# SENATE WILL VOTE ON SHIP SUBSIDY

In Accordance with Agreement the Ballot Will Be Taken at 3 O'clock Today.

### OTHER MEASURES TO BE CONSIDERED

The Bill for Better Protection of the on the Calendar—Chinese Exclusion and Oleomargarine Bills May Run Along Side-The House Will Pass the River and Harbor Bill-Friends Hope for Better Fate for Revenue Cutter Service Bill.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, March 16.-In accordance with the agreement reached a week ago, the senate will begin voting on the ship subsidy bill and amendments tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, There will be no speechmaking after the voting begins. The senate will meet at 11 o'clock, an hour earlier than usual, in order to give senators who may still wish to be heard, an oppor tunity to speak on the bill before the time to vote arrives. With the subsidy bill disposed of, the bill introduced by Senator Hoar, for the protection of the president of the United States from assassination, will assume first place on the calendar, having been made the unfinished business. It is not expected, however, that there will be prolonged debate upon this bill, and there is more real interest among senators as to which of several measures will be next

The Republican steering committee probably will meet Monday to consider this matter. Either the oleomargarine bill or the Chinese exclusion bill doubtless will be made the unfinished bustness to succeed the presidential protection measure, though the Nicaragua canal bill also is pressing for attenion. The canal bill, however, accordag to present understanding, will be compelled to wait on both the other oills. There is a suggestion, which members of the steering committee are considering, to allow the Chinese bill and the oleomargarine bill to run along side by side, one of them occupying the morning hour and the other taking the time after the expiration of that hour. Senator Proctor, who will have charge of the oleomargarine bill, and Senator Penrose, who will lead the fight for the Chinese bill, are equally confident of the outcome.

### River and Harbor Bill.

The house during the present week will pass the river and harbor bill, will decide the contested election case of Moss vs. Rhea from the Third Kentucky district, and will consider the bill for the retirement of officers of the revenue cutter service. Such is the programme of the house leaders. The report in the contested election case is gainst Mr. Rhea, the sitting member. who is a Democrat, and it is regarded as a foregone conclusion that he will be The revenue cutter service bill was defeated in the last congress. but its friends claim to have hope that will meet a better fate now. It is believed that the river and harbor bill will not consume more than two days. with appropriations for improvements In their districts, will make an effort to dividual wishes, but the committee believe they will have strength enough to prevent any attempt to amend it, and that it will pass in the form in which it was reported from the committee.

### WAYNE COUNTY PRIMARIES.

Homer Greene Will Control Convention Today-State Delegates for Watres.

Special to the Scranton Tribune Honesdale, March 16.-The primaries in Wayne ounty on Saturday resulted in a lively contest between Homer Green and Colonel Coe Durland for congressional delegates. Of the thirty-sover riets in the county, four have not yet been

The thirty-three districts reported give Home Greene nineteen and Durland twelve, and two an This gives Greene control of the conven-which meets on Monday. Delegates to the state convention will be elected in favor of Coinel L. A. Watres.

## LEDGER COAL ARTICLE.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press. Philadelphia, March 16,-The Ledger in its coal

article tomorrow will say: "The anthracite coal trade is anticipating an early spring opening of navigation on the lakes, and consequent stimulated movement of coal to that extensive region whose ports have been a long closed up by ice. The collicries have bee one after another gotten into working condition after the storms and floods so that the output in the Schuylkill and Wyoming districts is bein All the coal mined that car be shipped under the restrictions imposed by the car shortage is being readily taken, and the demand is unsatisfied. The large orders about in consequence of retarded deliveries will occupy the dealers a good while to fill, and the scarcity in the steam sizes is unabated. There is, howevof much better conditions in the futur The belief is strong that in a little while the full cutput of the mines will be available, and that labor troubles this spring may be avoided, though here is some unrest in the anthracite fields. The Fubruary shipments were 3,742,253 tons, against 4,123,594 in February, 1901.

#### Regret Mr. White's Retirement. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Herlin, March 16.—With expressions of re-gret the newspapers here print a dispatch from Washington to the effect that Andrew D. White, the American ambamador to Germany, will re-

## FIRE AT BRYN MAWR.

Denbigh Hall, One of the Buildings of the Well Known Female College Is Burned.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press. Philadelphia, March 16.-One of the dormitory buildings of Bryn Mawr colege, an institution for the higher educattion of young ladies, was burned tonight. The college is located at Bryn Mawr, about ten miles from this city The fire was caused by the upsetting President Will Assume Next Place of a lamp in the room of one of the students. It got beyond the control of the local firemen and fire companies were sent from Philadelphia late to-No one was injured. The burned the president.

building was known as Denbigh hall. and had accommodations for seventytwo students. The fire started on the second floor. When the fire was discovered by the young woman in whose partment the lamp was overturned she immediately rang the fire alarm, and started to fight the flames. The alarm aroused all the young women in the building, most of whom were asleep, and when it was seen that the flame were getting beyond their control, they made their exit. Those who occupied the first and second floors managed to save some of their effects, but those occupying the third floor saved nothing. The fire department of Bryn Mawr vas unable to control the flames, and fearing they mig. spread to the group of buildings surrounding Denbigh hall, ent for assistance to this city. Fortunately the fire, by hard work on the part of the Bryn Mawr fire department, was confined to the building in which

Denbigh hall was erected in 1890 at cost of \$190,000. It was an L-shaped stone building, three stories high, and was 150 feet long and 40 feet wide. The loss on the contents of the building is estimated at \$35,000, not including the personal effects of the students.

it originated.

### BELLAMY STORER **WILL NOT RESIGN**

The Minister to Spain Is Surprised to Learn of the Reports That Are in Circulation.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Preas, er. United States minister to Spain, had been put on the case, and that if nothing about it, he said. arrived today on the American line the money was not deposited in the steamer St. Louis, from Southampton, designated place the writer would not Mr. Storer was surprised to learn that a rumor had been circulated that he had been recalled from his post, and sternation in the family. Mrs. Peacock emphatically denied that there was the slightest foundation for such a report.

"I have no idea," said Mr. Storer,

how such a rumor could have been started. I have simply come home on leave of absence for ninety days, because at this time there is no urgency for my presence in Madrid. It is not true that there has been a hitch in the regotiations of the treaty with Spain, and, on the contrary, they have progressed most favorably and there is absolutely no obstacle in view to the successful accomplishment of the treaty. I may say, indeed, that the nost important provisions of the creaty have already been fully agreed upon. So far as the question of the rights of Spanish property owners in Porto Rico is concerned, the governfew members who are dissatisfied ment at Madrid is fully satisfied. The negotiations of the treaty have been omewhat prolonged, not on account of amend it on the floor to meet their in any reluctance on the part of the Spanish government, but merely because every condition, and, I may say, every phrase in the document must first be presented to the council of state for review and approval.

"Owing to the approaching accession of the young king, the late ministry of Sagasta was in effect simply a provisional one, and as the final ratification had to be left to the new ministry, an opportunity was afforded me to apply for a short leave of absence. I expect to return to my post early in June. My relations with the Spanish government and with officials in all lasses have been of the most pleasant character, and on all hands I have been the recipient of the most courcous treatment. I regretted to notice n many of the American papers which I received in Madrid statements to the effect that the young king was physially and mentally unfit to assume the rein of government. That is not true, He has been admirably brought up, by a most devoted mother, and I see no reason why he should not reign with nonor to himself and to his country. He has grown very fast, and is now a tine looking lad. He takes a keen interest in military affairs and shows to great advantage when he appears mounted at review of the troops."

### Prisoner Commits Suicide.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press. Buffalo, March 16.-Remonstral because of crest on the charge of insulting a wor win Douglass, a well educated young English-man, committed anicule in a cell of a police station today. Douglass fastened his necktic to a supply pipe and fied the other end about his neck and lifting his feet clear of the floor strangled himself. His family lives in England.

### Gale at Grand Rapids.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Grand Rapids, Mick., March 16.-A veritable raging in western Michigan tonight the whole take shore is gale swept while the in land towns are feeling the force of the wind The temperature here dropped 36 degrees,

### General Tracy's Illness.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, March 10.-General B. F. Tracy, ex-secretary of the mayy, who was suddenly over come by illness in court resterday, was reported at his hotel tonight to be steadily improving.

### THE NEW PENSION BILL.

Senators and Congressmen Hope to Obtain Relief from the Law.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Prest. Washington, March 16,-Senators and nembers of congress are very much iterested in the fact that the pension appropriation bill soon will become a law, because they hope to obtain from it some relief from the pressure on them to secure private pension legisla-The bill provides a provision making it a criminal offense for attorneys, claim agents or other persons to receive compensation for services rendered in connection with the passage through congress of private pension

They say there are now many times as many bills before congress as possibly can receive attention during the congress, and the number is increasing daily. They recognize that many of the bills represent just claims, but they also feel that claim attorneys have been more active than they were called upon to be. It is also declared that claimants have been imposed on, in many cases, and persuaded to pay money for the introduction of bills, which stand no show of becoming laws. The bill is now in the hands of

### KIDNAPPERS ACTIVE **AT PITTSBURG**

They Threaten to Abduct the Children of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Peacack-Detectives on Case.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, Pittsburg, Pa., March 16.-The Dispatch today publishes the following:

"Repeated threats to abduct his three children, unless a ransom of \$25,000 will be left in a certain spot and a warning that murder would follow the placing of detectives on the case, have caused Alexander R. Pencock, formerly first vice-president and general sales agent of the Carnegie company, to remove his little family temporarily from his Lexington avenue home to the Holland house, New York.

"The case was put in the hands of detectives, and it is said arrests of the guilty parties is now practically cer-

"About two months ago, during his absence from home, a letter was received at the Lexington avenue house, through the mail, addressed to him. Mrs. Peacock opened the envelope, and the letter enclosed was found to be a warning that the three bright little children of the family, aged respectively 14, 10 and 2 years, would be kidnapped unless Mr. Peacock deposited at a certain appointed spot on North Highland avenue \$25,000 in money. The letter was unsigned. Not many days. Mr. Peacock stating that New York, March 16.-Bellamy Stor- was aware of the fact that detectives them. This second letter produced conbecame ill, and thinking it necessary that his wife should have the services of distinguished New York physicians removed her, together with the children, to New York city, where they have resided since.

"Mr. Peacock is one of the most prominent and wealthy business men of Pittsburg. The sensational promithe past two years is believed to have induced the concoction of the scheme to blackmail him."

#### WATRES CAUSES ARRESTS. Charges the Publishers of an Altoona Newspaper with Libel.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, Altoona, Pa., March 16 .- Last night at 10 o'clock, Colonel Watres made au information charging H. and W. H. Slep, publishers of the Altoona Mirror, with criminal libel in publishing an article in which it was asserted that Watres was connected with company stores and was attorney for several coal companies. The warrants were served and the Sleps gave bail for their appearance at court.

The matter published was of a political nature, and was paid for as advertisements, but was used in the news

### GIVERA'S PROCLAMATION. Announces Himself as Successor to

General Lukban. clusive Wire from The Associated Press

Manila, March 16,-Givers, the insurgent lehas issued a proclamation in the island of mar declaring be has succeeded General Lukan, who was captured by the Americans and that consequently all orders now standing in the me of Lukban are vold. Givers also says he has been compelled in cillingly to Issue this proclamation.

### Dock Laborers Satisfied.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. La Rochelle, France, March 16 .- A meeting of ie employers of the striking dock laborers elegates from the strikers tonight resulted in ie acceptance of the demands of the latter. The strikers number 800 men

#### Schley Leaves for Boston. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, March 16 .- Admiral W. S. Schley left here tonight for Hoston, where he is to at tend the celebration incident to the Execution day ceremonics. Congressman Nappon accom-

### Deadly Duel with Winchesters.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Reno, Nev., March 16.-Reese Evans and A. Smith fought a duel with Winchesters at eight feet distance yesterday at Pardy station. Each received injuries from which death

### Bodies of Providence Victims.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press. Vickshurg, Miss., March 16.-The hodice nineteen of the twenty victims of the atem Providence disaster have been recovered from the waters of Lake Paintyra. The body missing is that of Dr. N. A. Lancaster

# **POWDERLY'S** REMOVAL

The Commissionership of Immigration Has Been Offered to Frank P. Sargent.

### IT IS BELIEVED THAT SARGENT WILL ACCEPT

Commissioner Fitchie of New York, and His Assistant, E. F. McSweeney, Also Marked for Decapitation. President Roosevelt's Decision Not to Reappoint Mr. Powderly Is Re-

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, March 16 .-- A Washington special to the Times speaks of the contemplated removal of Mr. Powderly as ollows:

"Terence V. Powderly, commissioner general of immigration, is to go, and Frank P. Sargent, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, is slated to succeed him. President Roosevelt has offered the position to Mr. Sargent, who has it under consideration. Some time ago the president endered Mr. Sargent the position of commissioner of immigration at New York, to succeed Thomas Fitchie, who, as has been stated in the Times, is marked for decapitation.

"It is understood that Mr. Sargent declined that office, but it is believed that he will accept this one. Mr. Sargent was among a number of labor leaders who took lunch with the president several months ago. President McKinley once offered him the position of director of the bureau of engraving and printing, but he declined it.

"Commissioner Fitchie and Assistant Commissioner Edward F. McSweeney will probably retire from office almost immediately after Mr. Sargent's appointment is announced, if, indeed, the innouncements are not made simulaneously. It is reported that Mr. Powderly has not worked in harmony with the higher officials in the treasary department. At any rate, the president's decision not to reappoint him is comparatively recent. At the time when the president decided to let Fitchie go he had no intention of dispensing with the services of Pow-

"Commissioner Fitchie refused vesterday to discuss the report from later a second letter was received by Washington that he is soon to be superseded as the head of the immi tion bureau at this port. He knew

"Assistant Commissioner McSweeney was equally reticent, and said that he steal the children, but would murder likewise knew nothing about his reported removal.

"Frank P. Sargent, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, was born in East Orange, Orange county, Vt., in 1851. Early in life he decided to become a photographer, and prevailed. for some time followed that vocattion, but soon tired of it and emigrated to Arizona. In Arizona he decided to cast his fortune with the regular army, and enlisted in the cavalry branch of ence he gained in industrial events of the service. He served out his full term of enlistment and was granted an nonorable discharge

"From the army Mr. Sargent drifted into railroading and secured a start as wiper in the employ of the Southern Pacific railroad. From this humble and not altogether remunerative position he worked his way up until he reached hat degree of efficiency where hard and conscientious work won for him the position of fireman.

"When the Brotherhood of Locome tive Firemen was organized some thirty years ago, Mr. Sargent immediately identified himself with the organization, and soon became one of the most active workers in it. He was at length made the grand master of the Brotherhood, and afterward became president of the Supreme council of Railway Employes, in which position he had thousands of men under his charge.

"Mr. Sargent has won general recognition from all of the great employers of labor, owing to his opposition to strikes. One of his most notable acts, and one that made him for the time being a national figure, was his refusal in 1891 to indorse the actions of the Knights of Labor in their fight against he New York Central, when he positively declined to order a strike among his followers. Mr. Sargent is a good orator, clear and convincing in argument, and as a citizen is among the most highly esteemed among his home

### MANILA MILITARY POST

General Chaffee Signs an Executory Contract for Purchase of Site on the Pasig River.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, Manila, March 16.-General Chaffee has signed an executory contract for the purchase of a site for an army post at a point seven miles up the

The site is a mile and a quarter wide by two miles and a half long. It is bounded on one side by the Pasig river and on the other by the Laguna de Bay. It is on high ground and overlooking Manila. Building on this site will commence as soon as the purchase has been approved by congress.

#### Valparaiso Arsenal Burned. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press,

Santiago de Chili, March 16.-A section of the been destroyed by fire. The loss is placed at \$1,000,000.

### Steamship Arrivals.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, March 15 .- Arrived: Phoenicia Hamburg and Boulogne Sur Mer: La Gascogne Havre; St. Louis, Southampton and Cherbourg.

### MILES' PLAN REJECTED.

President and Secretary Root Believe That the War in Philippines Is Ended.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, Washington, March 16,-The Post tomorrow

"Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, of the army, made a specific request to the war department to be sent to the Philippines, and in connection therewith, submitted a plan by which, n his opinion, the war could be brought to an end without further loss of life to either side. He proposed to employ similar methods to those used by him so successfully in his Indian cam-

Secretary Root, after due consideration, denied General Miles' request and disapproved the plan submitted. The papers, so indorsed by the secretary were sent to the white house, and the president subsequently concurred in the secre-tary's action. The final indersement, disposing of the matter is said to bear date. March 5,

In effect President Roosevelt and Secretary Root hold that the war is already at an end, or virtually so and that the adoption of General Miles' plan, involving a change of police in dealing with the inhabitants of the archipelago, would be unfair to those officials, military and civil, whose work has brought about almost

### BLIZZARDS SWEEP THE NORTHWEST

The Worst Snow Storm in Many Years in Dakota and the Canadian Northwest.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press St. Paul, March 16.-North Dakota and the Canadian northwest has experienced the worst snow storm in many years, and railway traffic is practically paralyzed. The Northern Pacific and Great Northern have not moved a wheel for nearly thirty-six hours in the blizzard-stricken districts, and have abandoned all efforts to do so until the fury of the storm shall abate. The high wind has piled the snow in mountainous drifts and packed it in solid masses, many deep cuts being entirely filled.

The temperature has been gradually falling, and is now at or below the zero mark. Not a trans-continental train has arrived at St. Paul since Friday, and none is expected for several days. Reports received at the general offices onight indicate that the gale has somewhat subsided, but that the snow still continues to fall.

The branch of the Great Northern running to Winnipeg is also tied up. No trains have been started northward since Friday night, and those that were aught out on the road by the storm have been held at the station near the

Winnipeg is reported entirely cut off outside world. The Canadian Pacific rans-continental trains are snowbound somewhere west of there, and no prospects of relief is yet in sight.

### Storm at Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., March 16.-Between 1 o'clock this evening and 10 o'clock tonight, the temperature here dropped 16 degrees, registering 26 above zero at the latter hour. High wind and flurries of snow accompanied the sudden fall, which was general throughout the state. In the extreme southwestern part of the state, a veritable blizzard

# WAR IN COLOMBIA.

Approaches to Colon Are Guarded by Detachments of Troops-Provisions Becoming Scarce.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Colon, Columbia, March 16.-All the approaches to Colon are now guarded by small detachments of troops. The full quota of members that will go to government is throwing up embank- make up the entire regiment. Several forty members of the Cape police alnents at certain advantageous points of the societies already organized will in the centre of the town and from 200 form additional companies, while to 300 troops are kept moving up and others will recruit their companies to down the radiroad line. These are nec- the limit. essary precautions to avoid an insuegent surprise and attack similar to the ne of last November.

cate with the neighboring coast towns, bring the full membership up to six Panama is receiving its supply of beef | hundred or more. from Carthagen by way of Colon.

### Fire in Jute Factory.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, New York, March 16. The jute storage ware ouse in the Greenpoint section of Brooklyn, he American Manufacturing company, w burned today. It contained 17,000 bales of jut The building was a wooden one and the in-mated loss of \$60,000 was chiefly to the co tents. Spontaneous combusion is given as

### DEATHS OF A DAY.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Woosier, O., March 16.—Judge Martin Welker, retired judge of the United States district ourt, a member of the Thirty-minth, Portleth and Forty-first congresses, lieutenant governor Ohio during the administration of Salmon Chase and a former judge of common pleas i Wayne county, died at his home here yesterday He was 83 years of age.

Cleveland, March 16 .- Mother Saint Gabriel hose home in early life was in Philadelphia died at the Ursuline Academy last night, aged 7 years. She had been a member of the Ursulin rder for forty-five years and had spent me of her career in teligion as a teacher in Roman Catholic parochial actoods of this city. New York, March 16.-Dr. George William Wa ren, professor of tensic at Colombia university. Hed of apopleSy today. Dr. Warren was been n Albany, N. Y., in 1828, and received bi-nusleal education at Racine (Wisconsin) cell-ge-He was a composer of sacred music and his se ces and anthems are widely known. Kansay City, Mo., March 16.--Major Blake M

foodson, a member of the legislature for even years, prominent as a soldier in the Confeder ate army and one of the leading criminal lawyer of Kansas City, died today of apoplexy, aged to

New York, March 16,-Hugh O'Neill, the retail dry goods merchant, died tomay at his residence in this city. Mr. O'Nelll was a marive of Befast, Ireland, and was 50 years old at the time of New York, March 16.-Cornelius Vandechitt

eldest grandson of the late Commodor Cross, edies gramson of the late Communicative Vanderbilt, died today at his residence in this city. He was 85 years old and was for many years eastern agent of the "Red Line" freight transportation. He retired about twenty years

# METHUEN'S TROOPS FOUGHT BRAVELY

### BURGLARS AT WORK.

Three Residences and Two Hotels in Minooka Broken Into-One Family Probably Chloroformed.

Minooka was visited by a burglar or gang of burglars Eriday night last who broke into three residences and two hotels, but who failed to secur plunder of any very great value.

The places broken into were as folows: Churles Delmuth's hotel, Chrisopher Barber's hotel, Michael Gibbon's residence, Michael Henry's residence and Peter Mullen's residence. It is believed that Mr. Gibbons and his six children were chloroformed by the housebreakers, as every one in the family complained of feeling dizzy and sick in the morning when they awoke The house had been ransacked from top to bottom. Two gold watches and considerable quantity of clothing were found to be missing.

Christopher Barber's hotel, on Mair street, was entered by prying open a bay window. The cash register was broken open and \$7 in money was taken. A toy bank, containing \$6, was also opened.

Nothing of value was taken from Michael Henry's residence, but the place was thoroughly ransacked. A window in the rear of Peter Mullen's house was found pried open, but there was nothing to show that it had been entered. It is believed that the burglars were scared away while just about to enter this place.

The cash register in Charles Delmuth's hotel was taken outside, behind a barn, and was smashed open. The small amount of money which it contained was taken.

It is believed that four strange men ho were seen about Minooka on Friday, and who were supposed at first to have been detectives investigating he burning of the street cars, are the guilty persons. The local police have been asked to assist in locating them.

### REGIMENT HAS BEEN FORMALLY ORGANIZED

from railroad communication with the J. F. Phillips, of Wilkes-Barre, Elected Colonel and Walter McNicholls, of West Scranton, Major.

> ies, whose members form the nucleus of the proposed First regiment of the atholic Total Abstinence union of America, met in St. Leo's hall, West Scranton, yesterday afternoon to further the plans under consideration.

Reports were received from the following societies already organized: St. Paul's Pioneer corps, West Scranton, members: Father Whitty society. North Scranton, 42 members, with two more companies forming; St. Leo's Battalion, West Scranton, 30 members; St. Aloysius society, South Scranton, 31 members: St. John's society, Minooka, 35 members; Young Men's Drill order. Wilkes-Barre, 50 members; St Aloysius society, Plains, 42 members; Father Mathew society, Plymouth, 50 members: Young Men's Drill Order quarters they could not be distin-

adets, Wilkes-Barre, 45 members. This makes a total membership of 275 already, but does not represent the

In addition to the nine companies already organized, there will be comformed in the Knights of Beef, provisions, vegetables, etc., are Father Mathew, Carbondale; St. John's becoming scarce in Panama, as small society. Pine Brook, and the St. Aloyboats are no longer able to communi- sius society, of Kingston. This will

The question of admitting the St. John's society, of South Scranton, was discussed, but inasmuch as they are not now identified with the Scranton Diocesan union, it was deemed advisable to defer action until they make formal and official application for

membership. The meeting was presided over by Major Phillips, of Wilkes-Barre, and Thomas Early, of West Scranton, acted as secretary. After the business of the meeting was concluded, the delegates adjourned sine die.

Before adjournment, a motion was unanimously passed that all companies whose members comprise the regiment must be members of the societies identifid with the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America.

The line officers present from the various societies represented then convened and elected the following regimental officers for the coming year: Colonel, J. F. Phillips, of Wilkes-Barre; major, Walter McNicholls, of West Scranton: chaplain, Rev. J. V. Movian, of North Scranton; surgeon,

Dr. W. J. I., Davis, of West Scranton. A committee was appinted to look up suitable location for holding the first annual encampment. The matter of uniforms was also discussed and acted

### An Edict Against Insults.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Pekin, March 16. Because a Columnum the he secretary of the Italian legation here, while she was passing in the street, the dowager em-press has issued an edict sternly admonishing th Chinese against insulting foreigners

### Tommy Hall in Training.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, March 16,-Tommy Hall, the English champion cyclist who under the manage-ment of James C. Kennedy will endeavor to lower the mator paned record made by Jimmy Michael, the Welsh champion, left this city today for his training quarters at Washington, D. C.

Lord Kitchener Sends Additional Intelligence Gongerning the Recent Engagement.

### SURPRISED AT DAWN AND OVERWHELMED

Lieutenant Neasham Refused to Surrender and Was Killed-Lord Methuen Yields After His Supply of Ammunition Had Been Exhausted-The Boers Were Disguised in Khaki Uniforms and Even Wore British Badges.

ly Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, March 16.-The war office has received the following from Lord

Kitchener at Pretoria: "Lord Methuen has sent me a staff officer with a dictated dispatch, from which it appears that certain particulars previously given are inaccurate. The rear screen of mounted troops was cushed and overwhelmed at dawn, There was a gap of a mile between the ox and the mule convoys. The nounted supports to the rear of the screen, with General Metheun immeditely reinforced by all the available nounted troops and a section of the Thirty-eighth battery, maintained themselves for an hour, during which the convoys were closing up without

"In the meantime, 200 infantry were being disposed by Lord Metheun to resist the Boer attack, which was outfianking the left of the rear guard. The Boers pressed that attack hard and the mounted troops, attempting to fall back on the infantry, got completely out of hand, carrying away with them in the rout, the bulk of the mounted troops. Two guns of the Thirty-eighth battery were thus left unprotected, but were in action until every man, with the exception of Lieutenant Neasham, was hurt. Neasham refused to surren-

er and was killed. "Lord Methuen with 200 of the Northerland fusiliers and two guns of the Fourth battery, then found himself isolated but held on for three hours. During this period the remaining infan-Delegations representing nine socie- try, namely 100 of the Lancashires, with some forty mounted men, mostly cape police, who had occupied the kraal near the wagons, also continued to hold out against the repeated attacks

of the Boers' "By this time, Lord Methuen was younded and the casualties were exeedingly heavy amongst his men. Their ammunition was mostly expended, and the surrender was made at about half past nine in the morning

"The party in the kraal still held out

and did not give in until two guns and pompom were brought to bear upon them at about 40 o'clock, making their position untenable. "It is confirmed that most of the Boers were our khaki uniforms. Many also were our badges. Even at close

guished from our own men. "It is clear the infantry fought well and the artillery kept up the traditions of their regiment. In addition to the ready mentiond, a few parties of imperial yeomanry and Cape police continued to hold their ground after the panic had swept the bulk of the mounted troops off the field."

### CHARLES ROLLO SURRENDERS. Batavia Wife Murderer Unable to

Longer Dodge the Police. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Findley, O., March 16.—Charles Rollo, a sus pect arrested by the police yesterday has made a confession to Chief of Police Ramsey in which he stated that he was until a year ago a matter gardener in Batavia, N. Y., and that in a quar el with his wife last August he had struck her blow that had caused her death. For months he has fied from the police and as been dodging about the country. The strain a too much, he says, and he is willing to suffer

### MISS STONE GRATIFIED.

apse and is being held for developments,

Surprised at the Universal Manifestation of Joy at Her Release.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Salonica, March 16.-- A representative here of o Associated Press has received a letter from Miss Stone, the American missionary, in which she expresses her surprise and gratitude at the universal manifestations of joy at the release of self and Mure. Tailka. Miss Stone also conveys her heartfelt thanks t

#### I those who by their labor, their money helr prayers co-operated to the release of heself and companion.

Cold Wave at Kalamazoo. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Kalamagoo, Mich., March 16 .- Within the past ature of nearly 40 degrees. A gale is blowing

#### Michigan. Cecil Rhodes Weaker. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Cape Town, March 16.-Ceell Bludes took some

mantishment during last night, but was decid-edly weaker this morning. At 4 o'clock this afon his condition was unchanged. .

### WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Murch 16.--Forecast for Monday and Tuesday: Eastern Pennsyl day fair, colder with a cold wave in north portion, fresh to brisk south winds shift

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