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DEATH IN TROLLEY CAR. Nine High School Pupils Killed at Newark, N. J. Trade Review—Steamer Sunk in River Department of Commerce—Beel Trust Declared Illegal—Explosion in Fort Lafayette—Docks and Terminals at Buffalo. A fast express on the Lackawanna railroad cut through a trolley car crowded with school children at the Clifton avenue crossing in Newark, N. J., Thursday.

Government Beaten. United States Suit Against the Northern Pacific Dismissed. For Violating Act of Congress in Not Carrying Commercial Messages Over Its Wires—Judge Amidon Finds That the Company Has Done So Since Passage of Act. St. Paul, Feb. 21.—Judge Amidon of the United States circuit court dismissed the suit brought by the United States against the Northern Pacific Railroad company, the Northwestern Telegraph company, the Western Union Telegraph company and the Northern Pacific Railway company. The suit involved a question of the Northern Pacific violating that portion of its charter dealing with the commercial use of its telegraph lines.

DR. DUNCAN ACQUITTED. Louisville Physician Who Shot Brust Head is Free. Pittsburgh, Feb. 23.—The jury in the case of Dr. Duncan, charged with shooting Brust Head on account of alleged improper relations with Mrs. Duncan, brought in a verdict not guilty at 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning. The jury reached its verdict early Friday night, but it was not presented to the judge until the morning.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS. Pointed Paragraphs Chronicling the Week's Doings. Long Dispatches From Various Parts of the World Shorn of Their Padding and Only Facts Given in as Few Words as Possible For the Benefit of the Hurried Reader. Over 700 Cornell students have returned to their homes owing to the epidemic of typhoid fever. The senate committee on judiciary voted to report a more drastic anti-trust bill than congress has passed, but its passage is extremely doubtful.

MR. FRANCIS IN 'LONDON'. Brilliant Assemblage at Meeting of the American Society. London, Feb. 24.—The dinner given last night by the American Society in honor of Washington's birthday was the occasion for a brilliant assemblage the chief feature of which was the welcome given to D. R. Francis, formerly United States secretary of the interior and now president of the Louisiana Purchase exposition, and the wish of success to the exposition expressed by the speakers. The Duke of Devonshire and Lord Londonderry, members of the cabinet, officially voiced the good will of the British government, while such representative Britishers as the lord mayor of London and Bristol, the lord provost of Glasgow, Lord Strathcona and Lord Rothchild, and the following members of the house of commons: Sir Charles Dike, J. H. Dalzel, Sir Thomas Dewar, Sir Joseph Lawrence, Ebenezer Parkes, Sir Gilbert Parker and Joseph Walton, all gave expression to their hearty wishes.

Among the well known Americans present were Ambassador Choate, Consul General Henry Clay Bruns, Stanford Newell, minister to the Netherlands; John Barrett, T. W. Criddle, Lord Fairfax, Marshall Halstead, Col. Lundshier, Halsey C. Ives of the St. Louis expedition, Captain Piper, deputy police commissioner of New York; all the United States embassy staff and many foreign representatives of the St. Louis exposition. Signor Marconi was also present and received an attention scarcely second to that paid to the president of the St. Louis exposition.