WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Dec. 16.-Forecast for Monday and Tuesday: Eastern Pennsylvania
—Fair Monday and Tuesday; warmer
Tuesday: fresh north to east winds.